Congregational Church of Phillipston, U.C.C. 60 The Common Phillipston, MA 01331



Phillipston Community Newsletter

July 2024





The Phillipston Congregational Church, U.C.C. Our Community Church Sunday Service at 10:00 a.m. Sunday School begins at 10:00 a.m.

Dear Friends,

On Sunday, July 28 we have been invited to worship at the Cathedral of the Pines in Rindge, New Hampshire for a service with two other churches in the United Church of Christ, Memorial Congregational, U.C.C. and First Church of Templeton. Ironically the Phillipston church and Memorial Congregational Church in Baldwinville are both offspring of First Church Templeton.

The worship service is at 10:00 a.m. After the worship service, we will be having an outdoor picnic on the Cathedral grounds. Please bring your own sandwiches or snacks. The Cathedral will provide six picnic tables, or bring your own lawn chairs. The outdoor worship service is to take place on outdoor benches, so if you would like to bring a lawn chair for comfort, that is wise. Sunscreen and bug spray is also recommended. There will be two wheel chairs for use if someone needs it. There is a microphone at the altar. All offerings will be donated to the Cathedral of the Pines. In case of poor weather, call Nowell Francis at 508-932-2776. There are gentle rolling hiking trails that are available for use. There are veteran's gardens to be seen, and also a wonderful view of Mount Monadnock. Many of us will be at the Phillipston church to carpool at 8:45 a.m. Hope to see you soon!

Your sister in Christ, Rev. Stephanie C. Flynn

P.S. We will not have worship on Sunday, July 7.

THE NEWSLETTER IS ON <u>www.phillipston.com</u> <u>August 2024 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS July 23rd</u> For more info go to : www.phillipston.com/priceinfo.pdf

Red Apple Farm[.]

Pick-your-own Fruit - Ice Cream Window Cider Donuts - Homemade Fudge - Farm-Fresh Cider Cidery Taproom - Brew Barn Restaurant - Timber Fire Pizza

2024 Farm Events

Blueberry Jamboree - July 13-14 & 20-21 Sunflower Festival - August 10-11 & 17-18 Appleseed Country Fair - August 31-September 2 AppleFest at Wachusett Mountain – October 19-20 & 26-27 Thanksgiving Harvest Festival - November 23-24 Winter Lights* - November 25-December 31 'advance tickets required, please see our website Courter of the are open every day, celebrating Fall all year round! - your family farm

455 Highland Ave, Phillipston, MA 01331

978-249-6763

redapplefarm.com

The Historical Society of Phillipston, Inc.

Join Us for a Meet & Greet With the Historical Society of Petersham Tuesday, July 9 th at 7:00 PM At our museum – 80 State Road, Phillipston



Meet our counterparts of Petersham's historical society and find out what they are doing this summer. Join us as we show them the canoe found in Queen Lake, as well as our updated exhibit about our town's veterans – past and present and some new exhibits including one on recreation (10 ft. winter skis, anyone?) and another on clothing of the past.

This event is free. Everyone is welcome!

Museum Hours: Wednesdays 10:00 am to 12:00 Noon Sundays: 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm Or by appointment with our Curator: 978-249-4356

COUNTRY FARM FEST 2024



@ Red Apple Farm, Phillipston Sat. Aug. 3rd 10 am – 9 pm



Proceeds support Jonathan Edward Aukstikainis Character Recognition Fund, Inc.



6pm – 9 pm Pro Country/Southern Rock Party & Show Band based in NYC, featured as a house band @ venues like "Opry City Stage" in Times Square, Williamsburg Honkytonk "Skinny Dennis," & Blake Shelton's, "Ole Red" in Nashville & Gatlinburg, TN.



Raffles, Jonathan's Silent Auction & "Just because" Jonathan Merch. Ice Cream Sundae ALL DAY! ONE DAY ONLY!



Free Fun for Kids 10 am – 3 pm Rock Painting, Games, Face Painting 1-3pm w/ Nicole – Face Escape and More!

Phillips Free Public Library

Library Hours Tuesday 9-2pm Wednesday 5-7pm Saturday 9-1 pm Board of Trustees Meeting: July 2, 2024, 6pm. * "like" our Facebook page Phillips Free Public Library

Summer Reading Fun for all Ages!

Be sure to keep the library on your list for places to visit this Summer! We will have a fun raffle in the Children's room... children earn a ticket with every visit to the library... as well as ice cream gift certificates for our young bookworms! Not to leave out our grown-up readers, a raffle for a Market Basket gift card will be ongoing through the end of August !!

New Materials

New books include: <u>Swan Song</u> by Elin Hilderbrand, <u>When Women ran Fifth Avenue</u>: <u>Glamour and Power at the Dawn of American Fashion</u> by Julie Satow, <u>The Housemaid is</u> <u>Watching by Freida McFadden, Entrances and Exits</u> by Michael Richards, <u>Seaside Sisters</u> by Pamela Kelley

New DVD's include: The Beekeeper, Dune part two, Greyhound the Movie and Kung Fu Panda 4

BOOK CLUB

The Book club's next read is: <u>Lessons in Chemistry</u> by Bonnie Garmus. Stop by to pick up your copy. We will meet in early August to discuss. New members are ALWAYS welcome to join this fun and lively group!

