

# BOSTON CHARTER DAY EVENTS

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

### Roots of American Education from The Massachusetts Bay Colony *Boston Public Library*

6:00 p.m., Reception/Exhibit – Rabb Lecture Hall Foyer

7:00 - 8:00 p.m., Program – Rabb Lecture Hall

Welcome: **Amy E. Ryan**, President,  
*Boston Public Library*

Introduction: **Dr. Wilfred Holton**, President, *The Partnership of the Historic Bostons.*

Presentation:

**Dr. Francis J. Bremer**, Chair, History Department,  
*Millersville University of PA and Editor, The Winthrop Papers, Massachusetts Historical Society.*

### **The Role of Learning in the New Jerusalem of Seventeenth Century New England**

*Boston Public Library, Copley Square, Boylston St. \**  
Contact: 617-536-5400 or [www.bpl.org](http://www.bpl.org)



1635 - 2010

375 years of Public Education in Boston

In the records of the Town of Boston, 1635 ...

April 13<sup>th</sup> is entered in the handwriting of the  
venerable elder of the First Church, Thomas Leverett  
– an alderman from Boston, Lincolnshire, UK –  
the following ...

**“Likewise it was gen<sup>r</sup>ally agreed upon y<sup>t</sup>o<sup>t</sup> [that our]  
brother Philemon Pormort shall be entreated to  
become schoolmaster for the teaching and  
nourtering of children w<sup>th</sup> us.”**

This vote was the beginning of the Public Latin  
School ever since maintained by the Town.

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

### Evolution of Education in The Commonwealth *The Commonwealth Museum*

6:00 p.m., Reception and Exhibit Tours

“Our Common Wealth:  
The Massachusetts Experiment in Democracy”

7:00 p.m., Presentation

Welcome: **Dr. Stephen Kenney**, Director,  
*The Commonwealth Museum*

Introduction: **Dr. Paul Reville**, Massachusetts Secretary  
of Education

Speakers:

**Dr. Judith S. Graham**, Series Editor, *Louisa Catherine Adams Diary, The Adams Papers, Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston, MA*

### **One Family's Experience:**

### **The Education of Samuel Sewall's Children**

**Dr. Barbara R. Beatty**, Professor and Chair, Dept. of  
Education, Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA

### **The Devil in Public Education:**

**From the Ould Deluder Satan Law of 1647 to Horace  
Mann's 1848 “Twelfth Annual Report”**

The Commonwealth Museum, 230 Morrissey Blvd\*\*  
Contact: 617-727-9268



## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

### Education in Practice

*The Cary Memorial Library, Lexington*

1:00 p.m., Interactive Presentation

**Irene Buonopane**, Westwood Historical Society  
**1800s School Day**

2:00 p.m., Presentation

**Stephen Busby**, Historian and Professional Tour Guide  
**The First Normal School in America, 1839**  
*[with tour to the original Normal School building]*

The Cary Memorial Library, 1874 Massachusetts Ave,  
Lexington\*\*\*  
Contact: 781-862-6288 or [www.carylbrary.org](http://www.carylbrary.org)

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

### Charter Day Sabbath Gathering *The First Church in Boston*

11:00 a.m. – Noon, Nondenominational service held at  
Boston's oldest religious institution, established in 1630.

**The Reverend Stephen Kendrick**, Senior Minister,  
*The First Church in Boston*, will speak on  
**A Great Legacy**  
**The Puritans' Hunger for God Required Education**

The genius of American Education is based on the  
principle that, in creating God's ideal society, the  
17<sup>th</sup>-century founders of The Massachusetts Bay Colony  
required a system of public education.

