

Alden House Historic Site 2019 Calendar of Events

Bringing History to Life



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Fashioning the New England Family in the 17th Century, Sunday, March 17, 2 pm. Join Dr. Kimberly Alexander for a fascinating talk about the textile exhibit at the Massachusetts Historical Society that includes a piece of fabric connected to *Mayflower* Pilgrim Priscilla Mullins Alden. Dr. Alexander is curator of the exhibit and a professor of history at the University of New Hampshire. *Supported by the Duxbury Cultural Council.*

Colonial Adventures for Kids, Tuesday, April 16, 10 am-2 pm. Boys and girls ages 8-13 experience life long ago through the games, chores, and fun of Colonial Days. Registration required. Fee.

Speak For Thyself Awards Dinner, Thursday, May 16, 6-9 pm. 13th annual event recognizes women in the community for their leadership and civic mindedness, in the spirit of *Mayflower* Pilgrim Priscilla Mullins Alden. This year's awardees are Michelle Cully, Randolph; Patty Ryan & Lynn Dale, Duxbury; Sue Salvemini, Shrewsbury; and Melissa Gates, Auburn, New Hampshire. The Jones River Trading Post, Kingston. \$75. Reservations required.

Duxbury 2020 - Our Pilgrim Story: Gallery Talks Thursdays, May 23 & 30, October 3 & 24, 7 pm Presented by Sheila Lynch-Benttinen, Monty Healy, Patrick Browne, and Tony Kelso.

Liberty Pole Day, Saturday, June 29, 11-4 pm. Experience the life of a soldier during the American Revolution during this day-long military encampment with living history demonstrations, fife & drum music, and more. Fee. *Supported by the Massachusetts Society of the Cincinnati.*

119th Alden Reunion, Saturday, August 3, 10-4. Share history, fun and kinship at this memorable annual event. Registration required; Fee.

Sheep and Shawl: September TBA. Celebrate all things woolly as you explore the process of turning wool into cloth with 18th century techniques. Includes hands-on activities in spinning, dyeing wool, weaving, and crafts for kids.

Pilgrim Foodways, Saturday, September 28, 1-3 pm. Explore the history of "cheese" making in early America in this hands-on program with Plimoth Plantation's manager of trades, crafts & domestic skills. Part of the Duxbury Food and Wine Festival. *Supported by the Duxbury Cultural Council.*

"In Small Things Remembered": Uncovering the Story of John and Priscilla Alden, October 5, TBD. Archaeological program will spotlight new exhibit of artifacts at Alden House about the lives of historical icons and *Mayflower* Pilgrims John and Priscilla Alden, 17th century Duxbury, and recent research by University of Massachusetts-Boston.

Haunted House, Saturday, October 19, 5-8 pm. Enjoy a spooktacular night of family fun with haunted tours, trails, games and activities. Admission.

Holly Days, Sunday, November 24, 12-4 pm. Features colonial crafts and tours of Alden House decorated for the holidays. Sponsored by the Duxbury Business Association.