

St George Historical Society Newsletter

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The Year 2022 In Review

- Our January program was part II of a presentation on the Old Houses of St George.
- Our February program was cancelled due to scheduling. It was also the month that we lost our dear friend and long-time President Jim Skoglund. His presence is missed, along with his dry wit and vast knowledge of the history of his hometown.
- The March program was on the History of Clark Island. Our thanks to trustee Stephanie Smith for doing the research for this presentation.
- Trustee Dale Pierson was the researcher and presenter for the April program on Albert Smith Bickmore, a native of St George who was known for being a founder of the American Museum of Natural History in New York City.
- After a long shutdown period due to the pandemic, we finally had our Open House at the Old Library Museum in May, and it was well attended. People were anxious to get out!
- June's meeting topic was on our Audio & Video Collection. Up to this time, our collection consisted of audio and video tapes – many from the Brad Beckett estate. During the month we received from Jim Skoglund's estate his collection of audio and video items, adding over 300 to what we already had. We hope to get them converted to digital in 2023.
- We took advantage of the good weather and daylight in July to conduct a Walking Tour of Seaside Cemetery. We had an amazing crowd of close to 50 people in attendance, and quickly learned that we needed a portable sound system. Thanks to a generous donation towards that item, we hope to have that problem solved in 2023.
- We launched our -on-line collection in September and discussed haunted houses at our October program.
- The Andrew Robinson Homestead held several events during the summer and they were well attended. There was an Open House in July, an event in August that coincided with the Robinson Family Reunion, and an event all about Apples in October.
- The Marshall Point Lighthouse Museum had a banner year with a record number of visitors to this beautiful spot on the coast of Maine!

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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Coming Events

Thursday – Jan 26th – 7pm – The Historical Society will be holding a ZOOM meeting this month at 7:00pm, and the topic will be The Indigenous People of Maine and the St George Peninsula. It will be a basic outline of the native people of Maine and their presence on the St George Peninsula.