

37th New England Conference on Industrial Archeology

Saturday, March 28th, 2026

The Planetarium at McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center

2 Institute Drive, Concord, N.H.

Admission \$15: Speakers no charge

Book Sale: We all have SIA related books gathering dust. Donate and share them with others. Funds will go towards the northern chapter to help with costs.

PROGRAM

9:00am **Registration, Admission (\$15)** does not include lunch.

9:15am Greetings from new Northern NE Chapter President Matt Mueller
Introduction of speakers by Dave Coughlin, Conference chair

9:30am Nelson Lawry - **Steam Railroading through the Berwicks.** Once upon a time three railroads passed through South Berwick. But what time bestows, it takes away.

10:10am John Mayer - **Surveying New England Historic Sites.** A Presentation about locating historic sites and an update on our national organization.

10:50am John Morse - **Winnegance - Tide Mill Capital of New England.** The rise and fall of the tide mill industry with some discussion about how the mills were constructed.

11:30am **LUNCH** - There are many restaurants located a short distance away.

1:00pm Pat Malone - **Saltaire: Paternalism and profit in a model company town.**
The creation of Saltaire(1850's) as a model company town made the already wealthy Titus Salt into a heroic figure in Victorian Britain. One of the most preserved towns in the United Kingdom, this presentation will make extensive use of photographs taken during a visit in 2025.

1:40pm Ian Stevenson - **Destination "Magic Town": Selling Rumford, Maine in the Nineteenth Century.** A presentation about the creation of Rumford Falls that discusses railroad station architecture and urban planning.

2:20pm Chuck Morse - **Brick Making in Merrimack, N.H. in the 18th & 19th Century.**
Chuck will talk about and show how bricks were made in Merrimack, N.H. and how they were sent down the Merrimack River to build mills in Nashua, N.H.

DIRECTIONS: From Rt. 93 North and South, take Exit 5 onto Rt. 393/202.

Watch for signs for the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center and take Exit 1. At end of off ramp, stop then turn left onto Ft. Eddy road and pass under Rt.393/202. Follow road and turn right before large parking lot. Road swings around in back of Community College until you see a large rocket and park in the parking area. For those coming west from Rt. 393/202, take Exit 1, turn left at end of ramp and follow directions above.