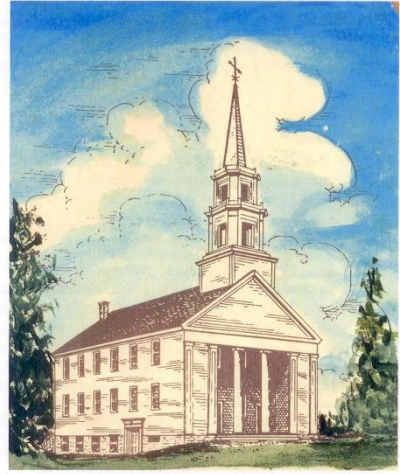


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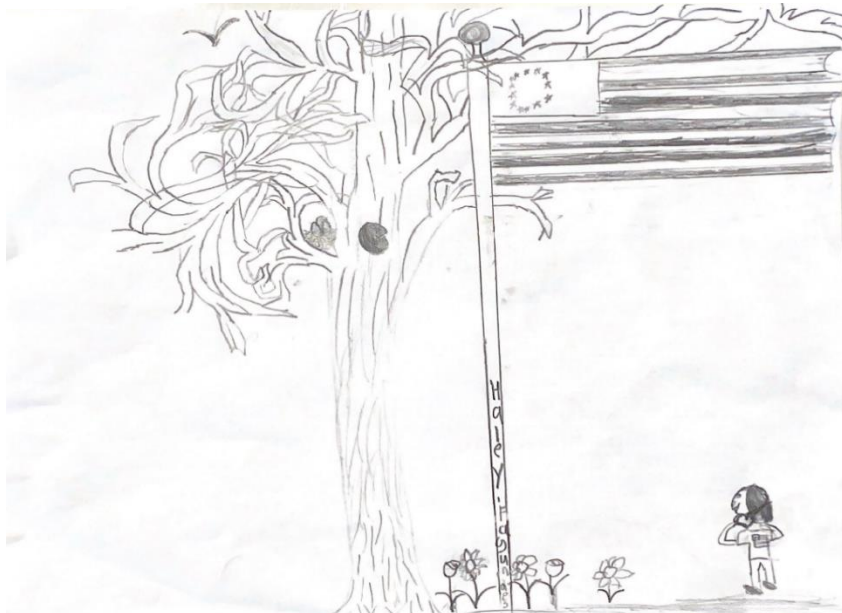


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The Phillipston Congregational Church, U.C.C.

Our Community Church

Sunday Service at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School begins at 10:00 a.m.

Dear Friends,

On April 8 we had a beautiful day at Red Apple Farm for our Easter's Great Gathering. I would like to thank the Red Apple Farm for hosting the event and the Brew Barn for hosting the breakfast and sharing the profits with the church. Thank you to the Phillipston Boy, Cub and Girl Scouts who helped hide Easter Eggs, and help in the Brew Barn with serving. Thank you to the Phillipston Lions who stuffed the eggs. Thank you to everyone who donated to the Easter basket raffle held in the store.

Our Placemats were well received and thank you to all the businesses which sponsored an advertisement on the placemats. These included Kro's Restaurant, Montalbano Computer, King Phillip Restaurant, Lyman Signs, and Lyman Excavating, Brookside Equipment, Red Apple Farm, Pierce Building, Rick Geyster Plumbing, Byron Holway Electrical, Marilyn Holway Baked Goods, Phillipston Historical Society, Kitchen Garden, Divoll's Maple Syrup, Carol Farrell Seamstress, Brew Barn, Johnathan Austikalnis Character Fund, Lamb City Campground, Richard Valcourt Forest Management, and Phillipston Fire Department.

Thank you to the Easter bunny for coming to our event. Thank you to Rosie Clark and her friends for the petting zoo for children. Also thank you to Red Apple Farm for the hay wagon rides. Thank you to all the people, local businesses and organizations who gave prizes including gift cards for the Adult and Children's Egg hunts. Thank you to everyone who donated candy and eggs for the hunt which allows us to provide all the children's egg hunts for free.

