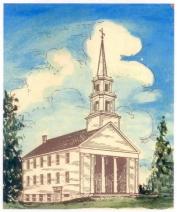
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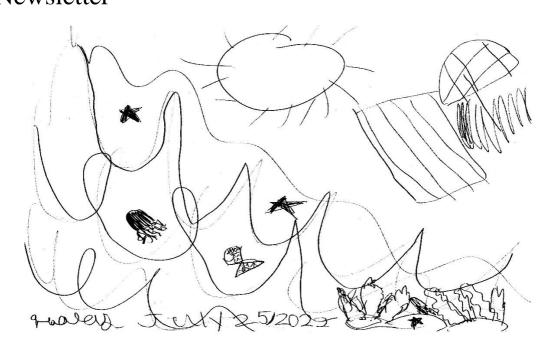
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Phillipston Community Newsletter

# August 2022



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

Sunday Service at 10:00 a.m.

Children's story told every Sunday

Dear Friends,

I finally was exposed to Covid July 4th weekend in Portland, Maine at our motel continental breakfast. When I tested positive on July 7th I wasn't surprised, because I felt like I had allergies with an achy back. I was blessed to have a mild case after vaccinations and boosters for Covid 19. But the larger point for me is that I wasn't alone for one second. The congregation was praying for me, Jane French brought me fresh vegetables from her garden and I drank plenty of fluids, got some extra sleep and walked miles, because it felt better to be upright than sitting down. My experience was mild because of all the people who had Covid before me, all the people who work in the medical professions and scientific research to explore the best ways to fight this disease. I am blessed to not be the first person who was infected with Covid 19.

I had one strange side effect. My left knee which was injured in an accident at the Church Village Bazaar in 2008 swelled. I saw my primary doctor and she examined me and explained that this is a reactive arthritis to Covid 19. The swelling has come down considerably. I still am surprised that the body remembered an accident from 14 years ago. What can I say?

I will never walk alone, because God walks with us every day, and the Phillipston congregation walked with me in Spirit, and I am grateful.

Your sister in Christ, Rev. Stephanie C. Flynn

# SENIOR LUNCH NEWS SENIOR LUNCH WILL BE SERVED IN AUGUST

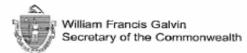
On the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at NOON.

Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup> - Meatballs with Hawaiian Sauce, brown rice, Asian vegetable blend, multigrain bread, assorted fruit cup

Aug. 16<sup>th</sup> - Breaded fish filet with cheese, potato wedges, broccoli, wheat dinner roll, oatmeal raisin cookie.

Any questions please call Paula at 978-652-5797

# 2022 Vote by Mail Application



1 Voter Information	Name:Address of Voter Registration:		
		Phone Number (optional):	
	E-mail Address (optional):		
2 Ballot Information	Elections:	* Primary Ballot	
	Sept. 6th State Primary Only* Nov. 8th State Election Only	☐ Republican	
	Ballot Mailing Address		
3 Assistance	Voter required assistance in completing application due to physical disability.  Assisting person's name:		
	Assisting person's address:		
	This application is being made by a family member		
	Relationship to Voter:		

Any registered voter may use this application to request a mail-in ballot for any 2022 election.

#### Completing the Application

- 1. Voter Information Provide your name, the address where you are registered to vote, and date of birth.
- Ballot Information Choose which ballot(s) you want to receive by mail. If you're requesting a primary ballot and you're not registered in a party, you must pick a primary ballot. Provide your ballot mailing address.
- Assistance If you're helping someone complete this application, or you're requesting a ballot for a family member, fill out this section.
- 4. Sign your name If you can't sign your name, you may ask someone to sign your name in your presence.

#### Submitting the Application

Send this completed application to the local election office for your city or town. Find contact information for local election officials at www.VoteInMA.com or by calling 1-800-462-VOTE (8683).

#### Application Deadlines

This application must reach your local election office by 5 p.m. on the fifth business day before Election Day.

