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



VOTE

Monday May 7th 2018 12:00 to 8:00 pm

Phillipston Community Newsletter

May 2018



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,

I would like to write to you about a difficult and yet pertinent topic: Suicide prevention. Phillipston's community mission team, made up of Church, Fire, Police and Lions seeks to have some extra in depth training on this topic in May with Tim Sweeney. In the meantime, I would like to give you some of the basics, because we never know when anyone of us may encounter someone who is suffering in this way. The training is based on the three letters, QPR. Q stands for Question. "Everything O.K?" This may seem like an obvious question, but you may encounter someone, where everything is clearly not O.K. The next letter is P which stands for persuade. When Tim Sweeney encountered a depressed man on the French King Bridge, he reached out to the man's rain drenched shoulder and said, "You don't seem fine, my friend, and I'm going to be right here until you decide you are ready to walk off the bridge with me. I'd really love to get you a cup of coffee some place drier and talk." They stood together for a long while, and then the distressed man decided to walk off the bridge with a stranger instead of jumping off alone. R stands for refer. A family member arrived and together they agreed to go to the hospital to seek appropriate professional help. We never know when we may encounter someone who is this distressed, but hopefully if you do, you will remember these three letters, and be able and willing to make a difference in someone's life and the lives of their loved ones.

Your sister in Christ, Rev. Stephanie C. Flynn

The church village bazaar is on June 9 and the entertainment provided by the Phillipston Cultural Council will be a Blues Brother Tribute Band: "Blues Brothers Briefcase."

The Town of Phillipston will not be accepting CASH after July 1, 2018.

All offices including but not limited to the Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Board of Health, Cemetery Dept., Building Dept., Police and Fire Departments will only collect **Checks or Money Orders** for payment of bills, taxes, licenses or services.

Credit Card payments are done only on line at the Phillipston website for tax payments, dog licenses and vital records, at <u>www.phillipston-ma.gov</u>

This is in the best interest of the Tax payer and Town Offices.

Thank you. 😊

It's almost yard sale time but you still have plenty of time to get ready! Join the Community fun at Phillipstons Town Wide Yard Sale! Saturday, May 5, 2018

\$15 IS ALL IT TAKES - IT'S SO EASY!

Contribute to a good cause, clean out your clutter, & make some extra CA\$H! We will do all of the advertising for you!

Please contact Jennie at 978-790-9279 or send your \$15 check payable to Jennie Chace at: 740 Patriots Road Templeton, MA. 01468, to list your address on the

map.

Encourage neighbors to join too, more homes = more customers on your street! Maps to the different homes participating in the yard sale will be handed out for \$1 each on the Common in Phillipston – located in the center of town beginning at 7AM!

Like and Share our page on Facebook! Sponsored by the Friends of the Girl Scouts.



Car Wash!

Girl Scout Troop 30908 is hosting a car wash during the Town Wide Yard Sale! For a donation, you can get your car sparkling clean by a friendly Girl Scout! Swing by for a quick wash when you pick up your yard sale map and a whoopie pie! You'll find us in the church/annex/library parking lot on beautiful Phillipston Town Common! ©

Thin Mint Sprint 5K May 12, 2018

Sign up for the 6th annual Thin Mint Sprint 5K Run/Walk! Ask your local Girl Scout for a registration form or sign up at active.com! Sign up before April 21st and pay only \$20, register after that date and the cost goes up to \$25. Come for the Thin Mints, come for the fun of it, come for the challenge of it, or just come to support some wonderful Girl Scouts! Race begins at 10am, registration and check in begins at 8:30 am on The Common. See you there!

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Voter of Phillipston, my name is **Bernard Malouin** and I am a candidate for the Selectboard seat on May 7th. I urge all registered voters to go to the polls and vote for their values and the future of Phillipston. Having been a two-term Selectman and Chairman gives me the experience that will be needed to set us back on course. I have also served on many committees and boards. I am a veteran, honorably discharged and have lived in Phillipston since 1989 with my wife and children. I have considerable knowledge of municipal operations and finances, and experience dealing with legal, complex, and technical issues. I also have experience in labor and employee relations, hiring, promotions, raises, and all aspects of discipline.

