

# Ledyard Celebrates America 250

## Events by Month

### February 2026

- Historical Maps & Roaming Exhibit
  - 10 easels have been ordered
  - Kate is finalizing posters
- Larry Erhart – Colonial Money Presentation – Bill Library – Feb 12 @ 6:00 pm

### March 2026

- Color Fun Run – America 250 theme - March 28<sup>th</sup> (Scott)
  - Checking with school & PD for date approval
- Women's History Month Traveling Exhibit
  - Kate working on choosing 5 women for this exhibit
  - Work with Libraries & Schools to display

### April 2026

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

### May 2026

- Memorial Day Parade “America 250 Float”
  - Parade walkers in colonial dress
  - Councilor Lamb working to provide old farm tractor and/or trailer
  - Councilor Lamb & Doug to provide colonel clothing for walker/walkers

### June 2026

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

### **July 4, 2026 (Rain Date, July 5<sup>th</sup>)**

- P& R Summer Camp “Celebrate 250” theme week
- **Celebration Nathan Lester House**
  - Reenactors (Matt contacting groups, 5-10 people?; Doug to facilitate site visit)
  - Historical Games (Doug)
  - Awards for Community Group Events
  - Commemorative Coin (Mayor getting info from Larry Erhart)
  - Live Music
  - Bury Time Capsule
  - Colonial Crafts (Doug)
  - Historical Society on board to assist with event
  - Food – TBD (food for purchase – Boy Scouts?, Rotary?, Rustic Boutique Catering food truck?)
  - Parking (Scott checking on use of Van – Job Lot parking?)

\*Mayor to solicit donations for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration (Funds Available \$1,000)

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## **Marketing Efforts**

- ✓ Events Magazine – Mayor to highlight July 4<sup>th</sup> Event in Spring & Summer editions
- ✓ Flyers w/ QR code

## **Other Ideas**

- ✓ Commemorative Bell (marking spot for time capsule)
  - ❖ Doug presented Bell available for purchase (\$1900)
  - ❖ Location TBD (Town Green, Lester House, Town Hall)
  - ❖ Fundraising? (commemorative bricks?, plaque with names?)