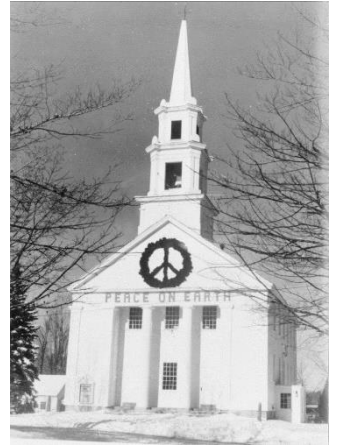


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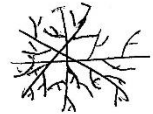
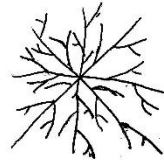
Happy New year !

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2025

Alley Fagundes

The Phillipston Congregational Church, U.C.C.
Our Community Church
Worship 10:00 a.m. with Children's story

Dear Friends,
Happy New Year!

In Matthew 2: 9- 10 we read: "When the Magi had heard King Herod, they went their way; and lo, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came to rest over the place where the Child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy."

The star showed them the way to Jesus. I truly believe God sends us many signs. The star was a sign, and sometimes a health diagnosis is a sign. I have known people who were looking to solve one medical question, and then averted a serious medical issue because God sent them a sign. In 2001, I saw a rainbow and took it as a sign that I should serve the Phillipston Church as pastor. Many years ago I knew a woman who was struggling in her marriage. God sent her a sign one Sunday morning that it was time to stop struggling and divorce the abusive man she was married to. She heard the story of Moses who saw a flaming bush, and walking on holy ground and knew that this was a sign for her. For God said to Moses: "This shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt."

What God-sent signs are you ignoring? Perhaps it is time to stop drinking, or gambling, or doing drugs? Perhaps time to focus on your family life or health, or exercise more? Perhaps time to finally attend worship services and commit to reading the Bible. "And this will be a sign for you, that you will find a babe wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger."
Luke 2: 12

Your sister in Christ, Stephanie C. Flynn

Phillipston Lions

Meeting January 14, 2025

7pm at the Phillipston Library for planning out what we are doing differently in 2025

Soup Kitchen at the church. Meal for January 15, 2025

Tomato Bls, Hot chicken Sandwich, Desert' Hot Coffee, Tea, Hot Cocoa.

All Free!

Phillipston Church On The Common, 12:00 Noon

No take outs. Donations are welcome

Soup Kitchen will be open Feb. 12,2025, Mar. 12, 2025, Apr. 9, 2025 & May 14, 2025

Senior Meal / Delivered on Tuesday January 28, 2025

Phillips Free Public Library

Library Hours

Tuesday 9-2pm

Wednesday 5-7pm

Saturday 9-1 pm

Board of Trustees Meeting:

January 7, 2025, 6pm.

* "like" our Facebook page

Phillips Free Public Library

Story Hour

Join us for a Pre School Story Hour on **Tuesday, January 14 at 10am**. We'll enjoy stories, a craft project and a snack. No registration necessary.

New Materials

New books include: : Cher: the Memoir by Cher, The God of the Woods: a novel by Liz Moore, The Beach House – (Large Print) by Rachel Hanna, Remarkably Bright Creatures – (Large Print) by Shelby Van Pelt, Variation: a novel by Rebecca Yarras, Christmas in Bethel by Richard Paul Evans, To Die For by David Baldacci, Grey Wolf by Louise Penny and Reminders of Him by Colleen Hoover.

New Children's books include: : Dog Man: Big Jim by Dav Pilkey

New DVDs include: The Wild Robot

BOOK CLUB

Our next book is The Life we Bury by Allen Eskens. We will meet on **Tuesday, February 11** at 5:30 to discuss it. Copies available at the library. New members are always welcome!



Congratulations to Citizens of the Year 2024!



**** Gerhard Fandreyer ****

Since 1986, the Town of Phillipston has honored a citizen with the Alphonse Chartier Citizen of the Year Award, an award given to a person who has made significant contributions to the betterment of our town. This year, Gerhard Fandreyer was selected for the prestigious award.

Words of tribute spoken by Eric Olson when he presented the award described Gerhard well -- Gerhard "has served the town in numerous capacities, demonstrating an unwavering commitment to public service... service marked by leadership, vision, and deep commitment... instrumental in guiding our town's financial decisions with prudence and foresight... helped preserve and celebrate Phillipston's rich heritage... a true volunteer at heart, always ready to lend a hand wherever it is needed... his selflessness and generosity are an inspiration to us all."