The First Church in Boston, 66 Marlborough Street  
Corner of Berkeley and Marlborough Streets \*\*\*\*  
Contact: 617-267-6730

🌀 Broadcast live on WERS 88.9 FM 🌀  
🌀 online at [www.wers.org/listen/](http://www.wers.org/listen/) 🌀



### Boston Founders Trail Walking Tour *The Partnership of the Historic Bostons*

The Boston Founders Trail Walking Tour has been  
created by The Partnership of the Historic Bostons, a  
not-for-profit organization that celebrates the historical  
links between Boston, Massachusetts and Boston,  
Lincolnshire in England. Walkers will get an historical  
view of the small town founded on the edge of the  
“wilderness” in 1630. The tours, which run for two  
hours, are guided by Professor Will Holton of  
Northeastern University, President of The Partnership  
of the Historic Bostons and Stephen Busby, a  
professional tour guide in Boston since 1993  
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Tours start from The First Church in Boston and  
The Park Street Church, corner of Tremont & Park Sts.  
Donations accepted and appreciated.  
Please wear walking shoes for this event.  
Contact: 617-373-3853



## Other Events

**Tuesday, September 7, 2010**

**Old State House Museum**

*The Bostonian Society*

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Free admission for Massachusetts residents to the 1713 Old State House and the Boston Historical Society Museum in celebration of Charter Day 2010.**

*Visit the headquarters of the British government during Boston's colonial period and see exhibits depicting the city's Revolutionary history.*

*The Old State House on the Founders Trail at the corner of State and Washington Streets\*\*\*\*\**

Contact: 617-720-1713, Ext. 27

**Noon - Boston Founders Trail Walking Tour**

*The Old State House visitor's entrance, State and Washington Streets\*\*\*\*\**

Contact: 617-720-1713, Ext. 27



**September 7** marks the 380th anniversary of Boston's creation as a formal political entity; when, in 1630, Trimountaine was renamed Boston and declared the capital of the Massachusetts Bay Colony.



**September 15 through October 9**

Boston Public Library

Rare Book Room and Rabb Lecture Hall Foyer

*Enduring Legacies of*

*17th Century Education in Massachusetts -*

*A Special Display of Rare Books and Documents*

*Boston Public Library, Copley Square, Boylston St. \**

Contact: 617-536-5400 or [www.bpl.org](http://www.bpl.org)

**September 22 through October 23**

The Boston Athenaeum

*Education: Enduring Legacies from Massachusetts -*

*A Special Display of Relevant Selections from the*

*Athenaeum's Collection*

*The Boston Athenaeum, 10 1/2 Beacon St. \*\*\*\*\**

Contact: 617-227-0270 or [www.bostonathenaeum.org](http://www.bostonathenaeum.org)

## **2010 BOSTON CHARTER DAY EVENTS**

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(Event details on reverse)

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### **Public Transportation Information**

\* *Copley Station on the Green Line, Back Bay Station on the  
Orange Line and Commuter Rail*

\*\* *Red Line to JFK/UMB Station, shuttle bus to UMB,  
Free Parking available at Massachusetts Archives*

\*\*\* *Red Line to Alewife, #62 or #76 bus to Lexington Green*

\*\*\*\* *Arlington Street Station on the Green Line*

\*\*\*\*\* *Government Center on the Green or Blue Line,  
State Street on the Orange or Blue Line*

### **BOSTON CHARTER DAY**

*The Partnership of the Historic Bostons*

*66 Marlborough Street*

*Boston, MA 02116*

Visit us at our web site:

**[www.historicbostons.com](http://www.historicbostons.com)**



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**SEPTEMBER 23 - 26, 2010**

*A celebration of the naming of  
Boston & Dorchester & Watertown  
September 7, 1630*

## ***EDUCATION***

***Enduring Legacies from Massachusetts***

**1635 - 2010**

**375 Years of Public Education in Boston**

**PRESENTED BY**

*The Partnership of the Historic Bostons*

**PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS**

*Boston Public Library*

*The Boston Athenaeum*

*The Bostonian Society*

*The Cary Memorial Library, Lexington*

*The Commonwealth Museum*

*The Dorchester Historical Society*

*The First Church in Boston*

*The Historical Society of Watertown*

*The Winthrop Society*