



CARLISLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Annual Meeting and Lecture – Public Invited

Monday, December 12, 7:00 pm

Hollis Room, Gleason Public Library

After a very short business meeting to elect officers and board members for the coming year, our meeting will focus on the work of the Carlisle Oral History Project and the ongoing efforts to preserve and capture oral histories of Carlisle residents. We will show a video from an interview in 1999 with Pete and Kate Simonds, longtime residents of Carlisle that was part of the Carlisle Oral History Project. Many will remember Pete because he served as Moderator for Town Meetings for 33 years. Both he and his wife were active in Town affairs, as they discuss in the course of the interview.

The video itself has had a checkered history involving technical and practical problems, which have delayed its completion until now. As an introduction, Carlisle's Paul Gill will describe these challenges and the things he had to do to overcome them. He is donating the finished video to the Society.

Another donation from the current Oral History Project, the book *Sorrows and Silver Linings*, will also be presented to the Society. Both donations illustrate the importance of oral histories.