

## HISTORY IN THE MAKING AWARD TO HONOR INDRA NOOYI

**SAVE THE DATE:** On May 8, Greenwich Historical Society will present its History in the Making Award to PepsiCo Chairman Indra K. Nooyi during a special evening at the Round Hill Club.



In recognizing Nooyi's leadership and celebrating her successes, the Historical Society acknowledges Nooyi's important place in a long history of local women's achievements as we kick off the 100th anniversary of the passage and ratification of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution in 1919-1920.

Prior to becoming chairman, Nooyi served as PepsiCo's president and chief financial officer. Since joining the company in 1994, she has directed

PepsiCo's global strategy and led its restructuring, including the acquisition of Tropicana and the merger with Quaker Oats, the merger with PepsiCo's anchor bottlers and the acquisition of Wimm-Bill-Dann, the largest international acquisition in PepsiCo's history.

She holds a B.S. from Madras Christian College, an M.B.A. from the Indian Institute of Management in Calcutta and a Master of Public and Private Management from Yale University.

Indra Nooyi is the seventh person to receive the Historical Society's History in the Making Award, which was established in 2003 to recognize individuals from our community who are the history makers of our own time. Former awardees were Derek Boothby, Thomas Foley, Curt Welling, Marie and Charlene Von Saher and Lewis Lehrman.

We hope you will join us to recognize this important member of our community. Proceeds from this year's event will support a major exhibition and public programs on the role of Greenwich women in the suffrage movement and the movement's legacy today that will take place in 2019-2020.

**Wednesday, May 8**

**Round Hill Club**

**Reserve at [greenwichhistory.org](http://greenwichhistory.org) or call 203-869-6899, Ext. 10.**



## LANDMARKS RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Greenwich Historical Society has publicly recognized local homes and other sites for their architectural or historical distinction for the past 32 years, with the intention of promoting pride in ownership of historic properties and encouraging their preservation and adaptive use.

This year four properties will receive plaques for their design excellence and their value in preserving Greenwich's unique architectural legacy: Greenwich Town Hall, the World War I Memorial on Greenwich Avenue and two distinguished residences.

In addition, a Preservation Action Award will be presented to Martin and Anna Waters and the Greenwich Point Conservancy for preserving and restoring the Feake-Ferris House, noted as the oldest house in Greenwich and one of the oldest in America.

Keynote speaker Joseph Pell Lombardi, who has degrees in both architecture and historic preservation, will discuss projects including the National Historic Landmark Armour-Stiner (Octagon) House in Irvington-on-Hudson, New York, the only Roman temple form, domed octagonal house in the world. He owns the Armour-Stiner House as well as the Château du Sailhant, a dramatically situated thousand-year-old French château-fort, which recently completed a 10-year restoration. Lombardi's firm was one of the first to specialize in restoration, preservation, adaptive use and contextual new buildings.

The Landmarks Recognition Program kicks off Greenwich Preservation Month and the third annual This Place Matters Photo Contest, during which the public is invited to submit photos of favorite places in Greenwich, an effort inspired by the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

**Sunday, April 28, 4:00-6:00 pm, Greenwich Country Club**

*Armour-Stiner (Octagon) House in Irvington-on-Hudson, New York*





Portraits of Hugh and Claire Vanderbilt, longtime Greenwich Historical Society supporters and preservation proponents, greet visitors to the Vanderbilt Education Center

## WHAT IS THE VANDERBILT SOCIETY?

The Vanderbilt Society is a group of dedicated supporters who honor and sustain the legacy of our beloved Claire and Hugh Vanderbilt, whose immortal words continue to be the foundation of our mission: "We should all have a commitment to improving as well as preserving the site for future generations."

Members of the Vanderbilt Society pledge bequests of all sizes, as well as retirement plan rollovers and gifts of art and other property, thereby ensuring the continued success of the Greenwich Historical Society as we strive to reach our highest aspirations in preserving and interpreting Greenwich history to strengthen the community's connection to our past, to each other and to our future.

**THE FUTURE IS IN YOUR HANDS:** Please remember us in your estate plan so that future generations may continue to discover the ongoing story of our community.

## FOCUS ON NELLIE BLY

One of the wonderful objects in our inaugural special exhibition *History Is...* references the amazing Nellie Bly, who was an investigative journalist, adventurer and a woman ahead of her time.



