

## Postcards from Falmouth Zoom Program Transcript

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Topic: *Historic Restaurants of Cape Cod*, by Christopher Setterlund

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- Also mentioned:
  - *Cape Cod Nights: Historic Bars, Clubs, and Drinks*, by Christopher Setterlund, available at Falmouth Public Library under 647.95 SET
  - *Iconic Hotels and Motels of Cape Cod*, by Christopher Setterlund, available at Falmouth Public Library under 647.95 SET
  - *Cape Cod Wampanoag Cookbook*, by Earl Mills & Betty Breen, available from CLAMS under 641.59 MIL

Note: The right column references postcards by identifiers searchable in the Digital Commonwealth online collection.

00:00	[Music]	
00:45	and without further ado I wanted to	
00:46	welcome Chris we're glad to have you	
00:48	here	
00:49	thank you so much I'm so glad to be here	
00:52	and	
00:53	yes like Sue said this is geared more	
00:56	towards	
00:57	Falmouth so it'll be	
01:00	a lot of the places that are in my	
01:02	restaurant's book are	
01:04	here but in order to make this worth	
01:06	your while for actually being	
01:08	part of this Zoom presentation I added	
01:12	some places that are not in the book	
01:14	so what I'm going to do is I'm going to	
01:16	pull my presentation	
01:17	up so that you can see it	
01:24	because it's more exciting to see the	
01:26	actual presentation	
01:29	and so I wrote this book	

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01:32	Historic Restaurants of Cape Cod	
01:36	this was in 2017.	
01:40	and for those who don't know me I am a	
01:43	12th generation Cape Codder	
01:46	and I've written a total of six books my	
01:49	most recent one is in the bottom right	
01:51	corner that's Iconic Hotels and Motels	
01:53	of Cape Cod	
01:55	that one along with Cape Cod Nights	
01:57	will be	
01:58	featured next week and that one will	
02:00	also be	
02:02	a presentation that is Falmouth centric	
02:05	so it'll be a lot of fun this one was a	
02:06	lot of fun to put together too	
02:08	because I wanted to I had to do more	
02:10	research and find	
02:12	places that you will hopefully remember	
02:15	and if you don't then	
02:16	I can bring them back to life for you	
02:19	so in June of 2015 that's when I started	#2015
02:23	chronicling	
02:25	the legendary Cape Cod restaurants it	
02:28	was part of	
02:29	Arcadia Publishing's History Press label	
02:34	and the end result was Historic	
02:35	Restaurants of Cape Cod so the book	
02:37	itself	
02:39	is 39 restaurants	
02:42	all of them are since closed	
02:45	but there's a 40th chapter that includes	
02:48	recipes from many of the restaurants	
02:51	that are	
02:52	in the book and I was lucky because I've	
02:54	done a lot of work for Cape Cod Life	#capecodlife
02:56	magazine	
02:57	and way back when they first started in	
02:59	the late 70s early 80s they would have	
03:02	recipes from restaurants in their	

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03:05	magazine	
03:06	and they basically told me in exchange	
03:08	for	
03:10	mentioning that they're from the Cape	
03:12	Cod Life magazine I could use any	
03:15	recipes I wanted so it ended up being a	
03:17	great	
03:18	sort of win-win so that's at the last	
03:21	chapter of the book	
03:24	the rest so I covered the entirety of	
03:26	Cape Cod in the book	
03:27	I didn't want to show favoritism I grew	
03:30	up in Yarmouth live in Yarmouth so	#yarmouth
03:32	naturally	
03:33	I could close my eyes and think of two	
03:35	dozen restaurants from	
03:37	near where I live from my lifetime	
03:41	but what I did was hundreds and hundreds	
03:42	of hours of research	
03:44	to make sure that the entirety of the	
03:46	Cape was represented	
03:49	the basis of this book was a 2005 Ohio	
03:53	State University study	
03:55	that explained that 60 percent of	
03:57	restaurants don't survive	
03:59	their first season and eighty percent	
04:02	go under within five years and I'm sure	
04:06	a lot of you have seen	
04:07	restaurants I mean COVID kind of	#covid19
04:09	accelerated some	
04:10	but before that that you would see	
04:13	restaurants come in	
04:15	have a big grand opening and fade away	
04:17	within a year or two	
04:20	what I focused on was those restaurants	
04:23	that have	
04:24	that had come and gone but they had a	
04:27	huge impact	
04:28	they came and made a big impact and	

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04:33	so this book is filled with a lot of	
04:36	those	
04:37	and for those of you that you know	
04:40	beyond Falmouth I mean you probably have	
04:43	heard of Thompson's Clam Bar	#thompsonsclambar
04:44	Mildred's Chowder House places like that	#mildredschowderhouse
04:48	that's some examples of ones that are	
04:51	outside of Falmouth but without further	
04:54	ado	
04:54	let's take a scroll down memory lane	
04:56	places that you will	
04:58	know and love and remember so	
05:02	this one I put first because	
05:05	uh it's very unique it was on the	
05:09	top of my list as far as Falmouth	
05:11	centric	
05:12	restaurants now granted it's in Woods	
05:14	Hole but it's so	
05:16	close so The Dome Restaurant	#thedome  Gunning_WoodsHole_Bldg_0607 and 0608
05:20	the reason why I put this front and	
05:23	center	
05:23	first as far as places to talk about is	
05:26	because it's being	
05:28	worked on currently	
05:31	so the plan is for the actual dome	
05:34	itself to be	
05:37	restored and possible	
05:40	senior housing to be built around it in	
05:43	the site of the former	
05:44	Nautilus Motor Inn in 2016	#nautilusmotorinn #2016
05:48	the area was purchased for 2.9 million	
05:51	dollars by a group called	
05:53	Woods Hole Partners and that's who's	#woodsholepartners
05:56	working on it right now	
05:59	so The Dome Restaurant for those not	
06:02	familiar with it it's down	

