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**To: All you folks who appreciate Historic Preservation  
From : Ed Des Jardins**

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**Having reached my 81<sup>st</sup> Birthday, I felt it was necessary to personally thank each of the following organizations that have enabled me to move ahead with my Historic Preservation work, over these many years, by keeping our Local History alive.**

- \* The ( Georgetown Record ) for the excellent article that recapped what we have accomplished over the many years, while we lived in the Georgetown / Rowley / Byfield Communities.**
- \* The ( Newburyport Daily News ) for your fine coverage of Local Historic Preservation, while we were active in both of the Local Historical Commissions & Historical Societies in both Georgetown & Rowley for many years.**
- \* The ( Bucksport Enterprise ) in Maine, where I spent my early years. For your excellent coverage and support of Historic Preservation in our small Town, by keeping the public informed, that ultimately led to preserving the 1783 Historic Jed Prouty Tavern and most recently led to saving the 1850 Wilson Hall.**
- \* I want to thank the ( Massachusetts Historical Commission ) William Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth for the “ 2014 Local Historic Preservation Award “ for our Preservation accomplishments in Georgetown, Rowley & the Byfield section of Newbury.**
- \* The years spent at the( Harvard Graduate School of Design ) when Ben Thompson was Chairman of the Dept. of Architecture in the 1960's, have been most memorable. Upon graduation, I joined his firm in Cambridge, and spent the next 21 years Designing and working on numerous projects thruout the country, both new & historic buildings, with many receiving National AIA Awards.**

**I've included a few of my sketches of Historic Buildings that I've been involved with over these many years. Let's keep our Local History Alive, for once it's Gone , It's Gone Forever.**

**Best Wishes to All,**

*Ed Des Jardins*