



2025 Annual Report



Message from the President & the Director

As we look back at 2025, we are immensely grateful to our board, our members, and the entire Sudbury community for their continued strong support in making this yet another successful year for the Sudbury Historical Society (SHS) and our Sudbury History Center and Museum at the Loring Parsonage in Town Center.

We are especially grateful to our amazing former director, Rachael Robinson, and our former president and current treasurer, Hartley Johnson, for leading us through the first half of the year. We have big shoes to fill as they have done an exceptional job over the years! We are so thankful for their leadership.

This year, our Sudbury Foundation Gallery often filled with visitors to eagerly waiting to hear eminent scholars. New products featured on our gift shop shelves. One-of-a-kind historical items related to the history of Sudbury were accessioned into our archives. It truly was an eventful year for the SHS.

We are looking very much forward to 2026, which will mark 250 years of Independence since 1776. That year also recalls our famous zip code and the incredible town spirit in Sudbury!

Elin Neiterman

President

Francesco Buccella

Director and Archivist



Board, Staff, & Mission

Trustees and Officers

Elin Neiterman, *President*
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The Sudbury Historical Society (SHS) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that collects and preserves artifacts related to the history of Sudbury. The SHS promotes the study of and interest in town history, and connects the people of Sudbury with its past through educational programming and community engagement.

Advisors

Dave Colombo
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Jan Hardenbergh
Sally Purrington Hild
Jane Sciacca
Bethany Schlegel Shaw

Staff

Francesco Buccella
Director and Archivist



2,340 Facebook
followers
986 Instagram
followers

2025 By The Numbers

226 Sudbury
Road Race
runners

Collection items:
3,311 documents
2,568 photos
1,538 objects
769 books

4,348 collections
database
keyword
searches

6 *Sudbury's
Changing
Landscape*
lecture series
speakers

Top searches:
1. Militia
2. Parmenter
3. Railroad

3 amazing
high-school
volunteers:
Chloe Hager
Gaiyatri Mathew
Marin Ranieri

\$6,300 raised
to conserve the
oldest known
comprehensive
map of Sudbury

554 gift shop
transactions

Best sellers:
1. Sky Bar
2. Caskata Mug
3. Entering
Sudbury Magnet

Friends of the Archives

We are grateful to the generous individuals and organizations that donated items related to Sudbury history to the SHS Archives this year. We rely on donors like these to continue to grow our collections and preserve the history of the town.

Individuals

William S. Andreas
Josephine Baggott
Diane Ballard
Stephanie Brown Carr
Deborah Cooper Crane
Douglas Currie
Sheila Davison
Deborah Eaton Keeney
Ellen Fraize
Keith Funston
Pamela Gentile
Beth Gray-Nix
Steven Greene

Nancy Grellier
Judith Handley
Thomas Hillery
Laurel LeBlanc
David Loda
Louise Mawhinney
John Monaghan
Donald Oasis
Brian Plumb
Andrea Roessler
Jane Sciacca
Donald Soule
Diane Spottswood

Arlette Stawasz
Sara Toubman
Allan Wallack
Sally Yarbrough

Organizations

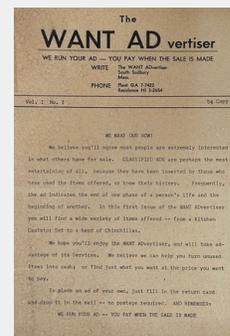
Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School
Massachusetts State Archives
Oneida County History Center
Sudbury Foundation
Town of Sudbury
Weston Historical Society



Town of Sudbury Census, 1688
Gift of William S. Andreas



House of the Seven Gables, Salem
Florence Hosmer (1880-1978)
Gift of Sara Toubman



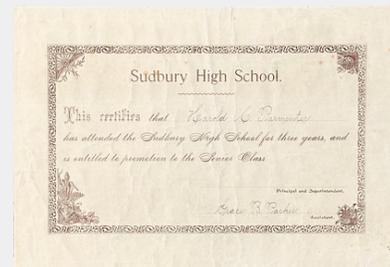
WantADvertiser
Collection, 1957-1995
Gift of Nancy Grellier



Sudbury Troop of Horse
250th Medal
Gift of David Loda



Wallack House on
Peakham Road, c. 1965
Gift of Allan Wallack



Sudbury High School Certificate
of Harold C. Parmenter, 1897
Gift of Sheila Davison

