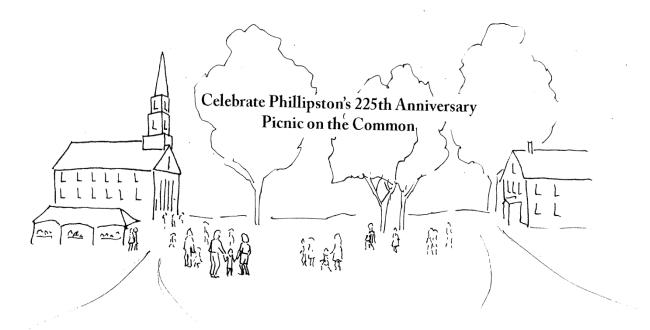
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Phillipston Community Newsletter

AUGUST 2011



Calendar Celebrating Phillipston's 225th Anniversary

Selectmen are asking us to work together to make this 225th Anniversary "a year to remember." To accomplish this, they are suggesting that each Group consider planning an event, something small or big, inside or outside, educational or just fun. The possibilities are endless. Let's unite and make this a year long celebration.

Events planned so far are:

August 13 - Historical Commission planning a day-long historical celebration

September 10, 2011 "Walk to Willis Road Bridge" led by Dick Hamel. Meet at the Common at 10:00 A.M.

September 18 – <u>Church and Historical Society</u> co-sponsoring dramatic Civil War Era program about the conspiracy behind Lincoln's assassination

September 24----Special harp, violin, organ concert presented at the Congregational Church.

October 15, 2011 "Explore Goulding Village" led by Dick Hamel. Meet at the Common 10:00 A.M.

Celebrate Phillipston's 225th Anniversary Picnic on the Common Saturday, August 13, 2011 9:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

THE NEWSLETTER IS ON <u>www.phillipston.com</u>

The Phillipston Congregational Church, U.C.C. Our Community Church

Sunday Service 9 a.m. Church telephone 978-249-8583

Rev. Flynn 978-248-9558

Fellow Townspeople:

We would like to invite our friends and neighbors to come to the Phillipston Congregational Church. We offer worship, fellowship, and refreshments every Sunday at 9 A. M. for the summer months, then in September we go back to our normal time of 10 A.M.

Our church is a community church in a very broad sense and we are happy to host many Phillipston groups and events.

Some are:

Community suppers Senior lunch and Council on Aging Programs Boy and Girl Scouts Lions Club breakfasts Historical Society meetings Wedding celebrations and funeral remembrances Recovery and support group meetings Preschool program Giant Pumpkin Club Cultural events

Did you realize that this Newsletter is published by the Church and is open for town news to everyone? The Congregation and Pastor Stephanie would welcome you to our fellowship.

Sincerely, The Diaconate

On Saturday, August 13, 2011 at The Historical Commission Picnic the church will be selling Hotdogs and Hamburgers from 10 am to 2 pm on the church lawn. At 5:30 we will have a chicken barbeque.

For more information or if you would like to join the fun of helping out call Paula at 939-4086 or Timothy at 249-2154

Phillips Free Public Library

25 Templeton Road - Phillipston, MA 01331 #978-249-1734

Phillipstonlibrary@comcast.net

Library Director: Jackie Prime

The Board of Trustees meeting will meet on August 3, at 7pm at the library

→ <u>Summer Hours</u>

<u>Monday:</u> 5:00 – 8:00 <u>Tuesday 9:00 – 2:00 Saturday 9:00 –11:00</u>

Book Club

Our Next Book Club meeting will be Wednesday, September 21 at 7:00. We will be discussing 'Memory of Water' by Karen White. For more information, call Jackie at the library 249-1734

Summer Reading Program

Join us for great books and lots of fun as we celebrate "One World, Many Stories"

Tuesday, August 2 at 10:30 - Origami for beginners

Monday, August 8 at 6pm – Marvelous Monday Movie ..Come & enjoy a movie & popcorn!

Don't forget to pick up your Calico & Crème reading log.. finish 10 books and get a yummy ice cream cone!!

Reading List Books

Don't wait until the last minute to do your summer reading! We have copies of most of the books on the required reading list..but they are being snatched up quickly!

