Making their mark

Belmont Heritage Commission adds local historic places to My NH online map

BELMONT — Nine local landmarks are now part of “My NH,” an online map created by the New Hampshire Division of Historic Resources. Featuring images of historic buildings, structures, downtowns, historic or rural landscapes, and archaeological sites, the map has had 4,000 views since May 2015.

The Belmont Mill, Village Bandstand, Public Library and Province Road Meeting House — all listed on either the New Hampshire State Historical Register of Historic Places, or the National Register of Historic Places between 1985 and 2016 — are featured with photographs.

The Gale School, Sergeant Veterans Memorial and Penstock Park are also included, along with New Hampshire Historical Highway sign markers telling the 1990s story of “Saving the Belmont Mill” and the 90-acre Lochmere Archaeological District, named a National Register of Historic Places District in 1982.

The site may be viewed at www.nhhrs.maps.arcgis.com/. Choose Map, and then My New Hampshire.

The Heritage Commission project had editorial assistance from Linda Frawley, research by Town Historian Wallace Rhodes, and photographs from Shayne Duggan and Vicki Donovan, among others. Architectural historian Mae Williams of Center Harbor further aided the effort.

Local historic sites were also a theme of the 2016 Heritage Commission update for the Town Report, and also marked the 50th year milestone of the National Historic Preservation Act.