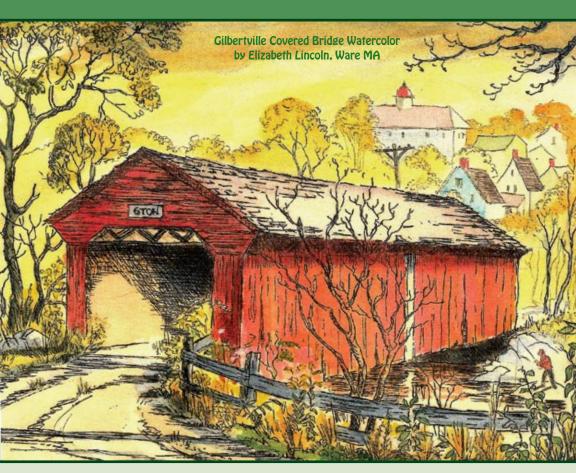
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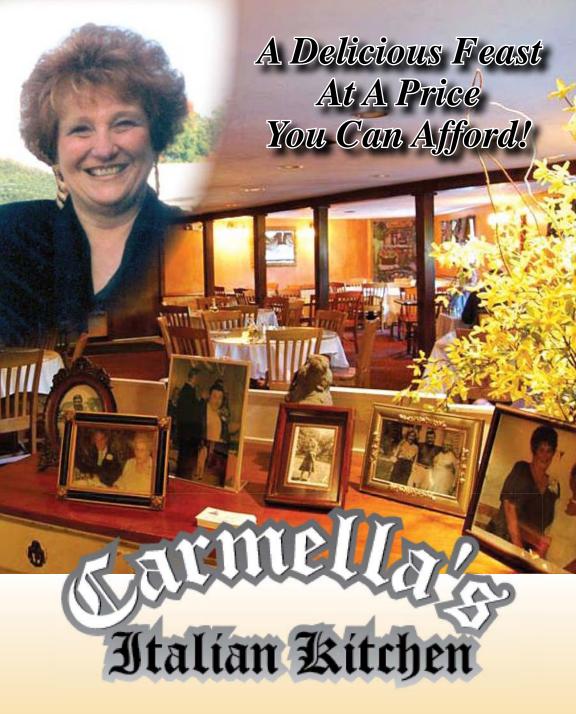




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About Elizabeth Lincoln



We are pleased to share with you the cover image of a Watercolor by Elizabeth (Betty) Lincoln of Ware, MA.

Mrs. Elizabeth (Betty) Bradford Howe Lincoln, was a long-time Ware artist and teacher. Mrs. Lincoln, a direct descendent of Plymouth Colony leader William Bradford in the 10th generation, was born in Ware on January 10, 1918, daughter of Donald and Josephine (Bradford) Howe of Ware.

She was a graduate of Ware High School, Class of 1935, of Cushing Academy, and Acadia University of Nova Scotia. She also took courses at the former art school, Vesper George, in Boston. While her children were young, Mrs. Lincoln taught art classes in her home for both youth and adults. Later, she was an art instructor at Ware High School, and before retirement worked at Wilbraham-Monson Academy where her husband had taught for 42 years.

She developed an interest in art at a very early age; her varied accomplishments as an artist spanned eight decades. Honored by the Famous Artists School of Westport, Connecticut, her paintings, sculptures, lithographs, tiles and illustrations won much recognition. She often donated pieces to charities, and local institutions. A tireless creator, her motto was, "Work regardless of your mood."

She illustrated her father's noted text: *Quabbin, the Lost Valley* in 1951, as well as six books her husband wrote after his retirement. She published a retrospective of her own works, *Here's Ware and Elsewhere*, as she approached her 90th year. Mrs. Lincoln made countless friends through her love of art. She enjoyed sharing her gift for both the creation and appreciation of her field, and that love enriched the lives of others. Her works will live on in the eyes of following generations.

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Saturday, August 6, 2011
Feast on the Street
Sunday, September 4, 2011
Ware 250th Anniversary Gala Parade

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calendar of Events

FARMERS MARKETS

May 26 - Oct 13

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April 16 - Nov 19

BRIMFIELD

Farmers Market Every Saturday at Hitchcock Free Academy 9am-2pm **413-245-9764**

June 19 - Oct 23

HARDWICK

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May 19 - Oct 20

NEW BRAINTREE

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May 9 - Oct 31

PALMER

Farmers Market Every Monday 2150 Main St Amvets Post 74 in Three Rivers section of Palmer 11:00am-3:00pm. **413-586-6947**

