

# A CIVIC CELEBRATION

## LEXINGTON IS THE PLACE TO BE ON MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND



Lexington 300th Trading Cards  
Collect 'Em All!

invited as special dignitaries. The excitement begins after Discovery Day with an After Hours Concert beginning at 3:30 p.m. at Emery Park. The Lexington Retailers Association is sponsoring the band *The Nowheremen*, a

Beatles cover band, and everyone is invited to join in the fun. Participants can get into the spirit of the event by wearing their favorite 300th clothing, or clothing with a 1960s theme.

On Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, the community is invited to celebrate the culmination of Lexington's 9 month celebration in honor of the town's 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Like the formal Opening Ceremony, held last September, the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert will include a wide array of Lexington leaders, volunteers and community organizations. This event's central theme for entertainment revolves around music.

Kenny Laxague returns to the 300<sup>th</sup> Team to play the role of Radio Announcer on the fictitious radio station W-L-E-X. Last seen in the 300<sup>th</sup> production *Breeches, Bloomers and Bellbottoms: Oh My!*, Laxague was happy to be asked to take on a new role in the upcoming concert. "Kenny was such a pleasure to work with, and very funny!" notes Jessie Steigerwald, who worked with Laxague in the autumn musical revue.

Organizers are thrilled that Laxague will bring his comedic style to the Memorial Day event. Susan Navia, producer of the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert, adds, "this event will integrate the formal close of town-sponsored 300<sup>th</sup> events and pass the torch to community organizations who want to plan their own events through next March; Kenny will be sure to keep our spirits light on this occasion."

### Pomp and Circumstance

The 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee will recognize some of the individuals and teams who have helped make the major events

successful, including the entire PR team and the Event Co-Chairs: Fay Backert, Kamala Soparkar, Kathleen Lennihan, Tanya Morrisett, Jessie Steigerwald, Betty Gau, Donna Burns, Polly Kienle, Melanie Lin, Geetha Padaki, Colleen Smith, Allyson Huntington, Betsy Wilkinson and Susan Navia.

There will also be a special tribute to town staff. "Without the extra dedication of every department across town, the celebration would not have been possible," observes Polly Kienle, 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee member. She continued, "as volunteers, we relied on the professional staff from virtually every department, including: Public Facilities, Public Works, Police, Fire, Recreation, Schools, Engineering, Health. In addition, the Town Manager's office and Town Clerk's office provided tremendous support."

### An Old-Fashioned Radio Show

Audience members will be entertained by the radio show format selected for the evening. At fictitious station W-L-E-X, the lead announcer will guide the audience through an evening of music specially selected in honor of the town's Anniversary. Visiting performers include the Lexington Bicentennial Band, the Master Singers of Lexington, The Lexington Pops Chorus and the Lexington Symphony.

Two works will be world premieres, including *Seeds of Revolution* by Daniel Lutz. Lutz was commissioned by the Bicentennial Band to create a work that would celebrate Donald Gillespie's contributions to the town throughout his years as founder and conductor of the Bicentennial Band. The piece, *Seeds Of Revolution*, will be played as a world premiere at the Anniversary Concert. Eric Michelson will be par-

ticipating - not as a musician- but as a reader. Jeff Leonard, conductor observed that Michelson is perfect for the role. Leonard says the band has enjoyed learning the piece and it will remain in the Band's repertoire throughout the summer.



Lexington Bicentennial Band

The Lexington Symphony will perform composer John Tarrh's "Symphony No. 2, Freedom" -- which was commissioned by Lexington Symphony and written in commemoration of the town of Lexington's 300th anniversary -- on Monday, May 27, 2013 (Memorial Day), as part of the town's 300th Anniversary Concert.

At the ceremony, listeners will hear which items were selected to be sealed in both time capsules. The capsules are sure to last until 2063 as they are made from titanium. Both were gifts to the town from Stan Abkovitz of Dynamet Technology. Abkovitz, a Lexington resident, will be present for the dedication of the time capsules.

### Memorial Day Event – Concert and Ceremony

Residents can expect an extraordinary event on Saturday May 25<sup>th</sup>, bringing two very special tributes together, the clock and time capsule. Current and former members of the Board of Selectmen are all being



At 4:00 p.m. the official ceremony will begin and planners have made sure that it will be fun for all ages. A brief patriotic sing-along will include *You're Grand Old Flag* with a special verse for the event (*You're a Grand Old Clock*). Expect brief remarks and fun surprises. The event will take place rain or shine and, like the Bell Ringing, is a once-in-a-lifetime free community event.

