



MAY 8, 2018
Meeting at the
The Lyman Estate,
185 Lyman Street, Waltham
6:30-9:00 PM
Stop in on your way home!

In Collaboration with Historic New England

We Welcome Waltham's Ugandan Community

Tuesday, May 8, 2018 from 6:30-9:00 p.m.
at The Lyman Estate, 185 Lyman Street, Waltham



Join The Waltham Historical Society and Historic New England as we celebrate Waltham's Ugandan community! Sample traditional food, listen to Ugandan music, and continue extending Waltham's history of friendship and camaraderie!

Entrance is FREE and so is the food!

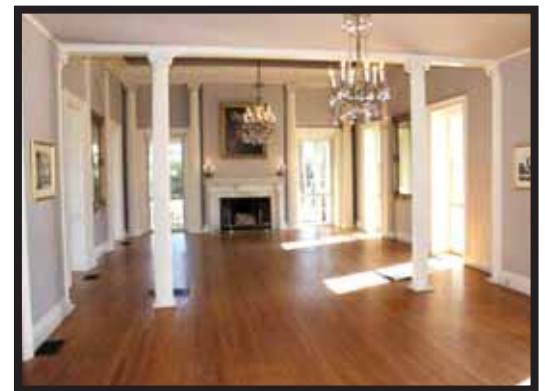
Donations are always welcome!

Come, sing, and have fun!

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and Radio Uganda Boston.*

Come and Meet:

Saint Peters' Reverend Christine Nakyeyune
African Cultural Center's Juliette Najjumba
Saint Mary's Father Michael Ssenfuma
Saint Mary's Choir with Michael E. Mukisa
Radio Uganda Boston's Geoffrey Simple Nsereko,
Karibu Restaurant's Hajji Abass Matovu



Organized by African Cultural Services, Historic New England,
St. Peter's Ugandan Anglican Church (Waltham),
Ugandan Catholic Community in the Archdiocese of Boston at
St. Mary's Church and The Waltham Historical Society.

Also participating in the evening's celebration will be
Radio Uganda Boston with Geoffrey Simple Nsereko.

And sample foods courtesy of
Hajji Abass Matovu's Karibu Restaurant



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On Waltham's Ethnic History

In the now well-known publication *Waltham Rediscovered* there is a page titled "It Was The People." On that page is a transcription of words spoken at an October 1985 Felton-Charles Street Reunion.

The words were by Christine Rizzo. Portions are excerpted below to remind us of what makes Waltham such a wonderful community. In looking back it was noted, that to have lived in the neighborhood was such good fortune. We think it is the same today and extends beyond one neighborhood to encompass the entire City. That is one of the reasons we're pleased to help organize and sponsor the event welcoming our Ugandan neighbors to Waltham.

From *Waltham Rediscovered*:

It was the people. People of many ethnic backgrounds who spoke with accents and tongues representing many countries throughout the world, who settled in the area because of financial necessity, but with great pride and dignity, rare determination, and undaunted spirit with such camaraderie and helpfulness.

People whose children worked, played, and even fought together. People who maintained their cultural customs, but also were able to join together with others to create a learning experience for all.

Though our lives have channelled off in many varied professions and life styles, to different towns, cities, and states, how wonderful it is that we can meet again.

Wonderful, after years of separation, to capture again the strong bond that has held us together in friendship and understanding. How well the roots of our youth have been planted strong and deep to create such a beautiful future of binding friendships. We have been truly fortunate.

We have experienced the true meaning of brotherhood of man. We are the result of a melting pot of the world. In language, food, music, and religions we are molded into what America really is, the coming together of many and understanding of all.

We hope to see you at the May 8th event at the Lyman Estate. Please join us as we welcome and celebrate the coming together of neighbors to sing, dance, and share friendships. The event is free and open to the public. The house will be open for you to look around. Ugandan food from Karibu Restaurant will be available to sample, and add your voice to Waltham's vibrant community.

"Thank you" to the Waltham Historical Society for preserving the City's rich history.



As a proud member of the Waltham community for nearly 70 years, we look forward to serving the members of the Society.

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