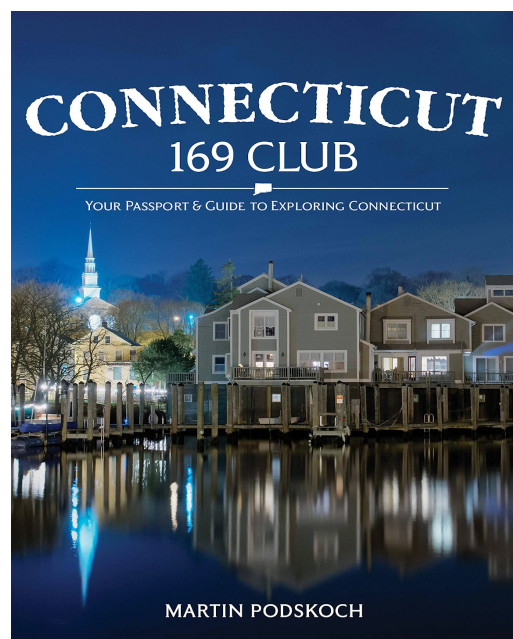
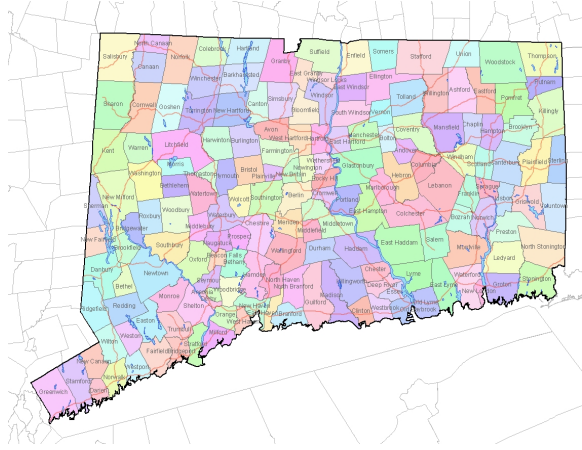


EAST GRANBY HISTORICAL SOCIETY JANUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER

**FREE PROGRAM: Sunday Jan. 26...2:30pm, following 2:00 business meeting, E.G. Senior/Comm. Center
All are welcome. Refreshments will be served.**

“Connecticut 169 Club: Your Passport and Guide to Exploring Connecticut” is the latest book by Marty Podskoch, an East Hampton resident, author and historian. He has compiled contributions from each town which highlight interesting, unique and historic places to visit in all 169 Connecticut towns. East Granby’s portion was written by society members Bill and Ruth Westervelt. Our small state offers a great variety, which makes the Ct. 169 Club a fun and amazing adventure! Enjoy this program and books will be available to buy.





Successful fall events:

The Sept. 22 Fyfe & Drum Muster went very well with 18 corps participating. Each corps marched up to East Granby Farms from the north entrance parking lot and proceeded to the front open field where performances and demonstrations continued all afternoon. This was organized by the Marquis of Granby, while several of our society members were at our barn selling popcorn, ice cream, and drinks, and welcoming many visitors to view the stagecoach and the other exhibits.

Since it was a very hot day, we had very profitable sales. Contributing to those profits were the generous donations of the popcorn supplies and use of the popcorn cart by Sheri & Ken Biter, as well as all beverages donated by Rick Woods. Many thanks, also, to Sharon Casabella for spending much time coordinating the rental (at a reduced price) of the ice cream cart and selecting the appropriate items to sell.



Shown in photo: Sheri Biter, Tami Zawistowski, Ruth Westervelt, Phil & Dolores Fontaine, Sharon Casabella, Rick Woods, Nancy Moody, Barbara Skinner. Sharon Wolf took the photos.

Old New-Gate Halloween and Donation\$: Several members again assisted with this event which was very well-attended. As a thank-you for our society's volunteer support over the last few years, we received \$500 from the former Friends of New-Gate group! (A new group is now forming and getting organized.)

Town tour day on Oct. 13 was also a success.

Enough tickets were sold to run two full mini-bus tours (1:00 & 2:15). They cruised around town on a gorgeous sunny day with Betty Ann Hayden and Nancy Moody providing narration. During this time, we had the pleasure of Sally Cowles demonstrating weaving on the barn's loom and Dee Kalafus spinning on her wheel. They enjoyed chatting with the visitors as they shared their knowledge and love of these skills. Thank-you Sally and Dee!!





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**East Granby Historical Society
Membership Meeting
October 13, 2019**

**Note: This meeting was on Sunday, October 13, 2019 at 12:30 pm in the Historical Barn just prior to the Town Tour Event. Only 10 Members were present.*

Secretary's Report: The Secretary's minutes for the May 20 Annual Meeting was provided by Grace Kingsbury. It was published in the Sept. Newsletter. The members accepted the minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Phil distributed his report among the members. He provided context and clarity. He reported profits from the very successful September 22 Muster Event. The report was accepted.

President's Report: Nancy gave a review of Summer activities at the Barn as well as sharing the success of the Muster.

She mentioned a few reminders: Membership dues are now due. Shopping on Amazon Smile is an easy way to benefit the society. The barn has the last scheduled opening on Oct. 27.

She then introduced Sally Cowles, who would be demonstrating weaving on the barn's loom and Dee Kalafus, who would be spinning on her wheel. Both of these activities would be ongoing while the two town tours (1:00 & 2:15) were taking place.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:42 pm

Next Meeting January 26, 2020

Respectfully submitted

Rick Woods

Rick Woods, Secretary