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The Grout-Heard House Museum, 12 Cochituate Road, Wayland, Massachusetts

Open to the Public Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:30 – Noon

Reminders & Updates of Coming Events

Mozart on the Fringe: Music of Mozart and his Inventive Bohemian Contemporaries

Friday, March 13, 2015

7:30 pm

First Parish Church

Born in Salzburg, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart was an occasional visitor to neighboring Bohemian lands, where his music was beloved and where he both influenced and was influenced by Bohemian composers. Featured in this concert will be marvelous music of Mozart and some of those composers and musicians who inspired him.

Tickets are \$30 (WHS members \$20) and may be ordered online at oldpostroad.org/concert_series or purchased at the door.

Refreshments: Dick Hoyt and Lynne Poisson

Wayland People in the World

Sunday, March 22, 2015

3:00 pm

Wayland Public Library, Main Reading Room

Pulitzer Prize-winning historian David Hackett Fischer will present a special program sponsored jointly by the Wayland Historical Society and the Wayland Public Library. In his own words: "Wayland people have had a long reach. They have drawn on their experience of life in this small town to make large contributions in the world. A familiar example is Lydia Maria Child, now recognized by historians as a major figure in the Antislavery movement and in campaigns for the rights of women, as well as in journalism, literature, and publishing. Another is Archibald Cox. Many still remember his life and service in the town and his achievements in law, politics, academe, and the national crisis of Watergate. Not so well known is Robert Patterson, a landscape designer and architect who invented new building styles in the mid-twentieth century. Thanks in large part to a new study by Will Thorndike, he is beginning to be discussed as a major figure in American architecture. My talk will center on these Wayland people, and others of more recent generations."

Refreshments: Marjorie Peterson

Thanks for the Memories Mass Memories Road Show One Year Later

Sunday, April 12, 2015 2:00 to 4:30 pm
Grout-Heard House Museum

This drop-in program will feature a continuous showing of the photos and videos from the March 2014 375th event that was organized by Pam Bonaguide. Exhibits will provide an opportunity to showcase, expand upon, and update some of the original highlights. You can even see some of the actual objects that were represented by photos. Below are three examples of Wayland's contributions, courtesy of Pam. All are welcome to rekindle the spirit of that day or get acquainted with the experience of Mass memories.

Refreshments: Pauline DiCesare.



Hilda Steele Buckley family Thanksgiving photo in front of the Hultman Aqueduct, taken circa 1942.

Photograph, taken by the family, is 73 years old. The aqueduct and Pineridge Road Extension cut the Steele property into quarters. I was very stressed about the whole project and pulled out the surveyor's stakes when they left! That activity ended promptly when warnings were posted. The equipment used was gigantic and most fascinating to watch. I begged the workmen to give me rides...to no avail. My brother Jim and friends rode their bikes through the pipe until it was pitch dark inside and scary! They had great fun! This photo was taken by my uncle James H. N. Waring, Jr. Pictured, from back to front, left to right: back row Mary Steele Woodford, Dorothy Steele Granger, second row Percy H. Steele, Jr., Annabel Steele Whiteside, my aunt Virginia Waring, James Steele (in first pair of long trousers), and in front me (at about age 6) Hilda Steele Bulkley. Location: near Stonebridge and Old Connecticut Path.



Swimming is a great source of family fun in Wayland. The Wayland Swim and Tennis Club had just celebrated its 50th anniversary in 1970. The Town House Pool has provided a year-round pool for Wayland High Boys and Girls championship swim teams. Swimming in Wayland all began at Lake Cochituate which in addition to its natural beauty affords all forms of water recreation. Wayland is a great place to be a kid and raise a family. Pictured: Libby Sullivan, First Place. Location: Wayland Swim & Tennis Club.



Mary Kowalski: These are some of my maternal grandmother's siblings. Annie Davey, my grandmother, was one of 12 children from Sligo, Ireland. Bartholomew went to New Zealand, John stayed in Sligo and Annie and 9 siblings came to America. Two brothers had a chain of grocery stores named Davey Brother and they later sold out to A&P, another chain. Pictured: Davey Brothers.

Credit for Photos: Courtesy of the University Archives & Special Collections Department, Joseph P. Healey Library, University of Massachusetts Boston: Mass. Memories Road Show.

Spring After-School Education Program Set to Start

"Living in Long-Ago Days", an after-school education program for first and second grade girls offered by Joanne Davis, Kathy Heckscher and Marney Ives will be held on four Tuesdays in March: 3, 10, 17, and 24, from 3:15 - 4:45 pm at the Grout-Heard House Museum. This program, tailored for children ages 6 to 8, minimizes listening time and allows the children to learn through taking part in Colonial games, crafts and activities. Whenever the children put on their "let's pretend" mobcaps, they can string apples, work on small looms, attend a dame school, or eat a Colonial meal. Announcements for registration of first and second grade girls have been included in school newsletters sent to parents, as well as placed in the "Parents & Kids" section of the Wayland Town Crier. Flyers have been placed in the Wayland Public Library. Registration is limited and will be honored in the order received. There is a \$50 fee for the four sessions, but scholarships are available.

Membership Update

Life: 64; Current year: 137; One year in arrears: 10; Two years in arrears: 20; Three or more years in arrears: 22; Total memberships: 253

The Society's by-laws provide that memberships three or more years in arrears should be removed from the membership list. If you know you are in arrears, please take a moment to renew, by downloading the renewal form found on our website, writing a check to Wayland Historical Society and sending it to P.O. Box 56, Wayland MA 01778. Or, just send us a check with a note!

Special membership invitations are being sent to Town residents who live in named historic houses but currently are not members of the Society, in the hopes of increasing our numbers.

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2015 DATES TO REMEMBER

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World War I Wayland
Society, Library, & Kevin Delany

Wednesday, May 13, 7:30 pm

Annual Meeting

Thank you for supporting the Grout-Heard House Museum!