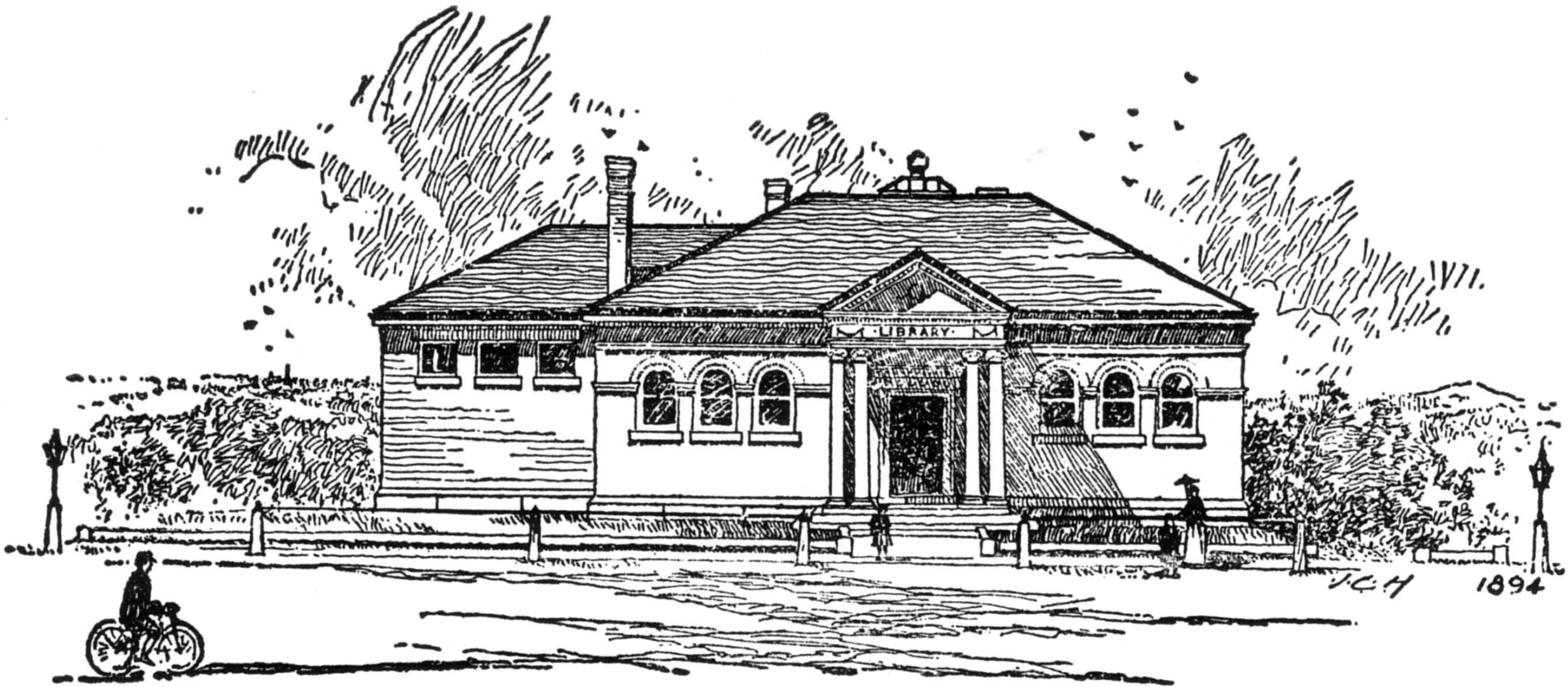


Groton Public Library Before Renovation & Expansion Completed in 1999

Presentation by Vanessa Abraham, Current Library Director

Library Renovation and Expansion Project made possible by Library Director Owen S. Shuman,

Library Trustees, Library Building Committee, Town of Groton, and Groton Citizens



1894 Groton Library Drawing



Aerial View Library Front 1994



Aerial View Library Rear 1994



Library from Playground Rd. 1994



Library from parking lot 1994



No accessible entrance from front or rear 1994



Library rear entrance 1994



Children's Room 1994



Children's Room 1994



The one and only meeting room 1994



Major storage issues, 1994



Stairs with copier & collections on landing 1994



Stairs to attic – lack of storage a safety issue 1994



Cramped browsing: VHS, books on tape, and adult fiction stacks 1994



Adult fiction stacks (now the Historical Room) 1994



Circulation Desk, card catalog, and adult non-fiction stacks 1994



Inaccessible aisles only 27" wide (36" is minimum ADA) 1994



One cramped office for all staff members including Director 1994



L: stairs to lower level and attic; R: adult fiction 1994



View to end of library building from front entrance in 1994



Small reading, work, and study area 1994



Cramming shelving in – even in front of old fireplace 1994



A very cramped and crowded library 1994



Hours	
Monday	9-5
Tuesday	2-9
Wednesday	9-9
Thursday	2-9
Friday	Closed
Saturday	9-2

Front stairs (inaccessible) & 34 hours/week (now 52) 1994



Planning for the renovation and expansion of the library 1994



Relocating all the books to temporary location at Devens 1994

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Digging in! The Public Library held its ground breaking ceremonies last Saturday with officials using shiny shovels to make the symbolic first cut into the area where the library expansion will be constructed. Shown in photo are Frank Adams, Stahl Assoc. Architects, (left to right); Ed McNierney, Building Committee member; Katie Madigan, Library Trustee; Owen S. Shuman, Library Director; Mike Muse, Castagna Construction Corp.; Martha McLure, co-chair Library Endowment Committee. Valerie Jenkins, Library Trustee, is in the back.

