

**THE SEABURY SOCIETY  
FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE  
GLEBE HOUSE, INC.**

**ANNUAL REPORT  
2025**



**CHEERS TO 100 YEARS!  
1925-2025**

**THE GLEBE HOUSE MUSEUM &  
GERTRUDE JEKYLL GARDEN**

**PO BOX 245, 49 HOLLOW ROAD, WOODBURY, CT 06798**

## In Memory of

### **Mary Beth Baker**

1948 - 2025

Glebe House Museum Curator from March 1979 to March 1988.

A passion for history and antiquities drove Mary Beth. Her tenure at Glebe House focused on the preservation of Glebe House, enhancing its appearance and authenticity, promoting visitor engagement, increasing public awareness of its historical significance, and presenting a comprehensive Furnishing Plan, developed to serve as documentation for the furnishing and interpretation of the historic site.

In 2024, the Friends of the Glebe visited Harkness Memorial State Park, where Mary Beth now served as a volunteer docent. Mary Beth provided the group with an extensive tour of the mansion and garden. She spoke warmly of her time at Glebe House and her passion for historic sites, expressing her enjoyment of volunteering during her retirement.



Left to Right: Mary Beth Baker (Standing), LoriAnn Witte, Ava Witte, and Mary Ewert  
At Harkness Memorial State Park 2024

## In Memory of

### **Bobbie Louise Hainline Howrey**

1939 – 2025

A longtime supporter of the Glebe House Museum,

Bobbie was known for her impeccable taste, evident in her love of rugs, antique furniture, art and design books, Native American jewelry, Hermes scarves, and a perfectly chosen pair of Chanel shoes.

Her friends often described her as radiant, generous, and full of life.

She made her home in Woodbury with her beloved life partner, and former Glebe Board Member, Thomas Schwenke, where they continued to share a life filled with love, laughter, and treasured friendships, centered around a shared passion for design and antiques.

Bobbie's warmth, charm, and vivacious spirit touched countless lives and will be missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her.



SEABURY SOCIETY FOR THE PRESERVATION  
OF THE GLEBE HOUSE, INC.

**Annual Meeting 2025**

**Cheers to 100 Years!**  
**1925 - 2025**

Saturday, February 14, 2026, at 10:00 am  
Glebe House Museum, Woodbury, Connecticut  
And via / ZOOM

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approve Minutes of the previous Annual Meeting,  
February 8, 2025.
- III. 2025 Reports & Attachments:
  - A. President
  - B. Director – 2025 Highlights
  - C. Friends of the Glebe House
  - D. Gertrude Jekyll Garden
  - E. Collections
  - F. Property & Buildings
  - G. Finance & Supporting Documents
  - H. Calendar of Activity
  - I. Board Directory & Class List
- IV. Privilege of the Floor
- VI. Adjournment

**Seabury Society for the Preservation of the Glebe House, Inc.**

**Annual Meeting for 2024**

**At the Glebe House Museum and Via Zoom**

**Minutes**

**Saturday, February 8, 2025 at 10:00 AM**

**In attendance:** Mindy Belcher (Acting Board President- Zoom), Carter Booth (Board Member), John Boyer (Board Member), Eileen Denver (Zoom), Mary Ewert, Julie Gilligan (Secretary), Jim Howson, David Jean (Zoom), Christine Oswick, Reverend Tuesday Rupp (Board Member), Hugh Sullivan (Board Member - Zoom), Andy Ward (Board Member), LoriAnn Witte (Museum Director), Carol Ziske (Board Member)

**Call to order:** 10:13 AM

**Blessing:** Reverend Tuesday Rupp gave a blessing to begin the meeting.

**Minutes:**

- A motion to accept the minutes from the Annual Meeting on February 10, 2024, was made by Mindy Belcher.
- The motion was seconded by Carter Booth.
- The minutes from the Annual Meeting on February 10, 2024, were approved.

**Reports**

**President's Report**

- Kind words were shared about Bonnie Bradley, a longtime volunteer who passed away earlier this year.
- 2024 was the 99<sup>th</sup> year of operation of the Glebe House Museum and Gertrude Jekyll Garden as a non-profit organization.
- Many major things were accomplished in 2024.
  - Educational opportunities were provided to the community in a variety of different ways.
  - The Seabury Society for the Preservation of the Glebe House, Inc. became the official owner of the Glebe House and the Triangle Properties, which were donated by the Episcopal Church in Connecticut.
    - This change in ownership will be helpful when applying for grants and other funding.
    - Thank you to Reverend Tuesday for facilitating this donation process.

- New roofs were put on the Glebe House, the cottage, and the garage.
  - The roof project was completed with the help of many people, including Board members and the community.
  - An especially big thank you goes to Guy Gabrielson and his Foundation for supporting this project.
  - Those who came to our fundraisers showed how important the Glebe House is to the community.
  - The roof project was completed just before the torrential rain storm and flooding on August 18-19, 2024.
  - The new roofs will last a long time. Thank you to all for your support with this project.
- There were revenue increases in 2024. It was a banner year, and the numbers look very healthy.
- The 100<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary Committee has been working throughout the year to organize a wonderful event.
- 2024 was the first full year where self-guided tours were available. These tours were very well received. The self-guided tours provide our visitors with flexibility regarding the length of their tour. Visitors may stay for a longer self-guided tour or they may opt for a shorter tour, depending on their needs and schedule.
- The Property Committee worked on the roof project.
- The Garden Committee worked on the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the garden restoration project.
- We are very fortunate to have Lois Zane at the Glebe House. She spends much of her time on caring for the Glebe House and the Collection. She has great knowledge and commitment. Lois is very dedicated, and we are lucky to have her.
- LoriAnn Witte, the Glebe House Museum Director, brings a wonderful skill set to the Glebe House. She is affable and dedicated. LoriAnn is involved in many community events where she has her Glebe House hat on. She is an ambassador for our organization, and our organization is so fortunate to have LoriAnn.
- **Reminder**
  - Mindy Belcher is the Acting Board President
  - Mindy is the only officer on the board, but it would be extremely helpful to have more officers on the board.
  - We need people to step up for leadership positions.
  - **The following leadership positions are open:**
    - **President**
    - **Vice President**
    - **Treasurer**
    - **Secretary**

