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is a non-profit corporation dedicated to preserving our community's natural resources for the future through education, open space acquisition and protection.

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The Struggle to Remove the "Antico Tower"

David Kehs, WLT Board member

Locked Gate

For many years, visitors to the section of Prospect Hill Park near the city's water tanks were greeted by an odd sight – a driveway with a locked gate on which was stenciled the phrase "No Trespassing."

It turns out that the driveway was used to cross park land to access a piece of privately-owned property that abuts the park. The private land contained a communications tower that had been constructed by its owner, Anthony Antico, a life-long Waltham resident and business owner. The locked gate ensured that Mr. Antico could control vehicle access to the area near the tower.

Since this arrangement had been in effect since the 1960's, with the tower having been re-built and enlarged twice, few visitors questioned its legitimacy. But there were some local residents who believed that the tower and its access road degraded the park. In particular, the Prospect Hill Park Advocacy Group (PHPAG) formed in the early 1990s, with the mission of advocating for various improvements to the park, its infrastructure, as well as the protection of its natural resources. A major accomplishment of the PHPAG was to convince City officials to sponsor the production the "Master Plan for the Restoration and Improvement of Prospect Hill Park, Waltham, Massachusetts."

The Master Plan did not address the issue of the tower and its access road, although it did recommend that the locked "no trespassing" gate be moved from park land to the property line. Privately, some PHPAG members tried to convince City officials that the tower should be removed because its use of park land was inappropriate. This effort was not successful, but some seeds of opposition had been sown.

In 2008, or perhaps earlier, the tower owner determined that the then-26-year-old tower was deteriorating and needed to be replaced. The owner and his attorney contacted the city's Building Department to determine what types of permits would be needed to build a new tower. There were some differences of opinion between the Building Department and the Law

Department, but at least it was agreed that a Special Permit from the Zoning Board of Appeals would be required.

2009 Zoning Board of Appeals

A public hearing for the special permit application was held by the Zoning Board of Appeals [ZBA] on Feb 10, 2009. Mr. Antico was represented by local attorney Joseph Connors, Jr. The hearing lasted approximately 90 minutes and included discussions of legal and other issues. The ZBA concluded that there were a number of legal questions that needed to be addressed by the Law Department before a decision on the special permit could be reached. Therefore, the board voted to continue the matter until the next meeting.

Specifically, the Waltham Zoning Ordinance includes the concept of "pre-existing, non-conforming structures and uses," also known as "grandfathering." If a structure or use was allowed at the time that the structure was built, then the structure may continue to be used and even re-built (within certain limitations) even if that structure or use would not be allowed by new zoning ordinances. A key question from the Board of Appeals was whether the 293-foot tower should benefit from "grandfathering," and whether the commercial activity was ever allowed in the residential zone that contained the tower.



DAVID KEHS

Gate across Whitney Trail / access to tower

Prospect Hill Park Advocacy Group raised additional concerns, especially with regard to the access road that had been constructed on Park property.

Prior to the next meeting of the ZBA, the property owner withdrew the application. The Board of Appeals voted to accept the withdrawal without prejudice, so the questions that had been prepared for the Law Department remained unanswered.

2013 ZBA – Replacement tower

In 2013, the property owner filed another application for a Special Permit from the Zoning Board of Appeals. This application was basically the same as the one filed in 2009. However, this time, the application included a communication from Walter Ohnemus, the now-retired Waltham Building Inspector. The letter from Mr. Ohnemus stated that a building permit would not have been required for the tower enlargements, thus implying that the tower benefited from “grandfathering.”

The hearing was held on June 4, 2013, with Edward Bigham, Jr representing the property owner. This author attended the hearing and spoke against the proposal. Among other issues, I pointed out that the some of the guy wire anchors that support the tower are actually in Prospect Hill Park and that the applicant did not demonstrate that he had permission to use park land for that purpose. Attorney Bigham asserted that the applicant had once owned the land that contained the guy wires, but had transferred the land to the City, while still retaining the rights to use the land for guy wires. There is no evidence to support this claim, but the ZBA voted to approve the special permit application in a 4-1 vote.

