

If those walls could talk...this is what they would say. A story of Massachusetts.

Where is America's oldest continuous weather observatory? (Page 38) Where is the only National Historic Landmark dedicated to dance? (Page 96) How did Harvard Stadium help create the forward pass in football? (Page 69)

Drive-in theaters...cranberries...Sears kit houses...trolley parks...Lariat Rope...diners...history-changing forts... nails...lighthouses...whales...boardwalks...pioneering rail-roads...mimetic architecture...kissing bridges...ice houses.. octagonal buildings...chocolate...post office murals...clam shacks...tea parties...life-altering inventions...Carnegie libraries...ski lodges...The Big E...carousels...stone bridge masterpieces...Shakers...Carpenter Gothic cottages...

The photos and stories collected here are a fast and fun way to learn the explanations behind the quirks, the traditions and the secrets that make Massachusetts uniquely Massachusetts. What Massachusetts cemetery was a major tourist attraction in the 1800s? Solved. At what Massachusetts course was golf's "shot heard round the world" fired? A mystery no more. What tunnel in Massachusetts claimed more lives to build than the Hoover Dam and Golden Gate Bridge combined? Identified.