Highlight Programs



SUDBURY APPRAISAL DAY

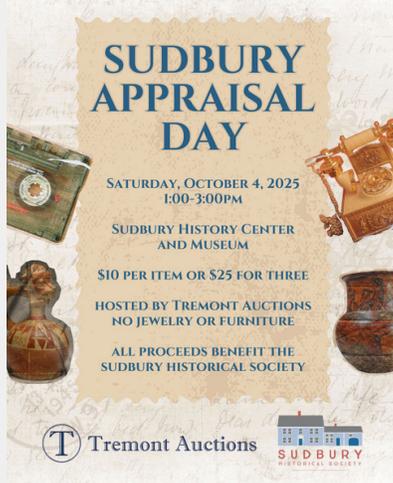
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2025
1:00-3:00PM

SUDBURY HISTORY CENTER AND MUSEUM

\$10 PER ITEM OR \$25 FOR THREE
HOSTED BY TREMONT AUCTIONS
NO JEWELRY OR FURNITURE

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE SUDBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Tremont Auctions



SUDBURY ROAD RACE

5K & 1-MILE FUN RUN

NOVEMBER 11, 2025

Sign up now at [SudburyRoadRace.com!](https://SudburyRoadRace.com)

Proceeds benefit the Sudbury Historical Society



Sudbury's Changing Landscape Lecture Series

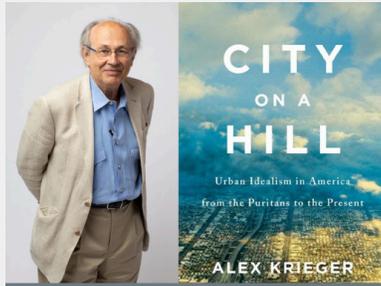


Maria von Brincken
LANDSCAPE GARDEN DESIGNER

JUNE 26, 2025 **SUDBURY HISTORY CENTER AND MUSEUM**
6:30PM

Pollinating Meadow Gardens
Layout, Choice Plants, and Combinations

The Sudbury's Changing Landscape lecture series is generously funded by the Mass Cultural Council.



Prof. Alex Krieger
URBAN DESIGN PROFESSOR, HARVARD UNIVERSITY

JULY 17, 2025 **SUDBURY HISTORY CENTER AND MUSEUM**
6:30PM

The Small Town as an American Ideal - At Times

The Sudbury's Changing Landscape lecture series is generously funded by the Mass Cultural Council.



Neela de Zoysa
SUDBURY BOTANIST

AUGUST 14, 2025 **SUDBURY HISTORY CENTER AND MUSEUM**
6:30PM

A Botanical Exploration Along the Sudbury River

The Sudbury's Changing Landscape lecture series is generously funded by the Mass Cultural Council.



We are grateful to the Mass Cultural Council for making it possible for the SHS to invite a range of eminent scholars to discuss themes related to our *Sudbury's Changing Landscape* exhibit in 2025!

The Sudbury History Center & Museum, in partnership with Athina Education, presents:

What Would Henry Do?
A NATURE PROGRAM FOR KIDS
INSPIRED BY HENRY DAVID THOREAU

September 24, 2025, 12:30-2:00
Sudbury History Center & Museum
288 Old Sudbury Rd, Sudbury, MA 01776
Children ages 7 and up
FREE (space is limited to 15 kids)

During this early-release Wednesday program, kids will enjoy a story about Henry David Thoreau, be introduced to a few items in the SHS collection, enjoy a walk around the Sudbury History Center, and make a pressed flower bookmark.

To register, use the QR code or visit <https://bit.ly/KidsThoreau>



This program is generously funded by the Mass Cultural Council.

SUDBURY TREASURE MAP
WITH JAN C. HARDENBERGH

The Sudbury Historical Society (SHS) recently acquired a treasure of a map: the **oldest known comprehensive map of Sudbury** from circa 1795!

Learn more about this important piece of local history by mapmaker Matthias Mossman (1749-1819) from **Town Historian, Jan C. Hardenbergh**.

SHS seeks to fundraise \$4,000 to **restore and preserve this map for generations to come**. YOU can help us by donating via our website: sudbury01776.org

