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Summary

**Historian, writer, publisher. Retired attorney. I am dedicated to high scholarship, primary sources, and readability in my work. I explore history, using archives, old photos, deeds, maps, and detective skills to tell and show what happened. I dig deep.**

I write and publish books on history. I document old buildings.

I give public talks on history.

Selected Experience

[MACRIS](https://mhc-macris.net/#!/). Documented the history and architecture of more than 50 old buildings, published in this Massachusetts online database of historical resources. My forms are unusually detailed. They cover greater Boston and most areas of the old seaside town of Scituate, MA.

Suffrage. Documented nationally significant suffrage sites, such as 585 Boylston Street in Boston, the home of suffrage organizations and *The Woman’s Journal*. Documented in MACRIS and on my website, including Suffragists tab, <https://www.lylenyberg.com/suffragists-1>, and <https://www.lylenyberg.com/historic-buildings-suffrage>. Created detailed nominations for Pomeroy Foundation Program for historical markers recognizing women who fought for the right to vote. Contributed to National Park Service’s website “[Mapping Women's Suffrage in Boston](https://www.nps.gov/bost/mapping-women-s-suffrage-in-boston.htm).”

Books

Seacoast Scituate By Air (2022) (with Gary Banks and Bill Richardson)

With splendid aerial photos in color by local pilots/photographers, along with the history of this most scenic coastline, this book covers the town’s beaches, oceansides, rivers, islands, marshes, and harbors.

On a Cliff: A History of Third Cliff in Scituate, Massachusetts (2021)

This richly illustrated book is the first devoted to scenic Third Cliff, tracing the transformation of seacoast Scituate from Native American and colonial farmland of the 1600s into a summer destination of the 1900s, with a popular summer colony. Acclaimed by academics, enthusiastically welcomed by residents.

Summer Suffragists: Woman Suffrage Activists in Scituate, Massachusetts (2020)  
A surprising number of nationally known suffragists spent summers in Scituate. Their work paved the way for the adoption of the 19th Amendment in 1920, and their stories of suffrage activism are still relevant today.

Other Publications & Talks

“Sunnycroft: A Scituate Summer Estate” in *New England Journal of History*, Vol. 79, No. 1 (Fall 2022), 85-116. See <https://www.lylenyberg.com/copy-of-news-articles-notes>.

“[Scituate Lighthouse was Once Abandoned but not Vacant](https://www.lylenyberg.com/_files/ugd/d883ea_9af551d67dd14717842c62f6a5d74715.pdf),” *The Keeper's Log* ([U.S. Lighthouse Society](https://uslhs.org/), November 2019), p. 12

[“100 years ago: Locals spent the summer in Scituate,”](http://homenewshere.com/daily_times_chronicle/news/winchester/article_60944e74-244a-11e7-be59-c7455a2d5540.html) *Daily Times Chronicle* (Woburn, MA), April 18, 2017

Many talks on history, including Massachusetts Historical Society, Scituate Historical Society, East Boston Historical Society, Duxbury Rural & Historical Society, and Norwood Historical Society. See https://www.lylenyberg.com/news-and-events.

Memberships

Scituate Historical Society

Scituate Historical Commission (nonmember volunteer)

Massachusetts Historical Society

New England Historical Association

Education

Boston University School of Law, J.D.

Member of *Law Review*, with published work

Dartmouth College, A.B.

Major: English; member of WDCR radio station (broadcaster, music librarian)