

Alden House Historic Site 2019 Calendar of Events

Bringing History to Life



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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 coopering, blacksmithing, & Liberty Tea demonstrations, and tours of Alden House. Re-enactment of the 1775 Council of War held at Alden House. Spy-writing for kids. \$10 for adults; free for kids and students. *Supported by the Massachusetts Society of the Cincinnati.*

In Small Things Remembered: A New Look at Mayflower Pilgrims John and Priscilla Alden, Friday, August 2, 4-6 pm. Opening reception of the new archaeology exhibit about the famous Mayflower couple, based on artifacts unearthed in 1960 and being re-analyzed by the University of Massachusetts-Boston. *Supported by the Rockland Trust Charitable Foundation, the Rockwell Foundation, and the Daughters of the American Revolution.* Free.

119th Alden Reunion, Saturday, August 3, 10-4. Share history, fun and kinship at this memorable annual event. Includes archaeology presentations about the Alden First Site & re-enactment by the Plimmoth Gard. Registration required; Fee.

Sheep and Shawl & Pilgrim Foodways: September 28. Celebrate all things woolly from noon to 4 pm 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. Sponsored with the Soule Homestead Education Center, the Boston Weaver's Guild and the Plymouth County 4-H Club.

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

Duxbury 2020 - Our Pilgrim Story: Gallery Talks at Alden House, October 3 & 24, 7 pm Presented by Patrick Browne, and Tony Kelso. **October 17 & November 14 at the Duxbury Senior Center, 1 pm** presented by Jim Baker and Peg Baker.

"In Small Things Remembered": Uncovering the Story of John and Priscilla Alden, October 12, 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. Archaeology activities for kids.

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.