New Books & Audios

A donation of Audio Books have been added to the collection, including 'Sugar Daddy' by Lisa Kleypas, 'Untamed' by Elizabeth Lowell, and 'Cross' by James Patterson, among others..

New Titles to check out!!

"Cake Boss" by Buddy Valastro "I Still Dream About You" by Fannie Flagg " Smokin' Seventeen" by Janet Evanovich "The Ledge" by Jim Davidson "Taste of Home Annual Recipes" "Toys" by James Patterson

Monthly Articles About Our Beautiful Queen Lake in Phillipston

by Queen Lake Assoc. Board of Director, Claire Adomaitis

Article IX

The "hot" days of summer are finally here and there is much activity on the South Beach as well as many boats on the lake. It certainly is wonderful seeing everyone relaxed and having fun.

The following is some statistical information about our beautiful "Queen Lake". Our lake is a long and narrow great pond with a rocky bottom and many coves. The shoreline is moderately developed. Public access is limited to the town beach and a gravel boat ramp. The public beach on the south end of the lake is open for swimming. (Remember! "No dogs"). The beach is open to Phillipston residents only. The size is 150 acres with an average depth of 9 feet and a maximum depth of 25 feet. The fish species in the lake are largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, chain pickerel, yellow perch, brown bullhead, sunfish and bluegill.

I hope everyone will enjoy the lake this summer, our summers are too short in New England and the many activities that are being held in honor of the town's 225th Anniversary. The big day is August 13th hope to see everyone there!

Council on Aging July News

Partly funded by Executive Office of Elders

Senior Lunches are served on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month in the vestry of the church at 12 noon. Please make a reservation by calling Jean Marshall at 978-249-3164 or by signing up before hand.

Blood pressure clinic on the 3rd Tuesday from 11 to 12 in the vestry.

August 2nd Richard Clark a professional actor, will give a performance of the life and work of America's foremost humorist, Mark Twain, in the vestry of the church at 1pm. The public is invited This program is sponsored by our cultural Council.

Annual Senior Picnic sponsored by Sheriff Lew Evangelidis and the Deputy Sheriff's association on Sunday August 14th, from 11am to 3 pm at Sac Park 348 Lake St., Shewsbury, Ma. Free admission.

September 1st, Thursday The North Quabbin Community Senior Picnic will be held at Silver Lake Park in Athol from 11 am to 3 pm. Admission \$5.00 per person. Call 978-249-3164 for tickets.

Historical Commission of Phillipston

The Historical Commission is having an all day picnic for Phillipston's 225th Anniversary on the common on Saturday, August 13, 2011. Our celebration will begin with a Meridian Gymnastic demonstration at 9:30 a.m. From 10 a.m. to noon, Richard Hamelin, The Pied Potter of Hamelin will talk about the history of pottery in and around Phillipston while demonstrating his craft. Blacksmith Joe Lambert will be on hand making "Iron Artistry". The farmer's market will have fresh produce for sale. The "Town Pound" will have local live farm animals and children may take a pony ride. Make a tin lantern in "The Kids' Corner" or try your hand at hoop rolling.

Senator Steve Brewer will recite "The Gettysburg Address" at noon. Visit the Civil War Encampment and watch their training drills. From noon to 2 p.m. children can try playing games that were popular around 1860. From 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. John Porcino will entertain us with stories and music. Everyone can enjoy an ice cream soda for only 25 cents, and Selectman Dave Bramhall has promised to present an antique car parade around the common.

Dignitaries from the past such as Anne and Charles Lindbergh, President Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt, Isachar Bates, Silhouette artist Ruth Bascom and John Phillip Sousa will be on hand throughout the day to tell us what Phillipston was like when they were alive.

Bring your lunch or buy a bag lunch on the common. Buy a commemorative 225th hat, T-shirt, and historical photograph postcard to take home as a memory of the day. The church will provide a chicken barbeque supper while we listen to some old time bluegrass and folk music. There will be something for everyone throughout the day. Make sure to catch all of the entertainment. We'll keep you informed as the day's events unfold.

