

VIEW AT THE FORGE, POTOWOMUT

GOOD STORES AND SHOPS

WHILE EAST GREENWICH is perhaps best known as one of the most beautiful Home Communities in New England, it is not without its stores and shops of more than usual merit.

Shaded streets, flanked by beautifully kept lawns, overlook a sparkling bay whose surface is dotted by the sails of many pleasure craft, and help to make EAST GREENWICH a veritable gem among the towns of Rhode Island.

Historic spots abound, giving EAST GREENWICH that look of solidity which is not to be found in more newly developed communities.



EAST GREENWICH PUBLIC LIBRARY

"EAST GREENWICH — Down the Bay"

THROUGHOUT this folder we have shown attractive photographs of a few of the interesting places in EAST GREENWICH. There are many more, and the visitor and potential resident may easily locate them by referring to the larger, keyed map on the opposite side of this folder.

YACHTING, swimming in the clear cool waters of Narragansett Bay; fishing, tennis, or just naturally relaxing and resting, here in EAST GREENWICH are all enhanced by the picturesque town which nestles in a sweeping cove of the Bay, sloping gradually down to the water's edge. Green trees of past generations give an atmosphere of permanency. The blue summer skies and clear air make one realize that here is the spot for a home, for rest, and for contentment.

If you would be even nearer the water, *Quonset Point on the Bay, Bay Ridge, Chepiwanoxet, or Potowomut* offer ideal locations for your home. They are being constantly improved and are rapidly becoming a delightful community of real people. Clean white sandy beaches bordering the cool clear waters of Narragansett Bay are tremendously inviting.

ORGANIZATIONS AND FRATERNITIES

ORGANIZATIONS, the purpose of which is Charity and Helpfulness, are the King's Daughters, the Visiting Nurse and Anti-Tuberculosis Associations of East Greenwich and Apponaug, and The Neighborhood Cottage, in addition to the numerous societies attached to the several churches.

The Patriotic Societies are The Kent County Chapter of the Rhode Island Society of The Sons of the American Revolution and General Nathanael Greene Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

The Military Organizations in EAST GREENWICH are The Varnum Continentals, Patriotic Social Military Company, Kentish Guards, Independent Company, Rhode Island Militia, Boy Scouts.

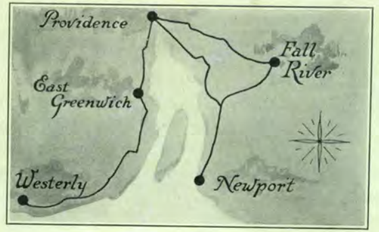
The Fraternal and Secret Societies are Free Masons, Odd Fellows, Modern Woodmen of America, Royal Arcanum, Foresters, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Order of Royal Fellowship, and Moose.

CHURCHES

The Religious side of life is cared for in churches of Methodist, Roman Catholic, Episcopal, Baptist, Free Baptist, Friends, Swedish Lutheran and Swedish Congregational denominations.



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THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF EAST GREENWICH is at all times enthusiastically willing to give assistance in any and every way to the visitor. Inquiries by mail addressed to the Secretary will have his prompt, interested and courteous attention.

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EAST GREENWICH

In the Heart of Little Rhody



A descriptive booklet published by The EAST GREENWICH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



EAST GREENWICH — In the Heart of Little Rhody

EAST GREENWICH is ideally situated at the head of Cowesett Bay, a beautiful body of water that forms part of the historic Narragansett.

Twelve miles from Providence, the capitol of Rhode Island, this attractive community offers you country, suburb, seashore, and year 'round home, all in one.

Although a large industrial city, Providence has few attractive suburbs. The places where you would choose to build and give your children the fresh air and happiness we all desire are limited, and are being rapidly acquired by home builders. *Many are choosing* EAST GREENWICH.

We offer you freely and openly the information you will of course insist upon having. Maps on the following pages show you the excellent location of EAST GREENWICH and the layout of its streets.

SPLENDID TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES ARE OFFERED

The Shore Line Division of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad provides excellent passenger and freight service between New York, Providence and Boston. Hard surfaced roads and the United Electric Street Railway offer satisfactory means of communication with all parts of the State.

With a population of 4157, real estate valuation in 1925 was $2,937,877, whereas personal property was $1,617,680. The tax rate is only $2.00 per $100.00.

