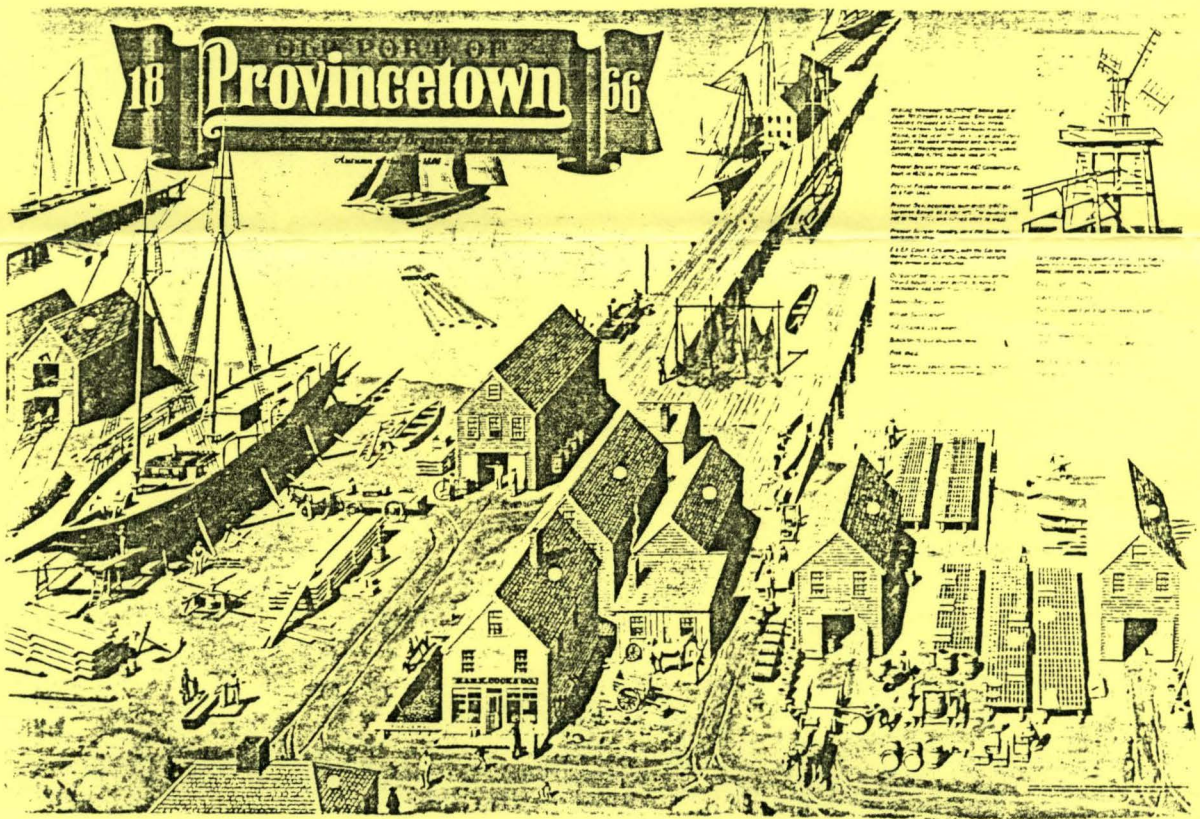


Provincetown HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION



Jackson Lambert



PROVINCETOWN HERITAGE MUSEUM
CORNER OF CENTER AND COMMERCIAL STREETS

The Provincetown Heritage Museum is owned and operated by the town of Provincetown. The Museum, formerly the Old Center Methodist Church and subsequently the Chrysler Art Museum, was built in 1860. It is now a National Registered Landmark.

The Handsome old building was purchased by the town of Provincetown in 1976 as a repository for the enormous legacy of art that is still extant in the community. The town possesses a substantial collection of excellent paintings which represent a cross-section of artists in Provincetown since 1899, when Charles Hawthorne established his famous School of Art here.

On the second floor of the Museum the Historical Association is building a half-scale model of the renowned fishing schooner "Rose Dorothea" which won the Lipton Cup in the Fisherman's Races in 1907. The model's length will be approximately fifty-four feet and the masts will rise

2. PROVINCETOWN HERITAGE MUSEUM

to a height of nearly thirty feet.

The Museum also features antique fire equipment and a hand-operated pumper, the Franklin No. 2, purchased by the town in 1871. A Local Marine Habitat, two aquaria, and a Terrarium are on exhibit, illustrating the life of the harbor and marshlands which are indigenous to Provincetown waters.

A dune shack which was the home of Harry Kemp, the Poet of the Dunes, is also recreated--this dune shack was featured on the "Evening Magazine" television show in the summer of 1977.

The Museum is open daily, from 10 AM to 9 PM and admission is adults 75¢, children 25¢.

PROVINCETOWN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

Constitution and By-Laws

Article I - Objectives

The objectives of this Association shall be the collection and preservation of books, papers and other articles which pertain to or may tend to illustrate and perpetuate the history of Provincetown, Massachusetts, Cape Cod, and New England, their inhabitants and customs; the acquisition, maintenance, and/or sale of museums, historic buildings and other property for the foregoing purpose; and the doing of other things permissible under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under which this Association is organized.

Article II - Members

Section 1: The membership of this Association shall consist of the following:

- a. Individual Members, who shall be such persons as shall apply for individual membership and shall pay dues of two dollars per year.
- b. Family members, who shall be such married couples as shall apply for family membership and shall pay dues of three ^{3.00} ~~three~~ ^{5.00} dollars per year.
- c. Individual sustaining members, who shall be such persons as shall apply for individual sustaining membership and shall pay dues of ten dollars per year. ^{15.00}
- d. Family sustaining members, who shall be such married couples as shall apply for family sustaining membership and shall pay dues of fifteen dollars per year. ^{25.00}
- e. Individual Life Members, who shall be such persons as shall apply for individual life membership and shall make a single payment of fifty dollars. Upon recommendation of the Board of Directors, the Society may elect any person an Honorary Life Member without payment of dues.
- f. Family Life Members, who shall be such married couples as shall apply for family life membership and shall make single payment of seventy-five dollars. In cases where one spouse is an individual life member his or her membership may be converted to a family life membership upon payment of twenty-five dollars.

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- g. Junior members, who shall be such persons under 16 years of age as shall apply for junior membership and shall pay dues of 50 cents per year. Junior members shall not be entitled to vote.
- h. The membership of any person may be terminated by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors and the return to him of the current annual dues which have been paid by him.

Section 2: Each member of each class shall be entitled to one vote at any meeting of the Association.

Section 3: Annual dues shall be payable on the fifteenth day of July in each year and the bill for such dues shall be sent to each member on or before that date. Membership may be terminated by the Board of Directors if the dues are not paid by the first of January following. A membership thus terminated may on payment of such dues be reinstated by the Board of Directors.

Article III - Meetings

Section 1: The annual meeting of the Association for the reception of reports and the election of officers and directors shall be held in Provincetown at such place and on such day in the Month of July or August as may be fixed by the Board of Directors. If the Board of Directors shall fail to fix such date and place, the meeting shall be called by the President or any officer of the Association upon written request of five members of the Association.

Section 2: Special meetings of the Association may be called by the President or, in his absence, by one of the Vice Presidents, and shall be called by the President or any officer of the Association upon the request of five members of the Association, made in writing and stating the nature of the business proposed to be transacted thereat.

Section 3: Notice of the time and place of any meeting of the Association shall be given at least ten days before such meeting, by mail to each member directed to his address upon the Association's books, or through some newspaper published in Provincetown. No action shall be taken at any meeting affecting the ownership of real property of the Association or amending the Constitution and By-Laws, unless reference to the nature of the proposed action shall be set forth in the notice.

Section 4: Fifteen members entitled to vote shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Association, except that the presence of twenty-one members shall be required for any action authorizing the disposition of any real property of the Association, or for any action amending this Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 5: A Nominating Committee of three members shall be appointed at each annual meeting by the Board of Directors. This nominating committee shall nominate officers and directors for election at the next annual meeting. The names of persons so nominated shall be published in a Provincetown newspaper at least one week in advance of the meeting at which their election is proposed; but failure to give such publicity shall not invalidate an election. Nominations by the Committee shall not preclude the nomination or election of any other person or persons at the annual meeting.

