

THE WARWICK COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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WARWICK WEBSITE – Ed Lemon

<http://www.warwickma.org> Our town website is full of local information: a calendar, agendas, minutes, logs, reports, and photographs of town events. There are photos of historical and scenic places in town and links to everything from topo maps to articles about Warwick's history and attractions. Download real estate or vehicle excise tax abatement forms. Access important town documents such as bylaws and zoning laws. I also try to keep the business page current. If your business is not listed, please contact me so that I can add it to the growing list. Artists, authors and musicians are also welcome to advertise their works and services. There is no charge for this service. As always, comments and suggestions are welcomed.

LETTER OF THANKS

Bill and I are very appreciative of all the kindnesses that have been shown to us of late, (visits, cards, flowers, transportation, meals etc.) We want to thank everyone for everything. It has been a long process, but things are beginning to improve for both of us. We are feeling much better, and a great deal happier. We would also like to thank Chief Gates and his crew for their prompt responses to our emergencies.

*Much love to all of you,
Judy and Bill Styles*

TOWN HALL GATHERINGS - Diana Tandy

The Town Hall Gatherings will continue on Fridays. Diana Tandy and Kelly Chappel-Farley have teamed up to provide lunches. Watch for weekly menu postings on the Warwick L. Ingredient lists are available at the Town Hall. (No Gathering on December 6th)

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Town Hall on Fridays, Coffee for \$1.00 ready at 10:00 AM, cup of Soup for \$3.00, ½ Sandwich for \$1.50. Have both (Cup and a half) for \$4.00 starting at 11:30 AM. Desserts (by donation) anytime.

Take out lunches are available - please bring a container for Soup.

RECREATION COMMITTEE - Leanne Limoges

Dates/Times for Zumba: **Sundays at 8am** **Tuesdays at 6pm** **Thursdays at 6pm** See Calendar for December/holiday cancellations or check the Facebook Page - Zumba with Christine Rouleau. Drop in for \$5/class at Town Hall. Call Leanne 544-5553 if you have questions.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - Larry Delaney, Interim Highway Superintendent

We have continued working on Northfield Rd. finishing cleaning underneath the guardrails to improve drainage.

We have been replacing broken guardrail posts along Northfield Rd.

Bartlett Consolidated has been in town to replace some sections of guardrail that have been damaged by motor vehicle accidents.

We have been cleaning out culverts and bleeders on several roads as well. We are extremely busy trying to get as much done before winter as possible.

We appreciate all the positive feedback we have received on the work we do. It is a rewarding experience for us to see the finished project as well.

Tim Kilhart has left the Warwick Highway Dept. to become the DPW director for the Town of Hubbardston. We here at the Highway Dept. wish Tim best of luck in his new adventure.

Farewell

I want to take this time to thank everyone for the opportunity that I had to work as Warwick's Hwy. Supt. for the last 8 years. My time here has been very rewarding and I will miss the small town atmosphere. I have left Warwick to become the DPW Director for Hubbardston. It will be very trying but also very exciting at the same time. I look forward to the new challenges that will face me. I appreciate all the kind words that everyone has given me as I was finishing my time in Warwick. It has been a pleasure to meet so many nice people and to make new friends. I always appreciated the support you gave the Highway Dept. over the years and hope that continues to whomever takes over my job. Thank you so much for your support and good luck to you in the next 250 years in Warwick.

-Tim Kilhart

WARWICKIANS ON-LINE

If you can send and receive e-mail, you can sign up for the Warwick-L, our town's on-line discussion group. Anything that pertains to Warwick and the people who live here is appropriate. To join us, send an e-mail message to Miryam Williamson <miryam@mwilliamson.com> including your full name, street address, phone number, and, if you are not a resident, a sentence or two saying why you want to join.

RESTAURANT REVIEW – Gloria Varno

Wicked Good Bar and Grill @ Twin River Casino
 100 Twin River Road
 Lincoln, RI 02865

Twin River Casino is slightly closer than Foxwoods and Mohegan Sun. I can make it in about 1 ½ hours from Warwick, and the CT casinos take me about 2 ¼ hours. They have expanded Twin River recently and added more slots and now have table games. The last couple of times I went with friends we ended up eating at Wicked Good Bar and Grill. And I must say, “It’s Wicked Good”.

