A Sticky Situation: Boston’s Great Molasses Flood

NEW COURSE! On January 15, 1919, a twenty-five foot wall of molasses poured through the streets of Boston’s North End. The Great Molasses Flood killed twenty-one and injured one hundred fifty residents. In this class you will explore this unique disaster through a creative approach that includes a variety of hands-on activities. Participants will be introduced to the victims, examine a timeline of events, and read primary source documents. They’ll discover how the current events of the time may have played a role in the flood and discuss the trial that followed. Participants also will look at the molasses flood through the eyes of a scientist. The course will end with a molasses tasting.

Date: Tuesday 2:00 pm-4:00 pm
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Registration Fee: $39 for this individual course, or register for all three of Nancy’s courses for $99 and save $17! (Hail to the Chief: Presidential Pets and Read to Me: Sharing Picture Books with your Children and Grandchildren are Nancy’s other courses, see descriptions below).

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Instructor Bio: Nancy A. Franks retired in 2016 after thirty-two years as an elementary educator in Plymouth, Massachusetts. Within her successful career, Nancy taught graduate courses, authored four resource books for educators, and presented at national conventions. She earned numerous awards including the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics Teaching, the highest honor a mathematics educator can hope to achieve. Nancy is currently the coordinator of Massachusetts Maritime Academy’s Follow The Voyage – Share The Experience Program. She enjoys doing research on a wide variety of topics and sharing her discoveries with both children and adults.