



# NSCDA-CT NEWSLETTER

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## Message from the President

*Nancy MacColl*

Dear Connecticut Dames,  
I am privileged and honored to be the 39<sup>th</sup> President of the NSCDA in Connecticut. Torrey Cooke did an outstanding job as President for the last three years. She will continue as third Vice-President.

A brief biography for those of you who do not know me. I was born in Boston, MA, educated in Washington, D.C. (Holton-Arms School) and New York (Bennett Junior College).



*Torrey and Nancy in the Garden of Webb House*

I married N. Alexander MacColl (Alex), whose mother, Mary Kimbark MacColl was a R.I. Dame. We have two children and five grandchildren. Our daughter, Susan MacColl Walker, is a CT Dame. I joined the Washington D.C. Dames, following in my mother's footsteps (Dorothy Herron Montgomery). When we moved to Detroit, MI, I became a Michigan Dame, where I especially enjoyed working at the Burton Library collating rare documents. In 1976 we moved to CT, and I joined our local chapter where I've been involved in many aspects of Dames' work including Historical Activities Chairman, Webb and Stevens House Chairman, Historian, Social Chairman and Registrar.

- BY- LAWS

While the Dames usually take the summer off, this was not the case this year. Charbra Jestin and her

## Message from the Director

*Charles T. Lyle*

The summer has been busy with the exterior restoration of the Deane House in progress, which we expect to be finished in September. There are also two or three weddings scheduled almost every weekend, bringing in over 100 people for each event. Katie Sullivan has booked sixty-nine weddings and other rentals for this year and over thirty are already booked for next year.

Work on the exterior of the Deane house started on June 17. The painters spent the bulk of the summer stripping paint and preparing the surfaces. At the same time, the carpenters have replaced rotted or broken clapboards and made numerous woodwork repairs. All of the window sashes have been reglazed and broken window panes have been replaced with old style wavy glass, a painstaking job that has taken most of the summer. Soon the masons will arrive to make repairs to the foundation.

Based on historic paint research, the exterior paint colors will be changed to the original colors. The staff and Properties Committee have met several times with consultant Marylou Davis to review color samples. The body will be a rich period yellow with a straw trim, dark sash, and a mahogany colored front door.

The fall programs include the Witchcraft and Tombstone Tours on the weekend of October 22-23. It is a great event for the Halloween season that features a walking tour through the Ancient Burying Ground and a special tour of the Buttolph-Williams House.

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committee have spent countless hours completely revising the outdated by-laws. The revision has taken longer than expected but they will be presented for your approval at either the Semi-Annual meeting in October or the Annual meeting in May. Procedures will also be updated as well.

- **MUSEUM ACCREDITATION**

The museum is being accredited once again (every 10 years) by the American Museum Association. In 1974, we were the first Dames museum to be accredited by the AMA. We are in the process of completing the Strategic review forms needed by the AMA.

- **DEANE AND STEVENS HOUSES**

Please take the time to look at the exterior of the Deane House. It has been repainted and looks fabulous. Sally Given and her Properties committee should be commended for their time and effort. They have also worked with Marylou Davis on wall paper selections for Stevens house.

- **FUNDRAISING**

Tags and Treasures will be our **MAIN** fundraiser this year. The Preview party will be held on Friday, March 30. This is a fun event. If you have not attended before make an effort to come as you will enjoy the ambiance of good company,

## The 2011 Semi-Annual Meeting

The Invitations to the Annual Meeting will be arriving in your mailbox shortly. The date is Wednesday October 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. in the Webb Barn behind the Museum. We hope to see you then. If you are a new member and have never attended an annual or semi-annual meeting, please join us!

excellent wine and treasures, as well as a super way for you to support Tags and Treasures. The sale continues Saturday and Sunday, March 31 and April 1, 2012.

WE NEED YOU to contribute treasures, time to volunteer during the sale and monetary support. EVERY MEMBER must do their part.

- **REGIONAL MEETING**

The Regional meeting will be held in Basking Ridge, New Jersey on Oct 10 -14, with Torrey Cooke graciously representing me. Mesdames Kernan, Warren, Jestin, Parkinson, Chittenden, and Browning will also attend.

Finally, my sincere thanks to the Executive Committee and Charles who so graciously helped me out when my dear husband, Alex, had open heart surgery this summer, and for all of your support after his death.

