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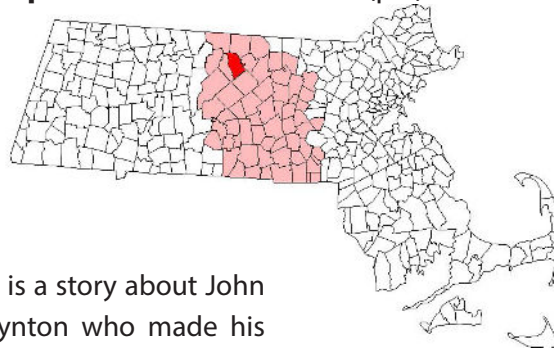
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Newsletter

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Community Preservation Templeton adopted the program, May 7, 2007. In 2000 the law was signed in by then Gov. Paul Cellucci and the Community Preservation Trust Fund was created. What can it be used for? Historic Resources for something that is significant to the history of a city or town. Community Housing for people that make less than the median income, including housing for seniors. Open Space includes coastal lands, land for wildlife or nature reserves. Land for Recreational use like gardens, trails, parks or a playground. Templeton projects include: Grange Hall, Scout Hall, Gilman Waite; First Church Tomb and the Widow's Walk on a home on Wellington Road.



This is a story about John Boynton who made his career in the tinware trade in Templeton. In the 1800s kitchen tinware was made locally and often sold from a peddler's wagon that traveled around New England selling their products at individual homes. Some of the products he made and distributed were pots, tin cups and other tin housewares. He and other peddlers across New England all carried Boynton's products. The tinware was sold or sometimes swapped for cotton rags. The rags were then used for making different grades of paper. Boynton's Tin Shop was once housed

in what is now known as Grange Hall in Templeton. John Boynton's business was profitable and when he retired he used his money to give back to the community. One of his projects was the founding of the Boynton Public Library in Templeton. However his legacy goes far beyond Templeton. He wanted to create a school of science so students could assist many of New England's new industries. Boynton discussed his idea with Ichabod Washburn, owner of the world's largest wire mill.

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Community Statistics

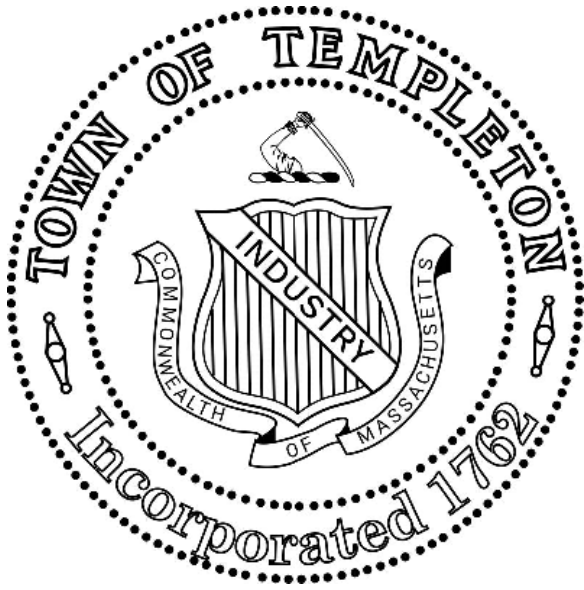
76 Number of Recordings in April 2023

\$377K Median Home Value

85% Homes Owned vs. Rented

3,230 Total Housing

101 Density (Houses per Square Mile)



Town Spotlight

Templeton

Boynton *continued from page 1*

Boynton envisioned a type of schooling that would elevate the social position of the mechanic and manufacturer, but not necessarily teach the skills needed to become either. Washburn, on the other hand, wanted to teach technical skills through a sophisticated apprenticeship approach.

Boynton consulted Seth Sweetser, a pastor, for ways to realize his vision. By chance it happened that Ichabod Washburn had previously consulted Sweetser about the proper way to actualize his own vision. Sweetser drafted a letter expressing Boynton's and

Washburn's wish to other significant men within Worcester County. The document was sent to 30 Worcester businessmen. It told of a "liberal proposal to found a Free School for Industrial Science" in Worcester. Boynton anonymously offers a fund of \$100,000 for the establishment of a scientific school in Worcester, upon the condition that our citizens shall furnish the necessary land and buildings."

