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SEPTEMBER 12, 2017
MEETING AT THE
LYMAN ESTATE, 185 Lyman St.

SEPTEMBER 21, 2017
MEETING AT STONEHURST
Both meetings begin at 7:00 pm

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**The Edmund L. Sanderson Lecture Series Presents
two lectures this month**

**"A Tale of Two Domestic:
Adventures in Archival
Archaeology"**

**Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2017, 7:00 p.m.
Lyman Estate, 185 Lyman St., Waltham**

In 1772, Ruth Hunt, a thirteen-year-old from Concord, Massachusetts, was formally indentured to the family of the local minister. A generation later, Mary Tuesley, recently arrived from England, was hired by the wealthy Gore family. Both of these women worked in domestic service, but how they came to do so and what they expected from their service was very different. By uncovering and piecing together the original source material that exists for these women, we get a richer portrait of working class women's lives in pre- and post-Revolutionary Massachusetts.

Join historian Camille Arbogast as she shares the original source material that exists for these women. The talk is about the two women, the similarities and differences in their situations, as well as context about indentured servitude and domestic work in the late 1700s and early 1800s. It is also a bit of a detective story. Camille will share the documents used, how she found them, what they tell us, what we might infer.

Camille is a museum professional who works for Historic New England and the Trustees of the Reservations. She has worked for Gore Place in Waltham, the Newton Historical Society, and as an American History teacher for Newton Community Development Foundation. She wrote and leads walking tours of the old Norumbega Amusement park in Newton. Her current research topics include the Codman family and Colonial era Indentured Servants in Concord.

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**"American Pluck:
Five Siblings of the Civil
War Generation and Their
Choices"**

**Thursday, Sept. 21, 7:00 p.m.
Stonehurst, Paine Estate
100 Robert Treat Paine Dr., Waltham**

In celebration of International Peace Day, join us for an illustrated talk with Thomas M. Paine about a war's effect on the lives of five siblings, including his ancestor General Charles Jackson Paine who led a company of black soldiers in the Civil War and pioneering peace activist Robert Treat Paine. The title is based on Tom Paine's forthcoming book which tells the story of his own great-grandfather and other men and women of determination and valor who were vitally engaged in the issues of their time over three centuries. Interactive audience discussion and light refreshments to follow.

Thomas M. Paine is the author of Growing Paines, the Stonehurst guidebook and Cities with Heart. He is the founder of Boston !NSPIRES, a consultancy focusing on the intersection of local history, historic preservation and public space design.

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