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THE SEARCHERS

—Innovative—Enlightening—Enriching—Enjoyable—

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE,

by Carol Bosworth

***Thank you to all
our men and women
who served in our
military***

We are officially welcoming summer with the Memorial Day Holiday upon us. That means longer days with which to do our research or possibly take a trip to connect with family. We would very much like to hear about your adventures, successes, and brick walls. Considering writing a short article to be shared with us in the SEARCHERS.

The children's program at the Leominster Public Library was a huge success. The children and parents have asked us to do another 3-week session in June. Aubrey Bohnet will continue to run it in June. We are thinking about offering more sessions in the fall and would love some volunteers to help Aubrey with the program. If you can help, please email us at cmgsorg1@gmail.com

Our new Board of Directors was elected at the March annual meeting. The members are:

President	Carol McNeil Bosworth
Vice President	Lynn Houston
Secretary	Angela Schofield
Treasurer	Erica Milano
Historian	Dwight Fitch
Library	Diane Sanabria
Membership	Marcia White
Social media	Sara Campbell
Education	Aubrey Bohnet
Cemetery	June Williams
Publicity	John Johnson
At large	Janet Fortunato
At large	Philip Johnson

CMGS FUNDRAISER

A subcommittee is actively looking into potential fundraisers for CMGS to keep our membership dues where they are currently.

The project they have decided on is a thirteen-month calendar to be sold beginning with the Johnny Appleseed Fair on September 14, 2024

In order to complete this project in time we are asking each member, (or small group of members) to find an interesting photograph in their community and write a brief history of the community which would be

showcased one month of the calendar. The focus would be on the 27 communities in North Worcester County. This could be an ongoing fundraiser, showing casing specific communities each year. **PLEASE HELP**

“UPCOMING MEETINGS”

May 28, 2024

Hybrid Meeting

Hope Lodge,

42 Central Street, Gardner, MA

7 M

Richard Reid

“Have a Computer, Will Document-A Review of Genealogy Software for Windows and Mac”

Zoom link

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZApdeyordGjGNK3ZbXR4eA9dZlkj7EH_Ow

Richard Reid is the director of both the Friends of Irish Research and the David Allen Lambert Library which is based in Brockton, MA. Once you have started collecting family information and documents, there must be a way to keep it organized and have the ability to generate a presentation book. Most of the online subscription services have some of these tools but having it at your fingertips on your own computer is priceless.

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June 25, 2024

Hybrid Meeting

Hope Lodge,

42 Central Street, Gardner, MA

7 M

Pannel of CMGS Members

Cemetery Projects

This meeting will update members on cemetery projects CMGS has completed and are in the process of finishing. It will have

many helpful hints on cleaning and preserving the old stones and discussion of why it is so important to preserve these epitaphs.

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July 25, 2024

Hybrid Meeting

Hope Lodge,

42 Central Street, Gardner, MA

7 M

Deborah Dudek

author

“Mixers and Shakers. Tracing your Saloon, Tavern and Bar Keeping Ancestors Before Prohibition

Our ancestor's need for a good drink can provide new details and narratives for your genealogy research

Zoom link

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZApdeyordGjGNK3ZbXR4eA9dZlkj7EH_Ow

Genealogist Author Librarian
Debra M. Dudek is Head of Adult and Teen Services at the Fountaindale Public Library District in Bolingbrook, IL. She holds a post graduate certificate in Genealogical, Paleographic & Heraldic Studies from the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow, Scotland. Ms. Dudek is the Book Review Editor of the Illinois State Genealogical Society, an executive board member of the Illinois State Historical Society, website coordinator for the Chicago Chapter NSDAR, and is the author of the *World War I Research Guide: Tracing American Military and Non-Combatant Ancestors*.

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August 27, 2024

Hybrid Meeting
Hope Lodge,
42 Central Street, Gardner, MA
7 M

Zoom link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84461212693>

Janice Robinson-Daley

Author of

“THE UNLOCKED PATH”

"An often-riveting fictional testament of a doctor's life at the turn of the 20th century." – *Kirkus Reviews*

The Unlocked Path presents and embraces a "New Woman" of the early 20th century: educated, career-minded, independent. In 1897 Philadelphia

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September 24th, 2024

**Joint Meeting with
Leominster Public Library
In Person**

**At the Leominster Public Library
6:30 – 8:30 PM**

Judy, Kalaora of History at Play.

History At Play™, LLC

productions are designed for the enjoyment of audiences of all ages and demographics. Our productions provide an immersive, extensively researched educational experience into the lives of women who fought for equality.

