Dear Friends:

This month we celebrate the end of summer with highlights that feature time-honored seasonal foods and activities. We also share an upcoming virtual event on collecting personal narratives from the 1918 flu pandemic. We hope you’ll join us on August 18!

Noted Elsewhere: “The Mask of Unequal Health”

Susan Reverby, a past NYAM speaker and emerita history professor at Wellesley College, writes a pointed editorial in the American Journal of Public Health: “The Mask of Unequal Health and Excess Death: A Reality.” Lamenting the lack of seriousness of attending either to history or to social justice in the COVID-19 pandemic, she notes, “If we take seriously the concept that racism is the number one public health problem, we have to do more. … This is our time.”

We look forward to welcoming you back to the Library. As we wait, stay safe, stay engaged and stay connected.

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