

CHITTENDEN HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

Events at the Grange Hall!

Annually, the Chittenden Historical Society hosts an October potluck supper for members and a Vermont Humanities speaker program. This year on October 8 we were treated to Don Wickman's well-given slide presentation and history of George Houghton, Civil War photographer from Brattleboro.

This event was eagerly anticipated for an additional reason. The presentation, open to the public and free of charge, was the inaugural event at the newly refurbished lower level of the North Chittenden Grange Hall. Restoration of the Grange Hall, which began in 1995, has become the focus of the Historic Buildings Restoration Committee since 2000. These renovations were helped by grants from The Windham Foundation and the Vermont Community Foundation.

On Thursday, October 29 at 7 pm, the Chittenden Planning Commission will hold a public forum to review the new town plan at the Grange Hall. This will give people another opportunity to see the new interior of the building and to attend an event on the north side of town.

In the very near future the lower level, which includes a complete catering kitchen and is handicapped accessible, will be offered for use by the public and may be rented for special events, such as bridal showers, birthday parties, meetings, classes and catered dinners.

The society next meets on Thursday, November 12, at Town Hall for election of officers.



The October Chittenden Historical Society meeting in the Grange Hall