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Thursday, May 14, 2015
The Historic Preservation Awards Program

This evening the Manchester Historic Association celebrates the presentation of the 23rd Annual Historic Preservation Awards. Since 1993, the Association has recognized and supported the efforts of individuals, businesses and organizations who have made significant contributions to the preservation of buildings, neighborhoods, traditions and other historic resources in our city.

Proceeds from the Historic Preservation Awards Cocktail Reception and Awards Ceremony benefit the programs of the Manchester Historic Association, a charitable nonprofit organization.

The Association operates the Millyard Museum at 200 Bedford Street in Manchester, New Hampshire, at the corner of Commercial and Pleasant streets in the historic Amoskeag Millyard. Museum hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The organization’s Research Center is located at 129 Amherst Street in downtown Manchester, in the Victory Park Historic District. Research Center hours are Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and by appointment.

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Fritz Wetherbee, WMUR-TV’s Chronicle

Keynote speaker Fritz Wetherbee is a veteran of New Hampshire’s airwaves. The Acworth resident has been a regular on WMUR’s New Hampshire Chronicle since 2001. One of his segments earned an award from the National Trust for Historic Preservation in 2011. Wetherbee also earned a NH Historic Preservation Award in 1993. Wetherbee has worked in radio and television throughout New Hampshire and Massachusetts since 1969 and has been nominated for New England Emmy Awards more than a dozen times, winning five. Wetherbee has also published eight books of collections of stories he has written for Chronicle. He has received honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degrees from Rivier College (2009) and New England College (2013). He has also received Granite State Awards from both Plymouth State University (2009) and the University of New Hampshire (2013).
Ed Brouder, Master of Ceremonies
Ed Brouder is a Connecticut native who has lived in New Hampshire since 1974. He is a former broadcaster whose voice is familiar to any long-time Manchester native. He worked for WGIR Radio from 1975-1985 and was news editor for WZID/WFEA/WMLL for 17 years. His radio work has been recognized with numerous awards. Ed is an enthusiastic local historian. He is the author of *Granite and Ether: A Chronicle of New Hampshire Broadcasting*, and co-author of *Manchester’s Airport: Flying Through Time*. He is on the faculties of Mount Washington College and Nashua Community College, and is also a Trustee of the Manchester Historic Association.

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6:15 p.m. – Dessert & Awards Presentation

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Manchester Water Works
For maintaining the city water supply and stewardship of the Massabesic watershed
NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT AWARD
Craig R. St. Pierre
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• Its collections include over 600,000 objects and documents related to local history and includes the engineering, photographic and employee records of the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company, once one of the largest producers of textiles in the world.

• The Research Center filled many research requests for patrons all across the United States and from as far away as Ireland, England, and Australia.

• The Manchester Historic Association is the repository for more than 100,000 negatives of images taken by the Union Leader newspaper between 1957 and 1971.

• In 2014, the Millyard Museum served over 1,000 school aged children which included public, private and home school groups as well as scout groups and social service agencies. Students included those from Manchester as well as Salem, Plaistow, Warren, Jaffrey, Bradford, Waterville Valley, Windham, Holderness, Merrimack, and New Boston. We also had out of state visits from Massachusetts students as well as exchange students from Germany, giving our programs a truly global reach!

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