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Phillipston Community Newsletter

October 2019



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

Sunday Service at 10:00 a.m. Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m. Dear Friends,

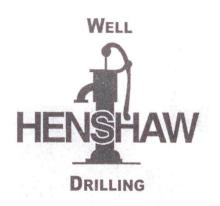
We are coming to the beautiful time of year called autumn or fall. When I go for my walks on Athol Road, I love seeing the trees and the stone walls, the pond across from Milan Farm, the crisp feel of the air and the scents of fall. It is a good time to be alive even though we worry about our loved ones, our community and our nation.

We remember the words from Psalm 100, "Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness, come into his presence with singing." When we hear the crickets chirp, and the birds sing, we are hearing their joyful noises to the Lord.

Many of you pick up trash on the side of the road, and help to keep our community clean, and pleasant. We are grateful to all those who serve in Public Safety, and think ahead to winter when we need them even more. I saw the Cub Scouts at the transfer station today and I thank all the leaders of our Scouts in town. We are fortunate to have Henry and Ivan always ready to help us with our recycling and trash at the transfer station. Every time I have a funeral at Lower Cemetery, I feel grateful for the good work our Cemetery Commissioners and their helpers do.

You know who else I appreciate? Whoever works on our cars - Butch Chadbourne at Hilltop, and Bob Burdick at Emerald Auto Body. Have a wonderful season of fall! I hope to see you all at the Harvest Supper.

Your sister in Christ, Rev. Stephanie C. Flynn



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The Phillipston Congregational Church Located On the Common, Phillipston, MA EVERY ONE IS WELCOME! COME VISIT! Please come and join our Church Family! Church Phone Number: 978-249-8583

Services & Sunday School are held on Sundays at **10:00 a.m** Parents are encouraged to take part in Sunday School, if they wish. A Coffee Hour with refreshments follows the service & on the second Sunday of the month there is usually a Pot Luck Brunch, where everyone may bring one of their favorite dishes. If you forget your dish, you are still welcome to participate, there is always enough food! For more information you may call 978-516-8061.

October Activities:

October 1st: Senior Lunch – 12 noon – vestry of church October 6th: Morning Worship & Sunday School 10 am

Pot Luck Luncheon- come join us!

October 12th: Pumpkin Weigh-In & Fair, Red Apple Farm

11 am til 4 pm - Come & have some fun!

October 13th: Red Apple Farm - Pumpkin Weigh-In & Fair

1 pm – Giant Pumpkin Weigh-In

11 am to 4 pm - Lots of other activities

October 20th: Senior Lunch – 12 noon – vestry of church October 28th: Morning Worship & Sunday School 10am

"Check our Phillipston Church Facebook Page!"

REMINDER FROM THE CEMETERY COMMISSION

All pots, urns, vases, baskets, artificial flowers and decorations must be removed in the Spring by April 15 and in the Fall by Oct. 1 for the purpose of spring and fall clean up.

If not removed, they will be disposed of by the Cemetery Commission. By doing this it helps the Cemetery Commission to continue maintaining the grounds. Please help us by doing your part!

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact the Cemetery Commissioner, Garrett Foley at 978-249-1735.



GIANT PUMPKIN WEIGH-IN & COUNTRY FAIR AT RED APPLE FARM

OCTOBER 12TH & 13TH 11AM to 4PM

Sponsored by

Phillipston Congregational Church & Agricultural Commission PUMPKIN WEIGH-IN on SUNDAY, Oct. 13th at 1pm Giant Pumpkin Cash Prizes – Adult & Children Categories Register your Pumpkins between 11am & 1pm on Sunday Bring Other Items for Display between 8am & 10am on Sunday Such as Canned Goods, Flower Displays, Veggies, etc. PIE JUDGING CONTEST (4th Yr.) – Bring your pies on Sunday between 8am & 10am (label of ingredients, name & phone # on bottom)

RAFFLES SAT. & SUN.

Wood Raffles (Cord Wood & Pellets) - Ladies Benevolent Quilt Raffle
Miscellaneous Other Raffles = Drawings for Raffles - Sunday at 3pm
Bake Table - Coffee Can Pumpkin Auction - & Much More
For Kids: Decorate Your Own Cupcakes -Face Painting

<u>Slightly Used Clothing for Everyone</u>. Glance thru our wonderful clothes. All sizes, all styles, men, women & children! Prices are very reasonable.

Enter your best vegetables and/or flower arrangement for 1st, 2nd & 3rd prizes. Show us your talents!

