



John Hunt House

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President's Letter

Kris Rose, President

Dear Members,

Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, Happy New Year, etc!!

I hope you will join us in celebrating friendship and the season at the turkey dinner on Monday, December 15. The telephone committee will be calling the members for donations of a side dish or pie to complete the dinner. The Wheeler School Bell Ringers will provide wonderful entertainment!! Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. sharp!!

As many of you know, the Hunt House Museum was broken into a few weeks ago. The East Providence police responded quickly and nothing was taken. The board has decided to update the alarm system and install motion detector lights on the front and back of the house in an attempt to make the house more secure.

The Hunt House Museum will be open twice in the month of December. On the 6th we will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in conjunction with the Rhode Island Historic Sites Coalition. On Sunday the 14th we will be open as usual from 1 to 4 p.m. If anyone would be willing to help on either of those dates, please call Ginny Berwick, 434-0998.

As the winter season is upon us, we will not have monthly meetings in January or February. The board will meet in both of those months (weather permitting). All board meetings are open to the membership. You are invited to attend or call a

board member if there are issues you would like to bring to our attention.

Enjoy your holidays!!!



HOLIDAY PARTY



The society will hold a Holiday Party for members and friends on Monday, December 15, 6 p.m. Newman Church Rumford.

Four society members will provide the turkey, stuffing, potatoes and gravy. Other society members planning to attend are asked to donate a vegetable or pie. Yes. PIE. The telephone committee will be calling the membership.

Reservations will be held at the door for payment. The cost is \$12 for members. \$15 for non-members. RESERVATION DEADLINE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13. Reservations will also be accepted by calling the society, 438-1750 or 437-1530.

In lieu of a gift exchange, the society will accept non-perishable items for the Rhode Island Food Bank.



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 is dedicated to preserving the heritage and
 enjoying the history of our City.

**If you are not a member we invite you to join
 now.**

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 business , or a Life Membership for \$150.

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 address and phone number to the*

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The Society's *Memorial Fund* was
 established in 1993, in memory of past
 members, for "the betterment of the Society
 and with no specific purpose".

The *Memorial Fund* is a qualified
 endowment administered by the Executive
 Committee.

**Members and friends wishing to contribute
 may make checks payable to the**

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Membership Form

New Renewal
 /Change

Name(s) _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____

Amount Enclosed:

\$15 Individual \$25 Family/Business \$150 Life

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER

Sunday, December 14, 1 - 4 p.m.
Hunt House Museum Open
 Hunts Mills Road, Rumford
 Admission Charges

Monday, December 15, 6 p.m.
 Members Meeting
 Newman Church, Rumford
HOLIDAY PARTY
 Wheeler School Handbell Ringers
 Non-perishable Items for the RI Food Bank

Thursday, December 25
MERRY CHRISTMAS

JANUARY

Thursday, January 1
HAPPY NEW YEAR

NO SCHEDULED MEMBERS MEETINGS IN JANUARY OR FEBRUARY.

HUNT HOUSE MUSEUM will be open 1 to 4 p.m. on the second Sunday of January and February, weather permitting.



GIFTS TO THE MUSEUM

Jesse Albright - Sheet music for Vanity Fair. "The Only Authorized Vanity Fair Song" 1906.

Lowell Anness - WWII army overcoat, army fatigue uniform. WWI messkit.

John Donohue - 4 post cards of Crescent Park.

John Hunt - Hunt family history CD.

Jo Marchi - Iron shoe stand with shoe mold.

Susan Nichols/Ella B. Farnum - Vial genealogy, base for a spinning wheel.

UNKNOWN DONOR - Rumford Home Management booklet. (Would the donor please contact the historical society?)

Thank you for your generosity

The Hunt House Museum, Hunts Mills Road, Rumford will be open on Sunday, January 11 and Sunday, February 8 (2nd Sunday) 1 to 4 p.m. Admission \$3. \$1 East Providence Residents. Free, Society Members.

*Warm welcome to our
 NEW MEMBERS:*

Barbara Cederholm
 Les Haworth
 Peggy Tormey



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