



JERICO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Progress was made in 2025 on the riverbank project, with ECI finally able to break up and move/remove the last large boulder from the river channel. JHS is working with Engineering Ventures, PC and Brierly Associates on the plans for the next phase, which is to stabilize and support the structure so that the stonework can be repaired.

As the eventual work will be substantial and will involve significant funding from a variety of sources, we continue to work closely with Preservation Trust of Vermont and have started to have conversations about pre-development planning money. While this will be a lengthy process, the work is essential in our mission of preserving our historic Old Red Mill.

The JHS Board said farewell to long-time member Shelly Dionne, as she stepped down from her position. We appreciate her years of service to the JHS. Two new members joined the Board in 2025, Warren Irish who has spent many years creating a digital archival 3D model and virtual tour of the Mill, and Eileen Teehan, who has given hundreds of hours of her time as a volunteer at the Craft Shop. Best Wishes Shelly, and welcome aboard Warren and Eileen.

JHS invested in equipment and software upgrades to further the Archive Committee's work on reorganizing archives collection and inventory catalogue, slated for 2026. We began a series of weekly educational posts on our Facebook page featuring photos from our archives along with interesting historical information.

The Craft Shop now features work by over one hundred artists and crafters from around Vermont, resulting in another record year. Sue continues to do Zoom programs, podcasts and in-person presentations about Snowflake Bentley, including educational programs in conjunction with Osher Lifelong Learning Institute through its affiliation with UVM.

The Mill and Snowflake Bentley exhibit were featured in the most recent book (Black Wolf) by popular Canadian author Louise Penny, whose work has sold millions of copies.

The JHS is excited to be collaborating with Lyric Theatre Company on the upcoming (April 2026) production of the Disney musical Frozen. The scenery for the production at the Flynn Theatre will feature a number of Snowflake Bentley's beautiful images.

In 2025, the JHS participated in the Underhill-Jericho Memorial Day Parade and the Harvest Market Parade, with the restored replica of the Mill proudly carried in Gary Irish's beautifully restored 1931 Ford AA flat-bed truck.

Through the dedication and hard work of our Board of Directors, Ann Squires, Sue Richardson, Stacie Griffiths, Betty Koshinsky, Keiko Williams, Warren Irish and Eileen Teehan, our volunteers, and with the support of the community, the JHS is proud to continue our long tradition of preserving our heritage, history, and treasures.