## Signs and Plaques Installed or Repaired by BHC and MCC: Billerica with Additional Remarks

Billerica and Bedford Railroad Crossing Aluminum Sign Locations

- 1. Outbound Platform across from North Billerica Railroad Depot
- 2. High Street: Opposite #29 High Street at Railroad Crossing
- 3. Salem Road: Adjacent to entrance of North Cemetery at Railroad Crossing
- 4. Floyd Street: At entrance to Marshall Middle School at Railroad Crossing
- 5. Andover Road: Korean War Memorial Park and Pollard School site stone marker
- 6. Glad Valley Drive: On triangle at intersection of Boston Road and Lexington Road
- 7. Middlesex Turnpike: West side at the intersection with Dolan Road south side by utility pole

Middlesex Canal Crossing Aluminum Sign Locations with four additional markers

- 1. Brick Kiln Road: Near the intersection with Alpine Street (remnants of canal visible)
- 2. Lowell Street: Between the remnants of the canal and sidewalk at Boston Road
- 3. Old Elm Street: Adjacent to canal remnants between #2 and #8 Old Elm Street
- 4. Rogers Street: Adjacent to canal remnants near 20 Rogers Street
- 5. High Street: Adjacent to canal remnants at MCC marker site near #96 High Street
- 6. Pond Street: Adjacent to canal remnants between entrance to Solar Farm and Tomahawk Drive
- 7. Gray Street: At intersection with Harvard Road (Formerly Canal Street)
- 8. Andover Road: a Few hundred yards beyond the split with Salem Road (Rte. #129)
- 9. Dignon Road: Adjacent to canal remnants between Salem Road and Filmore Drive (Northern end of land donated to the MCA by Frank Dignon)
- 10. George Brown Street: Adjacent to canal remnants (Southern end of land donated to the MCA by Frank Dignon)
- 11. Lowell Street opposite Nussey Terrace.
- 12. Middlesex Canal Commission Wayside Marker: A stone column surmounted with a metal map displaying a nearby section of the canal on High Street adjacent to canal near drive into #96 High Street accompanied by a small aluminum sign recognizing Community Grant by EMD Serono
- 13. 2 plaques on benches on Lowell Street memorials to Tom Raphael and John Reardon
- 14. Thoreau Wayside Marker Designed by Pannier graphics Slanted toward the Lowell Street sidewalk between the remains of the canal and the street between Holt Street and Nussey Terrace but on opposite side of the roadway
- 15. American Society of Civil Engineers plaque designation the Middlesex Canal as a Civil Engineering Land mark Bronze Affixed to Central Pier of Shawsheen Aqueduct Remains at the Billerica/Wilmington Town Line visible from Rte #129

Middlesex Canal **Aluminum** Directional Signs (inbound to North Billerica Village) Locations

- 1. Treble Cove Road at Bridge Street
- 2. Treble Cove Road at Boston Road
- 3. Treble Cove Road at Pollard Street
- 4. Talbot Avenue at southern end of triangle where Talbot Avenue joins Lowell Street and Old Elm Street
- 5. Old Elm Street at northern end of triangle where Talbot Avenue joins Lowell Street and Old Elm Street
- 6. Mount Pleasant Street on triangle where Mount Pleasant Street joins Rogers Street and Faulkner Street
- 7. Mount Pleasant Street at intersection with Billerica Avenue

Larger Aluminum Wayside Marker Locations

- 1. Mill Dam: West side of Faulkner Street bridge over Concord River
- 2. Floating Towpath: Adjacent to canal remnants between #2 and #8 Old Elm Street
- 3. Shawsheen Aqueduct: Salem Road (Rte. #129) at the Billerica/Wilmington Town Line abutting property owned by BHS (2 signs here one on each side of aqueduct remains)
- 4. Middlesex Turnpike: On the north side of Concord Road at the intersection with Middlesex Turnpike
- 5. Talbot Oval: North end of oval on Talbot Avenue (Tribute to Gov. Thomas Talbot and Landscape Architect Warren Manning)
- 6. BVIA Watering Trough: On the River Street triangle at Boston Road near the Kohlausch Fountain
- 7. West Side Raft and Guard Lock: affixed to iron fence at Talbot Mill (Pace Industry old entrance to Talbot Mills) nearly opposite 2 Old Elm Street proposed Museum site

Revolutionary War Line of March Signs (Concord Road Outbound side heading toward Bedford)

- 1. Triangle Near First Parish Church
- 2. Senior Center Lawn
- 3. Opposite Charnstaffe Lane Intersection
- 4. Between Ed Hayes Way and French Street
- 5. Just beyond Middlesex Turnpike Intersection
- 6. Near Kirk Street Intersection
- 7. Just beyond Dudley Road Intersection

8. At Bedford Town Line near intersection with Apple Street Comment: I think there was one at the intersections with spring Street???

