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



Phillipston Community Newsletter

### November 2017



### The Phillipston Congregational Church, U.C.C. Our Community Church

Worship is back to 10:00 a.m.

A few weeks ago I was invited to hike the trail at Baldwin Hill. What a stunning trail! The fall color was just beginning and we faithfully followed the apple stamps on trees marking the trail. The beauty of nature is one of the many things that I am grateful for this November. We are fortunate to live in a town that has so many hiking trails. A week later I invited my husband and son Andrew to hike the Baldwin Hill trail with me on another day. We saw two hikers that had come from the Red Apple Farm trail sitting peacefully on a rock. It is easy to see God in the beauty of nature for God's presence is all around us.

I recently read this anonymous prayer in <u>The Language of Prayer</u>, <u>A Blue Mountain Arts Collection</u>: God is BEFORE Me, He will be my Guide. God is BEHIND Me, No ill can betide; God is BESIDE Me, to Comfort and Cheer; God Is AROUND Me, So Why Should I Fear?

May God be with you in all that you face and endure.

Your sister in Christ,

Rev. Stephanie C. Flynn

Thanksgiving Eve Worship is November 22 at 7:00 p.m. The offering is canned goods for the Local Food Pantry.!

#### 2017 Citizen of the Year Award

Every year, the Alphonse W. Chartier, S	r. Public Service Award is given to a deserving
Phillipston resident who has demonstrate	ed outstanding community service and public
spiritedness. Nominations will be received	ved in the Selectmen's Office at Town Hall until
Friday, November 17, 2017 by 3:00 pm.	To nominate someone, please fill out the following
I nominate	to be considered for the Alphonse W. Chartier,
Sr. Public Service Award. Please attach	a signed statement as to why you think this person
should receive the award.	-

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For information on the newsletter visit www.phillipston.com/priceinfo.pdf

#### Phillips Free Public Library

#### **Library Hours**

**Board of Trustees Meeting:** 

Thursday, Nov. 2 at 6pm

Monday 5-7pm Tuesday 9am-2pm Saturday 9am-12pm

#### Thriller, Filler, Spiller: DIY Holiday Urn

Join Karen Perkins as she shows you how she creates the annual Town Hall holiday urn decoration using the basic principles for making a round flower arrangement. Refreshments will be served. **Monday, November 27 at 6pm.** 

#### Save the Date!

Mark your calendars! **Saturday, January 13** we will be holding a "Meet Your Neighbors" open house! More details to come....

#### **Story Hour**

Story Hour is held every Tuesday at 10am. No registration is necessary

#### **New Books**

We have received our first issue of Reader's Digest in Large Print! This subscription was a gift from the Lions. Stop by and borrow this classic magazine... that's now 'easy on the eyes'

#### **Transfer Station Stickers**

The Board of Health has extended the current Transfer Station sticker which would have expired 12-31-2017 to go another year, expiring 12-31-2018 instead. If you do not have already have a sticker you will still need one in order to use the facility for any purpose. Stickers can be purchased Wednesdays from 9:30 -3:00, or by mail. Please include a self addressed stamped envelope and your sticker will be mailed to you. You will need a copy of your registration, proof of ownership (i.e. current tax bill or another current bill) and a check for \$25 made out to "Town of Phillipston".

#### **COME JOIN US!**

SENIOR LUNCH IS SERVED THE FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS OF EACH MONTH AT 12 NOON IN THE VESTRY OF THE PHILLIPSTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, ON THE COMMON, PHILLIPSTON, MA A DONATION OF \$2.50 IS SUGGESTED.

MEET OTHERS AND JOIN IN FUN TIME! TRANSPORTATION IS AVAILABLE, CALL 978-516-8061 FOR MORE INFORMATION



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On Thursday, November 16, 2017 at 7 pm at the Millers River Environmental Center, Elisha Poulin of Wendell will create herbal infused products using lavender and other organic products. See what Wendell grown herbs can do to improve health and beauty. Learn how you can grow and create products from your own garden. As time allows, we will make lavender honey, vinegar, oxymel, glycerite, and oil. \$5 per person for jars, honey, vinegar, etc. A signup sheet will be circulated at the October meeting. Or contact Pauline Alldred at 978 544 6964 to sign up so Elisha knows how many are coming.