Please plan to join us at the Leominster Public Library 30 West Street, Leominster, MA 01453 Parking in the back

October 22, 2024

Hybrid Meeting
Hope Lodge,
42 Central Street, Gardner, MA
7 M

Zoom link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84461212693>

Sara Cochran

The Skeleton Whisperer
Helping You Unearth the Story of Your Family

November 19, 2024

Virtual 7 PM

Zoom link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84461212693>

Mount Auburn Cemetery

**L **OOKING FOR HELP
WITH A PROPOSED
ANNUAL FUNDRAISER****

A committee is developing an annual calendar as a fundraiser and would like members to write a short, no more than 100 words, description of their town or a town in North Central Massachusetts, to be showcased on one of the calendar's pages. We would like a picture that represents the community as well as the small write up. If you can help us with this please see Lynn Houston or e-mail us at cmgsorg1@gmail.com

HELP

AROUND WORCESTER COUNTY

Gardner News
January 3, 1924

Home News
Templeton cont. from March

Famous People of Templeton
Massachusetts

The most famous person from Templeton Massachusetts was **George A. Fuller**. Born in 1851 Died in 1900. He was an American architect often credited as being the "inventor of modern skyscrapers and the modern contracting system.

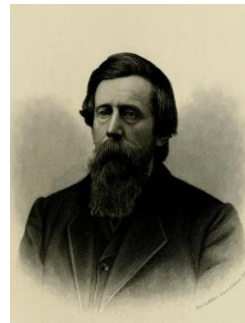


Persis Foster (Eames) Albee She was born May 30, 1836 in Maine and died December 7, 1914 Templeton, MA.

First "Avon Lady"



George Edwin Bryant born February 11, 1832 in Templeton, Massachusetts. He was an American lawyer, judge, and Republican politician. He served as a Union Army officer during the American Civil War and afterwards served as a brigadier general in the Wisconsin National Guard. He also served four years in the Wisconsin Legislature, representing Dane County, and was appointed Wisconsin Superintendent of Public Property by Governor Robert M. La Follette, serving from 1901 until his death in 1907. He died February 16, 1907 in Wisconsin..



Pliny Norcross born November 16, 1838 and died July 16, 1915 by drowning in Flume. He was an attorney



Michael Joseph Kelley was born December 2, 1875 in Templeton, Massachusetts and died June 6, 1955 in Minneapolis, Minnesota He was an American Major League Baseball first baseman. He played

one season in the majors with the 1899 Louisville Colonels. A right-handed hitter and thrower, he appeared in 76 games that season, and he batted .241 with three home runs and had 33 runs batted in.



The Joseph Upham Tavern on the common

Silas Stone built the house in 1770. At the time it was the only house in the center of town built with bricks imported from England. Sometime between 1770 and 1830 it was known as the Joseph Upham Tavery. In 1830 the house was enlarged by adding a two-story ell built of wood to the original house. With the addition, the house now consisted of 19 rooms to accommodate a new private boy's high school. In 1837 the high school was suspended with the last known principal being Sylvester Judd, the well-known author of "Margaret." For the next twenty years there was no high school in town. Town physicians Dr. Spencer and Dr. Tobin then resided here until Elsa Stone, relative to the original Silas Stone, later owned the home in 1946. Along with her father, a Harvard Professor, they tutored young boys from the Boston area over the summer months. Currently the property is known as KRO's on the common a local restaurant.

AROUND WORCESTER COUNTY

Gardner News

December 10, 1914

Special to the News

Baldwinville; A quiet wedding took place at the home of **Leonard E. Turner**, yesterday afternoon, when his daughter, Miss **Ruth E. Turner**, was married to **Harry A. Miller**, both of Baldwinville. The ceremony was performed by Rev. **Henry A. Coolidge**, pastor of the Congregational church. The wedding march was played by the bride's nephew and niece of East Templeton, **Arthur W. Turner**, cello, and Miss **Doris Turner**, organ. Refreshments were served consisting of ice cream, cake, wafers, and punch. Only immediate relatives were present. They left in an automobile amidst a shower of rice. After a short wedding trip they will live with the bride's father at 5 Mechanic street.

Special to the News

Winchendon, Dec. 10 - Mrs. **Ellen Mason**, widow of **Michael Mason**, aged 73 years 4 months and 1 day, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. **Minnie Galagher**, 171 Central Street, at 6 o'clock last night. Death was due to an accident she sustained Oct. 1 when she fell from a chair and broke her left hip. Mrs. Mason was born in Ireland, daughter of **John and Bridget Enwright Connor**. She came to Winchendon 21 years ago. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Minnie Gallagher; six sons, **John** and **Thomas**, Winchendon, **Frank** Fitchburg; **Patrick**, Worcester; **Michael**, Long Island, N.Y. and **George**, Ireland. The funeral will be on Saturday forenoon at 9 o'clock from the Immaculate Heart of Mary church. The burial will be in Calvary cemetery.

Disposes of \$ 14, 950.

William L. Stinson, Winchendon Names
Wife for Executrix.