Your sister in Christ, Rev. Stephanie C. Flynn

Reminder from the Tax Collector's Office
FY2023 4th quarter bills due on 5/1/2023

To make Payments: 24/7 you can pay on line,
mail check or drop off payment at front door
mail slot of Town Hall

14% interest will accrue if not paid on due date.

If you have questions concerning your assessment
or abatements call: Assessor's Office 978-249-1732

Questions concerning payments call:

Tax Collector 978-249-1731

Ryan's 5K Run/Walk

Saturday, June 10, 2023

3:30 pm START

Congregational Church of Phillipston

The Common

Phillipston, MA 01331

Entry Fee: \$25 non-refundable Check payable to: Congregational Church of Phillipston

(Ryan's 5K in the notes)

Proceeds from this event will go towards the **Ryan Twohey Scholarship Fund**

Mail Application and Entry Fee to:

Ryan's 5K RUN/WALK
C/O Jean Twohey
275 Ward Hill Road
Phillipston, MA 01331

EMAIL: ictwohey@gmail.com

PERFORMANCE T-SHIRTS for all 5K PARTICIPANTS THAT REGISTER BY MAY 17th

Additional T-Shirts may be available on June 10th, but not guaranteed.

There is a Chicken BBQ dinner from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm. We encourage all participants to support the church and eat after the race. Tickets are limited, so call ahead and leave a message to reserve at 978-249-6389

Race Day: Registration & Number pick up: 1:30 - 3 pm

Awards: First male and female runners
First male and female walkers

Course: Road grade with some bumps, and a long grade uphill before finishing at the church parking lot.

Event: 5K Run ___ 5K Walk ___

Shirt Size: **Adult** - S ___ M ___ LG ___ XL ___ 2XL ___ 3XL ___ Youth - S ___ M ___ L ___

Name (Print) _____ Age on race day _____ Gender M ___ F ___

Address _____ City/Town _____ State ___ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email (for race updates) _____

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 associated 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 Ryan's 5K Run/Walk, further, I grant full permission to any and all of the foregoing to use photographs, video, motion pictures, recordings and/or any other records of this event of myself along or with others for legitimate purpose. I understand that pacing bicycles, skateboards, roller skates (or blades) and animals are not allowed in the race.

Signature (parent if under 18) _____ Date _____

Phillips Free Public Library

Library Hours

Tuesday 9-2pm

Wednesday 5-7pm

Saturday 9-1 pm

Board of Trustees Meeting:

Tues. June 6, 2023 at 6pm

* **“like” our Facebook page**

Phillips Free Public Library

Faberge Egg Program

We will hold an interesting program about Faberge eggs on Saturday, June 24. Participants will learn the history of these works of art, and have the opportunity to create their very own replica! Please

Book Sale

The library will hold a book sale on Saturday, May 6 during the town-wide yard sale. We have a great selection of books. All books are available for the cost of an individual donation.

NO BOOK DONATIONS AT THIS TIME

We are not accepting book donations at this time.

Passes Available

The library is offering a pass to the Discovery Museum in Acton. When borrowed, this pass will admit 3 people at half the cost of general admission. Children under 1 year old are admitted free of charge.

DCR parking pass- Free parking at most state parks (we have a list of locations)

Call the library (978) 249-1734 to reserve the pass

New Raffle

We have extended our raffle through the end of May! Each time you visit the library you can enter our raffle to win a gift card to Smith's Country Cheese! (browse around while you're here... you may find a new favorite book or movie!)

It's that time of year again!

Yard sale time! Join the Community fun at

Phillipstons Town Wide Yard Sale!

Saturday, May 6, 2023

\$20 IS ALL IT TAKES - IT'S SO EASY!

Contribute to a good cause, clean out your clutter, & make some extra CASH!

We will do all the advertising for you!

Please contact Jennie at 978-790-9279 or send your \$20 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.

Dog Licenses for 2023

License your dog with the Town Clerk

Dogs licensed after May 1st will pay a \$25.00 late fee

*****All dogs not licensed will receive a \$50.00 fine*****

You can license your dog by mail, and you will find the application printed in this newsletter. **Make a check out to The Town of Phillipston for the cost of the license.**

No postage necessary if you drop off your licensing info at the Town Hall Mail slot on the front door. Your license will be processed and returned by mail.

