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Phillipston Community Newsletter

# Community November 2016



# 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. Church telephone 978-249-8583 Rev. Flynn 978-248-9558 Dear Friends.

Thirty years ago this month I was ordained in the Memorial Congregational Church in Baldwinville. The Phillipston congregation will be celebrating this day with me in worship on Sunday, November 27, followed by a potluck brunch. We will have a guest preacher from the conference named Rev. Kelly Gallagher. It's been a long journey and I would like to thank the people who have supported me on this journey and still stand with me. Many people have been my role models including my parents who were active in their church, and in fact met at a social gathering of two of the predecessor churches in the United Church of Christ. My father was from a Congregational Church and my mother was from an Evangelical and Reformed church. It's strange to think of this now, but thirty years ago there were not many women in ministry, or veterinary medicine or musical conductors, when my sisters and I entered these fields, there were many obstacles.

I would like to invite all of you to come and worship with us any Sunday at 10:00 a.m., for we are all on a faith journey and need the strength we find together in worship to help us face obstacles and challenges in our path. I also encourage you to attend a simple worship service on Wednesday, November 23 at 7:00 p.m. for Thanksgiving Eve. The only offering is a canned goods for the food pantry. The Phillipston sanctuary is especially beautiful at night.

Your sister in Christ, Rev. Stephanie C. Flynn Thanksgiving Eve worship on Wed. November 23 at 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve worship on Saturday, December 24 at 7:00 p.m.

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<u>December 2016 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS November 23<sup>rd</sup></u>

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## Phillips Free Public Library

### **Library Hours**

## **Board of Trustees Meeting:**

Monday 5-7pm Thursday, November 17 @ 6pm Tuesday 9am-2pm Saturday 9am-12pm (\*1st Saturday of each month, enjoy coffee & goodies)

### Birch-twig holiday goose making demonstration

Learn how to make this festive and rustic holiday decoration with materials you find in your yard! Check out the 'programs' section of the library tab on <a href="www.phillipston-ma.gov">www.phillipston-ma.gov</a> to see the finished product. Karen Perkins will present this step by step demonstration on **MONDAY**, **NOVEMBER 28 at 7pm** at the library,

#### **Book Club**

The Book club has chosen "The Language of Flowers" by Vanessa Diffenbaugh as its next read. We will be meeting on **Wednesday, December 7 at 6pm** to discuss it. Please call the library to reserve a copy!

### Cocoa, Crafts & Cartoons

Get in the Christmas spirit on **Friday, December 9 from 6-8pm!** We'll be watching Frosty the Snowman, dunking marshmallows in cocoa & making great Christmas crafts. (psst... maybe a good chance for Mom & Dad to do some wrapping!)

### **Preschool Story Hour**

Story Hour is held **every Tuesday at 10am**. Join us for stories, crafts, snacks and fun! No registration is necessary, call the library for more information

### Nominations being sought

Who do you think should be nominated "Citizen of the Year"? Please send a short paragraph about the person you'd like to nominate for Citizen of the Year. State why you think they should be chosen. All nominations are due by 4 p.m., Friday, November 18. Nominations should be sent to:

Phillipston Town Hall Attn: Opal Clark 50 The Common Phillipston, MA 01331

We already made about \$50!

Thank you so much. Remember that whenever you shop at Amazon they will contribute .5% of your purchase price to the Historical Society of Phillipston if you shop at **www.smile.amazon.com**. Just fill in the charitable organization site (Historical Society of Phillipston) and you are making a donation to the Society at no extra cost for your purchase.

Hello. My name is Elaine and I am a 56 year old woman. I have been diagnosed with kidney disease and the only option I have is a kidney transplant. I would like to tell you a little bit more about myself. I am a retired Firefighter/EMT from Phillipston, a small town in North Central Massachusetts. I live with my husband and our dog. I have 3 children, and 7 grandchildren. I like to help people when I can, however, this kidney disease has hindered my ability to such. Due to health reasons, a few family members have been unable to proceed with this process. For those of you who don't know about kidney disease, finding a live donor that matches my blood and tissue type could possibly take 3 to 5 years. My blood type is A+ and I am going through this process at UMass Medical Center in Worcester. You do not need to use your insurance for this, my insurance covers everything. It's a fairly simple process. You speak with a representative who takes your information; she connects you with another person who will take your health history. They make a decision based on that if you can continue or not. After that you need to have the blood test and a tissue test.

