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### MISSION

A purpose of collecting and preserving material pertinent to the history of Great Barrington. Its objectives are to provide an organization for people interested in learning about, recording, preserving, and disseminating the history of the community.

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### HUMANITIES EXPERTISE

The society manages an archival collection of over 50,000 artifacts of the Town's history, including paintings, prints, photographs, negatives, postcards, advertising, and many other types of artifacts too numerous to mention. The collection is currently stored in space provided at the Ramsdell Library in Housatonic. As fundraising and renovations allow, the Historical Society plans to move the collection to the Town Museum and Archive Education Center at the Wheeler Farmstead, where it can be accessed, displayed and interpreted.

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### CONTACT

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## HUMANITIES RESOURCES & PROJECTS

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### PROGRAM

- [Open Museum](#) available for the public to explore.
- **Leaf Peeper Fall festival:** Just like the falling leaves, they're looking for an eclectic mix of vendors in antiques, flea market finds, crafts, foods, jams, jellies and spices.
- **Businesses gone but not forgotten – program & exhibit:** While these businesses may be gone from Great Barrington, they live on in memories. All merchants who owned an establishment in Great Barrington or Housatonic at one time are invited to come in and share their stories. Admission is free and the event is open to the public.

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### EVENTS

- The society hosts frequent programs open to the community featuring local historians and special guest speakers
- Events are updated [online](#)

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### RESOURCES & EXISTING COLLABORATIONS

- As a non-profit, GBHS depends entirely on the financial support of its donors to carry out its mission.
- [Join the team](#) in uncovering more about the area