

Candia Heritage Commission 2010 Annual Report

The Candia Heritage Commission, appointed by the selectmen, provides for the proper recognition, use and protection of Candia's historic and cultural resources.

During 2010, the Commission:

1. Installed National Registry of Historic Places plaque on the Smyth Memorial Building.
2. Submitted application for a State of NH Historic marker for East Candia. The application was accepted, but there will be a two-year wait for installation.
3. Worked on walking tour map and brochure for the industrial/cultural heritage of East Candia.
4. Discussed signage for the site of the Smyth Schoolhouse that was removed from North Road and reassembled at Sturbridge Village Museum in Sturbridge, Mass. Installation planned for 2011.
5. Organized spring town-wide cleanup. NH Beautiful awarded the town 400 daffodil bulbs for the accomplishment. The Candia Garden Club planted the bulbs.
6. Participated with the Semiquincentennial committee in the planning of the 2013 celebration.
7. Monitored barn preservation easements.
8. Participated in Moore School Agricultural Day.
9. Participated in Moore School 4th grade Candia History project. Conducted a bus tour of the villages of Candia in September.
10. Participated in Lights on the Hill. Opened the Smyth Building for public enjoyment.
11. Initiated the process to develop a plan for the renovation of the Smyth Building for town use. At the request of the Commission, the Selectmen authorized a septic design. Met with the field representative from the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance.

The Commission meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at the town office building. Anyone interested in the rich historic and cultural heritage of our town is welcomed to attend.

Members: Diane Philbrick, chair; Betty Sabeau, vice-chair; Ron Thomas, secretary; Carleton Robie, selectmen's representative; Christine Dupere; Ray Cresswell; Ken Madden; Sarah Giles, alternate; Carol Howe, alternate.