

## CHICHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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## **NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2019**

# November 11 Veteran's Day

The Chichester Historical Society is proud to present a special program on *Monday, November 11 at 7:00PM* at the museum entitled "Ruptured Ducks (WWII Veterans). Mark Stevens will present a program featuring recollections and stories from WWII veterans. If you don't know what a "Ruptured Duck" is you are probably not alone. Mark promises to reveal what the term means, tell some fascinating stories and show some very interesting photos. If you haven't been to the museum, it is located at 49 Main Street (across from the Grange Hall) in downtown Chichester. The program is free to all and we'll have refreshments and plenty of free parking. Plan to join us for a fun and thoughtful evening as we honor our veterans. The next time you see a military service person or veteran "Thank you for your service" will let them know you appreciate their service to our country.

This is the refrain from the official US Army Song which is played at the conclusion of every Army ceremony.

Then it's hi! hi! hey!
The Army's on its way.
Count off the cadence loud and strong;
For where'er we go,
You will always know
That The Army Goes Rolling Along.

#### IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN

If you haven't noticed, election time is rapidly approaching. The Chichester Historical Society will hold its election of officers for 2020 at its' meeting on November 11. Also, we will have a very brief business meeting. We wish to consider eliminating the requirement in our by-laws to have a quorum of 5 members present to conduct business. We are always looking for new members and volunteers. We have many small jobs that need to be done and some can be done in your home. Donate as much or as little time as you wish and choose what you would like to do. We meet every Tuesday from 9AM till noon and have a "work session" most Fridays. Let us know if you have some time to spare.

#### MAKE ME A SANDWICH

We have many unique and strange items donated to the museum. We recently received this Marshmellow fluff tin can. In case you have forgotten how to make a Marshmallow and Peanut Butter sandwich the instructions are on the can (plus some nutritional info). Yum Yum



### **Programs for 2020**

We are still in the process of finalizing our programs and projects for 2020. One of the programs we are considering is the annual picnic at Thunder Bridge. It has become a tradition in recent years for friends and members of the Chichester Historical Society to meet at this historic bridge, eat a picnic lunch and enjoy a relaxing evening. We are planning an evening in May to enjoy a program on New Hampshire Agriculture as told by barns. These structures are slowly disappearing. You may recall the society did a project in which we documented the barns in Chichester which were over 75 years old. Some of these have already disappeared. One of our most popular programs last year was the program of dramatic readings from diaries written in the early 1900's and read by Gloria Beachy and Brenda Boswak. It was fun to hear about the daily goings on in Chichester written by Chichester residents at the time. Another popular program we did several years ago was a "show and tell". Items were brought in and we were challenged to identity them and learn how they were used. Do you have an item that might "stump the audience"? Bring it in and tell us about it. In addition to scheduled programs we look forward to working with the Heritage Commission on the Greenspace and encouraging the town in its' efforts to carry out some of the suggestions made by the Charrette report. We continue to review new projects and to expand our collection of artifacts and documents. Once our program is finalized you will receive a copy.



HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON

Since this will be the last newsletter in 2019, the Chichester Historical Society wishes everyone a happy, healthy and prosperous Holiday Season. We have many plans and programs in the works for 2020. Visit the museum often. Our displays are always changing.