Site Preparation

In the fall of 2014, the property owner began “site preparation.” This involved bulldozing and laying down asphalt on a large area near the tower. A significant part of the land that was disturbed is in Prospect Hill Park. This activity was observed by Prospect Hill Park volunteer stewards (among others) and was reported to the Recreation Board, which has oversight responsibility for the park. The Recreation Board referred the matter to the Law Department. Presumably, the Law Department requested that the property boundaries be marked, because orange survey stakes appeared on the site in January of 2015.



Tower as it stood for years

2015 ZBA – free-standing tower

In February, 2015, the property owners filed an application for a building permit to construct a free-standing tower on the site. Since such a tower design was significantly different from that which had been permitted in 2013, Acting Building Inspector Patrick Powell denied the application. Attorney Bigham then filed a request with the ZBA to amend the special permit of 2013 to allow the construction of a free-standing tower, rather than a guy-wire-supported tower. [In fact, a similar request had been filed and then withdrawn in November, 2014.]

A ZBA hearing was held on

March 10, 2015. At the hearing, Mr.

Bigham explained the reason for changing the design to the free-standing tower approach. Engineers at the company that had been contracted to build the tower had concluded that the guy wire anchors are located too close to the existing tower to provide adequate support for the tower. To build a new tower, they would need to move the guy wire anchors another 75 feet away from the tower. The only way to do that would be to take more land from Prospect Hill Park. Presumably, Mr. Bigham contacted the Mayor to ask permission to use park land for this purpose. That permission was not granted (and the Mayor does not have the authority to make such a unilateral decision).

This author, as well as a few residents attended this hearing and spoke against the construction of a new tower. However, the ZBA voted 4-1 to approve the application.

Building Inspector actions

In March, 2015, William Forte assumed the position of Building Inspector for the City of Waltham. In response to a complaint from an (unnamed) Waltham resident, he began looking into the issue of the existing tower and found it to be in violation of several Zoning Ordinances. Accordingly, he appealed the 2015 ZBA decision that had granted a special permit for construction of a new tower. The appeal was filed on April 8, 2015 in Massachusetts Land Court. This court filing effectively put a stop to any new construction until the various legal questions could be sorted out.

Tune in next issue for the conclusion of this amazing story of citizens and government working together to right the illegal use of public land.

Remembering Board Member Lesya Struz (1949–2017)

*Diana Young and Anna Richardson,
WLT Board members*

When Lesya joined the Waltham Land Trust Board in October of 2003, the rest of the Board didn't know what to expect. Her husband Joris was a founding member of the organization and this was the first time we'd have a husband and wife on the Board. Joris brought tremendous knowledge to the Land Trust, but we quickly discovered that Lesya had abilities that were just as unique. Whether it was her organizing talent from her work as a founder of the Oregon chapter of the Pacific Crest Trail Association, or her personal study of trails and plants, Lesya brought an irreplaceable combination of passion and skills to the Land Trust Board.

Lesya's passion for nature and Waltham's history was contagious. Her most entertaining activity was her portrayal of Cornelia Warren, a long-dead entrepreneur, farmer and philanthropist in Waltham. Lesya would dress as Cornelia in 1900s era garb and give talks on this fascinating woman and her family. She would also play Cornelia while leading wildflower walks on Cedar Hill, a beautiful Girl Scout camp and one of Waltham's largest woodland open spaces which was Cornelia's home before she donated it in her will. As part of the walks, Lesya would point out the exotic specimen trees at Cedar Hill, and the many Lady Slippers and other wildflowers on the site. Lesya's creativity was matched only by her practicality; she would have us pulling the garlic mustard as we walked.

In one of her last talks at a Waltham Land Trust Annual Meeting, Lesya explained the relationships

between Cornelia Warren's family and Louis Brandeis, two Waltham icons.

Lesya was also a tremendous resource to the Land Trust's Program Committee. She always suggested activities no one else would think of and she always knew wonderful speakers and other resources for our public meetings. Ever concerned with the safety of the Land Trust members, Lesya gave several talks on how to dress properly to be in the woods in order to avoid pitfalls like ticks and poison ivy. She must have brought

in a mountain of clothes for all seasons and sizes, and could have dressed the entire audience. Lesya also inspired WLT to buy what a fellow board member described as "the biggest first aid kit on Earth."

