

Jun 5 Linda Myer as Abigail Adams



Linda Myer is a cantorial soloist, Jewish educator, writer, and actress. Linda began her professional career as a special needs teacher in Madison, Wisconsin. She left full-time teaching and moved to Boston to pursue a writing career. She has published articles and poetry, and worked as a freelance textbook writer/editor for Houghton Mifflin, Prentice Hall, and Glencoe. Meanwhile, her artistic drive led her into acting. For over 20 years, she has written and performed one-woman plays as historical characters -- Amelia Earhart, Abigail Adams, and Sophie Tucker -- which she tours across New England and beyond.

Currently, Linda works as Special Needs Coordinator at Congregation Sha'aray Shalom in Hingham, Massachusetts, tutors b'nei mitzvah students, and continues to tour her one-woman shows. She has served as High Holiday cantorial soloist at Temple Hillel B'nai Torah (W. Roxbury), Congregation Agudas Achim (Attleboro) and Congregation Beth Israel (Roanoke, VA). She has been an active member of CBJ since 2008 and lives in Plymouth with her spouse, Brenda, and their dog, Happy. Linda is thrilled to serve as Beth Jacob's cantorial soloist.

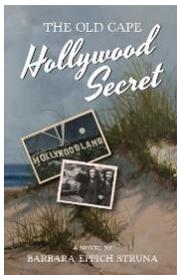


Presentation of the Mercy Otis Warren Woman of the Year Award

Jun 12 William Sturgis: Barnstable's Adventuring Merchant-Greg Williams

An overview of the life of William Sturgis of Barnstable: sea captain in the fur trade between the Pacific Northwest and China, advocate for the dignity of Northwest native peoples, and foiler of an attack by Chinese pirates to overtake his ship, the *Atahualpa*. A long-serving state senator and representative, he donated his boyhood home as a library, now Sturgis Library, celebrating its 150th anniversary by honoring the man and his legacy.

Jun 19 Hollywood & Cape Cod-1947-Barbara Eppich Struna, author



Step back to 1947 on Cape Cod and Hollywood. International best-selling author, Barbara Eppich Struna discusses the research she uncovered as she wrote her third historical fiction, *The Old Cape Hollywood Secret*, part of her Old Cape Series.

Author Barbara Eppich Struna has been a resident of Brewster for 29 years. She is fascinated by its history and writes a blog about the unique facts and myths of Cape Cod. Her published books are: *The Old Cape House* & *The Old Cape Teapot*, her third novel, *The Old Cape Hollywood Secret* will be published in early summer. Besides being a storyteller at heart, she is currently President of Cape Cod Writers Center, a Member in Letters of the National League of American Pen Women, International Thriller Writers, Sisters in Crime, and two writing groups.



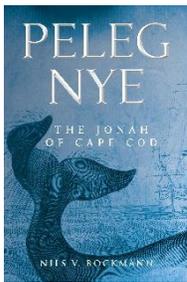
Jun 26 History of Cape Verdean's of Cape Cod-Barbara Burgo



Barbara Burgo is the Vice-Chair of the Commission. She earned her B.A. in Cultural Anthropology with a Minor in Women's Studies from Rhode Island College, as a non-traditional student in 2005. As a semi-retired, third generation Cape Cod Cape Verdean woman, her professional career included: Human Resources Coordinator, Wheaton College; FEMA Deputy Chief, Information and Planning (DAE), Census Bureau

Partnership Specialist, 2000 and 2010; ESOL Instructor, Bristol Community College/Taunton Public Schools. She is the past State President of American Association of University Women-MA, current AAUW College/University Chair, lives in Brewster and was the Curator of the Harwich Historical Society's Cape Verdean museum exhibit (Summer 2012) and currently serves as a Customer Service Representative for Stop & Shop. Barbara is the mother of two adult daughters.

