

Dr. Oliver Brewster House*

Y.M.C.A. Road, at Hamilton Road Intersection

42° 17'05.40"N 73° 04'16.03"W elevation 1603 feet

**Private
Property
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trespass.*

Dr. Oliver Brewster, a direct Mayflower descendant built the colonial farmhouse in 1786. He was the first physician in Becket, and a surgeon in the Revolutionary War. Dr. Brewster lived in the house until his death in 1812. Through the years several other Becket physicians, including his son Dr. John Milton Brewster, owned the house.

The **Dr. Oliver Brewster House** featured a dry stacked stone foundation, wooden beams, ornate front door, central stone fireplaces, deep cooking hearths, oven in the kitchen, spiral staircase and paneled wood walls. There are a pair of maple wedding trees in the front yard, perhaps symbolizing the roots of the newlywed's relationship, and the growth of their love. The 80-acre lot contained a dam and ice-pond. The property is part of Lot 49, first division in 1737, for the Township No. 4 (Becket).

In 1973 the Massachusetts and Rhode Island Y.M.C.A. obtained the house. It is now used by the Y.M.C.A. camps: [Camp Becket](#) for Boys and [Chimney Corners](#) Camp for Girls, as a colonial education center and for Arts and Crafts.



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