Nellie Bly (born Elizabeth Jane Cochran; 1864-1922) focused on the plight of working women for *The Pittsburgh Dispatch* beginning in 1885. At age 23 she went undercover for the *New York World*, feigning insanity to investigate the brutality and neglect at the Women's Lunatic Asylum on Blackwell's Island (today's Roosevelt Island). Her report, "Ten Days in a Mad-House," was a sensation, bringing her lasting fame.



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It was Bly's idea in 1889 to challenge the record of Phileas Fogg, Jules Verne's fictional character in *Around the World in 80 Days*. She traveled by steamer, train, horse, rickshaw, sampan, burro and other vehicles in 72 days. In *History Is... People on the Move*, an 1890 board game celebrates Bly's 24,899-mile journey around the world.

What could follow this? In 1895, she married and, upon the death of her husband, became president of his company, the Iron Clad Manufacturing Company, where she received several design patents and was "the only woman in the world personally managing industries of such magnitude," according to her advertisements. Embezzlement by employees led to the company's bankruptcy. She returned to journalism, covering the Woman Suffrage Parade of 1913 and Europe's Eastern Front during WWI.

After *History Is...* closes our next exhibition will be on women's suffrage in honor of the 100th anniversary of women winning the right to vote.



## PROGRAM SUPPORT

The doors to the new, expanded and enhanced campus are open! Greenwich Historical Society continues to be committed to providing programs, exhibits, lectures and other events that

celebrate the unique and rich history of our town.

The link between the past, present and future lies in the commitment of those who value where we have been, where we are and what lies ahead for us. We invite you to be a part of this wonderful opportunity to preserve our past, celebrate our present and shape the vision of future generations by making a contribution to our Program Enrichment Fund. Support for this endeavor will ensure that the experience of all those who visit our campus will be exciting, exceptional and educational.

**To join the Vanderbilt Society or support the Program Enrichment Fund, contact Development Director Mary K. Vinton at 203-869-6899, Ext. 13 or [mvinton@greenwichhistory.org](mailto:mvinton@greenwichhistory.org).**



## UPCOMING EVENTS



### NIGHTINGALES BOOK TALK

Monday, March 4; 6:00–7:00 pm

**Adult members \$10, adult nonmembers \$15, students free**  
Mimi Melkonian teaches courses in Arabic, French and “Attack and Aftermath of 9/11” at Brunswick School in Greenwich. She is a frequent presenter at linguistic conferences and seminars in the U.S., Europe, and the Middle East. Her recently published first book *Nightingales, True Stories of Escape, Hope, and Resilience* is a compilation of true, uplifting stories of Syrian migrants, forced migrants, and refugees, shedding light on their important contributions to the countries in which they now reside.



### ART AND HISTORY SUMMER CAMP

Monday, April 1—Early-Bird Registration Deadline

At our unique and highly interactive Art and History Camp for kids in grades 2–8, campers learn about our town’s history and create Impressionist art and craft projects; all weeks include STEAM activities. Sign up by April 1 for discounted registration and membership rates!

July 8–19 for grades 5–8; July 22–August 2 for grades 2–4.  
Camp hours: Monday through Friday, 9:30 am–2:30 pm.



### GENEALOGY WORKSHOPS

Tuesdays: April 16, April 23, April 30 and May 7; 1:30–3:30 pm

**Members: Single session \$15, full course \$50**

**Nonmembers: Single session \$20, full course \$70**

This four-week class titled “Genealogy Is for Everyone!” offers options for researching and recording your family’s history and organizing information. Workshop leader Janeen Bjork will discuss genealogy conventions, best practices and research strategies, and how DNA testing can augment your research. Participants can partake in all of the workshops or just one.



### STORY BARN

Date TBD at press time

**Members \$15, nonmembers \$20**

The topic of the next Story Barn, where people tell true short stories without notes, is “History Is...” This relaxed, cabaret-style event includes wine and snacks. The MC is Bonnie Levison, co-founder of The Nantucket Comedy Festival and a storytelling coach for The Moth. Anyone interested in telling a story should contact Anna Greco at [agrec@greenwichhistory.org](mailto:agrec@greenwichhistory.org) or 203-869-6899, Ext. 31



### LANDMARKS RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Sunday, April 28; 4:00–6:00 pm; Greenwich Country Club

**\$75 per person, \$250 for Patron level, \$500 for Benefactor level**

Four properties will receive plaques for design excellence and their value in preserving Greenwich’s unique architectural legacy: Greenwich Town Hall, the World War I Memorial on Greenwich Avenue and two distinguished residential properties. Greenwich Point Conservancy and Martin and Anna Waters, the owners of the Feake-Ferris House, will be recognized for restoring the town’s oldest house. A champagne reception will precede the program.

