



**PLEASE JOIN US!**

THE FRIENDS OF ALFRED SHAKER MUSEUM (FASM) MEET THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH (EXCEPT WINTER) AT THE MUSEUM ON SHAKER HILL. MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. FASM PUBLISHES A NEWSLETTER TWICE A YEAR FOR MEMBERS.

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP	\$25
FAMILY MEMBERSHIP	\$35
BUSINESS MEMBERSHIP	\$100

PLEASE SEND US YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER, AND EMAIL ADDRESS. MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO AND MAIL TO

FRIENDS OF ALFRED SHAKER MUSEUM  
PO Box 873  
ALFRED, ME 04002

WE ARE A NON-PROFIT 501(C)3 ORGANIZATION AND DO NOT SHARE YOUR INFORMATION WITH ANY OTHER GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL.

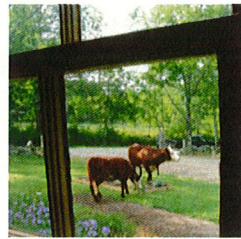
CHECK OUR WEB SITE FOR SPECIAL EVENTS AND SCHEDULE CHANGES. PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING US TO RE-CLAIM OUR LOCAL HISTORY. FASM NEEDS YOUR ENERGY. THE MUSEUM IS HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; DOGS ARE WELCOMED.

**WWW.ALFREDSHAKERMUSEUM.ORG**

FASM MURAL FUNDED PARTLY BY THE MAINE ARTS COMMISSION AND THE MAINE HUMANITIES COUNCIL.

**MAKE A DAY OF YOUR VISIT!**

THE 1800S FORMER SHAKER CARRIAGE HOUSE OFFERS EXHIBITS, A LIBRARY, EVENTS, AND CRAFT CLASSES. THE MUSEUM, LIBRARY



AND GIFT SHOP ARE OPEN ON WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS, 1-4 P.M., OR BY APPOINTMENT, FROM MAY THROUGH OCTOBER. NEAR SANFORD-SPRINGVALE MUSEUM, ALFRED'S TOWN MUSEUM, A BOOK SHOP, FARM STORE, YORK CO. COURTHOUSE, OAK

STREET BISTRO, AND COUNTRY STORE, SHAKER POND ICE CREAM SHOP. BEACHES, AND ORCHARDS ARE NEARBY.