Congratulations, Gerhard, and thank you for the lasting impact you've made on Phillipston.

Congratulations Gerhard!

PHILLIPSTON BOARD OF HEALTH TRANSFER STICKER PROGRAM

The current Transfer Station stickers will expire on 12/31/24

Effective **January 1, 2025** ALL vehicles using the Town of Phillipston Transfer Station MUST have a Board of Health issued Transfer Station Sticker attached to their vehicle. By January 31st you need to have the new GREEN sticker, this allows additional time to get it.

1. The sticker will cost \$40.00 for two years. Checks only, no cash accepted. Checks payable to the Town of Phillipston.
2. Additional stickers for the same household will be \$5.00
3. Only two additional stickers will be allowed per household.

There are two ways to obtain a sticker(s) for your car.

1. Stickers are available at the Board of Health office located in the Town Annex across from the Town Hall, Wednesdays from 3:00 – 5:00 pm. You must have your car registration(s) and proof of residency if different from registration. Will also be open Saturday January 18, 2025 from 9am to Noon.
2. Mail your payment by check or money order payable to: Town of Phillipston, to the Board of Health at 50 The Common, Phillipston, MA 01331, with a copy of your car registration(s), proof of residency and a stamped self-addressed return envelope. We will process your request and mail the sticker(s) back to you.

Upon receipt of your sticker, you need to attach it to your vehicle.

Any questions can be directed to the Board of Health office at 978-249-1735.

Residents of Phillipston,

The Phillipston Selectboard recently made the following appointments.

William Chapman as Police Chief. Many of you may know Billy; he was a police officer and K-9 handler in Royalston, Phillipston (9 yrs), and Templeton. His knowledge, understanding, and experience in policing are an asset to our community.

Peter Morin as Interim Chief Administrative Officer. Peter has lifelong experience in law and municipal government. He was the Interim Town Administrator for Holbrook and retired Town Administrator for Norwell. His extensive experience in municipal government can be used to the benefit of Phillipston.

Craig Schutz to the Highway Department. Craig has decades of experience in Tractor Trailer operation. Craig's truck driving experience and longtime residency and knowledge of the town will be another great asset for Phillipston.

Please join the Board of Selectmen in welcoming Bill, Peter, and Craig to our community

In Memory Of

Paul Twohey	<i>from</i>	His Son, Craig + Jean Twohey
Bart Gariepy	<i>from</i>	His Loving Parents, Gerry + Carole Gariepy
Gwen + Jim Lombard	<i>from</i>	His Daughter, Carole + Gerry Gariepy
Armand + Elizabeth Gariepy	<i>from</i>	His Son, Gerry + Carole Gariepy
Lee Michael LeBlanc, for being a wonderful Dad + Papa	<i>from</i>	His Daughter, Jennifer LeBlanc and Grandkids
Edward Richard, for being an amazing Father	<i>from</i>	His Son, Mark Richard and Jennifer LeBlanc
Peter Richard	<i>from</i>	His Devoted Wife, Kay Deans
Mary Deans	<i>from</i>	Her sister-in-law, Kay Deans
Mary (Deans) Shirley	<i>from</i>	Her sister, Kay Deans
Bob Deans, Jr.	<i>from</i>	His sister, Kay Deans
Robert Richard	<i>from</i>	His sister-in-law, Kay Deans
"My Lady" Deans	<i>from</i>	Lady's Human, Kay Deans
Bernard + Alice Lehoux	<i>from</i>	Their Daughter, Jane French
Frederick + Barbara French	<i>from</i>	Their Daughter-in-Law, Jane French
Margaret Leonard	<i>from</i>	Her Son, Andy and Daughter-in-Law, Mia
Phillip J. Leonard	<i>from</i>	His Son, Andy and Daughter-in-Law, Mia
Susan T. Leonard	<i>from</i>	Her Brother, Andy, and Mia
Cheryl Harrington	<i>from</i>	Her Friends, Mia + Andy Leonard
Yva Ames	<i>from</i>	Her Friends, Mia + Andy Leonard
Jeanette Beland	<i>from</i>	Her Friends, Mia + Andy Leonard
Webster Baker	<i>from</i>	His Great-Nephew, Bruce Cochran