June 5 - Oct 22

SPENCER

Farmers Market Every Saturday at Klem's Store (117 West Main St RT 9). 9:00am-2:00pm **508-885-2708**

May 7 - Oct

WARE

Farmers Market Every Saturday next to CVS lawn (104 West St). 9:00am-12:30pm 413-230-0615

May 25 - Oct 26

WEST BROOKFIELD

Farmers Market Every Wednesday On the Common 3:00-6:30pm



May 10-15, 2010

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details **QHMA.com**

May 14

PALMER

Town Wide Tag Sale
Maps can be purchased for \$2 at the corner of Converse and
Thorndike Streets in Depot Village from 8-12 noon that morning
Call Bob Haveles 413-283-2553 x302 for more information

May 16

WARE

Polish Night at Janine's Frostee
149 East Street, Ware. Come and enjoy an evening of Polish music and food. If it's raining please call for more information 5-8pm 413-967-7950.

May 21

WEST BROOKFIELD

Asparagus & Flower Heritage Festival 10am-4pm on the Town Common. FREE to the Public. Rain Date May 22

May 21

BRIMFIELD

Town-Wide Tag Sale
Maps will be for sale at Hitchcock Free Academy to bargain
hunters for just \$2
8am 413-245-9977

May 21

BELCHERTOWN

Girl Scout Troop 20434 On the Common 9am – 3pm

May 21 and 22

WAR

American Legion Exhibit
12:00 pm - 4 pm featuring military memorabilia and soldiers from Ware. http://ware250.weebly.com

May 30

BROOKFIELD

Brookfield Memorial Day Parade Leaving the Elementary School at 10:00 a.m. www.brookfieldma.us

May 30

WARE

Memorial Day Parade

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June 4

WEST BROOKFIELD

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June 5

MONSON

Return of the Raptors by Tom Ricardi Birds of Prey Rehabilitation Center Tom will bring several birds with him, including a turkey vulture and some owls. A special guest will be a Golden Eagle. Keep Homestead Museum, 35 Ely Road. 1:00-3:30pm www.keephomesteadmuseum.org

June 6

WARE

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June 10, 11, 12

WARE

St. Mary's Carnival on South Street Polish food, Carnival rides and live music nightly.

June 22

WEST BROOKFIELD

Concert on the Common • FREE Eddie Forman Orchestra 7-9pm

June 25

WARE

Fireworks at Grenville Park, 73 Church Street

June 25

BELCHERTOWN

Alex's Lemonade Stand On the Common 7am-5pm

June 25 Rain Date 26

MONSON

Fireworks at Quarry Hill School www.monsonsummerfestinc.com

June 27

WARE

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July 1, 8, 15, 22

BROOKFIELD

Concert on the Common • FREE 7pm

July 2 & 3 Rain or Shine

BELCHERTOWN

250 Anniversary
Picnic Celebration on the Common
9am-9pm http://belchertown250.blogspot.com/

July 3

WEST BROOKFIELD

Concert on the Common • FREE Charlie Lask with the All Star Band – Neil Diamond Tribute 6:30-9pm

July 3

MONSON

Ice Cream Social
Keep Homestead Museum, 35 Ely Road.
1-3:30pm www.keephomesteadmuseum.org

July 4

MONSON

Monson Summerfest
www.monsonsummerfestinc.com

July 11

PALMER

Antique Truck Show • Free Alvin Rondeau's Dairy Bar, 1300 Ware Road Noon-3pm For more information (413) 283-5281

July 12-17



BRIMFIELD

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July 13

WEST BROOKFIELD

Concert on the Common • FREE West Brookfield • A Ray of Elvis 7-9pm

July 17

BELCHERTOWN

The Belchertown Cruisers Car Show 9am-4pm

July 18

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Polish Night at Janine's Frostee 149 East Street. Come and enjoy an evening of Polish music and food. If it's raining please call for more information. 5-8pm **413-967-7950**.

July 19th

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Concert on the Common • FREE

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July 20

WEST BROOKFIELD

Concert on the Common • FREE Changes in Latitudes - Jimmy Buffet Tribute 7-9pm

July 26

BRIMFIELD

Concert on the Common • FREE Dixieland Stomp – High energy, foot stomping, entertainment combining humorous lyrics & just plain fun. All mixed together for a fun filled time for all from 8 to 80. The band specializes in music of Louis Armstrong, New Orleans four beat style & up beat Chicago tempos. Thanks Country Bank for Savings! (In case of rain, concerts will be held at Hitchcock Free Academy) 2 Brookfield Road. 6:30 - 8:00pm

July 27

WEST BROOKFIELD

Concert on the Common • FREE Victory Band 7-9pm

July 28th, Aug 4, 11 & 18

BELCHERTOWN

The Community Band Concerts FREE In case of Rain Chestnut Hill School auditorium 7-9pm

July 30

WARE

Annual Car Show, Janine's Frostee • Free 149 East Street.

