



The Place to Be ---

THE THOMAS STANTON SOCIETY
REUNION 2022
September 23-25, 2022

P R O G R A M

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REUNION LOCATION:

The Stonington Community Center (COMO)
 28 Cutler Street
 Stonington, CT 06378
 (860-535-2476)
 (Dress is casual)

Thursday

September 22: 6:00 p.m.

Breakwater Seafood Restaurant

Downtown Stonington Pier (on West side)

66 Water St, Stonington, CT 06378

Phone: (860) 415-8123 *Reservations Recommended*

(On Your Own – Gathering Place)

Official Opening of Reunion 2022

Friday, September 23:

Optional Morning Activities (on your own):

10:00-11:00 a.m.

Denison Burying Ground Visit – Free

11:30-12:30 p.m.

Gallup Hill Cemetery Visit – Free

1:00-2:00 p.m.

Wequetequock Burying Ground Visit - Free

10 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Denison Homestead www.denisonhomestead.org - Free

(120 Pequotsepos Rd, Mystic, CT 06355) ((860) 536-9248)

Pequotsepos Manor, known formally as Denison Homestead, is a historic house museum. The house was built in 1717 and added to the National Register of Historic Places on June 15, 1979. Interpreters will be eagerly waiting to show you the Denison Homestead Museum. *(For those interested)*

2:30-5:00 p.m.

Registration at the COMO

and Get-Acquainted Time AKA Hang Out

(Bring your records and other information to display and share. Stanton displays will be shown and books available for purchase.)

Optional Afternoon Activities:

3:00 p.m. **Stonington Borough Walking Tour – Group 1 - \$10**
(Sign-up Required)

4:00 p.m. **Stonington Borough Walking Tour – Group 2 - \$10**
(Sign-up Required)

6:00 p.m. **Family Buffet Dinner** Catered at COMO

6:45 p.m. **Welcome by President Rick Stanton and
Reunion Update by Nancy Ryan**

7:00 p.m. **Family Presentations:**

**Robert Stanton, Jr.: Update on Research Book
Brian Bonner: Westward Ho!**

Members wishing to make a presentation, please email Nancy Ryan.

8:00 pm Adjourn

Saturday, September 24

8:30 am **Coffee Meet and Greet (COMO)
and Saturday Registrations**

9:30 am **Caravan to Stanton-Davis Homestead**
(103 Green Haven Rd, Pawcatuck, CT 06379)

Stanton Tours – Free

Stanton-Davis Homestead, Venture's Stone, Wequetequock Cemetery and Pawcatuck Rock (Map Provided)
(Artifacts are no longer kept at the Cider Mill, so it will be closed. Dress casual and wear comfortable shoes.)

Groups of 20 at a time will be given tours of Homestead by the Stanton-Davis Homestead Museum Society Volunteers (SDHM). You may want to go to Pawcatuck Rock and Wequetequock Cemetery in the meantime and come back in time for 3:00 p.m. tours of the Homestead. We need to alternate sites to give everyone a chance. (Maps provided.)

- 10:00 – 11:00 am Stanton-Davis Homestead Tour #1
- 11:00 a.m. “Official” Stanton Family Reunion Photo
(Front Lawn of Homestead. Wear your t-shirts!)
Stanton-Davis Homestead
- 11:30 a.m. Stanton-Davis Homestead Tour #2
- 1:00 p.m. Family Buffet Lunch Catered at the COMO
- 2:30 p.m. **Myron O. Stachiw, SDHM Homestead Presentation**

Family Presentations: TBA
- 4:30 p.m. Visit to Capt. John Stanton Stone
(Elm Grove Cemetery) *(For those interested)*
(Directions & Map Provided Upon Check-in)
(197 Greenmanville Avenue, Mystic, CT 06355 (860) 536-7834))
- 5:00 p.m. Travel back to COMO
- 5:30 p.m. Thomas Stanton Society Business Meeting, Reports, Election of Officers and Other TSS Business (COMO) *(TSS Members only)*
- 6:30 p.m. Stanton Dinner and Program at the COMO (Casual)

“A WALK THROUGH TIME”

Dr. Nicholas Bellantoni
Emeritus Connecticut State Archaeologist
Connecticut State Museum of Natural History
Adjunct Associate Research Professor
Department of Anthropology
University of Connecticut

The Historic Significance of the 1654 Stanton-Davis Farm where Native American, African American and European American History Merge. Learn about the Stanton-Davis Farm, the Osbrook Preserve that abuts the farm, the Native American site, shared by both properties, the cove on the Pawcatuck River, and the rich history of these treasured properties that has seen very little change since the 1600's.

- 8:00 p.m. Adjourn

Sunday
September 25:

- 10:00 a.m. **Service at the Road Church**. Thomas Stanton was among the founders of this fine old church; his daughter Dorothy became the wife of its first pastor, The Rev. James Noyes.
- 11:00 a.m. **Coffee in Parlor**
Concluding remarks...final photos!
Contact Information sharing!
- 12:00 p.m. Official Closing of Reunion 2022

SUNDAY AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES: (on your own)

Possible SCHOONER TRIP Sunday afternoon – STAY TUNED – Sign-up Separately

- 12-3:00 p.m. **The Denison Re-enactment and Farmers' Market** (12-3:00 pm).
- 3:00 p.m. **Leonard Cemetery in Griswold**, Route 156, Old Lyme, CT 06371
(Where Mary Starkweather is buried.)
- 5:30 p.m. **Casual Family Dinner at Abbots for Fresh Lobster and Maritime Scenery on the Bay**
(Stanton Gathering – look for our group at picnic tables!!)
(For GPS directions you must enter 117 Pearl St, Groton, CT 06340, as most GPS systems do not recognize Noank) (860-536-7719) (On Your Own)

ADDITIONAL OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR SUNDAY AFTERNOON (On Your Own):

Check for days open and hours BEFORE visiting.

Sat

1. **Mashantucket Pequot Museum**
110 Pequot Trail (1-800-411-7691)
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2. **Nautilus Submarine Museum**
(Supposed to return in September after refurbishment)
1 Crystal Lake Road, New London (1-800-343-0079)
<https://ussnautilus.org/>
3. **Stonington Lighthouse Museum**
7 Water Street, Stonington, Ct (1-860-535-1440)
<https://www.ctvisit.com/listings/old-lighthouse-museum>
4. **Capt. Nathaniel B. Palmer House**
40 Palmer St. Stonington, CT 06378 (1-860-535-8445)
www.stoningtonhistory.org/index.php?id=2
5. **General Joseph Stanton Inn/Wilcox Tavern**
5153 Old Post Road (US 1), Charlestown, Rhode Island
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Joseph_Stanton_House
6. **Mystic Seaport:** Reimagined waterfront settlement featuring a 19th century village, historic ships, a museum and more. 75 Greenmanville Ave, Mystic, CT 06355 (1-860-572-0711) www.mysticseaport.org