## Director's Report

- It was a great year in 2024. We had the highest amount of revenue in 28 years.
- Museum Makeover
  - The museum makeover was well received by both docents and visitors.
  - Visitors are now able to take self-guided tours as a result of the museum makeover.
  - Visitation was down a little bit due to the roof construction project, but it was still an incredible year.
  - Many of the docents used the new information panels as reference points during house tours.
  - The docents have been very adaptable in using these new panels.
  - Thank you to our dedicated docents for sharing the Glebe House story with our visitors.
- Community Participation
  - Our involvement with local organizations shows the community that we are willing to collaborate.
  - Some of the organizations that we have worked with include the Woodbury, CT Chamber of Commerce, the Institute for American Indian Studies, and Connecticut Historic Gardens.
  - People are generous towards the Glebe House.
- Quit Claim
  - We have been working to transfer the Glebe House and Triangle Properties to the Seabury Society for the Preservation of the Glebe House, Inc. for a very long time.
  - This transfer finally happened in March, 2024.
  - A big thank you goes to Bishop Jeffrey Mello, Reverend Tuesday Rupp, and Attorney Brad Babbitt, who facilitated this transfer.
  - Our thanks and appreciation also go to Attorney Fran Donnarumma who did pro bono work.
  - The only cost was legal fees. Thank you to the Board of Directors.
- Roof Replacement
  - The Seabury Society acquired a \$10,000 grant from the 1772 Foundation for our roof replacement project.
  - The Gabrielson Fund also provided a generous donation, which helped with the roof replacement for the Glebe House Museum, the cottage, and the garage.
  - Thank you to Puttin' on the Roof attendees for their support of the roof replacement project.
  - All three roofs have been completed, and the cost has been covered for all three roofs.
- Gertrude Jekyll Garden Restoration

- 2024 marked the third year of the five-year garden restoration project.
- Roof construction materials around the house made garden work challenging.
- There were also weather challenges. It was very hot, humid, and dry.
- There were watering system challenges.
- Our passionate and dedicated garden volunteers changed their plans as needed so that they could do their work.
- The gardeners worked hard on weeding, which was especially needed because the garden is still young.
- We have an anonymous donor, our “Garden Angel,” who is generously providing funding for the 5-year restoration project. The anonymous donor made a 2024 donation towards yearly expenses so that the garden can continue to thrive as Gertrude Jekyll intended. \$10,000 is in that account at this time.
- Education Programs
  - Julie Gilligan helps with the education planning and attends all of the planning meetings. Julie filled in for LoriAnn at the Christmas Festival.
  - Marshall Children Program
    - This program shows how important our story is to the community.
    - The same children come back year after year. We also attract new students.
    - Some children age out of the program.
      - We have high school students who started in the program when they were seven years old.
      - These students now participate in special events (All Hallows and summer camp).
      - These students love the Marshall story and enjoy sharing their knowledge.
    - The revenue brought in by the Marshall Children Program grew in 2024.
- Grants and Sponsorships
  - We have a lot of organizations and individual donors to thank for their support.
  - Those organizations are listed in the Annual Report.
- Retirement
  - Bonnie Bradley, in memoriam
    - Volunteer Bonnie Bradley passed away earlier this year. She retired from the Glebe House last year and moved to Tennessee to be closer to family.
    - Bonnie was one of the first volunteers that LoriAnn met, and she offered her help to LoriAnn.
    - Bonnie was spunky, sassy, kind, and generous. She was a docent, and she also volunteered for many other things.
    - Bonnie was very engaging with visitors on tours.
    - Bonnie loved colonial architecture.

- LoriAnn is glad we have so many memories that Bonnie leaves behind. Bonnie will not be forgotten.
  - The Glebe House will send a basket of flowers for Bonnie's services.
- Jim Frey – Board Member
  - Jim finished up his final term of service as a board member earlier this year.
  - Jim was a wonderful asset and a great friend to our organization.
- Thank You
  - Thank you for helping to provide preservation, a place for research and reflection, and for maintaining the property.
  - Nothing is possible without volunteers. It is a labor of love for all of us. Thank you to all for your help.
  - Thank you to the garden volunteers. Thank you to Eileen, Deb, and Priscilla Price. The garden looks beautiful. The house looks lovely as people drive by the house.
  - Friends of the Glebe House volunteers, thank you.
  - Thank you to Julie Gilligan for being our secretary.
  - Thank you, Guy Gabrielson, who is always here to help.
  - Thank you, Bob Bouclier, who keeps up the property, gets repairs done, and notifies LoriAnn when things come up.
  - Board members and Acting President Mindy Belcher, thank you.
  - Thank you to Lois Zane, who is here every day and notifies LoriAnn when she is not going to be here. Lois checks on everything and stays for as long as she can. Lois is still going strong.
  - Thank you for our relationship with the Episcopal Church in Connecticut.
  - Many thanks to Reverend Tuesday and Bishop Mello.
  - Thank you to those who supported our Puttin' on the Roof fundraiser.
  - Thank you to our donors, our members, our board, and our volunteers for supporting us all season.
- Last year's report ended with the following Mark Twain quote and a statement from Director LoriAnn Witte:
  - *"We can achieve what we can conceive and believe."* – Mark Twain
  - *I believe that 2024 will be filled with success for the Glebe House Museum & Gertrude Jekyll Garden, and together we will make it possible!* - LoriAnn Witte
  - *I am proud to report that we did it!* - LoriAnn Witte

### **Friends of the Glebe House Report**

- The Friends of the Glebe House volunteers met monthly from April through November.
- All of the members are very dedicated. Their care and dedication show.

- The Friends helped with a variety of things throughout the year, including the Marshall children program and the summer program.
- There were three field trips this year: Harkness Memorial State Park, Roseland Cottage, and Marshfield House and Gardens
  - During the field trips, Friends get to know each other better.
  - The Friends also get ideas from other houses that can be used at the Glebe House.
    - Harkness Memorial State Park
      - Located in Waterford, CT
      - Mary Beth Baker volunteers at Harkness Memorial State Park.
      - Mary Beth is a former Glebe House Director.
      - Mary Beth was the last person to live in the cottage next to the Glebe House.
      - Mary Beth gave the Friends a garden tour and a special red-carpet tour of the house.
    - Roseland Cottage
      - Located in Woodstock, CT
      - Roseland Cottage is part of CT New England.
      - The Friends had a wonderful garden and house tour with the site administrator of Roseland Cottage.
      - After their tour, the Friends enjoyed lunch outside next to the Roseland Cottage gardens.
    - Marshfield House and Gardens
      - Located in Litchfield, CT
      - Marshfield House and Gardens is privately owned by Sylvia and Jay Abbott.
      - The Friends were taken on a private tour of the house and gardens.
      - Sylvia and Jay are very generous people.
- Valiant Volunteer Picnic
  - Date: September 20, 2024
  - Location: The picnic tables next to the Glebe House
  - Lovely weather for the picnic
  - Attendance was good.
  - Everyone had a good time and enjoyed a variety of tasty foods.

#### **Gertrude Jekyll Garden Report (Eileen Denver – via Zoom and Phone)**

- The team of garden volunteers loves restoring the garden and continues to come and work on it.
- Garden Leadership: Eileen Denver, Deb Soresino, and Priscilla Price

- Garden volunteers work on Monday and Tuesday mornings and some other days as well.
- They start around 7:00-8:00 AM.
- Still River Gardens owners Lori and Jeremy Stickney continue to guide the garden volunteers in the garden restoration project.
- Garden work last summer was especially tricky due to the roof construction project as well as the lumber and other supplies stored near the house and garden.
- The garden was watered with hoses due to the drought.
- Even with the drought, the weeds continued to grow.
- The garden looks great. The plants are beginning to fill out.
- The garden continues to attract visitors.
- Garden volunteers love giving tours. They enjoy sharing what they've learned about garden design. They also enjoy using the garden to connect the community to the Glebe House and the garden.
- Thank you to Bob Bouclier for creating a new, separate room and entrance in the back of the garage for gardening equipment and supplies.

