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Students on School Vacation Can Enjoy History Tours

Newport Historical Society to Offer Select History Walking Tours

Newport, RI – (February 2010) – During March vacation, students on school break don't need to take a break from learning. The Newport Historical Society is pleased to offer select history walking tours during the March vacation. Tours on the lineup include the Pirates and Scoundrels tour and a historic site tour with a costumed guide.

On the Pirates and Scoundrels history walking tour, see where scoundrels lived, where pirates profited and where criminals were put on trial and punished. Find out why this colony was sometimes known as "Rogue's Island." This tour will be offered on Friday March 19th and Friday March 26th at 11:30am. It lasts approximately 75 minutes and costs \$12 per person, \$10 for NHS members.

Step inside the c.1697 Wanton-Lyman-Hazard House, the oldest museum house in Newport, and step back in time. A costumed guide will discuss the house's unique history and share stories about its inhabitants. The tour will be offered on Thursday March 18th and Thursday March 25th at 11:30 and lasts approximately 30 minutes. It costs \$5 per person, \$3 for children under the age of twelve, and is free for NHS members.

All tours depart from the Museum & Shop at Brick Market, 127 Thames Street, Newport, RI. Reservations recommended as space is limited. To make reservations call: 401-871-8770.

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About the Newport Historical Society

Since 1854, the Newport Historical Society has collected and preserved the artifacts, photographs, documents, publications, and genealogical records that relate to the history of Newport County, to make these materials readily available for both research and enjoyment, and to act as a resource center for the education of the public about the history of Newport County, so that knowledge of the past may contribute to a fuller understanding of the present. For more information please visit www.newporthistory.org.

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