

Mission Statement

In 2017 the Town of Mendon MA. will celebrate its 350th Anniversary. The second oldest town in Worcester County, Mendon retains glimpses of its agrarian roots in the remaining sweeping fields, pastures and old stonewalls that are an integral part of our historic landscape. Mendon's Old New England Village Center and the historic architecture reflect the history of this farming community and the people who lived here.

The goal of the Mendon Historical Commission is to help identify those buildings, homes, and land within Mendon, which are significant in their age, architectural design and antiquity to the community. This program establishes a historical signage program to acknowledge those sites that are significant based upon their architecture, historical land use, and / or contribution to the region.

Through the generosity of the Mendon Historical Society these plaques are being offered to homeowners who qualify for a discounted price of \$25.00 each. Quantities are limited so we recommend homeowners sign up early.

We encourage eligible homeowners and community members to apply for the Historic Plaque Program as it promotes awareness of the Town's historical assets and demonstrates their place in relation to each other and in the formation of our community.

The Mendon Historical Commission and the Mendon Historical Society are committed to supporting preservation efforts, education and advocacy for residents and our community.



Criteria

Property:

The properties to be considered for presentation must meet the following criteria:

1. The property must be on record as being dated (built) a minimum of 75 years ago.
2. Properties with historical, architectural design, and contextual significance to the community are eligible.
3. Discounted Plaques (\$25.00 each) are limited so we encourage homeowners to apply early.

Applications should include the following:

- Home / Property Owners Name, Address, Day and Evening Phone and where applicable email address.
- A short paragraph outlining the history of the property if known to the homeowner with names, dates, stories etc.
- In some cases the Mendon Historical Commission, Mendon Historical Society and Preservation Mendon may be able to assist with research. Contact us at historical@mendonma.gov.
- Older and current photographs of the property including architectural details and dates where possible. Interior photographs are optional.
- Signature of the applicant and date.
- Completed applications should be returned to the Mendon Historical Commission 20 Main St. Mendon, Ma. 01756.



Mendon Historical Plaque Program 2016



September 30, 2016

Presented by the
Mendon Historical
Commission and The
Mendon Historical Society

20 Main Street
Mendon, Ma.
01756

historical@mendonma.gov



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Q&A

DATE: _____ DATE RECEIVED BY HISTORICAL COMMISSION: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TOWN: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____ EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

PROPERTY OWNERS NAME IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE: _____

YEAR BUILT: _____ \$25.00 Cash or Check Payment Received _____

Please Make Checks Payable to the Mendon Historical Society

(Information regarding your property may be available on the Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System: **MACRIS**. To access that data visit the Massachusetts Historic Commission Website at: <http://mhc-macris.net>. You may also follow the link provided on the Town of Mendon Website at www.mendonma.gov/historical-commission.)

DESCRIPTION AND HISTORY OF THE PROPERTY:

(Please use additional sheets if necessary)

Applicants Signature: _____

Please submit the completed application to:

Mendon Historical Commission
Historical Plaque Program

20 Main Street

Mendon, Ma. 01756

Selection Process:

After reviewing applications the Historic Commission will send confirmation to accepted applicants. Priority consideration will be given to those homes dating back 100 years or more. All applications not on the priority list will remain on file for later consideration. Reasons for that decision (criteria not met, discounted funding not available etc.) will be explained in writing to those applicants.

All accepted applications will receive a Letter of Acceptance and a date and time will be arranged for presentation of the plaque at the recognized location.