

## Browse the Brookfields Historical Hunt Driving Tour.

Note: Brochures referenced are available in West Brookfield at member shops and restaurants.

- If driving from Rt. 20 in Sturbridge go north on Rt. 148 and follow to Rt. 9 in Brookfield. Go West on Rt. 9 to begin the tour.
- The “**West Brookfield Welcomes You**” sign tells about Lucy Stone (see brochure) born in town in 1818.
- Continue west and “**The Haymaker's Country Store**” “A quaint country store with a simpler time in mind”, will be on the left. The Quaboag River meanders just to the south. In 1710, haymakers working in the meadow nearby were the last white men killed by Indians in this area.
- Optional Stop - after "Haymaker's Store:  
Continue on Rt-9 and turn right on Foster Hill Rd. after the yellow blinker. A sign at the foot of the hill describes the settlement. There are 5 marked historic sites as you drive to the top of the hill.
- Return to Rt. 9 west and “**The Post & Boot**”, “**House and Garden Accents**”, is on the right. A sign nearby on the Town Common marks the boundary of the Center Historic District that includes almost 300 buildings and extends to the “**Book Bear**” on West Main St.
- At the Town Common bear right onto School St. Park your car at the bandstand to follow the ”Walking Tour of Main St. “(see brochure).

- Turn right onto North Main St.; pass the Fort Gilbert historic marker and elementary school. “**The Purple Onion**”, “A barn full of country furniture and gifts”, is on the right.
- Return to Rt. 9 West once again, passing the bandstand. Turn right onto Rt. 9 West and “**The Holistic Center**”, “A holistic community center”, is on the left.

*Optional stop- before the Bakery, turn right at traffic light (Cottage St.) to visit the “**Old Indian Cemetery**” (see Brochure) dating to 1710.*

- At the traffic light in the center of town turn left onto Central St. to find “**Everyday Homemade Bakery**” (on left). Fresh breads and pastries made the old fashioned way everyday.

*Optional Stop- Continue on Central St. to visit the “**Quaboag Historical Society Museum**” located in the 1884 Boston & Albany Railroad Depot. (Open Sat. 11am-2pm).*

- Return to RT.9 turn left (west) and follow to the “**Book Bear**”, 90,000 used, collectible and rare books”, on the left.
- Continue west on Rt.9 pass Lake Wickaboag turn right on Snow Rd. “**Lyon Iron**”, “ purveyors of fine antique iron for Hearth and Home”, will be on your right after the Miniature Horse Farm.

*From Lyon Iron continue on Rt.9 west*

- Continue west on Rt.9, pass Lake Wickaboag to “**Salem Cross Inn**”, “Traditional New England menu”, on the left. Your “Letter is provided on the entry form, due to hours of operation (Sat. 5-9PM and Sun. Noon-8PM).

*Optional Stop-*

*Continue west on Rt. 9 to the “Lucy Stone” sign on the left at Coy Hill Rd. Follow the road up the hill to the “Lucy Stone Homesite” (see brochure) on the right and follow the trail.*

*Optional Stop-*

*Return to Rt.9 West to the “Rock House Reservation” (see brochure) on the right. Follow the trails to the pond, cottage, butterfly garden and rock shelter.*

This concludes the  
“Driving Tour of West Brookfield”.

We hope you have enjoyed your visit to our historic town and the “**The Browse the Brookfields**” member shops and restaurants.

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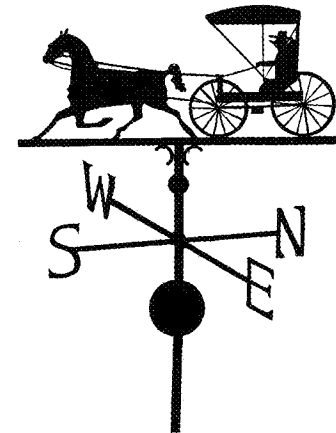
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