

Celebrate Sherborn!

HONOR THE PAST, CELEBRATE THE PRESENT, INSPIRE THE FUTURE

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December 2023



Welcome to Celebrate Sherborn! – the first of several town-wide newsletters highlighting events and activities for our 350th anniversary celebration. In addition to event updates and information about how to get involved, we will share some of the rich history, culture, and examples of community engagement that makes Sherborn such a special place.

Get involved:

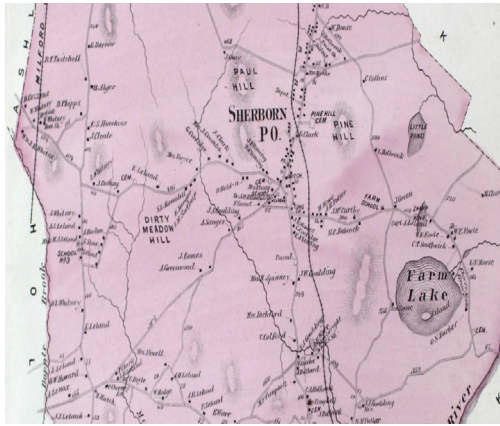
- ✓ Volunteer your time and skills to help with the planning and execution of the events and activities.
- ✓ Share your stories, photos, and memorabilia of Sherborn's past and present, and contribute to the 350th Time Capsule.
- ✓ Attend 350th events, spread the word and invite friends, neighbors, and family to join in the fun as we Celebrate Sherborn!
- ✓ Support the 350th Celebration! Use your phone to scan QR code – it's an easy way to donate, buy tickets for an event, or become a 350th event sponsor. All donations of \$350 or greater will be recognized at the culmination event in December 2024.



✓ Learn more at sherborn350.org

Mark your calendars, tell your friends & neighbors, and get involved – there is a lot to celebrate in 2024!

- **GIVE A GIFT FROM SHERBORN**, join us at the Library for some holiday shopping including some 350 swag and items from your favorite local groups (December 16, 2023 10am-2pm)
- **FIRST DAY KICKOFF**, start the year off right with some time outside on a nice hike, then warm up with friends and neighbors on New Year's Day afternoon at the Sherborn Community Center w/ fire-pits, warm drinks and snacks. (Jan 1, 2024)
- **TOWN-WIDE SCAVENGER HUNT**, explore and learn about Sherborn landmarks. This month-long event offers something for everyone! Participants will post selfies at each location. (April 2024)
- **ANTIQUE CAR SHOW**, take a ride into Sherborn's Past at this vehicle show featuring antique cars, town equipment & farm equipment. (May 2024)
- **SHERBORN ROCKS**, our very own, very fun town musical film premier featuring some of Sherborn's most talented filmmakers, musicians, and actors. (June 2024)
- **FARM POND WATER AND FIRE**, an evening of fun, innovative entertainment at beautiful, scenic Farm Pond. (September 2024)
- **SIGNATURE EVENT: 350TH PARADE & "SHERBSTOCK"** – THIS WILL BE A DAY-LONG (NOT TO BE MISSED EPIC CELEBRATION) WITH A PARADE, LIVE MUSIC WITH MULTIPLE BANDS/ACTS, FOOD TRUCKS, AND GAMES AT JAMESON FIELDS. (OCTOBER 5TH, 2024)
- **MILESTONE TIME CAPSULE**, we will dedicate a collection of items that capture the essence of Sherborn to be opened in 2049 at our 375th Milestone Anniversary. (December 2024)
- Lectures, Art Shows and so much more... visit sherborn350.org for complete calendar of events.



www.sherbornstories.org

Sherborn Stories is a Sherborn History Center project launched in enthusiastic recognition of the town's 350th birthday in 2024.

Our goals are to provide visitors with glimpses of everyday life over the years, and to provide locals with a flexible opportunity to present materials resting in the attic, in closeted shoeboxes, or in old photo albums gathering bookshelf dust.

The site is also an opportunity for fellow townfolk to share projects, research, discoveries and the like that relate to our collective local past. We aim to balance informality and polish, and present stories that range from the mundane to the bizarre!

Have an idea? Shoot us a note at the ["Talk to Us"](#) link.

Please join us on this digital adventure!



Give A Gift From SHERBORN!

Saturday, December 16th, 2023
in the community room of the library
10 am – 2 pm

**some of these groups can ONLY accept cash or check, please come prepared*

The 350 th Committee	Sherborn Forest & Trail
Sherborn Council on Aging	Pine Hill School CSA
Sherborn Garden Club	The Sherborn Fund
Friends of The Sherborn Library	Sherborn Historical Society
Bogastow Garden Club	Sustainable Sherborn: Sherborn Pollinator Pathway
Dover Sherborn Boosters	

join us for a holiday shopping event hosted by the Committee to Celebrate Sherborn's 350th Anniversary

How do you kick off the New Year?!