Article IV - Officers

Section 1: The officers of this Association shall be a President, two Vice Presidents, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, who are to be elected at each annual meeting, or at a meeting in lieu thereof, to hold office for one year or until their successors are chosen.

Section 2: The Board of Directors may fill any vacancy occurring in any elective office or in its own membership, the person so chosen to hold office until the next annual meeting or until his successor is chosen.

Section 3: The President, or in his absence, one of the Vice Presidents, shall preside at all meetings of the Association and of the Board of Directors.

Section 4: The Secretary shall keep a true record of the proceedings of the Association and of the Board of Directors, and a list of all the members of the Association and their addresses, with a record of the date of their admission and the date of cessation of membership, and whether by resignation, death, or otherwise; and shall perform such other duties as are customary to the office or as are designated by the Board of Directors.

Section 5: The Treasurer shall collect all dues and shall receive and hold the funds of the Association, depositing them in such banking institutions as may be approved by the Board of Directors. He shall disburse the funds of the Association, upon such approval as the Board of Directors may direct. He shall keep accurate books of the accounts showing all the financial transactions of the Association, which books shall be open for the inspection of any member of the Association at any reasonable time. He shall report at the annual meeting, in detail, the receipts and expenditures of the previous year, which report shall be preserved with the records of the Association, and he shall furnish such interim reports as the Board of Directors may from time to time require.

Article V - The Board of Directors

Section 1: The Board of Directors of the Association shall be composed of the elective officers of the Association and six other directors, two of whom shall be elected each year at the annual meeting for a term of three years, or until their successors are duly chosen.

Section 2: The Board of Directors shall have general control and supervision of the funds, property, and affairs of the Association, and shall have full power, on behalf of the Association, to accept or reject donations and legacies and proposed loans of personal property for exhibition. It may appoint additional officers as it may deem necessary and proper, and define the powers and duties thereof, and may appoint any member of the Association temporarily to perform the duties and powers of any officer during the absence or disability of such officer. It may appoint a committee or committees or a custodian or custodians to have charge under the control of the Board of Directors of exhibits and of the real and personal property of the Association, and shall determine the amount of the fee to be paid by visitors to its exhibitions, which fees shall be used to further the objectives of the Association. It may appoint from its own members a Finance Committee of three to whom may be delegated authority in respect to financial matters. It shall endeavor to prepare and maintain a record of all articles owned by the Association or lent to it, with identifying description, the name of the donor or lender, and the date of acquisition of such article.

Section 3: Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be called by the Secretary at the request of the President or the Treasurer or any other two Directors. If the Secretary when so requested neglects for more than twenty-four hours to call such a meeting, the President, Treasurer, or any two such Directors may call such meeting by giving notice thereof as hereinafter provided. At any meeting, five members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 4: Notice of any meeting of the Board of Directors shall be given at least three days before the meeting by delivering or mailing to each Director, a notice of the time and place of such meeting. The place shall be designated by the President, Treasurer or the Directors who called the meeting. When all the Directors shall be present at any meeting, or shall waive notice in writing of the holding of such meeting, or shall sign written assents thereto on the records of such meeting, the actions of such meeting shall be as valid as if such meeting had been regularly called. The annual meeting of the Board of Directors may be held without notice, if held immediately after the adjournment of the annual meeting of the Association provided public announcement of such meeting was made thereat.

Section 5: The Board of Directors may appoint from its own members an Executive Committee to whom may be delegated authority in respect to the management and operations of all the properties.

Article VI - Property

Neither buildings occupied by the Association nor any part of the sites or grounds pertaining thereto, shall be sold encumbered, or charged in any manner whatever, nor shall any apartment or space in the buildings or adjacent grounds be assigned or appropriated permanently to the accommodation of any special collection or collections, unless the proposition in this connection be made in writing, signed by at least five members, presented at a regularly called meeting of the Association, after first being referred to the Board of Directors for report to a special meeting of the Association which has been regularly called. At such meeting, the measure may be considered and adopted by two-thirds of the members present at that meeting or at any subsequent adjourned meeting for that purpose, provided that at least fifteen members be present.

Article VII - Amendments

This Constitution and By-Laws may be altered or amended by the Association at any meeting upon a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided notice of the proposed action was contained in the notice of such meeting.

SECTION 6: Any officer or member of the Board of Directors who is absent for three consecutive meetings without previously excusing himself, shall automatically be removed from his office. The remaining members of the Board of Directors shall fill any said vacancy from within the membership of the Association until a successor can be elected at the next annual meeting.



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Dear Members and Friends:

WE are the Provincetown Historical Association, but who are WE?
WE are the many people who became members or contributors to the
Provincetown Historical Association.

WE are proud of our accomplishments.

The Rose Dorothea

Rose Dorothea Cup Plates

Wax figures in the Museum

Bppks:

250th Anniversary of Provincetown

End of an Era , the trapboat Charlotte

Here's Provincetown

Plaques for floated over homes from Long Point

Plaques for homes of artists, writers, scientists born here.

A collection of historic post cards

WE are proud to announce the completion and dedication of the Rose
Dorothea to take place the weekend of the annual Blessing Of the Fleet
on Saturday, June 25th at 2:00 pm

As of this year WE are pleased to inform you that all members in good standing will be admitted to the museum free of charge. An envelope is enclosed is enclosed for your convenience.



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Dear Member:

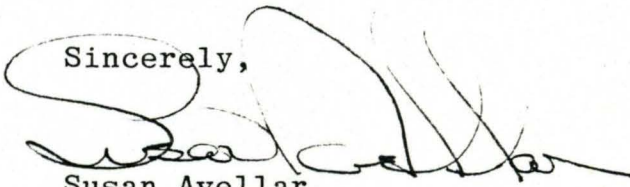
We are pleased to write you that the Provincetown Historical Association is revitalizing. The Historical Association promotes interest in the history of Provincetown by involving itself in projects of local importance and Town pride. The projects now under discussion are: the restoration of the Pilgrims' Landing Plaque at the Provincetown Inn rotary, the continued work on the half-scale model of the Rose Dorothea at the Heritage Museum, specifically the funding for the creation of the wax figures of the crew, to promote the walking tours of the West End, East End, and the Center of Town, to promote the sale of the Rose Dorothea cup plates in all three colors, and to encourage publication, sales, and reading of such local histories as: End of an Era, Trapboat Fishing, Here's Provincetown, Provincetown 250 Years, Odds and Ends from the Tip End, and others.

We need the support of all of you. You can begin by reading the new slate of officers and by providing your vote. We ask that voting ballots be mailed back to us by Feb. 16, 1987. Also included are the membership forms and envelopes for dues. History is living and dust free. Please become involved with us.

Before closing the Board would like to inform the members of the recent article dated Jan. 4, 1987 of the Cape Cod Standard Times telling of the work of member Claude Jensen. Claude's distinctive plaques depicting the houses floated across from Long Point can be seen throughout the Town.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



Susan Avellar

Secretary

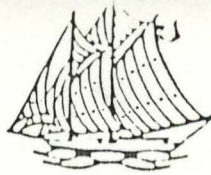


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Our Nominating Committee has submitted the following slate of officers for the year 1987-88. Will you please either (1) indicate your approval of a name on the slate by placing an "X" in the box to the left of the name, or (2) write in the names of alternative choices on the blanks to the right.

<i>218 Burdick</i> President	<input type="checkbox"/>	Joseph Patrick	_____
First Vice President	<input type="checkbox"/>	Emily Farnham	_____
Second Vice President	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mary Spencer Nay	_____
<i>4 Winslow</i> Treasurer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dorothy Curran	_____
<i>1 Tenney Way</i> Recording Secretary	<input type="checkbox"/>	Susan Avellar	_____
Corresponding Secretary	<input type="checkbox"/>	Margaret Roberts	_____



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Board of Directors

Dear Very Special Friend,

President:

Joseph Patrick

Secretary:

Susan Avellar

Treasurer:

Dorothy Curran

Members:

Alice Boogar

Georgia Coxé

Emily Farnham

Claude Jensen

Jan Kelly

Mary Lewis

Mary Spencer Nay

Helen Rogers

Margaret Roberts

As the Provincetown Historical Association we have dedicated ourselves to the Preservation of Provincetown's Place in History.....the establishment of an Archival and Preservation Resource Center..... and the distribution of educational material.

