

**Sturgis Library Archives
Town and Local History Collection**

Barnstable Village Brick Walk Collection
1996-2021
MS. 113

Extent: 3 boxes

Scope and Content Note: The collection consists of records documenting the work of the Barnstable Village Improvement Association (BVIA), primarily the planning for and installation of the Village Memorial Brick sidewalk project. The collection includes BVIA bylaws, meetings minutes, financial records, lists of brick purchasers and inscriptions, etc.

Historical Information: The BVIA was established in 1996 “to preserve and improve the physical character of Barnstable Village to ensure its attractive nature...and to aid the Town of Barnstable in expressing objectives of its residents.” Its mission differed slightly from the Barnstable Village Civic Association, established in 1987, as the BVIA’s primary focus was on beautification and installation and upkeep of the memorial brick sidewalk.

Residents and visitors purchased bricks to help construct the sidewalk, and then had the opportunity to have their brick or bricks inscribed with a name, a quote, or other words.

In 2018, the renamed Barnstable Village Association worked with the Barnstable Department of Public Works to remove all the bricks during the 2018-2020 Village improvement project. Old bricks were replaced and reset, and new bricks added. Box 3 includes the records of this second project.

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Acquisition: Donated by the Barnstable Village Civic Association and Barnstable Village Association, 2011, 2021.

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Contents:

Box 1		Brick walk inscriptions and purchaser information
	Fldr 1	List of brick inscriptions 1-362
	Fldr 2	Individual brick sheets 1-124
	Fldr 3	Individual brick sheets 125-235
	Fldr 4	Individual brick sheets 236-362
	Fldr 5	Individual brick sheets 363-445
	Fldr 6	Individual brick sheets 446-470, 474-500, 505-521, 523-546
	Fldr 7	Individual brick sheets 574-592, 605-608
	Fldr 8	Individual brick sheets 669-693-697-723, 755-778, Various 782-873
	Fldr 9	Individual brick sheets - Combo Bricks 888-1113
	Fldr 10	Individual brick sheets - Various
Box 2	Fldr 1	Deed of gift form, proposed bylaws
	Fldr 2	Correspondence 1996-2003
	Fldr 3	Financial & Treasurer's reports, budgets, misc. 1996-1999
	Fldr 4	Meeting minutes, agendas, etc.
	Fldr 5	Various lists, donors, board, membership, etc.
	Fldr 6	Newsletters & brochures
	In box	VHS Tape "The Spirit of Barnstable Village" Sample brick with inscription

Box 3

Fldr 1	Miscellaneous brick project records
Fldr 2	Bricks A-B
Fldr 3	Bricks C-D-E
Fldr 4	Bricks F-G-H
Fldr 5	Bricks I-J-K-L-M
Fldr 6	Bricks N-O-P-Q-R-S
Fldr 7	Bricks T-U-V-W-X-Y-Z