Dinner and a Concert Saturday, September 24, 2011 Congregational Church of Phillipston Phillipston Common The Concert will be performed by: Harpist - Lois Francello Violinist - Seth Burt Organist - Richard Torlai Soprano - Dorrie Blakney

Attention Phillipston Residents ~ The Phillipston Parks & Recreation Department is happy to announce that they will once again be sponsoring a summer program at the Phillipston Memorial School!

For 2 weeks in August, come experience an adventure based physical education curriculum for K-4 students. Activities will be focused on building movement concepts, demonstrating responsible personal and social behavior, while building effective interpersonal skills. For more detailed information or camp-specific questions, please email phillipstoncamp@comcast.net or contact Phillipston Town Hall at 978.249.6828. Counselor and counselor in training (CIT) positions are available. Registration forms are available at the Town Hall, or on the Town Website www.phillipston-ma.gov.

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develops confident and creative children through its primary program for the three to six year olds and puts them on a path for a happy and successful future.



Petersham Montessori School www.petershammontessorischool.org

28 New Salem Rd Petersham, MA Phone: (978) 724-0246

REMINDER: HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY WILL BE HELD SEPTEMBER 24TH. DETAILS TO FOLLOW.

Phillipston Picnic August 13th 2011





For menu, specials and coupons go to www.VillagePizzaFood.com (coming soon!)

Finduson facebook.com/villagepizzafood

<u>TOWN CLERK</u> TOWN OF PHILLIPSTON 50 The Common Phillipston, MA 01331 978-249-1733 Fax 978-249-1733

Karin L. Foley

Town Clerk

To: The Residents of Phillipston

Ref: Approval New By-law

On May 4, 2011 Article No. 31 was passed at the Annual Town Meeting. Article No. 31 was then sent to the Attorney General's Office for approval. On May 18, 2011 the new bylaw was approved by the Attorney General.

Pursuant to G.L. c. 40, 32 statutes the by-law is to be posted for review outside Town Hall and placed in a publication for residents to learn of the new by-law. Below you will find the text of the new by-law:

ARTICLE XXVI – PUBLIC CONSUMPTION OR USE OF MARIJUANA OR TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL

Section l. No person, whether in or upon a vehicle, conveyance or on foot, shall burn, smoke, ingest or otherwise use or consume marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinol (as defined in G.L. c. 94C, s.1, as amended) while in or upon any area owned by or under the control of the Town, including but not limited to, any street, sidewalk, public way, footway, passageway, stairs, bridge, park, playground, beach, recreation area, boat landing, public building, school, school grounds, cemetery or parking lot; or in or upon any place to which the public has a right of access as invitees or licensees.

Section 2. Any marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinol burned, smoked, ingested, or otherwise used or consumed in violation of this Article XXVI shall be seized, held and disposed of in accordance with G.L. c94C, s.47A.

Section 3. Whoever is found in violation of this Article XXVI shall, when requested by an official authorized to enforce this Article, state his true name and address to said official.

Section 4. This Article XXVI may be enforced through any lawful means in law or in equity including, but not limited to, enforcement by criminal indictment or complaint pursuant to G.L. c.40, s.21, or by non-criminal disposition pursuant to G.L. c.40, s.21D and Article XXIII – Non-Criminal Disposition, of the Town's By-laws, by the Board of Selectman or their duly authorized agents, or any police officer.

Section 5. The penalty or fine for a violation of this Article XXVI shall be for any reason declared invalid or unconstitutional by any court, every other section, paragraph and part shall continue in full force and effect. Submitted by the Town Clerk

ATTENTION PHILLIPSTON NEWSLETTER READERS

The Phillipston Community Newsletter is put together and mailed by volunteers and members of The Congregational Church of Phillipston, U.C.C. This is mailed to every mail box in Phillipston. The newsletter is available to all nonprofit organizations in town to post news items or notices of upcoming events. Businesses in town may place ads at \$20 for a full page \$10 for a Half page and \$5 for quarter page. A full page for the newsletter is 7" x 8.5" with a .5" margin. Please support your Community Newsletter by submitting your ad or news items by the 23rd of the month to allow time us to get it out on the 1st. Items received after that will be put in the next month. Ads or news items may be sent to:

The Congregational Church of Phillipston, U.C.C.

