

**March 2009**



**Last Chance!**  
**The Things We Carried:**  
**Guatemalan Stories**



*Closes March 31, 2009*

Be sure to come see this exhibit about leaving for a new country, and what one community brought with them and acquired later to remind them of home.



*3 Asian Long-horned Beetles, 2 newsprint ensembles, 1 original El Morocco booth, and 75,000 business cards*

These are just a few of the things you can see in the new exhibit *Yours, Mine, Ours* now in our Booth gallery. We invited nineteen local residents to be our guest curators to select something meaningful to them from Worcester's history. These are their choices. What would you share?

*Yours, Mine, Ours* is made possible in part by a grant from the Worcester Cultural Commission, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.



**We welcome these new members as of January 1**

- Tom Foley
- Ann Cavanaugh
- Donna Decoteau
- Lisa Cook
- James Sanders
- Roger Smith
- Nancy Clements
- Judith and Robert Haynes

**New members of the Samuel Staples Society**

- James and Pat Paugh
- Mary Defeudis

**Worcester ID**

**Congratulations are in order...**

Executive Director Bill Wallace recently received the 2009 John H. Chafee Award in recognition of his commitment and work with the Blackstone Valley Heritage Corridor. As WHM museum's director, Bill has been a tireless supporter of the growing and exciting partnership with the John H.

Chafee Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor as we work towards our mutual goal of creating the Worcester/Blackstone Visitor Center. Congrats, Bill!



Be sure to check out the winners of our 31st Annual Valentine Contest.

Click [here](#) to see a slide show of this year's



Do you think you know Worcester?

Be the first to email us at [info@worchesterhistory.net](mailto:info@worchesterhistory.net) correctly identifying this picture. You'll win not only a coupon for a one-time 25% discount in our gift shop, but also bragging rights that you do indeed know Worcester!

(If you're a member that is 25% in addition to the regular 10% discount.)

**Worcester Historical Museum**  
 30 Elm Street  
 Worcester, MA 01609  
 508-753-8278

[www.worcesterhistory.net](http://www.worcesterhistory.net)

Museum and Library  
 Tuesday - Saturday, 10am to 4pm  
 Fourth Thursdays 10am to 8:30 pm

Salisbury Mansion  
 Thursday - Saturday, 1pm to 4 pm

**[Forward email](#)**

**✉ SafeUnsubscribe®**

This email was sent to [williamwallace@worchesterhistory.net](mailto:williamwallace@worchesterhistory.net) by [williamwallace@worchesterhistory.net](mailto:williamwallace@worchesterhistory.net).

[Update Profile/Email Address](#) | Instant removal with [SafeUnsubscribe™](#) | [Privacy Policy](#).

Email Marketing by



15 winners, chosen from over 600 entries.

**Ask the Librarian**

*My parents saved everything. My siblings and I have weeded through the material and now we are ready to move onto the next step. What is the best way to preserve these pieces of family history? Thanks for your help.*

*-Elena*



The key to preserving your paper documents is to keep them in an acid-free, humidity-controlled environment. You can store and preserve your paper documents in different ways. Organize and file your documents in acid-free folders, and keep them in an acid-free box, or place documents in archival quality plastic sleeves and keep them in an album or binder. (Most stores sell acid-free folders and sleeves. Make sure to check the label. If you have any questions, call us.) Never store your family papers in an attic or basement as extreme temperature and humidity changes cause rapid deterioration. Taking these important steps now will save these documents for future generations to enjoy.

Robyn Christensen, Librarian

*Do you have a question about an old family heirloom or photo album? Email us at [info@worchesterhistory.net](mailto:info@worchesterhistory.net) and we will do our best to answer your question.*

Worcester Historical Museum | 30 Elm Street | Worcester | MA | 01609