The current climate of the Town Government is not productive. There have been many turnovers and terminations causing many employees to wonder if their hard work is worth it and appreciated. The town previously hired a consultant to do a wage and comp study, had a committee do the same and when it was slated for town meeting for voters to vote on, out of the blue one of the members claimed a conflict so all the money spent and time consuming volunteer work ended up in limbo and no wage adjustments were distributed. There are certain individuals who think our public safety departments are too big and overfunded, that we are a small town and don't need all this equipment and personnel. For years I have also heard complaints about building and families coming into town because it would raise taxes to send those children to school! Recently there has been some talk about busing our children out of town. While a Selectman and as a member of the Phillipston Memorial Building Committee I have always supported and voted for repairs and improvements to make our school a safe place for our children and will continue to do so. The Committee is now looking at best options for some improvements and much needed roofing.

I am always concerned about taxes as I am a taxpaying resident myself. I have no tax exemption or reductions so when I get my real estate tax bills I feel the same concerns as you. I do believe that Phillipston has better financial management and a reasonable rate for the excellent service we receive. Look around at our accomplishments and infrastructure. While concerned about taxes, we can well afford the budgets that will keep our community as one of the best towns in which to reside.

My position is very clear, keep our children at the Phillipston Memorial School, we owe this to our residents as it is what they voted for. We need to bring our public safety employees up to a respectful wage and give them a reason to continue excelling. Stop the yearly negative discussion on the worth of the ambulance and let the Fire Department, Police Department, and the Department of Public Works handle their operations. Get them the equipment they need. The life they save may be yours or a member of your family, medical, fire, or criminal. Resources need to be in place and ready at all times without notice. If you have ever called one if these departments for emergency service, you know the cost is well worth the saving of a life! We have some exceptionally talented employees and we should focus forward on better relations to make these individuals feel wanted and happy to be here. We all need to start thinking positive.

Phillipston is a great community. With your vote on May 7th we can get back on course!

My name is <u>**Kim Pratt</u>** and I am a candidate for a seat on the Selectboard which will be decided at the polls on May 7, 2018. My family moved to Phillipston in 1999, I am the 8th generation to live on our family land. I have worked for the Town Clerk at the polls for 18 years. Previously, I have served on the Conservation Commission, the Open Space Committee and the Historic Commission. Currently I am serving on the Cultural Council and the Finance Committee.</u>

Phillipston's population consistently remains below 2000 residents, meanwhile the requirements and responsibilities on our government grows and becomes more complicated. The operating budget for the town is more than four million dollars. Our Town practices need to be transparent and accountable. We need to understand how our government works and how our tax dollars are being spent. By adopting policies and procedures our government will work in a consistent and fair manner. There has been progress made towards this end, however, there is more that needs to be accomplished.

On May 7th you will elect people to represent your interests. This is the first step. It is essential that voters attend the Annual Town Meeting on May 9th to tell your Town officials what you want, and what you don't want, by voting on the articles on the Town Meeting Warrant.

My hope is that our community will move forward in a way that works in the best interest of all its residents and employees. If elected I will work towards that goal. I would appreciate your support on May 7th and I hope to see you at the Annual Town Meeting on May 9th.

LADIES BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

The April meeting of the Ladies Benevolent Society was held on Wednesday, April 19th at the home of Carole Gariepy with hostesses being Claire Adomaitis and Nancy Nason. A delicious luncheon was enjoyed by all 11 ladies attending. The "Annual Silver Tea" will be held on Tuesday, May 8th, at the Phillipston Congregational Church of Phillipston. Some of the invited ladies arrive dressed in their fancy dresses, gloves and hats. No regular meeting is held in May.

