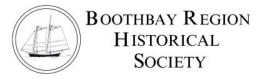
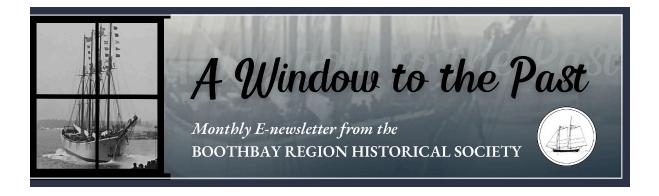
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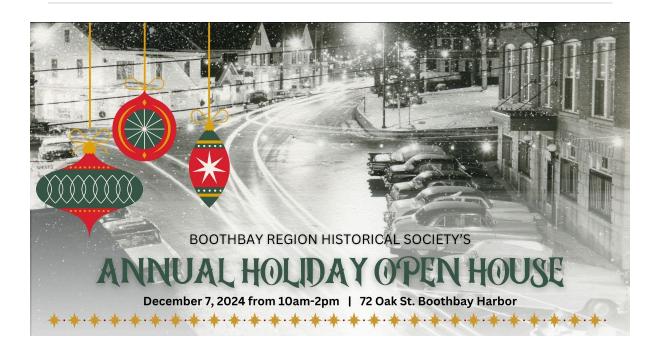
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Mill Cove after a November storm in 1963. Boothbay Region Historical Society, BHFA007-1



Annual Holiday Open House Saturday, December 7, 2024 10am-2pm 72 Oak Street, Boothbay Harbor, Maine

Happy Holidays! Please join us as we celebrate the season with vintage decorations, delicious treats, and lively conversation. Take a chance on door prizes and basket raffles including a music-themed basket, a breakfast feast basket, a kids and grandparents basket, and a jolly homemade snowman piñata filled with goodies. Our gift table will offer a variety of sale items including vintage frames for your precious family photos. Find that perfect book or map for the local history buff on your list. Do your local roots go way back? We'd love to hear your family stories. Are you new to the area? Tell us what drew you to the Boothbay Region. There is no charge for this event as it's our chance to say thank you to the community.

The trustees, volunteers, and staff at the historical society strive to preserve, archive, and make available the objects and stories that tell the rich history of the Boothbay Region. As a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization we depend on you. Whether you support our work as a dues-paying member, donate to our annual fund, attend our events, or simply stock up at our cheese and bake sales, your

involvement helps sustain these efforts. Thank you!



2024 Holiday Raffle Now Open!

Our 2024 Holiday Raffle is now open! Enter this year and win a signed, matted watercolor print of *The Good Voyage – The Eleanor F. Bertram and the Portland* (pictured above) by East Boothbay resident and nationally known maritime artist, Earle G. Barlow (1923-2013), and a copy of <u>Boothbay Region</u> *Historical Sketches, Volume III, edited by* Barbara Rumsey.

Entries are \$5.00 each or three for \$12.00. There are three ways to enter:

- In person: 72 Oak St, Boothbay Harbor, Thursday-Saturday, 10:00-2:00.
- Call (207) 633.0820, Thursday-Saturday, 10:00-2:00.
- Send a check to: Boothbay Region Historical Society PO Box 272
 Boothbay Harbor, ME 04538
 Please include your email address or phone for confirmation.

Entries are open from 11/15/2024-12/20/2024. The winner will be drawn on Saturday, December 21 at 1:00pm. You do not need to be present to win. In accordance with Maine state law, persons under age 18 are ineligible to

participate in this raffle. For more information, click <u>here</u>.



Exhibit Open All Season

Our ongoing exhibit, *A Look Back: 150 Years of Life in the Boothbay Region,* is open Thursday-Saturday from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. This exhibit commemorates the 150th anniversary of the birth of Elizabeth Freeman Reed, whose family built the historic home that now houses our museum.

The exhibit offers a captivating exploration of both the history of the Reed family and the building itself. One of its highlights is a section dedicated to the *Monday Club*, a social group that Elizabeth Reed was deeply involved in, which regularly met in the house. Visitors can also discover artifacts from once-thriving local industries that have since disappeared, including ice harvesting, fertilizer production, and canning.

The personal stories shared in the exhibit offer a unique perspective on the region's history, while displays of broader historical themes help contextualize the changing industries and lifestyles of the Boothbay region. We encourage you to stop in and see if you recognize any faces, places, or events from your own family's history. It's an excellent opportunity to connect with the rich heritage of our community!



A heartfelt thank you to everyone who visited our table during Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens' **Gardens Aglow Community Night** last Friday! Trustees Julia and Kay had a wonderful time meeting new faces and sharing what we do here at the Historical Society. It was a delight to connect with so many of you in the beautiful setting of the glowing, decorated gardens, where visitors roamed while enjoying hot drinks and warm conversations.

We are especially excited to welcome those of you who signed up for our monthly e-newsletter and are receiving this message for the first time. We're thrilled to have your support as part of our community of history lovers. Events like these give us the chance to engage with local residents, share our mission, and build meaningful connections. Thank you for taking the time to visit—we look forward to staying in touch and seeing you at future events!



As we kick off our Annual Appeal, we want to remind you how important your support is to the Boothbay Region Historical Society. Each year, we reach out for donations to help fund nearly 1/3 of our operating budget. Your generosity supports daily operations, programming, and buildings and grounds maintenance, exhibits, and compensates our dedicated staff. We truly couldn't do this vital work without you. If you haven't yet made your donation, please consider giving today. You can donate <u>online</u>, call us, mail a check, or visit us Thursday-Saturday from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Thank you for your support!

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Open all year Thursday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Local historian available by chance or appointment

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