

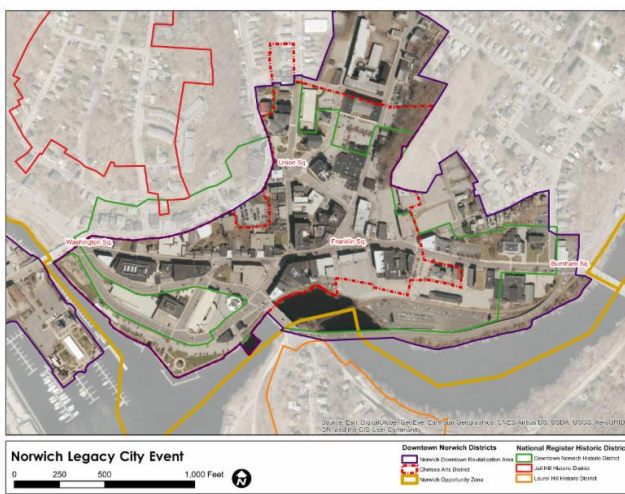
With Sadness

It is with heavy hearts that we mourn the loss of our dear friend and colleague, Dr. Brian Jones. Brian served as Connecticut's State Archaeologist and a member of our Historic Preservation Council for the past five years. Brian brought a level of enthusiasm to his work that was infectious, a consummate kindness that never wavered, and complete dedication to everything he did. He was a patient teacher, a caring friend, and all around good person. He is sorely missed. Brian's life will be celebrated on August 4th at 1 pm in the upstairs hall at the Irish American Home Society in Glastonbury.



Historic Preservation & Opportunity Zones

We have an update on recent legislation that was signed into law by Governor Lamont during the recent legislative session. Senate Bill 570 (Public Act 19-54): An Act Concerning Opportunity Zones repealed C.G.S. Section 10-416c, the Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program, and replaced with a nearly identical statute except the program now allows 30% in tax credits on qualifying



expenditures for projects located within opportunity zones. Additionally, the rating criteria for evaluating projects seeking a tax credit reservation shall give priority to applicants rehabilitating historic structures in opportunity zones.

The SHPO will continue to review applications on a rolling basis, but has set aside \$12 million of the \$31.7 million annual allocation for rehabilitation projects in Opportunity Zones. More details

on this plan are forthcoming. For questions, please contact Julie Carmelich at julie.carmelich@ct.gov.

New to the National Register



The Shore Line Electric Railway Power House is located in Old Saybrook on the banks of the Connecticut River. The Power House once provided power to the Shore Line Electric Railway. At its peak during the early twentieth century, the railway was the second largest electric traction system in Connecticut. The Power House is significant for its contribution to area transportation as well as for its association with early twentieth century powerhouse design.

E-Learning Opportunity

It's a Summer of FREE-dom on the ACHP's E-Learning Portal! Access all of the E-Learning courses FREE of charge until September 30, 2019. The courses include a 15-minute overview, "What is Section 106;" a 60-minute orientation for applicants, "Successfully Navigating Section 106 Review;" a 15-minute summary, "Basics of NEPA and Section 106 Integration;" and a 60-minute exploration, "Coordinating NEPA and Section 106." The course synopses are provided on the attached flyer.

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<p>Course Catalog</p> <p>What is Section 106?</p> <p>This online e-Learning course is a short introduction to Section 106, explaining what the requirement means and how any citizen can learn more about federal projects and agencies' historic preservation planning responsibilities.</p> <p>Basics of NEPA and Section 106 Integration</p> <p>This online e-Learning course is a short introduction to all stakeholders to the basic concepts and vocabulary presented in the 2013 NEPA and Section 106 Handbook and a foundation for stakeholder expectations in the review of federal projects, programs, and activities that may affect historic properties, including high priority infrastructure projects and other federal undertakings.</p>	<p>Successfully Navigating Section 106 Review: An Orientation for Applicants</p> <p>This online e-Learning course is designed to answer questions applicants for federal funding, permits, licenses, or other assistance may have about the review process required by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.</p> <p>Coordinating NEPA and Section 106</p> <p>Building on the basic concepts and vocabulary presented in the "Basics of NEPA and Section 106 Integration," this online e-Learning course builds skills in identifying and taking advantage of coordination opportunities when a federal project, program, or activity is subject to concurrent NEPA and Section 106 reviews. Through case examples and challenge questions, learners will apply the concepts in scenarios where an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) or Environmental Assessment (EA) is prepared, or where a Categorical Exclusion (CE or CatEx) may apply.</p>
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Programming Announcement - Reminder

Due to a current staffing shortage, the SHPO has temporarily suspended two programs.

No new applications to the [Historic Restoration Fund Grant](#) will be accepted. Existing grants with active contracts will be processed as usual. For questions or additional information, please email HRFgrants@ct.gov.

Also, suspended is the [Historic Homes Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program](#). New applications to the program will not be accepted. Applications will be processed as usual for property owners with a previously approved Part 2 Application and active tax credit reservation. For questions or additional information, please email Homestaxcredits@ct.gov.

Thank you for your patience, we hope to restart the programs in Fall 2019.

News from the Museums





Henry Whitfield State Museum

Dr. William Farley and his students in the Archaeological Field School class from Southern Connecticut State University are digging on the museum grounds this summer. Visitors are encouraged to watch and interact with the students as part of their introduction to archaeology and interpreting it to the public. The class is on site Wednesdays-Fridays, 9:30-3:30 (weather permitting) through August 2nd. Visit the museum's Facebook page for progress updates:

<http://www.facebook.com/HenryWhitfieldStateMuseum/>.

This button was one of many finds on the first day of digging, July 5th. (photo by Dr. William Farley)

Old New-Gate Prison & Copper Mine

Old New-Gate has had a busy start to the 2019 season. We've hosted special events, field trips, and lots of families on summer outings. We are delighted to be continuing our collaboration with the Theatre Guild of Simsbury on Tales from the Dungeon: Life at New-Gate.

Upcoming performances are at 1pm and 2:30pm on July 28th, August 11th, and August 25th. We will

also be hosting Free Sunset Yoga on July 27th at 6:30pm and August 10th at 7:15pm in partnership with Roots Yoga and Nutrition LLC.



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