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# Friends of the Job Lane House, Inc.

## B R O A D S I D E

### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Our Annual Meeting was well attended; reports were accepted and officers readily elected. While the House is not yet open, Lee Yates baffled the hawk with a Kite-making Day on April 16th; and several of us marched to the drums of the Bedford Minuteman Company in the recent parades. Welcome, Spring! – Sharon McDonald  
(781-275-5643)

President - Sharon McDonald

Vice President - Carol Hand

Directors: Judy Barber, Chair; Angelo Colao, Don Corey, Ralph Hammond, Art Smith, Julia Whiteneck; Lee Yates, Historical Preservation Commission Liaison

Treasurer - Pat Leiby

Secretary –Open

### **A HEARTY THANKS**

Many thanks to Rick Manley, retiring after 12 years as Treasurer! A yeoman effort greatly appreciated!

### **CALENDAR**

**April 30, 9 – 3:** Spring Cleaning Day  
(Rubber gloves optional!)

**May 8, 2 – 4 pm:** Mother's Day Open House (join us for a cup of tea!)

**May 14, 10 – 3:** Visit our booth at the First Parish Plant Fair on the Common

**May 22, 2 – 4 pm:** Open House, and the long-awaited Quilt Raffle drawing

**May 30, 9 – 12:** Almost two hundred Lane School 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades arrive for their annual tour!

**June 12, 2 – 4 pm:** Open House and Special Family Program: Colonial Music in the barn with Sharon McDonald!

**June 26, 2 – 4 pm:** Open House

### **QUILT RAFFLE TICKETS ENCLOSED!**

Pat Pellegrini has donated a beautiful hand-made quilt that we will raffle on May 22nd. You can help! With this newsletter, you'll find 6 raffle tickets, priced at \$1 each or 6/\$5. If you are willing, sell them and have the buyer write his/her name and phone number on each ticket. Then mail the halves with the names along with the money you've collected to the attention of Pat Pellegrini, The Friends of Job Lane, PO Box 720, Bedford MA 01730, in time for the drawing. (If you are not able to sell the tickets, simply tear them up and throw them away. No guilt!) Questions? Email Pat at info@joblanehouse.org

## **A FRIEND INDEED**

We are grateful to Dutton descendant Karen Peterson for the generous donation she made recently to the Friends of the Job Lane House.

## **A SAD LOSS**

Bedford's flags flew at half-mast this month to mark the death of Alan Maier, longtime member of the Friends, active in town government, and ever a warm and smiling presence who will be greatly missed.

## **NEW SECRETARY NEEDED**

You'll notice on the masthead that the office of secretary is open. Pat Pellegrini, who has been our secretary for the past two years, kindly agreed to continue just until a new secretary can be found. The job includes taking the minutes at Executive meetings (half a dozen a year) and writing a summation of the Friends' activities for the Annual Meeting in March. If you think this might be YOU

and want to know more, call Sharon McDonald at her home, 781-275-5643.

## **SPRING CLEANING SAT., APRIL 30th**

It's fun to house clean when it isn't YOUR house! If you live within dusting distance, join our merry band on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, any time between 9:00 and 3:00. There are lots of tasks to choose from: we'll unwrap the furniture – man the colonial vacuum cleaner - put up the bed canopy! Please RSVP so we'll know what time you're coming and have enough coffee on hand to revive you midway.

## **FIND US ON THE WEB**

Got questions about Job Lane history, calendar, rentals? Visit our new web page (new address! [joblanehouse.org](http://joblanehouse.org)). Lee Yates, publicity chair, keeps news, photos and info up to date. About forty people a week visit us on Facebook as well. Keep in touch!



Two pleasures in one event: First, decorating the kite, then watching it fly (Photos by Sharon McDonald)