DATE
OCTOBER 23, 2025

TIME
6:30PM

LOCATION
SUDBURY HISTORY CENTER AND MUSEUM



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REBUILDING THE AMERICAN TOWN
DESIGN AND STRATEGY AT SMALL SCALE

David Gamble
ARCHITECT AND URBAN DESIGNER

DECEMBER 11, 2025 **SUDBURY HISTORY CENTER AND MUSEUM**
6:30PM

Rebuilding the American Town: Design and Strategy at Small Scale

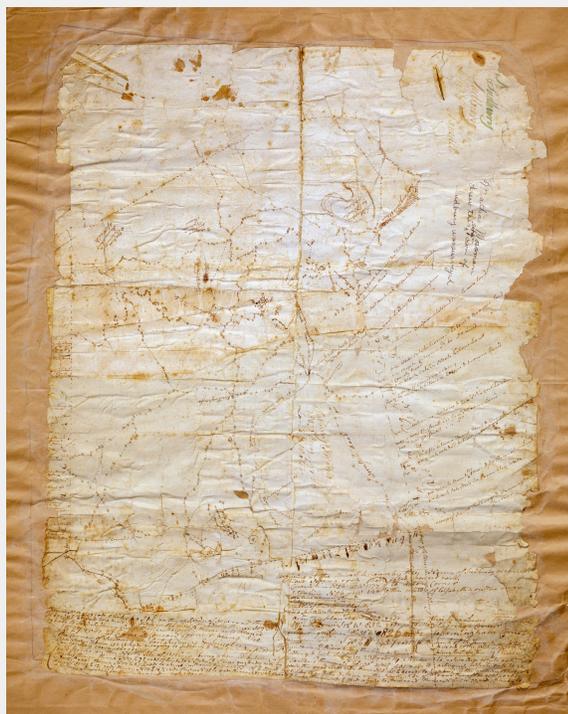
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Sudbury Treasure Map

In 2025, the SHS acquired the oldest known comprehensive map of the Town of Sudbury, produced by Matthias Mossman (1749-1819) in circa 1795!

In October, Town Historian Jan C. Hardenbergh delivered a fascinating lecture on Mossman and the map at the Sudbury History Center and Museum.

Following the program, we were delighted to announce that \$6,300 was raised for conservation work on the map to preserve it for generations to come.



Thank You to Our Map Donors!

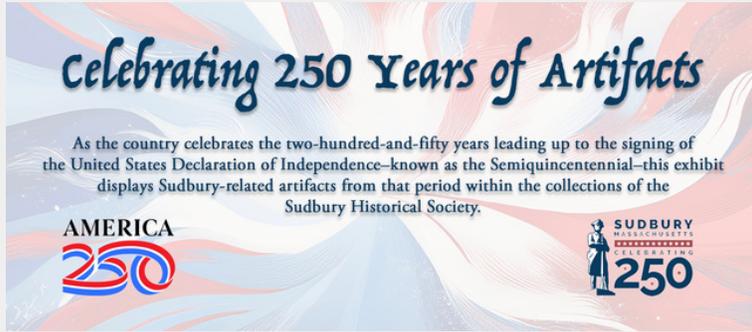
- William S. Andreas
- Chalmers Hardenbergh
- Jan and Gail Hardenbergh
- Deborah Fairbank Hurtig
- Ursula Lyons
- Judith Allen Roberts
- Bethany Schlegel Shaw

STUDIO TKM
ASSOCIATES

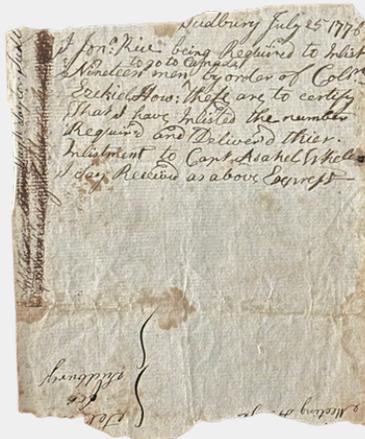


Experienced conservators, Lorraine Biggrigg and Deborah LaCamera, of Studio TKM Associates in Somerville will soon begin the important work on the map. We look forward to sharing the results!

Highlight Exhibit



United Colonies Continental Currency Two Dollars, 1776
Gift of Joseph E. Brown



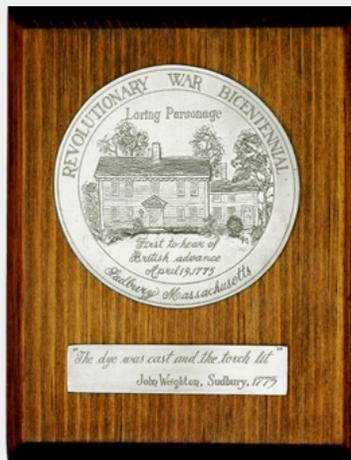
Letter from Jonathan Rice, 1776
Gift of William S. Andreas



Town of Sudbury United States Bicentennial Cover, 1976
Gift of the Spellman Museum



Town of Sudbury Bond Accounting List, 1775
Gift of Steven Greene



Sudbury Revolutionary War Bicentennial Plaque, 1973
Gift of John C. Powers



Andrea J. Roessler Crowned as Miss Sudbury at Town Hall, 1976
Gift of Stephen Neumeier

Exciting New Membership Benefits

Become an SHS member or renew in 2026 to take advantage of our many new benefits and support the SHS! Membership dues are an important part of our organizational development and allow us to continue to build our archives, host community events, and more.