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06:03	right near the Steamship Authority so	#steamshipauthority
06:06	I've told people if you're driving down	
06:08	going towards the Steamship Authority	
06:10	once you can see the water	
06:12	you're basically passing by the Dome	
06:16	it is an authentic geodesic dome	#geodesicdome
06:19	much like Epcot Center in Disney and	
06:22	there's a reason why because they were	
06:23	built by the same person	
06:25	a man named R. Buckminster Fuller and he	#buckminsterfuller
06:28	built this 54-foot diameter	
06:31	geodesic dome and the restaurant itself	
06:35	opened in 1954	#1954
06:37	and it was 170 seats the Dome was the	
06:41	dining room	
06:42	the kitchen and the rest of the	
06:43	facilities were attached to it	
06:46	and obviously it's a very unique	
06:48	restaurant you can see in that	
06:50	image on the right it's a postcard from	
06:52	the Falmouth Historical Society	#falmouthhistoricalsociety  Hunt_Village_Bldg_029  Gunning_Village_Bldg_0451 through 0453, Gunning_Village_Bldg_0455
06:54	that eating in a geodesic dome is quite	
06:59	unique and so	
07:02	people would flock to it but the problem	
07:05	was	
07:06	the geodesic dome in the summer	
07:09	especially	
07:10	conducts itself like a greenhouse which	
07:13	made it very hot	
07:15	and if you're talking the 50s and 60s	
07:17	air conditioning wasn't	
07:19	as prevalent I mean it was but	
07:22	what they had to do and you can see in	

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07:24	that picture on the right	
07:25	on the left hand side of the postcard	
07:28	there's that	
07:29	white white thing hanging down it's a	
07:32	tarp	
07:33	the tarp was put over much of the dome	
07:37	to shield it from the sun and keep it	
07:38	from getting too hot	
07:40	and so unfortunately you know it it got	
07:43	to be	
07:44	you wanted to eat at the Dome for the	
07:46	view and then most of the view was	
07:48	obstructed by a tarp	
07:50	because it was too hot	
07:53	the Dome closed in 2002 officially	
07:56	it has been sitting there	
08:00	basically decaying for the last nearly	
08:02	20 years	
08:03	there's been plans to at the very least	
08:07	preserve it for history but now the idea	
08:11	is to	
08:13	refurbish the dome and create the senior	
08:16	housing near it so	
08:18	luckily this spot will seemingly be	
08:20	around for a long time	
08:24	however the Dome is far from the only	
08:27	spot	
08:28	in Falmouth that gained iconic	
08:31	status so do you remember	
08:36	Elsie's also known as Elsie's Lunch	#elsies
08:40	so this spot was located on Palmer	#palmeravenue  Gunning_Village_Sts_0043 through 0052  Hunt_Village_Sts_167 through 170
08:42	Avenue	
08:43	and this is also a postcard from the	
08:46	Falmouth Historic Society	

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08:48	this restaurant was owned by a couple	
08:51	Elsie and Henry Bowman	#elsiebowman #henrybowman
08:53	and they're very unique because they	
08:56	fled	
08:57	Germany ahead of World War II in the	#germany #worldwartwo
08:59	late 1930s	
09:01	and they actually settled up in Boston	#boston
09:04	and in 1955 Elsie and Henry	#1955
09:08	opened a sandwich shop in Harvard Square	
09:10	that was also called	
09:11	Elsie's and it was very popular	
09:15	they had sandwiches like fresher's dream	
09:18	which was essentially you would consider	
09:21	it a New York deli	
09:22	sandwich or a Dagwood depending on what	
09:26	you know it as	
09:27	with ham turkey and corned beef they	
09:30	also had the Elsie's roast beef special	
09:32	which was roast beef and onions German	
09:35	mustard Russian dressing	
09:37	and relish and Elsie worked hard	
09:41	she worked hard at her restaurant in	
09:42	Harvard Square	
09:44	and what ended up happening was in 1965	
09:46	she had a heart attack	
09:48	so basically they told her you need to	
09:50	retire	
09:52	and what else he did was she retired to	
09:54	Cape Cod moved to Falmouth	
09:56	and stayed retired for about a year	
09:59	before	
10:00	she opened the second Elsie's which was	
10:03	on Palmer Avenue in 1966.	#1966
10:07	it stayed open through 1986 it was very	#1986
10:10	popular all the way through	
10:13	before she eventually really retired in	
10:16	1986	
10:18	now the spot is a place called	
10:20	Crabapples	#crabapples