60 The Common Phillipston, MA 01331

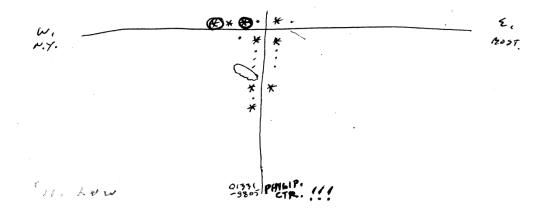
Attention: Newsletter

Items can also be sent by e-mail to <u>newsletter@phillipston.com</u>, which is preferred. Payments for ads and any other donations should be sent to the church at the same address. The Congregational Church of Phillipston, U.C.C will decide what can be put in the newsletter and also may limit the number of pages in an issue.

All questions or comments can be sent to the address above or e-mailed to newsletter@phillipston.com.

SEPTEMBER IS DEADLINE AUGUST 23rd

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When I was young in Phillipston -- By Gerry Balchuinas

Life was a little slower paced back then, and I do miss it. Mail came in a box at the end of the driveway, and the phone was on the wall and you could use it if no one else was on it. I don't mean anyone in the house, I mean the neighbors all used the same phone line, it was called a party line. You all had different rings and if you were talking someone could pick up the phone and listen if they wanted. No call waiting, no caller ID and if you said then, that someday you would be able to fit a phone in your pocket and call from just about anywhere you would have been laughed at and told to go outside and play. I miss the good old days where everyone knew what fresh hay smelled like, fresh fruit was only when it was in season and hunting and fishing was a way of life. The church bell would sound out and you knew what time it was if you were close enough. When a person shook your hand they meant it and if they did shake your hand with a promise it was far stronger than any piece of paper you could sign. Kids had to be responsible for all they had done and were praised or disciplined for their actions. Simple times and simple ways produced some great people who built this little town of ours. A town with no stop lights until this winter, and I am glad that one is gone now too. A small town in a small state where the same person can wear many hats, but that is just what it takes to make everything work. These people are the reason why we all live here and enjoy what we have today. So remember that the old man in the pickup truck in front of you holding you up from getting to your scheduled event, is probably the reason the road was there in the first place for you to drive on. It is people like Mrs. Ward and Charlie Davis and the Rosellos who made this town great, oh yes don't forget Mr. K. These are only a few and I hope that we all



remember what they have done for all of us. and the town we live in. For without them we would not be here with what we have today. Great people, great friends, great life right here in little old Phillipston.



BOARD OF HEALTH NEWS

Phillipston seniors who might want to participate in Phillipston's Property Tax Write-Off program by selling Transfer Station stickers/bags at Town Hall or the new Annex on Saturdays and some Wednesday afternoons should call Joan Johnson at the Board of Health at 978-249-1735 and leave your name and telephone number.



LADIES BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

The July Meeting of the Ladies Benevolent Society of the Phillipston Congregational Church was held at "Camp Liberty" on Queen Lake, the home of James Potter and Claire Adomaitis. A wonderful luncheon was provided by Carole Gariepy and Janice Howard. Planning was done for Box Lunches which will be sold at the Historical Day on August 13th to be held celebrating the Town of Phillipston's 225th Anniversary. The ladies sewing group began meeting in the church vestry on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m., all ladies are invited to participate.

There will be no meeting held in August. The September Meeting will be held at the home of Janice Howard with hostesses being Stephanie Flynn and Barbara Sanden. The meeting in October will be a mystery ride for a luncheon together.

Flags on the Common

Don't the flags around the common look great? Thank you Rich Valcourt for hanging them up. And thanks to the Historical Commission for purchasing the flags for *Phillipston's 225th Anniversary Celebration*. There will be a *Picnic on the Common* with games and entertainment throughout a day to be remembered. So, be sure to join us and have fun!



The Phillipston Board of Health

The Phillipston Board of Health will be accepting Betterment Loan Applications from those Phillipston residents whose septic systems have failed. The Board is in the process of finalizing the application and will post it by August 1st on the town website <u>www.phillipston-ma.gov</u> for residents to download and complete. After August 1st hardcopy applications will also be available at the Board of Health office on Wednesday mornings. 978-249-1735

2011 QUEEN LAKE BOAT PARADE ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, JULY 3, 2011 AT 2 P.M. POSTPONED TIL MONDAY, JULY 4, 2011 AT 2 P.M.

