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Revolutionary Dwellings

Wednesday May 6 7 pm

★ Indoor Illustrated Talk

➤ Abbot Public Library (downstairs)

Illustrated talk about some of the more prominent homes of Marblehead's hundreds of Patriots (over a thousand !) who served in the American Revolution. (see also below)

Revolutionary Dwellings Walking Tours ➤ Meet in front of Abbot Hall

1st Fridays & Sundays of June, August & Sept. 4 pm to 6 pm

Walking Tour (exteriors only) highlighting some of the more prominent homes of the hundreds of Patriots in Marblehead who served in America's Revolutionary War. Nearly 300 or more houses exist from before 1775, out of 550 that stood at that time — with about 950 families living in them — when Marblehead was the sixth most populous town in British North America. And because an estimated 1,400 or more men and boys from this town served during the war's eight long years (mostly at sea after Sept. 1775 and December 1776), most of those houses that still survive were the home of someone who served in the Revolutionary War. In June 1775, nearly 600 from M'hd filled an entire Continental Army regiment. Two months later, in September that same year, hundreds left Colonel Glover's Regiment to serve at sea as captains and crews on privateer vessels, continuing through the end of the war. The latter is how so many from this town died in the Revolution — more, it is said, than from any other town. But so many of their homes survive, as a testament to them, and their families, and to what Marblehead had been.

The Marblehead Fort in the Revolution ➤ Meet inside the Fort entrance

1st Saturdays of June, August & Sept. 9 am & 4 pm

Outdoor Talk about the "Marblehead fort" (not called Fort Sewall until about 1800) which was enlarged to its current footprint in 1775, as the Revolutionary War began.

A defensive earthwork had first been established in 1644 out at the point of land which was then called "Maverick's Head" (before Moses Maverick sold his property on that headland to Ambrose Gale in 1675). Two cannons were stationed there in 1660, for defense against the French. And in 1705, during Queen Anne's War (1702-11), the fort was more strongly developed with a gun deck and 12 cannons, then reinforced in the 1740s for King George's War (both against France), and enlarged southward in 1775 for America's Revolution against England. The prominent white building (painted brick) was not added until the 1790s, for defense against the French again. It gained its name "Fort Sewall" around 1800, after that renovation, when Samuel Sewall was appointed to the Mass. Supreme Court. (Sewall died in 1814, the year he was appointed Chief Justice.)

(That Samuel Sewall is NOT the Salem witchcraft judge from 1692 ! ... That was his grandfather, who was the only judge to repent of his role. But TOO OFTEN, newspapers and magazines write that Fort Sewall was "built" in 1742 and was named after that earlier judge who lived in Boston.)

Colonel Jeremiah Lee's Covert Acts

➤ **Meet in front of Abbot Hall**

Fri. & Sun. May 8 & 10 **4 to 6 pm** (mostly seated – on benches or stairs)
Saturday May 9 **9 to 11 am** (some walking in last part of program)

Outdoor Talk about the covert activities and risks taken by Colonel Jeremiah Lee, who was also the head of Marblehead's rebel (Patriot) militia, in 1774 & 1775, before and at the start of the Revolutionary War, which would tragically claim his life on May 10, just as the war began — making him the first senior officer to die during or as a result of the war.

Glover Family Houses

➤ **Meet in front of Abbot Hall**

Friday May 22 & 29 **4 to 6 pm**
Saturday May 23 & 30 **9 to 11 am** Ends at General Glover's home
Sunday May 24 & 31 **4 to 6 pm** in Glover Square near Town Landing

Walking Tour featuring exteriors of the Marblehead homes of the four Glover brothers and their families. Donations to benefit "Save the Glover Farm House." (SaveTheGlover.org)

Marblehead at the Time of Revolution

➤ **Meet in front of Abbot Hall**

Thursday July 2 **4 to 6 pm**
Sunday Sept. 13 **4 to 6 pm**
Friday Sept. 18 **2 to 4 pm** ★

Outdoor Tour about the town of Marblehead before, during and after the Revolution.

★ *On Friday, go to Crocker Park afterward for a Concert & to see a Tall Ship !!*

The Rev. in Mhd. ~ Ptgs. & WPA Murals

➤ **Meet inside Abbot Hall**

Sunday Sept. 13 **2 to 3 pm**

Indoor Tour about the town's 1930s murals painted during the WPA program

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Four Glover Brothers' Wives & Families

➤ **at Goldthwait Beach**

Sunday September 7 **11 am** (at the end of Phillips St.)

Outdoor Talk about the four Glover brothers, their six wives (two late in life) and their 28 children (combined) — and some of the children's marriages.

Loyalists in Marblehead 1770 – 1785

➤ **at the Marblehead Museum**

Thursday September 10 **7 – 8 pm** \$ **Reserve on Mhd. Mus. website**

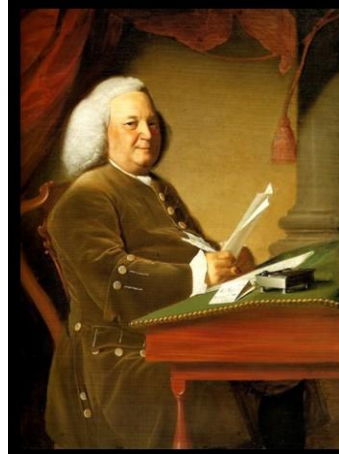
Illustrated talk about Marblehead's dozen or so heads of families, in a town of about 950 families in the 1770s — the sixth largest town in British North America ! — who did not want to overthrow their British government — and what happened to them.

Loyalists in Marblehead 1770 – 1785

➤ **at the King Hooper Mansion**

Saturday September 19 **10 – 4 pm** **drop in / part of town-wide event**

Informal Conversations about Marblehead's dozen or so residents, in a town of about 950 families in the 1770s — the sixth largest town in British North America ! — who did not want to overthrow their British government — and what happened to them.



Robert 'King' Hooper 1709 - 1790
Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts



Colonel Jacob Fowle *Private Collection*
ex Corcoran Gallery, Wash DC / Christie's 2011