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

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LADIES BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

The LBS September meeting was held in the vestry of the church with hostesses being Nancy Nason and Janice Howard. The Luncheon was fantastic and tables were decorated for the fall with brightly colored leaves and Halloween Lantern centerpieces.

The next meeting will be October 16th with a special mystery ride being prepared by Nancy MacEwen and Mel Haughton. We are all trying to guess where we will be going.

Preparation is being made for our Annual Pumpkin Weigh-In & Country Fair being held at the Red Apple Farm on October 12th and 13th from 11am to 4pm each day. Quilt tickets will also be available at the Weigh-In with the drawing for the wonderful quilt being held at 3 pm on the 13th. The ladies will be sponsoring the Coffee Can Auction, and their Vintage Clothing (slightly used clothing) Be sure and come by and support them. A bake table will also have some choice items. Plans are being made to hold our annual Holly Berry Fair on December 7th beginning at 9am and ending at 2pm. Our November meeting will be held on the 20th at 11am at the home of Barbara Sanden with Carole Gariepy co-hosting. Our annual Christmas Party will be held at the church on December 11th. You do not have to be a member of the church to join this group. We welcome all ladies, for more info call 978-516-8061.

The Town will be drawing down Queen Lake at the end of September to allow the contractor to complete final work on the dam.

"The Queen Lake Association has requested that the Town schedule its annual drawdown Queen Lake after Columbus Day a minimum of four feet to assist in weed control on advice of Solitude Environmental, their water quality consultant. Waiting until then allows their consultant to conduct an updated survey of the lake weeds prior to drawdown which they can use to develop a treatment plan for spring 2020."

Phillips Free Public Library

Library Hours

Board of Trustees Meeting:

Tuesday 9am-2pm

Tuesday, October 1 at 6pm

Wednesday 5-7pm Saturday 9am-1pm

Save the Date for these Programs!

- * <u>Learn all about Fireflies</u>! Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 6pm How have they been used as a source of light in other cultures? What makes their 'cool light' so different? Join us to learn all about these special nocturnal insects, and make your own firefly jar. All ages welcome!
- * <u>Living Wreath Demonstration</u>- **Tuesday, December 3 at 6:30 7:30 pm**Join library trustee Karen Perkins as she shows you how to craft a holiday table decoration that will last through the winter season from evergreen snips, herbs and berries. The centerpiece will be raffled off to one lucky attendee. Refreshments served.

Family Story Time

Looking for a relaxing family activity for a Fall Saturday morning? Stop by on **Saturday, October 12, at 10:30** for a 'Family Story Time'. Enjoy a few stories an activity and light refreshments. All ages welcome!

Book Club Meet & Greet

Join us on **Thursday, October 17 at 6pm** to put our new Book Club together! We'll get to know each other over light refreshments and choose our first read! All are welcome!

New Books and Movies

New books: <u>Lady in the Lake</u> by Laura Lippman, <u>The Island House</u> by Nancy Thayer, <u>The Turn of the Key</u> by Ruth Ware, <u>The Dutch House</u> by Ann Patchett, <u>Bloody Genius</u> by John Sandford, <u>How Happiness Happens</u> by Max Lucado

New movies: 'Rocket Man', 'Godzilla' 'A Dog's Journey'

Please make a note of our new hours... We are open on Wednesday evenings 5-7pm

New Artist for Newsletter Cover

When Joan Johnson was visiting with some friends here recently, it was mentioned that Bonnie House had retired after many years of drawing nice illustrations for the cover of this Newsletter. Joan's friends said, "Too bad you moved to Florida. If you still lived here, we would ask you to do them now. We remember the good illustrations you did for the history book." Joan said she'd be glad to help out, that with email, it would be easy to make a drawing and send it up to Tim Haley each month. So a big thank you to Bonnie for starting a great tradition, and thank you to Joan for continuing it.

SENIOR LUNCH PHILLIPSTON

COME JOIN US! SENIOR LUNCH FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER WILL BE HELD ON THE FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1st & 15th IN THE VESTRY OF THE PHILLIPSTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, ON THE COMMON, PHILLIPSTON, MA. A DONATION OF \$3 IS SUGGESTED. CALL THE CHURCH 978-249-8583 FOR RESERVATIONS. 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!

MURDER MYSTERY DINNER

HOSTED BY THE FRIENDS OF PHILLIPSTON TROOP 39 ENTERTAINMENT BY THE COMICAL MYSTERY TOUR

OPEN TO ALL ADULTS - BRING FRIENDS, FAMILY, CO-WORKERS!