Pannier Graphics Wayside Marker Locations

- 1. Charles Kohlrausch: North end of Kohlrausch Playground in North Billerica between the inscribed memorial boulder and the circumferential walking/running track
- 2. Middlesex Canal/Thoreau Path: Along Lowell Street adjacent to canal remnants

Plaques and Wayside Markers Replaced or refurbished during Preparations for the Town's 350 Anniversary in 2005 Locations

- 1. Amos Wyman Site: Located to the rear of the building at 355 Middlesex Turnpike (The inscription on the boulder at the site was deteriorating and a bronze plaque with a replication of the inscription was placed on the boulder sealing the inscription. The brass plaque was stolen and subsequently replaced by an appropriately inscribed granite plaque.)
- 2. Garrison House Marker: At the intersection of Concord Road and Charnstaffe Lane (As with the Wyman site plaque the inscription was replicated on a bronze plaque.)
- 3. Revolutionary War Memorial Plaque: Bronze plaque affixed to the obverse of the First Meeting House Marker on Town Common (In the process the red brick pedestal upon which the marker was attached was rebuilt.)
- 4. As a Pollard Memorial: The inscription on this boulder had been highlighted with red paint and was not capped. Located at the intersection of Call Street and Pollard Street on the northeast side.
- 5. Cannon on the Common: The cannon on the north end of the Common facing north instead of south was repainted, lifted and sealed on the masonry base
- 6. Solomon Pollard Tavern and Washington Oak: Bronze plaque affixed to a bolder adjacent to south drive way at Howe School near a tribute to motherhood statue
- 7. Washington Oak: Stone column marking site of Washington Oak near #373 Boston Road
- 8. Trolley Cars: Stone column on Concord Road nearly opposite South Cemetery and east of entry driveway into Cabot Corporation.
- 9. Danforth Well: Small bronze plaque affixed to cement slab covering the Danforth Well, in Greenwood Village off River Street behind building #6
- 10. Tercentenary Sign: Installed in 1930 by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in celebration of the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the State's Constitution, originally there were four of these heavy metal signs on specially prepared black posts, one at the Billerica/Chelmsford Town Line on Boston Road has been missing for years, these signs have been removed repainted twice since 2002

a). Town Name: Concord Road at the Billerica/Bedford Town Line

b). Jonathan Danforth, Surveyor: Boston Road in front of #381

c). Rogers' Family Massacre: Billerica Avenue (north) about ¼ mile north from the Mount Pleasant Street Intersection

Entering Billerica Center Historic District **Aluminum** Sign Locations (inbound side to Center)

- 1. Boston Road North: Adjacent to #341 Boston Road
- 2. Boston Road South: Eastside of Boston Road; North of the Charnstaffe Lane intersection; near entrance to Billerica Mall
- 3. Andover Road: Opposite #67 Andover Road
- 4. Pond Street: Adjacent to #1 Pond Street
- 5. River Street: Adjacent to #21 River Street
- 6. Concord Road: South side of Concord Road just beyond Caitlin Street intersection

Howe School Bronze Plaque

1. Boston Road: Front façade of Howe School north of front door

There are additional makers and plaques on the Common, Vietnam Veterans' Park, various memorial plaques placed on bridges and overpasses, and the Town Hall lawn which are visible and are not listed. Other less visible and threatened memorials are noted here.

- 1. Edwin Augustus Start Memorial Boulder: West side Gilson Hill near Gilson Well
- 2. John Edwin Rowell Memorial Boulder: Near Gilson Hill Summit
- 3. John Farmer Memorial Boulder: North side Gilson Hill Manning Forest (possibly gone but needs research)
- 4. Warren Manning Office Bronze or brass Plaque: Site of Manning's Office adjacent to trail skirting Manning Forest near the entrance on Chelmsford Road
- 5. Two memorial markers at Nutting Lake that need to be researched and located
- 6. Talbot Mills Bell: Tower of Talbot Mills. Brass bell cast 1889 by the C. T. Robinson Company of Boston, MA
- 7. Mile Markers on Concord: At one time there were two-mile markers on Concord Road denoting the miles to Boston, one was to be removed and replaced when the Middlesex Turnpike intersection was redone years back. I tried to see that it was done but as far as I am aware it did not happen. The second, in the wall along the east side of Concord Road near Dudley Road, was still extant the last time I looked. I must check.

8. Three brass plaques mounted on granite about <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> mile from High Street entrance to Iron Horse Park. Memorials to WWI and WWII.