MANY AND VARIED ARE THE OCCUPATIONS OF CITIZENS

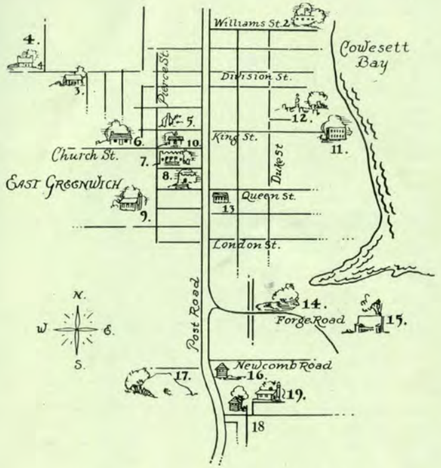
The Greenwich Bleachery; the Providence Drysalters Co.; F. S. Nock, Boat Builders; A. H. Esten; Greenwich Mills; Boston Wire Stitcher Company; Gaco Corporation (*Gallaudet*) are pictured in this folder. Limited space prohibits our showing many others.

The post office, banking facilities, a modern hotel, some of them pictured here, offer every convenience.

The public library is adequately equipped. Schools are well managed and few towns in New England rank higher in educational advantages.

Electric lights, telephone and telegraph, docks and landing piers for industry as well as pleasure, and a modern sewerage system are some of the improvements in this thriving town.

The EAST GREENWICH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE is composed of successful business men, all working together, and unselfishly wishing to point out to others the advantages and pleasures to be found in this unusually delightful place of abode and industry.



HISTORIC SPOTS IN AND NEAR EAST GREENWICH

EAST GREENWICH, Rhode Island, was settled in 1677. Of the first forty-eight grants of land, many were gifts from a grateful State to veterans of the recent King Philip's War.

2. FORT DANIEL, Revolutionary War Fortress
3. HOME OF GEORGE WASHINGTON GREENE, grandson of General Nathanael Greene.
4. SAMUEL GORTON HOME. Built in 1608.
5. HOME OF DOCTOR PETER TURNER, Revolutionary War surgeon. Built in 1774.
6. GENERAL VARNUM HOUSE. Built in 1773 by James Mitchell Varnum, General of Revolutionary War.
7. EAST GREENWICH ACADEMY, founded 1802.
8. KENTISH GUARDS ARMORY, founded in 1774 by 37 Greenwich young men who served in the Revolutionary War.
9. FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE. Built 1804.
10. KENT COUNTY COURT HOUSE. Built in 1805.
11. SECOND KENT COUNTY JAIL. Built 1805.
12. OLD BAPTIST BURYING GROUND. Dates back to 1729. Many Revolutionary Soldiers buried here.
13. FIRST KENT COUNTY JAIL. Built 1750.
14. ELIZABETH'S SPRING. Dates back to 1645.
15. GENERAL NATHANAEL GREENE BIRTHPLACE. Dated 1684.
16. SITE OF ROGER WILLIAMS' BLOCK HOUSE.
17. DEVIL'S FOOT ROCK.
18. COCUMCUSSUC. SMITH'S BLOCK HOUSE. Built 1639.
19. OLD EPISCOPAL CHURCH. Built 1707. Oldest Episcopal Church in New England.

EAST GREENWICH is fortunate in having one of the oldest and most reputable academies in New England which serves as a high school after children have completed the graded schools.

EAST GREENWICH ACADEMY

The *East Greenwich Academy* was organized by a small group of leading citizens of East Greenwich and the adjacent part of the Town of Warwick on the 8th of October, 1802.

They recorded that they were anxious to promote the happiness of posterity, and to continue the blessings of a free and equal government and believing that well conducted seminaries of learning in which youth may acquire knowledge with the advantages of places of public worship, to incline their minds to morality and religion, are the most probable means to effect their design.

Their names were Ethan Clarke, William Arnold, Richard Mathewson, Earl Mowrey, Peter Turner, Ray Greene, Elihu Greene, and Christopher Greene. The descendants of these far seeing and public spirited men are found among the most prominent people of the neighborhood today.

FOUNDED IN 1802 AS KENT ACADEMY

They purchased one acre and twenty rods of land, on which they proceeded to erect a building about sixty feet by thirty, two stories high. In 1803 the school was incorporated as the Kent Academy with sixty "proprietors." They hoped by this enterprise also to introduce a settled Minister of the Gospel to preach in the Meeting House "which is now so seldom improved." The cost was divided into one hundred shares at thirty-five dollars each, to be sold on installments. The shares were assessable for repairs and later proved to be a source of trouble, some shareholders becoming delinquent so that their shares had to be sold at public auction. But a sufficient number were loyal to the enterprise to maintain it for thirty-eight years, till the Methodists, in their newly organized Providence Conference, bought the school building and its one acre of land for $2550, named it Providence Conference Seminary and have since maintained it, since 1884, as *East Greenwich Academy*.

The school has had forty-three Principals and includes on its graduate list such names as Senator Nelson W. Aldrich, William F. Warren, President Emeritus of Boston University, Bishop William F. Mallalieu and others distinguished in Church and State.

EAST GREENWICH ACADEMY has thus been a prominent factor in the development of the town for a hundred and twenty-five years, half the time of the town's corporate existence.