DATE: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2019

TIME: WELCOME AND APPETIZERS 6:30 SHOW 7-9:30. DINNER SERVED +/- 8:00

PLACE: RED APPLE FARM BREW BARN, 455 HIGHLAND AVE, PHILLIPSTON

DINNER: FARM BBQ BUFFET DINNER OF PULLED PORK, BBQ BEANS, CORNBREAD ETC. WATER AND HOT CIDER INCLUDED, HOMEMADE DESSERTS

* BREW BARN CASH BAR WILL BE OPEN, SERVING MOON HILL BEERS, HARD CIDER AND SODA

COST: \$35/PERSON (ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT TROOP 39)

RAFFLES AND MYSTERY WINNER PRIZE

FOR TICKETS AND/OR INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT: CATHY OLSON: 978-895-0331 OR CHRISTINE BENNETT: 978-939-4274 ORDER TICKETS BY OCTOBER 15TH!

COME OUT FOR A FUN NIGHT & DELICIOUS DINNER WHILE SUPPORTING
THE KIDS OF YOUR COMMUNITY

Phillipston Residents and Historical Society Members Our Own Stories

October 15th at 7 P.M. in the Congregational Church Vestry

Everyone has a special object, maybe a tool, a dish, a stone, a piece of jewelry, a photo, a card, a book ... something that was given to you by someone special or it may be something you purchased or found, and that object has a story. Please bring your item (or items) and share its story. Some of the stories will relate to family history, others will be military connected, or a friend or job related. It may or may not have monetary value, but it is precious to you. A person once said, "What you give away lasts forever, what you keep to yourself is gone when you're gone." This will be a special and personal evening and we invite you to participate. There will be refreshments to enjoy following the meeting.



October 19 ~ New Englander
2 Eggs, Hamsteak, Brown Baked Beans & Corn Muffin

Town of Phillipston 2019 Citizen of the Year Award

Every year, the Alphonse W. Chartie	er, Sr. Public Service Award is given to a deserving
Phillipston resident who has demons	strated outstanding community service.
Nominations are to be received at the	e Selectmen's Office at Town Hall by Thursday,
November 14, 2019 by 3:00 pm. Att	tention – Opal Clark. To nominate your candidate,
please fill out the following:	•
I nominate	to be considered for the 2019 Alphonse W.
Chartier, Sr. Public Service Award.	Please attach a signed statement as to why you think
your candidate should receive the aw	vard.





Phillipston's Holiday Memory Tree2019 Public Service Award and Concert

When: Sunday, December 1, 2019 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 musical program featuring music by "Legacy" will also be presented.

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

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 Nov. 28th. Any questions, contact Linda Langevin at 978-939-5656. Mail completed form and payment to:

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

Your Name: Address:	Phon	e No.:
Name Remembered	Memory or Celebration of	Your Relationship
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The Historical Society of Phillipston, Inc.

Programs 2019 - 2020

Tuesday, October 15, 2019

Our Own Stories by Members and Residents

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: Congregational Church Vestry

Tuesday, November 12, 2019

Personal Stories of Two WWII Veterans

Presentation and Artifacts Display by Bill Shea

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: Congregational Church Vestry

Sunday, December 1, 2019

Memory Tree and 2019 Public Service Award

Musical Presentation by "Legacy"

Time: 4:30 P.M.

Location: Tree on the Common and Congregational Church Sanctuary

Sunday, April 19, 2020

Harriet Tubman - A Dramatic Historic Presentation

by Gwendolyn Quesaire-Presutti

Time: 2:00 P.M.

Location: Congregational Church

Tuesday, May 19, 2020

Pot Luck Supper and Annual Meeting

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Location: Congregational Church Vestry
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Saturday, July 18, 2020

Antique Tractors, Cars, and Engines A Family Day at the Museum

Time: 9 A.M. to 3 P.M.

Location: Historical Society Museum, 80 State Road

Sunday, August 16, 2020

Max and Matt - A Family Event at the Museum
Presentation and Demonstration by Patrol Dog Officer Max
and his master Police Officer Matt Praplaski
Time: 2:00 P M

Location: Historical Society Museum, 80 State Road

For additional information or questions please phone Carole at 978-939-5465

A Satisfying Position to Fill

Jane French will step down from her position as Curator of the Historical Society of Phillipston, a position she held since 2004. Under her leadership, the Historical Society Museum has developed into a first-class institution that



preserves and exhibits our history. Jane will retire next year and will welcome someone to succeed her. She will happily share what the position entails and help with the transition. If you have a love of history, a love of Phillipston, and would like to learn more details, please call Jane at 978-249-4356.

The museum is free and open on Sundays from 1 to 3. All are welcome. There is something for all the family to enjoy. You will be impressed and proud of the treasure our small town has.