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June 4 Ichabod Ball celebrates Worcester industrialist

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Industrialist Ichabod Washburn's contributions to Worcester include helping fund Mechanics Hall and being a founder of Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Washburn & Moen Manufacturing Co. was a wire mill that had its headquarters at the Northworks building on Grove Street. The company became a world-wide industry leader. To put it another way — let's party. Preservation Worcester will put on "The Ichabod Ball — Wired in Worcester" in the brick and cobblestone alley behind the Northworks building on Saturday. Live entertainment will include Blackstone Cuil, The Annulments and We and Mrs. Jones. There will also be packing tape sculpture by faculty and students of the Worcester State University Visual and Performing Arts Department, cuisine and a cash bar featuring Wormtown Beer.

What: "The Ichabod Ball — Wired in Worcester"

When: 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. June 4

Where: Brick and cobblestone alley behind the Northworks building, 100 Grove St., Worcester

How much: \$60 in advance (Preservation Worcester members \$50 in advance); \$80 at the door; \$30 students; VIP reception \$125. For reservations, call (508) 754-8760 or visit www.preservationworcester.org