It’s a sports bar so TV’s cover the walls so you can watch all New England sports. I particularly like the wall which contains a picture looking at the field at Fenway Park, and on the opposite wall is Yankee Stadium (boo). I tried the clam chowder and as I’ve said in previous reviews, I like my “chowda” thick. Well, the spoon actually stood up in this one. It’s more like a stew, thick with lots of clams. The first time I tried The Belichick, a grilled chicken breast topped with lettuce and tomato on a toasted roll. It was excellent, served with shoe string fries and a pickle, the nice deli half sour pickles. One of my friends replaced the shoe string fries with sweet potato fries but we all liked the string better.

The second time I went, I chose the Fish and Chips which was beer battered cod. It was a huge piece of fish served with fries and cole slaw. Fish was very flakey and not greasy. Both times, I didn’t have room for dessert.

If you haven’t been to Twin River Casino, I recommend a trip down. It’s easy to get to off Rt. 146 south of Worcester in Lincoln, RI. And I highly recommended eating at Wicked Good Bar and Grill but, they do have a food court which does contain Johnny Rockets for excellent hamburgers and frappes, my second choice. Good luck at the gaming and bon appetite.

WARWICK FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY - Nancy Hickler

New books include: The Mortal Instruments Series by Clare, The Longest Ride by Sparks, Luminaries by Catton (Winner of the Booker Man Prize), Things That Matter by Krauthammer, One Summer by Bryson, Goldfinch by Tartt, Land of Dreams by Sundstol, The Lowland by Lahiri, Bridget Jones: Wild About the Boy by Fielding, Circle by Eggers, Nantucket Christmas by Thayer, Signature of All Things by Gilbert, Starry Night by Macomber. Book on Cd: Valley of Amazement by Tan, Aimless Love (Poetry) by Collins and Dog Songs (Poetry) by Oliver. A new book by local author Doc Pruyne is also available. Persimmon is the first book in a trilogy for young adults (and adults, too!)

New DVDs include Heat, Mad Men Season 5 and Much Ado About Nothing(Joss Weedon).

Thanks also to Barbara Whiting for donating Dick Whiting's extensive DVD collection to the Library. There are many wonderful children's and adult's titles that are now being added to the collection.

LIBRARY CLOSSES EARLY (4PM) ON DEC. 24 AND DEC. 31.

Apartment with a View

Maybe you know someone who would love to be part of our community without the hassle of "home moaner-ship".
 Charming one bedroom overlooking the town common. Quiet - yet right in the heart of Downtown Warwick!

Details and pictures available on craigslist <http://westernmass.craigslist.org/apa/4197696062.html>

Or call Lisa @ [978-544-7802](tel:978-544-7802)

WARWICK WOMEN'S GUILD - Martha Morse

The Guild will meet on Tuesday, December 3 at 1:00 p.m. in the basement of the Town Hall to prepare Holiday fruit baskets for seniors. Come join us for community outreach and sociability!

WARWICK HISTORICAL SOCIETY - Martha Morse

The Historical Society will meet on Wednesday Dec. 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the basement of the Town Hall. A short business meeting will be followed by the annual "Yankee Gift Swap" and holiday treats. Bring a wrapped gift worth about \$5 and join in the fun!

ANIMAL CONTROL – Rosa Calcari

GETTING COLD FEET: Snow and ice can be a problem for your pets paws. It is best to keep the nails clipped short and the fur well trimmed around the pads to prevent the collection of ice balls, which can cause pain and even injury. If you suspect your dog has walked through salt or other chemicals, gently wash the feet and between the pads, and be sure to dry the area very well afterwards.

HOLIDAY HAZARDS: Holiday feasts are wonderful to share with family and friends, but not with your pets! Turkey skin and other foods with a high fat content can sicken your companion animal and even cause pancreatitis. Poultry bones splinter very easily and should never be fed to your pets. Anything containing chocolate or raisins is also to be kept away from pets. Also be sure to keep the pets away while you are baking bread or anything that involves the use of active yeast.

Holiday decorations such as lights, power cords, ornaments, tinsel, mistletoe, poinsettias, holly and even pine needles can prove hazardous to your pet's health.

HAVE YOURSELF A MERRY LITTLE CHRISTMAS: Enjoy this most joyous of seasons, and be especially thankful for the unconditional love your pets give you every day of their lives. They are living, breathing gifts that enhance our lives and help make our world complete.

