



**WORTH-PINKHAM
MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

*We connect our
community
through stories.*

Ho-Ho-Kus Library Timeline

1924- Established; Ho- Ho-Kus Free Library Association was formed by members of the Women's Club. It was housed in a small unused room in Borough Hall containing a jail cell for "female malefactors"

1928- Municipalization; The Ho-Ho-Kus Free Public Library was incorporated and a Board of Trustees was appointed by the Mayor

1930- Its Own Building; The Borough purchased an unoccupied real estate office on Franklin Turnpike to relocate the library

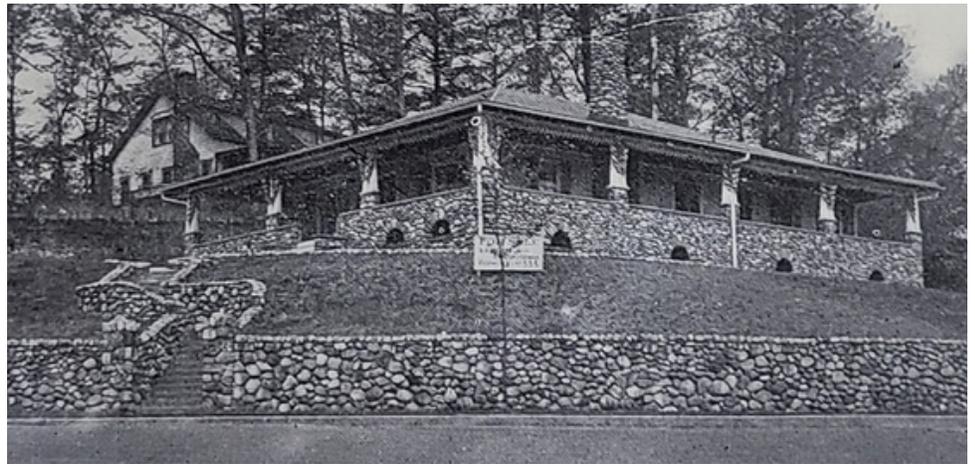
1933-1951; The Library underwent multiple updates and renovations

1985- Another New Home; Caroline Mildreth Worth-Pinkham bequeathed her house to be used as the town library, where it stands today on the corner of Warren Ave and Franklin Turnpike

View the Library's Strategic Plan



View the Borough's Master Plan



Potential Library Relocation

The Mayor and Council are considering relocation of the library to the former Bank of America Building, 10 Orvil Court, a Borough property.

Barriers at 91 Warren Avenue

Physical Access- This building is on the busy Franklin Turnpike, with a difficult winding driveway that provides access to one handicap accessible parking space. The street parking is insufficient, especially when a program or event is happening. The steep hill and stairs make access to the building difficult in all weather conditions, especially for those with physical challenges, seniors, and caregivers with strollers.

Limited Space- The community continues to grow, especially with recent real estate developments. Our collection of materials is condensed based upon what fits within our walls. The library does not have adequate or designated space for programs, the Borough, local organizations, seniors, STEM/ STEAM technology, etc.

Repairs and Maintenance- This building was constructed for residential living 100+ years ago and retrofitted to become a library. Our HVAC and plumbing systems are outdated. The roof is currently sporting several tarps and needs full replacement. Local wildlife has helped us to find some of the areas of disrepair by visiting the library. Outside, we have stone retaining walls that need to be updated and reconstructed, as well as invasive English ivy plants that threaten both the building and our trees.

"It is the mission of the Worth-Pinkham Memorial Library to provide and promote open and equal access to the resources and services of the library in order to meet the informational, educational, and cultural needs of the community."



Highlights of 10 Orville Court

The library can provide...

Accessible Community Space- The Borough does not currently have accessible indoor gathering space for formal and informal purposes.

A Bridge- This location would provide a space in the heart of town, where residents could easily get to from the schools, public services, and businesses.

Something for All Residents- Few other organizations have the ability to reach every person in the community. The purpose of the library is to provide engagement and enrichment for all.

Any feedback or public comment can be shared with the Mayor & Council.