



## *Ellington Historical Society*

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### **September 2015 Newsletter**



The Ellington Historical Society will meet on Thursday, September 24, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Hall Memorial Library at 93 Main Street.

After a brief business meeting, Mary Brown will present a program: "Pilgrims and Their Legacy." The Pilgrims of the Mayflower were courageous people who established the first permanent colony in the New World. You will hear about the events that set their journey in motion and the trials they endured.

In five short years, we will be celebrating 2020, the 400th anniversary of the voyage. We will talk about that voyage and the impact on us as American citizens.

The program is free, and the public is invited. New members are always welcome.

Refreshments will be provided by Nancy Long and Tim Fahy. A sign-up sheet for doing refreshments this year will be circulated at the meeting. We urge members to help with baking for our meetings. Our attendance has increased due to the programming from Hall Memorial Library and we need three bakers per meeting.

#### **News from the President-Tim Fahy**

There are several new initiatives going on that will help promote our society. The First Selectman has written a piece about us for the Ellington Connection, and the Community Voice Channel wants to do some recording at the Nellie McKnight Museum to show on TV. The Ellington Public Schools have ordered 20 copies of the "Ellington" and "Crystal Lake" books written by Lynn Kloter Fahy, to be used for social study classes. Nancy Long, our Curator, is also working with the schools to develop age appropriate programs for EHS members to present at the schools.

No one was willing to serve as an officer at our annual meeting. The existing officers will continue to serve as their time allows. We will see if additional publicity for the EHS will bring in the active members we require.

### **Condolences**

We extend our condolences to the family of member Russell Ballard, who died in June. His wife, Julianna had passed away in March. Condolences also to Denise Archibald and family on the passing of her mother, member Sue Krowchenko, on August 28. Sue was also a longtime member.

### **New Members**

We welcome two new members, Jon and Jan Roe of Vernon.

### **News from the Curator-Nancy Long**

#### **Hall Memorial Library Exhibit**



On display in the Hall Memorial Library showcase are uniforms and military equipment of Ellington resident Charles Batz from his tour of duty in World War I.

## Winterfest

The museum will once again be part of the town Winterfest celebration to be held on Saturday, December 5. We will be open for visitors from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. We will be featuring “The Best of Ellington,” a show of several of the past subjects including ice harvesting and the Daniel Halladay windmill. Volunteers will be needed for this event and we hope you can spare some time to help with this open house. To volunteer, call Nancy Long.

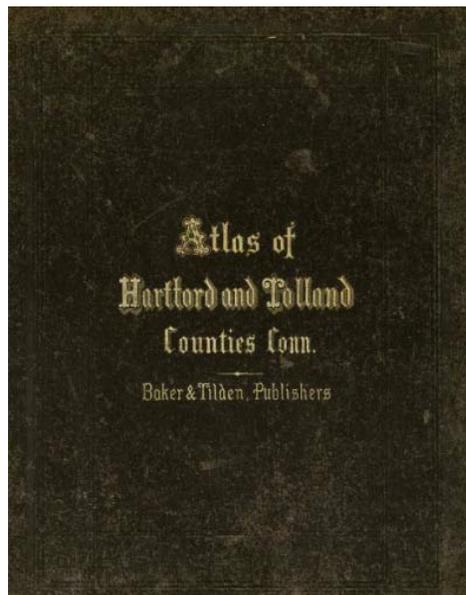


## News from the Archivist-Lynn Kloter Fahy

We recently received several items for the Archives from Leonard Schlude, son of Stephanie Schlude and the late Wesley Schlude. They include a photograph of the Wadsworth house, clippings, and other memorabilia.

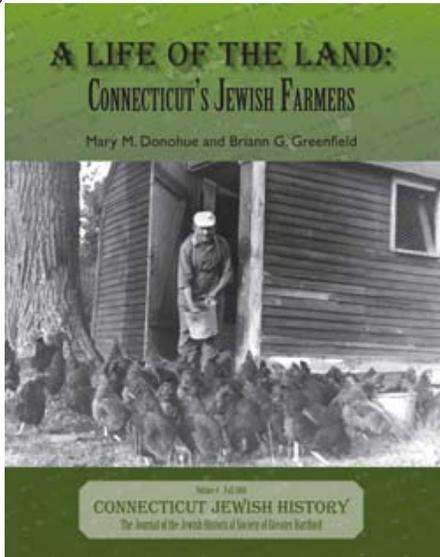
Also donated by Schlude was the 1869 publication, *Atlas of Hartford and Tolland Counties: with a map of Connecticut, from actual surveys / engraved, printed and colored by Kellogg & Bulkeley.*

We plan to display this beautiful volume in a future exhibit.



**October meeting**

**Thursday, Oct. 22, 7:00 p.m.** at the Hall Memorial Library



Mary Donohue, Architectural Historian with the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism, explores the history of Jewish Farmers in our state. She will discuss her book: *A Life of the Land: Connecticut's Jewish Farmers.*

Why did these immigrants come to Connecticut? How did they operate successful enterprises with little or no farming experience? Who and what helped support and sustain them? Hear the story of the resilience and perseverance of these men and women, and how they impacted their communities.

**Membership dues are due in September and we have enclosed a form to fill out and include with your dues payment.**

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Ellington Historical Society Membership Dues

Class of Membership	_____	Individual \$10.00
	_____	Senior Individual \$8.00 (Over 62)
	_____	Family \$20.00
	_____	Senior Family \$15.00 (Over 62)
(Check one)	_____	Patron \$25.00
	_____	Business \$50.00

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