

North Brookfield's 200th Anniversary Parade & Olde Home Day

Final preparations are underway for North Brookfield's 200th Anniversary Parade and Olde Home Day to be held Saturday, August 18, 2012. The parade will kick off from NBHS at 11a.m. and proceed down North Main Street through Main Street ending at Hannaford's Supermarket. There will be a variety of participants including floats, marching units, antique cars, music, and Grand Marshall, Kip Minns. Mr. Minns is presently the oldest native born resident of North Brookfield. As a special treat, former NBHS Band Director, Tony Swiercz, will be participating in one of the bands.

Olde Home Day will be held directly after the parade on the Congregational Church Lawn. Portions of Main and School Street will be blocked off for easy access to all the activities being held. Highlights of the activities include: historical bus tours being led by Gene Caille, The North Brookfield Historical Society's Museum, with curator Linda Grace, live music on center stage, quilt and arts shows, food booths, alumni booth, children's area and teen activities, and so much more.

Please see the schedule of events to help plan your day.

We hope for a great turnout. Come on home!

This is the party you have been waiting 200 years for!!

Raindate is Sunday, August 19th. Questions or comments, Please contact Mary Ellen Brown Kuzmeski at mekuzmeski@verizon.net, Sheila Buzzell at clerk@northbrookfield.net, or Trish Toomey Miller at trish.miller3@Verizon.net.

The Schedule of Events is below:

Olde Home Day, August 18, 2012 -- Schedule of Events

- 9:00 A.M. Alumni Tent Opens
 Historical Museum Opens
 Historical Picture Display, Courtesy of Paulette Adams – Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 A.M. Historical Bus Tour with Gene Caille, loading at Library
- 11:00 – 12:30 Parade
- 12:30 Welcoming Ceremony
- 12:30 Food Booth Open on First Congregational Church Lawn
 Art Show Opens at Police Department
 Alumni Tent Re-Opens
 Car Show, Main & School Streets
 Christ Memorial Church, Open House
 Historical Artifacts, First Congregational Church
 Historical Photo Display Re-Opens
 North Brookfield Bicentennial Post Mark
 North Brookfield Souvenir Booth
 North Brookfield Town House Booth
 Rotary Club
 Quilt Show Opens, Library
- 1:00 – 4:00 Historical Children's Games, First Congregational Church Lawn
 Historical Museum Re-Opens
- 1:00 – 3:00 Tequila Amigos Brass Band, Main Stage, First Congregational Church Lawn
- 1:30 Historical Bus Tour with Gene Caille, (Loading at Library)
- 2:00 Cemetery Tour, Maple Street Cemetery
- 1:30 - 4:30 Teen's Zone – Poetry Slam & Music, Christ Memorial Church Hall
- 1:30 – 3:30 The Mill River String Quartet will perform at the Quilt Show in the Library
- 1:30 – 3:30 Rori Coakley and Hunter Foote will perform at the Art Show in the Police Station
- 3:00 – 3:45 Rick Golden Children's Show, Haston Free Public Library
- 3:00 Celia Daniel's Re-enactment of E.B. Hill, First Congregational Church
- 3:15 Cemetery Tour, Maple Street Cemetery
- 3:00 – 4:30 American Folk Music Band w/ Geoff & Talia Brown & Sean Fennell, Main Stage
- 4:15 Celia Daniel's Re-enactment of E.B. Hill, First Congregational Church
- 4:30 – 5:00 Old Fashioned Hymn Sing with Ken Winters, First Congregational Church

5:00 – 6:00 Rock Band, Subject to Interpretation, Main Stage

Tom Whitestone will perform at the First Congregational Church.