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10:21	which is still there that was Elsie's	
10:24	way back in the day	
10:28	some of these legendary establishments	
10:30	are still standing and	
10:32	still open today and that's a neat thing	
10:34	about	
10:36	doing this being Falmouth centric was	
10:39	the original Historic Restaurants	
10:41	book every place in there was closed	
10:44	and my publisher they dealt with that	
10:47	one all right	
10:48	they made it a point that for the Cape	
10:49	Cod Nights book the nightlife	
10:52	I needed to have at least a few places	
10:53	that were still open in there	
10:56	and the Iconic Hotels and Motels	
10:59	they needed at least half of them to	
11:01	still be open	
11:02	so luckily a place like the Silver	#silverlounge
11:05	Lounge restaurant which is still open	
11:07	that's neat because you can see the	
11:09	presentation and then go out to	
11:11	Route 28a and check them out	
11:15	they've been open since 1938	#1938
11:18	they've got a unique nautical theme	
11:20	inside	
11:22	where there's driftwood adorning some of	
11:24	the walls in there from local beaches	
11:28	they're known for seafood steaks	
11:31	sandwiches	
11:31	typical American fare the property was	
11:35	once owned by a man named Manuel White	#manuelwhite
11:38	and it was bought by William Early and	#williamearly
11:41	he's the one	
11:42	that opened it on May 28 1938	
11:46	and early he was cross	
11:49	promotion he came from a spot called the	
11:51	Coonamesett Inn	#coonamesettinn



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		Hunt_Hatchville_Bldg_466 through 469 Gunning_Hatchville_Bldg_0544 through 0550
11:54	and they're still going strong there's	
11:56	Uncle Bill's Country Store which is a	#unclebillscountrystore
11:58	gift shop	
11:59	right next to it so that's another	
12:03	spot Route 28a that's kind of the nice	#route28
12:07	back roads but not back roads where	
12:09	Route 28 I know out there is more of a	
12:11	highway	
12:14	but some of these places are a part of	
12:16	recent Cape Cod history	
12:19	and that talks to on the left the Nimrod	#nimrod
12:23	that just recently was torn down	
12:26	it was on Dillingham Avenue	#dillinghamavenue
12:29	and it's mostly known for being	
12:32	hit by a cannonball during the war of	
12:35	1812	
12:37	the restaurant itself was named for	
12:40	the British ship the HMS Nimrod	
12:44	uh before so this wasn't the original	
12:47	location of the Nimrod	
12:48	Dillingham Avenue it was actually	
12:51	located	
12:52	at a different spot in town and it was	
12:53	known as the Boxwood Club	#boxwoodclub
12:56	but then in the 1950s it was moved to	
12:59	its spot	
13:00	at Dillingham Avenue where it flourished	
13:02	from there	
13:04	the problem was that as it turned to the	
13:07	21st century	
13:08	the building was falling out of code	
13:12	to the point where I guess if you had	
13:15	the owners had	
13:16	taken steps earlier it probably could	
13:19	have been	

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13:20	saved but it turned out that	
13:23	when they went to the health department	
13:26	and such to see	
13:27	how much it would cost to bring the	
13:28	building up to code it was 2 million	
13:30	dollars	
13:31	and this is more than 10 years ago	
13:35	so they ended up closing the restaurant	
13:38	officially in 2012	
13:40	and it sat the building decayed people	
13:43	came in looking to buy	
13:44	but what ended up happening was they	
13:47	bought it more for	
13:48	the property and less for the	
13:51	restaurant itself now it's an empty lot	
13:54	unfortunately they tried to save it	
13:56	to make it you know a part of the	
13:59	register of historic places but it did	
14:01	not happen	
14:03	the Leaside Bar and Grill that much	#leesidebarandgrill
14:06	like the Dome is with an eyesight of the	
14:08	Steamship Authority	
14:10	that was Luscombe Avenue right there	#luscombeavenue
14:12	near Water Street	#waterstreet  Gunning_WoodsHole_Sts_0813
14:14	in Woods Hole they were open for	
14:17	more than 60 years as	
14:20	kind of a restaurant bar	
14:23	and it's known for its odd shape because	
14:26	it's where	
14:27	two roads meet so it's got almost a	
14:30	triangular	
14:31	shape to it the building itself is still	
14:35	there	
14:36	in 2013 the Leaside closed	
14:40	and it was quickly purchased and	
14:42	reopened as Quick's Hole	#quicksholetavern
14:43	Tavern so that is still there	

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14:47	it's interesting to see these places and	
14:50	know that you can	
14:52	go back and you can see a place like the	
14:54	Leeside even though it's in a different	
14:56	it's a different name now	
15:01	other spots that were in the book and	
15:04	that I researched	
15:05	for this presentation are part of a	
15:07	bygone generation	
15:10	The Bellows is an interesting one it was	#thebellows  Gunning_Village_Bldg_0386 through 0391  Hunt_Village_Bldg_039
15:13	on	
15:13	Falmouth Heights Road and from 1933 to	#falmouthheightsroad #1933 #1948
15:18	48	
15:19	it was a restaurant it was started as	
15:22	more of a tea room	#tearoom
15:23	which I'm not it's kind of	
15:27	lighter fare lunch and obviously	
15:31	tea but it was opened by a woman named	
15:34	Thekla Hedlund and she was from Long	#theklahedlund
15:37	Island	
15:38	and it was a tea room with lobster and	
15:42	more	
15:43	so it became it started as a tea room	
15:45	but she had a connection	
15:46	that could get her fresh lobster so she	
15:49	decided she'd be crazy not to do that	
15:52	so it became more of a breakfast and	
15:53	lunch place	
15:56	and it was very successful the problem	
15:59	was that	
16:00	Thekla Hedlund even though she had her	
16:02	family helping her out it's a lot of	
16:04	work	
16:05	to run a successful restaurant even one	