Her knowledge of the environment was extensive and she used it to serve both the Land Trust members, as well as the entire City, serving as a commissioner on the Waltham Conservation Commission from 2005 to 2014.

Lesya's final projects were assuring that Joris' contributions to the Land Trust, the City of Waltham and other organizations were acknowledged in perpetuity. While Lesya focused on Joris's commitment to conservation, her own contributions to the Land Trust and environmental causes were equally important. We will miss her knowledge, her laugh, and her joy in joining us in the outdoors.

We hope you will help us celebrate Joris and Lesya's legacy when three Eastern Redbud trees are planted on the Waltham Common later this spring. Stay tuned for details on the dedication ceremony.



Lesya Struz hiking the Enchantments, 2012

HELP WLT GO PAPERLESS!

Join the 100 Land Trust members who have selected to have their Journals sent to them electronically. By opting out of the mailed hard copy, these supporters are helping WLT reduce our carbon footprint and save on costs associated with printing, postage, and transportation. You can also receive the Upcoming Events postcards electronically. Please send an email

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Hardy Pond's Development

Marie Daly, WLT Board member

Hardy Pond has long been considered “great” for many reasons, not the least of which is the important habitat the pond has provided for many birds, mammals, fish, amphibians, plants, trees, and humans. Situated within a 900-acre watershed, this 42-acre water body is deemed in Massachusetts a “great pond,” i.e. any pond larger than 10 acres.

Now called Hardy Pond, the names have varied since European settlement in 1630. First called the Great Pond in the Woods, the pond was soon termed Mr. Samuel's Pond, after Samuel Saltonstall, the son of Watertown founder Sir Richard Saltonstall. Later, it was called Sherman's Pond, Mead's Pond, Fiske's Pond and finally Hardy's Pond. All of these people were abutters between the 17th and 19th centuries.

Native Americans have lived in this area for 10,000 years and were part of the Algonquin-language tribes. Native American trails included parts of Lexington Street, Old Lexington Road, Lincoln Street, around Hardy Pond, and Trapelo Road. According to Watertown history, in 1632, a Native American leader, Cutsumach, lived on the western shore of Hardy Pond. In 1676, the Native Americans still had wigwams on the western shore, when they observed a large number of dead fish on the shore.

The first European settlers arrived in Watertown in 1630, and beginning in 1636, the town leaders divided and allocated all the land within the town boundaries. This included the land that later became Waltham, which was apportioned into numbered lots called the

Great Dividends. But no European settler actually lived on the land around Hardy Pond until 1695, when Jonathan Smith built a house on the south side. By 1705, William & John Fiske had joined Smith on the south side of the pond. The lands on the north side were first settled by David Mead, who had a house and a mill on the west side of Chester Brook, just south of Trapelo Road. The Mead land on the west side of Lexington Street was purchased by the Stearns family, and Jonathan Stearns built a house that still stands today at 1079 Trapelo Road.

Harvard College purchased 160 acres of land on the north side of Jericho Hill in 1738, and then sold the land to the farm manager, Nahum Hardy, in 1839. Nahum Hardy lived in the house that now stands at the corner of Lexington Street and College Farm Road, and his son, Noah Hardy, lived along College Farm Road.



Noah Hardy house ca 1900

In 1895, in reaction to the Cambridge taking a large swath of land in Waltham for a reservoir, Waltham aldermen proposed taking the land around Hardy Pond by eminent domain to secure a six-square-mile watershed for a future drinking water source. Tests had revealed that the Hardy Pond water quality was excellent and the supply “inexhaustible.” These plans never came to fruition.

By 1910, people in Waltham began to appreciate Hardy Pond as a place for camping, swimming, boating and ice skating. People could take the trolley cars along Lexington Street, and spend a day picnicking in the relatively cool breezes of North Waltham. At the same time, the descendants of the Smith, Fiske, Wellington and Stearns families were looking to sell the old farmsteads. Both factors attracted developers looking to purchase large tracts that they could subdivide.

