



"A wife should no more take her husband's name than he should hers. My name is my identity and must not be lost."

"Now all we need is to continue to speak the truth fearlessly, and we shall add to our number those who will turn the scale to the side of equal and full justice in all things."

"Leave women to find their sphere."

"But I do believe that a woman's truest place is in a home, with a husband and with children, and with large freedom, pecuniary freedom, personal freedom, and the right to vote."

"I expect to plead not for the slave only, but for suffering humanity everywhere."

"We must be true to each other."

"Henceforth the leaves of the tree of knowledge were for women, and for the healing of the nations."

"I know not what you believe of God, but I believe He gave yearnings and longings to be filled, and that He did not mean all our time should be devoted to feeding and clothing the body."

"I was a woman before I was an abolitionist. I must speak for the women."

"Make the world better."

- Lucy Stone



BIOGRAPHY

Lucy Stone was born on August 13, 1818 in West Brookfield, Massachusetts. Stone was a prominent U.S. orator, abolitionist, and suffragist, and a vocal advocate and organizer who promoted rights for women.

In 1847, Stone became the first woman from Massachusetts to earn a college degree. She spoke out for women's rights and against slavery at a time when women were discouraged and prevented from public speaking. Stone was known for using her birth name after marriage, although the custom at the time was for women to take their husband's surname.

Stone helped initiate the first National Women's Rights Convention in Worcester, Massachusetts, which she supported and sustained annually, along with a number of other local, state, and regional activist conventions.

She assisted in establishing the *Woman's National Loyal League* to help pass the Thirteenth Amendment, thereby abolishing slavery. She then went on to help form the *American Woman Suffrage Association* (AWSA), which built support for an amendment to the U.S. Constitution by winning woman suffrage at the state and local levels.

Called "the orator", the "morning star", and the "heart and soul" of the women's rights movement, Stone influenced Susan B. Anthony to take up the cause of women's suffrage. Elizabeth Cady Stanton wrote that "Lucy Stone was the first person by whom the heart of the American public was deeply stirred on the woman question."

Together, Anthony, Stanton, and Stone have been called the 19th-century "triumvirate" of women's suffrage and feminism. Lucy Stone died on October 18, 1893.

A Bicentennial Birthday Celebration for Lucy Stone



Six events to celebrate her 200th Birthday
August 11 & 12, 2018

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Lucy Stone, pioneer women's rights and abolition advocate, born in West Brookfield on August 13, 1818, will be remembered, honored, and celebrated as an example for the future, with the presentation of the following events in the Town of West Brookfield:

The cost per ticket for each Saturday event is \$5.00 Students 8-14 half-price

Saturday, August 11, 2018 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
THREE-SITE TOUR
Quaboag Historical Society Museum

Begin with a tour of the Quaboag Historical Society Museum. Then travel by bus to the Lucy Stone Home Site and to the Rock House Reservation, two of the many special places cared for by The Trustees. Narration by renowned Stone biographer Joelle Million. The Museum is in the train depot located at the intersection of Central and Front Streets. Parking is available across the street. (The bus tour is not suitable for wheelchair access and will involve outdoor walking, up to a quarter mile, on a slight incline.) Capacity: 80

Saturday, August 11, 2018 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION SUFFRAGIST TEA
Great Hall in the Town Hall, 2 East Main Street

A Birthday Celebration Suffragist Tea with a selection of refreshments, a one-of-a kind cake by June's Bakeshop, costumed hostesses, a display of the timeline of the women's rights movement, and artistic contributions from local elementary school children. Guest speakers will include Honorable State Senator Anne M. Gobi, State Senator Stephen M. Brewer, and keynote speaker, Regina M. Edmonds, Ph.D., Professor Emerita of Psychology and former Director of Women's Studies at Assumption College. With live period music by strolling master musician Rob Lyon, the afternoon is sure to be full of energy from the townspeople and guests honoring Lucy Stone. Bus shuttle service will be available from the Quaboag Historical Society Museum parking area. Capacity: 152

Saturday, August 11, 2018 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
CONCERT OF PERIOD SONGS

Congregational Church on the Common, 36 N. Main St.
Concert of period songs featuring the well-known Old Sturbridge Village Singers. The Stone family attended services in an earlier building. Capacity: 138

The cost for the Sunday afternoon event is \$10.00
The Sunday evening event is \$5.00
Students 8-14 half-price at both events

Sunday, August 12, 2018 2:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.
I NOW PRONOUNCE YOU LUCY STONE
AND A CONCERT OF PERIOD MUSIC
Congregational Church on the Common

I Now Pronounce You Lucy Stone, a powerful one-woman show featuring Judith Kalaora of New England's *History at Play*, followed by a concert of period instrumental music with violinist Samantha Gillogly and pianist Virginia Bailey. Capacity: 138

Sunday, August 12, 2018 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
ROUND TABLE PANEL DISCUSSION
Great Hall in the Town Hall, West Brookfield

A round table panel discussion titled *Lucy Stone, Where Do We Go From Here?* will be moderated by Deborah Becker, WBUR Radio Host and Senior Correspondent, and feature Senator Anne M. Gobi, Dr. Regina M. Edmonds, Author Joelle Million, Dr. R. Vivian Acosta, Dr. Linda Jean Carpenter, and Samantha Gillogly, along with other guests and audience participation. This event will be videotaped for future use. Capacity: 250

Please note:

Due to different venue capacities, each event will have differing and limited audiences, and therefore, must be reserved and ticketed separately.

There is no minimum purchase required, any or all events are available, subject to capacity limits and the following terms:

Attendance will be by advance reservation only. Reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, with the exception of special invitations to Stone and Blackwell family descendants, women across the United States named Lucy Stone, and our Commission guests.

Don't delay! Space is limited.

Deadline for receiving reservations:
Wednesday, June 27, 2018.

Do not send your check now.
Reservations accepted by mail only.

The Commission will notify you by email or phone on or before July 1, as to the status of your reservations, and the amount due.

Deadline for receiving payment:
Saturday, July 14, 2018.
Payment is by check only,
no credit cards accepted.

Please make the check out to:
"Town of West Brookfield"
with a memo note "Lucy Stone"
Mail your payment to:

West Brookfield Historical Commission
P.O. Box 372
West Brookfield, MA 01585

Your tickets will be mailed to you.
There are no refunds for accepted reservations. We expect tickets to sell out quickly and it is unlikely that tickets will be available during the weekend of the events. However, you are encouraged to check our website to find out which events may still have tickets at the door.

For more information contact:
Dan Hamilton 508 637-1329
lucy@westbrookfield.org or go to
www.westbrookfield.org

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Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Please check your preferred method of communication.

Below please enter the number of people
who plan to attend each event:

SATURDAY, August 11, 2018

LUCY STONE BIRTH SITE BUS TOUR
__ Adults (\$5.00) __ Students 8-14 (\$2.50)

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION SUFFRAGIST TEA
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