In past years we have helped with the following accomplishments: the building of the ROSE DOROTHEA MODEL, the Rose Dorothea cup plates, the wax figures in the Heritage Museum and Plaques for homes floated over from Long Point. In addition, we have published the following resource books: the 250th ANNIVERSARY OF PROVINCETOWN,.....END OF AN ERA, THE STORY OF THE TRAPBOAT CHARLOTTE, and.....HERE'S PROVINCETOWN.

As we enter a new decade...the 1990's... we have set more of the same challenging goals involving the restoring of PRIDE IN PROVINCETOWN'S PLACE IN HISTORY: the repairing of the First Landing Place of the Pilgrims....a series of audio and video tapes, interviews with "PROVINCETOWN HISTORIANS"....and the publication of a special magazine, VIEWPOINT, which will provide information about and PROMOTE a positive image for tourists and residents alike about our very special community and its 'living history'!

These are ambitious projects.....ones that take time and effort. Projects that NEED YOUR SPECIAL SUPPORT! What better gift for ourselves and our children than to start now to establish steps towards this long range goal...PRIDE IN PROVINCETOWNas the First Landing place of the Pilgrims and the beginning of our great country's heritage!

WON'T YOU PLEASE HELP US.....by becoming a member of the PROVINCETOWN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION! We have designed special membership categories....each with a SPECIAL GIFT FOR YOU!

WE THANK YOU for helping us achieve our goals and for believing that PROVINCETOWN IS INDEED LIVING HISTORY!



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Board of Directors

DEAR Very Important Friend,

President:

Joseph Patrick *Oct 91*
12 B Burdick

The Provincetown Historical Association is dedicated to the Preservation of History.....the establishment of a Preservation Resource Center.....and the distribution of educational material.

Secretary:

Susan Avellar *Oct 91*
12 W Vine

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Treasurer:

Dorothy Curran *Oct 91*
4 W Meadow

Members:

Alice Boogar *Oct 91*
180 Burdick

Georgia Coxe *1991*
259 Burdick

~~Emily Farnham -~~

Claude Jensen -

Jan Kelly *58 Burdick 91*

Mary Lewis *1990*
246 Burdick

Mary Spencer Nay *1990*
Atkins Manor

Margaret Roberts *1991*

NOW....we have set more of the same CHALLENGING GOALS: the repairing of the First Landing Place of the Pilgrims; the establishment of an Archival and Preservation Resource Center; and the publication of a special magazine VIEWPOINT, which will provide information about and PROMOTE Provincetown's Place in History!

Of all the publicity Provincetown receives, it is rarely mentioned....THAT PROVINCETOWN IS THE BEGINNING OF OUR GREAT COUNTRY'S HERITAGE! IT WAS HERE THAT THE PILGRIMS FIRST LANDED..... IT WAS HERE THAT THE MAYFLOWER COMPACT, one of our civilization's most important political documents, WAS WRITTEN AND SIGNED!

How many of us remember that? How many of our school children know that! As members of the Provincetown Historical Association we are committed to publicizing these facts and educating tourists and residents alike to DISCOVER PROVINCETOWN'S PLACE IN HISTORY!

YOU CAN HELP us accomplish this Very Important Purpose by becoming a member of our V.I.P. '100' CLUB.



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***** WHEN YOU GIVE A GIFT OF \$100. *****

You will be helping us to
promote PRIDE IN PROVINCETOWN
through our stated activities
and goals.....AND.....

WHEN YOU GIVE A GIFT OF \$100.
YOU WILL RECEIVE the following
"FOR V.I.P. MEMBERS ONLY"
gifts in return!

Won't you please send in your tax deductible gift TODAY!
AND RECEIVE

"FOR V.I.P. MEMBERS ONLY"

- *A very special Provincetown Historical Association T-shirt,
(see enclosed).....an original design made especially
for our V.I.P CLUB MEMBERS...BY JACKSON LAMBERT.
- *A print of the PORT OF PROVINCETOWN circa 1866 oil painting
commissioned by George Bryant and painted by JACKSON LAMBERT.
a xerox copy is enclosed...the original currently hangs
in Bryant's Market located on Commercial St.
- *A MEMBERSHIP CARD valid for free admission to the Heritage
Museum...and any events sponsored by the Provincetown
Historical Association.
- *SPECIAL MENTION under our ESTEEMED PATRONS section in our
publication.....VIEWPOINT.

Checks should be made payable to the PROVINCETOWN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION
and mailed to: THE V.I.P. FUND

P.O. BOX 699

PROVINCETOWN, MA 02657



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***** When you become a member of the PROVINCETOWN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION.....you will be helping us to promote PRIDE IN PROVINCETOWN through the activities and goals stated.

IN RETURN.....YOU WILL RECEIVE THESE UNIQUE GIFTS DESIGNED FOR OUR MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES!

\$10.ACQUAINTANCE CATEGORY

....RECEIVES a one-year membership card for free admission to the Provincetown Heritage Museum.

\$25.SUPPORTER CATEGORY

....RECEIVES a 1990 sculpted POCKET PAL appointment diary...embossed with the words: PRIDE IN PROVINCETOWN.

\$50.SPONSOR CATEGORY

....RECEIVES a special T-SHIRT with the message: "THINGS OF QUALITY HAVE NO FEAR OF TIME."

\$100.THE V.I.P. MEMBER CATEGORY

....RECEIVES a Provincetown Historical Association T-SHIRT ...an ORIGINAL DESIGN made especially for our V.I.P. members by JACKSON LAMBERT.

....PLUS..... a PRINT of the PORT OF PROVINCETOWN 1866 oil painting, commissioned by GEORGE BRYANT and painted by JACKSON LAMBERT.

....PLUS..... a SPECIAL MENTION under our ESTEEMED PATRONS section in our newsletter-magazine, VIEWPOINT.

\$250.ESTEEMED PATRON CATEGORY

....RECEIVES ALL OF THE ABOVE GIFTS ...PLUS...a bonus gift: A SPECIAL HOLIDAY POSTCARD BOOK.

* ALL MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES WILL RECEIVE IN ADDITION TO THE SPECIAL GIFT.. A ONE-YEAR MEMBERSHIP CARD FOR FREE ADMISSION TO THE PROVINCETOWN HERITAGE MUSEUM...as a sign of our continuing appreciation of your generous support!



Dear Members,

The Annual Meeting of the Provincetown Historical Association & election of Officers will be held at 7:30 P.M., Tuesday ~~December~~ 15, at 7 Anthony Street. Please mark the ballot below and bring it to the meeting, or return it with your dues in the enclosed envelope.

Flyer Santos expects to be working again on the "Rose Dorothea" half-scale model this fall, weather permitting. He hopes to get started on the mainmast, which will be constructed inside the Museum, and is to be hollow because of weight considerations.

Sales of our Pairpoint glass cup plates to benefit the building of the Rose have cleared close to \$2000. Available now from Helen Fernald, 487-0534, are a new light amethyst, emerald, and clear. We took the plates to sell at the Pairpoint Cup Plate Collectors of America Convention in October in Hyannis.

Mary Bono's new wax figure in the whale boat at the Heritage Museum is so lifelike our visitors try to talk with it! A fine addition to the exhibit, we look forward to another next year.

The Heritage Museum closed October 10, after a very successful season. Admissions were well ahead of last year. Many thanks to the volunteers at the front desk, and to Mary Nay Block for running the volunteer program all summer. If you would like to help out next summer, please call her at 487-3034.

Our new West End Walking Tour should go to press shortly and be available next summer, joining the other two tours for sale.

Please bring the ballot below to our Annual Meeting, or return it in the enclosed envelope with your dues.

Looking forward to seeing you,

Claude Jensen
President

.....CUT HERE AND RETURN BALLOT BELOW.....

