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Tewksbury Historical Society
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NEWSLETTER

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TEWKSBURY'S FIRST NEWSPAPER

TEWKSBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

ANNUAL MEETING

SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2025

1:00 PM

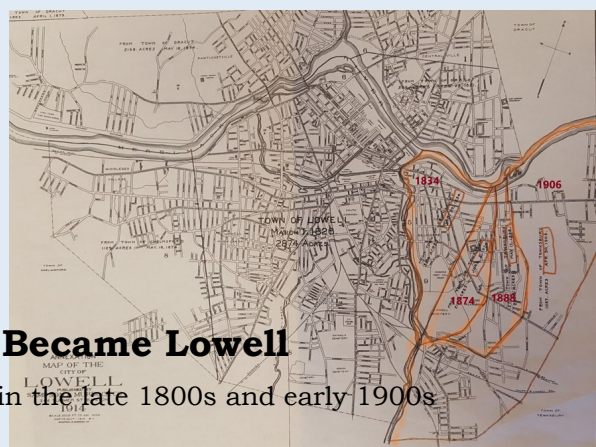
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LARGE MEETING ROOM ~ THE PUBLIC IS INVITED!

Part One:

Guest Speaker: Richard Howe, Jr.

Former Middlesex North Registrar of Deeds 1995-2025
Suffolk University Law School, J.D.
Salem State University, M.A History
Former U.S. Army Intelligence Officer
Author of several books on the history of Lowell



Presentation Topic: How Parts of Tewksbury Became Lowell

Learn how and when sections of Tewksbury became part of Lowell in the late 1800s and early 1900s from our area's foremost historian.

Part Two:

Tewksbury Historical Society's Arcadia Book Launch

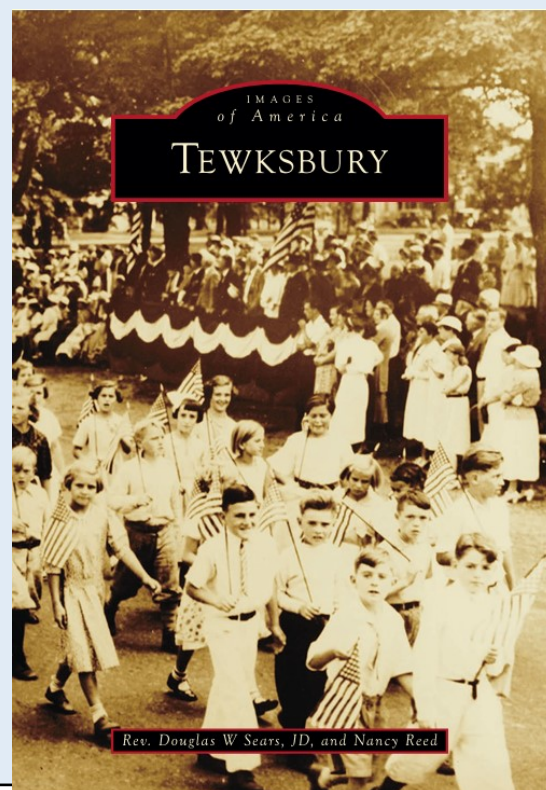
Images of America Tewksbury

Authors: Rev. Douglas W. Sears, JD and Nancy Reed

In 1734, Samuel Hunt II and 41 settlers made a second attempt to separate from Billerica, petitioned the State, received approval, built a meeting house in the new Town Center and formed a separate Town, named Tewksbury.

It is with that steadfast dedication that Tewksbury residents formed a community based on faith, family, patriotism, farming and small industry. Pride and support for our country and wars here and abroad are evident throughout our history. In 1934, the Town's 200th Anniversary, citizens celebrated their history and growth with class and dignity.

Rev. Douglas Sears J.D. and Nancy Reed are 35+ year residents of Tewksbury. Having served on various Town elected and appointed boards, their knowledge is diverse. With Douglas serving as President and Nancy as Vice-President of the Tewksbury Historical Society, their insight is towards times past. The images in this book are from the Tewksbury Historical Society's collection and others as noted.



