

## NEW LONDON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

### Research fees explained:

THE NLCHS charges an initial research fee of \$17.50 to pay for staff time to determine if our resources can further your research topic. For family history questions, the initial fee will cover the following for one family. (Additional family names can be added for a charge of \$5 per name.)

We will check and copy relevant information from the following:

- Cemetery inscriptions for local cemeteries (up to 1930's)
- Newspaper indices for marriages and deaths, 1758 to 1865
- City directories, 1853 to 1974

We will check the following and copy the relevant index entry (*not the pages themselves*):

- The index to the R.B.Wall collection of local history articles
- New London County Historical Society manuscript catalog, including unpublished genealogies and family Bibles
- New London County Historical Society photograph catalog
- New London County Historical Society objects catalog
- New London County Historical Society library catalog, including published genealogies
- Indices to New London County Historical Society publications as relevant:
  - *History of New London County ... 1612 to 1860* (Caulkins)
  - *The Diary of Joshua Hempstead, 1711-1758*
  - *Black Roots in Southeastern Connecticut, 1650 -1900*
- Indices to relevant local history publications and reference materials

Once you have received the results of the initial search, you may feel that additional research would be valuable. You may visit the Shaw Mansion and conduct this research yourself (paying to become a member, or for a research visit), or you may request that our staff conduct more in-depth research or make additional copies of documents; for this service we charge at the rate of \$35 per hour, billable in half hour increments, plus \$.25 per copy. We will provide you with an estimate of the amount that we think will be needed to cover the research requested.

Digital images (photographs or scans) can be made; here the fee will cover the staff time of finding the items, creating the images and processing them into a form that can be delivered to you. One image should be less than a half an hour (at the \$35/hour rate).

### Additional genealogical research:

For research which can not be accomplished in our library – for example, obtaining certificates of birth, death or marriage which are only available at city or town halls – we can provide you with names of local genealogists who will make separate arrangements for direct payment to them for this service. They have access to proprietary databases and websites, and as they are also familiar with our resources they may be able to quickly reveal insights for you, but your business relationship will be with them rather than with the historical society.

### Hours:

Our Research Librarian is generally available Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 to 4. Our library is open to researchers from 1 to 4 on those same days. Appointments are recommended as once the research room is full we can not admit others. Genealogists are generally available on Thursday afternoons.