

RI Historical Cemeteries Awareness and Preservation Weeks in April - May 2023

Last Updated: 5/20/2023

Date	Day	Time	Town	Event Description
4/1	Sat	9am (Rain date 4/2-10am)	Coventry/West Warwick	Clean-up- CY#135 Maple Root Cemetery and three adjoining cemeteries located on Harney Hill Rd Coventry, RI (across from Maple Root Baptist Church). coventrycemeteries@gmail.com
4/1	Sat	10am	Newport	Walking Tour-Trinity Churchyard located on Spring/Church Sts- Organized by Trinity Church- Most of Trinity Churchyard's 250 graves date to the 18th century. If you miss the cemetery tour, you can visit the church 10am-4pm on Saturdays- tour limit 8. Tour repeats Saturdays in April-May TrinityTours100@gmail.com
4/1	April-May	on-going	Providence	Online Video (ongoing)- North Burial Ground & Swan Point Cemetery Providence- "Funerary Art and Monuments," an episode of the ArtRI limited series IN PLAIN SIGHT: Art in Unexpected places, highlights aesthetic features of North Burial Ground and Swan Point Cemetery in Providence. Dr. Ronald Onorato (emeritus professor in Art History at URI), presents museum quality sculpture and architecture "hiding in plain sight". https://networksrhodeisland.org/funerary-art-monuments/
4/1	April-May	on-going	Providence	Video-PV001 North Burial Ground & PV003 Swan Point Cemetery. Organized by Water fire Providence vickiveh@yahoo.com
4/4	Tues	10am (rain date 4/6)	Middletown	Walking Tour-Norman Bird Sanctuary- located at 583 Third 3rd Beach Rd. Join naturalist Jay Manni for a Birds and Burials walking tour. Visit the sanctuary's three burying grounds to learn about their history and take in the sights – jmanning@normanbirdsantuary.org
4/5	Wed	7pm	Portsmouth	Presentation -Portsmouth Free Library located at 268 East Main Rd, Portsmouth. RI State Archaeologist Charlotte Taylor presents a talk on RI cemetery law. Before 1990, it wasn't safe to be dead in RI! Explore this dark history into today's era of stronger laws and more engaged advocacy for RI's who can no longer speak for themselves. Charlotte will present both atrocities and stories of success drawing on her experiences as one of the first people in the state to be called when (old) skeletal remains are found. charlotte.taylor@preservation.ri.gov
4/5	Wed	8:30pm	Providence	Moon Hike - at North Burial Ground located at 5 Branch Ave- Hosted in partnership with the RWP Museum of Natural History & Planetarium. See the cemetery through new (nocturnal) eyes with the RWP Museum director Renee Gamba and NBG director Annalisa Heppner. NBG is a great place for late night star gazing, and the moon over the cemetery creates an amazing atmosphere to learn about NBG history. Park outside the cemetery using the free parking on North Main St., and enter through the Rochambeau Gate.

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4/7	Fri	10am	Exeter	Flagging - Meet at parking lot of Exeter Library on Route 102 Exeter. Rain or Shine. Plan for 3-4 hours. We will car pool. - dorwagg@aol.com
4/8	Sat	10am	Newport	Walking Tour -See 4/1 Trinity Churchyard tour for information TrinityTours100@gmail.com
4/8	Sat	9-12 noon	Woonsocket	Clean-up -WO14 Woodlawn Cemetery (some call it The Bernon St. Cemetery or Hamlet Tombs) located at the corner of Manville Road and Bernon St. Woonsocket, RI 02895. Be prepared to pick up litter and trash. Bring gloves- cleanupwoonsocket@gmail.com
4/12	Wed	10am - 11am	East Providence	Gravestone cleaning demonstration and self-guided tour – EP003 Newman Cemetery located at the corner of Newman Ave and Pawtucket Ave – Rumford, RI - friendsofnewmancemetery@gmail.com
4/15	Saturday	8am-12noon	Burrillville	Clean-up and Gravestone Demo - Riverside Cemetery (Harrisville Cemetery) in Harrisville (located opposite the Harrisville Fire Station on Callahan School Street) bmencucci@verizon.net
4/15	Sat	9am (Rain date Sun. 4/16-10am)	Coventry/West Warwick	Photographing Monuments- Demonstration (using mirror reflection -Julie Nathanson will host this demonstration at CY135 Maple Root Cemetery located on Harkney Hill Rd Coventry, RI coventrycemeteries@gmail.com
4/15	Sat	10am	Cumberland	Workshop -Drone photography / Elder Ballou Meeting House Cemetery located on Elder Ballou Meeting House Rd. Cumberland. julia@runofthemill.shop
4/15	Sat	10am	Exeter	Flagging - Meet at parking lot of Little Country Kitchen at junction of Route 165 and Route 3 Exeter. -Rain or Shine. Plan for 3-4 hours. We will car pool. dorwagg@aol.com
4/15	Sat	10am	Newport	Walking Tour -See 4/1 Trinity Churchyard tour for information- TrinityTours100@gmail.com