The morning brought cloudy skies with everyone hoping that the rain would hold off – but.....about 1 p.m. we decided due to the heavy rains at times we would have to postpone the Boat Parade till the next day. Eight boats total, registered this year, 4 pontoons and 4 power for our two classes.

The decorations were fantastic. Everyone seems to go all out to decorate their boats presenting a wonderful display. All the spectators around the lake cheered the contestants on.

The judges this year were Bob Clark, Spa Road; Marilyn Burday, Spa Road; and Selectmen David Bramhall. Representative Anne Gobi was going to be a judge if we had been able to have it on Sunday but due to her busy schedule she wasn't able to change it to Monday. The judges had some hard decisions to make. We want to thank the judges for their hard work and a job well done.

The winners in the Pontoon Class: First Place went to "Christmas in July" (Finkler Family & Friends), Second Place to "Patriotic Never Forget" (The Twohey Family), Third place to "Happy Birthday Philipston" (Mark Allen & Friends). The winners in the Power Class: First Place to "Lochnest Monster" (Steve Wilson Family), and Second place was a tie which the judges couldn't break "Phillipston 225th, Ice House" (Roberge Family) and "Native Americans" (The George Ladd Family). Trophies are awarded to both First Place Winners at the Annual Association Meeting. Trophies are passed down year to year to the winners

The 2012 Queen Lake Boat Parade will be held on Sunday, July 2nd at 2 p.m. with a rain date (due to the postponement this year) of Tuesday, July 4th.

Let's aim for at least double the amount of boats next year. Hope to see everyone there for a fun filled day!

John LeClerc Memorial Wind Turbine 5K Walk – Run www.windturbine5k.org Saturday, August 6, 2011 Registration and bib pick-up begins @ 8:30am on race day Walkers 9:45am AWARDS TO FIRST 3 ALL FINISHERS ARE Runners 10:00am MALE & FEMALE ELIGIBLE FOR RAFFLE RUNNERS DRAWINGS proceeds go towards Narragansett Regional H.S. 462 Baldwinville Rd scholarships for Baldwinville MA 01436 Narragansett runners RACE T-SHIRTS TO ALL THAT PRE-REGISTER BY JULY 23 2011 Make checks payable to: Wind Turbine 5K Entry fee \$15.00 Mail entries to: Jim Brehio 247 Hubbardston Rd After July 23 \$20.00 Templeton MA 01468 Non-refundable E-mail; windturbine5k@gmail.com **REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE RACE FOR WALKERS & RUNNERS** ×-----Name: Age:___ Address: State: Zip: City: E-Mail: **Runner** Volunteer Circle: Walker Gender: Male Female Circle shirt size: S M L XL XXL Kids Size: М I hereby for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the sponsors, coordinating groups and the individuals' associates with this event, their representatives, successors and assigns, and will hold them harmless for any and all injuries suffered in connection with this event. I attest that I am physically fit to complete in the Wind Turbine 5K Road Race; further, I grant full permission to any and all of the foregoing to use photographs, video tapes, motion pictures, recordings and/or any other records of this event of myself along or with others for any legitimate purpose. I understand that pacing bicycles, skateboards, roller skates (or blades) and animals are not allowed in the race.

Signature (*if under 18, parent must sign*):_____

Date:_____



PHILLIPSTON LIONS CLUB

BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, August 20, 2011 7:30 A.M. – 10:30 A.M. PHILLIPSTON CHURCH

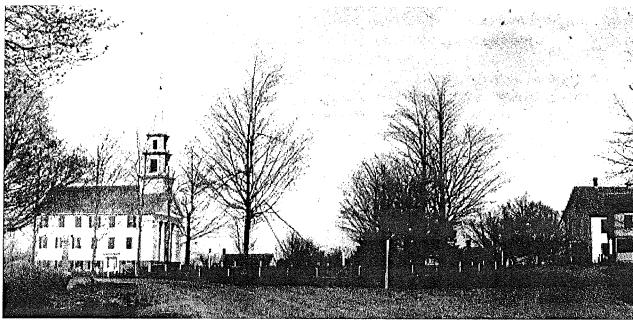
Orange Juice, Toast, Eggs, Sausage, Home Fries, French Toast, Coffee, De-Café Coffee, Tea & De-Café Tea Omelets \$1.00 extra \$6.00 Adults & Young Adults \$5.00 Senior Citizens \$4.00 Children under 12 years

