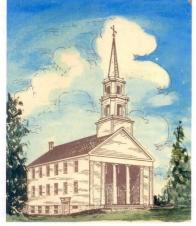
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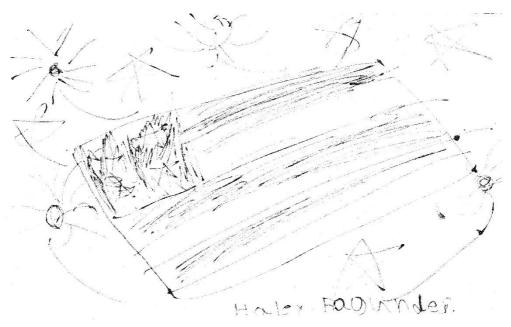


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Congregational Church of Phillipston, U.C.C. 60 The Common Phillipston, MA 01331

Phillipston Community Newsletter

September 2022



The Phillipston Congregational Church, U.C.C. Our Community Church Sunday Service at 10:00 a.m. Children's story told every Sunday

Dear Friends,

A Baptist colleague of mine named Phil has just returned from a trip to Scotland. He attended the Saint Cyrus Church of Scotland, a Presbyterian church during his recent vacation. He shared a prayer with me written by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Weelby and the Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell. Both of these men serve the Anglican Church of Great Britain. So this is indeed a prayer which comes to you in a community newsletter from a United Church of Christ pastor, whose Baptist colleague has just returned from Scotland where he attended a Presbyterian church with a prayer written by two Anglican bishops!

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power of war and peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the Name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.

Your sister in Christ, Rev. Stephanie C. Flynn

We hope to start our Sunday School year on Sunday, September 11at 10:00 a.m. with a Child friendly worship service followed by an ice cream coffee hour.

SENIOR LUNCH NEWS SENIOR LUNCH WILL BE SERVED IN SEPTEMBER On the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at NOON. Sept. 6th Beef stew, mixed veggies, dinner roll. yogurt Sept. 20th Macaroni & cheese, stewed tomatoes, dinner roll, applesauce. Any questions & reservations please call Paula at 978-652-5797

2022 Vote by Mail Application



1 Voter Information	Name:Address of Voter Registration: Date of Birth: Phone Number (optional): E-mail Address (optional):					
				2 Ballot Information	Elections: All 2022 Elections*	* Primary Ballot
					Sept. 6 th State Primary Only*	Republican
					Nov. 8 ⁿ State Election Only	
Ballot Mailing Address						
3 Assistance	Voter required assistance in completing application due to physical disability.					
	Assisting person's name:					
	Assisting person's address:					
	This application is being mad	de by a family member				
	Relationship to Voter:					
Signed (under penalty of perjury):		Date:				
Eligibility						
Any registered voter may us	se this application to request a mail-in	a ballot for any 2022 election.				
Completing the Appli	cation					
1. Voter Information – Pro	vide your name, the address where y	ou are registered to vote, and date of birth.				
 Ballot Information – Choose which ballot(s) you want to receive by mail. If you're requesting a primary ballot and you're not registered in a party, you must pick a primary ballot. Provide your ballot mailing address. 						
 Assistance – If you're helping someone complete this application, or you're requesting a ballot for a family member, fill out this section. 						
 Sign your name – If you can't sign your name, you may ask someone to sign your name in your presence. 						
Submitting the Applic	ation					
	ation to the local election office for yo com or by calling 1-800-462-VOTE (ur city or town. Find contact information for local election 8683).				
Application Deadlines	3					
This application must reach	your local election office by 5 p.m. o	n the fifth business day before Election Day.				
State Primary Deadline	August 29, 2022					
State Election Deadline: November 1, 2022						

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Please take a moment to answer the following questions about transportation in Phillipston. Completed surveys can be dropped off at the library.

Are you unable to drive? _____ Do you have access to a vehicle for your use? _____

IF you are unable to drive is this because you are a senior, disabled or both or for another reason?

How do you run errands: grocery shopping, appointments, etc ? Do you drive yourself, or does someone help you?

How many essential trips do you make monthly? (Shopping, medical visits etc.)

How many social trips to you make monthly (visiting friends, volunteering etc.)

Would you use Senior or disabled transportation if available?

Are you a caretaker of a family member who lives in Phillipston and concerned about their independence due to their inability to drive?

How does a family member's inability to drive affect your daily and work life?

How would disabled and Senior transportation help lessen these concerns?

Other comments _____

Thank you

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

Child Friendly Worship service with Puppet Show!!! Sunday, Sept. 11 at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School begins with Registration on Sunday, September 11 at 11:00 a.m. (No charge)

After Worship Ice Cream Social with Ice Cream and numerous toppings at 11:00 a.m. For the Whole Family!