4/15	Sat	11am-12:30pm	Newport	Walking Tour -God's Little Acre section of Newport Common Burying Ground located on Farewell St. Historian Kieth Stokes will lead a walking tour of the nation's oldest documented and extant burying ground for people of African heritage. Limit: 20 Registration required- nphistoriccemeteries@gmail.com Parking available at the Newport Gateway Centerkeithstokes@gmail.com
4/15	Sat-(rain date 4/16)	2pm	Portsmouth	Walking Tour- Lawton Valley Cemeteries with historical commentary of (4) seldom seen burial grounds- located on West Main Rd. near the Water Pumps. Sponsored by the Portsmouth Historical Society. There will be sign up for the event posted on the Portsmouth Historical website about 2 weeks prior because space is limited- 20-25 people... stephen_luce@uri.edu
4/16	Sun	12:30pm	Newport	Walking Tour -St. Joseph Cemetery (known locally as the Barney Street Cemetery). Located at the corner of Barney and Mt. Vernon Streets in Newport, is the oldest Catholic cemetery in RI, Reservations requested https://newportirishhistory.org/historic-cemetery-tours/

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4/16	Sun	TBA	Providence	Clean-up and Data Collection -Locust Grove Cemetery located at 422 Elmwood Ave. Let's spend the day together working on a condition assessment that we'll use for restoration and historic preservation planning. Bring a smart phone or mobile enabled tablet. No cars allowed in the cemetery. Please PARK in the neighborhood around the cemetery and walk in. We'll meet in the center of the cemetery. aheppner@providenceri.gov
4/16	Sun	2pm- (rain date 4/23)	Providence	Walking Tour -North Burial Ground 5 Branch Ave Providence. Exploring causes of death in early Providence... Fire, water, lightning and plague- aheppner@providenceri.gov
4/16	Sun	12 noon	Richmond	Clean-up -RD#30 Simeon Babcock Family Cemetery located at 73 Shannock Hill Rd.in Richmond, RI. - A short distance east of route 112. Go up driveway. Cemetery on the left. We will and clean and straighten up headstones in the cemetery. dorwagg@aol.com
4/19	Wed	5:30pm	North Kingstown	Virtual illustrated talk -Local author Robert Geake will survey RI cemeteries and their differences from the rest of New England, using the family cemetery at Casey Farm as a case study. Registration required- 401-295-1030 X5 jhennedy@historicnewengland.org
4/19	Wed	9am-3pm	Providence	View NBG Archives - North Burial Ground located at 5 Branch Ave Providence, RI ... Are you working on family genealogy, academic research, or even just curious? Sign up to spend an hour or two at NBG looking at our historical records and maps! We will be making our records that pre-date 1960 available for researchers in our office. We will provide office space and a brief orientation to the records. Please bring your own computer, handheld scanner or camera, and any notetaking material you need. We will be offering time slots in one-hour increments (because of limited space) from 9 AM-3PM. You can sign up for more than one time slot. To reserve your time please call 401-680-5318 or email northburialground@providenceri.gov aheppner@providenceri.gov
4/22	Sat	10:30 – 12:30	Foster	Active demonstration of stone cleaning and resetting of fallen stones- at the old Judge Howard home located at 102 Howard Hill Road- Foster, RI- fps181@gmail.com
4/22	Sat	9am- 12 noon	Johnston	-Clean-up - JN#21 Governor King Lot located on Hartford Pike Johnston, RI. Contact- Steve Merolla- smerolla1@cox.net
4/22	Sat	10am	Newport	Walking Tour -See 4/1 Trinity Churchyard tour for information- TrinityTours100@gmail.com
4/22	Sat	TBA	Providence	EARTH DAY - North Burial Ground located at 5 Branch Ave. NBG is the second biggest park in the city. There is no better way to honor NBG's role as a greenspace than by celebrating EARTH DAY at the cemetery. Help with our pollinator garden, clean up our ponds from invasive species, and then take a break to see how nature and culture

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				intersect with our Women's History Tour at 2pm. We'll start at the Rochambeau Gate to gather. aheppner@providenceri.gov
4/22	Sat	10- 12 noon	Providence	This will be our annual clean-up day for the historic Tillinghast Burial Ground - #PV013 located at 398 Benefit St. A rake and gloves are all one needs to bring. https://tillinghastsociety.org/ wbt213@gmail.com