William L. Stinson, Winchendon who died Nov. 30, disposes of an estate of \$14,950 in his will which was filed yesterday and which names his wife, **Abbie Vose Stinson**, for executrix. It gives his minor daughter, **Barbara**, \$100 and the rest to his wife, subject to two conditions, first to attend to the bringing up and education of their daughter, and arrange by will or otherwise her future financial condition, and second to care for and support his aunt and father. The will executed Nov. 25, was witnessed by **Frank B. Spalter**, **Charles A. Merrill** and **Eva J. MacKenzie**.

June Williams #64

Gardner News

December 11, 1914

Fractures Leg While Coasting

Little Girl Injured by Fall from Sled

The first sliding accident of the season occurred at 8:30 o'clock this morning on Emerald Street when **Rose Sabevla**, the 12-year-old daughter of **Anton Sabevla**, fell from the sled she was coasting on and sustained a fracture of the left leg.

She was taken to her home on Emerald Street, where she was attended by **Dr. L. S. B. Lundwall**. The little girl was with several playmates when the accident happened and they helped to take her home, first getting the assistance of neighbors.

It will be some time before she will be able to return to her studies at the Pleasant Street School, where she is a pupil.

Motorcycle Runner

W. R. Lewis is the Inventor of a New Device.

William R. Lewis of 137 Lovewell Street

has invented a ski arrangement adaptable for motorcycles. He intends to apply for a patent on his invention and market it, if possible. Mr. Lewis has been demonstrating the runner for the past couple of days. It replaces the front wheel, the change taking up about five minutes time. The runner is constructed on the lines of a ski, and Mr. Lewis says that he can travel with more speed and ease than with the wheel, as there is no slurring in the snow.

Special to the News

Winchendon

Albina Dube of Winchendon, the latest petitioner for separate support in the Probate court, makes four charges against her husband, **Aubert Dube** of this town, her petition being filed through **Atty. John F. Jandron** and being returnable Dec. 29. She claims he has threatened her with bodily harm; calls her foul and indecent names; cruelly and abusively treated her by striking her; that he has contracted gross and confirmed habits of intoxication. She asks that the court prohibit her husband from imposing restraint upon her personal liberty and make such order as it deems expedient concerning her support.

Special to the News

Westminster

Edward Leavitt, one of the boys living at the farm of **Mrs. Theodore Holmes**, was sliding at school with the other boys yesterday afternoon, and met with an accident, receiving a cut on his thigh. **Dr. C. M. Kelly** was called and took several stitches.

W. W. Young shot a fox near the residence of **George Davis**, yesterday afternoon.

F.E. Miller, who drives one of C.C. Dawley & Sons cracker teams, skidded into the ditch yesterday morning near **John Ericsson's**

tipping over his sleigh and doing slight damage to the top of the sleigh. Mr. Miller received a slight bruise on his leg.

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HOME NEWS

Samuel Richards of Baldwinville has brought a libel for divorce in the Superior court against **Carrie Richards**, alleging desertion. Carney & Blake are counsel for the libellant.

Pearl B. Sweeney of Gardner has filed a divorce libel in the Superior court against **Albert R. Sweeney** of Keene, N.H. alleging cruel and abusive treatment and non-support. The couple were married at Fitzwilliam, N.H. in 1908. Carney & Blake are counsel for the libellant.

Raymond S. B. Kelly and **Robert Vezzani**, members of the freshman class at Holy Cross college, each received testimonials for excellence in study for the fall term, according to the announcements sent out yesterday. Both boys graduated last year from Gardner High school.

Uno Tikkonen, a 3-year-old, was reported ill with diphtheria to the Board of Health, this morning. The child is confined to his home of Branch Street. **Morris Friedson**, the young son of **Solomon Friedson**, 127 Graham Street, was released from diphtheria quarantine today.

The marriage of **Porter H. Blanchard**, 192 Pearl Street, and Miss **Elizabeth M. Flood**, daughter of **Mrs. Rose R. Flood** of

Ashburnham took place yesterday afternoon at the residence of **Rev. Burton S. Gilman**, Woodland Avenue. The couple were unattended. After a trip to Boston and New York, Mr. and Mrs. Blanchard will live in their new house off Pearl Street. Mr. Blanchard is the son of **George P. Blanchard**, the silversmith and designer, and is connected with the business.

Cattle Ban Removed.

Boston, Dec. 11, - The movement of cattle in three sections of Massachusetts which have had no cases of hoof and mouth disease is allowed in an order issued today by Commissioner **Fred. F. Walker** of the Animal Industry. The sections embrace that area west of the Connecticut river, the northern part of Central Massachusetts and the western section of Worcester County. Every animal in Massachusetts that we now know to be infected with the hoof and mouth disease or that had been exposed to infection will be buried in the ground by tomorrow night, said Commissioner Walk



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