In Memory Of

Alfred Alimenti	<i>from</i>	His Daughter, Barabar Spallone
Phyllis Gorka	<i>from</i>	Her Sister, Barbara Spallone
Lorraine Logston	<i>from</i>	Her Sister, Barbara Spallone
Yole Spallone	<i>from</i>	Her Son, Joseph and Daughter-in-law, Barbara Spallone
Joseph Spallone, Sr.	<i>from</i>	His Son, Joseph and Daughter-in-law, Barbara Spallone
Clarence Specht	<i>from</i>	His Son Tom Specht who thanks you for your love and mentoring
Phyllis Specht	<i>from</i>	Her Son Tom Specht + wife Janice who thank you for your love and guidance
Jean Alber	<i>from</i>	Her daughter, Janice and husband Tom Specht who miss her and her laugh
Bill Schatz	<i>from</i>	His Daughter Janice Specht + Son-in-Law Tom who miss him and his long talks; we thank you for your military service.
E. Donald (Donnie) Haggett, Jr.	<i>from</i>	His Sister-in-Law, Amy Pervier + Family
April Ann Haggett	<i>from</i>	Her Sister, Amy Pervier + Family
L. Keith MacEwen	<i>from</i>	His Loving wife, Nancy MacEwen
Thelma Divoll	<i>from</i>	Her Daughter, Nancy MacEwen
Mabel (MacEwen) France	<i>from</i>	Her Daughter-in-law, Nancy MacEwen
Edna Haley	<i>from</i>	Her Friend, Nancy MacEwen
Louise Chandler	<i>from</i>	Her Friend, Nancy MacEwen
Larry French	<i>from</i>	His Friend, Laureen Moran
Jonathan Aukstikalnis	<i>from</i>	His Friend, Laureen Moran

In Memory Of

Daniel Pecoy	<i>from</i>	His Mother, JoAnn + Peter Haley
Hollis + Charlotte Hubbard	<i>from</i>	Their Daughter, JoAnn + Peter Haley
Elsa Clifford	<i>from</i>	Her Friends, Peter + Joann Haley
Bob and Lenny Schlicke	<i>from</i>	Their Friends Peter + Joann Haley
Edna + Arnold Haley, who ALWAYS put their love of their Community + Church above themselves	<i>from</i>	Their Son and Daughter-in-law, Peter + Joann Haley
Ernest Fandreyer	<i>from</i>	His Son, Gerhard Fandreyer
Ryan Twohey	<i>form</i>	His Friend, Gerhard Fandreyer
Wilfred Fandreyer	<i>form</i>	His Nephew, Gerhard Fandreyer
Donald Wilson	<i>form</i>	His Friend, Gerhard Fandreyer
Hope Sterbinsky	<i>from</i>	Her Daughter Janice Bosse and family
Tom Sterbinsky	<i>from</i>	His Sister Janice Bosse and Family
Stephen Sterbinsky	<i>from</i>	His Sister Janice Bosse and Family
Herve Bosse	<i>from</i>	His Wife, Janice Bosse
Donald Wilson	<i>from</i>	His Daughter, Nancy Wilson
Valerie Wilson	<i>from</i>	Her Daughter, Nancy Wilson
Hope Sterbinsky	<i>from</i>	Her Daughters: Janice, Diane, Patricia, Roasalie + Anita and Their Families
Stephen Sterbinsky	<i>from</i>	His Sisters: Daughters: Janice, Diane, Patricia, Roasalie + Anita and Their Families
Tom Sterbinsky	<i>from</i>	His Sisters: Daughters: Janice, Diane, Patricia, Roasalie + Anita and Their Families