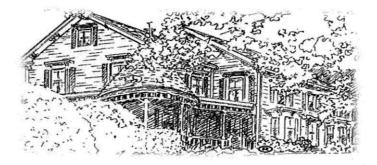
The June meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 20th at Liberty Cottage on Queen Lake with hostesses being Nancy MacEwen and Jean Marshall. This meeting includes the Annual Pontoon Boat Ride around Queen Lake captained by James Potter. Quilt Raffle tickets (\$1 each and/or 6/\$5) can be obtained from any member of the ladies and will be sold at the Silver Tea and the June Bazaar as well as be on display at both. The June Bazaar will be held all day on Saturday, June 9th on the Phillipston Common, beginning at 10 am. The Phillipston Church Cookbook, compiled of recipes from the members of the Church will also be available for \$25 per copy at the Silver Tea and June Bazaar. The Ladies Benevolent Society is open to all ladies, please feel free to come and join us, call Claire at 978-516-8061 for more information or a ride to the meeting. Lifetime dues are 50 cents, very reasonable for a fun time. We welcome all ladies. (You do not have to be a member of Phillipston Congregational Church to join)



The Historical Society of Phillipston *Annual Meeting and Pot Luck Supper* May 16, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the Church Vestry

Everyone is invited to come to the annual meeting and potluck supper. It is always a time of good food and good fellowship and a time to catch up on the doings of the Society. The Society continues to move ahead. It is especially wonderful to have the handicapped access ramp completed so we can once again be open to the public. The Lego block construction of our town's center as it was in the 1890's will be on display. It's an incredible display and we are very proud of the youth who participated in building it. The huge dollhouse is another amazing addition to the Society's collection. It is a reproduction of a Williamsville Road home that was destroyed by fire in 1929. It was built by a woman who lived there and donated to the museum by her descendents. We have a unique collection, and Curator Jane French and her committee are working hard to get it all ready for summer visits. Come to the annual meeting and learn about the Society's present activities and plans for the future. Be a part of this important organization. Bring a main dish, salad, or dessert. If you can't come for supper, you're welcome to join us at 7:15 for the meeting!

Phillipston is my Hometown!



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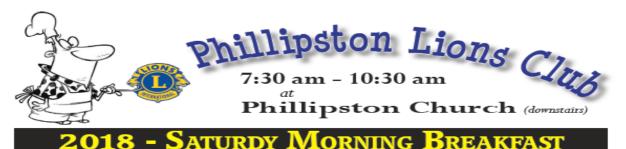
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~ Serving ~ The way you want it... French Toast, Eggs (any style), Toast or English Muffin, Homefries, Sausage. Orange, Apple and Cranberry juice, Coffee (regular and decaf), assorted teas, hot cocoa \$8.00 - Adults \$6.00 Senior Citizens



May 19~Skillet Banquet aith Cheese • Drawing for Grill

Phillips Free Public Library

Library HoursMonday 5-7pm Tuesday 9am-2pmSaturday 9am-12pmBoard of Trustees Meeting:Thursday, May 3 at 6pm

Share Your Collections

Do you have a collection that you'd like to share? We have created a secure display area here at the library and would love to showcase small collections every month. Please contact Jackie if you have a collection that you'd like to include.

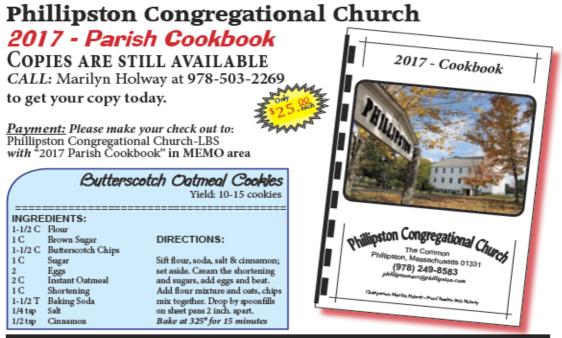
Our current display includes many of Edna Haley's cardinals and books, as well as a few of Arnold Haley's tools. Please stop by and see this lovely collection.

