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David Hubbard (1927-2013)

It is with a heavy heart that we announce the passing of our good friend and long time member David Hubbard. A partial quote from his obituary reads " He was a Life Member of the Abbot-Downing Historical Society, (formerly the Concord Coach Society). His love of wagons and stagecoaches was well known, and for many years he was a guide at the Society's display barn at the Hopkinton Fair Grounds. He restored a number of wagons in his lifetime; one of them is still in use today, nearly 40 years after he completed the restoration. No matter what his "day job" was, he was never happier than when he was home at his small corner of the world on Hubbard Farm. " His devotion to the Society was extreme and he gave much of his time and talents. The memorial display in front of the Barn/Museum was one of his personal projects and he always made sure that it looked its best for the Hopkinton Fair. The miniature coach that was originally made for his grandson (now a teenager) was ever popular with the smaller children who could have their picture taken riding in or on it. His support in recent years gave inspiration to the rest of the members and helped to make the organization grow and prosper. Dave will be greatly missed, but his memory will live on.

A celebration of Dave's life will be held on December 1st, beginning at 1:00 PM at the American Legion Hall located at 538 West Main Street in Hillsboro. Please join the family and friends in remembering Dave at this time.

December Meeting

The December meeting and Christmas Party will be held on Sunday December 8th in The Great Room at Havenwood on Christian Avenue in Concord from 1:00 PM until 4:00 PM. We will have a pot luck meal. We won't be doing the "Yankee Swap" but there will be lots of door prizes so you may bring something for that activity.

The Coaches

Brain and Dottie have found a secure location in Concrd to store the coaches for the winter. It is a masonry construction space and equipped with sprinklers and has controlled access. The new cover for the Dartmouth coach is finished and will be installed as soon as we move the coaches to this location.

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Some photographs taken August 23, 2009, at the Franklin Pearce Homestead in Hillsboro