In Memory Of

Bob Schlicke	<i>from</i>	His Daughter, Sue Ziats
Lenore Schlicke	<i>from</i>	Her Daughter, Sue Ziats
Steve Schlicke	<i>from</i>	His Sister, Sue Ziats
Roger Cochran	<i>from</i>	His Son, Bruce Cochran
Olive Cochran	<i>from</i>	Her Son, Bruce Cochran
David Cochran	<i>from</i>	His Brother, Bruce Cochran
Ruth Daoust	<i>from</i>	Her Grandson, Tom Daoust + wife Sarah Leonard
Harold Daoust	<i>from</i>	His Grandson, Tom Daoust + wife Sarah Leonard
Donna Leonard	<i>from</i>	Her Daughter, Sarah Leonard
Gary Leonard	<i>from</i>	His daughter, Sarah Leonard
Jack Pattison	<i>from</i>	Sarah Leonard and Thomas Daoust
Martha Pattison	<i>from</i>	Her Niece, Sarah Leonard
Gregory G. Larson	<i>from</i>	His Wife, Sandra Larson
Frank Soto	<i>from</i>	His friend, Sandra Larson
Mariano Bertarelli	<i>from</i>	Her Cousin, Sandra Larson
Beppina Caola	<i>from</i>	Her Cousin, Sandra Larson
Florence Bravette	<i>from</i>	Her Niece, Sandra Larson
Adolph + Olga Beltram	<i>from</i>	Their Daughter, Sandra Larson
Gregory G. Larson	<i>from</i>	His Son, Keith Larson
Adolph Beltram	<i>from</i>	His Grandson, Keith Larson
Olga Beltram	<i>from</i>	Her Grandson, Keith Larson

In Memory Of

Elaine Larson	<i>from</i>	Her Grandson, Keith Larson
Arthur Larson	<i>from</i>	His Grandson, Keith Larson
Marilyn Anderson	<i>from</i>	Her Granddaughter Maura + Keith Larson
John H. Anderson	<i>from</i>	His Granddaughter, Maura + Keith Larson
Frank Jamieson	<i>from</i>	His Granddaughter, Maura + Keith Larson
Rita Jamieson	<i>from</i>	Her Granddaughter, Maura + Keith Larson
Mary Sherlock	<i>from</i>	Her Nephew, Keith + Maura Larson
Sarah MacIsaac	<i>from</i>	Her Cousin, Maura Larson
Lydia Sturke Perzanoski	<i>from</i>	Her Daughter, Debi Shaw
Edmund Leon Perzanoski	<i>from</i>	His Daughter, Debi Shaw
Dorothea Goddard Sturke	<i>from</i>	Her Granddaughter, Debi Shaw
Robert C. Sturke	<i>from</i>	His Granddaughter, Debi Shaw
Lestina Moody Goddard	<i>from</i>	Her Great Granddaughter, Debi Shaw
William Goddard	<i>from</i>	His Great Granddaughter, Debi Shaw
Roberta Reponen	<i>from</i>	Her Children, Sue, Jeanne and Matthew Reponen
Leo Reponen	<i>from</i>	His Children, Sue, Jeanne and Matthew Reponen
Gram and Pop Reponen	<i>from</i>	Their Grandchildren, Kate, Erika, Matti, Zach + Makayla
Gram and Pop Reponen	<i>from</i>	Their Great Grandchildren, Lexie and Bryson
Albert Spaulding Rose 1st	<i>from</i>	His Son, Bill Rose

In Memory Of

Carolyn Chaffin Rose	<i>from</i>	Her Son, Bill Rose
Henry Babin	<i>from</i>	His Daughter, Shelley + Tom Berry
Lea Babin	<i>from</i>	Her Daughter, Shelly + Tom Berry
Bobby Babin	<i>from</i>	His Sister, Shelly + Tom Berry
Susan Berry	<i>from</i>	Her Son, Tom Berry and Shelly Berry
Philomena Alimenti	<i>from</i>	Her Daughter, Barbara Spallone
Dr. Robert S. Clark	<i>from</i>	His Daughter, Stephanie Flynn + family
Jeanne K. Clark	<i>from</i>	Her Daughter, Stephanie Flynn + family
James Harrington	<i>from</i>	His Friend, Stephanie Flynn
George Marshall	<i>from</i>	His Loving Wife, Jean Marshall
Nancy Goodhart	<i>from</i>	Her Sister, Jean Marshall
Beverly Maselli	<i>from</i>	Her Sister, Jean Marshall
Sidney T. Holway	<i>from</i>	His Wife, Marilyn Holway
Albert E. Foster	<i>from</i>	His Daughter, Marilyn Holway
Ruth E. Foster	<i>from</i>	Her Daughter, Marilyn Holway
Florence R. Holway	<i>from</i>	Her Daughter-in-law Marilyn Holway
Spear T. Holway	<i>from</i>	His Daughter-in-law, Marilyn Holway
Cassie Lee Wilkins	<i>from</i>	Her dear friend, Marilyn Holway
Byron R. Holway	<i>from</i>	His Sister-in-Law, Marilyn Holway
Peter Richard	<i>from</i>	His Friend, Marilyn Holway
Michael Young	<i>from</i>	His Friend, Marilyn Holway
Shirley Holway	<i>from</i>	Her Sister-in-Law, Marilyn Holway