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## Director's Report

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On Sunday, October 30, author Michael Bell returns by popular demand to relate his quest to unravel the mystery of the vampires in the remote areas of New England in the 18<sup>th</sup> century.

We hope you will mark your calendars for a new special event planned this fall. On Sunday, November 13, we are holding a late 18<sup>th</sup> Century Thanksgiving Dinner. Local food historian Paul Courchaine is collaborating with Ascot Catering to present a traditional dinner featuring classic turkey, pork roast and all of the New England trimmings. The day begins with a reception at the Deane House beginning at 11:30. Mr. and Mrs. Silas Deane will be there to welcome guests and several servants will also be on hand to discuss the history of the holiday and preparations for the feast. A special Sherry and Madeira tasting is planned. Following the reception, guests will go to the Barn for a classic Thanksgiving dinner. At dessert, Paul Courchaine will discuss period foods and the choices he made for the menu. Fresh ingredients, mouthwatering flavors, and a perfect historic setting will provide an unforgettable holiday dining experience for your family and friends. Watch for your invitation in the mail.

Finally, our popular Holiday Preview Party will be held Friday evening, December 9<sup>th</sup>, from 5-8 p.m. The three houses will be decked out for the holidays and open for tours from December 10 through 31<sup>st</sup>.

## Armsmear Tour Scheduled

*Karen Stetler, Library Chair, Area 2 Co-Chair*



Join us Wednesday, November 2, 2011, for a tour of Armsmear, the legendary home of Samuel and Elizabeth Colt. It is there, in 1893, one year after the National Society of Colonial Dames of America was formed in Philadelphia, that Elizabeth Colt, Elizabeth Hammersley, Evelyn Salisbury and Mary Hoppin met, to establish the Connecticut Society. Elizabeth served as our first president from 1893 to 1896 and as National Vice-President from 1900 until her death in 1905.

Born in 1826, the eldest child of an Episcopalian minister, Elizabeth was a remarkable woman in any age, but particularly for her time. Samuel died at 47, in 1862, in the sixth year of their marriage. That he had the foresight and good sense to leave the 35 year old Elizabeth controlling interest in the Colt enterprises was remarkable. Having few legal rights herself, with her brother as the president, she was the true power behind the throne. At a time when women were little more than chattel and long before the 19th Amendment gave us the right to vote in 1920, she parlayed Samuel's legend and legacy into an empire.

The Colt revolver, the "peacemaker" of the 19th century, also called the Peacemaker, the favored weapon of the Texas Rangers and the gun that "won the West," was the foundation of the Colt fortune and arguably the economic salvation of Hartford, at that time. While her conquests were likely less studied, they were none the less resounding and resonate to the present. Affectionately known as "The First Lady of Hartford," for over 40 years, she was a careful steward of the Colt Empire, a kind and generous employer, collector and patron of the arts, a suffragette, and a philanthropist founding and

championing many and diverse charities and causes. Also, an astute business-woman, she became the richest woman in the United States. Interestingly, she spent much of her widowhood venerating her husband and promoting the legend and mystique of Samuel Colt. An accomplished self promoter himself, Samuel undoubtedly would have approved.

At her death, she left her art collection to the Wadsworth Atheneum and a parcel of land to the city for what is now Colt Park. What may come as a surprise is the legacy that Elizabeth left in Armsmear, which means "meadow of arms." She created a trust and left her Italianate style home as a residence for widows of Episcopal clergymen and impoverished but refined and educated gentlewomen. The trust continues and currently, approximately 50 women call Armsmear "home."

Our tour is by special arrangement with Mary Sullivan, the Director of Armsmear who will give us a narrated tour of the public areas, where we can see original furniture, statuary, Elizabeth's private chapel, photographs, paintings and other objects of art, many of which were gifts from foreign dignitaries or acquired as mementos during their extensive travels. Also on view are a marble bust of Elizabeth in her 30s, a portrait of her as a widow, with a small corsage of



Elizabeth Colt

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## Tags and Treasures Fundraiser: March 30, 31 and April 1, 2012:

Judy Rowley and Torrey Cooke, Co-chairs of the Tags and Treasure event have been busy recruiting Dames who will help in the effort to make this major fundraiser once again a huge success.

