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Winter 2020

Looking back at 2020!

What a year it has been! Thanks to the generous support of so many donors, sponsors and grants, I am pleased to share highlights of what our dedicated staff and volunteers worked on in 2020. Email is currently our primary source of communication. If you are not already receiving emails from The Wood, please sign up on our website, www.woodmemoriallibrary.org. What will 2021 bring? Creativity and determination continues to abound at The Wood! We will be celebrating our 50th Anniversary and online educational field trips will be available soon.

Many thanks to you, and I wish you and yours a safe and happy holiday season!

Carolyn Venne

Carolyn Venne, Executive Director
Friends of Wood Memorial Library & Museum



Sirena Huang, one of the fourteen women spotlighted in our *Notable South Windsor Women Exhibit*. (Photo Credit Todd Rosenberg)



Nowashe Village structures were all completed in the fall of 2020.



One of the 450+ submissions to our 175Quilt Digital Exhibit of favorite places and spaces in South Windsor.



One of the modes of transportation featured in our online exhibit *From the Podunk Path to the Moon*.



Tobacco is featured in our online exhibit *Evolution of Agriculture*.



Although many of the programs and events we had planned to celebrate the 175th Anniversary of South Windsor were impacted by the pandemic, we had a wonderful year researching and creating five online exhibits and more than 70 "Daily Dose" emails, spotlighting and celebrating South Windsor history and many of its notable residents.



The Wood's new archivist, Leith Johnson working with traveling archivist Evelyn Green, made possible by a grant from the Connecticut State Historical Records Advisory Board, to develop a plan for a thorough inventory of the Wood archives.



Local jokester and possible "ghost" Clynton Buckland is one of locals featured in our virtual Harvest Moon Dinner presentation *A Series of Macabre Events*.



Filming begins as we create virtual field trips featuring local Indigenous People in response to the pandemic. Annawon Weedon is shown being filmed by Mazz Media in the local Telefunken sound studio.

Brigadier General Jim Throwe was the subject of one of our "Daily Doses" in honor of his 90th birthday before his passing later in the year.



Wapping Church is featured in this quilt square, part of the 1976 Bi-Centennial Quilt, which was featured in "Daily Doses" and is now available as an online exhibit.