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16:08	that's only open during the summer	
16:10	she would be down on the Cape for the	
16:13	summer	
16:14	spring summer and go back to Long Island	
16:17	in the off season	
16:19	in 1946 she had a massive	
16:22	stroke and died shortly thereafter	
16:26	what ended up happening was the family	
16:29	sold The Bellows itself the restaurant	
16:34	and a man came in and bought it ran it	
16:36	for two more years as The Bellows but	
16:39	when you buy an existing restaurant and	
16:42	it's yours	
16:43	you kind of you say you're gonna run it	
16:45	as the previous owners did but then you	
16:47	get your own ideas of what	
16:49	you want to do with that property since	
16:51	you own it	
16:52	so what they did was change the name to	
16:55	The Red Horse	#redhorsegrill
16:56	Grill that only lasted for about	
17:00	two years before it became known as the	
17:02	Red Horse	#redhorseinn
17:03	Inn and the Red Horse Inn is still	
17:05	standing	
17:06	so unfortunately I couldn't get a better	
17:09	photo with the postcard on the right	
17:11	but it's the same building and if you	
17:14	come for next week's presentation the	
17:16	Red Horse Inn is front and center	
17:18	so you may hear a little bit of this	
17:20	similarity	
17:22	but The Bellows was one of those hidden	
17:25	gems that when doing my research	
17:28	for the restaurants book it was	
17:30	something I had never heard of and it	
17:31	was a neat	
17:32	unique story of a tea room that became a	
17:35	successful	

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17:37	lunch breakfast lunch place with lobster	
17:41	and Thekla Hedlund she was a unique	
17:43	person to	
17:44	run this spot	
17:48	so also falling along those lines	
17:51	of The Bellows was the Hangar Tea Room	#hangartearoom
17:55	and the reason why I put this I could	
17:58	not find a photo of the Hangar Tea Room	
18:01	so the Megansett Tea Room in North	#megansetttearoom  Gunning_North_Bldg_1376 through 1382  #northfalmouth
18:02	Falmouth it's the same kind of idea	
18:06	where like I mentioned a tea room is	
18:08	lighter fare sandwiches	
18:10	drinks the Hangar Tea Room is an	
18:13	interesting one and I wrote	
18:15	a longer story about it for I have a	
18:18	blog	
18:19	called the In My Footsteps Podcast Blog	#inmyfootsteps
18:22	now and I do a lot of Cape Cod history	
18:26	over there I used to write a lot for	
18:28	capecod.com I did	
18:31	Cape Cod Cape Cod history	
18:34	articles I left there about two years	
18:38	ago because	
18:39	I wanted to basically write about things	
18:41	I found interesting and not	
18:43	have to run it by an editor so that's	
18:46	what I ended up doing and the Hangar Tea	
18:48	Room	
18:50	is a pretty good story that's on that	
18:52	blog	
18:54	so it started off in 1923 as a tea room	#1923
18:58	called the Gray Gull	#graygull
19:00	and then a woman named Mary Fellows she	#maryfellows
19:03	bought it	

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19:04	and ran it throughout much of the 1920s	
19:07	and it had music and dancing this was	
19:08	during Prohibition	#prohibition
19:10	so when you're running a place that has	
19:13	entertainment during Prohibition you've	
19:15	got to	
19:15	make it good because there's no alcohol	
19:18	to kind of keep people around	
19:22	in 1930 it became known as the Hangar	
19:26	Tea Room	
19:27	and this is where the story gets	
19:29	interesting	
19:31	there was a man named William Wagner who	#wagner
19:34	bought it and ran it the problem was	
19:37	that it be there was a lot of complaints	
19:40	about	
19:41	noise cars parked all over the place	
19:45	and also people drunk stumbling out into	
19:48	the street	
19:49	so during Prohibition when all these	
19:52	things are happening	
19:53	that kind of gets the antenna going of	
19:55	the local police	
19:57	and what ended up happening was on	
19:59	November 3rd	
20:00	1933 the police raided the Hangar Tea	
20:04	Room	
20:05	and they found alcohol they found	
20:07	gambling equipment in there	
20:10	and they essentially shut them down	
20:13	briefly what happened was	
20:17	William Wagner not too long after I mean	
20:20	Prohibition	
20:22	was overturned not too long after they	
20:24	were raided so it was right on the cusp	
20:27	so after Prohibition was overturned	
20:29	William Wagner	
20:31	tried to go and get an actual liquor	
20:33	license for the Hangar Tea Room	