### **Registrar – Collections Report**

- The Museum applied for a Collections Assessment Grant from Conservation ConneCtion and, subsequently, received the grant.
  - Barbara Bradbury-Pape, an Independent Museum Curator, came for a site visit.
  - The final report provides recommendations for collections care and storage.
 This information can be used when applying for grants in the future.
- A 19th-century Egg Basket was donated to the Museum Collection by Sandy Carlson. This basket was handed down through her family over the years. She wanted the basket in a place for posterity. Prior to the donation, there were no egg baskets in the Museum Collection.
- Sandy Carlson also donated several other baskets that contain handmade lace pieces made by her great-grandmother. The lace pieces show samples of embroidery that everyone would have learned. Sandy wanted them as part of the education program for both children and adults.
- LoriAnn continued to upload the photography and data entry.
- Lois continued to transcribe handwritten information.
- The Collective Access System currently has 161 objects and 467 object representations.
- Lois continues to clean the museum and maintain all of the original records for the Collection.

### **Property Report**

- Property Committee Members: Hugh Sullivan (Chair), Carter Booth, Guy Gabrielson, and Lois Zane

- The committee is grateful for the transfer of the Glebe House and its land, as well as the Triangle Property, to the Seabury Society for the Preservation of the Glebe House, Inc.
- Thanks go to Reverend Tuesday Rupp, Bishop Jeffrey Mello, and Bradford Babbitt for facilitating and approving this transfer.
- Many things were done for the property in 2024.
  - Fall and spring clean-up
  - Lawn repair
  - Mowing
  - Garden shed improvements
  - Organization of the garden shed
  - Roof replacement
  - Burlap garden protection for the winter
    - The Garden Committee learned from Bob how to put the burlap on the shrubs so that it would not sag. The burlap keeps the deer at bay.
    - There is netting on the inside of plants that might be eaten by the deer.
  - Water was pumped out of the basement by Guy and LoriAnn. A pipe in the basement was plugged up by Guy, thus ending the problem of water getting into the basement.
- Thank you to O&G Industries for the crushed stone for the driveway.
- The Triangle Property and East Field were taken care of by an anonymous supporter and his helpers. The area is tidy and receives lots of compliments.
- Thank you to everyone who helped with the property.
  - Volunteers
  - Donors
  - Hydar Construction
    - Hydar did an excellent job on the roof.
    - Fred from Hydar Construction did not charge us for his personal services. He just charged for his workers' time, but not when he came to do things. Thank you, Fred.

### **Finance Report**

- Best performance ever in QuickBooks history (28 years)
- Increases:
  - Strong community
  - Total income: \$181,189
- Revenue increases:
  - Membership
  - Special tours
  - Marshall children - education
  - Events

- Donations
  - Unrestricted donations: \$34,788
  - Restricted donations: \$93,101
- Puttin' on the Roof Event – money raised during the event and through shingle purchases and donations: over \$17,000
  - 1754 House paid for the band. They also gave us a very good deal on the food, the drinks, and the room.
  - Thank you to the 1754 House.
- Operating Expenses: Increased by less than \$700 compared to 2023.
- Utilities
  - Decrease in heating costs
  - Switched from oil to propane in 2023, which contributed to cost savings
  - We have started keeping the doors closed downstairs at the Glebe House to try to keep heat downstairs.
- Total expenditures increased by \$84,187, mostly driven by the roof project.
- Some visitor revenue was lost during the summer because of the roof project. The museum was open, but it did not look open.
- Also included in the report:
  - Pie Charts
  - Profit and Loss Activity
  - Puttin' on the Roof Donors
  - Calendar of Activity
    - Special events are highlighted in yellow
    - Education events are highlighted in blue
  - Board of Directors List
  - Class List

### **Gala Event - Cheers to 100 Years!**

- Cheers to 100 Years! Gala event information is on the website.
- The date for the event is Friday, June 27, 2025.
- The venue for Cheers to 100 Years! is at Aria in Prospect.
- The event begins at 6:00 PM.
- Tickets are \$150.
- Capacity is 200 people.
- The event is not a sit-down dinner, but there will be lots of food. The menu has been selected.
- The signature cocktail, called the Flapper's Fancy, will be served.
- There will be music by the Harold Zinno band, including a singer.
- There will also be dancing.

- There will be indoor and outdoor spaces, which include a garden, fountain, waterfall, and tables.
- The event space is accessible to all. Everything is on the first floor. Guests can be dropped off at the door. There is a covered drop-off area. There is also an accessible bathroom.
- There will be an auction.
- There are 6 VIP tables available for purchase.
- Sponsors for the event will be accepted until April 14. After that date, posters and invitations will go to press.
- \$9,225 has been raised so far through sponsorships.
- Aria has given us very generous pricing.
- Organization for this event, which has required quite a bit of time and effort, began in 2023.

### **St. Paul's Church Event**

- Romantic vocal standards from the Great American Songbook at St. Paul's Church
- The event features Reverend Tuesday and Pete.
- Friday, February 14, 2025
- 6:30 PM Reception
- 7:00 PM concert
- The concert will be finished in time for 8:00 PM dinner reservations.
- \$25 suggested donation
- Donations support St. Paul's church ministries

### **Berkley Divinity School – Connected to Yale**

- Reverend Tuesday is working with the Berkley Divinity School to arrange for the Anglican studies students to come to the Glebe House as part of their academic coursework.
- Reverend Tuesday is looking to deepen the relationship with Berkley Divinity School, the Glebe House, and the larger church.

### **Old Business:** None noted

### **New Business**

- Flowers will be sent to Bonnie Bradley's funeral.
- One flower arrangement from the board and volunteers collectively will be sent.
- The arrangement will be in a basket so that it can go to the cemetery.

- The order should be placed today to ensure that flowers are available during this busy time of year.
- See LoriAnn if you would like to contribute to the flower arrangement.
- If you use the link on the Munson Lovetere website, it will take you to Petal Perfections in town.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 11:49 AM.

Mindy Belcher made a motion to adjourn.

Carol Ziske seconded the motion to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted by  
Julie Gilligan, Secretary

## **President's Annual Report 2025**

The most fitting way in which to begin this Annual Report is with the sentiment, "Cheers to 100 Years". 2025 will long be remembered as the historic 100 year anniversary of the Glebe House Museum. The organization has achieved a full century of fulfilling its mission to provide outstanding and engaging educational and cultural opportunities, lectures, tours, and special events for visitors of all ages. The Glebe House Museum and Gertrude Jekyll Garden sit firmly poised to begin a new century with sustained vigor and prominence in the community.