NEWS & TIDINGS**WARWICK COMMUNITY SCHOOL**

Elizabeth Musgrave, Principal

November 2013



WCS WINTER HOLIDAY CONCERT will be Tuesday, Dec. 10th, at 6:30 pm. in the gymnasium. All WCS students will perform in the vocal portion of the program.

Instrumental pieces will be performed our WCS band students. We look forward to sharing our musical talents and hard work with you. Everyone is invited and welcome! We hope to see you there!

FREE PLAYGROUP for young children birth to age 5 and their caregivers, Wednesday's 9:15 to 11:00 a.m., Warwick Community School Gymnasium. Play, fun activities and story time. The playgroup will follow the public school calendar. Sponsored by the PVRSD CFCE, for more information contact Deb Wood @413-498-2660 or email

woodd@pioneervalley.k12.ma.us.



FIRE SAFETY: Warwick Fire-Fighters Adam Holloway and Brian Miner will give the WCS children four lessons in Fire Safety this year. Much to everyone's delight, they brought their fire engine and fire-fighting gear to the first lesson. The children are looking forward to their next lesson on Dec. 21st! Thank you Warwick Fire Department.

CLASSROOM BUZZ... This month we feature: LIBRARY LEARNING!



The WCS Library has been brought to life with the influx of students to weekly classes and the beginning of our study of our home town, Warwick. As a whole school we are focusing this year on the history of Warwick and I am using Library time to either enhance topics covered in the classrooms or to introduce new points of interest. For instance, the older students and I explored why the name of our town was first called "Gardner's Canada". In case you did not know this, we learned that the first Warwick settlers who came the area at the end of the 17th century were certainly brave - so brave that when war broke out between France and England, men volunteered to join Captain Andrew Gardner in an expedition with Sir William Phipps to capture Quebec. Phipps' fleet of 36 ships attacked the fort and attempted to enter that well-fortified harbor. Unfortunately, the French outgunned the ships. The attack was suspended and the fleet limped back to Boston. Many men died in the battle and many more died of smallpox on board the ships sailing back to safe harbor. Only one man in Gardner's Company survived. Later in 1735, the Massachusetts House of Representatives granted lots in this area to the descendants of these brave men, thus the name "Gardner's Canada".

Parent and library volunteer, Keila Ploof taught the classes about the native plants in our area and how they were used "back then." Using some sorghum from her CSA, she talked about how plants serve many purposes. In 1797, a Hadley farmer made a broom using the tough stems of the tassels. Did you know the birch, white pine and oak sap make good tea containing vitamins we need or that hemlock was used to dye wool and tan leather? All in our backyard!

Ed Lemon graciously reopened the Warwick Historical Society doors so that he and I could sneak in to find products made in Warwick. I was anxiously waiting to see anything that had to do with the claim by Fred Lincoln that he "cut down the biggest tree!" The great white pine cut down in Pisgah by Fred Lincoln and his logging crew has become a local legend. These huge pines and others found here in Warwick are used for so many important purposes. The Historical Society had artifacts relating to this including photographs, saws, and a slice of the log. We were able to bring a few of these items back to the school. To get an idea of the size of Fred's tree, our newest Library volunteer, Michelle Peters, led our students in measuring out the log's dimensions to create a visual of the girth of the tree; its diameter and circumference. We then analyzed photographs from the Historical Society for more details.

We even have a likeness of Fred Lincoln in our school garden! During Fall Fest, we made a scarecrow, named him Fred and imagined his life walking the woods finding good trees to cut for lumber to build the houses and buildings in Warwick.

Ms. Laurel Powell, Librarian

BOARD OF HEALTH -- Kathy Connelly

It was very sad that we lost Richard Whiting to cancer in November. He had served the Town of Warwick in many capacities. In the last 6 years, he served on the Board of Health. His presence and knowledge will be missed.

JUST A REMINDER -- There will only be one Board of Health meeting in December. It will be Wed., Dec. 11th, at 7:00 pm in the Board Room on the 2nd floor of the Town Hall. Feel free to call me at 978-544-2009 if you would like to bring something to a future Board Meeting.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION - Karro Frost

There will be no December Conservation Commission hike due to hunting season. The final 250th anniversary hike will be held on the second saturday of January.