Mary Russell has agreed to Chair the Preview Party on Friday, March 30th from 5 to 8 pm, in the Wethersfield Barn. Last year, this was a factor in the fantastic turnout and profit! We are asking for commitments from every area to host a luncheon in order to collect items for the sale and or a check made out to NSCDA-CT with Tags and Treasures on the memo line. Lunches or Teas can commence any time in November so we can get a head start in advance of the winter weather and snow-birds who might like to participate but will be away in March. Contact Judy or Torrey for more information.

## Talcott Family Reunion

Members of the Talcott Family, descendants of John Talcott one of the original founders of Hartford, held a week-long celebration of 375 years in Hartford and 379 years in the "New World."

Their reunion celebrated Colonist John Talcott coming to America and brought together 75 family members from 14 states including California, Washington, and Arizona. Part of this salute to lineage and history included a Sept. 14 tree ceremony. At 11 a.m., volunteers from the Talcott Family planted an oak tree in Bushnell Park in Downtown Hartford. The group (about 50) visited the Webb-Deane-Stevens Museum and had lunch in the Amy Cogswell Garden.

Mayor Pedro E. Segarra applauded this effort saying, "I am honored that Hartford was included in this very personal and generous effort and on behalf of the residents of our great city, we appreciate this gift as it symbolizes a proud past and hope for the future."

### Armsmear Tour *cont. from page 3*

violets and a postmortem portrait of Samuel. We will also gain some perspective on challenges attendant to the planned Coltsville project. Lunch, courtesy of Area 2 co-chair, Mary Russell and tea with Elizabeth's tea service will be included.

As an offshoot of this tour, residents of "Armsmear," many of whom are gardeners, are being hosted by the Museum and the Dames in a tour of our properties and grounds. Ann Foley plans to share some of her discoveries about Amy Cogswell, who designed our Colonial Revival Garden with this group. Other Colt related excursions are contemplated for Dames in the future.

Details are pending as to exact time and transportation arrangements, so look for additional information, by mail, e-mail and at [www.nscda-ct.org](http://www.nscda-ct.org). The estimated time for this tour is from 10am to 2pm. Our tour is sponsored by Area 2 (formerly, Areas 2 & 3).

*Background material for this article was obtained primarily from the following sources:*

[www.nscda-ct.org](http://www.nscda-ct.org)

*Ms. Mary Sullivan, Director, Armsmear*

<http://www.simonpure.com/colt.htm> (the transcript of this live program is fascinating reading)

<http://www.cwhf.org/inductees/arts-humanities/elizabeth-hart-jarvis-colt/> (Elizabeth is one of several Dames inducted into the Connecticut Women's Hall of Fame)

*"Armsmear, The Home, The Arm and The Armory of Samuel Colt, A Memorial," Henry Bernard*

*See also Bill Hosley's pictorial presentation about the Gardens of Armsmear which contains many fascinating historical pictures and maps.*

<http://www.hartfordbotanicalgarden.org/ColtGardensHistory.pdf>

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## Celebrating 50-year members at the Semi-Annual Meeting October 19

*Mary V.P. Russell, Social Chair*

Please come to the Dames Semi-Annual meeting to celebrate and honor those Dames who have been members of NSCDA-CT for fifty years or more.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 19 at 11:00 a.m. in the Webb House barn. Following the meeting, there will be a delicious catered luncheon and a special talk titled, "Amy Cogswell: The Colonial Revival Garden at Webb House." The talk will be given by Ann Foley.

Following is a list of the Dames we will honor at the luncheon.

Mrs. Marvin Bunce Day (Clara Pollard Lyman)  
Mrs. Harold Edwards (Susan Chafee Walsh)  
Mrs. Atwood C. Ely (Harriet Woodman)  
Mrs. Damaris D.W. Ethridge (Damaris Wiman)  
Mrs. Theodore Gaudy (Wilhelmina Dargan Tupper)  
Mrs. Charles A. McLeod (Jean Knight Phillips)  
Mrs. Edwin, Jr. Pugsley (Nancy Redway)  
Mrs. Charles C Reynolds (Mary {Wharton} Hewes)  
Mrs. Eric Prettyman Richards (Cheryle Lee Kitchen)  
Mrs. David Collier Sargent (Jean Thomson)  
Mrs. John W. Soper (Martha Kelso Davis Parsons)  
Mrs. Rockwell S. Staniford (Frances Ingersol)  
Miss Helen Granberry, Jr. Waterman  
Miss Mary Granberry Waterman  
Mrs. William Walter Wilcox (Priscilla Alden Trumbull)

### **A synopsis of the talk on Amy Cogswell: The Colonial Revival Garden at Webb House:**

The beautiful gardens between Webb House and the Barn were originally designed in 1921, when the Dames had begun to make the Webb House and grounds their own. They hired a well-respected landscape architect and principal of the Lowthorpe School, Amy Cogswell, to design the garden. By the end of the last century, little of its original design was left but through the efforts of the Colonial Dames, the Museum, and the Garden Angels volunteers, the original historic garden has been reinstalled and maintained since 1999. Although the garden flourished, information on its designer, Amy Cogswell, was for the most part lost.

