

Craigville, MA. Christian Camp Meeting Association

Records, 1872-1975

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Introduction

Please see photocopied pages for a history of Craigville, MA and the Christian Camp Meeting Association compiled by Marion Vuilleumier. The pages were taken from *Craigville Then and Now* and *Craigville on Old Cape Cod*. These books are part of Series III: Centenary, folder 2/4. Please look at these books to gain more information and see photos that document the period. Copies of this information can be sent upon request.

This is a brief list of important dates chosen from a larger time line found on page 39 of *Craigville on Old Cape Cod*.

- 1871 New England Convention of Christian Churches voted to establish a Camp Meeting at the Perry Farm in Barnstable
- 1872 Christian Camp Meeting Association Formed
First ten-day camp meeting at Camp Christian
- 1882 Craigville named for Dr. J. Austin Craig after his death
- 1888 800 feet of Beach purchased
- 1923 *Craigville Visitor* established
- 1924 Town took 168 feet of Beach by eminent domain
- 1931 Merger of Christian and Congregational Churches
Grove cottage given to the Association by Dr. Charles A. Groves.
- 1945 Present beach house built
- 1950 Beach parking lot purchased
- 1956 Stained glass window installed in Tabernacle chancel
- 1958 Stained glass window installed over Tabernacle door
- 1960 Massachusetts Conference, United Church of Christ, lease property
Craigville Chronicle established
- 1962 Manor and Lodge acquired
Year-round programs accommodated
- 1972 Centennial Celebration

Scope and Content

Series I: Christian Camp Meeting Association, Records and Correspondence, 1939-1962

The Records and Correspondence contained in these folders all relate to the business of the CCMA. They are arranged in reverse chronological order.

Series II : Christian Camp Meeting Association, Secretaries Minutes, 1872-1874 and 1911-1974

Subseries 1:

These records were created by a number of secretaries of the CCMA and are arranged in chronological order. The first folder is quite old, consisting of records from 1872 - 1874. These records include a hand written copy of the original constitution and the by-laws. Please see Series VII: subseries 2 for a Photostat copy of the constitution. The two last folders (not numbered) contain bound records from 1911-1934 and 1952-1954 respectively.

Subseries 2:

Herbert Beech and Donald Hurlburt, 1923-1935

This series contains records from when each of these two men were Secretary. The records were found separate from the other secretary papers.

Subseries 3:

Records relating to the Beach Association

Series III: Centenary

These folders include newspaper articles, ephemera, correspondence, historical data, bulletins, items relating to the Centenary committee.

Series IV: James Buffington

This series includes many of the records and correspondence that James Buffington created and collected during the period in which he served on the Christian Camp Meeting Association as President. Also included is a folder of records from a Vice President serving under James Buffington in 1963 and 1969. Lastly, a folder of correspondence and records relating to the Post Office and a folder of correspondence relating to the Beach and its abutting properties is included.

Subseries 1:

Records and Memoirs

Subseries 2:

Correspondence, 1943-1966

Subseries 3:

Notes and Comments of the President. This consists of three books: 1950-1954, 1954-1961, and 1961-1963.

Subseries 4:

Records of the Vice President, 1963 and 1969

Subseries 5:

Records relating to the Post Office, 1957 and 1966

Subseries 6:

Correspondence regarding the Craigville Beach and abutting properties

Series V: Tabernacle

This series consists of records, correspondence and ephemera relating to the Tabernacle in Craigville. The folders are organized as follows: Bulletins, Ephemera, Correspondence, Important votes and events, Attendance and offerings, Financial.

Series VI: Financial Records

Subseries 1:

Chronological Records, 1873 and 1924-1973. The records are organized in reverse chronological order and were created by various treasurers of the Christian Camp Meeting Association.

Subseries 2:

Treasurer's Books. This consists of six books: 1950-1951*, 1944-1955, 1939-1949*, 1939-1943, 1928-1933, and 1872-1914*.

Subseries 3:

Pages from ledgers, contracts with utility companies and misc. correspondence.

Series VII: Deeds, Indentures, Titles, Plans and Blueprints

Subseries 1:

Deeds, Indentures and Titles, 1872-1960. These are in chronological order and in box 7.

Subseries 2:

Plans and Blueprints. These items organized in chronological order.

Subseries 3:

Records relating to leases.

Series VIII: Ephemera

Folders are organized by subject and consist of: Constitution, The Craigville Chronicle*, The Craigville Visitor, Newspaper Clippings*, Photographs and Map*, Programs and small books on Craigville History.

* Indicates that items are stored in box 7.

**Indicates that items are stored in the oversized folder.

Folder List

Box 1

Series I: Christian Camp Meeting Association, Records and Correspondence, 1939-1962

Folders are arranged in reverse chronological order; each year has its own folder from 1942-1962. 1941 and 1939 folder 22.

