

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

Phillipston
Community
Newsletter

October 2022



Paisley, 7

The Phillipston Congregational Church, U.C.C.
Our Community Church
Worship 10:00 a.m. with Children's story

Dear Friends

This poem was shared with me in my United Church of Christ Clergy
Community of Practice.

Slowly she celebrated the sacrament of Letting Go

First she surrendered her Green,
then the Orange, Yellow and Red.

Finally she let go of her Brown.

Shedding her last leaf

she stood empty and silent, stripped bare.

Leaning against the sky she began her vigil of trust.

Shedding her last leaf

she watched its journey to the ground.

She stood in silence

wearing the color of emptiness,

her branches wondering:

How do you give shade, with so much gone?

And then the sacrament of waiting began.

The sunrise and sunset watched with tenderness,

clothing her with silhouettes,

they kept her hope alive.

They helped her understand that her vulnerability

her dependence and need, her emptiness

her readiness to receive were giving her a new kind of beauty.

Every morning and every evening

she stood in silence and celebrated

the sacrament of waiting.

Your sister in Christ, Stephanie C. Flynn

I hope to see you on Sunday, October 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Red
Apple Farm for the Pumpkin Fair with books, cordwood raffle tickets and
jewelry.

Phillipston's Holiday Memory Tree

and

2022 Public Service Award



When: Sunday, December 4, 2022

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. This year we can return to celebrating the names *inside* the Congregational Church after the tree is lit! Inside we will be pleased to have Senator Anne Gobi and Representative Susannah Whipps read 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.

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. For any questions, contact Linda Langevin at 978-939-5656.

Mail completed form and donation to:

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

Enclosed is my \$ _____ donation for _____ light(s) on the Memory Tree. Please make check payable to "Historical Society of Phillipston".

<u>Name Remembered</u>	<u>Memory or Celebration of</u>	<u>Your Relationship</u>
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Your Name: _____ Phone No.: _____

Address: _____

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Early Voting Available

For the November 8th

State and Special Town Election
the 1st choice you'll make is which day to vote

You can early vote from
October 22nd to November 3rd

Mondays and Tuesdays 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Wednesdays Noon to 6:00 PM

Thursdays 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

****EXTENDED HOURS****

Saturday, October 22nd & 29th 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

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: townclerk@phillipston-ma.gov



Drive Thru or Dine Out 2022

Sponsored by Lions and Friends of Lions in Phillipston

Saturday October 15

Lunch Special Menu

Lunch Sandwich Choice~

Chicken Salad ~ Ham Salad ~ Tuna Salad ~ Egg Salad ~
Ham & Pickle Salad on White, Wheat or Rye Bread.

Soup Choice~

Tomato, Broccoli & Cheese, Corn Chowder or Chili.

Dessert & Choice of Beverage.

Phillipston Church on the Common

Times for Service Dinner 11 am – 2 pm

Price \$9.00

VOTE

November 8, 2022

Polls Open at 7:00 am – Close at 8:00 pm

PHILLIPSTON IS HOLDING A DUAL ELECTION

Two Elections – Two Ballots same day

Special Town Election and State Election

You Can Vote by mail, vote early in-person or at the polls Nov 8th

For more information see the Town Website at www.phillipston-ma.gov

e-mail townclerk@phillipston-ma.gov or

Call Town Clerk's Office at 978-249-1733.

Special Town Election – Candidates

Board of Selectmen – 3 yr. Term – Vote for One
Daniel F. Sanden, 440 Highland Ave

Board of Assessors – 3 yr. Term – Vote for One
Earl. R. Sweat, 600 Royalston Rd

Board of Assessors – 1 yr. Term – Vote for One
Luanne E. Royer, 3 Samuel Dr

**State Election Information on Candidates and
Questions are available at www.sec.state.ma.gov**

On Thursday, October 20 at 7 pm at the Millers River Environmental Center, Mary and Roger Bowker, both master gardeners on Cape Cod, will discuss native and pollinator plants and invasive species. They purchased an historic dairy farm in 2001 and have spent many years ridding 15 acres of invasive species and creating garden rooms, an herb garden, an orchard and pleasing landscape. We will hear and learn about their expertise and enjoy a question and answer time following their presentation. Admission is free and snacks will be served.

Pauline Alldred
co-President

The Phillipston Youth Supports (PYS)

A quarterly meeting will be held on
December 8, 2022 at 6:30pm Rm #2
at the Phillipston Memorial School, all are welcome.

The purpose of this nonprofit organization is to raise and distribute money for programs, scholarships, and educational opportunities that will directly support the youth of Phillipston.