Visit us in-person, scan the QR code, or go to http://sudbury01776.org/support2_2.html to become a member or renew online today!



Individual (\$50) OR Family (\$75)

- 5% off 01776 Gift Shop purchases
- Free admission to programs
- Inclusion on members-only emails
- Basic research services from Sudbury historians
- Family level is valid for entire household

Cato Sponsor (\$100)

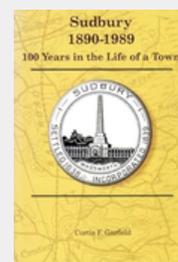
- 10% off 01776 Gift Shop purchases
- Free admission to programs
- Valid for entire household
- Inclusion on members-only emails
- Basic research services from Sudbury historians

Alfred Hudson Supporter (\$250)

- 15% off 01776 Gift Shop purchases
- Free admission to programs
- Valid for entire household
- Inclusion on members-only emails
- Extended research services from Sudbury historians

Hattie Goodnow Patron (\$500) OR Israel Loring Benefactor (\$1,000)

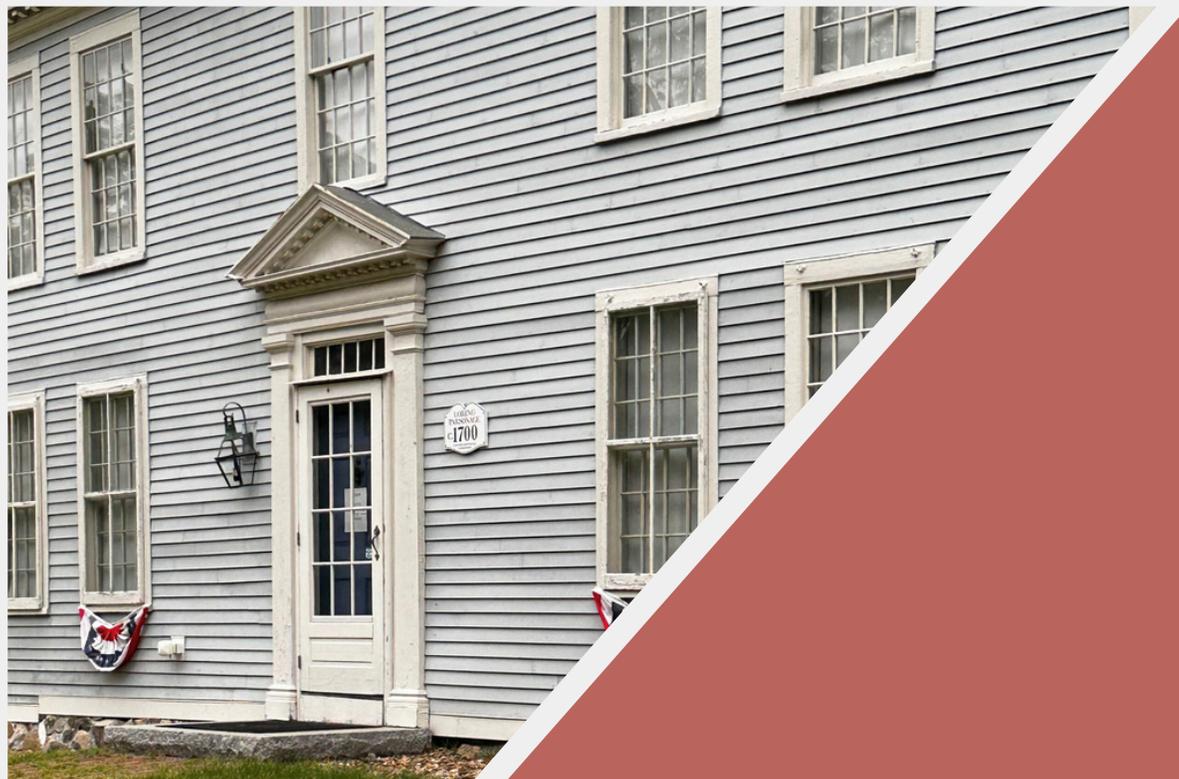
- 20% off 01776 Gift Shop purchases
- Free admission to programs
- Valid for entire household
- Inclusion on members-only emails
- Named acknowledgement in the annual report
- In-depth research services from Sudbury historians



New members will receive a complimentary copy of *Sudbury, 1890-1989: 100 Years in the Life of a Town!*

(free delivery within Sudbury or in-store pick-up only)

Ahead to 2026!



*2026 marks 250 years of Independence since 1776.
This year also recalls our famed zip code and town spirit!
Consider supporting the SHS in this historic anniversary year.*

Visit our museum | Become a member | Attend our programs | Shop local with us

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