Of the many significant achievements in 2025, most noteworthy is the highly successful "Cheers to 100 Years" fundraiser on June 27th at Aria of Prospect. Years of planning and sustained effort by the event's committee comprised of Director LoriAnn Witte, Acting Board President Mindy Belcher, board members Joanne Bauer and Carol Ziske, along with Eric Groody and Janet Serra, culminated in a festive and high profile 1920's themed celebration. Guests delighted in wonderful food, a signature cocktail dubbed the flapper's fancy, and lively music provided by the Harold Zinno orchestra. The well attended celebration included a wide range of guests from the community, and we were especially pleased that the Rt. Reverend Jeffrey W. Mello was in attendance. This high profile event continued to raise awareness of the Glebe House Museum and Gertrude Jekyll Garden, garnering future support (be it financial, volunteer, membership or visitors) for the organization.

2025 ended on a strong note with regard to the organization's budget numbers. Notable increases were seen in income line items during 2024, even surpassing budget predictions. Healthy gains in membership, visitor numbers, and donations (both restricted and unrestricted) were achieved.

Educational opportunities for visitors of all ages were steadily offered throughout 2025. Director LoriAnn Witte was assisted by Julie Gilligan in the planning and implementing of the summer experience for children, as well as the Marshall after school program. We are extremely grateful to Julie for giving her time and expertise to assist with the educational aspect of the organization, in addition to her much appreciated role of recording minutes for organizational meetings. Home school group tours, Home school Day and Region 14 5th grade history day were all well attended this year. A variety of adult educational programs were also offered, which included a cast iron cooking workshop and a colonial herb lecture and workshop with Dr. Zamperone. We are grateful to Director LoriAnn Witte for continuing to adapt existing programs as well as procure new and engaging learning opportunities for visitors.

Autumn was once again a busy season for the Glebe House Museum. In the effort to keep the highly popular All Hollows Eve vibrant and appealing, volunteers spent many hours brainstorming ideas which eventually culminated in a fresh format for the event. Alterations to the event's schedule and location to include historic homes in the Hollow, as well as the addition of new characters, were all well received by visitors. This event continues to be a highly profitable fundraiser and would not be possible without the

legion of volunteers necessary for its production. Likewise, the "Witches of Woodbury" production, which has grown to become a crowd pleaser, was moved to the old town hall for its two performances in early October.

The property Committee comprised of Carter Booth, Guy Gabrielson, Hugh Sullivan and Lois Zane continued its ongoing dedication to overseeing the maintenance and preservation of the building and grounds. This committee is of the utmost importance, and the organization is extremely grateful for the expertise, time and care these members contribute to ensure the well being of the property. Special thanks to volunteer Bob Bouclier for the many "handy" jobs he so often takes on. As always, we are grateful to our anonymous supporter who continues to provide care and maintenance of the triangle and east field properties.

The Gertrude Jekyll Garden continued to grow and bloom during the fourth year of the garden restoration project. We are ever grateful to Eileen Denver, Priscilla Price and Deb Soresino for their continued devotion to the historic garden as well as overseeing the garden volunteers. Special thanks to board member, Priscilla Price, for acting as board liaison to the garden committee.

The Friends of the Glebe House are an integral part of the organization whose dedicated volunteers make it possible for the Glebe house Museum and Gertrude Jekyll Garden to fulfill its mission. The vital staffing and support which they provide are imperative for the success of the organization, and the unique skills each volunteer brings to the museum and garden are gifts for which the board and director are extremely appreciative.

Lois Zane, Registrar of Museum Collections, continues to be a devoted source of knowledge, care and commitment. We are enormously grateful to Lois for the role she takes on for the organization.

The board remains truly grateful for the exceptional work of Director, Lori Ann Witte. LoriAnn's work ethic and devotion are evident daily, whether in the long days she puts in on site, or by acting as an ambassador for the organization within the community. LoriAnn's steadfast performance of her many duties is recognized by the board and is evident in the enduring quality of the the organization and what it provides to the community.

With sincere gratitude, we thank all who contribute to the Glebe House Museum and Gertrude Jekyll Garden. The foundations, community businesses, individual board members, museum members, volunteers and visitors who provide support to the organization through gifts of money, time, talents and connections are vital to the sustainability of this organization. As the Glebe House Museum embarks on its second century of operation, the Seabury Society for the Preservation of the Glebe House, Inc. remains committed to upholding the standard of excellence in all that we do.

Respectfully submitted,

Melinda Belcher, Acting President

Seabury Society for the Preservation of the Glebe House, Inc.



## Director's Annual Report 2025

"Community is much more than belonging to something;  
It's about doing something together that makes belonging matter." -  
B.Solis

We entered the 2025 season with anticipation and excitement as we prepared to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Glebe House Museum. With the challenge of a major capital project behind us, we began the year with a renewed sense of hope and enthusiasm, confident that we would achieve our goals and continue our mission of preservation and education.

As I reflect on the accomplishments of the centennial season, I am incredibly proud of the successes that were made possible by the overwhelming support of our members, donors, volunteers, and the community.

I thank you for joining us on this journey. I thank you for belonging. Most of all, I thank you for doing something that matters.

With gratitude,

LoriAnn Witte

## **Cheers to 100 Years! ~ Highlights of 2025**

### **Visitation**

*More than 2000 visitors enjoyed tours, programs, and events.*

Group Tours: *Served more than 245 guests.*

Rev. Tuesday Rupp & Berkeley Divinity School

Homeschool Groups

Church Groups

Mitchell Elementary School - Fifth Grade History Day

Killingworth Garden Club Group Tour

The Goldwitz Family

UCONN Daytrippers

Brookfield Library One-Read Group Tour

Garden Tours:

Earth Day Garden Tour

Killingworth Garden Club

Gertrude Jekyll Garden Program

UCONN Daytrippers

### **Volunteers**

*Our volunteers covered 248 activities and gave over 1500 hours.*

### **Membership**

*New memberships increased by 10%.*

### **Community Participation**

Free Events for the Community:

Earth Day in Hollow Park

Town of Woodbury Memorial Day Parade w/ 100th Anniversary Float  
Connecticut Open House Day  
Connecticut Historic Gardens Day  
Green Corn Festival w/ the Institute for American Indian Studies  
Woodbury's Fall Festival in Hollow Park  
Holiday Open House  
Woodbury Woman's Club Holiday House Tour  
Open House in Honor of SAR 135th Congress  
CT Poetry Society Open House  
Blacksmithing Demos at the Glebe House

#### Events & Fundraisers:

Attic Sale at the Glebe House  
100th Anniversary at Aria held on June 27  
Paranormal Experience with Charles Rosenay  
Ground Zero: Witchcraft in Connecticut (New) at the Old Town Hall  
All Hollow's Eve: The Haunted Hollow Tours  
An Old Fashioned Wassail & Holiday Celebration

