



Weymouth Historical Society

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NEWSLETTER

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WINTER IS OVER: That's our hopeful note for the March 16th meeting. We want no unexpected storms to mar our anticipated pleasure of hearing James Baker speak on the subject "Behind the Scenes at Plimoth Plantation". He is Research Librarian there and the authentic role-playing of the inhabitants there was demonstrated to us recently. One of the ladies asked visitors where they were from and we responded, "Wessagussett." She reacted with horror and we hurried out of her house. We really felt that 300 and some odd years had vanished and Mr. Baker is one of those who create the illusion.

DINNER IS SERVED: Another successful year has passed with fine programs and we end with a gala dinner at last year's prices.

On April 25th our speaker will be Edward J. Kingsbury with a nostalgic look at taverns, trolleys and travel in "Massachusetts Yesterday." The show is done with two projectors and music on tape. Since his retirement as a stockbroker with E.F. Hutton in 1979, Mr. Kingsbury has specialized in slide shows. Dinner will be served shortly after 6:30 p.m. and the annual meeting will follow at 8. You are welcome at both.

Please fill out the coupon below and mail it to Eleanor Cormack. The deadline for reservations is April 18th.

DINNER MENU

\$ 8.00

APRIL 25, 1983

Juice

Celery

Pickles

Roast Turkey

Cranberry Sauce

Giblet Gravy

Vegetable

Coleslaw

Assorted Rolls

Butter

Ice Cream

Coffee

Tea

Please cut off and mail to:

Deadline: Apr. 18

Mrs. Eleanor Cormack
16 Cottage Lane
Weymouth, Ma. 02188

Make checks payable to
"Weymouth Historical Society"

Please send me _____ tickets for the dinner on April 25, 1983
at the South High School at 6:30 p.m. I am enclosing \$8.00 for
each ticket for a total amount of _____.

Name: _____

Street: _____

Town: _____

State

Zip

AN APOLOGY: Had we looked at middle initials more closely we would have given proper recognition to our February speaker in the last newsletter. We had the pleasure of hearing one of our members, Ronald N. Clarke, who is also one of the foremost experts in New England on prints and steel engravings. His son is our program chairman. Both are assets to our group and we hope we are forgiven.

MORE ASSETS: This applies to our members who presented the January program. We do have a talented and knowledgeable membership and our thanks go to Ed Walker, Priscilla Johnsen, Les Hebert, Elaine Pepe, Ruth Loud, Eleanor Cormack, Rita Walsh and Chet Kevitt.

A LOVELY GIFT: Our February meeting was enhanced by the showing of a gift from Ruth Loud and a display of old valentines from her collection. The gift was the wedding dress worn by Lydia Shaw at her marriage to Gilman Loud in 1864 and it was greatly admired and appreciated. The society is very grateful.

WELCOME TO OUR MIDST: We are glad that the following new members have joined us:

Carol and Bill Donovan	617 Thicket St.	S.W. 02190
Doris Hanchay	44 Cottage Lane	W. 02188

MUTUAL SUPPORT: The executive committee voted recently to lend support to the future care of the model of Weymouth that was created under the "Historic Model Project." It is at North High but plans call for its removal to a more secure location at South Junior High. It is hoped that its future care will be a shared responsibility of the the school department, the Historical Commission, our society and other organizations in town. The display is a contoured scale model of Weymouth electronically wired for sound and light with a narration of the town's history that spans more than 360 years.

NEW EXHIBIT: Don Cormack and Chet Kevitt have spent quite a few hours preparing a new exhibit at the museum entitled "The Merchants of Weymouth--1888". Come and see it!

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