



Telling Your Family Story is hitting the road...

There are unique and time honored stories in everyone's community, and *The Centennial Senior Center* in conjunction with the Nackey S. Loeb School of Communications wants to help you tell yours.

Raconteur Fritz Wetherbee and journalist-authors Mike Pride and Meg Heckman lead a who's who of story-tellers and historians for this valuable "**Telling Your Family Story**" workshop on November 15th from 9 am to 3 pm sponsored by the Centennial Senior Center and scheduled to be held here in Concord. This program teaches how to uncover our family and community stories, how to present them and how to preserve them.

"It is so important that the lessons, experiences and memories of our elders are captured for future generations. We don't always recognize the value of our community and family history until it is lost," said Vivien Green, executive director of Centennial Center. The program focuses on interviewing and listening skills, research and presentation, as well as how to preserve priceless photos and documents that are part of every family's, or community's, history.

"This workshop is useful for local historians who record town lore and for residents who just want to make sure their dinner-table tales from grandma and grandpa are never forgotten," said David Tirrell-Wysocki, executive director of the Loeb School of Communications.

Fritz Wetherbee, of WMUR's Chronicle program, has been finding quirky people and wonderful stories from all over New Hampshire for more than 50 years.

Mike Pride and Meg Heckman have told hundreds of stories through the pages of the Concord Monitor, and won acclaim with a poignant series and book "We Went to War," bringing voice to the stories of World War II veterans.

New Hampshire historian and scholar R. Stuart Wallace will offer tips about research that might help put family stories in perspective and archivist Lori Fisher of Bow's Baker Free Library brings advice on preserving and protecting photos and family papers that often fade away in a box in the attic.

John Gfroerer and Lisa Brown of the video production company, Accompany, will demonstrate video techniques to help put your family stories on tape.

The workshop is open to all. Cost is \$50 per person, including lunch. Pre-registration is required – **RSVP by November 11th 2011**, contact **Centennial Senior Center, (603) 228-6630** or email info@centennialseniorcenter.org.