4/22	Sat	2pm	Providence	Walking Tour -North Burial Ground located at 5 Branch Ave. Join Met School intern Alex for a tour of our favorite women at NBG. Learn about individual women, bigger themes around womanhood, death, and the cemetery. Wear good shoes and dress for the weather. The tour departs from the Rochambeau pedestrian gate. Please use the PARKING on North Main St. and walk in through the pedestrian gate. Tour will take about 1.5 hours. aheppner@providenceri.gov
4/22	Sat (Rain date 4/29)	1-4pm	Tiverton	Clean-up at the Stone Church Cemetery #8 on Stone Church Road. BYO gloves and briar/vine cutting tools. Parking available at First Baptist Old Stone Church next to the cemetery, 7 Stone Church Road. Contacts: Jim Spears jim.spears@cox.net
4/22	Sat	9am-1pm	Warren	Clean-ups - Warren Conservation Commission's Earth Day Celebration includes cleanups of the North Burial Ground WR001 located on North Main St. and the Kickemuit Cemetery located at 56-100 Serpentine Rd. Volunteers are invited to come to Pete Sepe Pavilion, Hugh Cole Road, at 9:00AM to open the celebration and get supplies before heading to the cemeteries and to return to the Pavilion for a thank-you hotdog roast. jfharrison17@gmail.com
4/22	Sat	9am	Warwick	Clean-up- Saturday- 4/22- 9am at Warwick Historical Cemetery #59 located at the corner of Love Lane and Cowesett Rd. Please bring rakes and gloves - pmalcolm@cox.net
4/22	Sat	10am	Westerly	Clean-up- with the Phebe Greene Ward DAR Chapter at WY007 James Babcock Grounds adj to 42 Watch Hill Rd, Westerly, RI. Led by RIACHC Commissioner Larry Hunter. Will also include a tour of the cemetery and stone resets. lphunter53@yahoo.com
TBA			Exeter	Stone restoration -EX#93 John Gardner Lot. -Cleaning, straightening, and lifting small headstones. -Meet at parking lot for Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge, 99 Pardon Joslin Rd. -Bring soft bristled brush, spray bottle of water, shovels, small garden trowel, kneeling pad, gloves, water to drink, sunscreen. 15 min trail walk to reach the cemetery- dorwagg@aol.com Will be rescheduled due to rain
4/23	Sun	12:30pm	Newport	Walking Tour -St. Mary's Cemetery located on 12 William St. Newport, the final resting place of more than 1,000 souls. Many were Irish immigrants who arrived in Newport

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				to build the city and serve the people living here. Reservations requested - https://newportirishhistory.org/historic-cemetery-tours/
TBA	Sun	1pm	South Kingstown	Tour-The Narragansett-Cooke-Gaspee Chapter of the 'Daughters of the American Revolution', invites you to participate in our history hike series. Tours will be held on Sunday afternoons starting at 1PM. Meeting location TBA- SEE Calendar by Communities for more information and to register- deb1832@gmail.com Will be rescheduled due to rain
4/23	Sun	2pm	Westerly	Walking Tour/Open house- WY008- River Bend Cemetery located at 117 Beach St. Organized by the Babcock- Smith Museum and Riverbend Cemetery. Contact-Ellen Madison ellenmadison1945@gmail.com
4/26	Wed	7pm	Jamestown	Video of our very successful "Cemetery Tour - Stories in Stone", which took place in October 2021. This 60-minute video features eight costumed interpreters telling the stories of Jamestowners buried in three historic cemeteries, Cedar, Friends, and the Hazard Family Cemeteries. register in advance at: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_xDS8cnMIT5WR73yU_hixeg After registering, you will receive a confirmation email betsybaldwin0107@gmail.com
4/27	Thurs	6:30pm	North Kingstown	Presentation -At the North Kingstown Library located at 100 Boone St. North Kingstown, RI 02852. Living with the Dead in Rhode Island: from Cemetery Destruction to Cemetery Preservation... RI Archaeologist Charlotte Taylor presents a talk on RI cemetery law. Explore this dark history into today's era of stronger laws. Charlotte will present both atrocities and stories of success drawing on her experiences as one of the first people in RI to be called when (old) skeletal remains are found. charlotte.taylor@preservation.ri.gov
4/29	Sat	9am (Rain date Sun. 4/30-10am)	Coventry/West Warwick	Walking Tour -CY30 Pine Grove Cemetery, located opposite Knotty Oak Baptist Church at intersections of Rt 166 & Rt 117 Coventry, RI. Parking available at circular side drive. coventrycemeteries@gmail.com
4/29	Sat	10:30	Cumberland	Demonstration - Hotchkiss Cemetery- located at the far-left side of Union Cemetery on Smithfield Rd in North Smithfield. This will be a hands-on stone conservation/cleaning workshop - jhindlekoutsogiane@gmail.com
4/29	Sat	10am	Exeter	Clean-up - EX#1 Congdon Hoxie Cemetery located on Old Voluntown Rd off Escoheag Hill Rd. – Meet at the West end of Old Voluntown Rd (where it turns to dirt). - dorwagg@aol.com