State Primary Deadline: August 29, 2022 State Election Deadline: November 1, 2022

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Looking For You, who like to serve their local community. Only 5 hrs a month, and have fun, look no further! Phillipston Lions are looking for a few people who like to serve. So, what do the Phillipston Lions do? We support many things, like the school with youth speech, peace poster, all state band, insurance for craft show and have a "Leo Club" at the school for children grades 6 – 12. The church with easter egg hunts at the Red Apple Farm, the library with new books and magazine. Help with the eyeglasses and hearing aids. We do a "Breakfast, Lunch & Diner" 9 months of the year.

Phillipston Lions "Serve" You.

Interested call Marilyn 978-503-2269
or write 250 State Road. Phillipston, MA 01331
I will be happy to talk to you. Meetings the 2nd Tuesday of each month, 7:00 pm at the library.

Come join us..

# Two Big Sales at Transfer Station Church Flea Market and Holly Berry Fair August 27, 2022 (8 a.m. to 2 p.m.)

**Flea Market**: The church will have one more big flea market sale this year. There is lots of stuff we couldn't put out at the last sale, so pass the word on to your friends that there will be an abundance of items, something for everyone -- tools, toys, furniture, dishes, everything for the kitchen, decorative items.

**Holly Berry Fair**: In addition there will be tables of Christmas decorations and Christmas theme articles, a great variety that we've been collecting since before Covid. It will be an excellent opportunity to prepare for the holiday season.

Items will not be priced and we will thankfully accept any reasonable offer.

<sup>\*</sup> The church thanks you all so very much who have so generously donated things to make these fundraisers successful. The trailer is open if you have items to add for this next sale.



# Drive Thru or Dine Out 2022

Sponsored by Lions and Friends of Lions in Phillipston Saturday Aug. 20 Dinner Special Menu

Chicken Dinner: Include the following~
Baked Chicken, Potato, Vegetables, Tossed Salad, Dessert &
Choice of Beverage.

Phillipston Church on the Common Times for Service Dinner 5pm – 7pm Price \$12.00

# State Primary Election September 6, 2022 EARLY VOTING - PHILLIPSTON

# **Early Voting Dates & Times:**

Saturday	Aug. 27	12:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Monday	Aug. 29	12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Tuesday	Aug. 30	12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Wednesday	Aug. 31	12:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Thursday	Sept 1	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Friday	Sept 2	<b>Town Hall Closed</b>

Voting in Person at the Polls after submitting an early ballot is prohibited as outlined in 950 CMR 4 7.19.

Location: Town Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 50 The Common, Phillipston, MA 01331



## 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 23<sup>rd</sup> of the month to allow time us to get it out on the 1<sup>st</sup>. 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 <a href="mailto:newsletter@phillipston.com">newsletter@phillipston.com</a>, 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 DEADLINE AUGUST 23rd

## **Department Assistant**

The Town of Phillipston seeks a highly motivated individual to join its team working primarily within the offices of the Board of Selectmen and the Treasurer as a Department Assistant. The applicant of this part-time position must have knowledge of municipal finance and payroll processes and be highly skilled in office duties to include customer service, typing, filing, and data entry in various departments, as needed. Pay is commensurate with experience. Forward cover letter, resume and three professional references to: Town of Phillipson, Melanie Jackson, Human Resource Director, 50 The Common, Phillipston, MA 01331 or email to treasurer@phillipston-ma.gov. Position is open until filled. EOE

# Phillips Free Public Library

**Library Hours** 

**Board of Trustees Meeting:** 

Tuesday 9-2pm Wednesday 5-7pm Tues. Sept. 6, 2022 at 6pm \*\* the library will be closed on

Saturday 9-1 pm

weekend

September 3 for the Labor Day

# **Beginner Bird-Watching Program for Children**

Please join us in welcoming 'Hands on Nature' on **Saturday, August 13 at 10 am** for a special program on Beginning Birding. Learn more about the birds in our backyards and how to start identifying them. Learn which birds are common in Massachusetts and learn some of their calls. Make a simple feeder to take home to attract birds to your yard. This **FREE** program is sponsored by the Phillipston Cultural Council.

