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THREE NEW “HISTORY SHOWCASES” ON VIEW AT MUSEUM

KENNEBUNK, MAINE – The Brick Store Museum is pleased to announce three new “History Showcases.” The History Showcases are thematic displays cases offering mini-exhibitions that change multiple times throughout the year and are an innovative approach to highlighting special collections, timely topics or recent acquisitions. They also ensure that returning visitors are always seeing something unique. These latest History Showcase installments are made possible by four of the Museum’s proud business partners: Jeffrey A. Bonney, CFP[®], Captain Lord Mansion, Ocean Bank and Captain Jefferds Inn. Now on view:

Mourning Glory: Funerary Tributes of the Victorian Era

Weeping veils, intricate hair wreaths, funerary paintings and lockets help illustrate traditional mourning customs of the 1800s. See a full mourning dress, an extraordinary letter linked to one of the most shocking and tragic moments in American history, and much more.

Chronicling Commerce

The Museum is the steward of hundreds of photographs, documents and artifacts that record the area’s business heritage from the earliest days to the present. An array of commercial ephemera—including business cards, advertising pieces, brochures, products and packaging—spans the past 200 years and speaks to the diversity of industries that have called the Kennebunks “home.”

The Nation’s Guest: Lafayette’s 1825 Visit to Kennebunk

In 1824 and 1825, the aging American Revolutionary War hero General Lafayette made a farewell tour of the United States as “the nation’s guest.” His epic journey included an afternoon stopover in Kennebunk, Maine, in 1825. See the artifacts and archival materials that tell what transpired that June day and learn about the long-term impact Lafayette’s visit would have on the community.

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The Brick Store Museum is located at 117 Main Street in Kennebunk’s historic district. For more than 70 years, the Museum has been dedicated to preserving and exhibiting the region’s rich cultural and artistic heritage. Its galleries and research archives are open to the public year-round: Tuesdays – Fridays, 10 – 4:30 and Saturdays, 10 – 1. Admission is by donation, suggested \$5 per person. Visit www.brickstoremuseum.org or call 207-985-4802 for further information.

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