## Education Programs

#### Lectures/Workshops for Adults:

Letters to Mom: Miss Your Cooking  
Herbal Medicines of Colonial America / Parts 1 & 2 w/ Dr. Eugene Zampieron  
Gertrude Jekyll Garden Program

#### Children's Programs: Serving 200 families.

Marshall Children After-school Program (Spring & Fall Sessions)  
Homeschool Day at the Glebe House  
Summer Experience for Children ~ 1 Week  
5th Grade History Day ~ Mitchell School ~ Region 14

## Museum Shop

*Curated and branded items gave new life to the Museum Shop and increased sales by 65%.*

New branded items by Bebe Blu Designs featuring custom art

## Christmas in July & Beyond - Sale

## Conclusion and Thanks

Preserving and caring for a historic site is an ongoing process, and we are grateful for the support of Board Member Guy Gabrielson and the love and care he puts into the many needed repairs. We are also grateful for volunteer Bob Bouclier, who has lent his expertise, equipment, and many hours of labor to property care at our site. The Triangle and East Field properties have become beautiful additions to the Hollow due to the efforts of Brad Smith and another wonderful donor from the community.

All of this would not have been possible without the incredible core of volunteers who give so much of their time and talents to keep this organization running. Volunteer recruitment efforts have brought many new faces to us, and I am grateful for their support and friendship.

I thank our Board Members, led by acting President Mindy Belcher, for their dedication and unwavering support in keeping the Seabury Society and its mission of preserving and maintaining the Glebe House and Garden, moving forward for future generations. As Mindy continues the role of Board President, I am grateful for all of the time and effort that she has given to make this organization a success.

I am grateful for our "Friends of the Glebe": The Shopkeepers who greet our guests with enthusiasm and our Docents who continue to adjust to new procedures to share the story of the Glebe House and its inhabitants with our visitors.

I thank our Garden Volunteers, led by Eileen Denver, Priscilla Price, and Deb Soresino, who, along with the help of the many volunteers, have worked tirelessly to make sure that Gertrude's vision comes alive in all its beauty. We thank Barry Burton for his help in acquiring much for the garden, and the Town of Woodbury for its delivery.

I am most grateful to Lois Zane for her support as registrar and steward of the house & collection, but also for sharing her love of the Glebe's history and, most of all, her friendship.

Thank you to Dianne Stockwell (bookkeeping), Tommy Stockwell, Andrew Witte, and Joseph Witte(waste management) for their ongoing assistance throughout the year.

Thanks to Julie Gilligan for taking meeting minutes and assisting with our education

programs. Thanks to Brodie Dugas and Mia Schlicher for volunteering as Youth Leaders for our Hands-on-History summer week. Thanks to Dr. Eugene Zampieron for leading our herbal medicine adult workshop. Additional thanks to The Old Woodbury Historical Society and Carol Sideli for sharing their historic site with the children in our education programs.

Thank you to Joe Simpson Plumbing, Logue's Farm, O&G Industries, and Pine Meadow Gardens for their generous in-kind donations.

Thanks to the 100th Anniversary Committee: Joanne Bauer, Melinda Belcher, Eric Groody, Janet Serra, LoriAnn Witte, and Carol Ziske.

Thanks to Bishop Jeffrey Mello and Ms. AnnaRose Goldwitz for participating in the 100th Anniversary program.

Thanks to William Linster and Kathleen Greene for their in-kind donation of music in the garden at the 100th Anniversary Celebration, "Cheers to 100 Years!"

Thanks to the 100th Anniversary Sponsors: Ron & Adrienne Artale, Guy Gabrielson, Dr. Duncan J. & Melinda Belcher, Bennett Sullivan Associates, William T. Drakeley Swimming Pool Co., Carter & Sally Booth, Marc Minker & Susan Joy, J. Andrew Ward, Norebert E. Mitchell Company, Inc, New Morning Market, and The Episcopal Church in Connecticut.

I am thankful for our relationship with The Episcopal Church in Connecticut, through the efforts of Rev. Tuesday Rupp and Bishop Jeffrey Mello, which has allowed us to continue preserving this historic site and educating about our shared history.

Thank you to the Estate & Family of Bonnie Bradley, Stuart Weise, and the Family of Bobbie Howrey for their generosity and support of the Glebe House.

Thanks to the Order of Colonial Lords of Manors in America and Newtown Savings Bank for their continued support.

Thank you to all of our donors and friends who support us in so many ways.  
The love and care that you put into this historic site amazes me and  
makes me grateful to be a part of its history.

### **Cheers to Another 100 Years!**

Respectfully submitted,

LoriAnn Witte, Director

## **Friends of the Glebe Report – 2025**

The Friends of the Glebe is made up of volunteers who are interested in maintaining the Glebe House Museum as well as the Gertrude Jekyll Garden. Meeting every month from April until December, the volunteers put their efforts to good use in a variety of different ways.

In 2025, volunteers participated in a meet-and-greet program to recruit new volunteers. Volunteers later participated in a training program that focused on the history of the house. The volunteers were also trained in the operation of the museum gift shop.

In addition, volunteers helped out in 2025 as docents, shopkeepers, and gardeners. They also helped in planning and carrying out special events such as 5<sup>th</sup> Grade History Day, All Hollow's Eve, and the Woodbury Christmas Festival. This year, the Glebe House was included on the Woodbury Woman's Club House Tour, and volunteers participated in this event as well.

The Friends of the Glebe volunteers decorated the house and the gift shop for special occasions. They helped with the Cheers to 100 Years! gala in June. In addition, they helped to set up and run the Glebe House booth at the Earth Day Festival and the Fall Festival.

In 2025, volunteers assisted with many of the Glebe House education programs. Volunteers helped plan and implement Home School Day, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade History Day, and the Marshall Children after school program. Volunteers helped with the summer camp program as well.

To broaden their knowledge of historic house museums and gardens, as well as to develop camaraderie, the volunteers went on two field trips in nearby towns. In 2025, the volunteers went to the Hill-Sted Museum in Farmington, CT, the Osborne Homestead in Derby, CT, and the Lockwood-Mathews Mansion Museum in Norwalk, CT. The volunteers continued to develop friendships and goodwill during their annual volunteer picnic at the Glebe House in September.

Overall, 2025 was a very productive and rewarding year for the Friends of the Glebe volunteers.