Please send an email to either <a href="mailto:beclayton8@aol.com">beclayton8@aol.com</a> or <a href="mailto:bill312869@aim.com">bill312869@aim.com</a>. if you are interested and think you can help me, I will give you the number. If you are unable to help with this process, I ask of you to please share this with your friends.

My family and I Thank you for time.

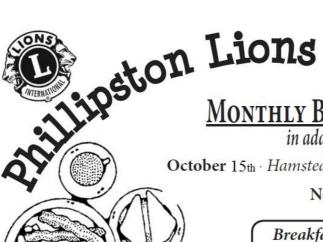
### LADIES BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

The Pumpkin Weigh-In and Country Village Fair held on October 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> at the Red Apple Farm in Phillipston, MA. was a success even though we had 1 day of heavy rain on Sunday. Saturday was a perfect day with fun had by all. The "Home Sweet Home" quilt was displayed and many tickets were sold. The drawing was at 3 pm on Sunday with the winner being Majorie Bushey from Gardner. Our annual Mystery Ride was held on Wed. October 19<sup>th</sup> with Mel Haughton and Nancy MacEwen leading us. There were 11 ladies attending. We headed west on rte 2 enjoying the wonderful foliage arriving in Shelburne Falls to enjoy the famous Bridge of Flowers and little shops along the main street. We then climbed back into the cars and headed east on rte 2 arriving in Greenfield and arriving at the Greenfield Country Club where we enjoyed a delicious lunch with a colorful view of the foliage. The November meeting will be held on November 16, 2016 at 12:30pm in the vestry of the church. The annual Christmas Party will be held this year on December 14, 2016 in the vestry of the church. This is always a fun event and open to the men of the church. The January 18, 2017 meeting will be held at the home of Nancy Nason with Marie Lalena and Barbara Sanden being hostesses. The Ladies Benevolent Society is open to all ladies, please feel free to come and join us. Lifetime dues are 50 cents, very reasonable for a fun time.

# Historical Society of Phillipston presents <u>Collectibles Road Show</u> By Ronald Goodrich Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 7:00p.m. Congregational Church Vestry

Would you like to learn more about some collectibles you own or are considering collecting? If so, don't miss this program. Ronald Goodrich, President of Northeast Collectibles, will share his expertise on a vast range of antiques -- stamps, books, newspapers, baseball cards, postcards, posters, photos, etc. He's an expert on all paper goods plus coins and military items. He will tell us how to sell things and give an estimate of the value of items we bring in. He will also warn us about advertisements to be wary of. It will be an evening of education and discovery. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

Bring some items to show and get an appraisal of their value.



Monthly Breakfast Specials

in addition to our regular menu items.

October 15th · Hamsteak & Beans with Corn Muffins

November 19th - Ruben Omelet

Breakfast Served: 7:30 - 10:30 am Cost \$8.00pp

at

**Phillipston Congregational Church** 

Phillipston, MA

### REMINDER FROM THE CEMETERY COMMISSION

All pots, urns, vases, baskets, artificial flowers, and decorations must be removed in the Spring by April 15th, and in the Fall by October 1st for the purpose of Spring and Fall clean up. They will otherwise be disposed of by the Cemetery Commission.

By doing this, it helps the Cemetery Commission to continue maintaining the grounds.

Questions or further information on Cemetery Bylaws contact Cemetery Commissioner.

Thank you for your help.

Garrett Foley Cemetery Commissioner.

### 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL PUMPKIN WEIGH-IN AND COUNTRY VILLAGE FAIR

This event was held at the Red Apple Farm on October 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> sponsored by the Agricultural Commission and the Phillipston Congregational Church. Saturday was a perfect day, an enjoyable day, where Sunday was windy and rainy. All in all I would say fun was had by all who attended. The Pumpkin Weigh-In was held on Sunday with the weighing of the pumpkins. The following is a list of winners and weight of their pumpkins:

Adults: 1<sup>st</sup> prize Sue Chadwick 952 lbs
2<sup>nd</sup> prize Lou Chadwick 944 lbs
3<sup>rd</sup> prizeArt Kasenski 901 lbs
Children: 1<sup>st</sup> prizeOlson Kids 143 lbs
2<sup>nd</sup> prize Axel Guadalupe109 lbs
3<sup>rd</sup> prizeSam Coppolino 101 lbs
Luther Award Plaque for Smallest Pumpkin:

Eric Olson 37 lbs

Prettiest Pumpkin: Peter and Joanne Haley

The Chairman of the Phillipston Agricultural Commission, Jack Seamon, is challenging every farmer in Phillipston to compete against him to grow a pumpkin for the 2017 Annual Pumpkin Weigh-In. Let's see how many we can get, for more information go to the Facebook page of the Phillipston Agricultural Commission. The winners of the raffles that were held are listed below:

"Home Sweet Home" Quilt Majorie Bushey from Gardner Truck Load of Wood Jeff Howard of Phillipston

1 ton of Wood Pellets Neele Sorrele of Baldwinville

We want to thank everyone that helped prepare and worked on the 2 days of the fair, the Red Apple Farm for allowing us to hold the event at the farm. Working together makes good things happen. A special thank you to all the donors in the community, who helped make this a successful event. (Hannaford, TOPS, Walmart, Marketbasket, Starbucks, Lyman Signs & Price Chopper & any others I may not have listed). Without the generous help of the community, events like this would not be successful.

### PHILLIPSTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH On the Common Phillipston, MA

All are welcome!

Services held every Sunday at 10 am

### **NOVEMBER 2016**

Nov. 20: fruit & vegetable offering for our flower arrangement on altar.

The food will be given to a family in need.

Nov 27: Celebrate Pastor Stephanie's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordination

Pot Luck brunch following the service

### Senior Lunch Menu

Oct . 4: Grilled chicken breast w/ honey mustard sauce, orzo pilaf w/ spinach. broccoli, & mixed fruit.

Oct. 18: Beef stew, green beans, whole wheat bread, pineapple chunks.

Milk is served with each meal. Meal served at Noon.

Call Paula at 978-248-9976 for reservations by the Sunday before the meal.

Suggested donation of \$2.50 If you need a ride we can help with that.

JOHN SEAMON of PHILLIPSTON, CHAIRMAN of the PHILLIPSTON AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION CHALLENGES ALL FARMERS IN PHILLIPSTON TO GROW A PUMPKIN FOR THE 2017 PUMPKIN WEIGH-IN TO SEE IF YOU CAN BEAT HIM! LET'S DO IT AND SHOW HIM!







## Introducing Early Voting



For the November 8 General Election the 1st choice you'll make is which day to vote



You can early vote from

October 24 to November 3

Monday through Thursday from 8:00AM to 4PM

### \*\*EXTENDED HOURS\*\*

Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> 8am to 8pm Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 8:30AM to 1PM Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8AM to 8PM

Town Hall located at 50 The Common, Phillipston, MA 01331

Voting is now more convenient than ever and on YOUR schedule



Questions: Please call us! 978-249-1733; we're here to help! e-mail: <a href="mailto:townclerk@phillipston-ma.gov">townclerk@phillipston-ma.gov</a>



SAVE THE DATE!!!

For the "HOLLY BERRY FAIR"

On Sat Dec.3<sup>rd</sup> & Sun. Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> 2016

From 10 am to 3 pm

Phillipston Congregational Church Vestry

On the Common, Phillipston, MA

Christmas Attic Treasures, Jewelry, Fudge,
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Handcrafted Gifts and much more
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Luncheon: Soup & Sandwiches (\$)



## Phillipston's Holiday Memory Tree



# 2016 Public Service Award and Concert

When: Sunday, December 4, 2016 Time and Place: 4:30 P.M., On the Common

**Please come join us** as the Historical Society of Phillipston once again sponsors the Memory Tree Ceremony, an event that has become a meaningful way to begin the holiday season. After the tree is lit, we will move to the church for the reading of the names of loved ones who have passed away, family members and friends who are serving in the armed forces, and the happy events in our lives that we would like to share.

The annual "Citizen of the Year" for public service to the town will also be announced, A wonderful concert featuring music by "The Swingin' Singin' Seniors" will be presented and directed by Jeannine Como.

Light refreshments will be served in the vestry. You won't want to miss this evening to remember.

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Please use the form below to include your names and events in the ceremony. Each name/remembrance is a \$5.00 donation, and you may include as many as you like. Include a separate sheet of paper if you need more space. Please send in submissions by Dec. 1st. Any questions, contact Linda Langevin at 978-939-5656 Mail completed form and payment to:

Historical Society of Phillipston, c/o Linda Langevin, 105 Riley Switch Road, Phillipston, MA 01331

Your Name:	Phone No.:	
Name Remembered	Memory or Celebration of	Your Relationship
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