Come and learn about Bible Stories in the Old and New Testament

Sunday School Superintendent Heidi Aukstikalnis

Assistant Superintendent Pam Campos

Religious Education Committee Jennie Chace, Crystal McAllister, Sarah Leonard, Kathleen Walsh and Leslie Dossett



The Phillipston Agricultural Commission

We have been meeting at the Community Garden the past few meetings and the work that Dennis has done down there has been amazing. He as some vegetables growing and has the pump up and working.

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



Freedom Ranch Farm

35 Royalston Rd, Phillipston Beginner Friendly Yoga Classes Lead by teacher Stacey Longmuir, 500RYT Dates: Sept. 6th 6pm, Sept. 24th 10am Oct. 8th 10am, Oct. 22nd 10am \$20 per person paypal/cash/venmo Bring yoga mat/towel, water, signed waiver \$10 non-refundable deposit to hold spot Contact Shawn Vaillancourt 978 894-3428 Stacey Longmuir, 500RYT 978 350-6179



Drive Thru or Dine Out 2022

Sponsored by Lions and Friends of Lions in Phillipston Saturday Sept. 17

Breakfast Menu

New Englander / Reuben Omelet

Also Available for purchase

Pan size PancakeFrench Toast (choice of bread)Make your own Omelet

choice of Ham, Cheese, Onion, Tomato or Pepper Hungry Man Platter ~ 2 Pancakes, 2 French Toast, Eggs, Home Fries & 2 Sausage

Kids Menu Ages 3 – 10 yrs old *All kids meals served with sausage & fresh fruit* Pancakes (blueberry, chocolate chip, personal letter) Pop eye (choice of bread, fried egg in middle of bread) French Toast Sticks (choice of bread) Phillipston Church on the Common Times for Service Breakfast 8am – 11am

Price \$8.00 -- Kids Meal \$5.00

Lions and Friends of Lions of Phillipston

Senior Meals / Deliver Week of: Sept. 26 – 30, 2022 Oct. 24 – 28, 2022 Nov. 28 – Dec. 2, 2022 Meals will be free! No meals will be left if no one is home. ENJOY! Phillipston Lions Club

WELCOME EVERYONE to an Historical Society of Phillipston program Presented by Sandra Larson **Memories of an Antique Dealer** September 13 at 7:00 P.M. in the Phillipston Congregational Church Vestry

Many Phillipston folks know Sandra Larson from her many years serving as secretary at the Memorial School, but many don't know that she also had another interest too; she was an antique dealer for 20 years and still is involved in that business.

Her shop is in Petersham, "The 1760 House." On September 13th she will share her experiences as a dealer with us. She will talk about the different types of antiques, the stories connected with them, and the people she met.

All are welcome. The program will be interesting, educational, and fun.

SEPTEMBER DEADLINE AUGUST 23rd

State Primary Election September 6, 2022 EARLY VOTING - PHILLIPSTON Early Voting Dates & Times:

Saturday	Aug. 27	12:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Monday	Aug. 29	12:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Tuesday	Aug. 30	12:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Wednesday	Aug. 31	12:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Thursday	Sept 1	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Friday	Sept 2	Town Hall Closed

Voting in Person at the Polls after submitting an early ballot is prohibited as outlined in 950 CMR 4 7.19.

Location: Town Hall 2nd floor, 50 The Common, Phillipston, MA 01331



THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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August 10, 2022

Karin L. Foley, Town Clerk Town of Phillipston 50 The Common Phillipston, MA 01331

Re: Phillipston Annual Town Meeting of May 4, 2022 -- Case # 10540 Warrant Article # 30 (General)

Dear Ms. Foley:

<u>Article 30</u> - We approve Article 30 from the May 4, 2022 Phillipston Annual Town Meeting.

Note: Pursuant to G.L. c. 40, § 32, neither general nor zoning by-laws take effect unless the Town has first satisfied the posting/publishing requirements of that statute. Once this statutory duty is fulfilled, (1) general by-laws and amendments take effect on the date these posting and publishing requirements are satisfied unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law, and (2) zoning by-laws and amendments are deemed to have taken effect from the date they were approved by the Town Meeting, unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law.

Very truly yours,

MAURA HEALEY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Nicole B. Caprioli

By: Nicole B. Caprioli Assistant Attorney General Municipal Law Unit 10 Mechanic Street, Suite 301 Worcester, MA 01608 (508) 792-7600 ext. 4418

New Section of by-laws under

ARTICLE VIII – Highways Section 7.

Section 7. No person shall unload any construction or heavy equipment in a public way without adequate protection to the existing road surface. Any individual or business causing damage to the public way by such action shall be fined \$300.00, with each day that the violation continues considered a separate offense and shall be responsible for the repair of said damage to the satisfaction of the Highway Department Superintendent.