New Books and Movies

New books include: <u>"The Flight Attendant" by Chris Bohjalian</u>, <u>"The Disappeared" by C. J.</u> Box, <u>"I've Got My Eyes on You by Mary Higgins Clark</u>, <u>"Furiously Happy" by Jenny Lawson</u>, and <u>"The Grand Design" by Stephen Hawking</u>.

New Movies include: "The Post" and "Ladybird"

Copies of the 2017 Phillipston Congregational Church cookbook are available for purchase at the library. The cost is \$25.



>> Please mail your payment and number of copies to: Marilyn Holway • PO Box 370 • East Templeton, MA 01438

Friends of the PFD Presents MAY 13, 7:30-9:30AM

Mothers Day Breakfast!

at the Phillipston Congregational Church Pancakes or French Toast, Eggs, Sausage/Bacon, Fresh Fruit, Coffee and ^{Juice.} Moms Eat for Free!! \$4 kids /\$8 adults

SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY, JUNE 9TH ANNUAL JUNE BAZAAR SPONSORED BY THE PHILLIPSTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH ON THE PHILLIPSTON COMMON 10 AM TIL ?????? CHICKEN BARBECUE 4:30 TO 6 PM FOR TICKETS CALL: 978-652-5797 ENTERTAINMENT, ATTIC TREASURES, COFFEE CAN AUCTION, RAFFLES FUDGE, BAKE TABLE, OLD FASHIONED DRINKS, VINTAGE CLOTHING

2018 Flea Market at the Bazaar June 9th

We are collecting items for the bazaar flea market which will be held on June 9. Do you have any things from your attic, garage, barn, shop, shed, or cellar you don't need any longer that we could sell at the bazaar to raise money for our community church? The trailer down at the Transfer Station is open. Please place your donations there, or if you need to have them picked up, call Gerry Gariepy at 978-939-5465 or Jim Potter at 413-559-8832.

Tools	Furniture	Kitchen items	
Toys	Books	Jewelry	
Garden tools, ornaments	Automotive	Electronic items	
Mowers	Games	Household articles	
Holiday things	Antiques	Baskets	
Camping equipment	Pictures	Puzzles	
Electric appliances	Glassware	Sporting goods	
Crafts	Plants	Dishes	
Machines and machine parts and anything with an angine			

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*Note: There will be a clothing sale this year. Does anyone have a junk car we can have? (We can't take overstuffed furniture, large appliances, or TV's.)

Thanks for the tremendous support you all give us in this effort.



The Phillipston Congregational Church On the Common, Phillipston, MA

The Members of the Phillipston Church would like to extend an invitation to all to visit Our Church.

Everyone is Welcome!

Services & Sunday School are held on Sundays at **10:00 a.m** A Coffee Hour with refreshments follows the service. For more information you may call 978-516-8061.

Please come and join our Church Family!

A Youth Group is held every Saturday night from 6 to 8. Children ages 9 and up. For more Information please contact Karen Gallant-<u>karengallant72@gmail.com</u>

or 978-894-6322.

May Activities:

Tuesday, May 1 st	Senior Lunch
Sunday, May 6 th	Sacrament of Communion
Tuesday, May 8 th	Ladies Benevolent Society Silver Tea
Saturday, May 12 th	Swedish Meatball Supper – serving at 5:30pm
	Tickets \$9 – call 978-652-0952
Sunday, May 13 th	Mother's Day Worship – God bless our Mother's
Tuesday, May 15 th	Senior Lunch
Sunday, May 20 th	Children's Day Worship
	Followed by Hotdog & Hamburger Barbecue
Sunday, May 27 th	Phillipston Memorial Day Parade 9 am
	No Church Service