**YOU ARE  
CORDIALLY  
INVITED ...**



**SOUTHERN MAINE'S  
ALFRED SHAKER  
MUSEUM**

118 SHAKER HILL ROAD  
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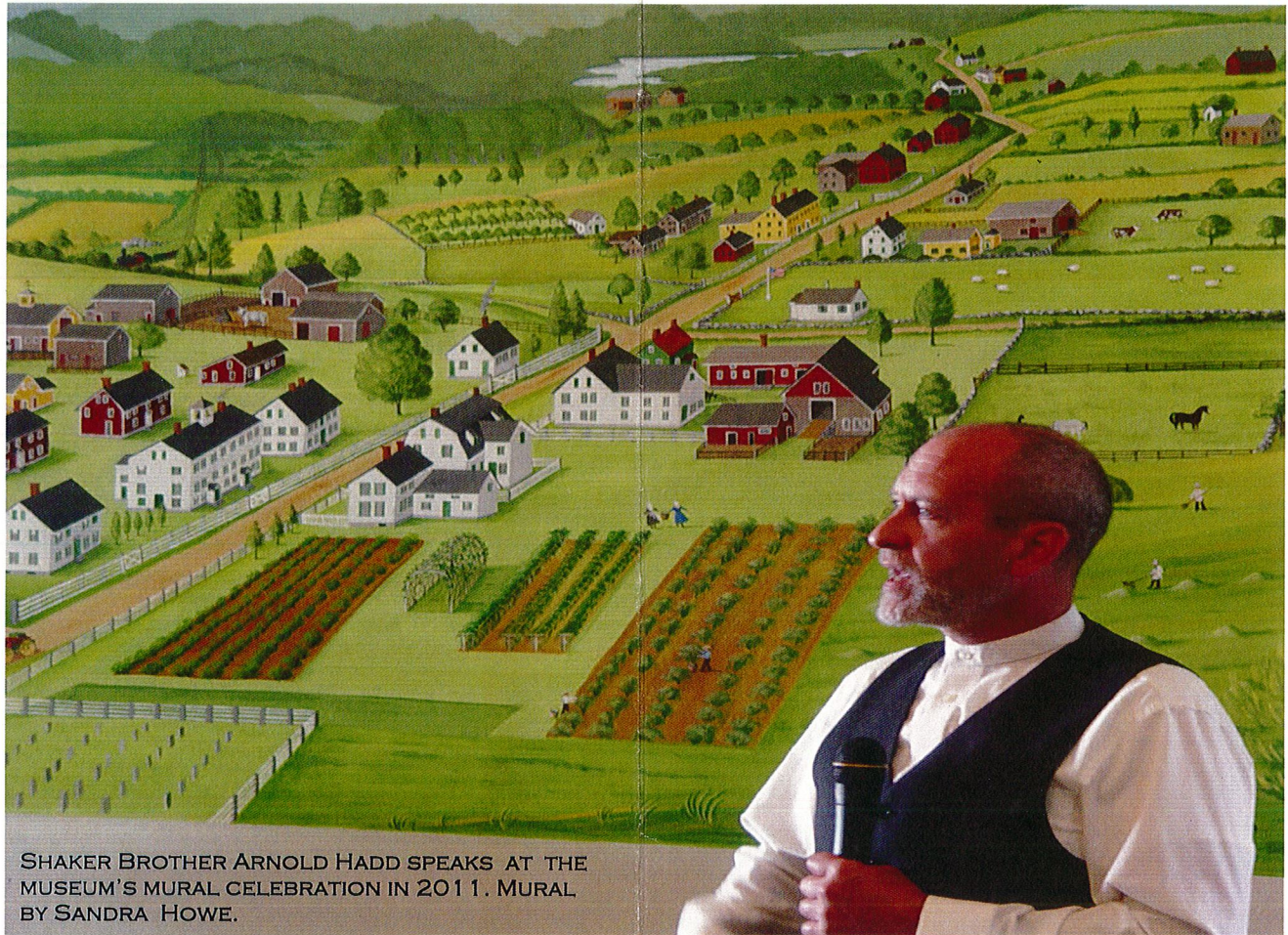


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SHAKER BROTHER ARNOLD HADD SPEAKS AT THE MUSEUM'S MURAL CELEBRATION IN 2011. MURAL BY SANDRA HOWE.

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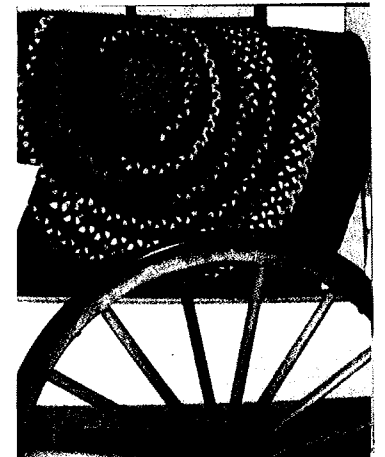
OUR MISSION IS TO PRESERVE THE 1875 ALFRED SHAKER CARRIAGE HOUSE AND MAINTAIN THEREIN A MUSEUM IN WHICH TO EXHIBIT SHAKER ARTICLES, OFFER EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AND COLLECT AND CONSERVE SHAKER MATERIALS.



SHAKERISM CAME TO ALFRED IN THE EARLY 1780s. TO MEMBERS, ALFRED WAS 'HOLY LAND.' THE COMMUNITY BECAME SPECIAL AS ONE OF THE EARLIEST SHAKER COMMUNITIES AND IT REINVIGORATED THE FAMILIES AT SABBATHDAY LAKE WHEN, IN 1931, IT MERGED WITH ITS SISTER GROUP TO THE NORTH. SABBATHDAY LAKE IS THE LAST SHAKER COMMUNITY IN MAINE AND THE LAST HOME ANYWHERE OF LIVING SHAKERS.

MAINE'S SHAKER ROOTS WERE IN ALFRED. IT WAS AT ALFRED THAT SHAKER ELDER JOSEPH BRACKETT WROTE PERHAPS THE MOST WELL KNOWN SHAKER SONG, 'SIMPLE GIFTS,' WHICH AARON COPLAND MADE FAMOUS IN 'APPALACHIAN SPRING,' A BALLET SCORE. THE SHAKERS HERE FARMED AND TENDED THEIR ORCHARDS, GARDENS, DAIRY, KITCHEN, AND SHOPS. IN TIME, HUNDREDS OF SHAKERS CALLED ALFRED HOME AND THEY LIVED THE SHAKERS' COMMUNAL, SINGULAR, AND SIMPLE WAY OF LIFE.

SHAKER LIFE IS VALUED FOR ITS SIMPLICITY, RESPECT FOR NATURE, PROWESS IN ART, MUSIC, FURNITURE DESIGN, ARCHITECTURE, AGRICULTURE, INVENTION, AND PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE. INDEED, THE SHAKERS SEEK HARMONY IN ALL THINGS.



LOCAL RESIDENTS DECIDED THAT SOUTHERN MAINE AND THE TOWN SHOULD NOT LOSE A PRECIOUS PAST. THEY FORMED FASM TO ESTABLISH THE MUSEUM SO THAT EVERYONE CAN KNOW AND VALUE THIS IMPORTANT HISTORY WHICH IS STILL PRESENT.

VISIT AND, LIKE THE SHAKERS, WE'LL

"MAKE YOU KINDLY WELCOME."

