Lilac Girls: Bellamy-Ferriday House & Garden Inspires Book & Documentary

Join us on Saturday, June 10th for a special day celebrating the work of social philanthropist Caroline Ferriday, the inspiration for New York Times bestselling author Martha Hall Kelly’s novel at Caroline’s Connecticut home. Lilac Girls is based on the true story of Caroline Ferriday and the Ravensbrück Concentration Camp survivors known as lapin (rabbits), whom Caroline championed. This acclaimed debut novel, also available on audiobook, reveals a story of love, redemption and terrible secrets that were hidden for decades.

Between 1 and 3 pm, experience the Hay, Caroline’s beloved Connecticut home, through her eyes as you tour her house and enjoy a landscape walk focusing on the Ferridays’ horticultural design and garden history. Caroline and her mother designed the garden to feature the sequential blooming of specimen magnolias, lilacs, peonies, and roses. Meet Martha Hall Kelly in Caroline’s kitchen and have her sign your book.

From 3 to 5 pm, enjoy a French-inspired reception followed by an author presentation and panel discussion. Martha will discuss Lilac Girls, including her research process, and where she took artistic license. Get insight into Martha’s next book about Caroline and her mother Eliza.

Joining Martha on the panel are Tovah Martin, the former garden writer at Victoria Magazine whose 1999 article first introduced Martha to the house; Stacey Fitzgerald, a documentary filmmaker who shot a short video about how Lilac Girls: A Novel came to be, while she shot footage for her upcoming documentary Saving the Rabbits (the story behind Lilac Girls); and cousins of Caroline Ferriday who remember her fondly.

Tickets range from $35 to $125; there is limited availability. Purchase tickets by Friday, June 2nd by visiting www.ctlandmarks.org or calling 860.247.8996 x 23. All proceeds benefit the Bellamy-Ferriday House & Garden. For more information on Martha Hall Kelly and her work, visit www.marthahallkelly.com.

Sponsored by Connecticut Explored
**Dear Friends,**

You’ll want to be at one—or more—of our historic properties the second weekend in June, when we have signature programs at three sites. At the Bellamy-Ferriday House & Garden in Bethlehem on Saturday, June 10, we are looking forward to showcasing *New York Times* bestselling author Martha Hall Kelly for a *Lilac Girls* book signing, panel discussion and reception. On Sunday, June 11, join us at the Nathan Hale Homestead for the re-opening of the site’s historic barns with a ribbon cutting. Nathan Hale’s birthday cake, and free tours of the Homestead’s first floor. Juneteenth festivities will be going strong both Saturday and Sunday at the Hempsted Houses in New London.

We have an exciting line-up of member-only events this season. On April 29, visit the Isham-Terry House in Hartford and marvel at the restoration work that has been done. On July 8, come to the Hale Homestead for a special presentation by longtime member Quincy Abbott. Quincy organized the donation of two 1840s paintings of Hale relatives that had previously been on loan to the Homestead. He will talk about the portraits of Ezra Abbot and Rebekah Hale Abbot and his family connection to the Homestead. Light refreshments will be served.

This season is bursting with activity and programming that you won’t want to miss, including walking tours, lectures, the Coventry Farmers’ Market, hikes through the woods, and gardening expertise. The Fairy Festival at the Bellamy-Ferriday House & Garden on May 20 is sure to please your little ones as well as their parents and grandparents. At the Hempsted Houses, join the Drunken Palette Art Studio for an evening art class on Friday, June 23 or try an Abolitionist Tea on July 22. Suffield’s May Market on Saturday, May 13 means that the Phelps-Hatheway property will be packed full of spring plants, flowers, and handmade wonders for you to take home. Sunday, June 25 is CT Historic Garden Day—take in one of our remarkable historic gardens in Hartford and Bethlehem.

We have multiple opportunities for young people to engage with history. Colonial camp is now offered at the Phelps-Hatheway House as well as the Hale Homestead and Hempsted Houses. As we have for many years, we will host our Youth Employment Program in Hartford and our Young Friends of Hale in Coventry—please send teenagers our way!

Looking forward to seeing you this season.