BALLOT

Nominating Committee: Georgia Coxe, Mary Nay Block, Helen Rogers

OFFICE	CANDIDATE	WRITE-IN
President	George Bryant ()	()
1st Vice Pres.	Emily Farnham ()	()
2nd Vice Pres.	Mary Nay Block ()	()
Record. Sec.	Susan Avellar ()	()
Corresp. Sec.	Margaret Roberts ()	()
Treasurer	Dorothy Curran ()	()
Executive Board-	Joseph Perry ()	()
(3 years)	Georgia Coxe ()	()

Other members of the Executive Board are: Alice Boogar (1984), Jan Kelly (1984), Helen Rogers (1985), Mary Lewis (1985).

Signature _____

Name _____

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EVELYN T. ARNOLD
ASSISTANT CLERK

November 2, 1983

Mrs. Margaret Roberts
8 Center Street
Provincetown, Massachusetts
02657

Dear Mrs. Roberts:

Your jury duty has been deferred from November 14, 1983
to January 3, 1984. You should appear at the Superior Court House
in Barnstable on that date at 10:00 a.m.

Very truly yours,

Clerk



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December 17, 1983

Mr. Lou Arvenites, General Manager
J. R. Sousa & Sons
29 Andover Street
Danvers, MA.

Dear Mr. Arvenites:

The interesting article in THE REGISTER of November 17th about the "bogus" \$20 bill issued by the First National Bank of Provincetown has reached and touched us. It is indeed a fascinating story, made even happier since the company wishes to present it to an appropriate historical association in the town.

We are a small but active society. We have commissioned and sold Walking Tours of the town, issued commemorative plates, and act as a society of friends to the Heritage Museum where, as you may know, a half-scale replica of the Provincetown fishing vessel ROSE DOROTHEA, which won the Lipton Cup early in this century, is being built.

The Museum is owned by the town of Provincetown, and it gets better every year.

Our new President, George Bryant, a Selectman and one of the better historians of the town, has suggested that I write you. We do hope to hear from you, and offer a most enthusiastic welcome to the "bogus" Provincetown \$20 bill.

Sincerely,

Margaret Roberts

Margaret Roberts
Corresponding Secretary

cc: George Bryant
473 Commercial St.
Provincetown, MA. 02657

Mr. John Kennedy
Mr. Donald O'Neill
J.R. Sousa & Sons
Bass River, MA. 02664



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Dear Members:

During the past year we have been working quietly but zealously to preserve Provincetown's heritage. Have you seen the lovely mother and child group in the Victorian kitchen at the Heritage Museum? These wax sculptures were completed this summer by Mary Bono.

Other historic objects have been donated to your Association and placed in the Museum this season, including a ship's bell and a compass circa 1790, now restored and ready for the cabin of the *Rose Dorothea*.

"Walking Tour No. 2—Provincetown East End" was completed this summer by Barbara Malicoat with the research help of Nell Husted. It was funded in part by the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities. The guide will be on sale in the Heritage Museum, in some shops, and at our Annual Meeting.

We will soon be making plans for a benefit for the *Rose Dorothea* early next season and rely on you for your help and suggestions. Membership in the Provincetown Historical Association qualifies you as someone interested in our town's past and future, someone the town needs.

Please bring the ballot below to the Annual Meeting on Thursday, October 23 at the home of Claude Jensen, 7 Anthony Street, and help the Board plan for this coming year.

Or mail the ballot and your dues in the enclosed envelope.

BALLOT

Nominating Committee:

Margaret Roberts Helen C. Fernald Joseph R. Perry

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>WRITE-IN</u>
President	Claude Jensen	()
1st Vice President	Peter Carter	()
2nd Vice President	Preston Babbitt, Jr.	()
Treasurer	Dorothy Curran	()
Corresponding Secretary	Margaret Roberts	()
Recording Secretary	Susan Avellar	()
Exec. Board 1 Yr. 1981	Alice Boogar	()
Exec. Board 2 Yrs. 1982	Page McMahan	()
Exec. Board 3 Yrs. 1983	Joseph R. Perry	()
Exec. Board 3 Yrs. 1983	Georgia M. Coxe	()

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1980-1981

President	Claude Jensen, 7 Anthony Street	487- 1954
1st Vice	Peter Carter, 169 $\frac{1}{2}$ Commercial (Dyer"s Guest)	
2nd Vice	Preston Babbitt, Jr. Rose & Crown 158 Comml	487-3332
Treasurer	Dorothy Curran, (Mrs R. j.) 4 Winslow	487-1814
Corr Secy	Margaret Roberts, 8 Center	487-0211
Rec. Secy	Susan Avellar 238 Bradford	487-0687
	Alice Bodar (Mrs. Wm F.) 180 Bradford	487-9595
	Page McMahon, 484 Comml (H. Assoc)	487-9395
	Joseph R. Perry, 301 Bradford	487-9225
	Georgia M. Coxe, 259 Bradford	487-9713
	Josephine Del Deo, Box 573	487-1775
	Helen Rogers, 21 Center Street	487-0328
	Helen Fernald	487-9534



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OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

1981 - 1982

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>TEL. NO.</u>
President	Claude Jensen	7 Anthony St.	487 - 1954
1st Vice Pres.	Preston Babbitt	158 Commercial St.	487 - 3332
2nd Vice Pres.	Mary Nay Block	244 Bradford St.	487 - 3034
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Treasurer	Dorothy Curran	4 Winston St.	487 - 1814.

DIRECTORS

<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>TEL. NO.</u>
1982	Helen Rogers	28 Center St.	487 - 2686
" "	Page Mc Mahon	484 Commercial St.	487 - 9155
" "	Joseph Perry	301 Bradford St.	487 - 9225
" "	Georgia Coxé	259 Bradford St.	487 - 9713
" "	Alice Boogar	120 Bradford St.	487 - 9595
" "	Jan Kelly	58 Bradford St.	487 - 1267

ADvisory

Helen Fernald 202A Bradford St. 487 - 0534
 Josephine Del Deo Atkins - Mayo Road (P.O. Box 573) 487 - 1775.

meeting called 5.5.82 7:30 at Claude's



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Nominees for Officers and Executive Board

1979-1980

Nominating Committee: Helen Rogers, Judith Cicero, Nathan Malchman

OFFICE	NAME	WRITE-IN
President	Peter Carter	[] []
1st Vice President	Margaret Roberts	[] []
2nd Vice President	Judith Cicero	[] []
Secretary	Georgia Coxe	[] []
Treasurer	Dorothy Curran	[] []
Exec. Board, 1 year (1980)	Page McMahan	[] []
Exec. Board, 3 years (1982)	Helen Rogers	[] []
Exec. Board, 3 years (1982)	Claude Jensen	[] []

Note: The other members of the Executive Board are Joseph Perry (1980), Susan Avellar (1981), and Cyril Patrick (1981).

Proposed amendment to Article III, Section I of the By-Laws: "The annual meeting of the Association for the reception of reports and the election of officers and directors shall be held in Provincetown in the month of July or August" the underlined to be amended to read "by the end of the month of October."

Yes [] No []

Signature.....

Name
(please print)

As of October, seventy-five members have paid their 1979 dues. Dues envelopes are enclosed for those who wish to vote in this election who have not yet renewed their memberships. Please bring your ballots to the ANNUAL MEETING on Monday evening, October 29th at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Claude Jensen, 7 Anthony Street, or mail them to Box 552.



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NOMINATORS:

Susan Avellar
Page McMahan
Joseph Perry

Nominees for
Officers and Executive Board
1978-1979

OFFICE	NAME	WRITE-IN
PRESIDENT	Peter Carter []	[]
1st VICE PRESIDENT	Grace Collinson []	[]
2nd VICE PRESIDENT	Nathan Malchman []	[]
SECRETARY	Georgia Coxe []	[]
TREASURER	Dorothy Curran []	[]
EXEC. BD. 1 YR 1979	Page McMahan []	[]
EXEC. BD. 2 YR 1980	Joseph Perry []	[]
EXEC. BD. 3 YR 1981	Susan Avellar []	[]
EXEC. BD. 3 YR 1981	Cyril Patrick []	[]

Signature

Name (please print)

QUESTION:

Will the Provincetown Historical Association vote to amend Article V, "Board of Directors", of its By-Laws, by adding the following Section thereto:

SECTION 6: Any officer or member of the Board of Directors who is absent for three consecutive meetings without previously excusing himself, shall automatically be removed from his office. The remaining members of the Board of Directors shall fill any said vacancy from within the membership of the Association until a successor can be elected at the next annual meeting.

