

Guide to the Sanborn Family Association Records, 1896-2015, bulk 1984-2000

Administrative Information

Title and Dates:

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Sanborn Family Association

Language:

The materials in this collection are in English.

Extent:

3 boxes and 1 oversize folder ; 1.25 linear feet

Abstract:

The Sanborn Family Association was formed in 1929 and met annually until 1941, when the gatherings stopped, to resume in 1984. They became biennial in 2001. The records are of reunions held in various locations and include lists of attendees, minutes of the meeting, and, after 1986, both candid and formal group photographs. The group did an "Ancestral Tour to England" in 1989, which is documented with itineraries and photographs. The collection also contains information about individual family members in the form of newspaper clippings and, for a few members of an extended family, letters written between 1896 and 1915.

Access and Use

Acquisition Information and Provenance:

The Sanborn Family Association Records were a gift of the Sanborn Family Association in 2019.

Processing Information:

This collection was processed by Sandra L. Wheeler in June 2021. The finding aid was written by Sandra L. Wheeler in June 2021. This finding aid follows the standards set forth by *Describing Archives: A Content Standard*.

Access Restrictions:

Available for research.

Location:

The collection is housed at the New Hampshire Historical Society in Concord, New Hampshire.

Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements:

The materials in this collection are paper based and have no special technical requirements for use. This collection includes many color photographs.

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Collection Overview

Administrative Information:

The Sanborn Family Association was formed in 1929 and met annually until 1941, when the gatherings stopped, to resume in 1984. They became biannual in 2001, but meetings appear to have tapered off; there are no photographs after 2007, no program or minutes after 2011, and no reunions listed after 2015.

Collection Scope and Content Note:

The Sanborn Family Association Records consist of association records and family papers. The majority of materials were kept in scrapbooks with sticky, high-acid pages. All materials have been removed from these scrapbooks.

The association materials document the activities of the Sanborn Family Association, primarily reunions (which were held annually 1929-1941, 1985-2001, and biennially 2003-2015), for which there is usually (but not always) registration information and lists of attendees, minutes,

and photographs, both formal and informal. These are arranged chronologically as found in the scrapbooks.

Another scrapbook was kept about the Ancestral Trip to England in 1989. This material has been placed in folders in the order in which it was found. Finally, there are several books on Sanborn-related subjects.

The family papers contain items relating to individual family members. Scrapbooks labeled “Clippings” (largely, but not entirely newspaper clippings) have been disassembled and the clippings placed in folders in alphabetical order (except for a few pages that could not be disassembled, which are intact in a separate folder).

Correspondence or items relating to individuals are filed alphabetically by surname, and include incoming correspondence (1896-1915) received by what appears to have been several members of an extended family, though their relationship to each other, if any, is unknown.

Arrangement:

The Sanborn Family Association Records have been organized into two series:

Series 1. Association records, 1929-2015

Series 2. Family, 1896-2000

Contents List

Series 1. Association records, 1929-2015

Extent: 28 folders

Scope and Content: This material documents the activities of the Association, primarily reunions (annual 1929-1941, then 1984-1999, then biennial 2001-2015), for which there is usually (but not always) registration information and lists of attendees and minutes. For most years from 1984 to 2007, both formal and informal photographs are also present. There are no photographs for the reunion years 1987, 1999, 2001, 2003, and after 2007. There are no records for the 2000 reunion. The items are arranged chronologically as found in the scrapbooks from which they have been removed.

Another scrapbook was kept about the ‘Ancestral Trip to England’ in 1989. This material has been placed in folders in the order found. Some of the items are not from the actual 1989 group trip, as individuals visited the same places before and after and contributed their photographs and ephemera to the scrapbook. Includes the volume *Celebrating Somborne*, which contains a history of the ancestral village, area, and a photograph of the Sanborn Family Association’s visit.

A few issues of two Association publications (*Sanborn Signatures* and *S.F.A. Newsletter*) are also present.

Finally, there are several books on Sanborn-related genealogical subjects, two of which are filed at the end of box 2 and the beginning of box 3. The others have been placed in the library of the New Hampshire Historical Society; they are listed under “Separated Items” at the end of this finding aid.

Box 1

- Folder 1 Correspondence re Ellis Island 'Wall of Honor,' 1988
- Folder 2 Reunion minutes, 1929-1941
- Folder 3 Reunion registrations, 1929-1934
- Folder 4 Reunion registrations and minutes, 1939-1941
- Folder 5 Reunion registrations, 1984-2015
- Folder 6 Reunion, 1984
- Folder 7 Reunion, 1985-1987
- Folder 8 Reunion, 1988
- Folder 9 Reunion, 1989
- Folder 10 Reunion, 1990
- Folder 11 Reunion, 1991
- Folder 12 Reunion, 1992-1993
- Folder 13 Reunion, 1994-1995
- Folder 14 Reunion, 1996-1999
- Folder 15 Reunion, 2001-2005