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20:35	and he was turned down he even though it	
20:38	was so close to the end of Prohibition	
20:41	the town didn't forget that he had his	
20:44	speakeasy there	#speakeasy
20:46	so he even had his wife Dorothy	
20:49	running it trying to get her like all	
20:52	right we're not associated with	
20:53	William Wagner anymore but still his	
20:56	wife	
20:57	eventually they gave them a liquor	
20:59	license but it was too late	
21:01	they closed down before the end of the	
21:03	1930s	
21:06	and William Wagner he did not like	
21:08	having his	
21:09	liquor license application turned down	
21:13	so he decided to run for selectmen in	
21:15	the town	
21:16	and unfortunately for him he ran for	
21:19	selectmen	
21:19	11 times and he lost 11 times	
21:23	so he did not have much luck once he was	
21:26	raided	
21:27	by the police in 1933 kind of went	
21:30	downhill from there	
21:33	some of these spots were a short drive	
21:35	away	
21:36	and Quintal's	#quintals
21:40	was just over the Bourne Bridge today	#bournebridge
21:43	it's	
21:43	uh Dunkin' Donuts in a Speedway I believe	
21:47	right where the Bourne Rotary is that	#bournerotary
21:50	leads you into Wareham or up onto Route	#wareham
21:52	25 Quintal's was open	#route25
21:57	from the mid-60s through 2005	#2005
22:01	and I'm actually working on an in-depth	
22:04	article about the history of the	
22:06	Quintals and the family Robert and	
22:09	Gloria who	

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22:09	started it because I didn't realize how	
22:13	how far their reach went I thought of	
22:16	Quintal's as	
22:17	Bourne slash Buzzards Bay and this one	#bourne #buzzardsbay
22:19	restaurant	
22:20	but it turns out they had four	
22:23	restaurants at once	
22:25	so they had this one here they opened	
22:29	one in Hyannis at the airport rotary	#hyannis
22:32	in the early 80s so it was	
22:35	Red Coach Grill later it was Chili's	#redcoachgrill #chilis
22:39	and in between it was Quintal's Red	#quintalsredcabin
22:41	Cabin	
22:43	and it was brief they only had it there	
22:45	for maybe three years	
22:47	and it's interesting because they	
22:48	expanded and all the expansions	
22:51	didn't last that long because in	
22:54	Yarmouth	
22:55	they had Quintal Seafood was the name	#quintalseafood
22:58	of it	
22:59	I believe they opened in 1979	#1979
23:02	and by 1983 they were closed and	#1983
23:05	replaced by	
23:05	Oliver's which is still there	#oliversandplanckstavern
23:09	the other one was actually	
23:12	on the Cranberry Highway in Wareham	#cranberryhighway
23:16	and it was called the Crack O Dawn	#quintalscrackodawn
23:19	they actually weren't	
23:22	weren't too long ago that they closed	
23:24	down within the last	
23:26	seven eight years and they were more of	
23:29	a breakfast place Crack O Dawn with a	
23:31	little rooster on the sign interesting	
23:34	thing about Quintal's was	
23:37	they in 2005 after the	
23:40	the parents Robert had passed away and	
23:43	Gloria was	
23:44	she was older she was retired they were	



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23:47	selling it and they planned on closing	
23:49	it at the end of the 2005	
23:52	season but a fire broke out	
23:55	in June of 2005 and it they	
23:58	took it as a sign basically that it was	
24:03	they didn't have the money or the time	
24:05	to repair	
24:06	the restaurant to reopen for a few more	
24:08	months so they just closed it down	
24:13	and it was interesting they sold it to	
24:15	Christy Mihos	#christymihos
24:16	who he put his Christy's in there but	#christys
24:18	then he went out of business	
24:22	and on the right The Flume	#flumerestaurant
24:25	was located in Mashpee it's now	#mashpee
24:28	the Naukabout Brewery but it was	#naukaboutbrewery
24:32	owned for 32 years by High Chief Earl	#earlmills
24:35	Mills	
24:36	he was known as Flying Eagle of the	#flyingeagle
24:39	Wampanoag	#wampanoag
24:39	Tribe and what he did was he	
24:42	had his own recipes that he grew up with	
24:45	from his	
24:46	family his parents and he put that into	
24:50	everything all of his meals the Flume	
24:53	it was interesting I interviewed Earl	
24:56	Mills	
24:56	for the restaurant's book and it's just	
25:00	a funny story because he	
25:03	I had him come and speak at the book	
25:05	launch event	
25:06	for it and he basically he was telling a	
25:09	lot of the same stories that he told me	
25:11	on the phone	
25:12	the only problem was on the phone his	
25:14	stories were	
25:16	very R-rated with a lot of swears	
25:20	and as he's telling these stories about	
25:22	working in a kitchen and	

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25:24	being a chef I just was cringing like oh	
25:27	god please don't	
25:28	swear so much because I was trying to	
25:31	keep it where people were recording it	
25:34	but he didn't he was good about that	
25:37	another interesting thing so there's a	
25:38	recipe in the book	
25:41	from the Flume it's his Indian pudding	
25:45	and I spoke to him I said oh yeah I put	
25:47	a recipe of yours in the book	
25:50	from Cape Cod life magazine and he	
25:53	quickly cut me off and he said oh yeah	
25:54	that's not the right recipe	
25:56	and I was like wait what do you mean and	
25:59	he was he was writing a cookbook of his	<i>Cape Cod Wampanoag Cookbook,</i> by Earl Mills & Betty Breen
26:01	own at the time	
26:02	and what he told me was why the hell	
26:04	would I	
26:06	give them the recipe for free when I	
26:08	could put it in my book and make money	
26:09	off	
26:10	of it and Earl Mills he's a hoot he	
26:13	definitely	
26:14	he was worth the time to interview	
26:18	and there were icons of the Falmouth	
26:20	restaurant scene like Danny-Kay's	#danny-kays
26:23	which is on Route 28 it was opened	
26:26	from 1959 to 1977	#1959 #1977
26:29	classic Italian restaurant owned by the	
26:32	Bartolomei	#bartolomei
26:33	family the grandson	
26:36	of the owners Jay Bartolomei he owns a	
26:39	spot called the Villaggio	#villaggioristorante
26:40	in Cotuit so if you	#cotuit
26:43	went to Danny-Kay's and you enjoyed their	
26:46	food	
26:46	you can go and kind of get a taste of it	
26:49	at the Villaggio	