ANNUAL MEETING: Thursday, October 12, 1978, 7:30 p.m.

Provincetown Community Center

Presidential Appointments to Honorary Advisory Board:

Claude Jensen Munro Moore
Helen Fernald Helen Rogers

Please bring ballot to meeting with you, or mail.

Have you paid your dues yet?



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The Annual Meeting of the Provincetown Historical Association will be held on Thursday, October 12th, at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center, 44 Bradford Street.

The dinner held last June for the benefit of the trapboat "Charlotte" was attended by some 180 persons, including former governor Francis W. Sargent, Senator John Aylmer, State Representative Howard Cahoon, and was a huge success. Approximately \$1000 was raised towards the restoration of the boat. Between the dinner and the publication of the trapboat book "The End of an Era", about \$5,000 is now earmarked to finish the restoration. The "Charlotte" will be completed in the spring of 1979. A raffle was held at the dinner, first prize, a lath and driftwood sculpture of a trapboat donated by William and Edward Smith, was won by Connie Daniels; second prize, a silk-screen print titled "The Kennedy Peace Print" donated by the artist, Helen Daphnis of the Avlon Sun Gallery, was won by Insley Caton.

There will be an auction for the benefit of the "Rose Dorothea" at the Provincetown Inn on Saturday, November 25th. The last auction held in 1976 raised \$8,000 toward the building of the half-scale model. We are looking for articles: paintings, antiques, furniture, anything with a value over \$25 to auction off. So let's make this a great Thanksgiving weekend. And yes, your gift is tax deductible!

Flyer Santos is now hard at work on the "Rose". The boat's ribs are built and he is now working on the planking. He will be working well into the fall in the Heritage Museum. Planks and Nails are still for sale. Planks are \$25, and Nails are \$5. Purchasers will have their names inscribed on a plank on the wall of the museum. We have matching grant money available to us now, so any money raised up to \$5,000 will be doubled. If you make your tax-deductible gift now, it will give us twice as much to spend on the "Rose".

There is confusion about the difference between the Historical Association; the Historical Commission of Provincetown; and the Provincetown Heritage Museum. Our Historical Association is a private not-for-profit membership organization devoted to the aim of restoring and preserving the heritage of Provincetown. We raise money towards that goal. The restoration of the trapboat "Charlotte" and the building of the half-scale model of the "Rose Dorothea" are Historical Association projects.

The Historical Commission is a board appointed by the town selectmen and under state jurisdiction. The Commission works on various projects voted by the taxpayers of Provincetown. They are currently working on the restoration of the Oldest Cemetery here. The Provincetown Heritage Museum consists of a seven-person board appointed by the selectmen to oversee the running of the Town-owned Heritage Museum. Our Historical Association raises funds toward the support of the Museum, but we have no control over the Museum.

We are happy to announce that the radio show, The Heritage Series, with Joel O'Brien (on WVLC AM 1170, and WLOM FM 104.7) will be presented for another 13 weeks by the Historical Association. On AM about 5:15 PM Fridays, and FM about 11:30 AM Sundays, it will be sponsored by The Red Inn, Commercial Street, Provincetown. The show consists of interviews with interesting people and general information of a historical nature about Provincetown, beginning in early October.

Our fiscal year ends the end of September. For those who have not yet paid their dues, please do so. The expense of mailings and general business continues, so your dues are a big part of keeping things and projects moving. THANK YOU!

Individual \$3.00
Family \$5.00
Individual Sustaining \$25.00

Family sustaining \$25.00
Group Membership \$25.00
Sponsoring \$100.00

Cyril Patrick, President

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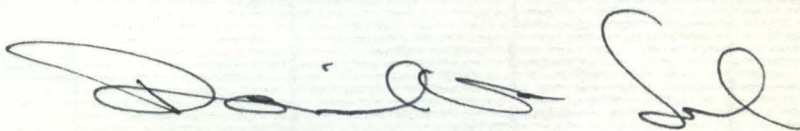
Helen Fernald
Public Relations Coordinator
Provincetown Historical Association Inc.
Provincetown,
Massachusetts 02657

Dear Helen,

Thank you for your letter expressing interest in our film.

I will contact you when we return to America in May in the hope that we will be able to cooperate with you when the picture is released.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David L. MacLeod', written in a cursive style.

David L. MacLeod

J.R.S. Productions, Inc.

C/o Carol Shaffer
230 Central Park West Apt. 2D
New York, N.Y. 10024 (212) 595-1413

January 25, 1980

Ms. Helen Fernald
Public Relations Coordinator
Provincetown Historical Association, Inc.
Provincetown, Massachusetts 02657

Dear Ms. Fernald,

Thank you for your interest in the film.

I am relaying your letter to the appropriate person in London, Mr. David MacLeod. I am sure that you will hear from him in the near future in regards to your letter.

Again, I appreciate your interest.

Sincerely,



Carol Shaffer
Photographic Researcher

rkl:CFS

cc. David MacLeod

January 21, 1980

Ms. Carol Shaffer
J.R.S. Productions, Inc.
230 Central Park West
New York City, N.Y. 10024

Dear Ms. Shaffer:

The Provincetown Historical Association wonders whether there is a possibility of our obtaining Warren Beatty's film on the life of John Reed for a benefit performance here in Provincetown. Important parts of this film take place in Provincetown and we understand that a filmed interview with one of our members Heaton Vorse, who remembers Reed from the early days, will appear in the film. Another possibility would be for us to use the out-takes from the film for such a benefit. The Provincetown Playhouse on the Wharf might be interested in joining us as John Reed was connected with the early Provincetown Players and appeared in their 1916 productions.

Would you be so kind as to write us your reactions to this idea and any suggestions you might have as to its feasibility.

Sincerely yours,

Helen Fernald
Public Relations Coordinator

ENCLOSURES:

- I. UPDATE/REPORT ON TASKS, HOURS, COSTS TO DATE
- II. ESTIMATED/PROJECTED TIME FRAME FOR MAILINGS
- III. } PROPOSED EVENTS / PRESENTATIONS
- IV. } PROPOSED PUBLICATIONS
- V. } POTENTIAL FOR DEVELOPING AN ONGOING STRATEGY FOR THE FUTURE
- VI. } INCOME ITEMS

REPORT ON TASKS DONE, HOURS, COSTS TO DATE.

DATES	# HOURS	TASKS	AMOUNT DUE @ \$15./hr.
11/8 to 11/15	20	Mailing list preparation Hours spent typing names from index cards on to lists to ready for computer labels.	\$ 300.
11/15 - 11/22	16	REAEARCH TIME: COLLECTING DATA FROM MASS. HIST. ASSOC./ PROVINCETOWN HISTORY & MATERIALS / BUYING SUPPLIES FOR FILES.	\$240.
		COSTS FOR SUPPLIES...INDEX CARDS, FOLDERS, FILE, ETC.	\$100.
11/28 - 12/4	15	CROSS REFERNECE & SORTING OF LANDS END & PAAM MAILING LIST TYPING ONTO CARDS & LISTS FOR COMPUTER READINESS.	\$225.
12/5 - 12/10	15	CATEGORING & FILING NAMES & CODING FOR TARGET MAILINGS I.E. RESTAURANTS, SHOPS, INDIVIDUALS, ETC.	\$225.

REPORT ON TASKS DONE, HOURS, COSTS

DATES	#HOURS	TASKS	AMT. DUE
12/12 - 12/16	10	CONTINUED SORTING, FILING & READE * TYPING LISTS FOR MAILING.	
12/19 - 12/23	10	WORK ON WRITING/DRAFTING COPY FOR FUND RAISING MEMBERSHIP LETTER, INCLUDING RESEARCH TIME ON SAMPLES OF LETTERS, ENCLOSURES.	
12/26 - 12/30	10	Evaluation/ gathering information from printers on & off Cape for costs, letters, envelopes, etc.	
1/2 - 1/6	10	RESEARCH ON GRAPHICS, LAYOUT DESIGNS FOR TEES, SWEATS, POSTERS, LOGO, LETTER, ETC.	
1/9 - 1/13	10	WORK ON RESEARCHING PREMIUMS THRO CATALOGUE SEARCH...COSTS, TIME FRAMES, WHOLESALE COMPANIES....VS. SILK SCREENING LOCALLY.	

