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## ***Constable Hall Webinar Series***

### ***Part 1: The Construction, Renovation and Restoration of Constable Hall***

The Constable Hall Association and the Tug Hill Commission are pleased to be hosting a four-part series of webinars entitled "***Constable Chronicles.***" Beginning in September, the webinars will be narrated by Martha Constable Murray, a direct descendant of William Constable Jr., the builder of Constable Hall in Constableville, New York. The webinars will trace the history of Constable Hall, the genealogy of the Constable family and the family's influence in New York State, and will recount family members' recollections of life at the Hall. Information about the upcoming webinars will be made available as they are scheduled. A special holiday presentation is being planned for December!

Please join us for an evening of "facts, fiction and folklore" as Martha Murray tells the story of the construction, renovation, and restoration of Constable Hall. **The first webinar is scheduled for 7:00 pm on Tuesday September 22, 2020.** Register at [us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_SvKPqSKHSraJhrgF7dy79w](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_SvKPqSKHSraJhrgF7dy79w).

**About the presenter:** Martha Constable Murray is the daughter of John Pierrepont Constable Jr., the last Constable family member to own Constable Hall in Constableville, New York. Martha, aka Marty, was born and raised in Watertown, New York, graduated from Watertown High School, and received a BA in Secondary English Education from SUNY Geneseo. For almost 25 years, she taught in the Greece Central School District in Rochester, New York, and earned an MS in Education and an MS Literacy along the way. She honed her English skills and mastered APA and Turabian editing styles, and for the last 15 years, has edited doctoral dissertations, manuscripts, and journals.

Martha has presented to various groups in the Rochester area including historical societies, church groups, the Rochester City retired teachers and the DAR. Most recently she presented at the 200th celebration of the completion of Constable Hall in July 2019. Her book *Constable Hall, A Story*, is available at the Constable Hall giftshop.

Rochester has been Martha's home since 1972, but she spends as much time as possible in Sackets Harbor where her family has had a cottage for 71 years.

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