With best regards,

Sheryl Hack
Executive Director
Shining a Light on Preservation: Isham-Terry Stained Glass Window Restoration

Thanks to generous support from The Hartford Financial Group, the stunning stained glass windows at our Isham-Terry House in Hartford have been preserved for the next 100 years. Stained Glass Resources removed the windows in January and conducted the necessary painstaking restoration work in their Hampden, Massachusetts workshop. After photographing and documenting the windows with rubbings, they carefully disassembled and cleaned them. With this close scrutiny, they realized that three of the windows had been installed upside down. Broken glass was repaired or replaced. Using the rubbing as a guide, the windows were reassembled with new lead channel, soldered on both sides, and cemented to stiffen the windows and make them waterproof. The windows should be maintenance-free—and right-side up—for another century.

On Wednesday, April 26th from 4 to 7 pm, Connecticut Landmarks will convene our annual Donor Appreciation Event at the beautiful Isham-Terry House. Our high level donors have been invited to gather for a cocktail party to celebrate spring and see the Isham-Terry House’s newly renovated stained glass windows, recently electrified century-old gaslight chandeliers, and newly installed gardens.

As dusk falls, we expect a spectacular transition from sunlight through the stained glass windows to the warm glow of the newly electrified chandeliers and wall sconces. Thanks to The Hartford Financial Services Group, which has supported critical repair and maintenance work at the house since 2014.

The Isham-Terry House will host a Members-Only Morning on Saturday, April 29th from 11 am - 12:30 pm including tours and light refreshments. To become a donor or a member and to secure your invitation to each of these events, visit www.ctlandmarks.org or call 860.247.8996 x 23.
Celebrate Juneteenth at the Hempsted Houses

Join us as we celebrate Juneteenth on Saturday, June 10th from noon to 4 pm at the Hempsted Houses in New London. We’ll highlight the African-American history of the house, property, and surrounding neighborhood in partnership with the NAACP-New London Branch. 2017 marks the third year that the Hempsted Houses have had the honor of hosting this important event. Juneteenth commemorates the announcement on June 19, 1865 by Union soldiers in Galveston, Texas under the leadership of Major General Gordon Granger that the Civil War had ended and that the enslaved were now free. Juneteenth celebrations take place all across the country each June.

The New London celebration will feature storytelling, drumming, gospel music and dance—and a dash of history—with art making opportunities for children and adults and tabling by New London’s non-profit community. Local DJ Frank Lo Marchany will provide the soundtrack for the event and ensure that the performers have the music and sound support they need. Our neighbors at the Opportunities Industrialization Center (OIC) of New London will again create and serve delicious food in their lot across the street.

Admission to the Hempsted Houses and Juneteenth is free as part of CT Open House Day. Sponsored by the Connecticut Office of Tourism, the one-day statewide event is designed to showcase Connecticut’s diverse world of history, art, and tourism. Open House Day is a wonderful way to discover or rediscover all that is happening in our state.
Grand Re-Opening of Hale Barns

Join us on Sunday, June 11th at 10 am to celebrate summer and the completion of the Nathan Hale Barns Renovation & Adaptive Reuse Project with a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. Preview the newly restored 18th-century English barn built by Nathan Hale’s father, Deacon Richard Hale, and the dairy barn built in the early 19th century. Help us thank the State of Connecticut and the SBM Charitable Foundation, who have made this important project possible.

Connecticut Landmarks is delighted to offer improved programming space through the Barns Project to the thousands of schoolchildren we host every year. By adding indoor and outdoor function space and three-season program capacity, we will extend the season so that we can inspire more learning about the American past.

From 11 am to 2 pm, celebrate the 262nd birthday of Connecticut’s State Hero Nathan Hale – farm boy, school teacher, and soldier/spy – with birthday cake and lemonade. Special activities will include free tours of the first floor of the Homestead and a flag raising at noon. Stay and experience the Coventry Farmers’ Market at Hale which the Homestead hosts every Sunday from June 4th through October 29th.

Growing Up at CTL

At 20, Anthony Riccio already has a lot of history under his belt. Riccio is an enthusiastic Revolutionary War re-enactor who got started at the Hale Homestead as a junior docent in 2009. Re-enacting enables him “to really get deeply in, to understand how people lived and dressed.” Now a second-year student at Tunxis Community College, he will transfer to UConn in the fall. “My mom is a history professor and former CTL staff member, and I just really like history,” he says.

