

# St George Historical Society Newsletter

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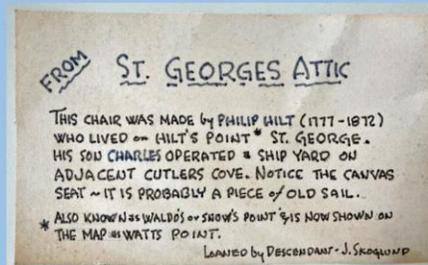
## St George Historical Society Collection

### Now On-Line

### Thursday – Sept 29, 2022 – 7:00pm



Recent acquisition from  
Jim Skoglund's estate



The St. George Historical Society is hosting a ZOOM meeting on Thursday, Sept 29<sup>th</sup> – starting at 7:00pm. If you would like to attend, please send a request to our email address – [stgeorgemahinehistory@gmail.com](mailto:stgeorgemahinehistory@gmail.com) – and we will send you a link.

Come join us as we review some recent donations to the Society – especially from Jim Skoglund's estate – plus a general overview of what we have tucked away. PLUS, we will be previewing our new on-line searchable collection. We have about 3000 images currently added to our on-line collection, and we are adding more every day. This meeting will include a brief tutorial on how to search this database.

# Volunteer & Learn

## Cleaning Gravestones – Part II

Sunday – Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> – Seaside Cemetery

Rain date - Oct 8<sup>th</sup>

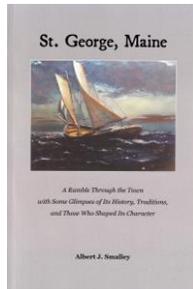


The St. George Historical Society is hosting a volunteer headstone cleaning event at the historic Seaside Cemetery in Tenants Harbor on Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> - from 9am to 2pm – Rain date will be the following Sunday.

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 (possibly).

If you plan to attend, please contact Stephanie at [stephanie.m.smith@maine.rr.com](mailto: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.

## Reprint of History of St George & Other Local History Books AVAILABLE NOW!



The reprinted Albert Smalley's "**History of St George, Maine**" is available at the Old Library Museum. It has many new old photos added to Smalley's "ramble through the town" and a more readable font. Copies are \$32 each. If you would like a copy, please let us via know.

We also have copies of "**The Voyage of Archangell**", the story of Waymouth's voyage here in 1605; "**The St George Peninsula**" by Tammy Willey; and "**Cemetery Inscriptions of St George, Maine**" by S Sullivan & R Welsch.

### Membership Stats

We are pleased to report that we have added over 30 new members since last year and stand at 175 paid members helping to support our group and its activities. We also have 235 people who are signed up on our website to receive emails and other notices.

PLUS, we have 978 people who follow us on Facebook! We hope you all enjoy what we do.

### 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/or application form to:

**St George Historical Society  
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Tenants Harbor, Maine 04860**

## Notes on what's to come...

The trustees have plans to again continue the monthly programs – through Zoom – starting in January after taking off November and December for the holidays. If you have any items of local history that you'd like to have us cover, please let us know. We can do a Power Point presentation or have a panel discussion.

The Old Library Museum [OLM] will not be open during the winter months on a regular basis, but we can be open by appointment. If you'd like to stop by, either call 207-372-2231 and leave a message, or send us an email. We'll get right back to you. We will be open on Saturdays again during the summer season starting at the end of May 2023.

We're launching public access to our collection starting September 29<sup>th</sup>. You can access the collection at [www.stgeorgehistory.com](http://www.stgeorgehistory.com) – our website! The link will take you to a page that will show you how to search the collection. We have close to 3000 images currently in the on-line, plus about 350 book titles in our library! We will be adding to the on-line collection throughout the winter – we have lots of things to add!

We will be planning our 2023 programs soon, so be sure to drop us a line about any topics or programs you'd like to see. We try to conduct a walking tour during the month of July. In the past these have included walking tours of Tenants Harbor, the cemeteries, etc. There have also been discussions about having other walking tours on weekends during the summer, as everyone seems to enjoy them.

The Andrew Robinson Homestead committee will begin their plans for the 2023 season, so be sure to let them know what you'd like to see!

# ANDREW ROBINSON HOMESTEAD OPEN HOUSE



John Bunker, Apple Historian

The St. George Historical Society is proud to announce the final  
Open House of 2022 at the Andrew Robinson Homestead  
945 River Road, St. George

**Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 10am – 2pm**

John Bunker, apple historian and Maine apple expert, will be on hand to speak about the history of Maine apples and answer questions regarding the fruit. Unsure of the variety growing on your property? Bring a sample for identification or donate a bushel for apple cider pressing. John's recent book, *Apples and the Art of Detection*, will be available for sale and signing.

Historic House and Barn Open. This is a free, family friendly event.  
Donations gladly accepted.

# St George Historical Society

## 2022 Ballot for Officers

*Due to the continuing pandemic issues, the Historical Society is unable to conduct its annual election in person. We are following what we did last year, and we are conducting the election by a written ballot to society members.*

Please print and fill out the ballot and return (postmarked no later than 10/31) to:

**St George Historical Society, P O Box 14, Tenants Harbor, ME 04860**

***Place an X or check mark in the box next to the name who you wish to serve in the position for the coming year.***

### **PRESIDENT**

**John M Falla**

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**Write-in candidate**

### **VICE - PRESIDENT**

**Scott W Hodgkins**

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**Write-in candidate**

### **SECRETARY**

**Tammy Willey**

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**Write-in candidate**

### **TREASURER**

**John M Falla**

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**Write-in candidate**

## Thanks to all for your help and donations!

- Thanks to Judy Hupper Crudele for her work on entering our collection of books into the on-line database. She has entered about 350 titles, with only a few more to do.
- Thanks to Christina MacDonald for the donation of a tea caddy – with a hidden compartment – and photos of Isaac Gilchrest (died in a foreign port in the 1860s) and his mother, or maybe his mother-in-law.
- Thanks to Diane Hall for the donation of a large wooden file desk for oversized documents, plus the many other items she brings in from time to time.
- Thanks to Beth Billik for a large screen TV and a video player/recorder.
- Thanks to Judy Smalley for an old pottery jug, and old dish (both from the old Fogerty house at Fogerty Corner), and several old letters and receipts from the Smalley & Fogerty families.
- Thanks to those who have helped man the Old Library Museum during the summer months, and those to have volunteered to help with this for next year.
- Thanks to all the volunteers at the Andrew Robinson Homestead – great programs this year!
- And thanks to everyone else – who I can't think of at this time - who have helped us preserve the history of this town! We can't do it without your support!!!

## Thanks!!!

### St George Historical Society, Inc.

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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 \_\_\_\_\_