For more information on the schedule of events or to volunteer, please visit the Clock or Time Capsule pages at [www.lexington300.org](http://www.lexington300.org). Souvenirs are available for donations to the 300<sup>th</sup> Committee and donations support the free events.





# 300<sup>TH</sup> OLD TIME BASEBALL

## Lexington's 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary TEAM Spirit

Over the last year, Lexington residents and staff have pulled together as one to celebrate the town's 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in creative ways. "On deck" is a complete Lexington line-up for Old-Time Baseball on Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at Center Field.

Free events at Old-Time Baseball begin at 11:30 with an Opening Ceremony. As the official 300<sup>th</sup> historic trading card states: back in the 1930s, Lexington Sunday afternoon baseball games drew crowds of 2,000. Event organizers Colleen Smith, Allyson Huntington, and Betsy Wilkinson hope to reach that number. Visitors are encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs.

At noon, Dick Berardino throws out the first pitch. Dick has been with the Boston Red Sox organization for 43 years. In addition to baseball, the day will be filled with entertainment including: a flyover by a WWII antique plane; a stilt walker; a cappella singing; an 1860s dance group; contests; and kid-friendly activities.

Team rosters have been announced and fans will see plenty of familiar faces to cheer on. "Lexington's Finest" is comprised of members of the Police Department and Lexington Firefighters. Team Managers Sal Mirabella and Rick DeAngelis have been planning since last fall. Mirabella observed that it is very special to be on a joint Fire-Police team.

Police Chief Mark Corr says: "I jumped at the opportunity to participate in this 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event – everyone loves baseball. In a way I am also making up for hiding during the [300<sup>th</sup>] talent and fashion shows." Corr continues, "I will enjoy playing with other Lexington Police and Fire Department personnel." He looks forward to "playing before and sharing some laughs with a rowdy Lexington audience." Sue Rockwell, 300<sup>th</sup> Committee Chair, notes that she expects having police on the field will keep the peace very nicely!

The "Lexington Baseball" team includes dedicated citizens who serve as coaches or directors for Lexington Little League. "What a great Lexington moment this will

be," says Lexington Softball coach Liz O'Neil. O'Neil, Director of Community Nursery School, sees this unique event as a way for coaches to demonstrate their passions for the game and the town: "We are all looking forward to our participation in this wonderful community event -- a chance for all of us to run the bases!"

"Every home team needs someone to play against and the organizers of the Essex Base Ball Club have been exceptionally wonderful," observes Colleen Smith. History buffs will be thrilled that the games will follow rules from the late 1800s: all pitching will be underhand; no gloves will be allowed.

"Bringing Old-Time Baseball back to Lexington helps us celebrate the town's history – and honor the important role baseball has had in Massachusetts' history," notes Polly Kienle, public historian and member of the 300<sup>th</sup> Committee. Uniforms were inspired by an 1887 photograph of a Lexington Baseball Team. Smith has re-created the "L" logo to tie the present celebration to our town's traditions.

The event is free to the community, thanks to sponsorships from Cambridge Savings Bank and many other generous donors who have contributed all year. The bank helped fund the uniforms, stilt walker, and inflatables. Souvenirs are available for donations to the 300<sup>th</sup> Committee and help further defray the expenses.

For more information on the schedule of events or to volunteer, please visit the Old-Time Baseball Page at [www.lexington300.org](http://www.lexington300.org). Rain Date is scheduled for Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 12 pm. For souvenirs, visit the 300<sup>th</sup> tables at Discovery Day, Crafty Yankee, Michelson's, or at any 300<sup>th</sup> event.



Opening Ceremonies start at 11:30 and will include a memorable presentation from the Lexington Police and Fire Honor Guard and a flyover by an antique WWII FM2 Wildcat plane. The plane is being sponsored, in part, by the Collings Foundation.



Sal Mirabella, Co-Manager of the "Lexington's Finest" Team, ready to go to bat for the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.



### MEET THE PLAYERS!



Pictured L-R: Patrick Morin (LB), Captain Derek Sencabaugh (Fire), Sgt. Paul Callahan (Police), Lt. Bob Morency (Fire), Mark Simonds (Fire), Aiden Evelyn (Police), Rich Prescott (Fire), Colleen Smith, Chris Filadoro (DPW), Shawn Ormiston (Fire), Hsien Kai Hsu (Police), Chief Corr (Police), Sal Mirabella (Police), Peter Coleman (Recreation), Bill Murphy (LB), Ralph Ebb (Essex), Mike Schroeder (LB), Sam Feeley, Allyson Huntington, Joe Cacciatore (LB), Mary Gobes (LB).