## Gertrude Jekyll Garden

February 2026

### Accomplishments in 2025

- Welcomed new gardeners
- ENDLESS WEEDING
- Maintained roses in quad and plants in borders
- Placed plants donated by Pine Meadow Gardens in accent pots
- Hosted tour groups through the garden
- Applied mulch (delivered by Town of Woodbury) on most of the garden
- Removed flower bed between the willow in Southwest corner and path to bathroom
- Obtained grant from CT. Master Gardeners Association to replace irrigation system
- Received donation to replace Viburnum opulus in Northeast and Northwest corners
- Winter prep (netting, burlap, boughs and *Wilt Pruf*)

### Aspirations for 2026

- Recruit and support new gardeners
- Finish spreading mulch and evaluate its effectiveness
- Control weeds
- Place plants in accent pots
- Replace Viburnum opulus in Northeast and Northwest corners
- Design and install drip irrigation system, with advice from Barry Burton
- Obtain additional funds to enlarge the irrigation system
- Continue to host tours
- Add missing plants to borders and herbs to the kitchen garden. Enhance drifts of iris.
- Work with Still River Gardens to replace plants and shrubs that did not survive 2023 - 2026
- Work with Still River Gardens to create document outlining long term care instructions for all plants
- Work with Still River Gardens to continue garden restoration around the Museum and in the allee - timing dependent on work to be done on the Museum
- Solicit assistance from local businesses in order to repair or replace garden tools, hoses, wheelbarrows and carts
- Work on developing a guide to the garden
- Winter prep ( netting, burlap, boughs and *Wilt Pruf*) This may require purchase of new burlap and netting.

- With thanks to all the loyal gardeners !

The Seabury Society for the Preservation of the Glebe House, Inc.

Collections Report 2025

Donations Recorded:

Textiles - Gift of Kevin Ergil / Upcoming Exhibition

Sales Contract for Indian Corn - 1772 - Gift of Bill Sheridan

Reading Glasses - 18th century - Gift of Ralph Maietta

Disassembled Dress - 19th century - Presidential Inauguration

The Glebe House was chosen to participate in the *National Archives Grant Project* in conjunction with Connecticut Collections and Connecticut Humanities, and received the consulting services of an archivist who assisted with "finding aids" for our digital collections.

Director LoriAnn Witte continued the entry of photography and data into the Connecticut Collections (CTCo) collective access system. There are currently 161 objects, 11 entities, 2 collections, and 468 object representations in the Collective Access system.

Lois Zane continues to care for the museum and maintain all of the original records for the Collection. We are truly thankful for her contributions and love of our history!

Respectfully submitted by,

LoriAnn Witte, Director

& Lois Zane, Registrar

Seabury Society for the Preservation of the Glebe House, Inc.

PROPERTY & BUILDINGS REPORT 2025

The property committee comprises Hugh Sullivan (Chair), Carter Booth, Guy Gabrielson, and Lois Zane.

The committee continued its work to maintain and preserve our property while keeping up with the general maintenance of our historic site.

Repair & Maintenance House:

Interior Painting - Thank you, Hydar Construction

Cottage Attic Cleaned and Sanitized

New Hot Water Heater - Thank you, Guy Gabrielson

Water Spigots Fixed/Replaced - Thank You, Joe Simpson Plumbing

Bookcases built for the Museum Office & Library/Gallery. Thank You, Guy Gabrielson

Repair & Maintenance of Property:

O&G Gravel Delivery for Driveway, Thank you

Leaf and shrub clean-up in the west corner of the yard - Thank you, Kim Drakeley

New Rails and Posts for Split Rail Fencing and Installation - Thank You, Guy Gabrielson & Bob Bouclier

Two New Flowering Apple Trees were planted in the Triangle (Annon. Donor)

New Glebe House Sign ordered - Thank You, J. Andrew Ward

Damaged Locust Tree Removed from the Yard

We thank the committee for its support and contributions of talent, time, and effort in preserving this remarkable piece of 18th-century architecture and its property.

We offer special thanks to Guy Gabrielson for the many repairs to our beautiful historic house, as needed, and Bob Bouclier for taking on the task of property maintenance!

Respectfully submitted,

LoriAnn Witte,

on behalf of the Property Committee

## PROFIT & LOSS

Net profit for FY25

**\$58,221**  100%

↑ Up 590% from FY 24

**\$177,887**

Income



**\$119,666**

Expenses



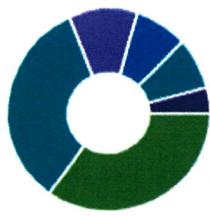
### Business snapshot

#### MY INCOME

Total

**\$177,887**

Last year 



- 4304 memorial gifts: \$47,520
- 4445 festive dinners: \$46,150
- 4303 unrestricted donations: \$14,825
- 8022 acheson fund: \$11,306
- 4309 other: \$10,679

#### MY EXPENSES

Total

**\$119,666**

Last year 



- 6510 director: \$28,697
- 7445 festive dinners: \$15,874
- 6630 r&m - house: \$13,091
- 6230 insurance - health: \$12,000
- 6520 payroll taxes: \$10,731

Last fiscal year 

# Statement of Financial Position Summary

## Seabury Society for the Preservation of the Glebe

As of December 31, 2025

DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT	TOTAL
Assets	\$301,231.45
Current Assets	\$271,284.45
Bank Accounts	\$82,666.95
Accounts Receivable	\$1,845.00
Other Current Assets	\$186,772.50
<b>Total for Current Assets</b>	<b>\$271,284.45</b>
Fixed Assets	\$29,947.00
Other Assets	
<b>Total for Assets</b>	<b>\$301,231.45</b>
Liabilities and Equity	\$301,231.45
Liabilities	\$106.28
Current Liabilities	\$106.28
Accounts Payable	\$115.29
Credit Cards	\$0.00
Other Current Liabilities	-\$9.01
<b>Total for Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$106.28</b>
Long-term Liabilities	\$0.00
<b>Total for Liabilities</b>	<b>\$106.28</b>
Equity	\$301,125.17
<b>Total for Liabilities and Equity</b>	<b>\$301,231.45</b>

# Statement of Financial Position Comparison

Seabury Society for the Preservation of the Glebe

As of January 29, 2026

DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT	TOTAL	
	AS OF JANUARY 29, 2026	AS OF JANUARY 29, 2025 (PY)
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Bank Accounts		
1071 TD Glebe House - 7625	-344.28	2,682.08
1081 TD Fund Raising - 6992	30,296.39	2,775.00
1091 TD Jekyll Garden - 2719	11,805.56	11,068.56
1092 Webster Checking	0.00	1,034.12
1093 NSB Checking - # 6109	37,102.65	444.96
<b>Total for Bank Accounts</b>	<b>\$78,860.32</b>	<b>\$18,004.72</b>
Accounts Receivable		
1140 Grants Receivable	0.00	0.00
1200 Accounts Receivable	1,845.00	1,845.00
<b>Total for Accounts Receivable</b>	<b>\$1,845.00</b>	<b>\$1,845.00</b>
Other Current Assets		
1120 Inventory Asset	0.00	0.00
1499 Undeposited Funds	0.00	0.00
1511 General Endowment - 04556	12,546.94	11,273.02
1512 Acheson Fund - 04557	136,386.51	131,220.74
1513 Growth Fund - 04581	36,839.05	45,896.19
<b>Total for Other Current Assets</b>	<b>\$185,772.50</b>	<b>\$188,389.95</b>
<b>Total for Current Assets</b>	<b>\$266,477.82</b>	<b>\$208,239.67</b>
Fixed Assets		
1700 Land	18,087.00	18,087.00
1720 Equipment	11,860.00	11,860.00
<b>Total for Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$29,947.00</b>	<b>\$29,947.00</b>
Other Assets		
<b>Total for Assets</b>	<b>\$296,424.82</b>	<b>\$238,186.67</b>

