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BVHS will show *Kittacuck Speaks* on November 20 See the Blackstone as you've never seen it before

2:00 p.m. Sunday,
November 20

Kittacuck Speaks

BVHS

1873 Old Louisquisset Pike,
Lincoln, RI

The Blackstone River has been a lifeline to the people living in the Blackstone Valley throughout the centuries. It is a beautiful part of our heritage. As time has gone by, there have been many changes to the river, brought on mainly by humans, who used it as a dumping ground for hundreds of years.



The Blackstone River in Lonsdale

But now it is returning to its original beauty. The film, *Kittacuck Speaks*, will take us on a tour of the majestic Blackstone River through the

seasons, showing it as it has never been seen before: from above.

Kittacuck Speaks is an original film produced by the

Friends of the Blackstone, with grant funding from the Appalachian Mountain Club through the Rhode Island Rivers Council. The name "Kittacuck" translates to "the great tidal river."

John Marsland is President of the Friends of the Blackstone, and was a significant part of this project. Come enjoy the film at BVHS. He will introduce the film and answer questions, and will talk about keeping the river as beautiful as possible.

Follow Ken Postle on the Facebook Group "River Road and Blackstone River Valley Cemeteries"

News from the Historic Cemetery Recovery Project



Volunteers uncover and lift a gravestone at the Millville/Wilson Cemetery on Nov. 5



Don't miss the fantastic article by Nicole Dotzenrod from the Valley Breeze this week. It is called "On a mission to find the lost cemeteries of Blackstone Valley," and features an interview with Ken Postle. Postle estimates that he and other volunteers have re-discovered more than 15 historic cemeteries in the Blackstone Valley over the years, and he talks about the detective work

involved in finding them, and the hard work to preserve them. There will be a part II of the story coming soon!

Postle and a team of volunteers were working on NP12 at 61 Elena Street in North Providence on October 23, continuing the cleaning and also piecing together some of the broken gravestones.

On November 5, Postle and another team of eager (continued on p. 2)

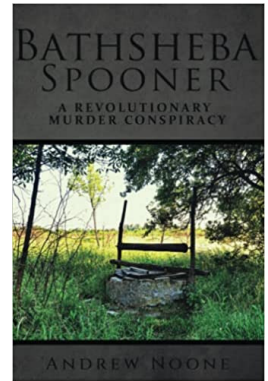
**Most events are free.
Everyone is welcome.
Donations are gratefully accepted.**

2:00 pm Sunday, November 20: There will be a showing of “Kittacuck Speaks,” a film about the history of the Blackstone. **John Marsland**, president of the Blackstone Valley Watershed Council Friends of the Blackstone will introduce the movie.

2:00 pm Sunday, January 22: **Andrew Noone**, author of “Bathsheba Spooner, A Revolutionary Murder Conspiracy,” will give a presentation.

2:00 pm Sunday, April 16: **Jim Bailey** will speak about his research and his upcoming new book about Captain Henry Every, the pirate.

1:30 pm Sunday, May 21. Annual Meeting and talk by **Kevin Klyberg**, Blackstone River Valley National Historic Park Ranger.



Bathsheba Spooner: A Revolutionary War Murder Conspiracy
by Andrew Noone

Historic Cemeteries, cont.

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volunteers were raking leaves and finding buried headstones at the Millville/Wilson Cemetery at 191 Central St in Millville, MA.

The Beacon Pole Chapter of the NSDAR cleaned over 30 headstones on Oc-

tober 24 at the Old Diamond Hill Cemetery, CU024, an interesting cemetery with many 18th and 19th century graves. They plan to return in the spring as part of an ongoing project.



Broken headstones being pieced together at NP12, the Elena Street Cemetery in North Providence

Membership News

Thank you for being a member of The BVHS!

Your dues help us fulfill our mission and provide the community with excellent programming throughout the year.

To save postage and printing expenses, we will be discontinuing the use of membership cards. If you have just paid your dues, thank you! We have made note of your continued support!

Not sure when your dues are due? Don't worry, you will receive a reminder to renew in the mail. Use the addressed envelope to mail in your dues or renew online.

As always, if you have ideas about programming or would like to help in any way, make note of that on your renewal form or just speak to a member of the executive board at the next event.

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