



Putney Historical Society News

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Putney Historical Society office open for season
July-August,
Saturdays 10a - 2p
15 Kimball Hill
Come and research your home, family, or other Putney interests.

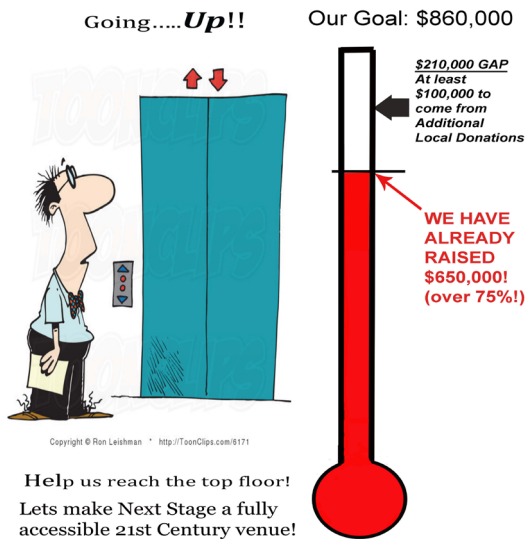
We Need Your Participation in the 15 Kimball Hill Capital Campaign!

Major Grant Successes in Next Stage/15 Kimball Hill Capital Campaign: Community Appeal to Follow

PHS is embarked on an December 2013 and January 2014. These are \$70,000 expansion of the rear addition & Stage Arts Project (NSAP) from the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board operations of the theater and Next Stage Performing Arts (VHCB), and \$20,000 from provide greater opportunities Center at 15 Kimball Hill. the Vermont Advisory Council for meal-based community This collaboration has just on Historic Preservation events and food activities. yielded a number of major (ACHP) and the Division for Next Stages' grant request to grant successes that have Historic Preservation (DHP). ArtPlace was predicated on our given the Capital Campaign The DHP grant is a one to ability to raise the remainder of the project goal – a gap now of \$210,000 – from additional sources, with the hope that at least \$100,000 of this will come from the community in future donations. The quiet phase of the campaign is coming to a close and PHS and NSAP are now moving to the public stage of the campaign, and reaching out to the community to help raise the remaining funds. Additional grants are also being sought to meet our goal this year.

To turn the former historic church into a fully accessible 21st century performing arts center with an elevator, great theater, sprinkler system, and restored exterior, our campaign goal is \$860,000. We are thrilled to announce that together PHS and NSAP have raised \$650,000 to date including a brand new \$320,000 grant just awarded to NSAP by ArtPlace America. This highly competitive grant, in which NSAP was one of only 55 recipients from a field of nearly 1300, gives national recognition of our efforts at community & art place-making in Putney. In addition to the \$320,000 for the building project, ArtPlace awarded NSAP \$50,000 to develop new programming and school partnerships.

The \$650,000 raised so far for the Capital Campaign also includes other recent key grants awarded to the PHS in



one matching grant which relied on a \$20,000 in-hand match raised through local pledges and Putney Historical Society's building reserves. All of these grants build on the Vermont Village Center Tax credit of over \$110,000 awarded in 2012 for building code work. The balance of the amount raised has come from other grants and several lead pledges from local donors.

The ArtPlace America grant enables the entire \$860,000 project to move forward

“The work we are doing with PHS reflects a national trend (cont'd on p.2)

WARNING:
PUTNEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING
SUNDAY, AUGUST 22
2PM AT NEXT STAGE

Upcoming Events at Next Stage!

Apron Theatre presents *August: Osage County* by Tracey Letts (directed by Hallie Flower) July 10-13 and 17-19.

July 23: The Stray Birds with Mike and Ruthy. Tickets \$18 (\$16 in advance)

July 27: Dinner and a Movie: *Chocolat*

Apron Theatre presents *After the Revolution* by Amy Herzog (directed by Karla Baldwin) August 7-16.

August 20: The Tony Trischka Band with Hot Mustard. Tickets \$22 (\$20 in advance)

Apron Theatre presents *Eleemosynary* by Lee Blessing (directed by Hallie Flower) October 16-25.

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Come to our **Annual Meeting** on August 22, 2pm at 15 Kimball Hill! Our program is still TBA, but we will discuss matters of great importance to PHS members and our community. Public welcome.

Major Grant Successes: Community Appeal (cont'd from p.1)

to adapt and re-use important historic spaces to help revitalize communities across the country. In three short years, Next Stage has facilitated many school collaborations and events drawing audiences to Putney and helping support the village economy." - Billy Straus, Co-founder & President of NSAP.

summer of 2015 we hope to be able to start construction on the rest of the building. The project work should be completed by fall of 2016 and will be carefully designed for a minimum of programming disruption. We want to again thank all of the generous donors to this project to date

The actual work will start this season with roof and belfry repair funded by the Historic Preservation Grant. Meanwhile the design phase for the renovation work will start this fall and by the

years, please support our efforts with a donation or pledge, which can be made over more than one year!

Donations can be made online at: <http://putneyhistory.us> or on the Next Stage Arts Project website: <http://nextstagearts.org> or by mail to:

**Putney Historical Society
Capital Fund
P.O. Box 260
Putney, VT 05346**

PLEASE JOIN US OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP.

The Putney Historical Society needs you on board.

Our mission is to bring together those persons interested in history, and especially in the history of the Town of Putney; to discover and collect materials...pertinent to the history of Putney; to acquire property or rights in interest of property in order to preserve historic resources. Please support our effort with your membership.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Membership Type	Amount	Indicate amount paid
Senior (Basic)	\$5	
Individual (Basic)	15	
Family	25	
Sustaining	50	
Benefactor	100	
Patron	250	
Other	Write in	

Membership and donation are now available online at <http://putneyhistory.us>

Make checks payable to:

Treasurer, Putney Historical Society
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Thank You! PHS is a 501(c)3 nonprofit. All donations beyond basic membership are tax deductible.