



**Local History Resources
at Forbes Library:
A Community Treasure**

Hampshire Room for Local
History & Genealogy

Thursday 1 pm to 5 pm

Friday 1 pm to 5 pm

Saturday 1 pm to 5 pm

Calvin Coolidge Presidential
Library & Museum

Monday 3 pm to 9 pm

Tuesday 1 pm to 5 pm

Wednesday 3 pm to 9 pm

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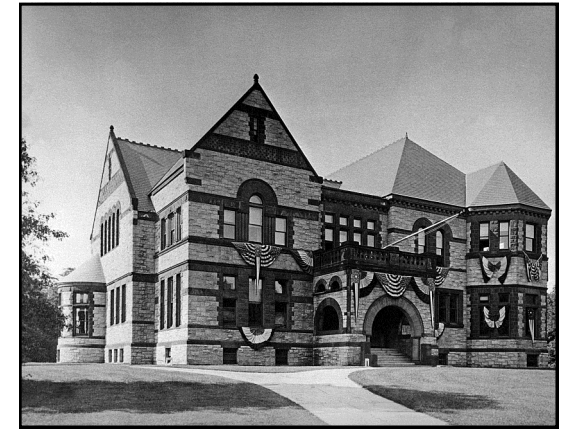
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**HELP US RAISE \$15,000
FOR SPECIAL COLLECTIONS
AT FORBES LIBRARY IN 2011**



THE LIBRARY NEEDS YOUR HELP
TO PRESERVE NORTHAMPTON'S HISTORY!

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**LOCAL HISTORY AND
GENEALOGY
at FORBES LIBRARY**

DID YOU KNOW THAT:

- Your public library collects, preserves and makes accessible the history of the Northampton area and its families from the 1600s to the present?
- Forbes is the only public library to house a Presidential Library?
- Special Collections holds over 30,000 items including images, maps, manuscripts, books and memorabilia?

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT THIS YEAR.

OUR WISH LIST:

- Software and equipment upgrades for digital access
- Online photo catalog
- Digitization of historic maps, documents and photographs
- Improved access to unique collections

Your tax deductible support of \$10, \$25, \$100 or even more will ensure that Forbes Library is equipped to preserve collections and offer access to local history resources to everyone in our community.



"No person was ever honored for what he received; honor has been received for what he gave."

Calvin Coolidge

THANK YOU!

The 2010 Annual Fund was an overwhelming success! Special thanks to the Friends of Forbes Library; Mo, Cher and Trixie Willems; and all of the wonderful library supporters who gave generously to this very necessary project this past year.

Our friends and patrons will see some very dramatic changes in their beloved Children's library. The renovations are complete and include new paint, carpeting, lighting, furniture, bookcases, a dedicated teen space, toys, technology and a new gated entryway.

The staff however will remain the same -- dedicated to providing the children and families of Northampton and surrounding towns with the very best service. We are committed to making your library experience one worth repeating over and over again!

"The past can only be viewed by what is recorded. Therefore I write. And let him who reads and feels inspired to add to the records, let him write also."
from **Daily Hampshire Gazette** editor and publisher **Henry Gere** in his *Reminiscences of Old Northampton, 1902.*



Images from Forbes Library Special Collections: Connecticut River bridges from the air; Florence & Northampton Streetcar; Calvin Coolidge campaign sticker; Portrait of Governor Caleb Strong by Gilbert Stuart; Forbes Library; Artist's Conception of Main Street in 1786; Hay-Scale Elms, attributed to Granville Perkins.