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The 1919 Boston Police Strike Project: Researching the Men Behind the Strike

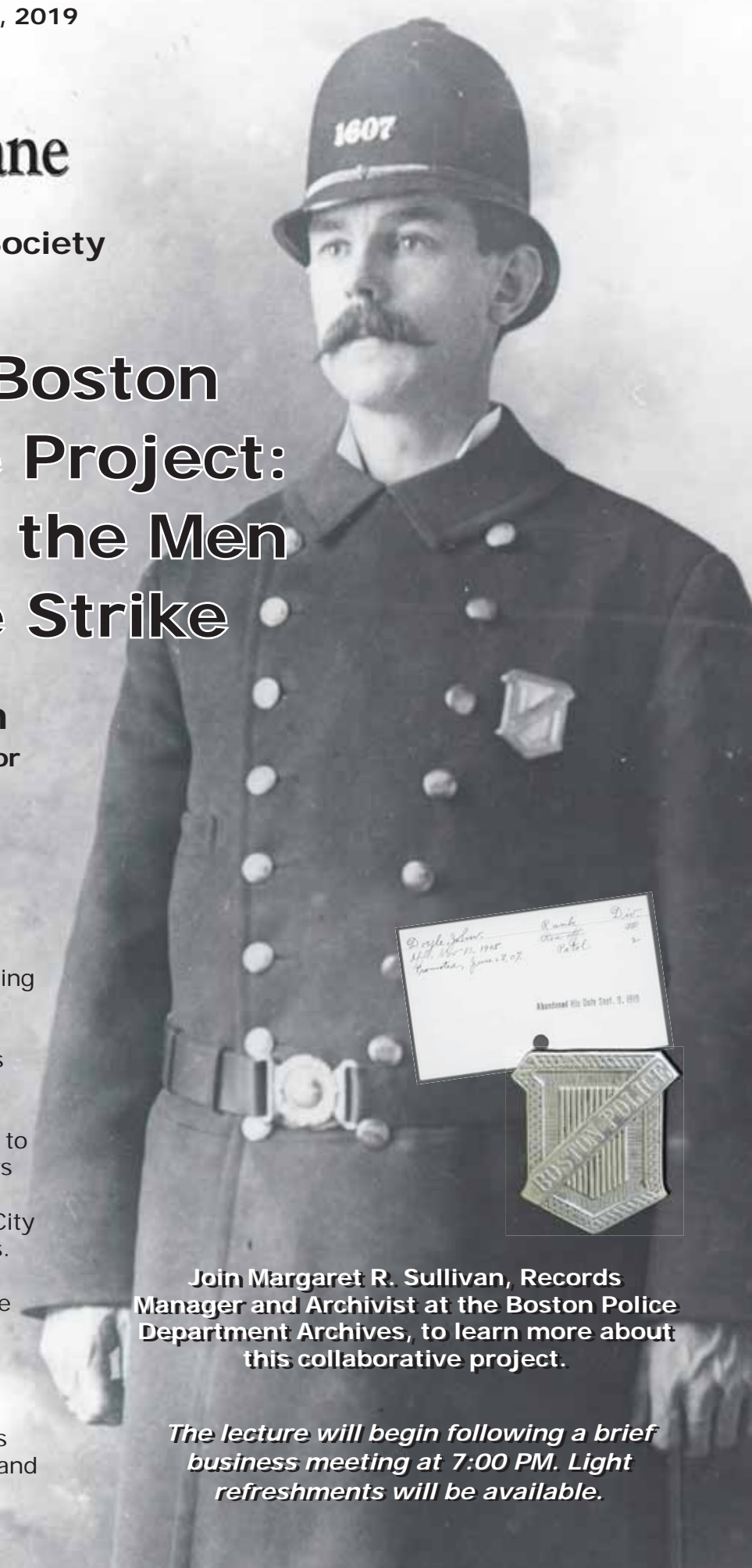
Margaret R. Sullivan

Records Manager & Archivist for
Boston Police Department

7:00 pm, TUESDAY, MAY 14

260 GROVE STREET IN WALTHAM

On September 9, 1919 Boston police officers went on strike in hopes of gaining long promised improvements in wages and working conditions. 1,177 officers walked off the job. None of the strikers worked as Boston police officers again. Relying on volunteer genealogists, the 1919 Boston Police Strike Project aims to document the lives of the police officers involved in this highly influential labor strike which had lasting effects in the City of Boston and across the United States. By September 9, 2019—the centennial of the strike—the project hopes to have compiled a biographical encyclopedia documenting each of the officers for the benefit of researchers, historians, students, and others, including family members of the strikers. This project is run by UMass Boston's Healey Library and the Boston Police Archives.



Join Margaret R. Sullivan, Records Manager and Archivist at the Boston Police Department Archives, to learn more about this collaborative project.

The lecture will begin following a brief business meeting at 7:00 PM. Light refreshments will be available.

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WHAT HAPPENS IN VEGAS...

Join us on **June 11, 2019** to hear about *New England Neon!* Susan Mara Bregman, a Boston-based photographer and admitted sign geek will tell us what we don't know about neon signs!

It started in Las Vegas with a visit to the Neon Museum in the early days when the site was just a fenced-in parking lot full of deteriorating neon signs. That visit changed her life. She began photographing neon signs in the Boston metropolitan area and is now on a mission to document the New England neon landscape before it disappears.

This lecture and presentation will be held at the former Bright School, 260 Grove Street and will begin at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, June 11, 2019. More details will follow.

Ms. Bregman's portfolio & blog are online at www.rednickel.com & on Instagram & Facebook as @RedNickelNeon.

From the archives

Images from our collection that are always popular include aerial shots:



Aerial view of Warrendale area of Watertown / Waltham, circa 1950. Watertown Savings Bank currently operates its Warrendale Branch in this area. Photo courtesy of Charles Morash. Photo by Lenscraft Photo, Inc.



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***The Waltham Historical Society
At the Former Bright School
260 Grove Street in Waltham***



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The Waltham Historical Society is grateful for the sponsorship of six of this year's Edmund L. Sanderson lectures by Senior Whole Health, represented by Patrick O'Brien. Besides the November 2018 and January and March 2019 lectures, the full schedule is as follows:

- April 11, Jack Cox, *The Way We Played: Recreation in Waltham 1900-1999*
- May 14, Margaret Sullivan on the *1919 Boston Police Strike*
- July 9, The Mustering out of Waltham's Company F
- September 10, TBD
- November 2019, Veterans' Day WWI.

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