

The Waltham Historical Society  
190 MOODY STREET  
WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

**The Edmund L. Sanderson Lecture Series**

**“Why Don’t We Speak French; Salt Water and the American Revolution.”**

**William “Bill” Rose**

**Tuesday, May 8, 2007  
7:00 pm in the Community Room  
at RTN Federal Credit Union  
600 Main Street, Waltham**



This talk focuses on the world-wide nature of the war spawned in the 13 colonies in 1775. It highlights the naval aspects of the major belligerents, the kingdoms of France and England. The issues of how national strategic policy is formed, and by whom, and whether lessons illuminated in the 18<sup>th</sup> century have application in the 21<sup>st</sup> century are discussed. Moreover, while there are certainly well defined tactics and policies attached to na-

tional strategies, there is a sense that individual actions may sometimes have a disproportionate effect on the outcome of those strategies. Some of these individuals are little known and their activities often were at odds to the stated goals, but their impact is lasting.

The era in discussion touches on the period from about 20 years prior to the start of the American Revolution onward in order to gain perspective on events leading up to the War and to appreci-

ate the various national characters, their attitudes, values and interrelationships. Once in the period of the War, the talk bounds across oceans, continents and characters. Military doctrine, economics, class distinctions, heredity are all part of the fascinating mix of information that generated the energy ultimately leading to our independence and a new Europe.

**For information on this lecture please call 617-448-6706 or email waynemccarthy@rcn.com.**

**About the Lecturer**

Bill Rose is the CEO and co-owner of Fabrico, a company which produces high tolerance, precision metal fabrications from high temperature and corrosion-resistant alloys. Previously, he spent more than 20 years leading the operations of fast-growing technology-oriented companies where he managed organizations of up to 800 people across many business functions and multiple sites. He has been involved in several early-stage

companies, two of which resulted in successful IPOs. Bill was one of the early employees at Apollo Computer, and helped grow the company by 500%, 400% and 150% in consecutive years. In his eight years in charge of operations at Vicor, sales at the company grew by more than 800%. In addition to his experience with growth-oriented companies, Bill has also been involved in turnarounds where leadership and fast reactions were essential in preserving corporate assets and positioning an enterprise for recovery.

At Fabrico, Bill and his partner Ann Gray, have expanded the company into new markets to buffer the effects of recent international events. They have formed a subsidiary in China and have aggressively marketed the company's capabilities in Europe. Fabrico now ships to over 10 countries and will begin selling into China in the near future. Bill holds a B.A. in chemistry from Brown University and an M.B.A. from the Harvard Business School.

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## About this issue...

*The intent of The Waltham Historical Society's Newsletter is to provide notice of the next meeting of the Society, and information on historical, current, and upcoming events that may be of interest to our members.*

This issue continues our efforts to occupy space in a historic building in the City. Mr. Fred Kimber, owner of the

Café on the Common, at the corner of Main and Common Streets, has generously offered us the use of space in the former Waltham Nurses Training School.

This opportunity does not come without some effort. We need members to staff the space and welcome visitors and members interested in viewing the exhibits. Please call and vol-

unteer your assistance, and learn more about the Society.

We encourage your comments at 781-891-5815 or through our web site at [walthamhistoricalsociety.org](http://walthamhistoricalsociety.org).

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# The Grand Opening of 760 Main Street, the Waltham Historical Society's new office space, June 3, 2007

The Waltham Historical Society's plan for a Grand Opening of our new office space has taken longer than anticipated, but we are moving forward. The current plan is to open the doors to our members at 1:00 pm on Sunday, June 3, 2007. Please watch the newspapers for more information, or call 617-448-6706.

Among the pieces on display will be photographs of the school, the nurses, and numerous documents and articles pertaining to the Training School and Dr. Alfred Worcester.

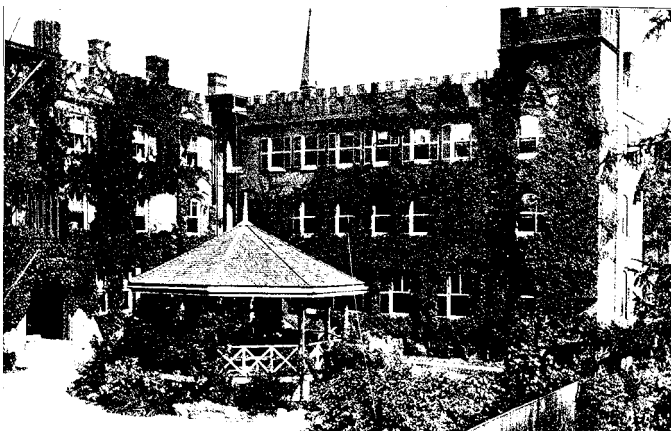
Last month we published images from the photo album donated by Nancy Perry. This issue includes a few more glimpses of the materials uncovered in the Society's collection that we will have on display.

Also shown are some images of interest that will be on display for closer examination.

We are pleased to announce that the Historical Society is participating in Historic Waltham Days again this year. One event will be an Essay Contest open to youngsters in the City. Our new space will be open in time to accommodate the research efforts of the school children creating the essays.