If this is something you are interested in, please join us and bring a friend.

We are proud to announce that this past year we gave multiple scholarships back into our community.

- We were able to assist 4 Seniors on their class trip.
- We gave 4 college scholarships.
- We sponsored a child going to a Leadership Conference.
- We assisted a scout with his fees for camp.

Currently our only fundraiser is the Narragansett Craft Fair.

Please think about volunteering this year. We have scheduled a craft fair meeting for Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 6:30 in rm #2 at the Phillipston School. We hope to see you there. Please feel free to email us at phillipstonyouth@gmail.com with any questions.

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2 foot x 4 foot with Chrome Trim
Contact 978-249-8656
Caller ID, I will return your call.
\$300 or best offer.

HARVEST SUPPER

To Benefit

Congregational Church of Phillipston

OCTOBER 22, 2022

TIMES: 5:00 PM or 6:30 PM

Turkey Dinner Tickets \$14.00

Contact Kathleen at 978.660.3197

Phillips Free Public Library

Library Hours

Tuesday 9-2pm

Wednesday 5-7pm

Saturday 9-1 pm

Board of Trustees Meeting:

Tues. October. 4, 2022 at 6pm

* “like” our Facebook page

Phillips Free Public Library

Story Hour is BACK !!

We will be holding 2 Story Hours in October- **Tuesday, October 18** and **Tuesday, October 25** both at 10 am. Pre-schoolers (and younger siblings) are welcome to join us for stories, circle time, craft project and a snack! Please call the library (978) 249-1734 for more information.

Book Club

Our Book club’s next read will be The Silent Patient by Alex Michaelides. We will meet on Tuesday, October 25 at 5:30 pm to discuss! Call the library (978) 249-1734 asap if you need a copy.

New Materials

New books include: The Last Lie Told by Debra Webb, Hatchet Island by Paul Doiron, One and Done by James Chandler, Leadership by Henry Kissinger, Horse by Geraldine Brooks, What She Found by Robert Dugoni, The Mother’s Promise by Sally Hepworth, A Secret Kept by Tatiana DeRosnay, Overkill by Sandra Brown, The Reckoning by Catherine Coulter and We Believed in Mermaids by Barbara O’Neal

New movies include: Where the Crawdads Sing, Father Stu, Minions: the Rise of Gru and Downton Abbey: a new era.

New Collections Needed

Do you have a collection that you’d be willing to lend us for our display case ? We’ve had some wonderful ones – root beer bottles, vintage sprinklers, turtles, seashells.... What do YOU collect that you could share ? Younger patrons are welcome to share their collections too ! Barbies? Hot Wheels ? Stuffed Animals??

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COME JOIN US AT THE GIANT PUMPKIN CONTEST OCTOBER 9TH
AT THE RED APPLE FARM

The Phillipston Agricultural Commission

We have been meeting at the Community Garden.

The Farmer's Markets was not held this year, but we are working on still for next year. We have high hopes for a good year next year and plan to send out and see vendors early in 2023.

The Giant Pumpkin Contest is coming up fast it is being held at the Red Apple Farm on October 9th, 2022. Registration is 11am to 1pm with weigh in at 1pm. It is not just for pumpkins, we have pie, vegetables, canning and floral arrangements that can be entered. If anyone would like to help be a sponsor for the prize money, please contact Glenn Whitney at 413-992-7066, Julie Hockman jhockcty2014@gmail.com or Tom Brouillet. One of us would be happy to pick up the sponsor money. The big news for the Giant Pumpkin Contest is we have Entertainment. We have the Hofbräuhaus Bavarians.

The Historical Society of Phillipston

welcomes all to another interesting program

Everything You Didn't Know about American Money

presented by Bob St.Jean

October 18 at 7:00 P.M.

in the Phillipston Congregational Church Vestry

Resident Bob St.Jean's interest in coins started when he was 12 years old. He was a paperboy, and on payday he examined all the coins he was given. If one of the coins was an Indianhead penny, he saved it. To support that interest, his father bought him "The Red Book" which told all about coins. Bob studied it and has become quite an authority on coins and also paper money.

He is a retired history teacher and good storyteller. He will fascinate you with the American money stories he has learned, money stories most of us have never heard.

All are welcome. After this program, we'll all check out our coins more carefully and appreciate the evolution of our currency.

NOTICE FROM THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE TO TAX PAYERS

Reminder 2nd quarter tax bills are due 11/1/2022

If payments not received by due date 14% interest will accrue.

Thank you.

Sally Kastberg - Phillipston Tax Collector 978-249-1731