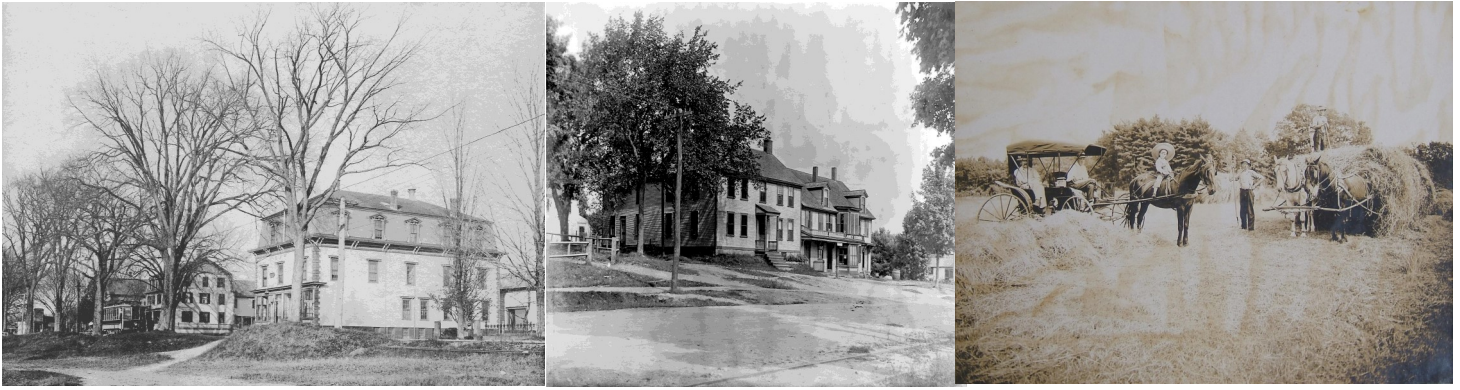




Medway Historical Society Annual Appeal

Dear neighbor,

Relatively few people in Medway know we are here despite the fact that the Medway Historical Society was incorporated in 1902! So this year we are committed to introducing ourselves to each Medway household by our very first town wide distribution.

Our little museum at 223 Main Street is filled to the brim with documents, images and items that tell the story of the town's beginnings through its 305 years of growth. Medway has seen many changes from its origins as a farming community. Many factories were built due to Medway's access to the Charles River. Eventually, the rail systems gave way to main highways. Medway is now considered a residential community. Throughout the town's development, it's the people that connect one generation to the next. Each artifact is but a thing until the person connected to it brings it to life in a story of the past.

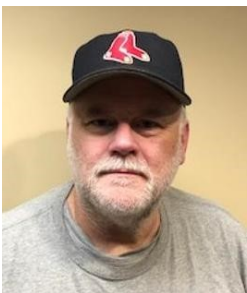
Each year we receive many requests for information about Medway descendants, homes, churches and businesses. One recent inquiry was from David O'Malley from Michigan. David was born in Woonsocket and spent much of his youth in Bellingham. He worked on the 1970's TV series "The Life and Times of Grizzly Adams."

Grizzly Adams was John Capen Adams, born in Medway in 1812. David is currently working on a book and screenplay as well as a proposed documentary for the History Channel on Grizzly Adams. David contacted the Medway Historical Society seeking any information we may have on him. Our dedicated Research Director Stephen Malloy found some information to share with David. You may read a little more about Research Director Stephen Malloy below.

Going forward, we hope that you share our interest and commitment to preserving Medway's history and our efforts in making that history a familiar highlight within our community.

Sincerely,
Sheila Dubrawski, President

Stephen P Malloy, Medway Historical Society Research Director



Steve has been an active member of the Medway Historical Society for about 15 years. He served as Secretary from 2016-2018. Steve is a fourth generation lifelong Medway resident who graduated from Medway High School in 1975. The original Malloy entered the US in New York in the 1840's and is listed on the 1855 MA census living in East Medway. Steve's father Joseph Malloy and his grandfather Daniel Malloy both served as President for the Medway Historical Society. In addition his grandfather served as the station agent at the West Medway train station from 1916-1938 and served as Treasurer of the Medway Cooperative Bank/Charles River Bank 1918-1965. Joseph and cousin Walter Malloy owned Medway Lumber. Great Uncle Tom Malloy was a State Representative

from Medway and other local towns in the 1930's and owned Medway Coal and Grain (now Medway Oil and Propane). Steve's love for history isn't anything new. He is an avid researcher and we consider him the foremost authority on Medway history. Stephen is the go-to person for most inquiries to the Society especially those requesting family history. He earned a Bachelor's Degree in History from St. Anselm College in 1979. Many evenings you're likely to find Steve doing research at the Medway Library. If so, stop and say hello!



JACOB IDE HOUSE

There was standing room only at the Abbey Kelly Foster play we presented at the Jacob Ide house last fall! Among our visitors that day was Heiner and Jan (Halsted) Sussesbach and Josephine Walker and W. Douglas Halsted III. Jan and Douglas grew up at the Ide house. The family lived there from 1941 to 1968. Jan and Heiner were married there on July 12, 1961. Afterward they took residence at the adjacent Mary Ide Torrey house which had been owned by her grandparents.