# Statement of Financial Position Comparison

Seabury Society for the Preservation of the Glebe

As of January 29, 2026

DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT	TOTAL	
	AS OF JANUARY 29, 2026	AS OF JANUARY 29, 2025 (PY)
<b>Liabilities and Equity</b>		
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
<b>Accounts Payable</b>		
2001 Accounts Payable	115.29	115.29
<b>Total for Accounts Payable</b>	<b>\$115.29</b>	<b>\$115.29</b>
<b>Credit Cards</b>		
2000 Cardmember Services/ Webster	0.00	0.00
<b>Total for Credit Cards</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Other Current Liabilities</b>		
2100 Payroll Liabilities	0.00	0.00
2101 Federal Withholding	0.00	0.00
2104 Medicare Company	0.00	0.00
2105 Social Security Employee	0.00	0.00
2107.5 SEP-IRA - Paychex (deleted)	-0.05	-0.05
2107 SEP-IRA (deleted)	0.05	0.05
2110 CT Withholding	0.00	0.00
2510 Diocesan Loan	0.00	0.00
Commissioner of Revenue Services Payable	\$0.00	\$0.00
Sales Tax Payable	-9.01	
<b>Total for Commissioner of Revenue Services Payable</b>	<b>-\$9.01</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
Sales Tax Agency Payable	0.00	0.00
<b>Total for Other Current Liabilities</b>	<b>-\$9.01</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Total for Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$106.28</b>	<b>\$115.29</b>
<b>Long-term Liabilities</b>		
2150 PPP Federal Loan	0.00	0.00
<b>Total for Long-term Liabilities</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Total for Liabilities</b>	<b>\$106.28</b>	<b>\$115.29</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
3000 Retained Earnings	127,123.16	68,901.81
Net Income	-4,806.63	-4,832.44
3001 Opening Balance Equity	0.00	0.00
3100 Temp. Restricted	28,446.23	28,446.23
3200 Fund Bal - Perm Restricted	30,000.00	30,000.00
3300 Fund Bal - Unrestricted	115,555.78	115,555.78
<b>Total for Equity</b>	<b>\$296,318.54</b>	<b>\$238,071.38</b>
<b>Total for Liabilities and Equity</b>	<b>\$296,424.82</b>	<b>\$238,186.67</b>

***Seabury Society for the Preservation of the Glebe House, Inc.***  
**Calendar of Activities 2025**

January 10 & 13: Holiday Décor Clean-up 10 -5  
January 14: 100<sup>th</sup> Committee meets at Aria  
January 15: Marketing for Small Businesses @ Library 11:30 - 1:00  
January 16: CT Historic Gardens Meeting - Zoom - 11:00 am  
January 16: Woodbury Chamber Meeting - Zoom - 6:00 pm  
January 17: Education Meeting w/Julie Gilligan 10:00 - 2:00 pm  
January 21: 100<sup>th</sup> Sponsor Follow-up Letters  
January 27: 100<sup>th</sup> Sponsor Follow-up Calls Begin  
January 28: Meeting w/Still River Gardens, Priscilla, Eileen & Deb, 10:00 am  
January 29: CRC Meeting at Fire House @ 7:00 pm Re: Arts & Culture  
January 31: Meeting w/ Jeanette & Cheryl - Flanders @1:30 pm  
February 4: CT Witch Meeting @ 6:00 pm  
February 5: 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee Meets @ 6:30 pm  
February 6: Annual Meeting Prep  
February 6: AASLH Makerspaces Program @ 3:00 pm  
February 8: Annual Meeting of the SSPGH @ 10:00 am  
February 10: WDBY Strat Plan Committee meets @ 4:00 pm  
February 11: CLM Digital Rights Program - Zoom - 12:00 pm  
February 13: Bonnie Bradley's Funeral Service @ 10:00 am  
February 18: Adv. Elec. Service Batteries Security System @ 8:00 am  
February 20: CT Garden & Flower Show Shift 10:00 - 1:00 pm  
February 20: WDBY Chamber Meets @ 6:00 pm @ New Morning  
February 24: CTcO Office Hours - Collections @ 10 am  
February 26: Office Closed - LoriAnn out  
February 28: Give Local Workshop @ Library 2 - 3:30 pm  
March 1: Sewing with Marshall Children @10 am  
March 4: Meet with Andy Verzosa at SWH for America 250  
March 6: Glebe Offsite Program @ Heritage Village 10:00 - 11:30 am  
March 6: Marshall Children Spring Begins @ 4 pm  
March 7: Tour of Glebe House for Phillip Halpert / Wadsworth @11 am  
March 10: WDBY Strat Plan Committee meets @ 3 pm  
March 12: Garden Season Prep Meeting with Priscilla, Eileen and Deb @ 1 pm  
March 13: Meeting with Janet Serra Re: 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Update @ 2 pm  
March 14: Modern Pest Service  
March 14: Witch Meeting with Linda Barr Gale and Maureen Denver  
March 16: Meet Linda & Maureen @ Old Town Hall to review the space  
March 17: Tax Info to Baldelli & Co.  
March 19: Zoom Meet with Greg Landrey @ 9:30 am  
March 19: Zoom Meet with Kevin Ergil regarding historic clothing donation.  
March 20: CT Historic Gardens Meeting @11 am - Mark Twain House  
March 20: Marshall Children Meet @ 4 pm  
March 20: WDBY Chamber Meets @6 pm - Zoom  
March 21: Office Closed - LoriAnn out  
March 26: Board Meeting @ 6 pm  
March 28: Tour of the Glebe House - Rev. Tuesday Berkeley Divinity School  
March 31: First Garden Meet of Season @ 9:00