Photo above courtesy of the Cary Memorial Library.



Get Your Souvenirs Here! Pennants, hats and so much more sold at the game.

On Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, the community is invited to gather to look to the past *and* the future. The 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Clock will be unveiled – and the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Time Capsules will be dedicated to Lexington as we look forward to the town's 350<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2063.

#### A Clock to Honor 300 Years

The Lexington Lions Club and the Rotary Club of Lexington have collaborated to give a lasting gift to the town – a permanent monument to Lexington's 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Nothing could be a better gift to mark the passage of time over the last three centuries than a monumental timekeeper. To that end, the Lions and Rotary Clubs agreed to fund the purchase and installation of a clock of significance, the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Clock.

The Clock was manufactured by the East Bay Clock Company of Gulf Bay Florida. It was completed and began the journey to Lexington at the end of April. Eric Carlson, member of the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee, was the point person between the Historic District Commission and the Clock Company. It took many steps to achieve agreement on the precise location and the final design.



#### Time Capsules for the Future

Lexington citizens in 2063 will be invited to gather together to take a look back fifty years to consider *our* 2013 moment of celebration. How will future Lexingtonians learn about us? They will have a gift to guide them: two time capsules filled with objects and information about Lexington in 2013. Donna Hooper, Town Clerk, has overseen collection of items for the Government's Time Capsule. Julia Steigerwald Schnall, Lexington High School student, has tracked submissions for the People's Time Capsule.



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### Bus or Bike to Old-Time Baseball Game

Transportation Information for May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013

#### BIKE INFO:

A bike rack will be available at the end of Park Drive, located by the rotary just behind the Center Playground. Bring a bike lock.

#### SHUTTLE BUS INFO:

On Sunday May 26<sup>th</sup>, shuttles will run (approximately every 15 minutes) between Center Field and the following 2 locations:

\*\*Harrington Elementary School (328 Lowell Street)

\*\*Department of Public Works (201 Bedford Street)

First shuttle: 10:30am

Last shuttle departs from Center Field: 4:30 pm

(Departing from Center Field, at the end of Park Drive, next to the playground.)

#### SHUTTLE BUS STOPS:

Lexington Public School Administration Parking Lot (next to Harrington Elementary School)

Lexington Public School Administration Building's Parking Lot

(Next to Harrington Elementary School & behind the old Harrington Elementary School)

328 Lowell St.

Please use the Administration parking, which is located behind the old Harrington School and now known as the Administration Building or Central Office.

Department of Public Works, Samuel Hadley Public Services Building

201 Bedford Street

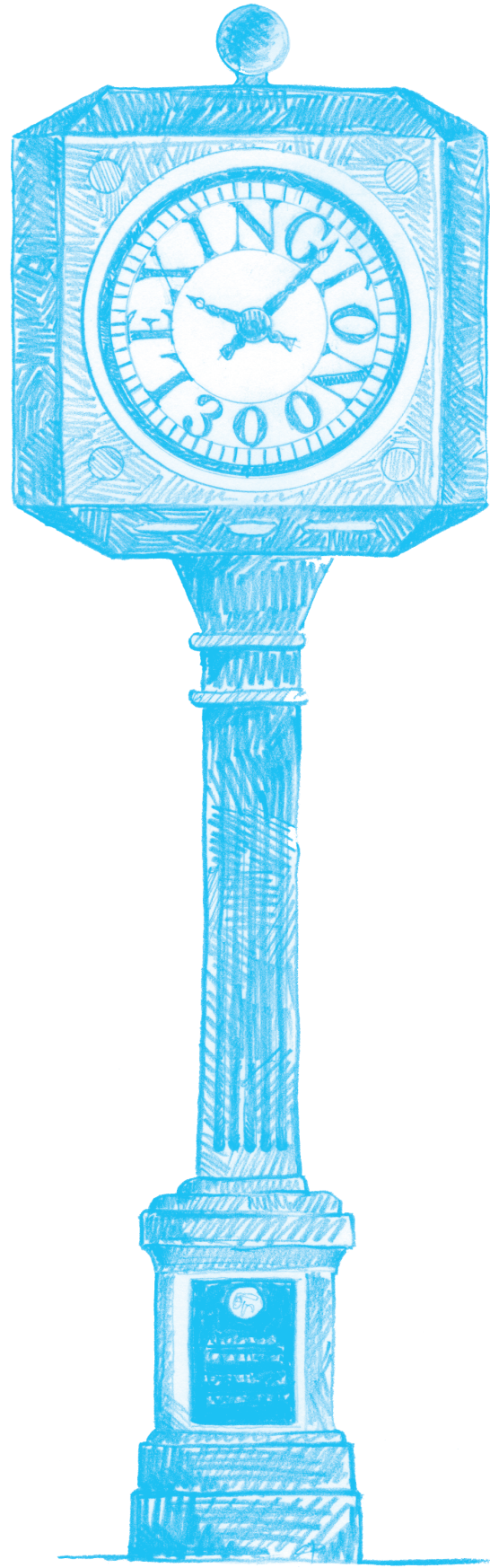
Note: in addition to parking in front of the building, there is an additional lot to the far side of the building.