Lions Breakfast

July 20, 2024, 8:00 am to 11:00 am Special "Waffles" 2 Waffles, (3 eggs) homefries, Sauage, Juice, Drink All for \$9.00 Phillipston Church On the Common

Grill Raffle

Starting June, Tickets from any Phillipston Lion, The Farmer's Market or at Breakfast. Marilyn 978-503-2269 1 / \$2.00 or 3 / \$5.00 Money goes back to community projects.

NARRAGANSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

462 Baldwinville Road, Baldwinville, MA 01436 978-939-5661

The Narragansett Regional School Committee is looking for interested candidates to fill one open seat (1) on the NRSD School Committee. The candidate must be from Phillipston, and would be appointed to serve until the next Phillipston town election in May 2025.

A letter of interest, which should include your reasons for seeking the appointment and the expertise, skills, and perspectives you will bring to the Committee, should be submitted no later than August 9, 2024, and sent to:

NRSD School Committee

% Dr. Christopher Casavant, Superintendent 462

Baldwinville Road

Baldwinville, MA 01436

or emailed to: svarney@nrsd.org

Interviews for interested candidates are tentatively scheduled to take place during the NRSD School Committee meeting on August 15, 2024, at which time it is anticipated an appointment will be made.

Please feel free to direct any questions about School Committee service to any member of the Committee or make an appointment to meet with Superintendent Casavant.

Committee contact information can be found at

https://www.nrsd.org/o/nrsd/page/about-school-committee

Please contact Susan Varney at 978-939-6232 for any further information.

Phillipston Lions Club

Come Join Us on Tuesday, July 9 & August 13,, at 7 PM at the Phillipston Library. If you have any questions, please call Marilyn 978-503-2269. We're always looking for new people to serve our community.

Vendor Fair – Phillipston Common

August 3, 2024 – 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Cost \$20.00 a space 10'x10' (size negotiable) (outdoors) Must bring your own set-up. No electricity or water available. No confirmations given. Please call or text Marilyn 978-503-2269 Marilyn Holway 250 State Road, Phillipston, MA 01331



The Ladies Benevolent Society Members at the 2024 Silver Tea on May 23rd - not pictured but with us in spirit were past President Claire Adomaitis, past Secretary Marilyn Holway, long time curator and member Carole Gariepy, Barbara Sanden, Nancy Rose, Joyce Dossett, Holly Mrvicin, Heidi Aukstikalnis, and Kathleen Walsh. Special thanks to Jane French for providing the wonderful music and fun entertainment. It was a lovely afternoon.

All women from Phillipston and neighboring towns are invited to join the Ladies Benevolent Society!

We provide service and fellowship, raise funds for high school scholarships and more! Like every service group, many hands make lighter work and we will all thrive with new members and ideas. Please come check us out soon for more information. We hold open meetings, anyone may attend.

Any prospective new members: please reach out to

Christine Bennett at 978-939-4274 or <u>bennett.christine@comcast.net</u> for more information. You are also welcome to stop by the church services on Sundays at 10am, email phillipstonucc@gmail.com, or see any member around town!

Phillipston Agricultural Commission Happy 4th of July

***Well, the Farmer's Markets is up and running we are on our second we and if you want an application, please see Marilyn or Julie for one. It is every Wednesday from 3pm – 6:30pm on the Phillipston Common. We are still looking for crafters, vendors and if you have canned goods and eggs or bee product that you are looking to sell bring them up, no fee to set up. See Marilyn on Wednesday or call her at 978-503-2269 or Julie at jhockcty2014@gmail.com.

We are still looking for entertainment, face painters, or something on that line. It would be donations only or what you charge.

***The Community Garden is full is year and we could not be more excited about that. We will be making more beds next year and hope to fill them also. Dennis is doing an amazing job down there making sure no animals are getting in the fence in area. If you have compost that you don't want of leaves in the fall, please contact Dennis and let him know. Also still looking for anyone who would like to volunteer to go down there with him at 413-658-7889.

***WELL ON TO THE EXCITING NEW OF THE PUMPKIN CONTEST *** The Agricultural Commission has decided to move the contest back to the common where it began. We are very excited about this. We will have free games for the kids set up to play and we are still working on more things to exclude everyone. If you have and games or would like to help with the children games while the commission does the Pumpkin weight please contact Julie at jhockcty2014@gmail.com .

Everyone has a wonderful and safe summer, hope to see you at the Farmer's Markets. The Phillipston Agricultural Commission

Coming Events in Templeton St. Martin's Church Concerts on the Common FESTIVAL July 14 - Bad News Jazz & Blues Band 15 piece Brass Band (Rain date: July 28) Chicken BBQ August 11 - The Terryifics Saturday, July 20 Jazz, Blues, Country, Pop, Current (Rain date: August 25) 10 am - 2 pm All Concerts begin at 2 pm. September 8 - Ash & Eric (Chicken dinner served noon - 1 pm) Presented by the "Folk songs that make you feel stuff" Otter River Sportsman's Club Templeton Cultural Council (Rain date: Sept. 15) Lord Road, Otter River