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SEPTEMBER 20 - 21 2019

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then
(now the
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Town Hall
now
(formerly
Howe High
School)



How Billerica Got It's Name


One of the things that is uniquely different about Billerica is its name. There is a "Concord" in more than half the states in our country and in many other places around the world but there is only one "Billerica" in the entire world.

When English settlers first began to inhabit this area it was known as Shawshin. The territory was granted to Cambridge in 1641 on the condition they would make it a village having at least ten families within ten years. When enough families had moved here to establish a town, they wanted to give the town a name that reminded them of their English home. Their new home was beautiful and special and the people wanted a name that would reflect that. Some of the settlers were from an area near Billericay, England which was a picturesque little country town with a unique name. It was the only town named "Billericay" that they knew of, so on May 29, 1655, "Billerica" was born.


Many people find the name hard to pronounce and even harder to spell. The petition from the General Court in 1655 that allowed the establishment of the town spelled it "Billirikeyca". When he visited here in 1789, George Washington spelled it "Bellarika" in his journal. However, those of us who are from here are proud of the name, and of the town. Billerica has many fine traits and qualities that add to its distinctiveness to make it special but its name makes it truly unique.

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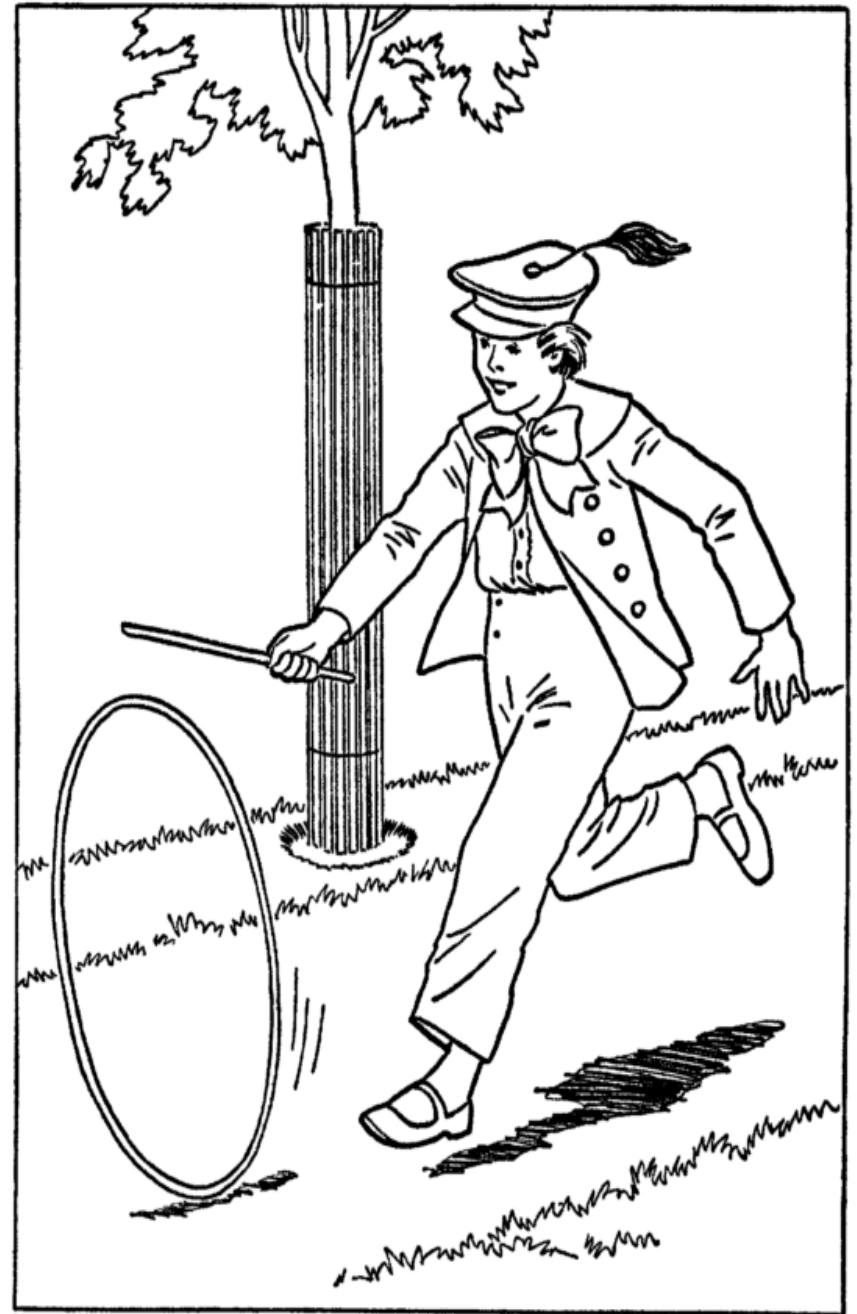


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In case of cancellations or delays due to weather check the Yankee Doodle website, Facebook page, BATV Community Bulletin Board, or the Billerica Police twitter.

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Yankee Doodle's First Homecoming Dance

DATE: September 20

TIME: 7:00 - 11:00 PM

PLACE: Billerica Elks Club

114 Webb Brook Road

Raffle

Music

Comedians

Refreshments

Cash Bar

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EVENT SCHEDULE

Parking Locations

- ☆ High School student parking off Good Street
- ☆ Parker School
- ☆ First Congregational Church on Andover Road
- ☆ Bay State Baptist Church on Boston Road

Think you know Billerica?
Join the *Scavenger Hunt*

September 28th	Register at the
12:00 - 4:00 PM	Information Table
Starts at Town Hall	at Yankee Doodle

VARIOUS OTHER EVENTS ABOUT TOWN

Saturday

- 8:30 - 2:00** Billerica Council on Aging
Yard Sale
- 9:00 - 2:00** Billerica Cat Care Coalition - Bennett Library
Meet & greet and sales of BCCC items
- 9:00 - 4:00** Billerica Public Library
Book and media sale, hot dog lunch and bake sale
- 10:00 - 2:00** First Parish Church
Yankee Doodle Apple Festival
- 5:00 - 7:00** 1st Congregational Church, - Andover Road
New England Boiled Dinner

Sunday

- 2:00 - 4:00** Billerica Adventure Series Corp.
Billerica History Tour
Faulkner Mills Canal Museum

EVENT SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

10:00 - 11:30 Parade

Starts at K-Mart Plaza, ends at the Marshall Middle School

Zone 1 - The Quad

Tours of the New High School

11:00 - 4:00 Vendors, Crafters, Food, Town Organizations and
booths with Kids Activities

Zone 2 - Alumni Field All Day

Billerica Colonial Minutemen Encampment
Demonstrations on crafts and everyday life activities
Re-enactment of Thomas Ditson Tar & Feathering

12:00 - 3:00 Cookie Decorating

12:00 - 3:00 Helen Potter & Sharon Lapham, Portraits

12:00 - 4:00 Boy Scout troops cooking and games

1:00 - 3:00 Field Games - Recreation Dept

2:00 - 3:30 Animal Adventures, Educational Demonstration
& Touch Experience

Zone 3 - Hallenborg Lot

11:00 - 4:00 Vendors, Crafters, Food, Town Organizations and
booths with Kids Activities

Zone 4

All Day

Open Houses:

Fire Department

Police Department

Participant Parking


Limited public parking

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1:00 - 3:00 Demonstrations

3:00 - 4:00 Doggie Contests

More after the map 

Yankee Doodle Site Map