4/29	Sat	10am	Newport	Walking Tour - See 4/1 Trinity Churchyard tour for information- TrinityTours100@gmail.com
4/29	Sat	11am-12:30pm	Newport	God's Little Acre tour... SEE 4/15 tour for information. NewportIrishHistory@gmail.com
4/29	Sat	11am-1pm (rain date 4/30)	Newport	Jonathan Easton Burial Ground Open House located east of Annandale Rd. and the Weaver St. intersection. This small site is the final resting place of some members of one of the founding families of Newport. Gravestones carved by John Stevens II, John Stevens III, and John Bull show case the talent of Newport's colonial artisans. Parking

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				is encouraged on Weaver St., Lowndes St., or East Bowery Street NewportIrishHistory@gmail.com
4/29	Sat	1pm	North Smithfield	Workshop -Edward Walker will demonstrate the proper ways to repair and clean headstones in this hands-on workshop at the Hotchkiss Cemetery located at the far-left side of Union Cemetery on Smithfield Rd in North Smithfield. It will be sponsored by the NS Heritage Association and is open to the public. nsha@nsheritageassn.org
4/29	Sat	11am	Pawtucket	Walking Tour -Oak Grove Cemetery- located on Cottage St/Central Ave Pawtucket. Walk and learn how The Oak Grove Cemetery was created, and how cemeteries in general were utilized by their communities. An archaeologist from the Public Archeology Laboratory will describe how ground penetrating radar was used to discover unmarked graves Limit 20/RSVP - Sponsored by the Heritage Alliance of Pawtucket. contact@heritagepawtucket.org
4/29	Sat	9am (rain date-12-3pm)	Scituate	Clean-up -SC025 Clement Smith Lot- located 600' north of Danielson Pike behind TASCAs Field. Bring drinking water, alcohol (possible poison ivy), snacks, gloves, kneepads, sunscreen, hat. Suggested hand tools- clippers, shovels, rakes, and saws. Mark your tools. PARKING- Northeast corner of Village Plaza (IGA) parking lot – N41°50.225 W 71°34.395 – Go past Walgreens keeping the building on your left. Cemetery entrance is near the northeast corner and will be marked. Look for the red and white sign. Contact Skye Pechie- tmbgambassador@gmail.com
4/29	Sat	11:30am	Warwick	Clean-up -WK034 Brayton Cemetery located at 3468 Post Rd. susan.w.cabeceiras@warwickri.com
4/29	Sat	10am – 12 noon	East Providence	Clean-up and Self-guided tour- EP003 Newman Cemetery located at the corner of Newman and Pawtucket Ave- Rumford, RI- Please bring rakes, loppers, trimmers, and trimmers if possible - friendsofnewmancemetery@gmail.com
4/29	Sat	10am-2pm (rain-date 4/30 10am-2pm)	Middletown	Earth Day- https://www.middletownhistoricalsociety.org/ or https://www.aquidneckearthweek.com/events
4/30	Sun	1pm	Exeter	Hike- tour- Daily Murder Lot (Arcadis Management Area)-Exeter, RI- SEE South Kingstown (4/23) for details and to register. Deb1832@gmail.com
5/1	month of May		Providence	Walking - "Cemetery Trails and Tales" (month of May)- Challenge yourself to an extraordinary adventure by walking every road in North Burial Ground located on 5 Branch Ave. Download the Cemetery Trails and Tales map and take a picture at each photo check-in on the map to track your progress. When you complete the challenge, bring your map to NBG to get a prize. You can get an upgraded prize by sending an NBG postcard to your city councilor telling them what NBG means to you! aheppner@providenceri.gov
5/2	Tues	6:30pm	East Greenwich	Lecture by John Kelly, RPA of The Public Archaeology Laboratory, Inc. (PAL) at the Academy Science Center, 60 Church St., East Greenwich, RI. The title of the discussion

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				is: Examining Nineteenth-Century Cemetery Relocations in Boston and Providence. RSVP-egcemetryvolunteer@gmail.com
5/5	Fri (or Sat 5/6)	TBA	Providence	Walk and talk- St. Patrick's Cemetery located on Douglas Ave, Providence. Join Sarah Zurier (RIHPHC) for a walking conversation at St. Patrick's Cemetery. Let's walk and talk about cemeteries as spaces for mourning and remembrance (a program of Jane's Walk Providence) http://www.doorsopenri.org/janeswalk/ - aheppner@providenceri.gov
5/6	Sat	8am- 12 noon	Cumberland	Gravestone Cleaning- The Beacon Pole Hill Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, welcomes volunteers to help with cleaning gravestones at the Old Diamond Hill Cemetery, CU024. This historic cemetery has burials from the 1740s through the late 1900s. The chapter will supply D2 cleaner and other approved tools. -Drive to pole #14 on Reservoir Road, Cumberland, RI and then south to the far end of the cemetery. Wear clothing you don't mind getting *really* dirty (rain gear works well). We will also work on mapping the cemetery and probing for missing stones. Contact Laurie Greaney with questions at lauriegreaneydar@gmail.com