March 31: CTcO Office Hours - Collections @ 10:00 am  
April 1: First Friends Meeting of the Season @ 10:00 am  
April 3: Marshall Children Meet @ 4:00 pm  
April 5: Bobbie Howrey's Celebration of Life @ 11 - 1:00 pm  
April 5: Obsidian Paranormal Investigation Part 2 @ 7:00 pm  
April 7: WDBY Chamber Strategic Plan Meet @ 3:00 pm  
April 9: All Hollow's Committee First Meet Zoom @ 4:00 & 6:30 pm  
April 10: Gertrude Jekyll Munstead Wood Zoom @ 2:00 pm  
April 14: 100<sup>th</sup> Sponsor Deadline  
April 15: Cheers to 100 Years invites to the printer  
April 17: WDBY Chamber Meets @ 6:00 pm Zoom  
April 18-19: Two Lights for Tomorrow - Lanterns Out  
April 23: Gertrude Jekyll Garden Program at Glebe @ 10:00 am  
April 24: Marshall Children Meet @ 4:00 pm  
April 25: Office Closed - LoriAnn out  
April 27: Earth Day in Hollow Park 11-4 pm  
April 27: Earth Day Garden Tour @ 2:00 pm  
April 28: CTcO Office Hours Collections @ 10:00 am  
April 29-30: Give Local Giving Days  
April 30: Mail 100<sup>th</sup> Invites  
May 2: Homeschool Group Tour & Program @ 10:00 am  
May 2: Museum Opening Day Regular Hours @ 1:00 pm  
May 8: Marshall Children Meet @ 4:00 pm  
May 10: Letters to Mom: Miss Your Cooking Program @ 12 - 3:00 pm  
May 15: CT Historic Gardens Meets at Amos Bull House, Hartford @ 11:00 am  
May 15: WDBY Chamber Meets at New Morning @ 6:00 pm  
May 17: David Jean's Church Group - Glebe House tour @ 10:00 am  
May 17: Attic Sale 11-3:00 pm at Glebe House / May 18 Rain Date  
May 19: CTcO Office Hours Collections @ 10:00 am  
May 20: Homeschool Day at Glebe House 9:30 - 12:30 (Rain Date: May 21)  
May 22: Mitchell Elementary School 5<sup>th</sup> Grade History Day @ 9:00 - 2:00 pm  
May 22: Marshall Children Meet @ 4:00 pm  
May 24: Woodbury Town Memorial Day Parade & Picnic 10:00 am Start  
May 31: Frontier - Switch service for telephone & Internet  
June 3: Friends Meeting at 10:00 am  
June 3: Special Tour at 1:00 pm  
June 5: Colonial Lords of Manors in America Meeting in NYC  
June 13: Final Number Due for 100<sup>th</sup> at Aria  
June 14: CT Open House Day  
June 19: Killingworth Garden Club Group Tour 11:00 am  
June 19: WDBY Chamber Meets Zoom 6:00 pm  
June 22: CT Historic Gardens Day 12-4 pm  
June 23: CTcO Office Hours Collections @ 10:00 am  
June 23: Triangle Mow / East Field Mow  
June 24: Aria Final Meeting for Gala @ 12:00 pm  
June 27: Cheers to 100 Years! Gala at Aria 6:00 pm  
June 28: Group Tour - Goldwitz Family  
July 1: Friends of the Glebe Meeting at 10:00 am  
July 9: New Volunteer Meet & Greet  
July 12: New Volunteer Meet & Greet

July 12: Christmas in July & August sale begins in the Shop  
July 14: Summer Program Education Meeting  
July 16: UCONN Day-trippers group tour  
July 17: CTHG Meeting at Bellamy-Ferriday House 11:00 am  
July 19: Open House at Glebe House 10-3 pm in Honor of 135<sup>th</sup> Congress SAR  
July 21-24: LoriAnn Out of Office  
July 26: Witches and All Hollow's Planning Meetings  
July 28: CT Collections Office Hours – Condition Reporting  
July 31: Summer Program Orientation for Youth Leaders 11:00 – 1:00 pm  
August 2: CT Poetry Society Visits Glebe @ 11:00 – 2:30  
August 4 – 8: Summer Experience for Children  
August 10: Green Corn Festival Hollow Park – Booth  
August 16: All Hollow's Planning Meeting  
August 18: WDBY Chamber Strategic Planning Committee Meets at Glebe  
August 19: 100<sup>th</sup> Committee Meets to Wrap – Up  
August 20: CTHG Site Visits – Osborne & Butler-McCook – LoriAnn on Committee  
August 20: Witch Rehearsal  
August 21: Woodbury Chamber Meets  
August 28: Review OTH Site for Witch Event  
August 28: Meet w/All Hollow's Volunteers  
September 2: Friends Meeting at 10:00 am  
September 2: Education Planning Meeting for Marshall Children  
September 4: Witch Tickets on sale  
September 4: Hill-Stead Friends Trip 10:30 am  
September 5-6: Charles Rosenay Group Paranormal – 2 Nights  
September 9: Witch Rehearsal  
September 14: Fall Festival – Booth  
September 15: WDBY Strategic Planning Committee Meets at Glebe  
September 17: Board Meeting at 6:30 pm  
September 18: CTHG Meeting at Phelps-Hathaway 11:00 am  
September 18: WDBY Chamber Meets 6:00 pm  
September 19: Amy O'Hara Teams Meeting @ 9:15 am  
September 19: Friends Picnic at 5:00 pm  
September 20: All Hollow's Volunteer Meeting at 11:00 am  
September 20: Witch Rehearsal  
September 22: CTCO Collection Office Hours  
September 22: All Hollow's Tickets on Sale  
September 23: Witch Rehearsal  
September 25: Virtual Program – Colonial Herbal Medicine w/Dr. Z  
September 27: Colonial Herbal Medicine Workshop w/DrZ 11:00 am – 3:00 pm  
September 28: Blacksmithing Demos at Glebe  
September 30: Witch Rehearsal  
October 2: Marshall Children Begins for Fall  
October 3: Dress Rehearsal and Set-up at Old Town Hall  
October 4: Ground Zero: Witchcraft in Connecticut: Dress rehearsal / final set-up/performance at OTH  
October 5: Morning Clean-up of OTH  
October 7: Friends of the Glebe Meeting at 10:00 am  
October 11: Brookfield Library One Read Group Tour at 11:00 am  
October 12: Last Day Regular Museum Hours  
October 16: Marshall Children 4 – 5:30 pm

October 16: WDBY Chamber of Commerce Meets 6:00 pm  
October 22: All Hollow's Rehearsal for Adults at 6:00 pm  
October 24: All Hollow's Set-Up  
October 25: All Hollow's: The Haunted Hollow Tour - All New! 4:00pm - 8:30 pm  
October 26: All Hollow's Clean-up  
November 5: Friends Meeting at 10:00 am (On Wednesday due to Election Day)  
November 6: Marshall Children at 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm  
November 20: CTHG Meeting at 11:00 am  
November 20: Marshall Children at 4-5:30 pm  
November 20: Woodbury Chamber of Commerce Meets at 6:00 pm  
November 27-28: Office Closed / Thanksgiving  
December 2: Last Friends Meeting of the Season at 10:00 am  
December 4: Marshall Children at 4-5:30 pm  
December 5: Wassail & Holiday Celebration -  
December 6: WDBY Christmas Festival / Holiday Open House & Shop  
December 13: Woman's Club House Tour 10-4 pm  
December 18: Marshall Children Last Meeting of Season at 4-5:30 pm  
December 18: Chamber of Commerce meets at 6:00 pm

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Guy Gabrielson	2 <sup>nd</sup> term*

**Class of 2027**

Joanne Bauer	2 <sup>nd</sup> term*
Priscilla Price	2 <sup>nd</sup> term*
Andy Ward	2 <sup>nd</sup> term
Carole Ziske	2 <sup>nd</sup> term*

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Rev. Tuesday Rupp	2 <sup>nd</sup> term
Hugh Sullivan	1 <sup>st</sup> term*