An affiliate of the Millers River Environmental Center in Athol, the North Quabbin Garden Club formed in 2006 to encourage interest in all phases of home gardening. With efforts to promote better horticultural practices and foster civic beauty, emphasis is placed on use of native plants, organic gardening, and the conservation of natural resources. Monthly meetings are usually held on the third Thursday evening of each month featuring informative speakers or workshop sessions. Members are currently working on a wildlife habitat garden at the Millers River Environmental Center. Guests and new members are always welcome, so join us this month and learn something new about gardening. Meetings are free to members and guests are asked for a donation.

### Armor of God

Come join us for Sunday School, at the Phillipston Church. With all the craziness that surrounds our everyday lives, it is important to give our children the only foundation and protection that will give them what they need to combat it all. Church services start at 10:00am-Sunday School occurs during church. All are invited and parents are encouraged to join their small children. Please contact me with any questions. We look forward to seeing you.

Peace, Karen Gallant – <u>karengallant72@gmail.com</u> or 978-894-6322 "Finally, be strong in the Lord and his mighty power." Ephesians 6:10



Phillipston Lions Breakfast 3rd Saturday of each month 7:30 – 10:30 am Phillipston Church on the Common

**Breakfast Specials** 

November - Ruebin Omelet

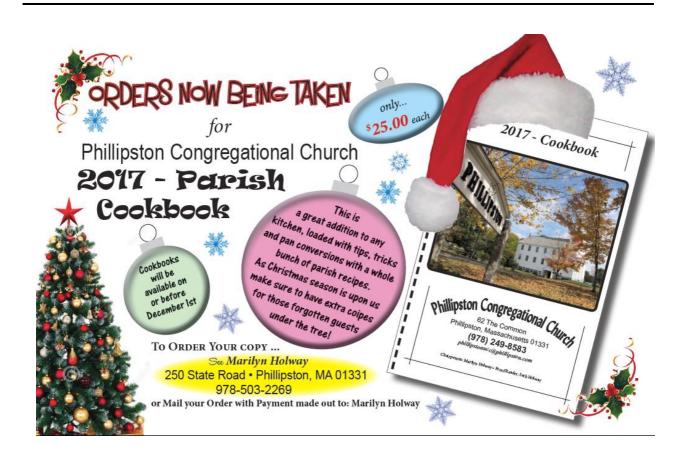
For more information Marilyn Holway 978-503-2269



HARVEST SUPPER
BENEFIT PHILLIPSTON
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>,
CHURCH VESTRY

2 SEATINGS 5 PM & 6:30 PM

CALL JOANNE FOR TICKETS: 978-697-3634



# Annual Holiday Toy Drive

The Holidays are here once again and we are looking for your support of our annual Holiday Toy Drive. Your support in previous years has meant so much to children who might not have a happy holiday otherwise.

New, unwrapped toys may be dropped off at the Transfer Station, Fire Station or Town Hall during normal business hours from 11/25-12/16.

Please call Deputy Chief Donald Smith with any questions at (978) 249-9190.

### The Historical Society of Phillipston, Inc. Presents

#### History of Auto License Plates

Exhibit and Power Point Presentation By Collector Alan Young Wednesday, November 15, 2017 at 7:00 PM



The Historical Society of Phillipston welcomes everyone to a very unique program. The things people collect and share give us insights into bygone days. Alan's program will tell us the history of license plates since 1903. There have been license plates of all sorts and Alan Young has studied them all. He will show the various ones used by cars, and also ones used on vehicles of all types -- on buses, by peddlers and junk dealers, milk cart delivery carts, etc. His presentation is interactive with the audience and he encourages our participation. If you have an old license plate, please bring it in. Your participation will enrich the program. Refreshments will be served following the program.

#### LADIES BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

The Pumpkin Weigh-In and Country Village Fair held on October 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> at the Red Apple Farm in Phillipston, MA. was a success even though we had 1 day of rain on Sunday. Saturday was a perfect day with fun had by all. The "Fairy Tales of Yore" quilt was displayed and many tickets were sold. The drawing was at 4 pm on Sunday with the winner being Georgine Regienus of Barre, MA. Our annual Mystery Ride was held on Wed. October 19<sup>th</sup> with Mel Haughton and Nancy MacEwen leading us. There were 14 ladies attending. Meeting at the church we then headed East and then North, having no idea where we would end up. Foliage was beautiful and we traveled along the back country roads ending in Mason, NH at Pickety Place (Red Riding Hood's House). A great time was had by all on this beautiful warm sunny day. The November meeting will be held on November 15, 2017 at 12:30 pm at the home of Nancy Nason on Secret Lake with hostesses being Barbara Sanden and Marie Lalena. The annual Christmas Party will be held this year on December 13, 2017 in the church vestry. This is always a fun event and the men of the church are invited. 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.

