St George Historical Society Newsletter

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George found his way home to Jefferson



In reviewing our collection and entering items into our database, we came across a portrait with the name George S Bond across the bottom. It is the large, framed portrait in the above photo. We didn't know where it came from, so we started to dig to find who he was. There was a George Seavey Bond who was born in St George in 1875, but the portrait is earlier than that. Then we found a George S Bond who was from Jefferson, Maine, and was in the Civil War. Long story short, the Jefferson Historical Society was contacted, confirmed who he was, and they came and got him.

The photo above was provided by the Jefferson Historical Society and shows on the bottom, just below the portrait - a photo of George being picked up in St George to go home, and the photo to the left of the portrait is a photo of George with his brothers Abial and William.

This is just one example of historical societies working together to share what they have, and to get items to their rightful home. Glad you got home okay, George!!

Volunteer & Learn

How to Clean Gravestones

Saturday - Sept 10th - Seaside Cemetery

Rain date - Sept 17th



The St. George Historical Society is hosting a volunteer headstone cleaning event at the historic Seaside Cemetery in Tenants Harbor on Sept 10th - from 9am to 3pm – Rain date will be the following Saturday.

Come join us for a fun day cleaning our ancestor's headstones - no skill required! We will provide the tools necessary to clean the headstones - nontoxic cleaning solution, pump sprayers, and scrub brushes - as well as a brief training. You only need to bring work gloves, drinking water, and bug spray.

If you plan to attend, please contact Stephanie at stephanie.m.smith@maine.rr.com or call 207-372-2231 and leave a message. Please let us know if you are coming so we have enough supplies.

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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Website Updated

The St George Historical Society website at www.stgeorgehistory.com has been updated and changed a little bit to make it more user-friendly. If you have any suggestions on how to improve it or things you may want to see, please send us your thoughts to stgeorgemainehistory@gmail.com.

Andrew Robinson Homestead Cookbook



The Andrew Robinson Homestead Committee has created a cookbook from handwritten recipes that were found in the house, plus a few "famous" recipes from Jim Skoglund – including his well-known clam casserole. Proceeds from the sale of the cookbooks will help with costs of upkeep at the homestead.

Cookbooks are \$15 and available at the Old Library Museum at 38 Main Street, Tenants Harbor. If you'd like to have one shipped to you, please send \$18.80 (\$15.00 plus \$3.80 shipping and handling) to St George Historical Society, P O Box 14, Tenants Harbor, ME 04860 - or - pay through the PayPal button on the bottom of our website home page www.stgeorgehistory.com.

Coming Events

- On Saturday, <u>September 10th</u>, there will be a workshop event at Seaside Cemetery to learn and help clean gravestones. Please see a previous page for more information.
- The Andrew Robinson Homestead will be holding a special event on Saturday, <u>September 17th from 10am to 2pm on CHICKENS IN MAINE PAST, PRESENT & THE FUTURE.</u> The Andrew Robinson Homestead is the site of one of several poultry farms in St George, and items connected to this industry will be on display.
- Thursday, <u>September 29th</u> will be the Historical Society's monthly program. It will be a ZOOM meeting and we will review the Society's collection of audio and video recordings, especially the large collection that we recently received from Jim Skoglund's estate.
- The Andrew Robinson Homestead will be hosting a special event on APPLES on Sunday, October 9th, with some history of Maine varieties, along with cider pressing and taste testing. More information will be provided next month.
- October's monthly program will be on Thursday, October 27th, and will discuss the HAUNTED HOUSES OF ST GEORGE. Please join us and share some stories of hauntings you are familiar with.

AND REMEMBER, THE OLD LIBRARY MUSEUM IS OPEN SATURDAYS FROM 10AM to 2PM

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Membership runs for a calendar year – Jan 1st to Dec 31st

Name					
Address			State	Zip Code	
Email address		Pho	ne (optional)		
Type of Membership:	Individual / \$10		Household / \$15		
Areas of interest					