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## **Third Annual October Lanterns & Legends Tours of the Old Washington County Jail**

**Kingston, RI** – Back by popular demand, the South County History Center’s Lanterns & Legends Tours of the Old Washington County Jail are returning this October. Tour-goers will learn about some of South County’s creepiest history, including brazen murders, gruesome executions and supposed vampires. The tour highlights grim artifacts from the Center’s collection that are not usually on display.

Tours will be offered on October 20th, 21st, 27th and 28th at 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for Center members and students (including college). Tickets and lanterns can be purchased through the Center’s website, [www.SouthCountyHistoryCenter.org](http://www.SouthCountyHistoryCenter.org), or by calling or stopping in the Old Washington County Jail on Thursdays and Saturdays *prior to the day of event*. Space is limited, and tours quickly sell out each year.

Lanterns & Legends Tours will take place in the historic Jail, which has many staircases and unfortunately is not handicapped-accessible. The Jail will be minimally lit, and guests may purchase a lantern for an additional \$7 with their tickets that can be used on the tour and taken home. The content discussed during the tour may be scary and difficult to understand for children younger than high school-age.

Private group tours are available, and can be arranged by contacting the Center at 401-783-1328 or [erica@southcountyhistorycenter.org](mailto:erica@southcountyhistorycenter.org).

Proceeds from these special tours support the Center’s efforts to preserve local history.

For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit [www.SouthCountyHistoryCenter.org](http://www.SouthCountyHistoryCenter.org) or contact the Center at 401-783-1328.

**Photo Enclosures:** Old Washington County Jail cell interior (South County History Center); Old Washington Jail 1898 (South County History Center)

### **About the South County History Center**

The South County History Center’s mission is to lead the discovery and stewardship of South County’s unique historic resources through meaningful and enriching learning opportunities. To achieve this goal, the Center preserves and interprets the material culture of South County through exhibits and study of archival, library and artifact collections. For more information, please visit [SouthCountyHistoryCenter.org](http://SouthCountyHistoryCenter.org).

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