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5/6	Sat	10am	Newport	-See 4/1 Trinity Churchyard tour for information- TrinityTours100@gmail.com
5/6	Sat	10am- 12noon	Newport	Walking Tour - Fort Adams Old Post Cemetery located on Ocean Dr. – Historic Music of Newport & Fort Adams Trust have partnered to provide guided tours that will highlight many musicians who once called Fort Adams home. Limit:20 per tour... Registration required https://historicmusicfnewport.com/event/musicians-of-fort-adams-cemetery/ mccormack@fortadams.org
5/6	Sat	11am	Newport	Work Session - Join us at the Common Burying Ground on Saturdays in May (6th, 13th, 20th) to enhance the site. Stone cleaning, stone straightening and fencing painting are likely projects to be undertaken. No experience or supplies needed. nphistoriccemeteries@gmail.com
5/6	Sat	1pm	North Kingstown	Walking Tour - Elm Grove Cemetery located at 960 Tower Hill Rd. NK... North Kingstown's Town Historian Tim Cranston will lead a guided walking tour sponsored by Historic Wickford Inc. Meet at Cranston family plot near southernmost entrance. Limit: 40 - https://histwick.org/ gcranston@northkingstownri.gov
5/6	Sat	1pm	Portsmouth	Walking Tour - At the Portsmouth Friends Meeting House and cemetery located at 11 Middle Road Portsmouth, RI 02871. The cemetery PO010 is located in back of the Meeting House. There is plenty of parking on the north side behind the parsonage. The Meeting House and cemetery are still active. It is one of the oldest in the state, completed by 1701. I will discuss what happened to those lost markers, the history of the Friends in Portsmouth, the history of the Meeting House, and of course, the graveyard. I will also give a basic talk on proper cleaning of the various marker types located there. stephen_luce@uri.edu

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5/6	Sat	11am	Providence	Walking Tour - North Burial Ground – located at 5 Branch Ave Providence, RI. Join NBG Docent Lexie for a walking tour of some of NBG’s zinc monuments. Learn about the “white bronze” monuments and the families that chose. This tour visit’s locations at NBG we don’t always see during our other tours. You’ll see and learn something new! Tour route is about a mile of walking, some hilly terrain, wear comfortable shoes. Meet at the Marble Steps Gate. The easiest place to park is to use the free parking on North Main Street and walk in via the Marble Steps Gate. The tour will last about an hour. NO RSVP is required. ahppner@providenceri.gov
5/6	Sat	1pm	Tiverton	Walking Tour- Guided tour of the old Congregational Church Cemetery #11 on Lake Road (near East Road intersection), having 16 Revolutionary War veterans and 2 Civil War veterans, and the most slate gravestones of the 89 known Tiverton burial sites. The public may park in the adjacent St Madeleine's Church lot on Lake Road, north of the cemetery. Contact- Sue Anderson gsriengr@yahoo.com
5/6	Sat	1-3pm	Tiverton	Hands-on demonstration of gravestone cleaning and repair. Old Congregational Church Cemetery #11 on Lake Road (near East Road intersection). The public may park in the adjacent St Madeleine's Church lot on Lake Road, north of the cemetery. Contact Jim Spears jim.spears@cox.net
5/6	Sat	9am-1pm	Cranston	Stone cleaning and Restoration Demonstrations- at the Knightsville Meeting House Lot (CR20) on Colwell St. Cranston, RI – dwg1155@aol.com
5/6	Sat	9am	Westerly	Clean-up - Westerly Lions Club and RIACHC Commissioner Larry Hunter will continue cleanup of WY07 Babcock Lot, located adjacent to 42 Watch Hill Rd. All are welcome. Contact Larry @ 860-485-6776 if you have any questions.
5/7	Sun	11am-12:30pm	Central Falls	Walking Tour -CF001 Moshassuck Cemetery- located at 978 Lonsdale Ave. Limit:20 RSVP contact- https://heritagepawtucket.org/
5/7	Sun	10am	Coventry/West Warwick	Monument Repair- CY135 Maple Root Cemetery located on Harkney Hill Rd Coventry, RI. Demonstration will be hosted by Robert Chorney and Colin Parkhurst. coventrycemeteries@gmail.com
5/7	Sun	10am	Newport	Walking Tour - 4 burying grounds. Meet at the Museum of Newport History 127 Thames St. Join historian Mary Jo Valdes for an exploration of how colonial burying practices are reflected in the landscape. Parking is available in several City lots and on the street.