# **Any Interest ??**

We are wondering if there is any interest in: **Weekly Pre-school Story Hour beginning** in **September?** and **Book Club**? Please call the library (978) 249-1734 or email Jackie-(library@phillipston-ma.gov)

## **Summer Reading Incentives**

Read books...earn ice cream!! Children can participate in either of our reading incentives-Play 'reading Bingo' or list 10 books that you read (or someone read to you)- and receive a gift certificate for a free ice cream cone at the Kitchen Garden! (thank you, Kitchen Garden!)

# Free Library Mini-Shed

Thank you to all who joined us in dedicating the Library Mini-Shed to Arnold Haley. The shed will hold a selection of books for folks to take (& keep- or share with others). Please DO NOT leave donations in this location! (call the library regarding donations 978-249-1734)

\*\* Please 'like' and follow our Facebook page... Phillips Free Public Library

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#### **KNOW BEFORE YOU GO!!**

### Save Time. Avoid Aggravation.

#### Know these 6 things BEFORE going to the polls:

#### 1. Are you a registered voter?

The deadline to register to be eligible to vote in the State Primary election is Saturday, August 27 @ 5:00 pm. The Town Clerk's Office will be open on this date from 12:00 am 5:00 pm for in person voter registration or register to vote online at <a href="https://www.sec.state.ma.us/ovr/">https://www.sec.state.ma.us/ovr/</a>. This is also the last day to make changes to your party affiliation. REMEMBER, the Primary is a Partisan Election and you must vote on the ballot for the party in which you are registered. If you are registered as Unenrolled, you may choose which party ballot you want to vote on.

#### 2. Is your voter status "active"?

Voters must return their signed street list census form annually to the Town Clerk's office to maintain an active voter status. Inactive voters are still eligible to vote but will be required to complete additional forms and show an ID at the polls in order to vote. To avoid having to complete additional paperwork at the polls, voters who appear as inactive can change their status to active by stopping by the Town Clerks Office to sign a census form in person up until Saturday, August 27 @ 5:00 pm. Changes to the voting lists cannot be made after the deadline of August 27.

#### 3. Can I vote Early in person or by Mail?

Yes! You can vote early either in person or by mail. See the Early Voting schedule for dates, hours and location! You can also vote by mail by submitting an application to the Office of the Town Clerk not later than 5 pm on the 5<sup>th</sup> business day before the election – For the 9/6 State Primary, Monday, August 29 at 5:00 pm. Applications can be found on the Town's website or the Secretary of States website.

#### 4. Where do I vote on ELECTION DAY?

The Town of PHILLIPSTON has 1 polling location, All voters vote at:

**Phillipston Town Hall** 

50 The Common

#### 5. What is my voting Precinct?

The Town of Phillipston only has one precinct and all voters are included in that one precinct.

#### 6. What will I be voting on?

Voters are encouraged to educate themselves on the many races and questions that will appear on their ballot PRIOR to arriving at the polls. By visiting the website: <a href="https://www.sec.state.ma.us/ele/eleupcomingelections/upcoming-elections.htm">https://www.sec.state.ma.us/ele/eleupcomingelections/upcoming-elections.htm</a>
You will have the option to view your ballot and check your registration status. Educated voters will reduce the amount of time necessary in the voting booths and reduce lines and crowding on Election Day. Sample ballots will also be available to view at the Office of the Town Clerk, 50 The Common as well as on the Town Clerk's page of the Town's website <a href="https://www.phillipston-ma.gov">www.phillipston-ma.gov</a>



# We Are Open!!

The Museum of

The Historical Society of Phillipston, Inc.

is open Sundays from 1 - 3 PM and frequently on Wednesday afternoons. We can also open it at your convenience by calling in advance: 978-249-4356 or 978-939-5656