With the support and encouragement of the Dames, the Executive Director, her fellow guides and the Garden Volunteers, Ann Foley, Coordinator of Volunteers for the Garden, has been researching the garden, and its almost forgotten designer. With this support, and with a good deal of luck and an equal portion of stubborn doggedness, Ann has made remarkable progress in bringing Amy back to life. She will introduce Amy Cogswell and the Colonial Revival Garden at the Semi-Annual Meeting in October.

Ann Foley began her association with Webb Deane Stevens when she was recruited by Rose Riley to volunteer in the Gardens in 2005. When a guide class was being formed, she applied and was accepted. Three years ago, she took over as Coordinator of Volunteers for the Amy Cogswell Garden. Her day job is with the State of Connecticut, Judicial Branch, where she works in the Office of the Executive Director of Court Operations. She has a B.A. in History, from Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania.

## Properties Committee Report *Margery Warren, Chair*

As work continues apace on the exterior paint restoration project at the Deane House, our fall focus will be on Marylou Davis's installation of reproduction wallpapers in the Isaac Stevens House.

Benefitting from Ms. Davis's extensive research, the committee has selected period wall coverings for the downstairs bedroom, dining room, and parlor. Adelphi Paper Hangings of Sharon Springs, NY, an artisan producer of historically accurate wallpapers, will be providing the hand-blocked papers and borders (where appropriate) for these rooms and eventually for the center hall. Of some special interest is the fact that the paper chosen for the dining room is from the earliest known American sample book and was originally produced by an early 19th-century firm, Janes and Bolles of Hartford, Connecticut. The purchase of the papers for these three important rooms was made possible thanks to a most generous \$5,000 gift (earmarked for the Stevens House interior renovation) from Edith Gengras in honor of her mother, Martha Soper, a member of the Connecticut Dames since 1948.

## Washington Workshops Essay Contest 2012

*Penny Chittenden*

*Patriotic Service Committee Chair*

As every Dame knows, education is one of our most important outreach projects. We are eager to contact every high school with information about the 2012 Washington Workshops Essay Contest, "Discuss the Relevance Today of Abraham Lincoln's Statement, 'A House Divided Against Itself Cannot Stand'."

I have many posters that need to be distributed to your local high school. Please call me at 860-669-7144 for detailed information or go to our NSCDA website. We would also like to promote this contest among homeschooled students. If you know anyone involved in homeschooling, please call so we can get information to them. I am hoping to have our 2011 winner who attended Workshops in June come to our Semi-Annual Meeting to share her experience. See you all there!

## Hosley "Patriotic Sisterhood" Lecture Series A Great Success!

Bill Hosley, who is a member of the Webb-Deane-Stevens Museum Advisory Committee and a well known expert on New England cultural history, gave an inspiring presentation on "Patriotic Sisterhood: The Early History of the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the State of Connecticut and the Spirited Women who were its Founders." The lecture was received with great enthusiasm and was very successful, with 150 Dames and their guests attending.



The Membership Committee organized the series as a way to attract new Dames to the Connecticut Society, and a number of new applications came in as a result. The committee extends its gratitude to the following Dames who hosted this wonderful event in their homes:

Martha Alexander  
Mary Dangremond  
Lil Nolan  
Emily Puskar  
Barbara Schoenly

*Marian Browning, Membership Chair*

# HISTORIC HOUSES SURVEYS

*Charbra Adams Jestin, Treasurer*

On Friday, May 25, 2011, Mark Jones, an Archivist at the Connecticut State Library on Capital Avenue in Hartford, gave me one more reason to be proud of the good works this organization does. I met with him to learn what the Historic Houses Survey, conducted by the NSCDA-CT in the early 20th century, consisted of. Here is what I found out.