Smoke~N~Hot News...From The Firehouse- Bill Lyman

Most problems involving fire and accident due to human error are preceded by a little voice in someone's head warning them of danger, that they should not be doing something- but that voice gets overruled somehow. We rationalize, usually we get away with no problem. Sometimes, when we don't "hear voices in our head" clearly enough, or dismiss them in a hurry to do something, the outcome is bad. Then we wonder why we didn't listen to our "voices."

Very intelligent people can do very stupid things. Wintertime is the very time when our listening to internal "voices" can make all the difference. When placing Christmas decorations one year, mom put a live wreath over an outdoor porch light. Caught fire. She's smart. Be careful with decorations.

Great drivers get into accidents by believing they are great drivers. Check your ego, because ice is slippery and motion with no traction is already out of control. Even if you are steering in the right direction, one quick jerk of your wheel will put your back end in front of you. Trees don't move, the roadsides in Warwick have drop-offs and big rocks. SLOW DOWN, or better yet don't drive in real bad weather. Carry flashlights and blankets, wear your seatbelts. Test braking and slipperiness on the road, and beware black ice. Tell your inner voice they don't drag race under winter conditions. It ain't wise, especially in Warwick. Beware of icy conditions, walking, driving - always.

Generators, great idea. Good placement, proper fuel storage. Emergency food supplies and water, radio. God forbid Facebook goes down for people during a long-term power outage, but playing cards don't need batteries, nor does pen and paper. Cabin fever can be calmed with cocoa and other comforts- get yourself set up and ready.

Voices in your head can tell you to do the right thing, but you have to be conscious and conscientious (aware and caring). Listen. Can't say as I always do, but after I do something really dumb, I can usually recall a voice that knew better. Intuition is strong in firefighters, and to some extent, everyone is a firefighter when they listen to their voice. Because the best accidents, the best housefires, and the best problems, are the ones you prevent.

So your little voice can sing "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer."

Chief Ron Gates can be reached at 978 544-8052.

Thank You Richard Whiting for your service. RIP

HUNTER'S SUPPER (not just for Hunters!!)

Friday, December 6, 2013

Warwick Town Hall
Sittings at 5:00pm and 6:00pm

Menu:

- Homemade Onion Soup
- Braised Beef
- Mashed Potatoes
- Squash
- Coleslaw
- Homemade Pies



Tickets: \$10/adults, \$5/kids 12 & under,
Kids under 3 FREE

TAKE OUT ORDERS AVAILABLE (at the door – bring containers, please)

Proceeds benefit the
Trinitarian Congregational Church of Warwick



Christmas Open House At Rod and Liz Whipple's

447 Orange Rd - Warwick

Sunday, December 22, 2013 5 - 8 PM

Join us for chili, corn chowder, coffee, hot chocolate,
etc. Contributions of breads or desserts are welcomed!



TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH *of WARWICK*

DECEMBER 2013

Dear Friends,

BLEAK is a word that comes easily to mind this time of year. Most of the trees have dropped their leaves and are creaking, cracking and moaning (like some of us older folk) in the chill north winds. The lights are on by 5PM, the colored lights are getting strung up along with the inflatable snowmen, santas, elves and other “signs of the season”. Signs of the season or defiance of the season? As the cold and dark close in around us, it has been the human response to push back with lights and celebrations of life.

The real, raw existential fear of the past, for those living in the wealth of this nation, has mostly been replaced by a shadow of that fear; that our existence means nothing. That fear, that cold, dark feeling we push away with the compulsive consumerism of the season. If we buy enough stuff, we will be happy! If we aren’t happy, then we must not have bought enough stuff, or at least not the “right” stuff.

Is that enough for you? Does all the disposable, plastic stuff you can buy at Walmart for \$100 make you happy? Does it give your life more meaning? Does all the over-the-top gift giving, over eating, over drinking make the world any less scary, fragile or insecure? Does it make for a better world for you, your children or grandchildren? What does the frantic busyness of this season do for you or your loved ones? Are the children you see in the stores at this time of year really happy, or are they more likely to be irritable, cranky and prone to “meltdown”? And what about the adults with the children? Along with BLEAK, I would add ANXIETY to the lexicon of this time of year. How many times between now and December 25 will you hear, “Santa won’t bring you anything if you aren’t good”?