The Wellington estate on the north side was the first to go, purchased by the Wellington Grove Company. Lots of 1,500 square feet were sold as campgrounds, and the developer even included a free tent with the



1854 map showing the locations of the Hardy houses, and the Fiske, Smith, Viles, Wellington and Stearns houses.

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Wellington Grove Land Co.
 431 Old South Building, 294 Washington St., Boston. Telephone
 Come at Our Expense. We Pay Car Fares Both Ways.

1913 advertisement for the north side of Hardy Pond

Ode to a Willow

By Emily Szczypek — WLT Steward, Charles River

Willow I will weep for you now.

You no longer have your ample bough.

The birds will no longer in your branches nest.

I have kissed your bark goodbye and know you have given us your best.



Kayakers enjoy the peace and beauty of the Pond

purchase. Next, the Baystate Realty Exchange sold land in 1920 and 1921 on both sides of Lake Street, providing old Army tents that they claimed could be divided into four rooms. Also in 1921, the Moody Land Company began developing the Mount Lake Villa sections.

In 1969, the General Investment & Development Company built 706 units, called Windsor Village, on Stearns Hill. In 2005, Lincoln Properties Company developed another portion of Stearns Hill when it built 264 units called The Ridge.

As we can see, humans have exploited the waters and surrounding lands of the 42-acre Great Pond in the Woods for a variety of uses for thousands of years, first for its natural resources of fish and game, then its rich soil and natural marsh grass and a possible water supply, and later, for recreation and residential development. We hope to see you at the Pond soon!

Waltham Land Trust Accepts Gifts from Donor Advised Funds

Anna Richardson, WLT Board member

Did you know the Waltham Land Trust accepts gifts from donor advised funds? If you have a charitable donor advised fund account with an institution like Fidelity Charitable, Schwab Charitable, or BNY Mellon, giving to WLT is easy. Just visit <https://walthamlandtrust.org/donate/> to make a donation online via Donor Advised Funds Direct, or contact your funds manager and provide Waltham Land Trust's EIN number: 04-3492978.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

BUTTERFLIES ARE FROM VENUS, MOTHS ARE FROM MARS

Sunday, April 15, 1:30–3 p.m., Waltham Public Library, 735 Main St.
In this visual and informative presentation, teacher/naturalist Linda Graetz will teach the basics of how to identify butterflies and moths with gorgeous photos she took herself of beauties here in Massachusetts and in the tropics.

BERTUCCI'S DINING FOR DOLLARS FUNDRAISER

Wednesday, April 18, 11 a.m. – 10 p.m., WLT table at noon
Bertucci's Italian Restaurant, 475 Winter Street
Help us thank Bertucci's for donating pizzas and rolls to the Charles River Earth Day Clean-up! Give the enclosed certificate to your server when you dine in or take out lunch and/or dinner, and the Waltham Land Trust gets up to 25% of the food and drink sale. Dine at the Waltham Land Trust table at noon and chat with other nature lovers!

RAIN BARREL WORKSHOP

Saturday, May 5, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. or 1–3 p.m.
Prospect Hill Park Lodge, 314 Totten Pond Road
Save money and help Waltham's waterways and pond by attending a rain barrel workshop. Learn about, assemble, and take home your own rain barrel for only \$25. Save money on the rain barrel (which usually sells for \$80–100) and save money on your water bill every time you use the rain barrel. And, when you use rain barrel water, you reduce the storm water and pollutants that flow into ponds and rivers. It's a win-win! Register now at Charles River Watershed Association's website: crwa.org

GUIDED WALK ALONG THE CHARLES RIVER

Saturday, May 12, 1 – 2:30 p.m.
Meet in Landry Park by the fish ladder, 154 Moody Street
Take a break from the Watch City Steampunk Festival with an easy walk along the Charles. We'll learn about the Mill and its environs as we trek over the beautiful boardwalk that passes by the Charles River Museum of Industry and Innovation. After continuing under Elm Street on the paved pathway, we'll cross to the other side of the river and look for wildlife at various places before turning around and returning to the festivities. Costumed participants encouraged!