TO: D. CURRAN, TREASURER
FROM: C. D'AMICO
RE: PAYMENTS / TASKS

DATES	#/hrs.	Rate	Total	TASKS
1/16-20	10	\$15.	\$150.	Organizing files; Separating and categoring and color coding mailing lis index cards (Shops, restaurants, etc.
1/23-27	10	\$15.	\$150.	Development & refining of copy for membership letter...using different samples/perpectives
1/30-2/3	10	\$15.	\$150.	Development & refining of graphics, layout & design for mailing(s)
2/6-10	10	\$15.	\$150.	Research on photographs(old) historical & paintings for use as premiums on tees, posters.

TOTAL DUE: \$600.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Carl D'Amico

PTN. HISTORICAL ASSN. UPDATE 1/30/89

ESTIMATED & PROJECTED TIME FRAME FOR MAILINGS

- #1 APRIL 15th , , , , Presentation of Historical Assn., past accomplishment, present goals, needs.
- #2. MAY 15th FOLLOW UP
- #3. JULY /AUGUST TARGET MAILING TO SUMMER VISITORS
- #4. SEPT. 15th FOLLOW-UP? DID YOU FORGET?
- #5. NOV. 15th LAST CHANCE MAILING

PROVINCETOWN HISTORICAL ASSN.

UPDATE 1/30/89

PROPOSED EVENTS & PUBLICATIONS

(ESTIMATED)

MAY BUSINESS LUNCHEON / COMMUNITY LEADERS
 INVITED TO DESIGNATED RESTAURANT...
 PRESENTED OF HIST. ASSN. GOALS TO ENHANCE
 HISTORICAL IMAGE... PROVINCETOWN'S PLACE IN
 HISTORY... RELATED TO BUSINESS INTERESTS.

JUNE PRESENTATIONS TO VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS FOR
 SUPPORT... I.E. ROTARY CLUB, LIONS, ETC.

MAJOR EVENT ONE POSSIBILITY IS TO PRESENT A
 PROGRAM, DINNER & FILMS... \$25. per
 ADDS TO FUND RAISING, & PUBLIC RELATIONS,
 MEMBERSHIPS, ETC.

PUBLICATIONS:QUARTERLY NEWSLETTERADVERTISING BOOKLETTRIFOLD BROCHURE

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PROVINCETOWN HISTORICAL ASSN.

UPDATE 1/30/89

POTENTIAL FOR DEVELOPING AN ONGOING STRATEGY FOR INCOME & PR.

I. MEMBERSHIPS MAILINGS

II. SPECIAL EVENTS

III. PUBLICATIONS

IV. DEVELOPING GRANTS POTENTIAL:

GOV'T.

CORPORATE

PRIVATE FOUNDATION

V. GIFTS / INCOME ITEMS:

TEES

POSTERS / PRINTS

DECALS

January 28, 1980

Ms Margaret Mayo
Pilgrim Monument Museum
Provincetown, Mass.

Dear Ms Mayo:

Thank you so much for digging up that information for me. I sent it off to the interested parties. I received a letter yesterday from the lady in Tolâdo, Ohio who owns the dane made from wood taken off the wreck of the Somerset. She was very pleased to get the information and joined the Historical Assn.

I am presently working on walking tours #2 and #3 of the East and West Ends. I would like to come up and talk to you some time to get your ideas on what aspects of town history should be covered. I also wonder whether your books on Provincetown are available to outside researchers. I will call you some time soon to discuss this with you.

Sincerely,

Nell Husted
Research Coordinator

Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association

PROVINCETOWN, MASSACHUSETTS

PROVINCETOWN MUSEUM PILGRIM MONUMENT

Frank H. Hogan, *Pres.*
Margaret A. Mayo, *Sec.-Treas.*

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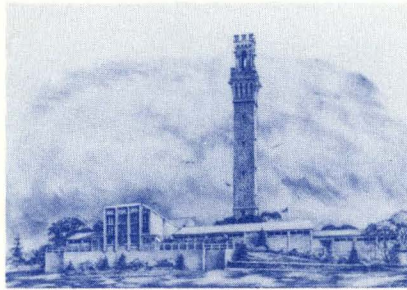
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DIRECTOR OF
MUSEUM & MONUMENT
Chester G. Peck, Jr.

January 25, 1980

Ms Nell Husted,
Provincetown Historical Association,
Box 552,
Provincetown, Mass. 02657

Dear Ms Husted:

The First Unitarian Society was organized in 1829. John Bovee Dods was the fourth minister of the Society. Enclosed you will find a summary of his life here.

We also find that a whaler was named for him. It was a Brig of 163 tons owned by E.S. Smith of Provincetown. It went on voyages from 1841-1844 and was withdrawn in 1846.

The whaler Estella was a Schooner of 70 tons owned by J.E. & G. Bowley of Provincetown and went whaling between 1857-1868 and was sold in 1870. During that time it brought back 510 barrels of Sperm Oil, 1084 barrels of Whale Oil and 650 pounds Whale Bone.

The Elbridge Gerry was a Schooner of 71 tons and was owned by Union Wharf Co. It went whaling 1861-1873 and was withdrawn in 1874. It brought in 797 barrels Sperm Oil, 765 barrels Whale Oil and 82 pounds Whale Bone.

There is a Clarence F. Serpa at 165 Bradford Street who may be a member of Manuel Roller Serpa's family. We have no information on Manuel.

Sincerely,

Margaret Mayo

October 9, 1979

January 28, 1980

Provincetown Historical Association

Miss Cecilia Rose
674 Cohannet Street
Taunton, Mass. 02780

Gentlemen: Manuel Rodriguez, Esq.

Dear Miss Rose: the activities of my great-grandfather who whaled from these shores and the

I checked with Mrs. Margaret Mayo at the Pilgrim Monument Museum. She tells me that there is a member of the Serpa family living here in Provincetown: Mr. Clarence F. Serpa, 165 Bradford Street. She also says that the Estella was a schooner of 70 tons owned by J.E. & G. Bowley of Provincetown and went whaling between 1857 and 1868. It was sold in 1870. During that time it brought back 510 barrels of sperm oil, 1084 barrels of whale oil and 650 pounds of whale bone. The schooner Elbride Gerry, about which you also inquired, was of 71 tons and was owned by the Union Wharf Company. It went whaling between 1861 and 1873 and was withdrawn in 1874. It brought in 797 barrels of sperm oil, 765 barrels of whale oil, and 82 pounds of whale bone.

If you wish further information about these two vessels, I would suggest that you write to Mr. George Bryant, 473 Commercial Street. He is an authority on Provincetown's fishing and whaling history.

Sincerely yours,

Nell Husted
Research and Publicity Coordinator

P.S. I enclose a dues envelope incase you wish to join our organization,

Miss Cecilia M. Rose
674 Cohannet Street
Taunton, MA 02780

October 9, 1979

Provincetown Historical Association
Heritage Museum
Provincetown, MA 02675

Gentlemen:

Re: Manuel Rodrigues Serpa


I am trying to locate the activities of my great-grandfather who whaled from these shores and the Azores during 1851-1866. He was married here in 1861 and took his wife with him for three years. He was a harpooner.

Do you have information on the whaling schooners Elbridge Gerry and the Estella or other schooners between these years?

Enclosed is a stamped addressed envelope for your assistance inreplying.

Thank you for your kind attention at this time.

Sincerely yours,



CMRr
Enc.

January 28, 1980

R.A. Rawdon-Grem
165 Summit View Road
Terryville, Conn. 06786

Dear Mr. Rawdon-Grem:

Mrs. Margaret Mayo at the Pilgrim Monument Museum compiled the enclosed information on John Bovee Dods in reply to a request from us. I hope it will be of help to you. She states in her letter that Mr. Dods was the fourth minister of the First Unitarian Society, which was organized in 1829.

I enclose a dues envelope in case you would like to become a member of our association.