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26:51	I find it interesting that Danny-Kay's was	
26:55	an icon of	
26:56	Falmouth restaurants and yet the place	
26:59	the spot that replaced it	
27:01	the Golden Sails Chinese restaurant has	#goldensails
27:04	been around for	
27:05	more than twice as long as Danny-Kay's	
27:08	was there	
27:09	and I don't know I've never eaten at the	
27:11	Golden Sails I don't know how it is but	
27:14	you know there they've been there for	
27:17	more than 40 years	
27:20	and there were also legends nearby the	
27:23	Tin Man Diner	#tinmandiner
27:24	so it ended up being a part of Falmouth	
27:27	restaurants but it got its start	
27:29	far away from there so the diner car	
27:34	itself so on the right	
27:35	the original was called the Sterling	#sterlingstreamliner
27:38	Steam Line	
27:39	Streamliner diner car	
27:42	the original was known as the Jimmy	#jimmyevansflyer
27:45	Evans Flyer	
27:46	and it was located in New Bedford and	#newbedford
27:48	opened in 1940.	#1940
27:50	Jimmy Evans was a vaudeville entertainer	#jimmyevans
27:54	and he didn't run it himself he had his	
27:56	wife run it	
27:58	but he put his name on it figuring that	
28:00	Jimmy Evans people would know	
28:02	him and come to eat there thinking you	
28:04	know he's got his name on it	
28:06	it must be good in 1960	#1960
28:10	the Jimmy Evans Flyer was purchased	
28:13	and it was no	
28:17	uh that's it um he just referenced	
28:20	oops he just referenced	
28:23	building quality [unintelligible]	
28:27	[unintelligible] takes about eight to ten	

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28:30	months	
28:31	and I didn't exactly know what that	
28:34	meant	
28:38	not sure I follow that	
28:44	so the Tin Man Diner was moved	
28:48	to the Otis rotary where	
28:52	stayed open as the oldest rotary diner	
28:54	in the 1970s	
28:56	then later on it was known as Mary	#marymuffins
28:58	Muffins	
28:59	but then it was leased to a woman named	
29:01	Barbara Lind she's on the left	#barbaralind
29:03	left-hand side of the left photo with	
29:05	her daughter	
29:07	and it was renamed My Tin Man Diner	#mytinmandiner
29:10	it had a lot of military memorabilia	
29:13	and Wizard of Oz memorabilia located in	
29:17	there	
29:18	unfortunately in 2000 it was	#2000
29:22	subject to arson the jealous boyfriend	
29:25	of a waitress there	
29:27	burned the building down and it was sad	
29:30	because	
29:32	a lot of the regular customers	
29:35	would come to the charred remains in the	
29:38	parking lot and sit there with their and	
29:40	have coffee	
29:41	where the building used to be	
29:44	luckily there was a happy ending because	
29:47	in 2008	#2008
29:48	it was resurrected in Falmouth and	
29:50	that's the one that's on the left	
29:53	it lasted for another three years	
29:57	On County Road in North Falmouth before	#countyroad
29:59	eventually closing in 2011	#2011
30:04	but that was one interviewing Barbara	
30:06	Lind	
30:07	it spoke to the overall impact that	
30:11	these	

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30:12	restaurants had Barbara Lind sent me	
30:14	these photos of	
30:16	the Tin Man Diner and she was so	
30:19	overwhelmed	
30:20	with happiness and almost like a	
30:23	validation	
30:24	that I had included her building her	
30:27	restaurant in my book	
30:29	and that's the way I found it with this	
30:31	book that	
30:33	I didn't put any spot in there that I	
30:34	didn't think belonged	
30:36	as a historic iconic Cape Cod location	
30:41	and that's what I found that's why when	
30:42	doing the research for	
30:44	the Falmouth area I wanted to make sure	
30:47	it was places that	
30:49	stuck out that deserve to be mentioned	
30:52	and remembered	
30:54	and no matter what though these spots in	
30:57	there	
30:57	they deserve to be remembered and	
30:59	celebrated for the good	
31:01	more than the good food but the good	
31:03	memories that they give to people	
31:05	and that's kind of where I fall on this	
31:07	that it's bringing back the memories and	
31:10	how you felt	
31:11	being there just as much as it is about	
31:14	the restaurants themselves	
31:16	and I finished it with a couple of	
31:18	different shots of Main Street Falmouth	#mainstreet  Gunning_Village_Sts_0017 through 0041  Hunt_Village_Sts_155 through 166
31:22	one looks like it's from the early 40s	
31:24	and the others from the	