5/7	Sun	1pm	North Smithfield	Talk-Tour-Stone Restoration Class -The North Smithfield Heritage Association & the Woonsocket Historical Society will host a Talk- Tour- and a Stone Restoration Class at the Friends Meeting House and Cemetery located at 108 Smithfield Rd. in Woonsocket (across from Union Cemetery in North Smithfield) ... The events include a brief talk about the Meeting House that was built in 1821, a tour of the historic cemetery, and lastly a stone restoration class hosted by Ed Walker. iblais198@aol.com nsha@nsheritageassn.org

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5/7	Sun	1pm	Warwick	Presentation - WK23 George Sears Green Cemetery- Please join the Warwick Commission on Historical Cemeteries and Civil War specialist Brian Giout for a talk about Brigadier General George Sears Greene, Apponaug village where he was born and his accomplishments throughout the Civil War. See his headstone that was delivered by railroad car from Culp's Hill in Gettysburg. pmalcolm@cox.net
5/7	Sat	1pm	Woonsocket	Talk-Tour-Stone Demo -The Woonsocket Historical Society will be hosting and partnering with the North Smithfield Heritage Association offering a Talk- Tour- and a Stone Restoration Class at the Friends Meeting house and Cemetery located at 108 Smithfield Rd. in Woonsocket (across from Union Cemetery in North Smithfield) ... See North Smithfield- event on 5/7 for more details iblais198@aol.com
5/10	Wed	10am-11am	East Providence	Gravestone cleaning demonstration and self-guided tour – EP005 Littleneck Cemetery located on Littleneck Ave Riverside, RI - friendsofnewmancemetery@gmail.com
5/10	Wed	3pm	Providence	Data Collection Short- Program -Locust Grove Cemetery located at 422 Elmwood Ave– Take advantage of the later sunsets and spend a few hours at the end of the day documenting Locust Grove. This is a follow up to our April program, but you don't have to have attended the 1st program to participate. aheppner@providenceri.gov
5/11	Thurs	7pm	Scituate	Presentation- at the Scituate Preservation Society Headquarters located at 706 Hartford Pike (Rte 101) Scituate, RI- Join SPS and Providence Water's Richard Blodgett, as we explore the interesting history of Clayville, its mills, historic district, and the new historic Rockland Cemetery (SC050) started in 1916 to accept removed burials from the area that was to become the Scituate Reservoir- kmsmith03@hotmail.com
5/12	Fri	2:30pm	Providence	America 250 Marker Dedication -North Burial Ground located at 5 Branch Ave Providence, RI- Join the Rhode Island Daughters of the American Revolution as they dedicate an America 250 Marker in honor of the men and women who achieved American independence. The ceremony will include a wreath laying in honor of those who sacrificed so much for our nation's freedom. No RSVP - aheppner@providenceri.gov
5/13	Sat	TBA	Cumberland	More information to follow jhindlekoutsogiane@gmail.com
5/13	Sat	10am	Exeter	4-mile circle hike to visit 5 cemeteries in Arcadia management area. Meet on Escoheag Hill Rd at Red Log DEM building. From Route 165 drive 1 mile north on Escoheag Hill Road to parking lot on the right. Moderately difficult hike- dorwagg@aol.com
5/13	Sat	10am	Newport	Walking Tour -See 4/1 Trinity Churchyard tour for information- TrinityTours100@gmail.com
5/13	Sat	10:30	Newport	Walking Tour -Coddington Burial Ground located on 34 Farewell St. Architectural historian Ron Onorato will lead a walking tour of the oldest grounds in the state, Limit 12- Registration required nphistoriccemeteries@gmail.com ronorato@uri.edu
5/13	Sat	11am	Newport	Work Session -Join us at the Common Burying Ground on Saturdays in May (6th, 13th, 20th) to enhance the site. Stone cleaning, stone straightening and fencing painting are likely projects to be undertaken. No experience or supplies needed. nphistoriccemeteries@gmail.com

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5/13	Sat	8am	Providence	Wildlife walk -North Burial Ground located at 5 Branch Ave. Greg Gerritt will lead a walking tour of amphibian habitats in North Burial Ground focusing on Ridgeside Lake and a small rainwater pool. Participants will learn how to spot amphibian refuges, and they may also encounter young hawks about to fledge in the cemetery. – Limit: 40- Contact- Greg Gerritt to reserve a spot. gerritt@mindspring.com
5/13	Sat	10-12 noon	Scituate	Open Studio Event - Karin Sprague, of Karin Sprague Stone Carvers located at 904 Tourtellot Hill Road Scituate, RI will host an open studio event. Visit the studio where hand carved gravestones are designed and made. RESERVATIONS required. Call 401-934-3105 www.karinsprague.com
5/13	Sat	2pm	Warren	Walking Tour - Walking Tour Burr's Hill Park located at 540 Water St... Burr's Hill was an ancient Pokanoket Royal Burial Ground containing dozens of graves, including the Massasoit Ousamequin who occupied the area in the 1600's. Dave Weed of Sowams Heritage Area will be your host. MEET at the historic marker across from town Beach. drweed@cox.net
5/14	Sun	12 noon	Richmond	Flagging - Please join us to place American flags at the gravesites of all the Richmond veterans. Meet at the Clarke library in Carolina off RT 112.- 12 noon. Bring tick protection and drinking water. Contact- Dory Wagner - 401-480-8188 - dorwagg@aol.com