Last summer, Riccio supported CTL’s Hartford Youth Employment Program, helped lead the charge at the Hempsted summer camp, and worked at the Hale camp as well. “But my favorite CTL property is actually Bellamy-Ferriday,” he says, “because I am so impressed by everything that Caroline Ferriday did there for the world. It’s important for young people to pay attention to history because we don’t want to make the same mistakes.” He attended CTL’s advanced training for interpreters this spring to get ready for the 2017 season.
Connecticut Landmarks’ historic museums are open for regular tours from May through October. Admission is $10 for adults; $8 for students, seniors, teachers & AAA members; $5 for town residents & children ages 6 -18; free for children younger than 6 & CTL members. A special family price of $20 is available for families with two adults & any number of children. To register for programs, or for more information, please contact the museum directly or visit www.ctlandmarks.org.

**Bellamy-Ferriday House & Garden**
9 Main Street North
Bethlehem, CT 06751
203.266.7596
bellamy.ferriday@ctlandmarks.org

Open for tours: May through Oct.
May – Sept.: Thur. – Sun., 12 – 4 pm
Oct.: Sat. & Sun., 12 – 4 pm
Open on Memorial Day, Labor Day & Columbus Day

**Sat., May 20, 12 – 4 pm**
**Rain date: Sun., May 21**
**Fairy Festival**
Calling all fairies, elves, gnomes, pixies, woodland & mystical creatures! Visit the vendors, see the craft fairs, make ribbon rings & fairy garland crowns & more.
Prizes for the fairy houses awarded. Food & drinks for sale from the Soroptimists of Greater Waterbury. $10 adults; $5 children 6 -12 (under 6 free). Registration required for fairy house contest, call 203.266.7596 or email bellamy.ferriday@ctlandmarks.org for application.

**Sun., May 28, 2 – 4 pm**
**Sat., June 3, 10 am – 12 pm**
**Lilac in the Garden Walk**
Take a guided walking tour of the Ferriday Gardens with our on-site Horticulturist. Ask gardening advice from an expert & learn about historic varieties of annuals & perennials. Rain or shine. $10; CTL members free.

**Sun., June 4, 1 – 3:30 pm**
**CT Trails Day Walk with Bethlehem Land Trust & Program**
Stroll 1.2 miles through the Ferriday Garden & the Bethlehem Land Trust’s Bellamy Preserve. Explore the history, flora & fauna of these two contiguous parcels preserved in perpetuity by Carolyn Ferriday. Meet at the Bellamy-Ferriday Visitor Center. Part of the Connecticut Forest & Park Association’s CT Trails Day. Free. Registration recommended at 203.266.7596 or bellamy.ferriday@ctlandmarks.org.

**Sat., June 10, 1 pm – 5 pm**
**Lilac Girls Event with Martha Kelly**
Join New York Times bestselling author Martha Hall Kelly & special guests at the lovely CT home of Caroline Ferriday. *Lilac Girls* is based on the true story of the Ravensbrück Concentration Camp survivors know as lapin (rabbits) whom Caroline championed. Registration recommended at 860.247.8996 x 23 or www.ctlandmarks.org.

**Sat., June 11, 1– 4 pm**
**Roses in the Ferriday Garden**
Take a guided walking tour of the Ferriday Gardens with our on-site Horticulturist. Ask gardening advice from an expert & learn about historic varieties of annuals & perennials. Rain or shine. $10; CTL members free.

**Sat., June 24, 12 – 4 pm**
**Rain date: Sun., June 25**
**Bumble Bee & Butterfly Jamboree**
Celebrate *Pollinators Week* with children’s activities about bees & butterflies! Learn to maintain a balanced & diverse garden community. Study the life cycles of pollinators & the plants that attract them. $5 adults; $3 children 6 -12 (under 6 free).

**Sun., June 25, 1 – 4 pm**
**CT Historic Garden Day**
**Garden Tours at 1 & 3 pm**
Discover the treasures of the Bellamy-Ferriday estate. Stroll through the formal parterre garden designed 1915-1918 by Eliza Mitchell Ferriday. Grounds admission is free; regular admission applies for historic house tour.

