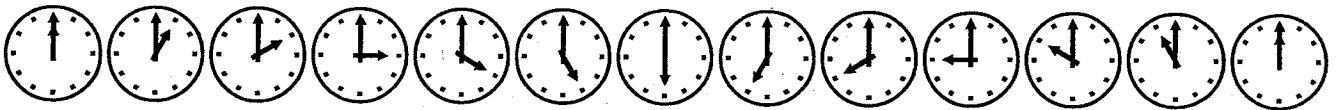


TOWN OF BOSTON

- TIMELINE -



1804

Charles Johnson settles in the center of town on property purchased in 1803.

1817

The Town of Boston is officially formed from the Town of Eden on April 5th.

1824

John Love, a Great Lakes seaman, is murdered by the Thayer brothers. They bury his body in a shallow grave, where it is later discovered. They are tried and hanged at Niagara Square, Buffalo in 1825. Love rests at Maplewood Cem.

1843

Typhoid Fever attacks 28 people resulting in 10 deaths after a stranger's illness contaminates the water in the well at Fuller's Tavern in North Boston.

1850

Citizens petition for establishment of post office by the name of Boston Centre. Postmaster General objects to the name as too common (already having Boston and N. Boston). People select the name Patchin, in honor of former neighbor.

1865

Mr. Joel Stebbins, 36, is killed by the Indians. Laid to rest at Horton Hill Cem.

1868

"Lark" Ellen Beach Yaw born in the hamlet of Boston. Becomes world famous coloratura soprano touring the United States and Europe giving grand performances. Her family owns and operates cow bell factory in town.

1903

Railroad construction begins in town. Project is completed in 1906.

1904

N. Boston Vol. Fire Co. formed after fire destroys Schunk's Hotel and Town Hall.

1920

Worst fire ever in the hamlet of Boston destroys five buildings on August 20th.

1921

Thomas Dunn settles on 50 acre farm on Steam Mill Road (renamed Dunn Road). His grandsons will establish Dunn Tire and Bert's Bikes & Sports in the 1970s.

1944

Two persons murdered, one wounded, and one suicide, in a summer cottage on Back Creek Road. The cause of the tragedy was apparently a love triangle.

1961

Charlaps purchase Duggan's Dairy (renamed Charlap's Dairy Farms) in N. Boston.

1975

A small plane crashes into basement of home on Mayer Road. Pilot perishes.

1977

The Blizzard of '77 brings Western New York to a standstill.

1978

Four men from the Boston Volunteer Fire Co. lose their lives in rescue call when overcome by carbon monoxide from a gasoline pump used to pump out a well.

In a landslide victory, Boston Town Supervisor Richard L. Kennedy is elected to the New York State Assembly on Tuesday, November 7th.

1981

The 219 Expressway, traversing the town from north to south, is opened.

1987

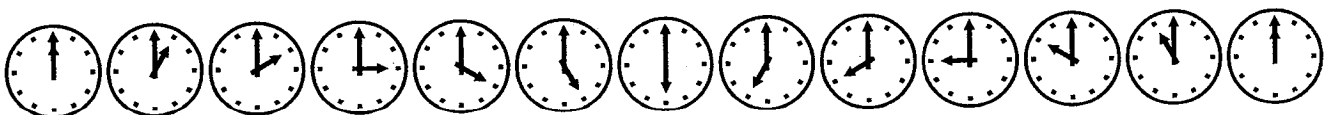
The movie *Planes, Trains and Automobiles* is partially filmed in Boston.

2009

Fire at the Boston Hotel, a Western New York landmark. Demolished in 2010.

2017

The Town of Boston celebrates its bicentennial on Wednesday, April 5th.



compliments of Boston Town Historian Keith Kaszubik