Jan's mom Alice Heilig Halsted (pictured above) along with Mrs. Elder started the first kindergarten in Medway at the Ide House with 12 students. Attendance grew and the school was moved to the Community Church. The first kindergarten started at the Medway Elementary/Burke School in 1955. Jan's dad, Walter Douglas Halsted Jr. was the Director of the South End Boys Club of Boston.

The Halsted's were great stewards of the Ide house as were all of its owners. They closed a fireplace to split one of the bedrooms into two rooms. While the room has since been opened up to one bedroom again the fireplace is still closed up. Jan still has the mantle from that fireplace and has promised it to the Historical Society!

Medway Fire and Police

Do you have old Medway Fire or Police items you don't know what to do with? Consider donating these items to the Medway Historical Society. Are you interested in efforts to restore a 1988 Medway fire engine? Do you have any vintage items you'd like to donate for our fall yard sale to benefit the Medway Historical Society? Call or text 508-254-3995.

Medway Historical Society Museum 223 Main St

OPEN 3rd Sunday of the Month from 1PM - 3PM, by appointment and when you see the flag out.
Check out our many publications available for purchase at www.medwayhistoricalsociety.org Like us on FB!
Contact us: at 508-533-7222 or info@medwayhistoricalsociety.org

THANK YOU! For the 2018 donation of Items to the Medway Historical Society

The Halsted family	Ralph and Connie Baker
Raymond Baker	Yarmouth Port Historical Society
Audrey Ferguson	Vance Kemmerling
Town of Medway	Stephen Malloy
Chuck Waldron	Bill Womack

2018 Membership, Donor and Sponsor Revenue

For the 2018 year the Society had 71 members and donors for income totaling \$3486. Business Sponsorships totaled \$1890.

The Medway Historical Society

223 Main St. Medway, MA 02053

2019-2020 Membership/Donor Form

Name: _____
Address: _____
Town: _____ Zip _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____

Please provide email to receive news and notice of events!

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Please make checks payable to "Medway Historical Society"

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Charles River Tennis Club



L to R George W Leggee, Wilbert H. Leggee, Wilfred "Bud" Leggee

The Charles River Tennis Club is a Medway hidden historic gem. It was founded in 1934 but its origins date back to 1929! Two original courts were built on the Massasoit St. property of the club's founder and long time president Wilfred "Bud" Leggee. The club was incorporated as a non-profit in 1966 and two more courts were added soon after. A pamphlet entitled "50 Years of Tennis" that was distributed to members on June 23, 1979 portrays the club as very "socially minded." This character of the club remains to this day.

If you're thinking about joining.....

We are a social club, but we do love our tennis. So we encourage prospective members to "play before they pay" by coming over for Drop-In Tennis. It's played Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, weekends and holidays 8:30am to noon and Tuesday nights 5pm to 7pm until June 1. Just email us at info@CharlesRiverTennisClub.com and someone will arrange to meet new players and introduce them around. Generally play begins in late April and goes through the end of October, weather permitting. And the fun continues throughout the winter with many organized tennis and social events - Friday night and Sunday morning tennis at nearby indoor courts, and holiday celebrations for Halloween, New Year's, and St. Patty's Day. The club is a great melting pot from surrounding towns, ages from 25 to 85...maybe a 90+ person among us, but they are keeping their age to themselves!

First Time Member Rates:

Adults \$350; Juniors \$200 (18 years or younger);
Seniors \$320 (over 65)

Thanks to Susan Leggee Dilulio and Maria Tagliaferro for this info



"A Revolution of Her Own!" DEBORAH SAMPSON

Medway Historical Society Program
COMING,,,,,,,,,November 2nd, 2019, 2PM
Medway Senior Center, 76 Oakland St.

Deborah Sampson, the first woman to fight in and be honorably discharged from the American Military, captivates audiences in an immersive living history program chronicling her life. An indentured servant by age five, Deborah grew up in a man's world, where women were naught but second-class citizens. As a self-educated master-less woman, she felt a higher calling, and in the final years of the American Revolution, Deborah bound her chest, tied back her hair, and enlisted in the 4th Massachusetts Regiment of the Continental Army, as "Robert Shurtlieff." The American Heroine takes you back in time.

This program will be presented by Judith Kalaora Artistic Director of History At Play and is supported in part by a grant from the Medway Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.



Medway Historical Society Mission

"To **preserve** the history of Medway for future generations through the collection, preservation, display and interpretation of documents and artifacts. The Society will **promote** community interest in the history of Medway and its surrounding communities through educational opportunities provided to both its membership and the general public. The Society will provide resources to the public to assist in historical research and preservation efforts."



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Historic Homes

Medway has about 800 homes that are 75+ years old! If you own one of these treasures and would like a "circa" sign, the Town of Medway Historical Commission has approved these sign formats. You may order one of these 12" x 16" rot and fade resistant signs at a base cost of \$60. Several options are available. The proceeds will benefit the Medway Historical Society. Call or text 508-254-3995 for more info.



HOLIDAY HOUSE TOUR 2019



Do you live in the Rabbit Hill Historic District?

If so, we are planning a holiday house tour tentatively scheduled for Sunday, December 1, 2019.

Call or text 508-254-3995 for more info.