NOMINATION PAPERS AVAILABLE NOW

Town of Phillipston SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION

Polls open at 7:00am to 8:00pm Town Hall, 50 on the Common, Phillipston

November 8, 2022 Tuesday

To Elect <u>One Selectmen</u> – Term until Town Election May 2025 (fill vacancy)

To Elect <u>One Assessor</u> – Term until Town Election May 2023 (fill vacancy)

To Elect <u>One Assessor</u> – Term until Town Election May 2025 (fill vacancy)

Come to Town Clerk's Office to get nomination papers. 20 voter signatures are needed to have your name on the ballot.

LAST DAY TO OBTAIN NOMINATION PAPERS – <u>September 19th</u> LAST DAY TO SUBMIT PAPERS TO BOARD OF REGISTRARS FOR CERTIFICATION OF SIGNATURES – <u>September 21st</u> (At Town Clerk's Office)

LAST DAY TO WITHDRAW NOMINATION PAPERS – <u>September 23rd</u> LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE – October 29th

Warrant for election will be posted by the 25th day of October CONTACT THE TOWN CLERK IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS MONDAY, TUESDAY & THURSDAY 8:00am – 4:00pm WEDNESDAYS 8:00am - 6:00pm LEAVE A MESSAGE AT 978-249-1733 or e-mail townclerk@phillipston-ma.gov

If you have applied for a mail in ballot for the State Election you will receive a town ballot by mail automatically

Phillips Free Public Library

Library Hours

Tuesday 9-2pm Wednesday 5-7pm Saturday Saturday 9-1 pm weekend **Board of Trustees Meeting:**

Tues. Sept. 6, 2022, at 6pm ** the library will be closed on

September 3 for the Labor Day

Book Club

Join our Book Club debut on Tuesday, September 27 at 7pm as we meet to discuss 'Where the Crawdads Sing' by Delia Owens. Call the library (978) 249-1734 asap if you need a copy.

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??

Win an Amazon Kindle

All patrons visiting the library in the month of September will be entered into a drawing to win a new Amazon Kindle and \$100 Amazon gift card! (thank you to an anonymous donor!) Free Library Mini-Shed

The shed holds an ever-changing selection of books & movies for folks to take (& keep- or share with others). Please DO NOT leave donations in this location! (call the library regarding donations 978-249-1734)

** The toys and games are back in the Children's Room!

** Please 'like' and follow our Facebook page... Phillips Free Public Library

** Borrow the Tower Hill or DCR pass,

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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO!! Save Time. Avoid Aggravation. Know these 6 things BEFORE going to the polls:

1. Are you a registered voter?

The deadline to register to be eligible to vote in the State Primary election is Saturday, August 27 @ 5:00 pm. The Town Clerk's Office will be open on this date from 12:00 am 5:00 pm for in person voter registration or register to vote online at

https://www.sec.state.ma.us/ovr/ This is also the last day to make changes to your party affiliation. REMEMBER, the Primary is a Partisan Election and you must vote on the ballot for the party in which you are registered. If you are registered as Unenrolled, you may choose which party ballot you want to vote on.

2. Is your voter status "active"?

Voters must return their signed street list census form annually to the Town Clerk's office to maintain an active voter status. Inactive voters are still eligible to vote but will be required to complete additional forms and show an ID at the polls in order to vote. To avoid having to complete additional paperwork at the polls, voters who appear as inactive can change their status to active by stopping by the Town Clerks Office to sign a census form in person up until Saturday, August 27 @ 5:00 pm. Changes to the voting lists cannot be made after the deadline of August 27.

3. Can I vote Early in person or by Mail?

Yes! You can vote early either in person or by mail. See the Early Voting schedule for dates, hours and location! You can also vote by mail by submitting an application to the Office of the Town Clerk not later than 5 pm on the 5th business day before the election – For the 9/6 State Primary, Monday, August 29 at 5:00 pm. Applications can be found on the Town's website or the Secretary of States website.

4. Where do I vote on ELECTION DAY?

The Town of PHILLIPSTON has 1 polling location, All voters vote at:

Phillipston Town Hall

50 The Common

5. What is my voting Precinct?

The Town of Phillipston only has one precinct and all voters are included in that one precinct.

6. What will I be voting on?

Voters are encouraged to educate themselves on the many races and questions that will appear on their ballot PRIOR to arriving at the polls. By visiting the website: <u>https://www.sec.state.ma.us/ele/eleupcomingelections/upcoming-elections.htm</u> You will have the option to view your ballot and check your registration status. Educated voters will reduce the amount of time necessary in the voting booths and reduce lines and crowding on Election Day. Sample ballots will also be available to view at the Office of the Town Clerk, 50 The Common as well as on the Town Clerk's page of the Town's website <u>www.phillipston-ma.gov</u>



We Are Open !!

The Museum of the Historical Society of Phillipston at 80 State Road

is open Sundays from 1 - 3 PM and frequently on Wednesday afternoons. We can also open it at your convenience

by calling in advance: 978-249-4356 or 978-939-5656

 * The Museum will be closing for the season Sept. 30th *