14TH ANNUAL GREEN SPACE BLUES JAM

Saturday, May 19, 7 – 11 p.m.
Hobbs Brook Management facility, 175 Wyman Street
Attend the Land Trust's major fundraiser, this year featuring Diane Blue and Darrell Nulisch backed by the Blues Jam All-Stars including our own Waltham blues star Mike Williams. Ticket price (\$50 early-bird price for current members) includes a delicious dinner with plenty of choices and drinks (beer, wine, non-alcoholic beverages), plus access to our silent auction. Check our website for details and to buy tickets.

WAGON WHEEL FUNDRAISER

Saturday, May 26, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m., Wagon Wheel Farm Stand, 927 Waltham Street, Lexington
It's Memorial Day weekend, time to buy garden supplies! Pick up your seeds and soil, plus groceries, deli sandwiches, flowers, fruit baskets, fish, etc. Tell the cashier you love the Waltham Land Trust, and we get 20% of your purchase. No certificate needed, but we'll provide something at our website if you need a reminder! Not valid on mulch orders, landscaping services, or deliveries.

NATIONAL TRAILS DAY

Saturday, June 2, time and location tbd
We hope to be building part of the next leg of the Western Greenway trail by the Bentley campus south of Beaver Street during this annual national-wide event. Watch our website for details!

WALTHAM RIVERFEST WALK

Saturday, June 16, 1 – 2:30 p.m.
Meet by benches on north-westside/upstream of Moody Street bridge
Celebrate and learn about the mighty Charles at the 10th Annual Waltham Riverfest with an easy stroll. Traveling on the paved Blue Heron pathway, we'll head upstream from Moody Street and hear how what was once an ugly industrial area became the beautiful Upper Charles River Reservation. As we cross over the Prospect Street bridge, we'll discuss famous residents of the Mt Feake cemetery (currently including a pair of American bald eagles), the popular canoeing and entertainment venues along the river where big bands regularly played in bygone times, and contributions the Waltham Watch Factory made to the American Industrial Revolution and the Waltham community. All day long, festival attendees can soak up live music on multiple stages, observe artists painting along the river, buy crafts from vendors on a closed Moody Street Bridge, enjoy kids activities, and rent canoes, kayaks and stand-up paddleboards.

SUMMER SOLSTICE OUTDOOR YOGA

Wednesday, June 20, 7:30 – 9 p.m.
Park/meet in parking lot at Shaw's by river, 130 Main Street
Celebrate the longest day of the year by performing yoga outside at sunset in a meadow on the banks of the Charles River. Listen to the water cascade over the breached Bleachery Dam and hear birds sing as they feed at dusk. Fee is only \$10 for Waltham Land Trust members. Definitely bring a mat, towel, or both to lie on, as there may be goose poop in the area. Register online at walthamlandtrust.org or bring cash/check made out the WLT.

MARGARITAS NOCHE MEXICANA FUNDRAISER

Thursday, July 26, 11:30 a.m. – midnight, WLT table at 5:30 p.m.
Margaritas Mexican Restaurant, 211 Moody Street
Enjoy delicious Mexican cuisine and drinks at this fun eatery and help us raise a little cash (we get 20% of the sale with certificate from our website). Sit indoors in their recently renovated space or outside on the lovely patio overlooking the river. Dine at the Waltham Land Trust table at 5:30 p.m. and chat with other nature lovers!

MOONLIGHT GUIDED PADDLE

Thursday, July 26, 7 – 10 p.m.
Charles River Canoe & Kayak, 195 Moody Street
Experience the Charles River at a very special time of day! Guides from Charles River Canoe & Kayak will lead this activity, bringing the group in two-person canoes upstream to the Lakes District (upriver from the Prospect Street bridge). There we'll gather the boats together and drop anchor to share small snacks and conversation. We'll hear about Norumbega Park, the Totem Pole Dancehall, and Nuttings on the Charles, all huge riverside attractions of yesteryear. Small lights at the fronts and backs of canoes will help guide us back to the dock. This 2–3 mile tour is suitable for folks of all paddling abilities. Price is \$40 for WLT members, space will be limited. Register closer to the date at walthamlandtrust.org.