## **What are the Historic Houses Surveys?**

Around 1900, the Connecticut Society of the Colonial Dames of America, as this organization was then known, formed a Committee on Old Houses. This standing committee was later renamed the Historic Buildings Committee, and seems to have been active until World War II. Its purpose was to scour the state, looking for and documenting historic houses. Originally, the committee planned to document only Colonial period houses but later decided to expand its reach when it encountered so many historically noteworthy buildings of a later date.

The committee created a three to four page document consisting of questions regarding the history of the houses surveyed and their architecture. Each survey contains the completed questionnaire, some of them typed and some handwritten, high-quality black and white photographs of both exterior and interior views, an architectural floor plan for each floor of the house (these, I was told were arranged for by Charles Dudley Seymour), and often a narrative on the house and its inhabitants over the years. Also included with some volumes are family histories and any printed material on the house in existence at the time of the survey.

By 1912, the collection of surveys had become substantial enough that the Dames decided to entrust it to the Connecticut State Library for safe-keeping and to allow for greater accessibility to

scholars and researchers but retained publishing rights over the material. The State Librarian at the time, George S. Godard, accepted the gift willingly and arranged to have each survey bound in full blue Moroccan leather with gold leaf full front cover titles and spine titles. Each volume is approximately nine inches by twelve inches.

After talking with me and showing me two examples, Mr. Jones then took me to the vault where these volumes are stored. I found myself standing in front of 48 feet of identically bound volumes of these surveys. There are exactly one thousand seventy volumes (1,070), each describing a different house. There are thirty-three volumes on the Town of Farmington alone, including one on the Barnes-Mix house, a Judah Woodruff-built house that was demolished in March of 2011.

Needless to say, I was overwhelmed by what I saw—overwhelmed at the commitment of time and energy these early Dames put into this project, overwhelmed by the serious commitment of this society to historic preservation, overwhelmed by the foresight of these women to take on a project so invaluable to their descendents. I am still awe-struck when I talk about this discovery.

## **What is the next step?**

I believe we must put some serious thought into how we preserve these surveys so that they continue to be of use to future generations of researchers. It is clear from my discussions with Mr. Jones that the State Library would like to see these surveys digitized so that they become even more accessible. I would like to see us engage in a discussion with the Connecticut State Library about this process. For if our forebears felt so strongly about documenting these buildings for posterity, surely this generation can take the next step to ensure their continued and broader use.

## **Registrar's Report** ó *Katherine Holden, Registrar*

Our National Registrar, Lucy Bell, has established a new policy for membership applications. All new applicants must submit an established ancestor from our ROA and a full Line of Ascent upon her presentation to the board. The Line of Ascent form is available on our national website and can be completed on line and forwarded to me or printed and completed by hand. I will send them to Lucy Bell. If you have any questions, please contact me at [kholden@snet.net](mailto:kholden@snet.net)

### **New Members:**

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CT#1912 Taylor, Caroline Chapman  
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Ancestor: John Evans, NH

CT#1913 Kramer, Susan Westby  
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Ancestor: Godfrey Dearborn, NH

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Ancestor: Seth Pomeroy, MA

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Ancestor: John Everett, MA

CT#1916 Braun, Anna Waterman  
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CT#1917 Werntz, Laura Wilson  
12 Warren Turnpike, Falls Village, CT 06031  
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Ancestor: Edmund Rice, MA

CT#1919 Pugsley, Lucy Clark (Legacy)  
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212-675-7519; [lpugsley@nyc.rr.com](mailto:lpugsley@nyc.rr.com)  
Ancestor: Thomas Hooker, CT

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207-266-1705; [virginia\\_agar@roadrunner.com](mailto:virginia_agar@roadrunner.com)  
Ancestor: Roger Conant, MA

CT#1921 Barrow, Katherine Pushkar (Legacy)  
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Ancestor: William Robards, Sr., VA

### **Reinstatement:**

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351 Essex Meadows, Essex, CT 06426  
860-767-3109  
Ancestor: Thomas Buckingham

### **Transfer out:**

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12 Spray Rock Rd., Weekapaug, RI 02891  
401-322-7741; [abcarvell@gmail.com](mailto:abcarvell@gmail.com)  
Ancestor: Jonathan Trumbull, CT

### **Resignations:**

CT#1746 Wicke, Harriet Eaton  
237 The Views, 250 Seabury Dr.  
Bloomfield, CT 06002  
Ancestor: Samuel Buell, CT  
Member since 1995

