In the Spotlight...



Our Mission — The Great Barrington Historical Society is dedicated to collecting, preserving, and promoting the history and culture of Great Barrington for the benefit of its residents and visitors. Through its programs, archives, and collaborations, the Society seeks to advance an appreciation of historical events and residents who played major roles in national, international and town history.

Our Background – The Historical Society was founded in 1977 as a 501 (c)(3) not-for-profit organization. In 2007, the Society purchased the Truman Wheeler Farmstead; saving one of the oldest surviving houses in Great Barrington from demolition. In 2011, the Farmstead was placed on the National Register of Historic Places and serves as the Historical Society Town Museum and Educational Research Center.

In 2017, the Historical Society received a proclamation from the town Selectboard honoring it for 40 years of effort to preserve and protect the town's historical heritage.

Our Blueprint for Success – Residents and visitors are able to enjoy and participate in the restoration of the Wheeler Farmstead, visit the rotating exhibits at the Historical Society Museum and attend the many programs and events organized by the Society.

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