

# *Grafton Historical Society*

**Programs for 2017-2018**

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<p><b>Saturday, September 9, 2017</b>  <b>7 – 9 pm</b>  <b>Grafton Historical Society</b>  <b>One Grafton Common</b>  <b>\$5.00</b></p>	<p><b>History in Bloom Gala</b>– Sixteen floral interpreters from the Grafton Garden Club &amp; The Historical Society will each portray a wedding gown from our vast collection ranging from the 1700’s through the 1900’s. Enjoy a glass of wine, Hors d’oeuvres and time to socialize. Reservations are recommended. Call 508-839-0000 or email <a href="mailto:graftonmahistory@gmail.com">graftonmahistory@gmail.com</a></p>
<p><b>Sunday, September 10, 2017</b>  <b>2 – 4 pm - Free</b>  <b>Grafton Historical Society</b></p>	<p><b>History in Bloom</b> – Floral arrangements will be on display to the general public during our regular hours. Reservations are not necessary. Wedding gowns will remain on display until Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>.</p>
<p><b>First Friday Teas 1 – 3 pm - Free</b>  <b>Grafton Historical Society</b></p>	<p><b>Fridays 2017: September 1, October 6, November 3, December 1</b>  <b>Fridays 2018: January 5, February 2, March 2, April 6, May 4, June 1</b></p>
<p><b>Sunday, November 5, 2017</b>  <b>2 – 4 pm - Free</b>  <b>Grafton Historical Society</b></p>	<p><b>Kathleen Malmquist</b> – will display some of the vintage sewing machines from her personal collection. She will share with you how to clean &amp; polish these wonderful items. Bring photos of any machines you have.</p>
<p><b>Sunday, December 3, 2017</b>  <b>12 – 4 pm - Free</b>  <b>GHS Museum &amp; Community Barn</b></p>	<p><b>Grafton Celebrates the Holidays</b> – Get in the holiday spirit by stopping at either location or both! Unique items will be on display at each location. Refreshments will served at both locations.</p>
<p><b>Sunday, January 7, 2018</b>  <b>2 pm</b>  <b>The Grafton Community Barn</b>  <b>37 Wheeler Rd. North Grafton</b>  <b>\$5.00</b></p>	<p><b>Tom Kelleher</b> – <b>“Taverns and Tavern Life in Early New England”</b>  Taverns dotted the highways and villages. They were as numerous as churches and played a large role in the public life of the community. Learn about typical food, drink, common topics discussed and the kind of songs sung by the fireside.</p>
<p><b>Sunday, March 18, 2018</b>  <b>2 pm</b>  <b>The Grafton Community Barn</b>  <b>37 wheeler Rd. North Grafton</b>  <b>Free</b></p>	<p><b>Brad Green</b> – <b>Colonial Restorations</b> – For the past 35 years Mr. Green has been involved with structural restorations of post &amp; beam homes and barns. He has many slides of previous work straightening barns, replacing sills &amp; beams and looking for telltale signs of damage to share. He will highlight some past projects and discuss the barn he will be repairing right here in Grafton.</p>
<p><b>Sunday, April 8, 2018</b>  <b>2 pm</b>  <b>Great Hall</b>  <b>One Grafton Common</b></p>	<p><b>Edward Lodi</b> – <b>“Women in King Philips War”</b> Edward profiles a number of remarkable women who played major roles in making history-changing decisions, performing heroic deeds, enduring hardships and chronicling experiences as well as lending support in innovative ways. Included among these will be Mary Rowlandson, along with many notable women whose exploits have become the stuff of legends,</p>
<p><b>Friday, April 27, 2018</b>  <b>5:30 cocktails – 6:30 dinner</b>  <b>Location &amp; Cost to be determined</b>  <b>in Spring</b></p>	<p><b>Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner</b> – Join us for presentations of Grafton History Awards along with Election of Officers and Board Members.  For reservations call Nancy Therrien 508-839-0000</p>
<p><b>Saturday, May 12, 2018</b>  <b>9 am – 2 pm</b>  <b>Grafton Common</b></p>	<p><b>Grafton History Day</b> – Activities and fun for all on Grafton Common as we share some of Grafton’s history. The Grafton Garden Club will have plants for your garden or for a special mom. Music &amp; pony rides round out the day.</p>
<p><b>Sat., June 16, 2018</b>  <b>9-3</b>  <b>Grafton Common</b></p>	<p><b>Antiques and Arts Fair</b> – A wide variety of vendors and demonstrators will be on Grafton Common for your shopping pleasure. You will find an appraisal booth, food &amp; music also.</p>