Jul 3 Captured by a Whale: Capt. Peleg Nye of Sandwich, the Jonah Of Cape Cod-Nils V. Bockmann, author

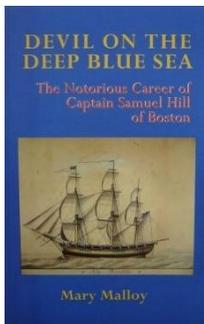


Nils V. Bockmann, author of the 19th-century whaling biography, *Peleg Nye, the Jonah of Cape Cod*, holds a B.A. in English & Writing from the University of Massachusetts and an M.A. from Suffolk University, and is a former Cape Cod Community College English Composition tutor and Project Forward teacher. Nils' short stories have been published in Alfred Hitchcock Mystery Magazine, The Write Stuff, The Main Sheet, and Sea Change. *Peleg Nye, the Jonah of Cape Cod* is his first historical biography.



Jul 10 Devil on the Deep Blue Sea: The Notorious Career of Captain Samuel Hill of Boston Mary Malloy, author

Winner of the 2006 John Lyman Book Award for best Maritime Biography, North American Society of Oceanic History



"A tour de force—a fascinating, highly readable, and meticulously researched portrait of an extraordinary American mariner and his age." Nathaniel Philbrick, author of *In the Heart of the Sea*, *Mayflower*, and *Sea of Glory*

Had he not been a madman, Boston Captain Samuel Hill would likely be remembered as one of the great maritime adventurers of the early nineteenth century. He was the first American to live in Japan, and was in the Columbia River at the same time as Lewis and Clark. He rescued men held captive by Indians and pirates, met King Kamehameha of Hawaii and the missionaries who arrived soon after the King's death, was captured as a privateer during the War of 1812, witnessed firsthand the events of the Chilean Revolution, and wrote about all this persuasively. He was also a rapist and murderer.

In all his contradictions and complexities, Samuel Hill represented the fledgling U.S. during the first wave of expansion. At home in Boston he appeared civilized, but as he sailed into the Pacific Ocean the mask slipped away to reveal the recklessness, ambition, and violence that propelled the United States from coast to coast and around the world.

In this illustrated lecture, Mary Malloy will introduce Capt. Sam Hill, and the maritime trades that underpinned the New England economy in the late-eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. Mary Malloy teaches Museum Studies at the Harvard Extension School, and was Professor of Maritime History at the Sea Education Association in Woods Hole for 25 years. Mary has a Ph.D. from Brown University; she is the author of four works of maritime history and three novels.



Jul 17 Happy Birthday, Lizzie Borden! But. . . Who Were You? -Greg Williams



Lizzie Borden famously murdered—or did she? —her father and stepmother in nearby Fall River. But who was she? Who was she before that bloody August 1892 morning, and who was she after her trial for murder? We will of course review the crimes, but also look more closely at the woman, not just “defendant,” Lizzie Andrew Borden.



Jul 24 A Living History Presentation with Captain Charles Chipman- Michael Welch

Michael Welch, is an American History Teacher at Sandwich High School. As Captain Chipman, Michael will provide insights into Civil War military life, the role of Captain Chipman who led the first militia raised on Cape Cod, and the military engagements of the Sandwich Guard (Company D-29th Regiment)."

Jul 31 Shipping Cape Cod’s Architecture to America’s West- Why Saltbox-style Houses Turn Up in the Most Interesting Places!-Dan Haslam

In this provocative talk about architectural history on Cape Cod, Dan will define "Cape Cod" architecture, illustrate many examples of it on the Cape, and provide an historical perspective on how and why Cape Cod architecture travelled to the west, including San Diego, Sacramento and Honolulu. Hear about the fascinating journey of New England explorers exporting Cape Cod style to the west in the 19th Century.

Dan is a retired attorney and historian for the Gaslamp Quarter Historical Foundation in San Diego, CA, where he winters. He lives half the year on Cape Cod in Hyannis and Dennisport and leads walking tours for Walkabout International, Hostelling International and the Barnstable Land Trust. He is a member of Tales of Cape Cod and as VP for Walkabout International, travels all over the world leading walking tours.



