

# Worcester Historical Society



## UNCLE SAM NEEDS YOU TO KEEP OUR FOURTH FUN!!!

July Fourth is a little more than a month away but we won't have much fun without a lot of people pitching in to make it happen!

PLEASE Contact Judy Knapp, 223-8635, to find out what you can do for the cause!

WILL WE HAVE  
 PARADES  
 ACTIVITIES  
 MUSIC  
 FOOD  
 FUN  
 PRIZES  
 & more???  
 Only with lots of volunteers!

## ALSO IN THE WORKS FOR JULY FOURTH



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### LONG AWAITED BOOK RELEASE!!!

"THE COW THAT TRIED TO SWALLOW A POTATO: A QUIRKY HISTORY OF WORCESTER, VERMONT" will be available on July 4, 2017, at the 15th anniversary celebration of the founding of the WHS. This is the first definitive history of our town to be published since the original organization of the Town in 1803. With more than 350 pages of stories, pictures, poems, and anecdotes, many written by local residents, this is not the usual local history. The three authors will be available to sign your copy. The publication will sell for \$20 per copy, \$17.50 for WHS members. All proceeds will benefit the Worcester Historical Society.

## MORE NEWS

**MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVATION** will take place at the Worcester Village Cemetery, Friday, May 26, at 9:15 AM. A color guard from the American Legion will present the flags and fifth and sixth grade students from Doty Elementary will replace flags on veterans' graves. Worcester's involvement in WW I will be the focus of this year's observance. Students will read the names of thirty-six men from Worcester who served in the "war to end all wars" that was fought 100 years ago.

**JUNE MEETING CHANGE TO JUNE 20** to avoid conflict with the Act 46 Forum to be held at Doty Elementary School from 5:30 to 7:30 PM on June 13. The WHS usually meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM, but we believe this forum is extremely important for the future of our school and community and encourage attendance.

**"WORCESTER VOICES"** will take a one year vacation this year. Usually presented on July 4th in the Village Cemetery, this popular living history presentation will resume July 4, 2018, for a fifth season. A panorama of past characters will be presented at our annual meeting in September in "History From the Horse's Mouth," our version of Thornton Wilder's "Our Town."

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**OPEN HOUSE AT THE WHS BUILDING** (aka Old White School) will take place from 10:00 AM until Noon, every last Saturday through October: May 27, June 24, July 29, August 26, September 30 and October 28 (weather permitting). Our first open house in April saw record attendance. Come by and view exhibits, explore our growing collection of scrapbooks, and talk local history with WHS board member hosts.

STILL LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO ADOPT AN ANTIQUE ORGAN. Call Vivienne Adair for more information.

WATCH FOR NEW WORCESTER PHONE BOOK to be published soon.

Check out our new web site: <http://www.worcestervthistoricalsociety.org/about.html>

### Membership payments are due in June. We need your support.

To join, renew or give a gift, please clip this page, complete and mail with your payment to:  
WHS at P.O. Box 329, Worcester, VT 05682:

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Membership type:  Individual  Family  Life

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(This is a gift membership from \_\_\_\_\_

Please send a gift acknowledgment in my name.)

Donation in Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Membership dues support the Worcester Community and efforts of the Worcester Historical Society'

Rates are listed below

- Individual—\$10
- Family—\$25
- Lifetime—\$100
- Business—\$100
- Sponsor \$500\*
- Patron- \$1000\*
- Benefactor- \$5000\*

\*Includes a lifetime membership and special recognition at the Annual Meeting.