<u>SPECIAL \$6.00</u> "Creamed Chipped Beef on Texas Toast with Home fries"

UPCOMING BREAKFAST SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th "Everything but the Kitchen Sink" Scrambled Eggs with Salami, Ham, Pepperoni, Onion, Tomatoes, and Cheese with Home fries, Toast or English Muffin

PLEASE HAVE YOUR INFORMATION IN FOR THE SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER <u>BY THE 23rd OF AUGUST.</u>

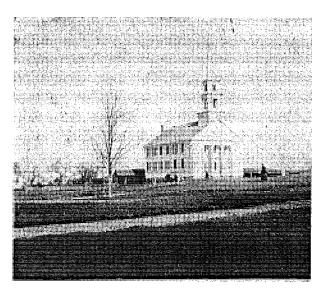
PLEASE E-MAIL TO <u>newsletter@phillipston.com</u> IF POSSIBLE



Picnic on the Common

The **Historical Commission of Phillipston** is celebrating the 225th Anniversary of our town by planning an old fashioned **Picnic on the Common**. Everyone is invited to join in the historical fun filled day. We plan to visit a few memorable years by taking a glimpse at 1786, 1860, 1910 and 2011. There will be entertainment throughout the day for young and old alike, so come spend the whole day on our town common and relive a little history.

Members of the Congregational Church of Phillipston have offered to prepare lunch including hot dogs, hamburgers and sandwiches if you haven't brought your own. They also intend to display antique quilts in the sanctuary and give tours to see the Old Wooden Clock which was made by a "Cabbage Clifford, a local Phillipston farmer.



Look for dignitaries from the past including artist Ruth H. Bascom, Isachar Bates, Thomas and Prudence White, Charles Baker, Robert Perry, President Franklin Delano and Eleanor Roosevelt, Band Director John Phillip Sousa, Susan B. Anthony, and Charles and Anne Lindburg. They are sure to have interesting stories to share about their time frame.

Have you ever rolled a hoop, cut out a silhouette or made an Indian Ball? Remember playing Cat's Cradle? There will be something "old" at the Kids' Korner all day. The crafts and games are for everyone to try.



Check out the scheduled activities and prepare to spend a very enjoyable, old fashioned day with us. We'll be looking forward to seeing you on **Saturday, August 13, 2011** on the **Phillipston Common.**

Scheduled Activities

9:30 a.m.

Welcome Meridian Gymnastic Demonstration Farmers' Market

10:00 a.m.- noon

The Pied Potter of Hamelin Iron Artistry by Joe Lambert, Blacksmith Farmers' Market Quilt Display - church sanctuary Old Wooden Clock tours Kids' Korner -

10:30 a.m. - make a tin lantern and try rolling a hoop 11:30 a.m. - learn how to make a silhouette from Ruth Bascom

Noon - 2:00 p.m.

Reading of the Gettysburg Address Civil War Encampment and Training Drills Quilt Display - church sanctuary Old Wooden Clock tours Kids' Korner -

1:30 p.m. - make Indian Balls and play Indian Ball game Enjoy lunch at the Grove

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

John Porcino, story teller and musician Antique Car Parade Quilt Display - church sanctuary Old Wooden Clock tours Kids' Korner -

2:30 p.m. - play "Cat's Cradle"

Twohey's Tavern - treat yourself to a 25 cent root beer float

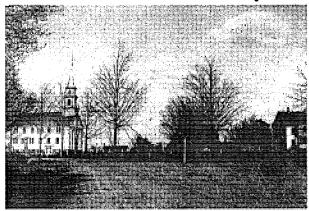
4:00 - 6:00

Chicken Barbeque - for reservations call: 978.939.4086 The Williams Connection, Bluegrass and Folk Music

Sponsored by the Phillipston Historical Commission and the Massachusetts Cultural Council

Celebrate Phillipston's

225th Anniversary



Picnic on the Common

All Day, Saturday, August 13, 2011 Phillipston, MA

Rain or Shine 9:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.