

During Spring term at the Freedom Elementary School (FES). The Freedom historical Society (FHS) displayed items from its collection for the students to examine. This effort was part of the 2024 goals of FHS- to increase the involvement of Freedom students in the history of Freedom. There was a quiz that the students could take to see if they knew the items on display.



FES Students from left to right: Bryden Dubois, Dillon Yeaton, Josie Battles, Shae Flaherty, Eva Anderson, Colin Ingham

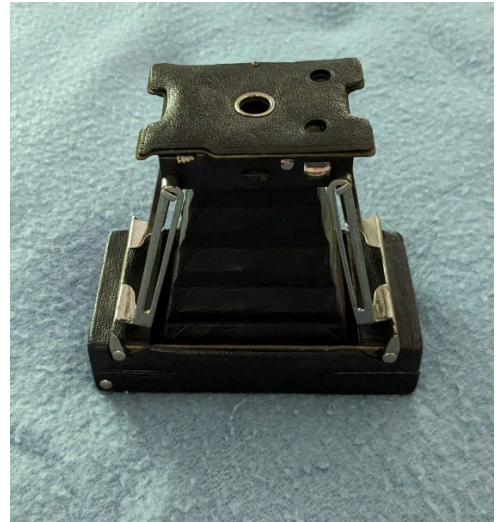
FHS Adults from left to right: Pam Clemons-Keith; Brandy Buttrick; Roberta MacCarthy; Steve Thurston

Not shown: FES teacher Kareen Briggs

Some of the items on display are shown on the following pages :



Wood Butter Mold- became popular in the Late 19<sup>th</sup> or early 20<sup>th</sup> century both in private kitchens and for decoration and on farms as an early type of “Trademark”. Usually made of hardwood. Note latch on side to open mold



Anasco Actus folding camera, ca 1910. Made in Binghampton NY and nicknamed the “Vest Pocket” camera



Flat Iron. Based on symbols it appears to be a late 1800's military iron, possibly French. These types of irons are commonly used as door stops now.



Wood Coffin Plane, unknown MFG, probably late 19<sup>th</sup> early 20<sup>th</sup> century. It is a smoothing plane named for its coffin shape.





Vintage Shaving mug with soap and brush

### 2023 Freedom Signature Quilt

In 2023, residents of Freedom signed individual quilt squares to memorialize their love of Freedom and its strong sense of community.

The idea for this initiative was drawn from

Freedom's historic quilt. In 1897 and 1898, quilt squares were signed by Freedom residents.

This historic quilt was displayed by FHS during the 2021 Clothing and Textile exhibit and is part of the FHS collection.

Many thanks to Lisa Wheeler (left) for organizing the effort and especially to Amanda Hatch (right) for sewing it up.