**Sun., July 9, 2 – 4 pm**
**Maintaining the Garden Organically**
Take a guided walking tour of the Ferriday Gardens with our on-site Horticulturist. Ask gardening advice from an expert & learn about historic varieties of annuals & perennials. Rain or shine. $10; CTL Members free.

**Sun., July 16, 1 – 4 pm**
**Exploring the Ferriday Gardens**
Take a guided walking tour of the Ferriday Gardens with our on-site Horticulturist. Ask gardening advice from an expert & learn about historic varieties of annuals & perennials. Rain or shine. $10; CTL Members free.

**Butler-McCook House & Garden**
396 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06103
860.522.1806
butler.mccook@ctlandmarks.org

Open for tours: May through Dec.
May – Sept.: Thur. – Sun., 12 – 4 pm
Oct. – Dec.: Sat. & Sun., 12 – 4 pm

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**Hempsted Houses**
11 Hempstead Street
New London, CT 06320
hempsted@ctlandmarks.org

Reservations required at 860.443.7949 or www.elizabethparkct.org.

Today the garden is lovingly maintained by open mic performances. Workshop & tabling by New London’s non-profit American history of the Hempsted House & walk through our historic Jacob Butler McCook & her sister Mary in 1865. Prizes for the fairy houses awarded. Food & drinks for sale from the Soroptimists of Greater Waterbury. $10 adults; $5 children 6 -12 (under 6 free). Registration applies for historic house tour.

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Oct. – Dec.: Sat. & Sun., 12 – 4 pm
For event updates and more information, visit ctlandmarks.org.

Thur., May 11, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
Cultural Cocktail Hour
Join us on the 2nd Thursday of the month for art exhibitions by local artists! Free with a suggested $5 food & beverage donation.

Thur., June 8, July 13 & Aug. 10
Sunset Sounds Story Slam
Workshop: 3 – 5 pm
Open Mic: 5:30 – 7:30 pm
Join us for three youth-focused Story Slam nights on the 2nd Thursday of each month. June through August with storytelling and spoken word poetry workshops followed by open mic performances. Workshop themes we will explore include racism, labor issues/the working class, women’s rights, and the immigrant story. Sponsored by the Greater Hartford Arts Council.

Sat., June 10, 12 – 4 pm
CT Open House Day
Sponsored by the Connecticut Office of Tourism, the one-day statewide event is designed to showcase Connecticut’s diverse world of history, art & tourism. A great way for residents to discover, or rediscover, all that is happening in our state.

Sun., June 18, 10 am – 4 pm
Rose Garden at Elizabeth Park
Join CTL under the tent at Rose Garden Weekend to make rose petal potpourri sachets. For more information visit: www.elizabethparkct.org.

Sun., June 25, 12 – 4 pm
CT Historic Garden Day
Visit the Butler-McCook House & Garden & walk through our historic Jacob Weidenmann Garden installed by Eliza Butler McCook & her sister Mary in 1865. Today the garden is lovingly maintained by the West Hartford Garden Club. Grounds admission is free; regular admission applies for historic house tour.

Sat., June 10, 1 pm – 5 pm
Lilac Girls
Visit the Butler-McCook House & Garden & walk through our historic Jacob Weidenmann Garden installed by Eliza Butler McCook & her sister Mary in 1865. Today the garden is lovingly maintained by the West Hartford Garden Club. Grounds admission is free; regular admission applies for historic house tour.

Buttolph-Williams House
249 Broad Street
Wethersfield, CT 06109
860.529.0612
info@webb-deane-stevens.org
Open for tours: May through Oct.
Mon., Wed., Thur., Fri. & Sat.,
10 am – 4 pm;
Sun., 1 – 4 pm; last tour begins at 3:30 pm
Purchase tickets at the Webb House.

Hempsted Houses
11 Hempstead Street
New London, CT 06320
860.443.7949
hempsted@ctlandmarks.org
Open for tours: May through Oct.
May – Oct.: Sat. & Sun., 1 – 4 pm

Sat., June 3, 2 – 3:30 pm
CT Trails Day Walking Tour:
Hempstead Historic District
Join us for a walking tour of one of New London’s first African-American neighborhoods. Hear the stories of the people who lived in this neighborhood—residents have included slaveholders, civic leaders, abolitionists, a Revolutionary War hero & at least two enslaved people. Stay afterward for cookies, lemonade & a chance to talk more about the area. Part of the Connecticut Forest & Park Association’s CT Trails Day. Free.

