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Fall Family Festival and Scarecrow Competition at Greenwich Historical Society

Cos Cob, CT, September 24, 2014--This traditional fall festival, generously sponsored by The First Bank of Greenwich, will feature a scarecrow-making competition, a hayride tour through the Strickland Road Historic District compliments of Sam Bridge Nursery, and in keeping with the World War I theme of the Historical Society's fall exhibition *Greenwich Faces the Great War*, the event will include family-friendly tours of Bush-Holley House, interpreted as it would have been during the WWI years. Themed activities will include an espionage game for the whole family and crafts that focus on vintage airplanes and poppies. Music will be provided by popular bluegrass/swing band Too Blue from 1:00 to 3:00 pm.

Feeling creative? For a \$15 entry fee (\$10 for members) the Historical Society will supply everything you need to make a scarecrow, including armature ("the bones"), hay for stuffing, twine and a burlap sack for the head. Bring your own clothing and "accessories" to customize your creation. Prizes will be supplied by Ann's Hobby Center and Smart Kids' Toys. Advance registration for the Scarecrow Competition is required.

Price of general admission includes free entry to Bush-Holley House and the Storehouse Gallery exhibition *Greenwich Faces The Great War*, which marks the 100th anniversary of the start of World War I in Europe and explores the many contributions that Greenwich residents made from civilian war gardens at home to the battlefields across Europe.

Sunday, October 12, 2014 12:30 to 3:30 pm Greenwich Historical Society Bush-Holley Historic Site 39 Strickland Road General admission: \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Family admission: \$25. Refreshments included in admission. No charge for children 2 and under. Scarecrow Competition: \$15 entry fee; \$10 for Historical Society members. Advance registration for the scarecrow competition is required.

Pay at the door for general admission or purchase tickets at <u>www.greenwichhistory.org</u>. Register for the Scarecrow Competition online or call 203-869-6899, Ext 10.

