## Join us PHS for a history adventure on Saturday, April 25 at 1:00 pm

## Plainfield Aquaduct Company, 1816-1971

Without clean water, we cannot exist. Before deep drilled wells, clean water was tough to find where houses were built side-by-side. In 1816, residents of the center of town formed the Plainfield Aquaduct Company (PAC), piping water from the many springs up the hill.

Learn about commonly held utilities in Plainfield history, about geology and the historical methods of providing water, the use of springs. See one of the original pipes of the PAC, and explore some of the many springs that made the center of Plainfield possible.

- 1 pm: Gather for history show and tell behind Shaw Memorial Library
- 2 pm: 2 1/2 mile walk/hike, some the road and some on uneven terrain

that includes some wet bushwhacking. <u>Definitely</u> wear boots.

Be sure to wear or bring appropriate clothing and gear: boots, rain gear, sweatshirt, long pants, bug dope, water, snacks, hiking poles.

Plus, whatever you need to have an adventure: compass, GPS, Topos, binoculars, measuring tape, camera, nature guide, pencil, deerstalker hat, imagination.

Free and open to the public, although we welcome donations to support the Plainfield Historical Society's conservation efforts.

For information, contact Pleun Bouricius (bouric@post.harvard.edu – 634-2250) or check plainfieldmahistory.org (where you can also download a

map).

Save the dates: Sunday June 7 1 pm; Sunday July 12 1 pm; Sunday August 16, 1 pm; Saturday October 10 1 pm

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