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**FOR DETAILS AND TICKETS FOR ALL EVENTS:** Go to [greenwichhistory.org](http://greenwichhistory.org) or call 203-869-6899. The main museum lobby entrance, reached via the upper parking lot, should be used for all events.

## VOLUNTEER

### JOIN THE GREEN TEAM!

There are exciting changes in store for our gardens and landscape this spring. Be a part of it by joining the Green Team, the volunteer group that assists with the planting and maintenance of our flower and vegetable gardens. For more information, contact Michele Couture, Director of Operations and Visitor Services, at [mcouture@greenwichhistory.org](mailto:mcouture@greenwichhistory.org) or 203-869-6899, Ext. 15.

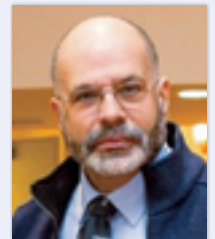


### BECOME A GALLERY ATTENDANT

Do you love art, history and Greenwich? Learn about the Greenwich Historical Society and our collections and exhibitions, and volunteer to be in our beautiful new museum galleries for as much or as little time as you can spare to answer visitors’ questions and safeguard our exhibitions. If interested, contact Director of Education Anna Greco at [agrec@greenwichhistory.org](mailto:agrec@greenwichhistory.org) or 203-869-6899 ext. 31.

### NEW TRUSTEE

Greenwich Historical Society is pleased to announce that Miguel García-Colón has joined our Board of Trustees.



Branch manager for the Byram Shubert Library, García-Colón has long been an active and valued member of the Greenwich community. We look forward to working together!

## HOURS

### HOLIDAY CLOSING

April 21

### OFFICE

Monday through Friday,  
9:00 am–5:00 pm

### MUSEUM STORE AND CAFÉ

Monday through Friday,  
9:00 am–5:00 pm;  
Saturday and Sunday,  
noon–4:00 pm



### MUSEUM GALLERIES

Wednesday through  
Sunday, noon–4:00 pm



### BUSH-HOLLEY HOUSE

Guided tours Wednesday  
through Sunday,  
1:00, 2:00 and 3:00 pm

### LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES

Wednesdays,  
10:00 am–4:00 pm  
and by appointment



## ADMISSION

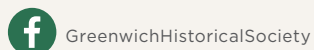
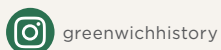
\$10 adults, \$8 seniors, \$7 group rate

Free: Youth under 18, members, active military/Blue Star

Free for all the first Wednesday of every month.

Visit all 21 museums on the Connecticut Art Trail for \$25.

Buy a passport in the museum lobby or at ctarttrail.org.



## THEN AND NOW



Lower Landing historic streetscape (left) and current streetscape (right)

These images of Cos Cob's Lower Landing from the early 1900s and today show how the Greenwich Historical Society, working closely with David Scott Parker Architects and with generous community support, restored this historic streetscape. Seen on the left, the 19th-century Toby's Tavern had

morphed over the years into a rental apartment that was much changed architecturally. Now, sporting original floorboards and recreated original wallpaper, Toby's is back to its original Italianate design and is home to our Museum Store and Café.

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## SAVE THE DATES

### MARCH 4

Nightingales Book Talk

### APRIL 10

Designer Lecture

### APRIL 16, APRIL 23, APRIL 30 AND MAY 7

Genealogy Workshops

### DATE TBD AT PRESS TIME

Story Barn

### APRIL 28

Landmarks Recognition Program

### MAY 8

History in the Making Award Dinner  
Honoring Indra Nooyi

### MAY 11

Kokedama Workshop

## OUR MISSION

GREENWICH HISTORICAL SOCIETY preserves and interprets Greenwich history to strengthen the community's connection to our past, to each other and to our future.

**“New Campus, New Opportunities” is more than a tag line. While honoring the past, our new campus seamlessly blends into the streetscape and creates spaces to showcase and house our collections, places for the community to gather, and new opportunities to tell our community's important stories.**