5/17	Wed	6pm	Burrillville	Talk-Tour-Stone Repair Wednesday, May 17 at 6:00 p.m. Come to the Riverside Cemetery (Harrisville Cemetery) in Harrisville (located opposite the Harrisville Fire Station on Callahan School Street) to hear the story of Bathsheba Sherman's headstone Bathsheba was blamed for haunting a house in Harrisville and a movie was made about. All the publicity and lies has resulted in vandalism to her grave site. Learn about gravestone repairs and conservation work on this stone and our project to replace this headstone. We will also walk around the cemetery and discuss gravestone repairs. Programs presented by the Burrillville Historical Society. For more info contact bmencucci@verizon.net
5/17	Wed	6:30	Providence	NBG Reads -Unearthing the Hidden History of America's Cemeteries by Greg Melville. Read "Over My Dead Body" and then meet up with other readers and cemetery enthusiasts at the NBG office (or at the picnic tables if the weather is nice) for a lively discussion of the book! Limit 10- RSVP by May 1st northburialground@providenceri.gov
5/18	Thurs	7:30	Providence	See information on NGB Reads posted on 5/17 event northburialground@providenceri.gov
5/19	Monday	9am-3pm	Providence	View NBG Archives -See April 19 for all details - ahppner@providenceri.gov

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5/19	Fri	5:30-7pm	Scituate	Presentation - "A Family's Vision & Accomplishments to Honor their Ancestors" - SC109 Kimball Atwood Lot. Join Justin Chew and family with Volunteers for Scituate's Historic Cemeteries for an on-site program to showcase the wonderful work Justin and his family have done. LOCATION: off Battey Meeting House Road, Scituate. Note- There will be some walking to get to the cemetery. tmbgambassador@gmail.com
5/20	Sat	9am (Rain date Sunday 5/21-10am)	Coventry/West Warwick	Demonstration -Cleaning Monuments- WW#11 Centerville Methodist Cemetery (Mt. Pleasant Cemetery next to police memorial) located on Main St. West Warwick, RI. Hosted by Colin Parkhurst. coventrycemeteries@gmail.com
5/20	Sat	TBA	Cumberland	Clean-up -More information to follow - jhindlekoutsogiane@gmail.com
5/20	Sat	10am- 12 noon	East Providence	Cemetery clean-up and self-guided walking tour – EP005 Littleneck Cemetery located on Littleneck Ave Riverside, RI - Please bring rakes, loppers, and trimmers if possible friendsofnewmancemetery@gmail.com
5/20	Sat	10am	Narragansett	Clean-up-at Green Kenyon Cemetery (NG002) at the intersection of Green Kinyon Driftway and Ed A Lane. After the great work of Narragansett DPW there is a need for a general clean-up. All are welcome to attend and lend a hand of support in the spirit of historical preservation and neighborhood beautification. Bringing one's own general yard tools and gloves is encouraged. Michaelmillen@hotmail.com
5/20	Sat	10am	Newport	Walking Tour -See 4/1 Trinity Churchyard tour for information TrinityTours100@gmail.com
5/20	Sat	11am	Newport	Work Session -Join us at the Common Burying Ground on Saturdays in May (6th, 13th, 20th) to enhance the site. Stone cleaning, stone straightening and fencing painting are likely projects to be undertaken. No experience or supplies needed. nphistoriccemeteries@gmail.com
5/20	Sat	11am	North Kingstown	Walking Tour -Silas Casey Cemetery located on2325 Boston Neck Rd Rt 1A. MEET at Casey Farm Market information table. Visit the Silas Casey Burial Ground, where 32 members of the Cassey family were interred from the early 18th century. Limit: 40 - www.historicnewengland.org/property/casey-farm/ jhennedy@historicnewengland.org
6/3 (rescheduled due to rain)	Sat	1pm	Providence	Walking tour & Presentation- Saturday- June 3- 1pm- Description: Join a geology professor from CCRI to explore the geology of the stone in monuments, buildings, and landscaping at the historic North Burial Ground. Learn about the geological and glacial history of the land under and around the cemetery. Discover Westerly's famous granite, Rhode Island's state rock, and more. Location: North Burial Ground, 5 Branch Avenue, Providence. Meet at the Rochambeau entrance on North Main Street opposite Rochambeau Avenue. Information: There is parking on North Main Street and the R bus stops nearby. Contact email: eburns@ccri.edu
5/20	Sat	1pm	Tiverton	Guided tour of the old Congregational Church Cemetery #11 on Lake Road (near East Road intersection), having 16 Revolutionary War veterans and 2 Civil War veterans, and the most slate gravestones of the 89 known Tiverton burial sites. The public may

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				park in the adjacent St Madeleine's Church lot on Lake Road, north of the cemetery. Contact- Sue Anderson - gsriengr@yahoo.com
5/20	Sat	1pm	Tiverton	Hands-on demonstration of gravestone cleaning and repair. Old Congregational Church Cemetery #11 on Lake Road (near East Road intersection). The public may park in the adjacent St Madeleine's Church lot on Lake Road, north of the cemetery. Contact Jim Spears jim.spears@cox.net
TBA- due to rain			Warwick	Scavenger Hunt -WK034 Brayton Cemetery located at 3468 Post Rd. Warwick-Scavenger Hunt (with new headstones to find) Find 25 items in the cemetery. At several of the headstones you'll also find people talking about residents including Judge Brayton, Thomas Vaill, the Budlong family, circus skinny man, and others. Also watch cleaning demonstrations and learn about headstone symbolism. pmalcolm@cox.net
5/21	Sun	9am-4pm	Burrillville	Workshop - Sunday, May 21 from 9-4 p.m. Gravestone Conservation workshop at the Pascoag Cemetery in Burrillville. Betty and Carlo Mencucci will present this hands-on activity for those wishing to learn the proper methods to clean, conserve and reset/repair gravestones. Registration is required. You can do this by sending an email to bmencucci@verizon.net .