Additional funding and land grants for the university were given by Stephen Salisbury II, who was an influential merchant and later



John Boynton

Ichabod Washburn

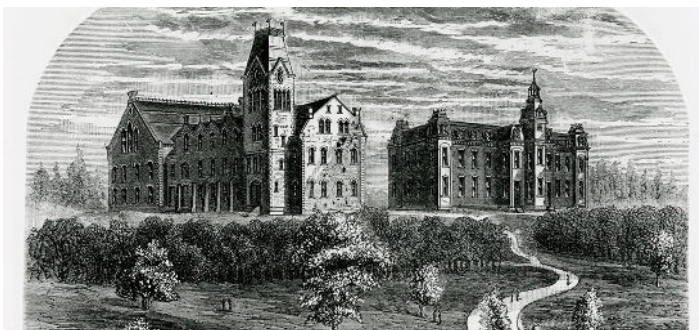
served as the first president of the institute's board of directors. In response to Boynton's offer, more than 225 Worcester citizens and the workers at 20 of the city's factories and machine shops contributed to the construction of the original building.

On May 10, 1865, the secretary of the commonwealth recorded the Institute as a legal corporation, and it came into formal existence.

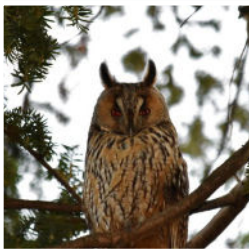
Both Boynton and Washburn died before it's opening of the college on No-

vember 11, 1868. Charles O. Thompson, the first president of the Institute, stood before the first two buildings named in honor of their founders, Boynton Hall and Washburn Shops.

Boynton Hall and Washburn Shops are the two buildings with their distinctive towers that symbolized the institution's two educational objectives of theory and practice, and inaugurated the Worcester County Free Institute of Industrial Science, now known as W.P.I.



Birds Word Search



- ALBATROSS
- CRANE
- DUCK
- GOLDFINCH
- HAWK
- KINGFISHER
- OWL
- PUFFIN
- STORK
- VULTURE
- BLUE
- CROW
- EAGLE
- GOOSE
- HUMMINGBIRD
- LARK
- PELICAN
- RAVEN
- SWAN
- CANARY
- DOVE
- FALCON
- GULL
- JAY
- MAGPIE
- PENGUIN
- ROBIN
- TOUCAN



Memorial Day honors all the brave military men and women who gave their lives for our country, while serving in the U.S. forces.

Upcoming Speaking Events

Thursday, May 18, 2023 — Millbury Senior Center
1 River Street, Millbury, MA 01527

Tuesday, May 23, 2023, 11:00am — Leicester Senior Center
40 Winslow Ave, Leicester, MA 01524

Wednesday May 31, 2023, 10:00am — Webster Senior Center
5 Church St, Webster, MA 01570

Tuesday June 6, 2023, 12:30pm — Barre Senior Center
557 S Barre Rd, Barre, MA 01005

Wednesday June 7, 2023, 1:00pm — Holden Senior Center
1130 Main St, Holden, MA 01520

Consumer Notification Service

Get notified when documents are recorded.

This service alerts you by email whenever a new document is recorded for your property. If you made this change, you don't need to do anything. If you did not, you should contact your local Registry of Deeds office.

Who can set up an account?

This service is provided at no cost to Massachusetts residential property owners. You can set up an account and register up to 3 properties. This service is not available for commercial properties. Create a new account by visiting the link below.

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Special Notice: Regarding Registered Land Recording

Effective January 1, 2023

Beginning January 1, 2023, all Registered Land documents that you intend to submit to us for registration must first be emailed to us for pre-approval. Send your fully executed documents to worcester.deeds@sec.state.ma.us. We will review the documents and email our determination that the documents may be submitted to us as is or we will specify any changes that must be made before sending the documents to us.

Beginning January 1, 2023, original Registered Land documents will be returned to customers once the recording process is completed.

A return envelope with postage will be required so that we can return the documents to you via the USPS.

Thank you – Register Kathryn A. Toomey