Please make sure your dog's rabies shot is up to date. You can look at last year's license and see the rabies expiration date. Send your new certificate if we do not have it on file. There are many options in our area to receive a shot, Tractor Supply, Petco, and Pet Supply to name a few. All dogs must be vaccinated!

If your dog is no longer with you, please let us know so we can update the record we have on file, and you will not be sent a fine.

Call the Town Clerk's Office if you have any questions at 978-249-1733, please leave a message. townclerk@phillipston-ma.gov Thank You 😊

Spring has sprung and summer is on its way and the Agricultural Commission has been busy meeting already.

The Community Garden has been getting plots ready for planting and there is still more work to do there. Trees to take down and fencing to put up and lots more. If anyone would like to volunteer sometime to help please contact Dennis at 413-658-7889.

We are also working hard on trying to have the Farmer's Market this year and are hoping to have more information next month for you and at that time be looking for vendors.

As for the Great Pumpkin Contest we hope we have some pumpkin growers out there for the contest on October 9th, 2023. Remember we also have a contest for floral arrangements, homemade pie contest, canned goods, and baked goods contests.

Have a Safe Memorial Day Weekend The Phillipston Agricultural Commission

Church Flea Market at Transfer Station

May 6, 2023 (8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.)

The church will join the Town Wide Yard Sale and have a big flea market at the Transfer Station. There is lots of stuff we couldn't put out at the last sale, and lots of new things, so come shop and pass the word on to your friends that there will be an abundance of items, something for everyone -- books, tools, toys, furniture, dishes, everything for the kitchen, decorative items.

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

* The church thanks you all so very much for so generously donating things to make this fundraiser successful. The trailer will be open if you have items to add for this sale.

Also, we need volunteers to help bring out things from the trailer to help us get set up before the sale and also to help clean up at 1:30. If you can lend us some muscle for this effort, it would be greatly appreciated.

Bulky Waste Day

Phillipston Transfer Station

**Date: Wednesday May 17, 2023
and Saturday May 20, 2023**

PLEASE NOTE: Prices may have changed.

You may not drop off items on any other day.

You must have a Transfer Station Sticker on your vehicle 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
Sectional Sofas	\$20 1 st Section,	additional pieces	\$20 each
Carpet 10 x 10	\$50		

Other items determined by Transfer Station attendants.

PLEASE NOTE: Mattresses and Box Springs cannot be dropped off as Bulky Waste.

Per MGL they must now be recycled.

First come, first served until unit is full! Payment Accepted: CHECKS ONLY

Absolutely NO Construction/Demo Waste

SENIOR LUNCH NEWS

On Tuesday May 2nd at 11a.m.

Hip Hop Dance Chair exercise class from MUSIC Dance.edu

Sponsored by a GENEROUS ARTS GRANT from THE PHILLIPSTON CULTURAL COUNCIL

Lunch will follow at noon. Please join us for both or either one.

To make reservations call Paula at 978-652-5797

May 2nd - Cheese lasagna, meatball, green beans, salad, oatmeal bread, fresh fruit

May 16th - Chicken cacciatore, noodles, spinach, wheat bread, peaches

Donation of \$3.00 per meal

On Saturday, May 20 from 8 am to 1 pm at Millers River Environmental Center, the North Quabbin Garden Club will be holding its annual plant sale. Locally grown plants from members' gardens, many of the plants native to New England, are offered for sale in time for Spring planting. Rain or shine, the sale will go on and we look forward to seeing local gardeners.

Pauline Alldred co-president

The Historical Society of Phillipston

Annual Meeting

Tuesday, May 16, 2023 at 7:00 PM

Congregational Church Vestry



Everyone is welcome to attend the annual meeting of the Historical Society! You do not have to be a member to attend, but only members can vote. If you want, for \$5/yr. you can join the Society prior to the meeting.

At the annual meeting we'll review the Society's accomplishments over the past year and hear some plans for the coming year. We'll also be electing officers, directors and committee members. We're skipping the potluck supper again this year.