Center Field Shuttle Stop

End of Park Drive, near the Center playground. Easy walking distance to Center Field.

*Celebrating 300 Years ~ We Are Lexington*

## Time Capsule and Clock Dedication



**Saturday, May 25, 2013**  
**Emery Park, Depot Square**

Outdoor Concert begins at 3:30 p.m.  
 Formal program begins at 4:00 p.m.

300th Town Clock donated by the  
 Lexington Lions Club &  
 the Rotary Club of Lexington.

300th Time Capsules donated by  
 Stanley Abkovitz & Dynamet Technology.



For more information go to [www.Lexington300.org](http://www.Lexington300.org)

### Special Souvenir Items Available!

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| Polo and T-shirts | Pencils                |
| Buttons           | Baseballs              |
| Lanyards          | Small baseball bats    |
| Desktop flags     | Old-Time baseball hats |

Collect 300th souvenirs at our upcoming events!  
 Available while supplies last

### Other Upcoming Events for Memorial Day Weekend

Discovery Day  
 Saturday, May 25, 2013  
 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.



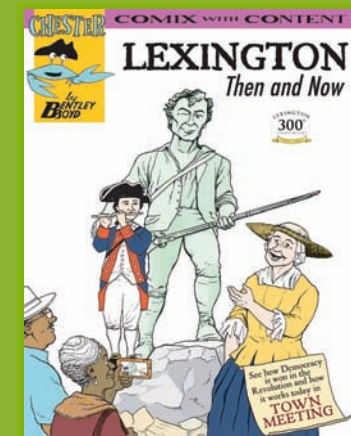
Old-Time Baseball Game  
 Sunday, May 26, 2013

Memorial Day Parade  
 Monday, May 27, 2013  
 10 a.m. from Hosmer House



300th Anniversary Concert  
 Monday, May 27, 2013  
 Lexington High School

### 300 Years in One Colorful Volume!



Illustrated by Bentley Boyd.  
 Available at Town Clerk's Office  
 Crafty Yankee  
 Michelson's Shoes

And don't forget to follow us!



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## Take Me Out to the Old-Time Baseball Game!

Family Fun, Food, Games, and more!

**Lexington Center Field**  
**Sunday, May 26, 2013**

Entertainment provided between games  
 Limited seating, please bring your own  
 lawn chairs and blankets



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| 11:30 a.m.   | Opening Ceremony<br>National Anthem and<br>Police and Fire Honor Guard<br>WW II Plane Flyover |
| 12:00        | First Pitch   |
| 12:00 - 1:00 | Essex Team vs. Lexington Baseball (LB)  |
| 1:00-2:00    | Essex Team vs. Lexington's Finest (LF)  |
| 2:00-3:00    | LB vs. LF   |
| 4:00         | Regulation Game:<br>Blue Sox vs. Andre Chiefs   |

Special thanks to our sponsor



Raindate: Monday, May 27, 12 p.m.

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Look for the 300th table at Patriots' Day  
 Available while supplies last

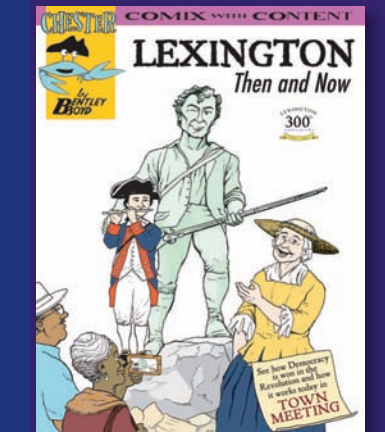
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# A Clock to Color!