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31:26	probably early 60s but that's where we	
31:29	wrap things up	
31:31	with my presentation on historic	
31:33	restaurants of the Falmouth area	
31:36	and if there are any questions I will do	
31:37	my best to	
31:39	answer them I'm going to	
31:42	stop sharing the screen	
31:47	so if Sue I don't know if you want to	
31:49	open it up	
31:50	oh okay yeah um we had one in the chat	
31:53	and someone asked what about Lawrence's	#lawrencessandwichdepot  Gunning_Heights_Bldg_1089 through 1091  Hunt_Heights_Bldg_262 through 266
31:55	do you know anything about that one	
31:58	that is one that I've heard of I think	
32:01	Lawrence's sandwich shop is that	
32:05	because that's been on a I don't know	
32:08	much about it myself	
32:10	but it was on it was on my list for the	
32:14	original book the idea is	
32:17	some places had as I say more meat on	
32:19	the bone	
32:21	thankfully in the years since	
32:25	I did this book there's been more in the	
32:27	way of	
32:29	research opportunities online newspaper	
32:32	archives that have allowed me to	
32:35	expand that's why a place like Quintal's	
32:38	or a place like the Hangar Tea Room that	
32:41	I wasn't able to get in	
32:43	the original book I can now research	
32:46	because of these expanded I mean	
32:47	Falmouth Library they've got the	
32:50	newspaper archives they go up to	

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32:52	1962 I believe so those	
32:56	are fun to check out yeah we actually	
32:57	have them we have microfilm too oh hold	
33:00	on one second yeah we have microfilm of	
33:02	those	
33:02	um if you could turn your camera on if	
33:05	you have a question and	
33:06	just raise your hand and then we'll know	
33:08	who's talking	
33:10	does anyone	
33:14	okay yeah I don't see any other	
33:16	questions in the chat but if anyone	
33:18	wants to ask a question or	
33:20	mention anything about me these	
33:21	restaurants just turn your camera on if	
33:23	you can	
33:24	or if you don't have a camera you can	
33:27	unmute yourself too well I	
33:29	see in the chat about the casino the	#casino  Gunning_Heights_Bldg_1151 through 1157  Hunt_Heights_Bldg_208 through 218
33:32	casino	
33:34	next week that's from my Cape Cod Nights	
33:37	book	
33:38	there were some places that	
33:41	doubled as restaurants and nightclubs	
33:44	there were some that doubled as	
33:46	restaurants and hotels	
33:48	so I had to pick and choose what went	
33:51	where	
33:52	now that's not to say that I didn't have	
33:54	places that were	
33:56	in multiple books a place like The	#thecolumns
33:58	Columns that used to exist in West	#westdennis
34:00	Dennis	

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34:01	was in the restaurant's book and in the	
34:04	nightlife book because	
34:06	it doubled as a jazz club so the casino	
34:09	you will see	
34:12	um can you tell us just a little bit	
34:13	more about your research for these books	
34:15	too like	
34:16	how do you approach these books when you	
34:19	write them	
34:20	so first thing with this restaurant's	
34:23	book	
34:24	basically the publisher came to me and	
34:26	said	
34:28	you can have any anywhere from five to	
34:30	forty restaurants	
34:32	and that was basically the only	
34:35	restriction I had	
34:36	so what I did was I asked family	
34:39	parents grandparents friends about Cape	
34:42	cod what places do you remember going	
34:44	that you liked	
34:46	and I jotted all of them down I think I	
34:48	ended up with	
34:49	almost a hundred wow and	
34:52	then what I did was pick the ones that I	
34:55	knew were the big time ones	
34:59	Thompson's Clam Bar Mildred's Chowder	
35:01	House	
35:02	and the like and then ones that I wasn't	
35:04	as familiar with	
35:05	like when I saw the Dome I said oh my	
35:08	god this place is awesome	
35:09	because you can still go see it I mean	
35:12	it's kind of	
35:13	decayed but hopefully they're fixing it	
35:16	but you start to pick your definite ones	
35:19	that go in there	
35:20	and I had a plan to do 40 restaurants	
35:23	it was a nice round number with 40,000	



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35:26	words	
35:26	was kind of the word count but it ended	
35:29	up not happening so that's where the	
35:31	recipes came from	
35:34	oh yeah that's yeah that's Olde Surrey	#smithsoldesurreyroom  Gunning_Village_Bldg_0384
35:37	Room is next week too	
35:38	you're picking ones that see they fell	
35:41	kind of in between	
35:43	where believe me I've got photos of both	
35:47	Smith's Olde Surrey Room is is going to	
35:50	be in the Cape Cod Nights	
35:52	next week and the casino casino	
35:56	Brothers Four it's interesting when I	#brothersfour
35:59	did my	
36:01	research for the Cape Cod Nights book I	
36:03	didn't realize	
36:04	that Terrace Gables which is it's next	#terracegables  Gunning_Heights_Bldg_1169 through 1206  Hunt_Heights_Bldg_229 through 243
36:07	week as well	
36:08	a huge luxury hotel right on	
36:11	uh Falmouth Heights right on the	
36:13	Falmouth Road Race running route	#falmouthroadrace
36:15	I didn't realize that that became	
36:16	Brothers Four	
36:18	that it was basically they just put a	
36:21	nightclub entertainment complex into	
36:24	this hotel	
36:26	and the same with the casino that that	
36:28	they were	
36:29	like neighbors and it's so interesting	
36:33	that it got repurposed as that	
36:37	but oh believe me that's that's coming	