Box 2

- Folder 1 Reunions, 2007-2015
- Folders 2-9 Ancestral Tour of England (part 1 of 8), 1989
- Folder 3 Ancestral Tour of England (part 2 of 8), 1989
- Folder 4 Ancestral Tour of England (part 3 of 8), 1989
- Folder 5 Ancestral Tour of England (part 4 of 8), 1989
- Folder 6 Ancestral Tour of England (part 5 of 8), 1989
- Folder 7 Ancestral Tour of England (part 6 of 8), 1989
- Folder 8 Ancestral Tour of England (part 7 of 8), 1989
- Folder 9 Ancestral Tour of England (part 8 or 8): *Celebrating Somborne*, 1989
Paul Marchant, editor. Published by Somborne and District Society,
Kings Somborne, Hampshire, 1989.
- Folder 10 *Sanborn Signatures*, 2000-2010
2000: Spring
2006: Fall
2009: Spring, Fall
2010: Spring
Index to *Sanborn Signatures*, 1984-1991
- Folder 11 *S.F.A. Newsletter*, 2012-2015
October 22, 2012
February 28, 2013
May 15, 2013
May 28, 2015
- Folder 12 *365 Todays: John M. Blaisdell Sanbornton N.H. His Diary*, 1979
Evelyn Corliss Auger, editor.

Box 3

- Folder 1 Sanborn, F.B. *Recollections of Seventy Years*. Boston, 1909

Series 2. Family, 1896-2000

Extent: 15 folders

Scope and Content:

This series contains items relating to individual family members. Scrapbooks labeled “Clippings” (largely but not entirely newspaper clippings) have been disassembled and the clippings placed in folders in alphabetical order by first name since all surnames are assumed to be Sanborn. One scrapbook could not be disassembled; the pages have been trimmed (but are otherwise as found) and placed in a separate folder.

Correspondence or items relating to individuals are filed alphabetically by surname, including incoming correspondence received by what appears to have been several members of an extended family between 1896 and 1915.

- Folder 2 Clippings scrapbook, 1949-1971
- Folder 3 Clippings: businesses, 1994 and undated
- Folder 4 Clippings: places (“Homesteads,” “Farms,” etc.) 1945-2000 and undated
 - Boscawen
 - Candia
 - Chester
 - Kensington
 - Laconia
 - North Conway (Intervale House)
 - Sandown
 - Winnipesaukee
- Folder 5 Clippings: people [all Sanborn surnames], first names A-J, 1942-2010
- Folder 6 Clippings: people [all Sanborn surnames], first names K-T, 1953-2003
- Folder 7 Duke, Lucinda incoming correspondence, 1896-1899
- Folder 8 Duke, Lucinda incoming correspondence, 1900-1901
- Folder 9 Harwood, William D. incoming correspondence, 1900-1913
- Folder 10 Harwood, William D. incoming correspondence, 1914-1915
- Folder 11 Rand, F. W. incoming correspondence, 1905-1907
- Folder 12 Sanborn, Augustus badge for Camp Augustus D. Sanborn N.H. Veterans’ Association 40th Annual Encampment, The Weirs, 1916
- Folder 13 Sanborn, Harold U.S. Army discharge, 1941, 1945
- Folder 14 Sanborn, Howard Laconia-Franklin Telephone Directory “Howard W. Sanborn & family, Sanbornton NH” written on front, 1940
- Folder 15 Sanborn, Lucinda incoming correspondence, 1903-1915
- Folder 16 Unidentified notes and summaries of letters written by unidentified author, undated

Separated Materials:

The following oversize items were moved to a folder in Drawer 66:

- Reunion photograph panoramas, 1984 and 1986
- Survey of Hampton, New Hampshire, 1992 reproduction of 1841 original
- Sanborn family tree beginning with John Samborne (1620-1692, died in Hampton, NH.), William Samborne (1622-1692, died in Hampton, NH.) and Stephen Samborne (1624-1654, returned to England)

The following items have been transferred to the New Hampshire Historical Society Library:

Kittelle, Sumner Ely Wetmore. *The Ketel Family*. Washington, D.C., 1946.

Knudsen, Milli. *Sanborns of Vermont*. no publication information given.

Mitchell, Frances Robinson. *Ancestors and Descendants of Frances Robinson Mitchell*.
2012 [Section A3: descendants of Deborah Bowden Sanborn]

Sanborn, Edward. *Kate Sanborn*. Boston, 1918.

Sanbornton Historic District Commission. *Introduction to Sanbornton Architecture and History*. 1988.

Subject Terms

People:

Sanborn family

Organizations:

Sanborn Family Association

Subjects:

Books

Directories

Genealogy

Reunions

Locations:

Boscawen, NH

Candia, NH

Chester, NH

England

Kensington, NH

Laconia, NH

Lake Winnepesaukee, NH

New Hampshire

North Conway, NH

Sandown, NH

Occupations:

Genealogists