

Columbia Lake – Through the Years



On May 20th, the Columbia Historical Society will open its first exhibit in its new home, The History Place (across Rt. 87 from the Library). On selected Sunday afternoons through October, the exhibit will be open to the public at no cost.

The exhibit will trace the history of the Columbia Lake Watershed from its early use by Native Americans, to its industrial uses during the 18th and 19th centuries, and its recreational use since the early twentieth century. It also examines the more recent history of stewardship by the town and private groups, to ensure that it provides scenic

and recreational resources for humans and important habitat for wildlife well into the future.



A special “Go Fish” game will be offered to children twelve and under who visit the exhibit and learn about the fish who live in the lake. Participants will be entered into a free drawing with the chance to win fishing equipment prizes.

Exhibit Open Hours:

Sun. May 20 1-4

Sun. June 3 1-4

Sun. June 17 1-4

Wed. July 4 9-12

Sun. July 22 1-4

Sun. Aug. 12 1-4

Sun. Aug. 26 1-4

Sun. Sept. 16 1-4

Sat. Oct. 20 12:30-4

Associated Activities:

Sat. June 2 1-3pm – Utley Mills & Lake Watershed. Walk – leaders Joan Hill & Ann Dunnack. Meet at rear of Recreation Park (60 Hennequin Rd.) at 12:45

July 15 afternoon & Aug. 19 afternoon, Historical Boat trips on Columbia Lake – prior registration required at millieramz@gmail.com or 860 729-5472.

Free to Columbia Historical Society members, all others \$5.00

Sat. Oct. 20 11-12 am – Lake Brook Ravine Walk. Details will be published in Walktober brochure.