

OTISFIELD CELEBRATES MAINE'S BICENTENNIAL

2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 30th, 2020 - History Night at Otisfield Community School

Learn about how children went to school in 19th Century Otisfield. What did they learn? What was a one room schoolhouse like? Bake sale to follow with proceeds to help support the Boston Field Trip. 6pm at the Otisfield Community School

June 18th, 2020 - Agriculture, Flora & Fauna Program at the Old Town House

In conjunction with the Conservation Committee, come and learn about the history of agriculture, flora and fauna of Otisfield. What did we farm in 1820? Have you heard about the island sheep? What was once here that is now gone to us? What has changed about our landscape in 200 years? 7pm at the Old Town House

July 4th, 2020 - Otisfield 4th of July Parade

Come one, come all and celebrate! Maine turns 200! Otisfield turns 222! Join us for a wonderful parade. Come in costume and celebrate the way life should be!

July 12th, 2020 - Annual Strawberry Festival & Bell Hill Concert

Dig in and enjoy delicious, homemade, local strawberry shortcake and tour the archives! 4:30 - 6:30 at the Old Town House. Then enjoy a concert by the Cobblestones to follow at Bell Hill Meetinghouse.

July 26th, 2020 - Annual Bell Hill Meetinghouse Association Program

Join Dr. Jean Hankins for an informative talk on Maine's split from Massachusetts in 1820. What led to it? How did it happen? Did Otisfield approve? Enjoy a delicious ice cream social on the common after the lecture. 6pm at the Bell Hill Meetinghouse

August 23rd, 2020 - Oldest Houses Tour

Go back in time to early 19th Century Otisfield while visiting some of the oldest houses in town. Visit docents at each location and learn more about the house and its occupants over the years. Meet at 2pm for directions at the Community Hall

September 26th, 2020 - 1820 Contra Dance

Contra dances were social dances sometimes described as New England folk dance or Appalachian folk dance based on 17th Century English, Scottish and French dance styles. So come and learn a little about the history of Contra Dancing then dance the night away. Put on your best 1820s duds and break a leg! Contra Dances were a huge part of life in 1820! Come on out and help us wrap up the celebration of Maine's Statehood! 6:30 pm at the Otisfield Community Hall