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Society to meet March 24

The Hooksett Historical Society's next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 24, 2011 at the Hooksett Public Library. The program will be On New Hampshire During the 60's.

This presentation provides an overview of some of the major news-making events in New Hampshire in the 1960's including when members of the Chicago 7 came to Durham and caused a campus strike in the days following Kent State, and on the motorcycle riots at Hampton Beach and the emergence of biker culture in New Hampshire. The speaker is Jill Silos-Rooney who is a lecturer on Modern American History at the University of New Hampshire. She has won numerous awards and is an accomplished public speaker. In 2009, she was the invited guest speaker at the 2009 New Hampshire Democratic Party Annual Franklin Delano Roosevelt Dinner, at which she spoke on "Franklin Delano Roosevelt and Barack Obama: Historical Comparisons of the Elections of 1932 and 2008." This program was made possible by the University of New Hampshire Speakers' Bureau. Program begins at 630pm.

Town Hall Displays

Visit Town Hall this March and view historic displays on Hooksett Celebrations, Old Businesses and Schools of Hooksett.

Society Sends Support

The Historical Society has lent it's support for the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP).

The intent of the program is to conserve and preserve this state's most important natural, cultural, and historical resources of local, regional, and statewide significance. It works in partnership with municipalities and the private sector for the primary purposes of protecting and ensuring the perpetual contribution these resources provide to the state's economy, environment, and overall quality of life. Both Robie's Country Store Historic Preservation Corp. (a private non-profit) and the Conservation Commission were granted funds essential to their local projects

JOIN THE SOCIETY

Recent acquisitions - we have been able to obtain the following items advertisements from Duracrete Block Company and The Farm Kitchen. A post card from Paul's Cabins

This is the advertisement from the Duracrete Block Company



Duracrete donated the second Town Library



The Hooksett Restaurant was located north of Manchester and remained a Howard Johnson's until the middle 1980s. During the boom years after WW II, it was owned by Mrs. Amy Kling and managed by Howard Pomeroy. Later the unit is believed to have become Company owned and received a modest 1960s style makeover as evidenced by the exterior decorative concrete block and trellis treatments.

The Hooksett store was opened in about 1938, located at the intersection of Route 3 (Daniel Webster Highway) and Route 28 just north of Manchester. As a major intersection along New Hampshire's central artery, this crossroads connected central New Hampshire with southeastern New Hampshire and northeastern Massachusetts. In the mid-1930s, this area was developing quickly as motorists from southern New England traveled north to vacation in the Lakes Region and White Mountains. This intersection was a natural stopping point for motorists, giving them a chance to stretch, shop, and enjoy a bite to eat along the way. The end result was a high-traffic restaurant location for HJ. Situated in front of the then-operating Hooksett Tow ski area, the Hooksett store was clearly a busy spot year-round.

*Info provided by Nate Coggeshall-Beyea
who has extensively studied and
documented the history and development of
Howard Johnson's in New Hampshire.*

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