#### SPRING FORUM

1998

# ENFIELD SHAKER MUSEUM ENFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

THE GREAT STONE DWELLING: TECHNICAL MASTERPIECE AND SOCIAL EXPERIMENT is the subject of the Spring Forum at Enfield on Saturday, April 25, with Robert P. Emlen, University Curator, Brown University and author of *Shaker Village Views* and articles about the Enfield Shakers; Richard Dabrowski, President, Shaker Workshops, Ashburnham, MA., and Mary Ann Haagen, former Board President of the Enfield Shaker Museum.

THE GREAT STONE DWELLING is recognized as one of the premier examples of Shaker architecture in America. Constructed between 1837 and 1841 with designs attributed to architect Ammi Burnham Young, the six-story, stone structure was the tallest domestic building in northern New England, and its achievement was received as a technical wonder. The Enfield Shaker Museum purchased the Great Stone Dwelling and other structures to complement its existing holdings late in 1997. This year's Forum will celebrate the Museum's wonderful acquisition and will offer a social and technical analysis of the Enfield Shakers' greatest physical accomplishment. Participants will learn about the Shaker lifestyle in the Great Stone Dwelling, the design and construction of the building, and the assembly of the extensive built-in furniture inside.



The Spring Forum is supported by a grant from the New Hampshire Humanities Council.

## THE GREAT STONE DWELLING: TECHNICAL MASTERPIECE AND SOCIAL **EXPERIMENT**

Saturday,	April 25, 1998
9:00 a.m.	Registration and coffee. Great Stone Dwelling, Enfield Shaker Museum, Enfield, NH.
9:30	Welcome. Sarah Saville Shaffer, Director, Enfield Shaker Museum.
9:45	Lecture. "Building for Eternity: The Enfield Shakers Build a Stone Dwelling House in 1837." Robert P. Emlen, University Curator and Senior Lecturer in American Civilization, Brown University, Providence, R.I.
10:45	Lecture. "The Great Stone Dwelling: An Ordered Life." Mary Ann Haagen, Past President, Enfield Shaker Museum.
Noon	Lunch. The Shaker Inn at the Great Stone Dwelling.
1:00 p.m.	Commentary. "What Lies Ahead: The Importance of the Great Stone Dwelling and the Story of Its Acquisition by the Enfield Shaker Museum" Galen Beale, President, Enfield Shaker Museum.
1:30	Lecture. "The Architectural Details of the

- Great Stone Dwelling." Richard Dabrowski, President, Shaker Workshops, Ashburnham, MA.
- Tour of the Great Stone Dwelling. Richard 2:30 Dabrowski, Charles DuPuy, Mary Ann Haagen, and Michael O'Connor.
- 4:00 Wrap-up. Sarah Saville Shaffer.

Directions: To reach the Enfield Shaker Museum from Exit 17 of Interstate 89 in Lebanon, N.H., proceed on Route 4 east to the junction with Route 4-A at the foot of Mascoma Lake in Enfield. Proceed on Route 4-A along the west side of the lake 3.2 miles to the Great Stone Dwelling on the left or lake side of the road. Parking is located behind the building.

For information, call the Enfield Shaker Museum at (603) 632-4346.

### REGISTRATION

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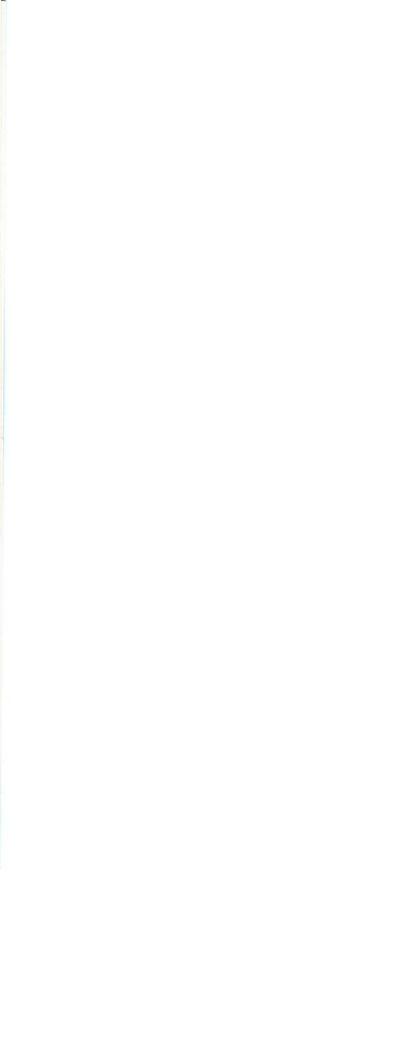
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Please enclose \$20 per person. Fee covers lecture and tour admissions, morning coffee, and lunch.
For on-site reservations at the Shaker Inn at the Great Stone Dwelling, telephone (603) 632-7810, or for on-site reservations, contact the Mary Keane House at (603) 632-4241.
☐ If you wish a vegetarian meal, please check here.
☐ The program will require registrants to climb several flights of stairs and to stand during the tour of the Great Stone Dwelling. For an alternate tour of DANA ROBES WOOD CRAFTSMEN and a discussion of woodworking techniques, please check here.
Please make your check payable to ENFIELD SHAKER MUSEUM and mail it with this form to:  Spring Forum 1998.

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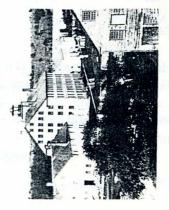
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NOTE: The registration fee will be fully refunded if cancellation is made before 5 PM on Monday, April 20.

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