Sincerely yours,

Nell Husted
Research and Publicity Coordinator

P.S. I neglected to mention that a whaler was named after him. It was a brig of 163 tons ~~owned~~ by E.S. Smith of Provincetown. It went on voyages from 1841-1844 and was withdrawn in 1846.

sweetheart as "Dere Mable". Sometimes the clerk deviates from the simplest way, which he usually follows, as when he spells "cord"—a cord of wood—as if it were a chord in music. If the ringing of the bell is the kind we associate with wet clothes, and if the sexton's berth signifies being born rather than his office, we only smile indulgently and pass on, glad there is something to brighten up these musty, dusty pages of the long ago. From the spelling we know how they pronounced, or rather mispronounced words. They said "saxton" and "whare", and "libra case" and "sinetures", instead of library case and signatures.

But while we may smile at their spelling, we are forced to admire their style. Strong and vigorous it is, like the men themselves. Rarely is the thought expressed other than clearly, forcefully always. Take that phrase already quoted, in which the clerk reported that the young men "came forward in a spirit of liberality to bear their part." In its Biblical strength it suggests the verse of Scripture, "She hath done what she could." The old fellow cannot spell; spirit is "sperit" and "liberality" has a prodigal liberality of extra letters, and "bear" is the word that signifies a lack of clothes. But what a strong style; how he saves words even if he wastes letters; how forcefully and euphoniously he says it all in eleven words.

Mr. Davis stayed with the society five years. In 1836, came the Rev. John Bovee Dods, a very able man, whose influence was far-reaching. Soon it became known that a powerful preacher was in the chapel pulpit, and many of the townspeople flocked to hear the strange new doctrine he was preaching. What he said went straight to the hearts of his own society and, in more senses than one, went to the heads of the others. Tongues began to wag and heads to shake solemnly—this new doctrine was dangerous. It soon was one of those church fights that embroil a whole town. Here is a minute that shows plainly that vindictiveness and vituperation were getting in their work: "Voted, that we choose a committee to inquire into certain stories reported against the Rev. John B. Dods, and that the committee be authorized to inquire into the extent of these deformatory (sic) reports, search out the authors and bring them to justice." What did they say? We don't know, yet we know pretty well. They said that Mr. Dods said that Christ was not divine in his origin—that was the kind of godless crew those "universal salvation" people were; they said that he said there was no hell—think of that; they said that he said every-

body would go plump into heaven, no matter how one lived—was such talk good for the young to hear? He did not favor revivals, nor believe in conversion, nor a personal devil, and never made mention of free grace and dying love. Such a preacher ought to be hooted out of town—he was a menace to society.

The committee looked into the "deformatory" reports and found nothing that affected the character of Mr. Dods, no one was "brought to justice", as far as we know, and gradually the bitter voices of sectarian strife were stilled. Spread on the minutes are resolutions showing that the society believed thoroughly in their preacher.

This church fight really benefitted the society. The years, the fighting years, made them a unit. Attacked from without, the members were drawn more closely together within. It was also a period of growth; after a time the chapel was inadequate for their needs, and a larger house of worship erected. Many of the curious who came to hear the new and blasphemous doctrine, were won over by the reasonable interpretation of Scripture. If Atkins and Fairbanks deserve great credit for bringing the society out of the financial crisis, great credit is also due Mr. Dods but for whose tact and fearless leadership the liberal religion in our town might have died an early death.

Mr. Dods also became an educational force in the community. His energy must have been great, for he opened a school, The Academy, and taught it himself. He wrote an English Grammar that went through several editions. He made knowledge so attractive that some of his students later pursued their studies in higher schools. Dr. William Henry Ryder always gave Mr. Dods the credit for influencing him to enter the ministry—an achievement in itself, had the elder preacher done nothing else.

Mr. Dods published one volume of sermons, and through the kindness of Mrs. Annie G. Hopkins of the State Library I have been enabled to examine this book. The title page reads as follows: "Thirty Short Sermons on Various Important Subjects, Doctrinal and Practical. By John Bovee Dods, Pastor of the Universalist Society in Provincetown, Mass. Boston: Published by Thomas Whittemore, No. 37 Cornhill, 1842." Some of the titles are: Salvation by Faith, The New Birth, On Forgiveness, The Second Death Illustrated, and Destruction of Soul and Body in Hell.

"Short Sermons" in this title is in some instances a misnomer. They are long, continued in two or three or four installments, until the

whole sermon is complete. Thoughtful, carefully constructed sermons of the study they are, eloquent in places, showing scholarly taste and wide reading. Because of his reputation as a controversialist, one expects a little more spirited style of discourse. But he is always dignified, never calling his antagonists bitter names, nor stooping to any methods unworthy a Christian gentleman that knows the proprieties. He would win his enemies by argument, and if too much is proved by the mere quoting of verses of Scripture, he can argue effectively and strongly and drive home his arguments in a telling manner. He loved to argue and he does argue even in funeral addresses. Two funeral sermons are printed in the book, and in both he takes a text, as if he were in the pulpit, and argues from almost the first word. He says in the preface, and without the slightest trace of humor, that at a Mr. Scott's funeral he gave an address three hours long! Persons antagonistic to his faith were present—he tells us so—and he would give them straight talk, even if he killed all the mourners.

One wonders that these sermons created discussion and strife. The religious world has advanced in eighty years. Mr. Dods surely regards the Bible as inspired, and Christ as the only begotten son of the Father, to whom alone the world must look for redemption. Many sentences in his references to Christ sound like Methodism.

But he is a Universalist because he believes in the Fatherhood of God, and believing in Him as a father, he cannot put credence in the fires of hell. Here is an extract that will give a flavor of his style and also the way he argues: "Would you save all men from sin and its attendant misery if you could? Oh, yes, is the answer; I would and carry them all in the arms of unbounded benevolence to glory. Well, has God the power to do it? Yes, is the reply. But do you believe that He will exert his power so as to accomplish it? No, says the objector; I believe that He will sentence a large portion of His erring offspring to endless and inconceivable woe. Very well; then you are the better being of the two, and it is a melancholy circumstance to those unfortunate creatures, that you are not on the throne of the universe. God ought to copy your tenderness, and forgive men as you do. No, says the objector; God is superlatively the best thing in the universe. You may talk, and tell me so till the morning sun sinks beyond the western hills, and yet your creed will contradict every word you utter".

But perhaps we can come nearer to this old preacher, discover some of his qualities of mind and heart, by reading one of his letters

which was copied into the book. The letter is undated, but goes into the record of 1837.

To the Committee of the Christian Union Society, Brethren:

I have conferred with my family upon the subject of our remaining here another year or more, and would report for your consideration that I will labor with you another year on the same consideration I stated in my letter previous to my removal to Provincetown, namely \$600 for the second year. That is the salary I received in Taunton, and that is the sum I could receive now in Hyannis and Yarmouthport, as was stated to me in these places last fall, in case I should decide to leave here. The same I could receive in Maine, where I have a good house of my own, and fire wood free from cost, in addition to all the land I might wish to cultivate.

You mentioned to me that \$800 would not separate us, but that is a sum I have not the conscience to ask of this society, nor would I accept it if they freely offered it, as I have no use for so much money annually. I feared that even \$600 was more than the society could conveniently pay, and had therefore made up my mind to leave here at the end of June. But you say that this society can easily pay this sum without being burdened, and so if you think it would be for the interest of the society, I will agree to remain with you five, ten or more years if you choose, provided you will let me have two Sundays per year, to visit my friends in case I desire so to do.

The above is respectfully submitted for your consideration by your humble servant and brother,

J. B. DODS.

Surely these words reveal the man who has not written a letter, lo, these many years. Other places would give him as good a salary as he was receiving in Provincetown; but here he would stay if the people thought best, and fight the good fight, and fight also the warring element that was assailing his religion and his flock. And how fondly he mentions his old house in Maine, and all that fire wood—a commodity he saw none too much of on this sandy cape—and the fair acres he might cultivate. Doubtless he loved bucolic pleasures, rather than the bitter acrimony of sectarian strife. And hear him talk about money! He hesitates to take the six hundred dollars his people gladly offer him—and eight hundred dollars!—such a sum staggers the good man. And he was married, with a wife and five children, all girls except one. Yet he does not know what he can do with eight hun-

dred dollars a year! Refreshing it is to read such a letter, in this day when sordid interests play a strong part with us all, and when even ministers flit gayly to a parish that pays a little better salary.

