

# What happened in Suffield during 1774?



Boston Tea Party Painting from US Capitol

## Suffield Academy Students Present

On April 18<sup>th</sup> 7:00-8:00pm at Suffield's Senior Center

In response to the Boston Tea Party (1773), Parliament drafted the Coercive Acts in 1774, and residents throughout the thirteen colonies protested these acts in various ways. What part of Suffield's population supported the growing patriot cause in Boston? Which citizens accepted the dictates of the British Parliament? Who was neutral? The year 1774 also marked the highest recorded number of slaves in Connecticut, 6,464. What effect did these turbulent times have on the 37 enslaved Africans in Suffield?

Suffield Academy students will present during the April meeting of the Suffield Historical Society. All Society meetings are open to the public, and newcomers are most welcome. Residents with questions should email Bill Sullivan at [bsullivan@suffieldacademy.org](mailto:bsullivan@suffieldacademy.org).