10am-2pm email: Info@janinesfrostee.com.

August 2

BRIMFIELD

Concert on the Common • FRFF

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August 3

WEST BROOKFIELD

Concert on the Common • FREE Blind Tiger Swing Posse 7-9pm

August 6 Rain date August 7

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Feast on the Street

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August 7

MONSON

Indigo Jazz Quintet Concert on the Lawn Keep Homestead Museum, 35 Ely Road 1:00-3:30pm www.keephomesteadmuseum.org

Aug 8

WARE

Polish Night at Janine's Frostee 149 East Street. Come and enjoy an evening of Polish music and food. If it's raining please call for more information 5-8pm **413-967-7950.**

August 10

WEST BROOKFIELD

Concert on the Common • FREE Billy Goodspeed Band 7-9pm

August 19 & 20

HARDWICK

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August 20

PALMER

Nostalgia Day

Rain Date August 21 • Legion Field, Behind Converse Middle School, Converse Street

August 27 & 28

BELCHERTOWN

Saint Francis Church Tag Sale 9am-6pm

Aug 29

WARE

Polish Night at Janine's Frostee 149 East Street. Come and enjoy an evening of Polish music and food. If it's raining please call for more information 5-8pm **413-967-7950.**

September 2,3,4 & 5

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September 4

MONSON

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September 4

WARE

Gala Parade

Ware rolls out the red carpet with bands, floats, balloons – all 250 years' worth! Fun for the whole family!
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Sept 3

PALMER

Car Show 11am-3pm
Alvin Rondeau's Dairy Bar, 1300 Ware Road
FREE to attend. For more information (413) 283-5281

September 4

WARE

Fireworks Display

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http://ware250.weebly.com



September 6-11

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September 22

BELCHERTOWN

Fireworks

7:30pm Chestnut Hill Community

www.belchertownfair.com/new2/main.htm

September 23,24 & 25

BELCHERTOWN

Belchertown Fair On the Common Friday • 4:00pm - 10:00pm Saturday • Parade 10am • Midway 12-10pm Sunday • 12:00 - 6:00pm

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October 1

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Oct 1 and 2

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October 2

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October 8

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October 24

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November 6

MONSON

Wool, from Sheep to Sweater Rebecca Beall from Old Sturbridge will demonstrate preparation of wool, dyeing it, spinning into yarn and knitting. Keep Homestead Museum, 35 Ely Road.

www.keephomesteadmuseum.org

November 6

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Handcrafts & Collectables Craft Show Indoor Exhibits at Salem Cross Inn. Admission \$4.00, Children under 10 Free. 10am - 3pm **508-867-2345** or www.salemcrossinn.com

Dec 3 and 4

NEW BRAINTREE

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December 4

MONSON

Holiday Open House Keep Homestead Museum, 35 Ely Road www.keephomesteadmuseum.org

December 4

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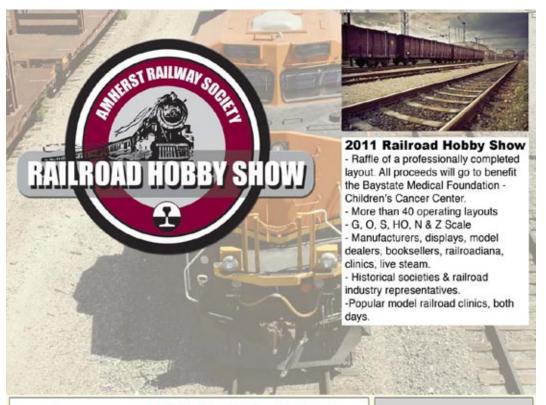
Artist Open Studio Trail

Visit **www.hitchcockacademy.org** in November to find out where Hitchcock Free Academy is located on the Artist Open Studio Trail. Artists set up tables with their works at Hitchcock (Sunday only), and many others open their own studios for the trail both Saturday and Sunday. Contact HFA for information on table space or other details as December approaches:

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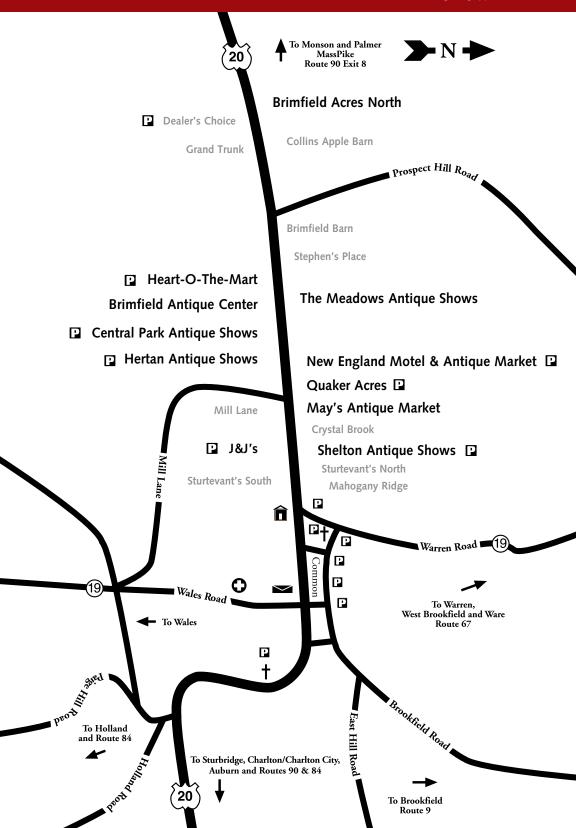
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directions & show information

DIRECTIONS TO BRIMFIELD

From North: Travel south on 1-91 to Mass Pike Entrance. Take the Mass Pike East to Exit 8 (Palmer). Turn right after the toll booth and left at the first light onto Route 20 East. Continue east about 8 miles to the shows.

From South: Travel north on 1-91, to 291 East, to Mass Pike entrance (Exit 6). Take the Mass Pike East to Exit 8 (Palmer). Turn right after the toll booth and left at the first light onto Route 20 East. Continue east about 8 miles to the shows. Or you may consider 1-84 to Sturbridge, then Route 20 West (about 7 miles) to Brimfield.

From East and North: Take 495 south to the Mass Pike. Take the Mass Pike west to Exit 9 (Sturbridge). Turn right after the toll booth onto Route 20 West. Continue west about 7 miles to the shows.

To avoid traffic tie-ups at Mass Pike exits 8 and 9, you may exit sooner and take Route 19 or Route 32 from southerly directions. or consider Routes 32 or 67 from the north.

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Admission: Some shows charge admission, the fee is around \$5.

Parking: There is plenty of off street parking available at costs ranging from \$3.00 – \$10.00. Parking is prohibited on the roadside and tow trucks do patrol the area, so park with caution.

Food: There are plenty of food vendors located on all of the fields offering a variety of food items. There are also a few local restaurants in town where you can sit and enjoy dining.

Restrooms: Portable toilets are set up on all fields.

Weather: The weather in New England is very unpredictable. The shows run rain or shine so come prepared.

Cash: The Country Bank has an ATM in Brimfield which is located on Main Street. There are also several others located about 10 miles away, in the towns of Sturbridge, Monson, Palmer and Warren. Also, several of the field operators have ATMs located on their property.

Pets: It's not a good idea to bring pets. Many operators prohibit pets on their fields and it's hazardous to keep animals in cars.

Laundromat: Located in downtown Warren and Ware.

Lost & Found: Contact the Brimfield Police Station (413) 245-3442 after shows.

Emergencies: call 911

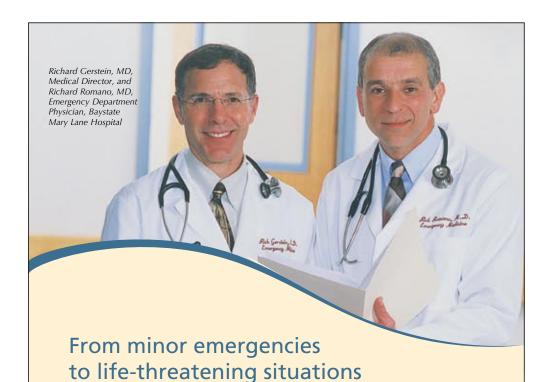
Looking for a GPS address to Brimfield use: BrimField Town Hall, 23 Main Street Brimfield MA 01010

The location is approximately 1000 feet from the beginning of the Brimfield Antique Shows.



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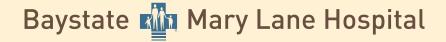


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www.keephomesteadmuseum.org

Email: khm@keephomesteadmuseum.org

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www.townofware.com

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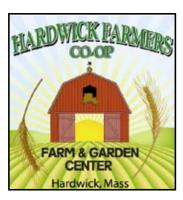
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