CT#1871 Vontobel, Susan Boone Durkee  
23 Mark Twain Lane  
Redding, CT 06896  
Ancestor: Rev. Stephen Batchelder, NH  
Member since 2008

### **Necrology:**

CT#1187 Torrey, Lilly Palmer Biscoe (Mrs. James H.)  
Deceased 2 July 2011  
Ancestor: Arthur Middleton (SC)  
Member since 1962

CT#1707 Beir, Amy Ward (Mrs. Howard)  
Deceased 25 July 2011  
Ancestor: Joshua Cushman (MA)  
Member since 1971

## CT Areas Get a Redistricting

This is the new list of the Areas which has been reconfigured in relation to the residences of our current membership:

<b>Area 1</b>	<b>Area 2</b>	<b>Area 3</b>	<b>Area 4</b>	<b>Area 5</b>
Barkhamstead	Andover	Ashford	Bethel	Ansonia
Bethlehem	Avon	Bozrah	Bridgeport	Beacon Falls
Bridgewater	Berlin	Brooklyn	Brookfield	Bethany
Canaan	Bloomfield	Canterbury	Cos Cob	Branford
Colebrook	Bolton	Chaplin	Danbury	Cheshire
Cornwall Bridge	Bristol	Colchester	Darien	Chester
Falls Village	Burlington	Eastford	Easton	Clinton
Goshen	Canton	East Lyme	Fairfield	Cromwell
Harwinton	Columbia	Franklin	Greenwich	Deep River
Kent	Coventry	Griswold	Monroe	Derby
Litchfield	East Granby	Groton	New Canaan	Durham
Morris	East Hartford	Hampton	New Fairfield	East Haddam
New Hartford	East Windsor	Killingly	Newtown	East Hampton
New Milford	Ellington	Lebanon	Norwalk	Essex
Norfolk	Enfield	Ledyard	Redding	Guilford
North Canaan	Farmington	Lisbon	Ridgefield	Haddam.
Plymouth	Glastonbury	Lyme	Shelton	Hamden
Roxbury	Granby	Montville	Sherman	Killingworth
Salisbury	Hartford	Mystic	Southport	Madison
Sharon	Hebron	New London	Stamford	Meriden
Southbury	Manchester	Niantic	Stratford	Middlebury
South Kent	Mansfield	No. Stonington	Trumbull	Middlefield
Thomaston	Marlborough	Norwich	Weston	Middletown
Torrington	New Britain	Old Lyme	Westport	Milford
Warren	Newington	Old Saybrook	Wilton	Naugatuck
Washington	No. Granby	Plainfield		New Haven
Watertown	Plainville	Pomfret		Prospect
West Cornwall	Rocky Hill	Pomfret Center		Seymour
Winchester	Simsbury	Preston		Wallingford
Woodbury	Somers	Putnam		Waterbury
	Stafford	Southington		West Haven
	Suffield	So. Windsor		Westbrook
	Tolland	Sprague		Wolcott
	Union	Sterling		Woodbridge
	Vernon	Stonington		
	West Hartford	Thompson		
	Wethersfield	Voluntown		
	Willington	Waterford		
	Windsor	Windham		
	Windsor Locks	Woodstock		

## NSCDA-CT FALL & WINTER CALENDAR

<b>October 2011</b>	
Monday, October 17	9:00 a.m. Executive Committee Meeting 10:30 a.m. Board of Managers Meeting
Wednesday, October 19	<b>SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING 11:00 am</b>
Saturday & Sunday, October 22-23	Witchcraft & Tombstones Tour
Sunday, October 30	Michael Bell on 18 <sup>th</sup> Vampires in New England
<b>November 2011</b>	
Wednesday, November 2	Tour of Armsmearö (see page 3) and luncheon
Sunday, November 13	18 <sup>th</sup> century Thanksgiving Dinner (11:30 a.m.)
Monday, November 14	9:00 a.m. Executive Committee Meeting 10:30 a.m. Board of Managers Meeting
<b>December 2011</b>	
Friday, December 9	Holiday Preview Party 5-8 p.m.
Saturday December 10-31	Holiday House tours
Monday, December 12	9:00 a.m. Executive Committee Meeting 10:30 a.m. Board of Managers Meeting 12:30 p.m. Board-Staff Holiday Lunch Party

**A copy of this newsletter can also be found on our website: [www.nscda-ct.org](http://www.nscda-ct.org)**

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