

August 2024 Newsletter (Updated 8/22/24)

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Dear Members:

We have a lot going on. The opening of our Bushnell House has happened with great success. Our museum on the green continues to attract visitors. Our membership is growing. Members have surprised us with (so appreciated) donations of financial and historical items. And the number of people connecting to us online via FACEBOOK and our new website has reached an all-time high.

I hope you will read about our upcoming events listed below, and enjoy some of these programs. I also hope you keep up to date with us on FACEBOOK and through our website, both of which give more information and photos about our activities. Both sites are listed at the bottom of this newsletter.

Many thanks for your support.

Sincerely,

Marcy Fuller, President, Westbrook Historical Society.

OUR UPCOMING EVENTS:

- The Westbrook Historical Society Museum, at 1196 Boston Post Road on the Westbrook Town Green, is open to the public Wednesdays 9-12 and by appointment.
- The Bushnell House, at 121 South Main Street, is open on the first and third Sundays through September.

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- August 3, 10 3: Westbrook Historical Society's annual "DAY ON THE GREEN" craft fair on the Town Green. It's our 43rd Day on the Green! Our museum on the green will be open too.
- August 4, 1 3: Bushnell House is open. Gary Nolf will talk about and demonstrate Native American fishing tools and methods.
- August 18, 1 3: Bushnell House is open.
- August 24, 10 1: Our museum on the town green will be open during the Westbrook Muster
- Aug 27, Sept 15, Oct 22, and Nov 26, 6 8: Free genealogical personalized help at the Westbrook Library with Genealogist and WHS President Marcy Fuller.
- Sept. 1 and 15, 1 3: Bushnell House is open.
- Sept. 27, 4 6: ART SHOW OPENING AT BUSHNELL HOUSE WITH WINE AND CHEESE RECEPTION. Displaying art by and in memory of Nile Barrett, John Wilson, and members of Westbrook Art Gallery.
- Sept 28, 11 3: ART SHOW AT BUSHNELL HOUSE
- October 5, 1 3: CEMETERY TOUR of the "Lower Cemetery" (South Main Street Cemetery), in conjunction with the Westbrook Land Trust, followed by reception and exhibit in the Bushnell House carriage house.
- Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 4 pm: WITNESS STONES PROJECT RESEARCH CLASSES at Westbrook Congregational Church
- Nov 3, 12 noon: WITNESS STONES PROJECT SERVICE AND UNVEILING at Westbrook Congregational Church

THANK A VOLUNTEER: These are some of the people who put the Bushnell House in shipshape.

- WHS President: Marcy Fuller
- WHS Vice President: John Lee
- WHS Secretary: Gail Colby
- WHS Archivist Sandra Forest, who is also specialist in Westbrook cemeteries, and so so many topics.
- WHS new docent for the Bushnell House: Mary Ann Loscalzo
- We also thank the Town of Westbrook, with special thanks to Jeff Tindall for his extraordinary help at the Bushnell House.
- And we also thank the people who contributed items to make the Bushnell House authentic.

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