



## NEWSLETTER

## JANUARY 2024

The year 2023 went out with a bang at the Arnold House with a hit-and-run vehicle on December 21<sup>st</sup> knocking down the light pole at the front of our property ripping the electric and phone lines right off the house leaving us in the dark and without heat. This incident occurred around 3 pm. We were initially alerted by our alarm service that we had lost power. Thanks to the prompt response of RI Energy and Kent County Electric, power was restored by 8 pm, and the phone lines were restored the following day. Here are a few of the photos taken by me at the time.







This is the second time the house has been damaged. In a far more serious accident, in 2003 a car crashed right into the house causing much more extensive structural damage to the building resulting in many months before the house was safe for occupancy.

On a more pleasant note, during 2023 we continued to receive from time to time donations from our members to add to our extensive collection. A few of these added to our Rocky Point collection, the Hillsgrove collection, and an original piece of the ruins of the Berlin wall. Also during this time David Tremblay has added an additional manuscript on the Warwick Railway containing information and photos not in the original publication. This booklet is available for sale in our "gift" shop. Our most recent acquisition came from Madeleine Toy via her daughter Polly Barey, a collection of souvenir bicentennial spoons that represent the 13 original colonies.



We also continue to diligently search the internet for any articles or old photos of interest that relate to Warwick history that we add to our database. As a reminder the following is the list of materials contained in the database.

DIGITIZED FILES AT WHS

AIRPORT  
ANTHONY-GREENE-PEARCE  
APPONAUG  
ARNOLD FAMILY HISTORY  
ARNOLD HOUSE  
BAYSIDE  
BELCHER PAPERS  
BLACK HISTORY  
BROWN, HENRY [HALB]  
BUDLONG  
BUTTONWOODS  
CALLAHAN, MAUREEN  
CARPENTER, DONALD  
CARUTHERS, JOHN  
CEMETERIES  
CHEPIWANOXET  
CIVIL WAR DOCUMENTS  
CLARKE, ALAN  
COLE FARM  
CONIMICUT-SHAWOMET  
COWESETT  
CRANDALL, HAZEL  
CRANSTON  
DISPLAYS  
D'AMATO DON  
DONOVAN COLLECTION  
DRUM ROCK  
EAST GREENWICH  
FIRES  
GENEALOGIES  
GORTON  
GOV FRANCIS FARMS  
GREENE FAMILY  
GREENWOOD  
HILLSGROVE  
HOLDEN  
HOXSIE  
INDIANS  
IRISH  
KENNEDY, HAZEL  
KNOWLES COLLECTION-  
CARDER  
LAKEWOOD  
LIBRARY  
LINCOLN, ABRAHAM  
LOCKWOOD-BURLINGAME  
LONGMEADOW  
MAPS-ATLASES  
MARK ROCK  
MATCHBOOKS  
MAYOR, DOT  
MILL COVE CONSERVANCY  
MILLS  
MORGAN, MARSHALL  
NAUSAUKET  
NORWOOD  
OAKLAND BEACH  
PAWTUXET  
PONTIAC  
POSTCARDS  
POTOWOMUT  
PROVIDENCE  
PROVIDENCE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
RESEARCH  
RI & NE HISTORY & GENEALOGY  
RI HISTORY  
RIVERVIEW  
ROCKY POINT  
SCHOOLS  
SLIDESHOWS-PHOTOS  
SPENCER-TIFFANY  
SPRING GREEN  
STORMS-DISASTERS-  
HURRICANES  
THANKSGIVING  
TOY, MADALEINE  
TRANSPORTATION  
WARS-CIVIL-REVOLUTION-WWI-  
WWII-KOREA  
WARWICK HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY  
WARWICK HOUSES  
WARWICK NECK-ALDRICH  
WARWICK POLICE  
WARWICK TIMES 1932  
WARWICK-OLD WARWICK  
HISTORY  
WATERMAN  
WATERS  
WEDLOCK-COLE-DANIELS  
WEST WARWICK-COVENTRY  
WESTCOTT  
WILLIAMS, ELSIE  
WHS

On Dec 12, 2023 Mark Brown continued with our podcasts at the Warwick Library, Warwick Radio, discussing the stories behind how some of the streets of our city were named with themes in mind.

Continue to follow our Facebook page and web site, [whsri.org](http://whsri.org), for information that may not be included in our newsletter. Please come to the Arnold House and spend time browsing our many exhibits and artifacts that have been so lovingly collected through the years.

Wishing you all a happy, healthy and hopefully better New Year.

*Government even in its best state, is but a necessary evil; in its worst state, an intolerable one.*

Thomas Paine 1776