

# News from the Stow Historical Society

A newsletter for all friends of Stow history.  
Please feel free to pass it along to others who might be interested!

March 18, 2018

## Join the SHS for three fabulous spring programs

**Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup>:** An engaging evening with Ken Gloss, proprietor of Brattle Book Shop, Boston

- Pompositicut Community Center, 7 PM



**Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>:** 1 PM tour of the State House, Beacon Hill, with a reception in Representative Kate Hogan’s office, celebrating the *Images of Stow* which have been hanging there since the fall of 2017.



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Due to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Nor’easter

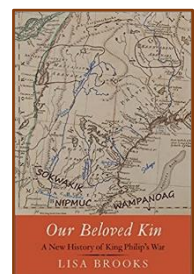


**Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>:** An evening with Amherst College Professor, Lisa Brooks, author of *Our Beloved Kin: A New History of King Philip’s War*



<http://www.gazettenet.com/A-new-interpretation-Amherst-College-historian-takes-a-fresh-look-at-King-Philip-s-Wars-15081504>

- Nashoba Regional High School Auditorium, 7 PM



**Wednesday, March 21, 2018**

**A Lecture by Ken Gloss on Old and Rare Books**



Pompositticut Community Center  
509 Great Road, Stow, MA  
7-8 PM

**Kenneth Gloss**, proprietor of the internationally known Brattle Book Shop in Boston's Downtown Crossing section, will give a free and open talk **Wednesday, March 21 at 7:00**. Ken will discuss the value of old and rare books.

Ken, who is also a frequent guest appraiser on PBS' *Antiques Roadshow*, will talk in part about the history of his historic bookshop ([www.brattlebookshop.com](http://www.brattlebookshop.com)), which goes back to circa 1825. He is a second-generation owner.

Ken will talk about and show some of his favorite finds and describe some of the joys of the "hunt," as well as explain what makes a book go up in value. He has many fascinating anecdotes to share as well as guidelines for what to look for when starting a collection. There is also a Q&A session before the conclusion of his talk.

**Following the talk and question-and-answer session, he will give free verbal appraisals of all books that attendees have brought with them or will do so at his shop in Boston.**

**Yankee Magazine Editor's Choice Award for Best of New England**, the Brattle Book Shop is one of America's oldest and largest antiquarian bookstores. 2018 is the 69<sup>th</sup> year of Gloss family ownership. Kenneth Gloss succeeded his late father, George Gloss, a well-known figure both in Boston and national antiquarian circles. He had worked in the store since childhood and chose to go into the book business rather than pursue a doctorate in chemistry. He became the sole proprietor upon his father's death in 1985. "I found that books were in my blood and that I would never be really happy if I abandoned the business."

Among the many organizations in which Kenneth Gloss is a member is the Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America, the International League of Antiquarian Booksellers, the New England Antiquarian Booksellers of America, the Massachusetts and Rhode Island Antiquarian Booksellers Association, the Committee for the Boston International Antiquarian Book Fair and the Boston Society. He also is a Fellow of the Massachusetts Historical Society as well as serving on the Board of Overseers of the USS Constitution Museum.

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## Wednesday, March 28, 2018 Images of Stow State House Tour

### Location: Massachusetts State House

24 Beacon St, Boston, MA 02133

### Parking:

- Under the Boston Common and walk up to the front
- Lots on Bowdoin Street; Ashburton Entrance is best for those with limited mobility
- COA is sponsoring a van; the cost is \$5; 3 van openings as of Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup>



### Tour: <https://www.sec.state.ma.us/trs/trsbok/mod.htm>

- The 45-minute tour begins at **1 PM**
- \*\*When entering on Bowdoin Street there are no steps; elevator access
  - All visitors go through a security check
- Meet at Doric Hall at 12:45
  - Coats can be brought to Rep. Kate Hogan's office
- The tour is on 2 floors
  - There are elevators
  - The tour guide(s) will be using the grand staircase

### Reception: Rep. Kate Hogan's Office – 2-3 PM

- View the 17 large, framed photos and prints of historic Stow
- Meet with our representative
- Refreshments will be served

### Lunch Ideas:

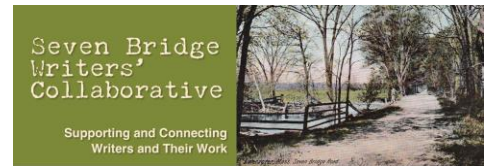
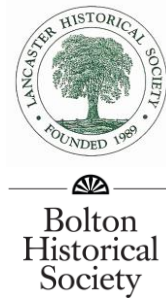
- 21<sup>st</sup> Amendment, 150 Bowdoin Street
- Fill-A-Buster Luncheonette, 142 Bowdoin Street
- Grotto, 37 Bowdoin Street
- Capitol Coffee House, 122 Bowdoin Street



### RSVP – The State House would appreciate a number count for the tour

- Those using the COA van, your RSVP is through the COA
- Those driving, please reply to [info@stowhistoricalsociety.org](mailto:info@stowhistoricalsociety.org)



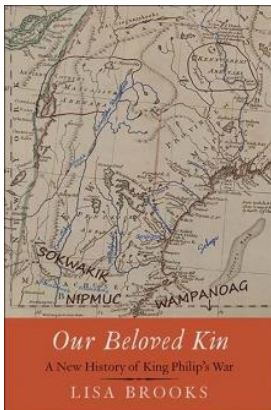


**AN EVENING WITH LISA BROOKS**  
Author of  
*Our Beloved Kin:*  
*A New History of King Philip's War*

**Tracing Mary White Rowlandson's Path:  
From Lancaster/Nashaway to Kwinitekw, the Connecticut River**

**Thursday, April 5, 2018, at 7 PM  
Nashoba Regional High School Auditorium  
12 Green Road, Bolton, MA**

**Meet Our Guest Speaker:**



**Lisa Brooks** is Associate Professor of English and American studies at Amherst College. She is a writer, literary scholar and historian, and she also authored *The Common Pot: The Recovery of Native Space in the Northeast*. She was the John L. Loeb Associate Professor of the Humanities at Harvard University before going to Amherst in 2012. She recently received the Whiting Foundation Public Engagement Fellowship for 2016-2017. While completing her undergraduate degree, she worked on aboriginal rights and land preservation cases with the tribal office at the Abenaki Nation of Missisquoi. As an emerging writer, she was mentored through Wordcraft Circle of Native Writers and Storytellers.

In *Our Beloved Kin*, Lisa Brooks recovers a complex picture of war, captivity, and Native resistance during the "First Indian War" (later named King Philip's War) by relaying the stories of Weetamoo, a female Wampanoag leader, and James Printer, a Nipmuc scholar, whose stories converge in the captivity of Mary Rowlandson.

*This program is sponsored by a collaborative effort among the Bolton Historical Society, the Stow Historical Society, the Lancaster Historical Society, Freedom's Way, and the Seven Bridge Writers' Collaborative.*

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