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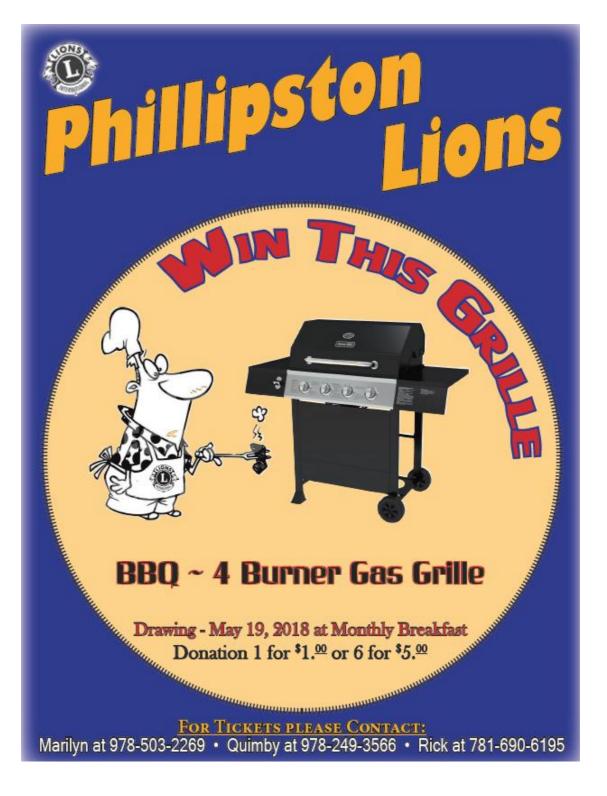
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- Roofing / Siding
- Handyman Services
- Home Repairs
- Painting (Interior / Exterior)
- Tree Cutting / Wood Splitting

Local References Available

Call Today!

- Fine Finish Work
- Remodeling; Floors, Kitchen & Baths
- Spring Clean-ups
- Clean-outs



Bulky Waste Day Phillipston Transfer Station Templeton Road Phillipston Date: Wednesday May 23, 2018 and Saturday May 26, 2018 <u>PLEASE NOTE: Prices may have changed.</u> You may not drop off items on any other day.

AND

You must have a Transfer Station Sticker <u>on your vehicle</u> to gain access to the Transfer Station!

Acceptable Bulky Waste:

Stuffed Chairs	\$20	Sleeper Couches \$40
Couches	\$30	Sleeper Love Seat \$30
Love Seats	\$20	Tables\$20
Recliners	\$20	Desks: Small \$15 / Large \$30
Twin Mattress	\$10	Twin Box Spring \$10
Full Mattress	\$15	Full Box Spring \$15
Queen Mattress	\$20	Queen Box Spring \$20
King Mattress	\$25	King Box Spring \$25
Carpet 10 x 10	\$50	

First come, first served until unit is full! Payment Accepted: <u>CHECKS ONLY</u> <u>Absolutely NO Construction/Demo Waste</u>

Please contact the Board of Health Office at 978-249-1735 with any questions. Office hours are Wednesday from 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM.

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WANTED: Vendors, Artists, Ranners and more ... for the Phillipston Farmers Market 2018



Location: On the Common Dates: June 16th thru October 13th When: Every Saturday, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm Cost for Space: \$5. Per day or \$40. For season

Do you have a Garden? Come and sell your extra vegetables at the Farmers Garden

Do you like to Bake?

At the Farmers Market come and sell your baked goods

Attention Crafters, Artists, Photographers !

Come and sell your crafts, art work, photographs, etc. at the Farmers Market

Musicians – Young and Old { Single, trio, small group, etc. } Come and entertain the folks at the Farmers Market

Do you like to provide Service to Others?

Can you provide a ride to the doctor or the supermarket, go grocery shopping ... Come and promote what you can do at the Farmers Market

Vintage, Antique Autos and Street Rods

Bring your pride and joy to the Farmers Market and show it off

We would like to compile a list of potential vendors, demonstrators, etc. for advertising this year's Phillipston Farmers Market. Please contact either of the listed below to register or for more information.

Marilyn at 978-503-2269 or Jack at 978-895-1452

Kevin Flynn for Town Moderator

My name is Kevin Flynn and I am running for Town Moderator. Some of you may know my wife Stephanie who is the Minister at the Congregational Church. I have been involved in local Massachusetts government for over 25 years as a planner and grant writer, and I have a private consulting practice in municipal government. I work part time as the administrative assistant in the Selectboard Office. I have also held positions on the Planning Board, Community Preservation Committee and been a Finance Committee member.

