

Plainville Historical Society to present "The Life and Times of William Webb"

The Plainville Historical Society is excited to announce its first program of the year. On Tuesday evening November 16th at 7:00 PM, Kevin Johnson from the State Library's History and Genealogy Unit will portray Connecticut's William Webb, an African-American Civil War soldier. A native of Hartford, William was one of the African-Americans who served in the 29th (Colored) Regiment of Connecticut Volunteer Infantry.

Johnson's presentation is told from an exciting first-person perspective that illustrates the struggle of the African-Americans serving in the infantry. He tells of Webb's early life, recruitment and training, and the traumatic final battles of the Civil War. The presentation is based on extensive research using collections at the State Library and Museum of Connecticut History.

The event will take place at the Plainville Historic Center at 29 Pierce Street in Plainville. The program is open to the public but due to COVID, the Historical Society asks that you register in advance since numbers will be limited.

Register by emailing plvhistorical@gmail.com and include your name(s), phone number, email address, and number of people in your party who wish to sit together. A seating plan will be set up in advance. Confirmation will be sent by email. Attendees are asked to wear a mask at all times.

The program will take place in the meeting room on the second floor. Elevator access is available.