Groundbreaking 1997

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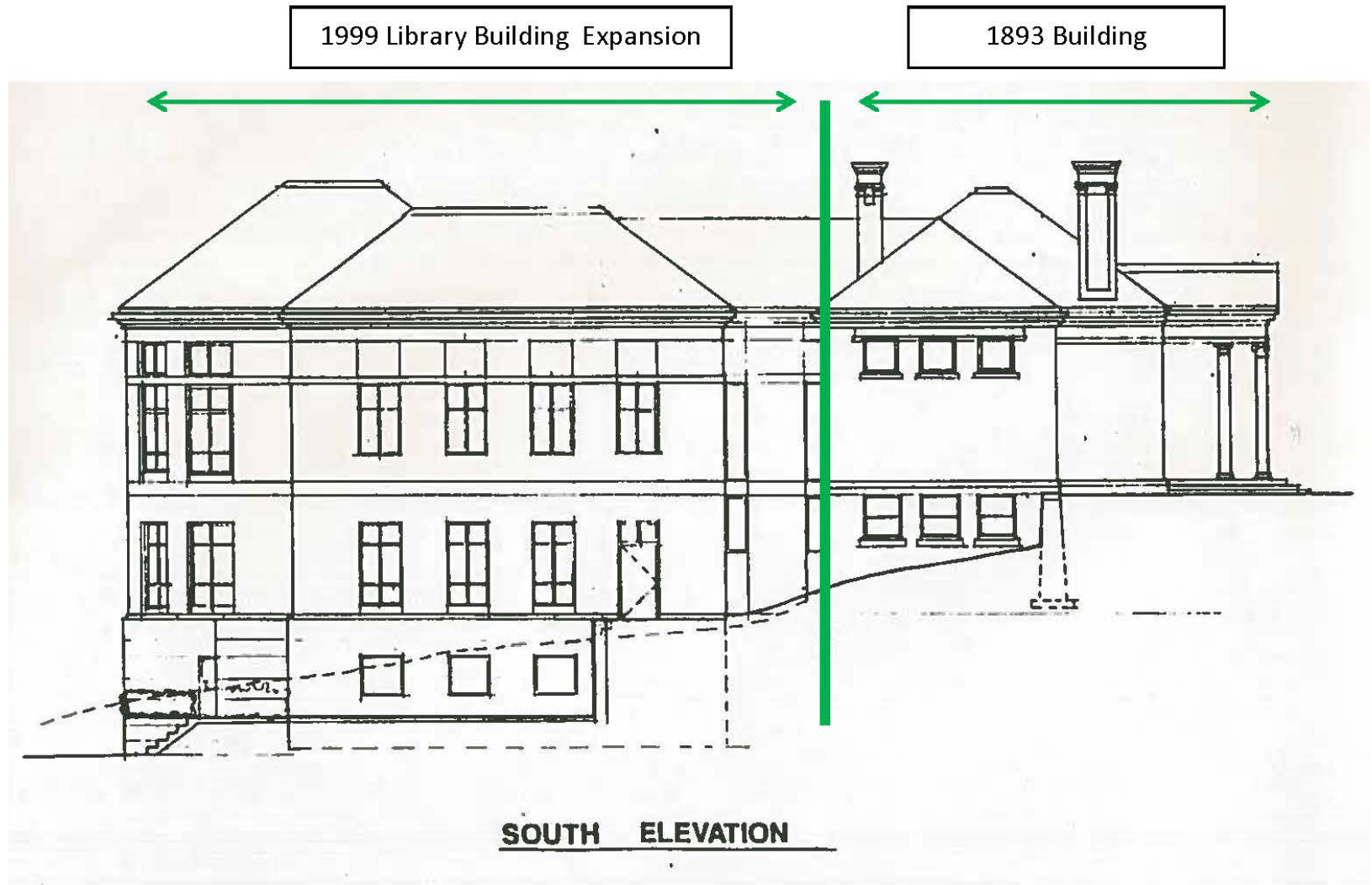
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**Construction Trailer
 & Site Entrance**



**1st left on
 Broadmeadow Road
 to Playground Road**

Construction sign 1997-1999



The side is the best way to see the size of the expansion 1997



Construction begins 1997



Rear demolition 1997



Exposed back of library 1997



Beams going up 1997



Taking shape 1998



Construction 1998



New library taking shape 1998



Interior demolition 1998



Top floor window area 1998



Construction with stairs 1998



After 2 years in a temporary location at Devens, the transformed library reopened March 6, 1999



Ribbon cutting and reopening March 6, 1999



The new back of the library after completion



New accessible entrance – now truly “Open to All” 1999



4,000 to 17,000 sq. ft.! Aerial view of our beloved library 2020