Across the misty vale that separates us, Brother Dods, we send you a kindly thought to-night. With you, ecclesiastical contention has passed away; the fogs of misunderstanding have lifted, and the light of truth shines on one united congregation forever, one flock under one shepherd.

Two of Mr. Dods's daughters married Provincetown men, and their descendants still live among us. One married my great uncle, so I can claim relationship with this interesting man. Mr. Dods's pastorate extended from 1836 to 1842.

The preachers in the chapel days were as follows: Rev. A. Davis, 1829; Rev. George C. Leach, 1834; Mr. Clemsby, 1834; Rev. John B. Dods, 1836; Rev. Hiram Beckwith, 1842; Mr. Stevens, 1843; Rev. Theodore R. Taylor, 1844; and Rev. Emmons Partridge, 1845. Most of these preachers pass like dim ghosts across the yellowed pages, the full name in some instances not being given.

The town paid the society ten dollars a year, and sometimes fifteen and even twenty dollars, to ring the bell for fire. Why charge anything? Fire was a menace then, as it is to-day, with the wooden buildings in close proximity. They add in one motion, "the town to pay us ten dollars for the use of the bell, and we to stand the risk". What more risk is there in ringing the bell for fire than for meeting? But perhaps they knew their bell, for in the middle 40's this goes down in the record: "Voted, that subscriptions be taken up to get a new bell, since the one in use is now broke".

Here are a few rulings that strike our modern ears as strange:

"Voted, that Obed Wyer be undertaker", which reminds us that at this time every church had its own undertaker.

"Voted, that Obed Wyer who was chosen last year to take care of the boys, serve as tithing-man for another year". Mr. Wyer seems to have been a valuable church-man, proficient with the quick and the dead. The term, tithing-man, was going out of use, this being the only time it is used in the book.

"Voted, that the constable request the male members to take off their hats in the meeting house". Perhaps this order has reference to the men's uncovering in the vestibule.

Then there is this ruling, which has a familiar ring to some of us:

The Provincetown Historical Society
c/o The Provincetown Public Library
Provincetown, Mass.

01 August 1979

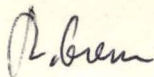
Dear Sirs:

I am trying to track down any records of an institute founded by John Bovee Dods in the mid 1800s in Provincetown. I believe it was a religious or philosophical institution.

Can you give me any information on this man or the institute which he founded?

Also, if the historical society is not at your library, will you kindly forward it for me?

Sincerely,



R.A. Rawdon-Grem
165 Summit View Rd.
Terryville, Conn. 06786



THE GENERAL COURT OF MASSACHUSETTS
State Senate
Committee on Ways and Means
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON 02133

HON. JOHN F. AYLMEYER
CAPE AND ISLANDS DISTRICT
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April 24, 1980

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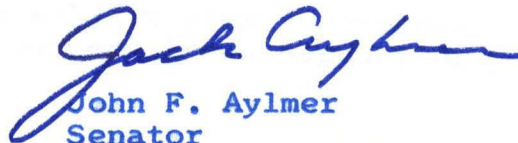
Dear Mr. Carter:

Thank you for your letter informing me that The Provincetown Historical Association has received a Local Project grant.

I am very pleased to learn of the grant for the art work and would like to convey my warmest best wishes for your series of walking tours.

I will continue to lend my support whenever possible for funding of the arts.

Very sincerely yours,


John F. Aylmer
Senator

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April 7, 1980

Senator John Aylmer
Room 315
State House
Boston, Mass.

Dear Senator Aylmer:

The Provincetown Historical Association has received a \$500 Local Project grant from the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities to pay for the art work on a walking tour of the east end of Provincetown to be published by the Association this spring. The first in this series of tours - a tour of the center of town - was published in 1975. Each tour has a map and drawings of important historical sites accompanied by a full page of historical text.

The Historical Association wishes to express its appreciation for this award and for your continued support of public funding of the arts.

Sincerely yours,

Peter Carter, President

April 7, 1980

Representative Howard Cahoon
Room 137
State House
Boston, Mass.

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Sincerely,
Sincerely yours,

Peter Carter
Peter Carter, President

Stephen Gerritsen
Director of Government
Relations



arts and humanities

ONE ASHBURTON PLACE BOSTON 02108 617 727-3668

Dear Friend,

I want to extend my congratulations to you for the grant you have just been awarded by the Council. It is certainly a recognition of your contribution to the cultural richness of Massachusetts.

As you know, most of the funds which support the Council and its distribution programs are first recommended by the Governor and then voted into law by the State Legislature. For that reason, I would like to urge you to communicate with your State Senator and State Representative about your award. Inform them that you are receiving the funds and briefly describe what you intend to do with them; invite them to any programs or events that may result from the award. And, most important, express your appreciation for this award and for their continued support of public funding of the arts. Massachusetts is fortunate not only in its rich artistic life, but also in having legislators who understand the need to protect our cultural heritage through state support.

If you should need addresses or other help in contacting your legislators, please call me at the Council office. Again, my congratulations and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Steve Gerritson

Stephen Gerritson
Director of Government
Relations

SEN. JOHN AYLMER

ROOM 315

REP. HOWARD CAHOON

ROOM 137

STATE HOUSE

BOSTON MA 02133

The Provincetown Historical Association hereby applies to the Yarmouth CETA Subgrantee for the services of a person capable of handling various projects and activities the Association expects to sponsor to sponsor during the coming year.

The type of work the CETA worker will be expected to handle includes research, writing, and editing of historical publication, ^{and illustrations} planning, arranging and staging of various fund-raising activities. Some of the more important schedules are described in more detail below:

1. Preparing and issuing "Walking Tour # 3 - Provincetown West End". This publication requires a considerable amount of research work together with the writing of copy for each house and its illustration. Copies of Tours 1 and 2 are enclosed to give you some idea of the amount of work involved. I am also enclosing several other publications issued by the Association.

2. A concerted effort to complete the construction of the half-scale model of the Schooner "Rose Dorothea" now under construction in the Provincetown Heritage Museum. The CETA employee will be engaged in organizing various fund-raising activities such as dinners, lectures, concerts, etc. The hull of the Rose Dorothea is about 90% complete, and the funds procured will be used to complete the superstructure, the rigging, and also the seascape in which the vessel will be exhibited.

Other projects in which the CETA employee will be involved include ^{our} Membership Drive, Securing a grant to paint the exterior of the Heritage Museum, Restoration of the Old Town Cemetery, ^{the} Selling of advertising copy in any publications the Association may issue.

I hope the foregoing will give you an idea of our need for a CETA employee, and that your action will be favorable.

Sincerely, yours,

Claude Jensen



PROVINCETOWN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION *Inc*

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April 23, 1980

Executive Board
Provincetown Historical Association
Provincetown, Mass.

Dear Members of the Board:

I am resigning the position of Research and Publicity Coordinator with the Historical Association. I regret that my early resignation will cut short the CETA position granted to the Association. I have enjoyed so much the opportunity to work with you on this most interesting and important endeavor, and am grateful to my job with the Historical Association for all that I have learned about the history of this fascinating town.

With kindest regards,

Neil Husted

Neil Husted

April 15, 1980

Provincetown Historical Association Inc.

Provincetown, Ma. 02657

Peter Carter, President

Dear Mr. Carter:

We received your letter regarding photographs of
The Nautilus Club quilt to be used in printing
postcards and notepaper for The Provincetown
Historical Association.

Our Club has approved this and anticipate
reviewing the wording of said cards before
it is submitted to the Publisher.

We look forward to seeing good results from
this project.

Very truly yours
(Mrs.) Melda Rogers, Corres. Secty.

March 20, 1980

Mrs. Samuel Levy
Off Aldridge Road
North Truro, Mass.

Dear Mrs. Levy:

On behalf of the Provincetown Historical Association, I would like to request permission of the Nautilus Club to have photographs made of the beautiful Nautilus Club quilt at the Heritage Museum from which post cards and notepaper can be printed for sale at the museum. Based on the interest in the quilt shown by visitors, we believe that these would prove a very popular sale item. The Nautilus Club will of course be given full credit for the quilt, and it will be clearly stated on all printed material that permission to use the photographs was granted through the courtesy of the Nautilus Club.

Sincerely yours,

Peter Carter
President