5/21	Sun	1pm	Narragansett	Tour-Druids Dream (Gibson Ave) Narragansett, RI – See South Kingstown (4-23) for details and contact information- deb1832@gmail.com Pre-register at History Hikes (google.com) . Meeting location TBA.
5/21	Sun	12 noon-1pm	Newport	Walking Tour -NT001 Island Cemetery located at 30 Warner Street is one of Newport's Gilded-Age treasures. The tour will provide a glimpse of the many notable people buried in this site. Trudy and Lew Keen will lead the tour. Reservation requested islandcemeterytours@gmail.com
5/21	Sun	1pm-3pm	Newport	Open House Tour - BELMONT CHAPEL at Island Cemetery - located at 67 Farewell Street Newport. This multi-year restoration has made incredible progress as the chapel prepares for the final phase of the project. Visitors will be able to see the work in progress and the photos of the earlier condition of the building. Foundation members will be available to answer questions islandcemeterytours@gmail.com
5/21	Sun	12noon-1:30	Providence	Tour-at NBG located at 5 Branch Ave Providence, RI... Cemetery Archaeology and Data Collection Day -Join cemetery director and (former) archaeologist, Annalisa Heppner for an hour and a half introduction and tour about how archaeologists look at cemeteries and highlighting some of the archaeological projects. (Data Collection 1:30pm - 4pm)
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5/23	Tues	6:30pm	Smithfield	Presentation- East Smithfield Free Library located at 50 Esmond St, Smithfield, RI 02917- <i>Living with the Dead in Rhode Island: from Cemetery Destruction to Cemetery Preservation...</i> Rhode Island Archaeologist Charlotte Taylor presents a talk on RI cemetery laws- Before 1990, it wasn't safe to be dead in RI. Although the destruction of graves has been a felony in RI since 1896, this did not stop property developers and road builders from destroying cemeteries that got in the way of their plans. Charlotte will present both atrocities and stories of successful, respectful preservation, drawing on her experiences as one of the first people in the state to be called when (old) skeletal remains are found. Contact- Charlotte Taylor charlotte.taylor@preservation.ri.gov
5/25	Thurs	7- 7:45pm	Providence	Walking Tour -Roger Williams National Memorial located at 282 North Main St. Organized by the National Park Service - Roger Williams: Distressed of Conscience. A ranger guided program that begins at the National Memorial and travels up college hill, past his original property, and ending at National Memorial. NOTE: It's a steep climb up College Hill - -- Contact- Andrew Schnetzer- andrew_schnetzer@nps.gov
5/24	WED	7:30pm	Westerly	Tour & Discussion- Robert Peacock of The Westerly Historical Society and RIACHC Commissioner Larry Hunter will lead a tour of WY01 Rev Joseph Parks Lot and Robert will lead a discussion on Rev Parks. The Cemetery is located adjacent to 342 Post Rd Westerly, but it is suggested you park at the Haversham Restaurant @ 336 Post Rd and walk back to the Cemetery and enjoy the new entry way built by the Westerly Historical Society. Contact Larry @ 860-485-6776 if you have any questions.
5/27	Sat	9am (Rain date Sunday 5/28-10am)	Coventry/West Warwick	Flagging - Community flagging of veteran's graves at CY135 Maple Root Cemetery complex located on Harkney Hill Rd Coventry, RI. coventrycemeteries@gmail.com
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TBA			Cumberland	Walking Tour -CU027-Elder Ballou Meeting House Cemetery located on Elder Ballou Meeting House Rd. Organized by the National Park Service More Information to follow allison_horrocks@nps.gov
TBA			East Greenwich	Presentation - May-Municipal planning and management of historic cemeteries, taking the perspective from East Greenwich. More information to follow gdubell@palinc.com
TBA	Sat		Exeter	Walking Tour -Audubon Society of RI... More info to follow- dorwagg@aol.com
TBA			Glocester	Clean-up -More information to follow - billbrown8686@gmail.com
TBA			Hopkinton	More information to follow
TBA			Providence	Walking Tour -PV011- St. John Episcopal Cemetery located on 271 North Main St.... More information to follow. dlbrightman@aol.com
TBA			Providence	Themed Stroll -Saturday- date/time TBA. PV001-North Burial Ground located at 5 Branch Ave. - Exploring causes of death: the ways we remember cause of death, the causes we forget and the tensions between historic "fact" and interpretation. Tracicpicard@gmail.com
TBA	Sat		Scituate	Flagging -May - Scituate Post 19 American Legion, flagging Veterans cemeteries and graves to include Scituate's historic cemeteries and SC058 Grave of Archibald Malbourne Civil War Medal of Honor winner. tmbgambassador@gmail.com
TBA			Smithfield	friendsofsmithfieldcemeteries@gmail.com