Editor's Note

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The period known as the Gilded Age has continually been of interest to both the people of Newport and the city's visitors. The trials and antics of the summer colonists made these years particularly vivacious. Stories of parties, and sports and games flew around the island even after the summer colonists had departed for their winter homes. It is therefore of no surprise that these stories remain on the minds of people today.

The article in this issue of Newport History evolved from the text of an exhibit, of the same name, at the Newport Historical Society in 1988. Written by staff members Daniel Snydacker, Michelle Christiansen, Deborah Walker, and Elliott Caldwell the text from the exhibit was condensed and enhanced with new images and information.

Following is a review of IN LIVING MEMORY: A Chronicle of Newport, Rhode Island, 1888-1988 by Eileen Warburton published in 1988. The book is recommended for additional information on the Gilded Age, and the fifty years that followed.