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### 4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL PUMPKIN WEIGH-IN AND COUNTRY VILLAGE FAIR HELD AT THE RED APPLE FARM

This event was held on October 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> sponsored by the Agricultural Commission and the Phillipston Congregational Church. Saturday was a perfect day, an enjoyable day, Sunday was cloudy and showers. 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 Art Kaczenski, Erving, MA

2<sup>nd</sup> prize Lou Chadwick, Greenfield, MA 952 lbs

3<sup>rd</sup> prize Sue Chadwick, Greenfield, MA 801 lbs

Children: 1<sup>st</sup> prize Sam Coppolino, Oakham, MA 97 lbs

2<sup>nd</sup> prize Alex Olson, Phillipston, MA 21 lbs 3<sup>rd</sup> prize Evelyn Olson, Phillipston, MA 2 lbs

Luther Award Plaque for Smallest Pumpkin:

Elaine Whitney 21 lbs

The winners of the raffles that were held are listed below:

"Home Sweet Home" Quilt Georgina Regienus, Barre, MA

Truck Load of Wood
1 ton of Wood Pellets

Cassy Olson, Phillipston, MA
Frank Parillo, Phillipston, MA

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. (Red Apple Farm, Gardner Ale House, Lamb City Campground, Country Barn Bakery, Brookside Equipment, BJ's, King Philip) and all others I may not have listed). Without the generous help of the community, events like this would not be successful. Thank you to all!



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1,065 lbs

Society of Phillipston Inc." as your charitable organization, then proceed to shop and place your order as usual. The Historical Society will receive 0.5% of the purchase price of your products. This donation is made by Amazon and will cost you nothing! Your shopping cart, Wish List, and other preferences + account settings will remain the same. Amazon Smile is the same Amazon you know.... same products, same price, same service.

To everyone who has already taken advantage of this charitable site we sincerely thank you for your participation!



### 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! Upcoming Events:

November 4<sup>th</sup> - Harvest Supper – in vestry of the church 2 sittings – 5pm & 6:30 pm

Adults - \$12 Children ages 6-10 yrs \$6 Call Joanne at 978-697-3634

November 5<sup>th</sup> – Reformation Sunday – Communion

November 12<sup>th</sup> -Sunday Service followed by Pot Luck Brunch

November 19<sup>th</sup> -Fruit & Vegetable offering for our flower arrangement on the altar. The food will be given to a family in need.

December 2<sup>nd</sup> - Holly Berry Fair – 10 to 3 – Come have picture Taken with Santa, lunch & do some Christmas shopping

#### **Bucks for Bags**

Hanaford's of Orange will feature the Historical Society of Phillipston in October. So if you are doing your part in helping the environment by replacing the use of plastic bags with reusable ones, please make your bag purchase at Hanaford and you will not only benefit the environment, you will also benefit our Historical Society. They will donate \$1 from each purchase to us! Thank you so much.



November 5<sup>th</sup> 2017

When you change your clocks, it's also a great time to change the batteries in your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors!!!!!.



#### **HOLLY BERRY FAIR**

AT THE PHILLIPSTON
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
ON THE COMMON, PHILLIPSTON, MA
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup> FROM
10AM TO 3 PM

#### **COME VISIT SANTA & HAVE YOUR PICTURE TAKEN!**

Christmas Attic Treasures, Holiday Sweets, Face Painting, Handcrafted Gifts, Candles & Honey, and Many More.



Lion's Club serving a fabulous luncheon (\$) Soup, Baked Potatoes, Sandwiches, Apple Crisp.









SECOND ANNUAL PIE JUDGING CONTEST WAS HELD AT THE PUMPKIN WEIGH-IN & COUNTRY VILLAGE FAIR AT THE RED APPLE FARM COLUMBUS DAY WEEKEND.

1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE: Irene Stevens, Barre, MA

2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE: Jill Robinson, Phillipston, MA

3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE: Jeanine Como, Phillipston, MA

We thank all the contestants and the judges. All did a great job. See you again next year!

#### Phillipston's Holiday Memory Tree

### 2017 Public Service Award and Concert

When: Sunday, December 3, 2017 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 and presented this evening. A wonderful concert featuring music by "The Pioneer Valley Brass Quintet" will also be presented.

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 Mail completed form and payment to:

#### **Bulky Waste Day**

Phillipston Transfer Station Templeton Road Phillipston

## Date: Wednesday November 15, 2017 and Saturday November 18, 2017

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

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

#### **Absolutely NO Construction/Demo Waste**

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