In the Society's 23 years of existence, we have accomplished a lot: 1) We created a museum to house our town's history, a 17-year journey that included moving the building to a new location with more land for parking and a shed housing an egg incubator. Now we are managing the museum with both permanent and revolving exhibits and days where it's open to the public. 2) We have published the book *The Spirit of Phillipston*. 3) We have established a tradition of quality historical programs that are open to the public, including the Memory Tree Ceremony. 4) We have acquired the Goulding Village Mill Site and, with the help of the Boy Scouts, created a trail to the millworks. 5) We have demonstrated that the youth in Phillipston are interested in town history, as seen in their spirited school visits to the museum, their enthusiastic embrace of *The Spirit of Phillipston* as a resource to them in their classrooms, and in their LEGO construction of the historical, 1891 town common under the guidance of Jane French. 6) And we are receiving an increasing number of inquiries from former residents and their families regarding genealogy, the history of artifacts they have inherited, and whether we would like to include their artifacts in our collections.

Twenty-three years represents a generation. It is also a good mile marker to re-assess and evaluate our goals and plans, and to look forward to the Society's next 25 years led by a new generation. We welcome everyone with a love for the town and a love for history to join us at the annual meeting, become a member, get involved, or just cheer us on . . .

We look forward to seeing you there.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

To be held May 3, 2023, at 7:00pm gathering at the Phillipston Memorial School Gym, 20 The Common, Phillipston, MA 01331

Warrant will be post on April 20, 2023, and can be viewed at the Town Hall, Philips Free Library and King Phillip Restaurant lobby. Also on www.phillipston-ma.gov

IMPORTANT VOTING DAY

The Annual Town Election for the Town of Phillipston will be held on Monday, May 15, 2023, from noon to 8pm at the Town Hall, 50 On The Common, Phillipston, MA.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Absentee Ballots will be available starting on May 1st.

Last day to register to vote is May 5, 2023

TOWN CLERK – Karin L. Foley

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION - May 15, 2023 -Monday
CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION TO TOWN OF PHILLIPSTON OFFICES

SELECT BOARD - 3 YR TERM – VOTE FOR ONE

Gerhard R. Fandreyer, 210 Royalston Rd, for-re-election

ASSESSOR – 3 YR TERM – VOTE FOR ONE

Luanne E. Royer, 3 Samuel Drive

BOARD OF HEALTH – 3 YR TERM – VOTE FOR ONE

James B. Praplaski, Sr., 265 Baldwinville Rd, for re-election

CEMETERY COMMISSION – 3 YR TERM – VOTE FOR ONE

No Candidate

CONSTABLE - 3 YR TERM – VOTE FOR ONE

Ronald F. Pratt, 35 Templeton Rd, for re-election

LIBRARY TRUSTEE - 3 YR TERM – VOTE FOR ONE

Karen M. Perkins, 10 Templeton Rd, for re-election

PLANNING BOARD - 5 YR TERM – VOTE FOR ONE

Vernet F. Lussier, 240 Baldwinville Rd. for re-election

Gordon G. Moore, 85 Barre Road

TAX COLLECTOR – 3 YR TERM – VOTE FOR ONE

Sally Ann Kastberg, 75 Baldwinville Road, for re-election

TOWN CLERK - 3YR TERM – VOTE FOR ONE

Karin L. Foley, 20 Narrow Ln, for re-election

NARRAGANSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

3 YR TERM – PHILLIPSTON

VOTE FOR ONE

Danielle Boucher-Brunell, 55 School House Road

NARRAGANSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

1 YR UNEXPIRED TERM – PHILLIPSTON

VOTE FOR ONE

No Candidate

NARRAGANSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

1YR UNEXPIRED TERM – TEMPLETON

VOTE FOR ONE

Henry Mason, 17 Wellington Road, Templeton, for re-election

NARRAGANSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

3 YR TERM – TEMPLETON

VOTE FOR TWO

Shawn Case, 294 Otter River Road, Templeton

Shauna White, 64 Victoria Lane, Templeton

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For more info go to : www.phillipston.com/priceinfo.pdf