

# Ledyard Celebrates America 250



## Events by Month

### July 2025

- Ledyard Celebrates America 250 Kickoff Event – 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration at the Nathan Lester House

### August 2025

- Banners in front of Town Hall

### September 2025

- Voting Sticker Design Contest in Elementary Schools
  - Patty is in contact with elementary schools
  - Kristen will create a contest template for distribution in schools
  - 12 finalists to present to Town Council on 9/10
- Article in events magazine with QR code to town website

### October 2025

- History Day at Bill Library – October 4<sup>th</sup> - 11:30 a.m.
  - Presentation by Matt Novasad “Ledyard and the War of 1812”
- Cemetery Tours
  - Cemetery Committee (Doug & Kate) - October 17<sup>th</sup> rain date 18<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00 p.m.
    - Register through Parks & Rec (free ticket)

### November 2025

- Veteran’s Day Tribute – America 250 Themed Veteran Yard Signs (Kate & Kristen)
- Hometown Hero’s Ceremony - Dinner Senior Center – November 14<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 pm (Scott)
  - \$10 ticket
  - Mayor Allyn will present the “Quilt of Valor”

### December 2025

- Yuletide Celebration @Nathan Lester House – December 7<sup>th</sup> (Doug)
- Historical Baking Contest (Matt to organize Library event with cookbook club)
- Lantern Tours at Nathan Lester House – DATE TBD – (Tentative)
- Beautification Committee – Bulb Planting Committee will plant red, white and blue crocus to spell “America 250” Update

### January 2026

- Larry Erhart – Colonial Money Presentation?

### February 2026

- Historical Maps & Roaming Exhibit
  - Easels ready to order Amazon \$101.98 for 10 easels

### March 2026

- Color Fun Run – America 250 theme (March 21<sup>st</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup>)
- Women’s History Month Traveling Exhibit

### April 2026

- Arbor Day Tree Planting – plant an Oak Tree in Town (Mayor Allyn)

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### May 2026

- Memorial Day Parade “America 250 Float”; parade walkers in colonial dress

### June 2026

- Flag Day Celebration (Flag Retirement Ceremony - Boy Scouts)

### July 4, 2026

- P& R Summer Camp “Celebrate 250” theme week
- Celebration Nathan Lester House
  - Reenactors
  - Historical Games
  - Awards for Community Group Events
  - Commemorative Coin
  - Live Music
  - Bury Time Capsule

\*Mayor to solicit donations for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration

### **Marketing Efforts**

- ✓ “Ledyard Celebrates America 250” Logo – Pete Hary
- ✓ Dedicated Facebook Page – Parks & Rec
  - [\(1\) Facebook](#)
- ✓ Town Web Page – Mayor’s Office
  - [Ledyard Celebrates 250 | Ledyard, CT - Official Website](#)
- ✓ Events Magazine – Kick off article Summer 2025 w/ Nathan Lester Event
- ✓ Flyers w/ QR code

### **Other Ideas**

- ✓ Mural (High School wall?)
- ✓ Commemorative Bell (marking spot for time capsule)