Aug 7 Center of the World: Cape Cod Summers of John F. Kennedy-Brian R. Merrick

In the campaign summer of 1960 and the three summers that followed the eyes of the nation and the world were focused on Hyannisport, the summer home of John F. Kennedy. As we approach the centennial of President Kennedy’s birth, hear about those summers, the family history that led up to them and how they changed Cape Cod and the nation.

Brian R. Merrick is the retired First Justice of the Orleans District Court. After his retirement he was a Visiting Scholar in the History Department at Suffolk University. Judge Merrick researched and wrote the Timeline Wall on the John F. Kennedy Hyannis Museum. He lives with his wife Rebecca Pierce-Merrick in West Barnstable.

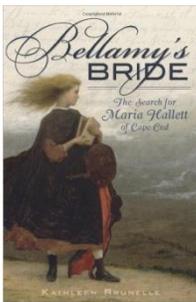


Aug 14 The History of The Barnstable Municipal Airport -Nancy Viall Shoemaker

Nancy Viall Shoemaker is a graphic designer, book publisher, and owner of West Barnstable Press. A Town Historical Commissioner, she enjoys exploring the always exciting history of Cape Cod. Nancy is the historian of the Barnstable Municipal Airport, as well as the Barnstable and West Barnstable Historical Societies. She is also a board member of the Coast Guard Heritage Museum and the 1717 Meetinghouse Foundation. A former president of Tales of Cape Cod, she was program coordinator in the 1980s, replacing esteemed historian/author Marion Vuilleumier.

Barnstable Municipal Airport opened in 1928 when the first plane landed on the newly-cleared grassy field on June 17th. The Airport became a center of activity for the Town with barnstorming aerial acrobats delighting large crowds on weekends. Learn the history of the Airport's official name, Boardman-Polando Airfield; it's an exciting story that will take you to Istanbul! The Army and Navy took over the Airport during the 1940s. Bomber pilots were trained here, including future President George H. W. Bush. The evening will include stories of heroism, bootlegging, and a ten-year-old local girl who would learn to fly and earn the name "Tailspin".

Aug 21 Bellamy's Bride: The Search for Maria Hallett-Kathleen Brunelle, author

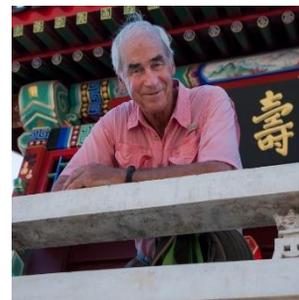


Venture back to 1715, when a fifteen-year-old Cape Cod girl named Maria Hallett was seduced by a twenty-six-year-old Englishman named Samuel Bellamy. Bellamy soon left her to become one of the most infamous pirates of his day—Black Sam Bellamy. Maria remained on the Cape but was forced to live in solitude after giving birth to Bellamy's child. Two years later, Bellamy returned to his love, and Maria watched from the dunes as his flagship, the Whydah, sank in the worst nor'easter in the history of the Cape. The legend of Maria Hallett has been passed down for over two hundred years, and Cape Cod writer Kathleen Brunelle brings a fresh breath of sea air to this epic tale in her search for Bellamy's bride.

Kathleen Brunelle was born and raised on Cape Cod. She attended the University of Massachusetts–Dartmouth, where she earned bachelor's degrees in literature and writing and her master's degree in English. Her work has appeared in Cape Cod View, Art Times, Moxie and the Shop. She currently teaches English at Old Rochester Regional High School in Mattapoisett, Massachusetts. She lives with her husband, Robert, their son, Baylen, and their two golden retrievers.

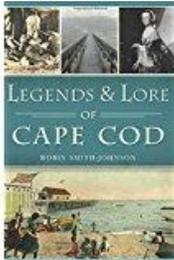
Aug 28 Muskeget Island: Raw, Restless and Relentless -Crocker Snow Jr. , author

Crocker Snow, Jr. will present an informal talk about the island, its remoteness and particularly the dynamic species change (terns, herring gulls, grey seals) which is its distinct characteristic. The island, a natural National Landmark, is under threat from sea rise and from becoming the epicenter of the grey seal rapid increase in Cape waters. The island has in fact been called the Maternity Ward of the Great Grey seal. The program will include an 11 minute documentary "Unintended Consequence: The Grey Seals of Muskeget" and an opportunity for Q & A.



