

# Grafton Historical Society

## Program News for 2016-2017

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<p><b>Saturday, September 17, 2016</b> 7 pm <b>One Grafton Common</b> <b>Grafton Historical Society</b></p>	<p><b>History In Bloom</b> – View historical artifacts in a way you may not have expected, through the eyes of our floral interpreters. These unique arrangements will be on display for you to leisurely enjoy as you sip a glass of wine and nibble on some Hours D’oeuvres. <span style="float: right;">Free</span></p>
<p><b>First Friday Teas</b> 1 pm – 3 pm <b>One Grafton Common</b></p>	<p><b>First Fridays 2016: September 2; October 7; November 4; December 2</b> <b>First Fridays 2017: January 6; February 3; March 3; April 7; May 5; June 2; No Tea July or August</b> <span style="float: right;">Free</span></p>
<p><b>Friday, October 21, 2016</b> 7 pm <b>South Grafton Community House</b> 25 Main St, South Grafton</p>	<p><b>Rita Parisi of Waterfall Productions</b> will entertain all who are brave enough to attend “Gothic Ghost Tales by Candlelight”. Rita weaves her way through three stories of intrigue that include a family curse, a haunted house and someone who has a mysterious past. Co-sponsored by the Grafton Public Library and the Grafton Historical Society. <span style="float: right;">\$7</span></p>
<p><b>Sunday, November 6</b> 2 pm <b>South Grafton Community House</b> 25 Main St, South Grafton</p>	<p><b>Patricia Perry presents “What’s for Dinner?”</b> What’s your favorite food? Salted cod? Pickled elk tongue in a wine reduction sauce? No? Well, if you lived in Colonial America, you might have tucked into one of these delicacies with a cup of Flip to cap off the meal. Sit at the table with Sneak Peek Productions and pass the plate. <span style="float: right;">\$7</span></p>
<p><b>Sunday, December 4, 2016</b> 1 - 4 pm</p>	<p><b>Grafton Celebrates the Holidays; stop for some punch &amp; cookies at One Grafton Common or visit our booth at the Grafton Community Barn</b></p>
<p><b>Sunday, January 22, 2017</b> 2 pm <b>Grafton Community Barn</b> 37 Wheeler Rd, North Grafton</p>	<p><b>Paul Brodeur of the Marlboro Historical Society</b> joins us to offer a talk entitled “More on the Rev. John Eliot &amp; the Praying Indians of Hassanamesit”. Come learn about this fascinating story that is so important to our town. <span style="float: right;">\$7</span></p>
<p><b>Sunday, February 12, 2017</b> 2 pm <b>South Grafton Community House</b> 25 Main St, South Grafton</p>	<p><b>Walter Buckingham, a gifted songwriter</b> will play a variety of wind and string instruments as he performs tunes grounded in historical music. Walter has perfected his craft as an entertainer at Old Sturbridge Village You’ll feel like you stepped back in time. <span style="float: right;">\$7</span></p>
<p><b>Thursday, March 9, 2017</b> 7 pm <b>Grafton Community Barn</b> 37 Wheeler Rd, North Grafton</p>	<p><b>Christie Higginbottom</b> – presents “Pot Herbs and Simples” Co sponsored by the Grafton Garden Club and The Grafton Historical Society. Christie offers one of her wonderful presentations of culinary and medicinal herbs used in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. <span style="float: right;">\$7</span></p>
<p><b>Thursday, April 13, 2017</b> 7 pm <b>South Grafton Community House</b> 25 Main St, South Grafton</p>	<p><b>Rob Vellella is an independent scholar</b> specializing in American literature of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Join the Grafton Public Library and the Grafton Historical Society for this portrayal of Nathaniel Hawthorne’s “The Haunted Mind” Rob explores the dark side of human nature with this public reading and discussion. <span style="float: right;">\$7</span></p>
<p><b>Friday April 28, 2017</b>  <b>Details to follow in</b> <b>January 2017</b></p>	<p><b>Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner</b> — Join us for presentations of Grafton History Awards along with Elections of Officers and Board Members. For reservations call Nancy Therrien, (508) 839-0000 or 508-320-1173</p>
<p><b>Saturday, May 13, 2017</b> 9 am - 2 pm <b>Grafton Common</b></p>	<p><b>Grafton History Day Celebration</b>— A fun family day on the Common. Celebrating Grafton's incorporation along with the Grafton Garden Club Plant Sale. <span style="float: right;">Free</span></p>

**Saturday, June 17, 2017**  
**9 am — 3 pm**

**The 50<sup>th</sup> Antiques and Arts Fair on Grafton Common**