Sat., June 10, 12 – 4 pm
Juneteenth Festival
& CT Open House Day

Fri., June 23, 6 – 8 pm
Paint Night:
Paint the Joshua Hempsted House!
The Drunken Palette Art Studio teaches an outdoor evening class welcoming all experience levels. In case of rain or wind, the class will be held at the Drunken Palette Studio at 259 State Street in New London. Ages 14+; $45 per person. Reservations required at 860.443.7949 or hempsted@ctlandmarks.org.
Sun., July 2, 2 pm
Declaration of Independence
Listen to a dramatic reading of the Declaration of Independence. Sponsored by The Chester Kitchings Family Foundation.

Sat., July 22, 2 – 4 pm
Abolitionist Tea
Join us at the Hempsted Houses for an outdoor tea & then discuss the Hempstead sisters who were abolitionists & artists. Learn how these women found comfort & inspiration from other women at a time when their ideas were rather unpopular. Advance registration.$30/ $25 CTL members. Reservations required at 860.443.7949 or h hempsted@ctlandmarks.org.

Mon. – Fri., July 31 –Aug. 4, 9 am – 1 pm
Hempsted History Camp
Children will step back in time & explore history in our Hempsted History Camp. They will experience what life was like in the past through fun, hands-on activities. Children will see & hear from storytellers & have a fun & educational week. $150 per child. Scholarships are available for New London residents & returning youth! Sponsored by the Chester Kitchings Family Foundation. Register at 860.443.7949 or hempsted@ctlandmarks.org.

Fri., May 12, 7 pm
Sat., June 3, 7 pm
Tales From the Other Side
The evenings feature a special candlelight tour, room-by-room, all the way up to the dark & dreary attic. The evening concludes with a gallery reading by spirit medium, historian & author Courtney McInvale Reardon of Seaside Shadow Tours, Mystic, CT. Light refreshments. Recommended for ages 12+. $25/20CTL members. Reservations required at 860.742.6917 or hale@ctlandmarks.org.

Wed., April 26, 4 – 7 pm
Donor Appreciation Event
Gather for a cocktail party to celebrate spring & see the Isham-Terry House’s newly renovated stained glass windows, century-old gas-light chandeliers & gardens. RSVP to 860.247.8996 x 23 or jamie.fontaine@ctlandmarks.org.

Sat., April 29, 11 – 12:30 pm
Members Morning
Join us for a members-only tour of the Isham-Terry House & see the Isham-Terry House’s newly renovated stained glass windows, century-old gas-light chandeliers & gardens. RSVP to 860.247.8996 x 23 or jamie.fontaine@ctlandmarks.org.

Sat., June 3, 2 – 3:30 pm
CT Trails Day
Join Nathan Hale Homestead staff for a slow two-mile walk down the 18th-century road toward Norwich. This path into the Nathan Hale State Forest is how the Hale family took their livestock to market in Norwich, CT. Heavy rain cancels. Part of the CT Forest & Park Association’s CT Trails Day. Free. Registration recommended at 860.742.6917 or hale@ctlandmarks.org.

Sun., June 4 – Sun., Oct. 29, 11 am – 2 pm
Coventry Farmers’ Market
Visit the Farmers’ Market at the Hale Homestead, managed by the Town of Coventry in collaboration with Connecticut Landmarks! Free admission to the first floor of the Homestead. Family activities in the kitchen most Sundays.

Sat., June 10, 12 – 4 pm
CT Open House Day
Sponsored by the Connecticut Office of Tourism, the one-day statewide event is designed to showcase Connecticut’s diverse world of history, art & tourism. A great way for residents to discover, or rediscover, all that is happening in our state.

Sat., June 11, 10 – 11 am
Hale Barns Grand Re-Opening
& Ribbon Cutting
Celebrate the grand re-opening of the site’s historic barns & enjoy Nathan Hale’s birthday cake. Free.

