

Lyme Historians
Cellar Hole Project

P.O. Box 41
Lyme, NH 03768

Request to Visit your Property

Dear Neighbor,

The Cellar Hole Committee of the Lyme Historians would like your permission to photograph and document abandoned cellar hole sites on your land before they are altered further by time. These structures have a story to tell.

Our goal is to identify all abandoned cellar hole sites in the Town of Lyme. We want to update the study done by Prof. James Goldthwait in 1927 for his article, "*Lyme, A Town That Has Gone Downhill*", and to add to it, where appropriate, for use by local historians.

Trained volunteers will call in advance to set a convenient date and will approach your property with due respect. We do not intend to walk randomly across your property, but will use the Goldthwait maps as a guide for our study. We will not be digging or disturbing the surface of the site. We would appreciate your assistance in locating specific cellar holes you may know, and sharing pictures, maps, copies of deeds or other material you may have about these sites.

We hope you support this undertaking by granting permission for trained volunteers to be on your land and by helping us to identify all abandoned cellar holes in Lyme. If so, please grant your permission below and send to me at 30 Market Street, Lyme, NH 03768. If you have further questions, call me at 795-2240 or e-mail to: lymehistorians@gmail.com.

Sincerely,



Steve Alden
Chair, Cellar Holes Steering Committee

I give my permission to the Cellar Hole Committee to be on my land for the purpose of identifying cellar holes:

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Name	Telephone	Date

Address		