I want to thank Tim Haley, our retiring Moderator, for his service to the town. Tim has agreed to be a reference for complex issues, and will take over as Moderator if an issue ever comes up that affects me so we preserve the impartiality of the meeting.

The Moderator is responsible for conducting the Annual and Special Town Meetings. The Moderator sets the tone at Town Meetings and must conduct the meeting fairly and effectively. Town Meeting is effective only with civil discourse. An impartial Moderator enforces the rules of debate and ensures a variety of voices have an opportunity to be heard and considered. A calm demeanor, respect for Town Meeting practice, and common sense are important. I believe I have the experience in local government and commitment to being fair and impartial to serve the Town well, and it would be an honor to be your Moderator.

Please vote for me, Kevin Flynn, for Town Moderator on Monday, May 7.



COME JOIN US! SENIOR LUNCH IS SERVED THE FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAY OF APRIL 2018 IN THE VESTRY OF THE PHILLIPSTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, ON THE COMMON, PHILLIPSTON, MA. A DONATION OF \$2.50 IS SUGGESTED. MEET OTHERS, TALK AND SHARE IN FUN TIMES! TRANSPORTATION IS AVAILABLE, IF NEEDED. CALL 978-516-8061 FOR MORE INFORMATION. LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE! . For reservations call Paula at 978-652-5797, by the Friday before

the meal.

Town of Phillipston **ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION**

Polls open at 12:00pm to 8:00pm Town Hall, 50 on the Common, Phillipston

Monday May 7, 2018

CONTACT THE TOWN CLERK IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS MONDAYS 8:00am – 8:00pm TUESDAY – THURSDAY 8:00am – 4:00pm OR LEAVE A MESSAGE AT 978-249-1733

PRE-TOWN MEETING May 2, 2018

Wednesday - 7:00pm - PMS Gym (A chance to review and ask questions about the warrant articles)

<u>ANNUAL TOWN MEETING</u> Wednesday <u>May 9, 2018</u>

7:00pm at the Phillipston Memorial School Gym

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Monday

CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION TO TOWN OF PHILLIPSTON OFFICES

SELECT BOARD - 3 YR TERM – VOTE FOR ONE Bernard A. Malouin, Sr., 30 Petersham Road Kim E. Pratt - 140 Whitney Road ASSESSOR - 3 YR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE David E. Manty, 570 Royalston Road - Candidate for re-election **BOARD OF HEALTH – 3 YR TERM – VOTE FOR ONE** Frederick E. French, Jr., 200 Queen Lake Road Thomas L. Brouillet, 34 Baldwin Hill Road **CEMETERY COMMISSION – 3 YR TERM – VOTE FOR ONE** Paul E. Bauch, 150 Templeton Road - Candidate for re-election **CONSTABLE - 3 YR TERM – VOTE FOR ONE** Fern B. Stellato, 125 Blake Corner Road - Candidate for re-election LIBRARY TRUSTEE - 3 YR TERM – VOTE FOR ONE Karen Lynn Gallant, 220 Templeton Road - Candidate for re-election **MODERATOR - 3 YR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE** Kevin Flynn, 135 Blake Corner Road PLANNING BOARD - 5 YR TERM - VOTE FOR ONE Vernet F. Lussier, 240 Baldwinville Road - Candidate for re-election NARRAGANSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE **3 YR TERM – PHILLIPSTON VOTE FOR ONE** Victoria C. Charter, 115 Baldwinville Road - Candidate for re-election NARRAGANSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE **3YR TERM – TEMPLETON VOTE FOR ONE** Deborah A. Koziol, 55 Winchendon Rd, Baldwinville, Candidate for re-election NARRAGANSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

3YR TERM - TEMPLETON

VOTE FOR ONE

Rae-Ann Trifilo, 226 Royalston Road, Baldwinville, Candidate for re-election