

WALTHAM GENERAL INFORMATION

General

Scope and Content

This series incorporates items related to the general history of Waltham and its surrounding towns. Included here is information about Waltham history, its church bells, Internet sites, its Name Origin, its neighbors, Norumbega, Waltham's Street names and the Underground Railroad.

- Newsclippings pertaining to the bells of Waltham are found here
- The "Description and History" sub-series has brief descriptions of the city. These descriptions come from newspapers, and City guides.
- Internet material has been printed from the World Wide Web by the library archivist. The sub-series includes information about Waltham found using search engines. There is information here on the companies, schools, clubs and other establishments with homepages on-line.
- Discussion of the origination of Waltham's name is found in the Name origin series. Housed here are materials about Waltham Abbey, England, which is believed to be the inspiration for Waltham, Massachusetts' name.
- Material relating to the boundaries of Waltham including information about the annexation of part of Newton to Waltham is found here.
- Postcards, publications, a map, newsclippings, opening ceremony information and National Register information about Norumbega are included here. Worthy of particular note are publications by Eben Horsford and Elizabeth Shepard.
- Newsclippings about Waltham street names and a publication about Belmont Street names are housed here.
- Housed here is information about the Underground Railroad in Waltham. The information primarily pertains to the Jarvis Lewis house on Main and Liberty Streets, which was a known Underground Railroad stop. Notes about the Willard Adams house, the Helen Lewis house, the Sanderson house at 380 Lexington Street and the house at 326 Bacon Street are also found here.

Arrangement

This series was artificially arranged from items primarily found in the Waltham Room in 1994. Items are arranged in subseries related to the general history of Waltham and its neighboring towns. Sub-series are arranged alphabetically by folder title.

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Bells in Waltham -

Newsclippings, 1897, 1987

Description and History -

"Waltham Watches But Never Waits - An Ideal City for Business or Residence, reprinted from *Waltham Evening News*, June 19, 1920 - Booklet (2 copies)

Waltham Community Guide, August 1993

"Waltham Municipal Snapshot," *Banker and Tradesman*, August 5, 1992 (special report)

McDonald, John A. "Financial Profile", reprinted from *Boston Herald*, August 11, 1966

Waltham the City of Choice, Economic Development Program, Waltham City Council, c. 1995

Newsclippings

Postcards

Waltham's Beginnings on the Internet -

The following are all printed copies of World Wide Web pages related to Waltham. They were printed from the library system using a Lynx browser.

Cedarwood Association Homepage, November 1995 & January 1996

City of Waltham Massachusetts Unofficial Homepage, July 1995, September 1995, September 1996

India Pentecostal Assembly of Boston Inc., July 1995

Missouri State Census Data Center: Basic Demographic Trend Report for Waltham, September, 1995

Brandeis University Homepage, www.brandeis.edu, September 1995

WBRS-Waltham 100.1, www.wbrs.org, September 1995

EOCD, Waltham Community Profiles,

web5.near.net/eocd/eocd/iprofile/315.htm#narrative, April 1996

Polaroid Homepage, www.polaroid.com/homepage.htm, April 1996

Raytheon Homepage, www.Raytheon.com, April 1996

National Archives and Federal Records Center,

www.nara.gov/data1/nara/frc/1ncbloc.html, April 1996

Westin Hotel, Waltham, September 1996

Waltham West Suburban Chamber of Commerce, 1996

Boston Computer Society, September 1996

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<u>BOX</u>	<u>FOLDER</u>
1 (cont.)	<p>Name Origin - Waltham Abbey <i>Waltham Abbey Church</i>, booklet with description Darby, Reverend H.R. <i>The Pictorial History of Waltham Abbey</i>, London: Pitkin Pictorials Ltd., 1976 Postal View Souvenir (postcard), printed pullout photos of Waltham Abbey, c. 1922 Stearns, Alfred B. "Origin of the Name Waltham," brief description, ND Dean, Dinah, <i>Legend of the Miraculous Cross of Waltham</i>, for Waltham Abbey Historical Society, 1975 (photocopy) Camp, John and Dinah Dean, <i>King Harold's Town</i>, for Waltham Abbey Historical Society, August 1975 (photocopy) Map of Waltham Abbey Newsclippings</p> <p>Waltham/Newton/Watertown/Weston Maps - Original boundaries of Watertown Senate Bill no. 65 - Annexation of part of Newton to Waltham, March 13, 1849 Newsclippings</p> <p>Norumbega Postcards (<i>see photo index for more info.</i>) Shepard, Elizabeth. <i>A Guidebook of Norumbega and Vineland</i>. Boston: Damrell & Upham, Pub., 1893. Map - "River Flowing Through a Lake Into the Sea: Vineland of the Northmen," by George Davis, Civil Engineer, ND "The Legend of Norumbega" - photocopy of 2- page typed document DVD – <u>Return to Norumbega</u> ACC# 2009-11 Accession # 1997-1 Massachusetts Historical Society form for the National Register of Historic Places Norumbega Tower, 1994 NewsClippings Unboxed Monographs by Eben Horsford - <i>Defences of Norumbega</i>. Boston: Houghton Mifflin and Co., 1891. <i>Discovery of America by Northmen: Address At The Unveiling of the Statue of Leif Erikson, Faneuil Hall</i>. Boston: Houghton Mifflin and Co., 1888.</p>

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Norumbega (cont.) -

Unboxed Monographs of Eben Horsford (cont.) -

John Cabot's Landfall in 1497 and the Site of Norumbega,
Cambridge: John Wilson and Son, 1886.

The Landfall of Leif Erikson A.D. Boston: Damrell &
Upham, 1892.

Leif's House in Vineland & Graves of the Northmen.
Boston: Damrell & Upham,
1893.

The Problem of the Northmen: A Letter to Judge Daly.
Cambridge: John Wilson and Son, 1889

Street Names

Betts, Richard B. *The Streets of Belmont and How They Were
Named*, 1974.

Newsclippings

Underground Railroad

Lewis, Helen. *The Lewis Place, Main and Liberty Streets*,
photocopy of handwritten document, ND

Sanderson, E. L. *The Jarvis Lewis House*, typed document, ND
Plan of Lewis house, photocopy

Photocopied notes -

Willard Adams House

Helen Lewis House

Handwritten notes -

Sanderson House, 380 Lexington Street
326 Bacon Street

Newsclipping on Jarvis Lewis House

Flat Box

Miscellaneous Manuscripts -

Completion ceremony of Norumbega Tower -
Invitation; Program brochure

Notice of Town Meeting Rumford Hall, 1875

Ballou's Pictorial article on Main Street, Waltham, March 15, 1856

Gleason's Pictorial article on Waltham Bleachery, ND

"Waltham, MA: Our Beginnings..." - Postcard reproductions on
poster

"The Waltham Watch"- no. 1, Dec. 10, 1969; no. 2, 6/26/70
#2000-7 no.4, 7/17/70

National Archives

Newsclippings