Award winning Crocker Snow Jr has traveled the world for fifty years as a foreign correspondent and editor. His reporting in Germany earned a prize for a NPR radio documentary : "Men Against Hitler: and nominations for the Pulitzer Prize by the Boston Globe for his reporting from Japan and the War in Vietnam.

Sep 11 Legends and Lore of Cape Cod-Robin Smith-Johnson, author



from the Cape.

Cape Cod has a rich tradition of local lore, stretching back to a time before the Pilgrims arrived. Ancient Wampanoag legends like Granny Squannit and Princess Scargo are as familiar as tales of pirates and explorers, including "Black Sam" Bellamy and Donald Baxter Macmillan. Felines often blocked "Cat's Alley" in pursuit of food from fishermen's boats. The remnants of Billingsgate Island can be seen at low tide, and visits from Jenny Lind and Helen Keller contrast with the mysterious stories of the "Lady of the Dunes" and New England's Dark Day. Author Robin Smith-Johnson shares historic tales of shipwrecks, murders, hauntings and more

Robin Smith-Johnson will share stories about local Cape history, including stories of ill-fated sea voyages, legendary miscreants, fantastic creatures, haunted places and others. She will explore her growing up years in a 200-year-old house in Orleans and the influence of her parents, an antiques dealer and antiquarian bookseller. Next, she will show where she found her inspiration for research and historical investigation. She will also talk about the process of writing a book on local history and read excerpts from her book with a question and answer session following.

**Sep 18 Close Encounters of the Ocean Kind-A Photographic Journey-John J. King II, photographer
7:30 p.m.**



Explorer, photographer, author, and Chatham conservationist John King will share insights into his personal voyage of re-discovery of the coastal and ocean wildlife that spends time each year in the waters off Cape Cod and elsewhere in the world. During this hour-long presentation, you will hear John's stories and see dramatic photographs (both above and below the water) of unique encounters with sharks and whales around the planet.

John is an entrepreneur with a diverse resume, who has strong ties to Cape Cod that span many generations. After finishing college, John spent more than 7 years working as a commercial fisherman on vessels in Alaska. He became a *Photo by Shaneen Davis* licensed ship's Master at the age of 27 and skippered the 180-foot crabber, *M/v Baranof*, operating in the Bering Sea during the "hey day" of the king crab fishery. In more recent years, John has been pursuing a lifelong passion to experience and record the earth's wild places and wild things through his photography. Locally he is the skipper of the *R/v Aleutian Dream* which is facilitating the white shark population study currently being conducted by the Massachusetts Shark Research Program with support from the Atlantic White Shark Conservancy in outer Cape waters. John is also a co-founder together with his wife Pam, of The Common Flat Project, a conservation organization dedicated to creating awareness of the importance of earth's biodiversity especially on Cape Cod. Their first book entitled: *Wild Cape Cod, Free by Nature* was published by Schiffer Publishing in 2012.



Sep 25 MERMAIDS AND MORE: The Story of The Cahoon Museum-Sarah Johnson, director

Sarah Johnson is the Director and Curator of the Cahoon Museum of American Art. She has worked for more than twenty years in the museum field as an art historian, curator, and historic preservationist. She holds a PhD in Art History from the Graduate Center of the City University of New York.

Prior to the Cahoon, Johnson worked on preservation projects at the Garden Conservancy, a national organization dedicated to preserving significant American gardens, and she served as curator at the Jacques Marchais Museum of Tibetan Art in New York. Johnson has also previously worked at the Museum of Modern Art and the Whitney Museum of American Art and has taught at the School of Visual Arts and Hunter College in New York.

Sarah has joined the Cahoon in the wake of a major expansion and renovation of the museum. She recently moved to Cape Cod from New York with her husband and daughter.