Fri., June 23, 7 pm
The Not So Good Life of a Colonial Goodwife
What was life really like for women in the colonial period? Teacher & author Velya Jancz-Urban has guests laughing & cringing while she discusses topics—childbirth, birth control, menstruation, medicine & more—that we are curious about but too shy to ask. Light refreshments. Recommended for ages 12+. $25/20 CTL members. Registration required at 860.742.6917 or hale@ctlandmarks.org.

Sat., July 8, 11am
Members-Only Event: Quincy Abbot
Longtime member Quincy Abbott shares family stories about two 1840s paintings of Hale relatives that had been on loan to the Homestead & his family connection to the Homestead. Light refreshments. Registration requested at 860.742.6917 or hale@ctlandmarks.org.
Sat., July 22, 11 am – 4 pm
Hale at the Homestead
Visitors will learn about the daily life of
soldiers at this Revolutionary War military
encampment. Witness tactical
demonstrations, craft demonstrations,
children’s activities, meals cooked over a
camp fire & more. Hosted by the Nathan
Hale Ancient Fife & Drum Corps.
Suggested donation of $5.

Sun., July 23, 12 pm
Musical Muster
Over a dozen Fife & Drum Corps from
Southern New England attend this muster
& present a parade of fifes & wooden rope
tension snare & bass drums. Hosted by the
Nathan Hale Ancient Fife & Drum Corps.
Free, donations welcome.

Mon. – Fri., July 24 – 28, 10 am – 3 pm
Colonial Camp
Travel back to the 18th century for a week of
summer fun. Campers will learn about
18th-century life through hands on
activities each day & make crafts to take
home at the end of the week. Campers will
learn to spin wool, embroider, write with
quill pens, learn 18th-century games, dip
candles, make homemade ice cream & so
much more! For children ages 8-12; $200
per week/ $175 CTL members.
Registration required at 860.742.6917 or
hale@ctlandmarks.org.

May – Oct., 1:30 – 3 pm
1st Saturday Attic Tours
Dates: May 6, June 3, July 1, Aug. 5,
Sept. 2 & Oct. 7
Join us for our ever-popular attic tours
with Museum Interpreter Jack Cown. On
the first Saturday of each month, Jack will
lead guests on a rare, behind-the-scenes
look of the Phelps’ servant & attic spaces.
View objects & collections from the 18th
to the early 20th century. Regular
admission applies.

Sat., May 13, 9 am – 3 pm
May Market
Goodbye winter, hello spring! Now in its
40th year, the Suffield Garden Club’s May
Market officially marks the beginning of
the planting season. Beautify your garden
with a variety of plants, trees & shrubs.
Win the raffle, buy homemade desserts, or
find a unique Mother’s Day gift. Free;
regular admission applies for house tour.

Sun., May 14, 1 pm
Mother’s Day Tea
Celebrate spring & our beautiful lilacs!
Mrs. Phelps offers a light tea in the
Summer House & shares tea’s significant
social & political role during the
Revolutionary War & after. The
traditional tea service features delicious
treats & young guests may don a period
costume. $25 per adult; $15 per child.
Reservations required at
phelps.hatheway@ctlandmarks.org.

Fri., June 23, 6 – 9 pm
Cocktails in the Hatheway Garden
Savor farm-to-table offerings by The
Federal & signature cocktails at CTL’s
signature summer event in our lush
garden. All proceeds benefit the Phelps-
Hatheway House & Garden. Individual
ticket $75; Patron ticket $150. Register
at www.ctlandmarks.org or
860.247.8996 x 23.

Mon. – Fri., July 31 – Aug. 4, 10 am – 3 pm
Colonial Camp
Welcome to the 18th century! Journey
with us to Colonial Suffield. Harvest herbs
& flowers for tea & fragrant sachets.
Learn about trade & westward expansion
while signing important documents &
maps with a quill pen, dye cloth, play
historic games, read original diaries &
enjoy a daily tea ceremony. A special
surprise awaits on the final day!
Registration required at
phelps.hatheway@ctlandmarks.org. For
children ages 8-12; $200 per week/ $175
CTL members.

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Our House!

