

Some History of Whitefield

1791 Balltown organizes as a plantation with 76 voters

1807 Establishment of a post office

June 19, 1809 Incorporated as a town and named for the Rev. George Whitfield

1820 Maine declared a state

1860 Pinhook Hotel burned in Coopers Mills

1894 WW&F Railroad opened

1933 Last run of the Narrow Gauge

1944 North Whitefield Fire Department established

1948 Kings Mills Fire Department established

1948 North Whitefield Village Fire

1948 Coopers Mills Fire Department established

1959 Whitefield Consolidated School opened

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Whitefield 2009 Bicentennial



*The past meets the present
and anticipates the future*





BICENTENNIAL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- **June 19th - 7:00 - Town meeting reenactment at the Town House**
- **June 20th – 10:00-3:00: House & garden self-guided tour sponsored by the Whitefield Historical Society. Tickets available at Green Hollow Orchards or call Libby Harmon at 549-7209. \$10 advance; \$12 day of tour.**
- **June 20th – 5:00 - 7:00- Chicken Barbecue at St. Denis Hall; 7:00 – 10:00 Dance – sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.**
- **June 27th – 9:00 - Sheepscot Valley Conservation Association walk at the Whitefield Salmon Preserve. Meet at the Preserve.**
- **July 4th – 10:00 a.m. Kings Mills Parade and Fun Day. Bicentennial themes are encouraged.**

- **August 7-9 – Whitefield Days – A three day celebration under a large tent on the school property. The tent will provide space for local craftspeople, food vendors, farmers market and musicians. The school will house works by local artists, a photography contest, and the community mural. The Historical Society will be open all weekend to display artifacts and the Bicentennial quilt. The schedule of events is as follows:**

Friday, August 7th

- **4:00 – 4:30 Opening of the time capsule at the school.**
- **4:30 - 6:30 – Supper at the Whitefield School sponsored by the Whitefield Union Hall.**
- **7:00 – Under the Tent - Pulitzer Prize winning author, Alan Taylor will present a talk on the early history of Whitefield and the Liberty Men.**
- **8:30 - A reenactment of a “white Indian” uprising and “barn” burning.**

Saturday, August 8th

- **Grand Army 5K road race – 1 mile kids race at 8:30 a.m. – 5K road race at 9:00 a.m. ; Prizes awarded. Registration 7:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m. For more info call Ron Kenoyer at 549-5085.**
- **Children’s games**
- **Farmer’s Market**
- **Crafts**
- **Whitefield’s finest Firemen displays.**

- **Musical events – all day**
- **Local artwork on display in the school.**
- **3:00 - Softball game at the ball field.**
- **4:30 - 6: 30 Pig roast, beans, corn, hot dogs, burgers, under the tent – \$5/ person; \$15/family - hosted by the Calvary Bible Baptist Church.**
- **7:00 -10:00 - Musician Josh Robbins and The Returnables.**
- **9:00 p.m. - Fireworks**

Sunday, August 9th

- **11:30 - 12:30 - Brunch/Lunch under the tent; hosted by the Whitefield Lion’s Club**
- **1:00- 2:00 p.m. - Bath Municipal Band concert under the tent.**
- **August 16th – 2:00 - Thornton Wilder’s, “Our Town” produced by Doug Wright at the Sheepscot Valley Amphitheater.**

New events may be added to this schedule as time goes by. Watch for posters on a-frame signs at King’s Mills, North Whitefield and Coopers Mills and click www.mainething.com for contact information and further details.