

## Historical Sites & Societies Enewsletter

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Welcome to the Historical Sites & Societies Enewsletter, compiled on a monthly basis. Please send your information to [valerie@tlgv.org](mailto:valerie@tlgv.org) by September 15<sup>th</sup> to be included in the next edition.

### **Roseland Cottage**

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Lisa Centola

Roseland Cottage Site Manager

### **Civil War Living History Weekend**

*When:* Saturday, September 18, 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., and  
Sunday, September 19, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

*Admission:* Free

Roseland Cottage opens its grounds for a Civil War living history weekend. Civilian and military re-enactors create a sense of life during the middle of the 19<sup>th</sup> century when the country was in the deadly grips of the Civil War. Activities include artillery and engineering demonstrations, military uniform and weaponry displays, and period children's games and activities.

### **Behind the Scenes at Roseland Cottage**

*When:* Saturday, September 25, 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

*Admission:* : \$6 Historic New England members, \$10 nonmembers

*Please note:* Registration required

This in-depth tour explores sections of Roseland Cottage that are not typically on view. Visitors have the opportunity to see the house and barn from the attic to the basement. By exploring areas such as the servants' quarters, kitchen, water cisterns, and barn haylofts, visitors learn how this wealthy household functioned.



### **Power of the Press**

*When:* Wednesday, September 29, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

*Admission:* Free to Historic New England members, \$8 nonmembers

*Please note:* Registration recommended

The Power of the Press is an on-going lecture series that highlights critical events in American history through the editorials and articles published in *The Independent*, Henry C. Bowen's newspaper. The lecture focuses on the watershed 1860 Presidential election. The presentation begins with a first floor tour of Roseland Cottage. Lecturers then offer visitors an in-depth review of pressing events in 1860, presenting images and excerpts from *The Independent* and other contemporary publications. Light refreshments are served.

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### **Leffingwell House Museum**

348 Washington St.

Norwich, CT 06360

Beryl Fishbone, Volunteer Program Manager

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### **Scarecrow Workshop**

*When:* Saturday, September 11, 2010, 1-3 p.m.

*Where:* Museum, regular admission and tours

### **Nutting Days Remembered**

*When:* Saturday, September 25, 2010, 1-3 p.m.

*Where:* Museum, regular admission and tours

### **Friends and Members Picnic**

*When:* Saturday, September 25, 2010, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

*Where:* Museum grounds, donations happily accepted

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## BLANKETS

*Thin Washable Twin* Size Blankets

Blankets, Quilts, Spreads, Throws and Towels of *any size*

**ALL DONATIONS MUST BE CLEAN**

For distribution to area shelters and animal rescues this winter.

**NO DONATION GOES TO WASTE**

**NOON TO 4 P.M. All SATURDAYS IN AUGUST**

**LEFFINGWELL HOUSE MUSEUM**

**348 Washington Street**

**Norwich, CT**

Thank you for caring and making a difference !

Don't hesitate to call me at 860.887.9000 with any questions.

The afghans came in boxes and bags and a free standing stack.

This was the week of brightly colored knitted and crocheted afghans. Big ones and tiny ones and some that will be just right!

The numbers of quilts has begun to climb too. Towels and sheets have their own stacks now and we have begun to separate for the animal shelters and rescues. Many thanks to the people who have dropped off cat food and kitty toys it is much appreciated!

The count is still shy of a hundred and your help and contributions are still needed. Especially the single size, washable fleece blankets and towels. Whether for humans or animals all contributions must be clean.

Saturday August 21st Geoff McLean a.k.a. Ezra G. Seals, LCDR, USN a.k.a. Percival Drayton, CAPT, USN will be entertaining blanket contributors and museum visitors with music, reels and jigs on the concertina beginning at noon.

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**Blue Slope Country Museum**

138 Blue Hill Rd.

Franklin, CT

860-642-6413

[www.blueslope.com](http://www.blueslope.com)

**Fall Event 2010**

When: Saturday, October 2, 2010 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. & Sunday, October 3, 2010 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Adults: \$6.00 Children ages 4-10: \$3.00

Please visit the website for more details!



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