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meetings, weddings, corporate events
– CTL’s historic properties are open
for business!
Visit www.ctlandmarks.org to
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Calling All Kids!
Summer Camp at Hale, Hempstead & Phelps-Hatheway

Welcome to the 18th century! Children ages 8-12 are invited to journey back to Colonial times this summer in Coventry, Suffield, and New London. Campers will learn about 18th-century life through hands-on activities each day and make crafts to take home at the end of the week. How did people live and meet their daily needs? Campers will learn to spin wool, embroider, write with quill pens, dip candles, and much more. Children can don a period costume (or wear their own summer clothes) and participate in activities that took place each and every day—including games that Colonial children played, singing Colonial songs, and reading diaries.

Registration is required. Applications are at www.ctlandmarks.org or contact the historic property to register.

Hempsted Houses, New London
(hempsted@ctlandmarks.org or 860.443.7949):
Mon., July 31 – Fri., Aug. 4, 9 am – 1 pm
Ages 7-12; $150 per child, with scholarships available for New London residents; limited scholarships available to others.

Hale Homestead, Coventry
(hale@ctlandmarks.org or 860.742.6917):
Mon. – Fri., July 24 – 28, 10 am – 3 pm
Ages 8-12; $200 per child; $25 discount for CTL members & for families with two or more children attending.

Phelps-Hatheway House, Suffield
(phelps.hatheway@ctlandmarks.org or 860.668.0055):
Mon., July 31 – Fri., Aug. 4, 10 am – 3 pm
Ages 8-12; $200 per child; $25 discount for CTL members & for families with two or more children attending.

Thanks to Trustee Jim Anderson (far right) who has led work groups at several of our properties. Joining him in March were Marie Goe Olson, Jean and Rob Scialabba, Mark White, plus Wayne Fosberg taking the photo. More than 100 volunteers provide critical support every year at Connecticut Landmarks’ sites.
Welcome New Board and Staff!

John Bonee III, Esq. has a personal connection to the Butler-McCook House & Garden through his father, who practiced law with Anson McCook. John is a partner at BoneeWeintraub LLC where he focuses on complex civil and probate litigation, including personal injury and will contests. A native of Hartford, he has followed the tradition of service by lawyers to their clients and community set by his grandfather and father. John has been elected to the Connecticut Bar Association’s Board of Governors and House of Delegates for almost two decades. He is a graduate of the Loomis Chaffee School, Trinity College/Hartford (B.A. History), and Suffolk University Law School (J.D.) and had additional work/study at Makerere University, in Kampala, Uganda and the Hague Academy of International Law.

Anne Marie Charland, our new Site Administrator at the Nathan Hale Homestead, has worked at the site for five years. Prior to becoming Site Administrator, Anne Marie was an Education Coordinator, Camp Director, and Museum Interpreter. Anne Marie has three children, all of whom have played an active role in the Homestead's summer camp, youth group and programming.

Amanda Cooper, Marketing & Development Assistant and Museum Interpreter for the Butler-McCook and Isham-Terry Houses. A resident of Willington who enjoys caving and travel, Amanda is pursuing her B.S. in Geography after working for several years as an aquarist/zooologist. She is excited to join CTL and delve into Connecticut history.

Two Archival and Collections Interns at the Palmer-Warner House are helping CTL ready the Palmer-Warner House in East Haddam to be opened as a museum. Working with Collections & Project Manager Erin Malueg, their duties include digital photography, object handling, measuring object dimensions, object cleaning, writing object descriptions and tagging objects with temporary numbers.

Adrianna Mihalek is a senior at Eastern Connecticut State University majoring in History with a concentration in American Studies and a Double Minor in Pre-Law and Political Science. “I hope to one day work in a museum, so being able to see what goes behind the scenes with regards to starting, running and maintaining a historical house/museum is very rewarding!” she says.

Lynette Fisher is a senior at Manchester Community College where she is studying Hotel/Tourism Management. Lynette lives in Ellington with her two sons and is passionate about historic tourism. She is interning with CT Landmarks in order to be a part of preserving history in CT while gathering job skills for her future in the field.

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June Special Events

Lilac Girls Event
with New York Times bestselling author Martha Hall Kelly at the Bellamy-Ferriday House & Garden in Bethlehem Saturday, June 10th, 1 - 5 pm

Hale Barns Opening
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at the Nathan Hale Homestead in Coventry Sunday, June 11th, 10 - 11 am

Cocktails in the Hatheway Garden
at the Phelps-Hatheway House & Garden in Suffield Friday, June 23rd, 6 - 9 pm

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