You will see a new sponsor this month, as one of our members generously donated cleaning services for the opening of our new space. Mary Selig, owner of the North Shore Merry Maids enterprises, along with the Waltham branch's Maryann Tracy combined to put the finishing touches on our 760 Main Street site.

Whenever you are seeking sources, please first consider those sponsors who support the Historical Society and our activities. Also, please let them know where you saw their ads. It will help convince them they have made the right choice in helping us.



*Waltham Training School for Nurses*

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### 760 Main Street

Photos of special significance to the Waltham Nurses Training School will not be the only items on display at the new office space. We will be showcasing items that are in the archives of the Historical Society, but very rarely are open to examination. We plan to start slowly with this new opportunity, and expand it as interest and ability allow.

We would be truly remiss if we did not thank the folks at the Francis Cabot Lowell Mill for their generous support over the years of housing our archives. This location will re-

main our headquarters, and will be accessible for research purposes by appointment only.

The current plan for the exhibit includes a Grand Opening celebration from 1:00-4:00 pm June 3, 2007. Please watch for announcements and invitations with specific details. If you would like to help us with this exciting (and labor intensive) initiative, please contact Wayne or Sheila at 617-448-6706 or 781-891-5815.

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*Bicycle Park with Waltham Hospital in background, Circa 1900*



*The Roadsters at Lexington, April 1900*

### Grand Opening Booklet will be printed to mark the occasion

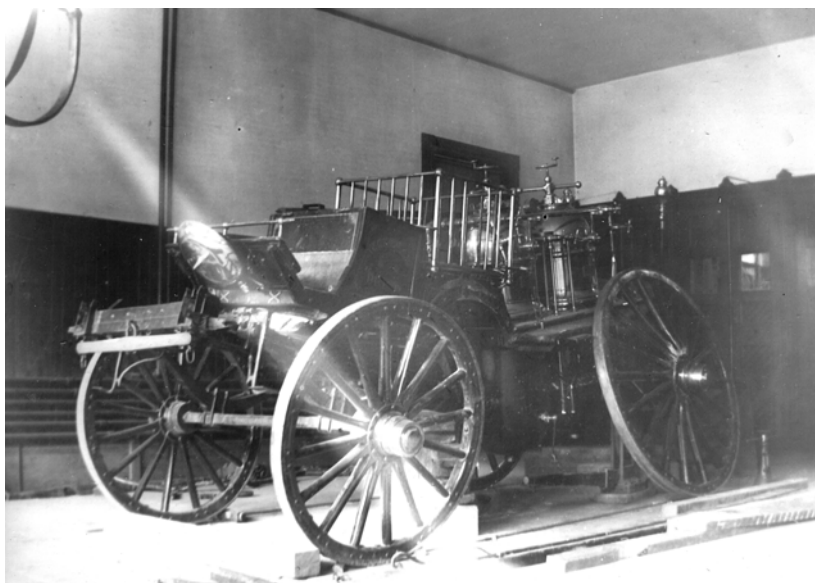
Enclosed with this newsletter is a copy of the Minutes from the last membership meeting held on March 13, 2007.

Please read the minutes and note any changes, additions, or corrections, and make them known at the May 8th meeting.

Also on the sheet are forms to help you support the Grand Opening of our new space at 760 Main Street.

Please consider becoming a Friend, or Business Friend of the Society by filling out a form and sending your contribution to the Society at 190 Moody Street, Waltham, 02453, or bring it to the May 8 meeting. Feel free to make and distribute additional copies of the forms, or contact us and we will be delighted to assist in any manner necessary.

Your support is vital during this important event.



*Chemical Pumper Number 1 after being hit by a B&M Train, October 5, 1895*

### ***Sponsorship Opportunities Available***

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor of the Waltham Historical Society and any of its activities, please contact Co-presidents Sheila FitzPatrick or Wayne McCarthy and learn of the possibilities. We have numerous events offering sponsorship opportunities that accommodate contributions at many different levels. Call us at 781-891-5815 or 617-448-6706.

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### ***Waltham Historical Society Upcoming Calendar***

***The Waltham Training School for Nurses*** exhibit. Visit an exhibition of prints and artifacts selected from the Society's collection on the history of the Training School, 760 Main Street, Waltham. Sunday June 3, 2007 at 1:00 pm. Please check prior to visiting. 617-448-6706.

#### **Tuesday, May 8, 2007**

Bill Rose

***The French Perspective on the American Revolution.*** RTN Federal Credit Union, 600 Main Street, Waltham. This lecture in the Edmund L. Sanderson Series will begin at 7:00 pm. Refreshments will be available.

#### **Tuesday, July 10, 2007**

John Horrigan

***"Great Earthquakes of Olde New England, 1638 - 1800".*** RTN Federal Credit Union, 600 Main Street, Waltham. This lecture in the Edmund L. Sanderson Series will begin at 7:00 pm. Refreshments will be available.

#### **Looking Ahead:**

#### **September 11, 2007**

Christopher Gore (tentative)

#### **September 15-24, 2007**

Historic Waltham Days

#### **November 13, 2007**

Dr. Thomas O'Connor,

*"Athens in America; Boston 1825-1845"*



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