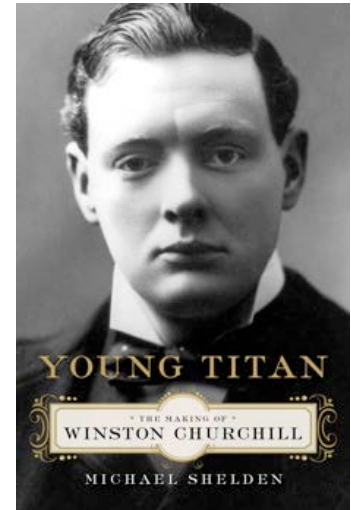


It's time once again for the . . .

**New England Churchillians
Summer Picnic & Book Discussion**

Saturday, 26 July 2014
(rain date Sunday, 27 July)*
noon to 4 p.m.

Lakeville, Massachusetts



The picnic will be held at the summer cottage of Suzanne and Dan Sigman on Long Pond in Lakeville, Massachusetts.

Our topic book is “Young Titan: The Making of Winston Churchill” by Michael Shelden (Simon & Schuster, 2013). In *The Wall Street Journal*, reviewer Andrew Roberts wrote that during the 1901-1915 period covered by the book, the author tells how “Churchill readied the Royal Navy for a world war, pursued a radical agenda of social reform, crossed the floor of the House of Commons (from Conservative to Liberal), wooed three women and married a fourth, became a father, faced down the suffragettes' campaign of violence and aggression, took command against militant anarchists in what is called the Sidney Street siege (in London's East End), nearly destroyed his political career over the disastrous Dardanelles campaign in Turkey, and faced German artillery barrages in the trenches of World War I. There isn't a dull page in this tale, and Mr. Shelden is correct to state that if Churchill ‘had died when he was forty . . . his story would still be one of the best of the century.’” Shelden spoke at the 2014 International Churchill Conference in New Orleans and is the author of five biographies, among them the best-selling *Mark Twain: Man In White*, which was chosen as one of the best books of 2010 by the *Library Journal* and the *Christian Science Monitor*, and *Orwell: the Authorized Biography*, which was a Pulitzer Prize finalist. The jacket photograph shown above, much reproduced in Churchill books and on-line, was taken in Boston in December 1900 shortly after Churchill's 26th birthday.



- After the picnic there will be an opportunity for a swim, so pack a suit and a towel.
- Tables will be provided, but bring your own lawn chair. Directions will be furnished when you register.
- Please respond by 22 July, using accompanying reply coupon.

**The picnic is weather-dependent, so it is very important that you provide your telephone number and/or email address in case the picnic has to be rescheduled to Sunday the 27th or, if that date is also inclement, canceled altogether. In case of cancellation, your uncashed check will be destroyed.*

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(Please respond by 22 July)

Attendee(s): _____

Address: _____

Telephone:* _____ email:* _____

**very important so we can reach you if picnic has to be rescheduled or canceled due to weather*

OPTIONAL: I will bring [*check space*] _____ a side dish or _____ a dessert for 8 people.

Enclosed is \$27.50 x _____ [no. of adults] = \$ _____ Total

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