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36:39	too	
36:41	cool yeah that'll be a great	
36:44	presentation	
36:45	especially yeah it'll cover a lot	
36:48	because it's a hotel it's two different	
36:49	books hotels and nightclubs so	
36:52	yes and I've got a whole brand new	
36:54	presentation for that as well	
36:56	oh that's great no we appreciate that	
36:58	because even your books	
37:00	to begin with you know cover a lot so	
37:02	the fact that you went and found even	
37:03	more on Falmouth that's great	
37:06	and I enjoyed I took it as kind of a	
37:09	challenge	
37:10	to make it where it was worth it for the	
37:13	people that came to	
37:16	check it out to make it where it wasn't	
37:18	just	
37:19	three or four places from the book that	
37:20	it fleshed out to a full	
37:22	presentation and Falmouth was easier	
37:25	than if you	
37:26	told me to do it for like Wellfleet	
37:29	Wellfleet would be a lot harder	
37:31	Truro I I don't think they were even	
37:32	represented in the restaurant's book and	
37:34	I tried	
37:35	but Truro it was a needle in a haystack	
37:39	yeah there aren't a lot of restaurants	
37:41	there that's for sure well I couldn't	
37:43	even I don't think I could name you	
37:44	one currently let alone	
37:47	back 40 50 years ago yeah	
37:50	yeah maybe one okay does anyone have any	
37:54	questions or does anyone have any	
37:55	comments in any of these restaurants if	
37:57	they had been there	
37:58	yes did I do justice to because so the	

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38:01	place	
38:01	I could tell you the ones that I pulled	
38:04	from the book that I have	
38:05	you can tell the ones I have more	
38:06	knowledge of the Dome	
38:08	Elsies The Bellows The Flume	
38:12	Tin Man Diner but places	
38:15	like the Leaside and the Nimrod	
38:19	those I weren't as familiar with so I	
38:22	tried to do my best to	
38:24	get information that I could share so	
38:26	that it wasn't	
38:27	just a photo and me skipping by	
38:30	yeah I'm not from Falmouth myself so I	
38:32	don't know any of these but I'm sure	
38:34	some of these folks probably do	
38:35	and someone typed that they had some	
38:37	good memories I wonder if	
38:39	who if anyone knew about Hangar Tea Room	
38:41	room and the speakeasy because that was	
38:43	fascinating	
38:44	I did an article about it that goes way	
38:47	more in depth	
38:48	but I've started to become a big fan of	
38:51	finding	
38:52	speakeasies and writing about them there	
38:54	was one I'm from Yarmouth and there's a	
38:57	famous one called the Casa Madrid that's	#casamadrid
38:59	down near the beaches	
39:02	and it basically in 1933 it opened as	#1933
39:05	dinner and dancing and within six weeks	
39:08	they had been raided and shut down	
39:10	because they were speakeasy and they	
39:11	didn't hide it very well	
39:14	there were Boston-based politicians that	
39:17	were supposedly	
39:18	legend has it there when it got raided	
39:20	and they jumped out the back window	
39:23	to escape wow	

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39:26	yeah that would be interesting well	
39:29	maybe someone will come to us with some	
39:30	of these stories at some point today	
39:32	we can relay them yeah definitely if	
39:35	anyone has any places they want me to	
39:38	research and then do a future article on	
39:41	I also do podcasts and I share a lot of	
39:45	Cape Cod history there the podcast is	
39:47	more New England-centric	
39:49	but I have I did a stand-alone about the	
39:52	Cape Cod Coliseum and things like that	#capecodcoliseum
39:55	yeah and I think	
39:57	on your website is probably your email I	
39:59	assume that people can contact you if	
40:01	they have questions yes sir	
40:02	I mean I have it too but I didn't I	
40:04	think you have it posted on your website	
40:05	too	
40:06	and the website is good it's got so it	
40:09	has my first	
40:10	five books my sixth one hasn't been	
40:12	uploaded yet but obviously you can get	
40:14	it	
40:15	pretty much anywhere and it's got	
40:18	a link to my podcast and a link to I was	
40:22	on	
40:22	Chronicle two years ago this week so I	WCBV Chronicle
40:25	have that	
40:26	embedded there so you can see it oh wow	
40:30	that's great okay well	
40:33	we'll definitely look forward to seeing	
40:35	you next week and	
40:37	hopefully you guys will all be back and	
40:39	if you have anyone else that might be	
40:40	interested in hearing about that that's	
40:42	next week too	
40:44	yeah yeah we do yeah and I'll I'll try	
40:47	to get the link out to people who	
40:48	attended this just so you'll have it too	

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40:51	and event we are recording this so	
40:53	eventually we will	
40:54	you know get it up and post on our	
40:56	social media and again thanks to FCTV	
40:58	for helping us out with this	
41:00	and letting everything run smoothly and	
41:03	thanks everybody for coming and	
41:05	have a great rest of your night and	
41:07	hopefully we'll see you next week or at	
41:08	another presentation	
41:10	and thank you thank you all so much for	
41:11	coming and I hope to see you all next	
41:13	week for another presentation	
41:16	okay have a great night	
41:19	[Music]	