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# Virtual museum 'Plymouth State in 150 Objects' March 15

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The Museum of the White Mountains at Plymouth State University recently opened a virtual exhibit celebrating the University's 150th Anniversary. "Plymouth State in 150 Objects" is a three-dimensional timeline, telling the University's history in objects, images and stories. Shown here, a display shows a photograph of Geneva "Miss Mathematics" May Smith, who taught at Plymouth 1924-1926, and the Geneva Smith Award bowl, and Professor Robert L. Boyd's specimen collection canister. (Courtesy photo)

PLYMOUTH — The Museum of the White Mountains at Plymouth State University recently opened a virtual exhibit celebrating the University's 150th Anniversary. "Plymouth State in 150 Objects" is a three-dimensional timeline, telling the University's history in objects, images and stories. Featured in the exhibition are many perspectives and stories highlighting the experience of innovative academic

programs, student social connections, the landscape, extracurricular adventures, special traditions, athletics and more.

“Plymouth State in 150 Objects” is among several special events and activities planned to mark PSU’s 150th Anniversary. The annual Founders Day celebration will take place Monday, March 15, the anniversary date of PSU’s founding.

“From the days of its founding as Plymouth Normal School to our present day University, the sense of place at Plymouth State has always been important for the people who live, work, teach and learn here,” said Cynthia Cutting, Director, Museum of the White Mountains. “We are excited to bring this comprehensive exhibit to life to share PSU’s story, and we are tremendously grateful to all who loaned items and supported us in other ways — it was a true team effort!”

The exhibit, which begins in the 1820s before Plymouth Normal School was founded, illustrates how the institution has continued to grow and evolve, responding to the needs and circumstances of its campus, community and the world beyond. The physical exhibition is mounted throughout the Silver Center for the Arts, 114 Main Street, Plymouth, and includes (among other objects):

Photographs of every PSU President

“Then and now” photos of campus buildings, with stories about the people for whom the buildings are named

Artifacts belonging to Professor Robert L. Boyd, a botanist, naturalist and professor of science 1931-1961, such as a metal specimen container and his motorcycle helmet; the TIGER program’s Emmy Award; physical education apparel from the 1940s; commemorative pins, plates, mugs from various eras, and more

Alumni stories and quotations

Images from scrapbooks made by students in the early 20th century

Photos of students, visitors and various activities throughout the years

The “Plymouth State in 150 Objects” physical exhibition is closed to the public at this time, but the full exhibit can be viewed online at the Museum of the White Mountains website at: [www.plymouth.edu/mwm](http://www.plymouth.edu/mwm).