In Memory Of

Philip McMahon	<i>from</i>	His Loving Wife, Thelma + Family Who Miss Him So Much
Ryan Twohey	<i>from</i>	His Parents, Craig + Jean Twohey
Brian Twohey	<i>from</i>	His Brother, Craig + Jean Twohey
Mark Twohey	<i>from</i>	His Brother, Craig + Jean Twohey
Kevin Twohey	<i>from</i>	His Brother, Craig + Jean Twohey
June Twohey	<i>from</i>	Her Son, Craig + Jean Twohey

In Celebration Of

Janice Specht	<i>from</i>	Her loving husband, Tom
PHILLIPSTON, a great Place to Live with SO Many Good People!	<i>from</i>	Carole + Gerry Gariepy
All My Many Friends + Family	<i>from</i>	Your Friend, Jean Marshall
Gerry + Carole Gariepy	<i>from</i>	Their Friend, Laureen Moran
Our Friendship with Nancy MacEwen	<i>from</i>	Her Friend, Laureen Moran
John Pierre + Nicole Custis' Marriage	<i>from</i>	John's Grandmother, Kay Deans
David + Cindy Deans' Marriage	<i>from</i>	David's Sister, Kay Deans
Bill + Pam Shirley's Marriage	<i>from</i>	Bill's Sister-in-Law, Kay Deans
Ellen Tannehill + Ulysse Maillet's Marriage	<i>from</i>	Ellen's Sister-in-Law, Kay Deans
Donn Clifford	<i>from</i>	The Historical Society of Phillipston
Larry French	<i>from</i>	His Loving Wife, Jane
All My Friends	<i>from</i>	Your Friend, Jane French
Ty Ulmer	<i>from</i>	His Wife, Best Friend, and Soul Mate, Cynthia Ulmer

<i>In Celebration Of</i>		
Roland "Buddy" Slate	<i>from</i>	His Loving Daughter, Cynthia Ulmer
Tyler Liburdi and his wife, Teanna	<i>from</i>	His Great Grandmother, Thelma McMahon who is so proud of their US Air Force Service
Talia Liburdi, a Senior at Tufts University in Boston	<i>from</i>	Her very proud Great Grandmother, Thelma McMahon
Talia "2" MacDonald, 13 years old and in the 8th Grade	<i>from</i>	Her Great Grandmother, Thelma McMahon
4 year old, Zoe Grace Demars in Pre-Kindergarten	<i>from</i>	Her Great Grandmother, Thelma McMahon
6 year old, Antonia Cicero, in the 1st Grade	<i>from</i>	Her Great Grandmother, Thelma McMahon
3 year old, Rocco Cicero, in Pre-School	<i>from</i>	His Great Grandmother, Thelma McMahon
6 year old, MaKenna Cicero, in the 1st Grade	<i>from</i>	Her Great Grandmother, Thelma McMahon
10 year old, Ryder Cicero, in the 4th Grade	<i>from</i>	His Great Grandmother, Thelma McMahon
Larry French - for Duty, Honor, and Country	<i>from</i>	His friend and U.S. Army brother, Russ Flagg
Our four wonderful grandchildren: Rachel, Caroline, Emily and Lauren Brouillet	<i>from</i>	Their grandparents, Linda + Brian Langevin
<i>Best Wishes for Recovery, To</i>		
Dan Sanden	<i>from</i>	His Friends Gerry + Carole Gariepy

<i>In Appreciation of</i>		
Robert LaFortune for His Many Years of Service to the Historical Society of Phillipston	<i>from</i>	The Historical Society of Phillipston
Brookside Equipment: Dan and Roger McHugh	<i>from</i>	The Historical Society of Phillipston
Gerhard Fandreyer, for so many years of setting up the Christmas Tree Lighting on the Common with the help of our Highway Department	<i>from</i>	The Historical Society of Phillipston
All of the loyal, hard-working volunteers of the Historical Society	<i>from</i>	The Historical Society of Phillipston
<i>In Honor Of</i>		
Robert LaFortune, for his many efforts on behalf of the Queen Lake Association	<i>from</i>	His Long-Time Friends Paul + Lenore Sundberg, and fellow campers at Queen Lake
All of our Military Service Men + Women Who Have Served For Us	<i>from</i>	Marilyn Holway