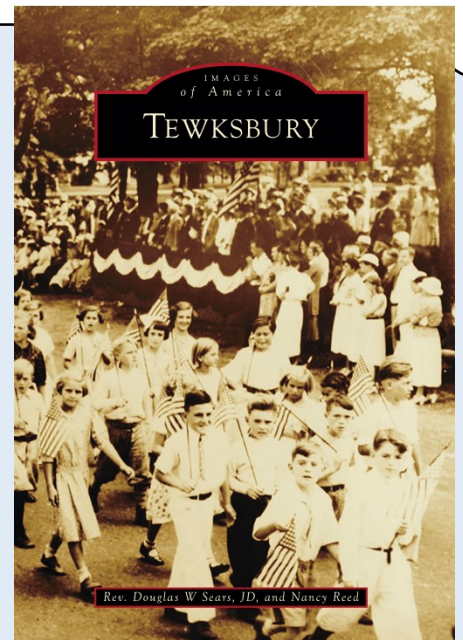
Arcadia Publishing brings together the best history books for a close-up look at American history, and provides a unique take on local history and culture. Explore your hometown through the antique photographs of our Images of America series.

Join us at the Annual Meeting, Saturday June 7, 2025 at 1:00PM, the public is invited!

Books will be available for sale and part of the proceeds will benefit the Tewksbury Historical Society.

Doug and Nancy will be signing books as well!

Book Price: \$24.99 (Cash or Check to the Society)



Discover the history of Tewksbury through historic photographs from the Tewksbury Historical Society.

Beginning as an agricultural community, along with fishing in the Merrimack, Shawsheen, and Concord Rivers, industries such as dairies, tanneries, furniture making, sawmills, blacksmith shops, and even a soap factory prospered during the 1800s. Greenhouses began to spring up in the late 1800s. In the 1970s, Tewksbury was deemed the Carnation Capital of the World for its production and cultivation talents. In 1934, at the town's 200th Anniversary Celebration, citizens celebrated its beginnings and growth with pride and patriotism. Today, public art includes figures from Tewksbury's past by renowned resident sculptor Mico Kaufman.

REMINDER: Please Join Us! The 250th Anniversary

of the April 19, 1775 ~

**Start of the American Revolutionary War
Reenactment**

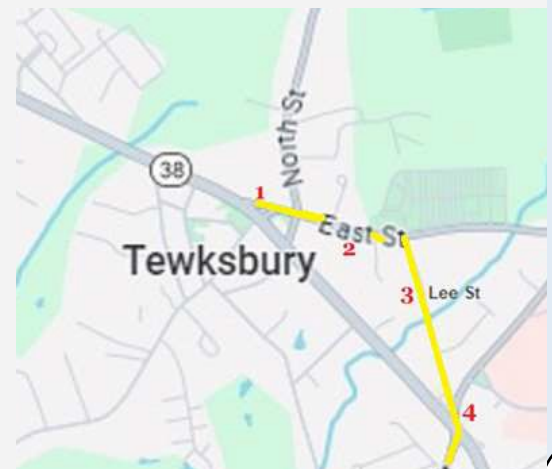


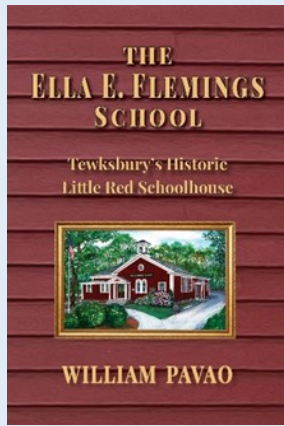
Sunday, May 4, 2025 at Town Common ~ 1:30PM

Arrive early to get in place!

**Plan to walk the Line of March route
taken to the Library!**

**Refreshments will be available at the
Library after the walk!**





The Ella E. Flemings School Book:

by **Bill Pavao**

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Board of Directors and Members serve as volunteers.

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