Box 2

Series II: Christian Camp Meeting Association, Secretaries Minutes, 1872-1874 and 1911-1974

Subseries 1: Early board meetings

Folder 1: The constitution and by-laws*

Folders 2-33: Chronological order. 1929, 1935-1957. Then folders were organized 1957-1958, 1958-1959, etc. This box ends with 1964-1965.

*Indicates that an item is stored in the oversized folder.

Box 3

Series II: Continued

Subseries 1: Early board meetings

Folders 34-43: 1965-1966 through 1974-1975

Folder 44: Loose-leaf reports, 1929-1955

Folder 45: Sample membership applications

Folder 46: Correspondence and Records sent to or given to the Secretary from the Treasurer. The two last folders (not numbered) contain bound records from 1911-1934 and 1952-1954 respectively.

Subseries 2: Herbert Beech and Donald Hurlburt, 1923-1935

Folders arranged chronologically from 1923-1924, 1927-1935.

Subseries 3: Records relating to the Beach Association

Items remain in the order they were found. Three items relate to a discussion with the Town regarding public access to the beach.

Box 4

Series III: Centenary

Folder 1 and 3: In the original order as found.

Folder 2: Ephemera, Books on Craigville History and Bulletins

Folder 4: Oversized and News clippings*

Series IV: James Buffington

Subseries 1: Records and Memoirs

Subseries 2: Correspondence, 1943-1966

Folder 1: 1943-1949

Folder 2: 1950-1959

Folder 3: 1960-1966

Subseries 3: Notes and Comments of the President.

Folder 1: Book, 1950-1954

Folder 2: Book, 1954-1961

Folder 3: Book, 1961-1963

Subseries 4: Records of the Vice President, 1963 and 1969

Subseries 5: Records relating to the Post Office, 1957 and 1966

Subseries 6: Correspondence regarding the Craigville Beach and abutting properties

Series V: Tabernacle

Folder 1: Bulletins

Folder 2: Ephemera

Folder 3: Correspondence
Folder 4: Important votes and events
Folder 5: Attendance and offerings
Folder 6: Financial
*Indicates that the items are stored in box 7.

Box 5

Series VI: Financial Records

Subseries 1: Chronological Records, 1873 and 1924-1973.
Folders arranged reverse chronologically from 1973, 1971-1945, 1941, 1939-1938, 1929-1928, 1926, 1924, 1873.
Subseries 2: Treasurer's Books.
Folder 1: Book, 1944-1955
Folder 2: Book, 1939-1943
Folder 3: Book, 1928-1933
Book, 1950-1951*
Book, 1939-1949*
Book, 1872-1914*
Subseries 3: Pages from ledgers, contracts with utility companies and misc. correspondence.*
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Box 6

Series VIII: Ephemera

Folder 1: Constitution
Folder 2: The Craigville Chronicle*
Folder 3: The Craigville Visitor
Folder 4: Newspaper Clippings*
Folder 5: Photographs and (Map**)
Folder 6: Programs and small books on Craigville History
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Box 7

Series III: Centenary Folder 4: Oversized and News clippings

Series VI: Financial Records

Subseries 2: Treasurer's Books
Book, 1950-1951
Book, 1939-1949
Book, 1872-1914
Subseries 3: Pages from ledgers, contracts with utility companies and misc. correspondence.

Series VII: Deeds, Indentures, Titles, Plans and Blueprints

Subseries 1: Deeds, Indentures and Titles, 1872-1960.
Folder 1: 1872-1890
Folder 2: 1900-1915
Folder 3: 1920-1928
Folder 4: 1930-1960

Subseries 3: Records relating to leases

Series VIII: Ephemera

Folder 2: The Craigville Chronicle

Folder 4: Newspaper Clippings

Oversized folder

Item 1: Perry Map (from Series III)

Item 2: Constitution - Photostat copy (from Series II)

Series VII: Deeds, Indentures, Titles, Plans and Blueprints

Subseries 2: Plans and Blueprints, 1872-1937

Item 3: Perry's Plan of Cottage Lots, Christian Camp Ground, 1872

Item 4: Grounds of the CCMA at Craigville, Barnstable Co., MA, 1895

Item 5: Plan of Ocean Ave, 1905

Item 6: Plat Index, Bathhouse sites, CCMA, 1907

Item 7: CCMA New Craigville Beach Plan, 1917

Item 8: Plan of Land in Barnstable, MA, 1924

Item 9: Grounds of the CCMA at Craigville, Barnstable Co., MA, copy made 1928

Item 10: Plan of Land in Barnstable, 1930

Item 11: Perry's Plan of Cottage Lots, Christian Camp Ground, copy made 1937