Show us how you're ringing in 2024 Sherborn Style!

5 custom designed burgees have been added to the Sherborn Library

Sign one out, take a PHOTO with it showing us how you're celebrating, email it to sherborn350@gmail.com and be FEATURED on our social media pages!

Keep it going throughout the year, challenge your neighbors to some friendly COMPETITION, who can take a picture with all five throughout the year?? who will be the FIRST to be featured??

Let's show Sherborn what we've got, Town Pride in 2024!!





Join Us in Celebrating the
kickoff to our Celebration Year!

First Day 2024

Monday, January 1st 2024
Outside the Sherborn Community Center
& Unitarian Universalist Church
2 – 5pm

First Day Hikes: Kick off the year getting outside with your friends, family & neighbors – walk the many miles of open space managed by Town Forest & Sherborn Rural Land, The Trustees Rocky Narrows or Sherborn's historic Barber Reservation, bike the Bay Circuit Trail. Pick your adventure and opt outside to kick off the new year! for trail informaton visit: www.sherbornforestandtrail.org

First Day Hike & Tours: Unity Farm is generously offering two afternoon sanctuary tours for no cost (advanced signup required) For more information, go to: www.unityfarmsanctuary.org While you're there, explore the trails that leave the Sanctuary right in the center of town!

Fire Pits & Festivity:

Join us after for a social get together with warm refreshments provided for the whole family – Desserts, Cider, Hot Chocolate & a festive way to kick off your new year!

2:00 - 5:00pm

outdoor weather permitting
in partnership with the Sherborn Community Center
and the Unitarian Universalist Area Church

event hosted by the Committee to Celebrate Sherborn's 350th Anniversary

VISIT SHERBORN350.ORG
FOR DETAILS ABOUT UPCOMING EVENTS.

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM, AND
NEXTDOOR – PLEASE LIKE AND SHARE OUR POSTS, AND
INTERACT WITH OTHERS

announcing the new: **NEW**

Sherborn History Center
a collaboration between Sherborn's Historical Society
& the Sherborn Library
to enhance and enliven past & present community
connections, launched in recognition
of the town's 350th anniversary

NEW on instagram: [sherbornhistorycenter](https://www.instagram.com/sherbornhistorycenter)
or online: sherbornstories.org

DULY NOTED

Sherborn Girl Scouts and the Sherborn Garden Club recently planted 350 Daffodils on the Town Green in anticipation of the Town's 350th Celebration.

Learn more about the history of the Daffodil Trail here:
<https://archive.org/details/sherborndaffodil00powi>



Open Space Facts

- Sherborn Town Forest is 468 contiguous acres, Conservation Commission manages 931 acres, Rocky Narrows is 274 acres managed by the Trustees of Reservation, 428 acres of Audubon's Broadmoor Sanctuary are in Sherborn, Sherborn Rural Land Foundation has protected over 500 acres both through purchase and preservation restrictions.

Farm Pond

In the Colonial Ordinances of 1641– 1647, the Great and General Court of Massachusetts Bay Colony declared that Farm Pond and others in MA larger than 10 acres in size were “Great Ponds,” and that all settlers had the right to fish in them. In the 19th century, Farm Pond provided fish as well as recreational swimming and skating to Sherborn residents. It was stocked with fish several times in the 1870s. By then, ice harvesting was an important Sherborn industry. Several ice houses were located on the shore near Lake Street.

We hope you enjoy this first edition of Celebrate Sherborn! -- we look forward to seeing everyone at upcoming events and activities in 2024.

Sherborn 350th Celebration Committee

Heidi Doyle, Abby Fiske, Mary Moore - Co-Chairs
 Neha Raj - Student Intern

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Sherborn DPW hangs new 350th Celebration banners in town center

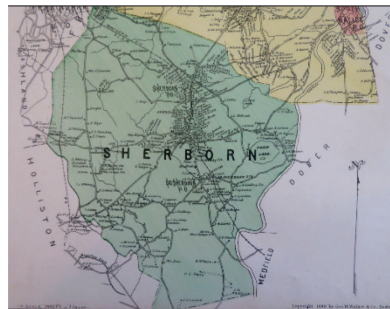
SAVE THE DATES!

**Holiday Shopping,
 Saturday December 16th
 from 10-2pm**

- Join us at the Library and Give a Gift from Sherborn including 350th swag and items from favorite local groups.

**'First Day' Kickoff,
 Monday January 1st
 from 2-5pm**

- Free Guided hikes at Unity Farm or take a first day hike on your favorite Sherborn trail.
- Community get-together at Sherborn Community Center afterwards with firepits, desserts, hot chocolate, and cider!



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