

THE FOXBOROUGH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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DISCOVERING FAMILY HISTORY



Chatillon-sur-Seine, Burgundy in France and the Seine River
St. Vorles Church circa 990 on hill

Have you ever wanted to know about your family history, where your ancestors lived, occupations or events that may have taken place during their life. If so, perhaps I can help you revisit the past. I'd like to share my experiences with you and take you on a journey to discover family history.

Once you get started, genealogy can be a motivating and satisfying hobby. It is almost impossible to let it go. Some people even find that they are related to well known people. There are many resources which are available now that were not forty years ago. If I knew in elementary grade what I know now about certain events and ancestors, history would have meant much more to me as a student.

By the way, my name is Paul Godin, a.k.a. Chatillon, Beauséjour, Bellefontaine and Gaudin, names that appear in my family history.

So come spend some time at the next Foxborough Historical Society meeting which will be on Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the Boyden Library.

There is parking at the library and on nearby streets. Do not park in the Aubuchon lot.

Those interested in joining the Foxborough Historical Society should ask for an application form at the meeting. The annual fee is \$8 for individuals, \$10 for families.

Members Who Are Ill

We've heard that Ralph Guimond is at the Kendrid Rehab Hospital in Stoughton and Warren Liljegren has been ill.

Memorial Hall is open every Wednesday evening, 7 pm to 9 pm
and on the second Saturday of each month from 9 am to noon

50 YEARS AGO IN FOXBOROUGH

[extracted from Foxboro Reporter newspapers]

April 1966

Start renting old age apartments soon off South St.
Neponset Reservoir Co. threatens court action.
AT&T to build facility at High Rock.
Teenage fashions for teenage living were presented by Home Economics classes.
Present research could bring a cure for cancer.
Conditions "Explosive" 25 wood fires in week.
Leaders honored by Girl Scouts at their banquet.
Polio shots are given children by Visiting Nurse.

Websites for Foxborough History & Historical Society

foxboroughhistoricalsociety.org

[Facebook.com/foxborohistory](https://www.facebook.com/foxborohistory)

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Other Happenings in the Area

April 17 - 2:00 p.m. N. Attleborough Historical Society. Make A Splash. North Attleborough's WWII Pool was built in 1951 to serve as a memorial to North Attleboro residents who served in World War II. Members of the foundation will be with us to tell of the pool's sixty-five year history, servicing tens of thousands of town residents.

April 18 - 7:00 pm - East Providence Weaver Library, 41 Grove Ave.- "King Philip's War Sites"

Apr. 19 - 7:00 pm - Norton Historical Society - "A Father's Great Passion for Sports".

Apr. 20 - 7:00 pm - Norfolk Library - "Hail to the Chief" - Dr. Gary Highlander.

Apr. 21 - 10:30 am - Norton Library - "Boston 1919" - Dr. Gary Highlander.

Apr. 21 - 6:30 pm - Old Colony Historical Society - "The Finest Hours" - Michael Tougias.

Apr. 21 - 6:45 pm - Attleboro Historic Preservation Society - Visit to the New Animal Shelter, Pond Street.

Apr. 27 - 7:00 pm - Johnston Historical Society, 101 Putnam Pike, Johnston, RI - "Samuel Slater".

Apr. 29 - 6:00 pm - Falls Firebarn Museum Pasta and Meatballs Supper, Elks Club - \$9.00.

May 14 – Sponsored by Walpole Historical Society beginning at noon to 3 pm – at Stone Field, Walpole, behind Town Hall – 3 Historic Trolley Tours - \$5.00

May 15 -1:30 pm - Blackstone Valley Historical Society - "Pioneering Families of Blackstone Valley"

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