THE 14th ANNUAL GREEN SPACE BLUES JAM RETURNS!

Scott Shurr, member of WLT's Special Events Committee

We hope you can join us on Saturday, May 19th at the Hobbs Brook facility located at 175 Wyman St, Waltham, MA 02451 for the 14th Annual Green Space Blues Jam. This year local blues and jazz guitarist Michael Williams has put together an all-star band featuring vocalists Diane Blue and Darrell Nulisch.

Ms. Blue is a soul-stirring vocalist, skillful harmonica player and a crowd-pleasing entertainer. Voted "Outstanding Female Singer" in *The Blues Audience* 2015 and 2011 Readers' Polls, Ms. Blue is a soulful and sassy performer with a strong and energetic delivery, serving up her own spin on soul, blues and R&B. Diane has played harmonica and sung with guitarist extraordinaire Ronnie Earl, as well as international performers Luther Guitar Jr. Johnson (former sideman for Muddy Waters), Big Jack Johnson (of Clarksdale, Mississippi) and Irma Thomas (the Soul Queen of New Orleans), among others. Ms. Blue tours in the U.S. and abroad as a featured performer, in addition to her duties with the Broadcasters.

Darrell Nulisch is a blues singer and harmonica player. Prior to his solo career, he was a member of Anson Funderburgh and the Rockets, and is another alumnus of Ronnie Earl's Broadcasters. Nulisch's repertoire incorporates soul combined with R&B and Chicago blues, redesigned to complement his distinctive vocals.

Michael Williams is a jazz and blues guitarist and Waltham resident. He has performed with Grammy winner James Cotton as well as throughout the U.S. and Canada with Michelle Willson and others, including Mighty Sam McClain, David "Fathead" Newman, Sugar Ray Norcia, Tone Cool recording artists The Love Dogs, and blues piano virtuoso David Maxwell.

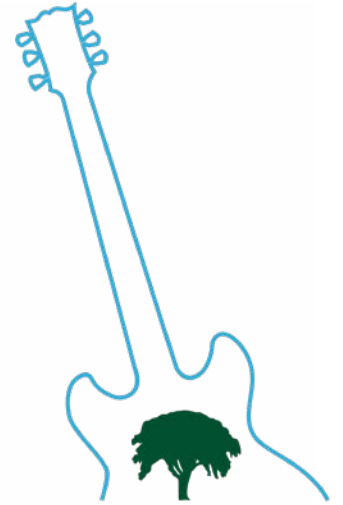
The night's food will be provided by Hobbs Brook Management and, if the last couple years are any indication, you are in for a delicious treat. The meal this year will have an Asian theme, and will include a huge salad bar, sushi, vegan, vegetarian, and meat entrees, appetizers and yummy desserts. Beer, wine and nonalcoholic beverages are included in the ticket price, which is \$50 for WLT members purchased before May 12.

In addition to dining and dancing, be on the lookout for a silent auction with items that include activities & dinners in and around Waltham, homemade crafts, photography and useful services.

It is not too late to sign on as a sponsor for our Green Space Blues Jam! All money that is raised on May 19th will go directly to fund our mission: to create a legacy of land conservation in Waltham by promoting, protecting, restoring and acquiring open space! To become a sponsor, contact Sonja at 781.893.3355 or swadman@walthamlandtrust.org.

Purchase tickets today at tickets.walthamlandtrust.org. To get your WLT Member pricing, you must be a current WLT Member and login to your account before purchasing your ticket. When you go to purchase your tickets, you will be prompted to login. If you are a member and have forgotten your login name, password, or don't think you have a login yet, you can get your account access using your email address by going to iforgot.walthamlandtrust.com.

We look forward to seeing *you* on the dance floor!



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To create a legacy of land conservation in Waltham by
promoting, protecting, restoring, and acquiring open
space.

We envision growth in public appreciation of
natural resources, preservation and restoration of
native habitat, and increased biodiversity to foster a
healthier environment.

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