

# St George Historical Society Newsletter

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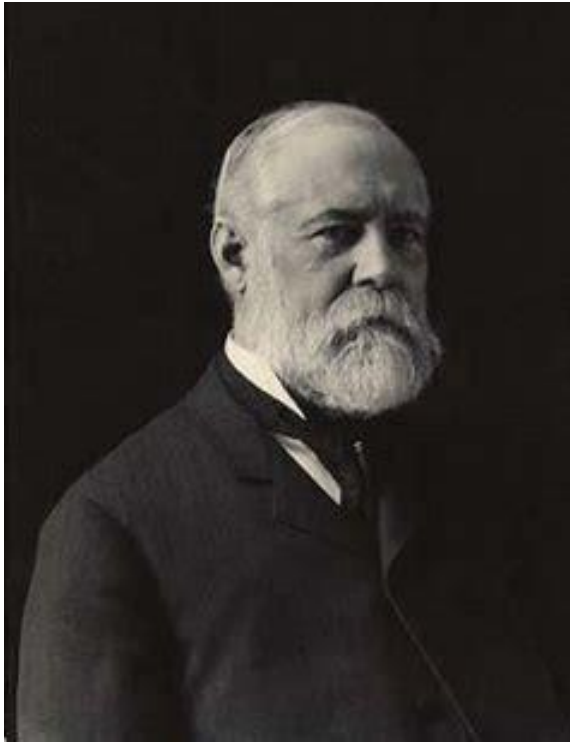
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**Albert Smith Bickmore**

## **Apr 28<sup>th</sup> Monthly Zoom Program**

The April program will be a Zoom meeting on St George native Albert S Bickmore. The son of sea captain & shipbuilder John Bickmore, Albert was born in Martinsville in 1839. He went on to serve in the Civil War and became a driving force behind the founding of the American Museum of Natural History in New York City.

Thanks to Dale Pierson for doing the research on this interesting individual and preparing a presentation for the April meeting.

If you would like the link for the ZOOM meeting, please send an email to request it to [stgeorgemainehistory@gmail.com](mailto:stgeorgemainehistory@gmail.com). If you miss the ZOOM meeting, you can watch a recording later on [www.stgeorgehistory.com](http://www.stgeorgehistory.com).



## **May 2022 Program to be an Open House at the Old Library Museum**

We are all anxious to return to in-person meetings and we thought we would start things off in May by holding an Open House at the Old Library Museum at 38 Main Street in Tenants Harbor. The Open House will be on our usual last Thursday of the month – May 26<sup>th</sup> – from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

Please stop by for a visit and see what displays we have. We continue to have new items and photos donated, and want to thank those who share our interest in protecting and preserving local history.

## **Latest News for May 2022**

- Services for James G “Jim” Skoglund will be held at the St George Baptist Church on Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, at noon. Reception to follow at the Grange.
- Because of the services on Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, the opening day for the Old Library Museum has been moved to Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00am to 2:00pm. We will return to being open on every Saturday from June 4<sup>th</sup> to October 8<sup>th</sup>.



## LOOKING TO MAKE A TARGETED DONATION?

Andrew Robinson House projects needing your help:

	<u>Approx. cost</u>
• Barn roofing	\$ 10,000.00
• Barn siding and windows	\$ 5,000.00
• Orchard upgrade and add to	\$ 1,000.00
• Community Garden	\$ 1,000.00
• Garage Doors replacement	\$ 4,500.00
• Window & door work completion	\$ 2,000.00
• Meadow rejuvenation	\$ 1,000.00

*Please send donations to St George Historical Society, P O Box 14, Tenants Harbor, ME 04860 - Thanks!!*

### Membership Dues

Membership dues cover the calendar year and are \$10 / individual and \$15 / household.

An application form for a new membership can be found at the end of this newsletter. Please send dues and application form (if new) to:

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### In Memory of Jim Skoglund

In Jim's obituary – which can be seen [here](#) - it mentions that in lieu of flowers donations may be made in his memory to the Historical Society. Thanks for your contributions!

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## Remembering Alvah Harris & His Garage



The "oldtimers" remember Alvah Harris and his garage – the top photos are Alvah pumping gas in 1980, and a nice shot of his garage. Below are photos of Alvah as a young man and in his World War I uniform. These photos were also shared on our Facebook page and there were lots of memories shared about him and his good spirit and generosity. Lots of great memories!!!



## What's else is going on?

- As the severity of the pandemic seems to lessen, the trustees are talking about having the monthly programs both in-person and through Zoom. The May meeting will be in person and will be an Open House at the Old Library Museum on Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, from 6pm to 8pm. The June meeting is on the 30<sup>th</sup> and will be a review of our video and audio collection. We will let you know the details, but we may have it as both a Zoom meeting and a small gathering at the Old Library Museum. The July meeting will be a walking tour, and the rest of the year will depend on how things are going at the time.
- The work Dale Pierson has done recently on Albert Smith Bickmore has prompted him to learn more and put together either a booklet or program – or both – on the Mosquito Head / Donut Point area. It apparently was a bustling little village by itself in the early to mid 1800s. Stay tuned for more information!!
- We have recently upgraded our collection software program to include ten users and more storage space. As of today, we have entered over 700 images and have several volunteers helping us with the cataloging of the rest of the collection. We're hoping to have it on-line and available to the public by the end of the year 2022.

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

*Membership runs for a calendar year – Jan 1<sup>st</sup> to Dec 31<sup>st</sup>*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Membership: Individual / \$10 \_\_\_\_\_ Household / \$15 \_\_\_\_\_

Areas of interest \_\_\_\_\_