Well, maybe Santa won’t bring you anything, but God will, good or not, anxious or not, happy or sad or lost or poor. The Presence that God offers is not taken away by any of our circumstances, possessions or predispositions. It is Love, pure and simple, always with us, always free, always extravagant.

Let me offer a challenge. This year, instead of buying one more present FOR someone you love, why not be PRESENT WITH someone you love? It’s an easy out to buy something for someone, it takes a little time and thought (one would hope) but you can squeeze that in somewhere in the next few weeks and be done with it. But being WITH someone is much harder – and much more meaningful. It takes an effort, especially at this time of year, and especially if you are being with them in a way that isn’t about YOU, but about them.

For those with little children, why not reinforce a tradition of giving to people in need? God knows there are plenty of those in our area. Giving to those who can’t return the favor is one of the counter-cultural ideas that Jesus is known for and it downplays the “what’s-in-it-for-me” syndrome that is destroying so much of our culture’s health and goodness.

Let that be the Spirit you celebrate this holiday season, self-giving instead of self-serving. And may your holidays be filled with deep and lasting joy.

In Faith,

Dan

ADOPT-A-FAMILY at Christmas The church will once again “adopt” a local family (ies) to provide gifts and food for those struggling to maintain some sort of stability in this hostile economy. We will have a list of ages, sizes and gift requests at the **ADVENT WORKSHOP** on **DEC 8** or stop by the Chapel any day after that & check the board in the parlor.

Firewood collection; we will gather firewood for people who may run low before the winter heating season is over. If you can spare a few pieces of firewood ready to be burned this year, drop it off behind the Metcalf Chapel. We will stack and store the wood for those who may run out of options for keeping warm. Call the chapel (4-2630) or Dan (4-2663) if you want more information.

HUNTERS' SUPPER - FRI, DEC 6 Not just for hunters, this is a community meal. Come share a good, hearty, HOT meal with friends and neighbors and share stories of the hunt (tall tales and otherwise).

ADVENT WORKSHOP SUN, DEC 8 6 PM TOWN HALL Come for a light supper and stay to make Holiday decorations for your home. We will have materials and helpers to make wreaths, "gingerbread houses", berry bowl decorations and more. A fun night for the whole family. The "Adopt-a-family" list will be here at this event.

SUNDAY, DEC 22

Cookie Swap 3PM Bring 2 ½ dozen cookies (or more if you want) of one kind of cookie and go home with 2 dozen cookies of different kinds. The extra cookies will be bagged for the carolers to give to those who let us sing to them.

Caroling 4:30PM We gather at the Chapel and divide into groups which will drive around town singing a few carols and dropping off cookies at houses that are willing to put up with us. *If you have suggestions of places that would welcome a singing visit, please let us know.*

Whipple Open House 6 (ish) Helen and Rod have again invited carolers and others to drop in after caroling for warm refreshments and conversation. Call Helen if you want to bring some food to share.

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SCHEDULE TUES. DEC 24

Christmas Eve Family Worship 5:30 PM There will be plenty of singing at this service. We will end, as usual, with lighting the candles of the whole congregation. We will have plenty of candles or you can bring your own. **THERE WILL BE A BOX FOR FOOD (non-perishable) & PERSONAL CARE ITEMS FOR THE ORANGE PANTRY AT THIS SERVICE.**

Night Watch 11:30 PM A quiet service of readings, singing and reflection.

JANUARY & FEBRUARY

BEDDING AND BLANKET DRIVE Each year at this time, we collect warm blankets and clean sheets and pillowcases for the Franklin Area Emergency Shelter in Turners Falls. Drop off useable, clean items in the front hall of the Chapel and we will get them to the shelter.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Worship Service 10AM ZUMBA 8AM	2 Library Open 10-4	3 Exercise 10am Sr. Mealsite Noon Library Open 1-8pm GUILD 1PM ZUMBA 6PM	4 Playgroup 9:15-11am WCS	5 Library Open 5-8pm No Zumba	6 No Town Hall Gathering HUNTER'S SUPPER 5 & 6PM sittings	7 Transfer Sta 8-3 Library 10-12:30 Kerry Stone Art Open House
8 Worship Service 10AM ZUMBA 8AM	9 Library Open 10-4	10 Exercise 10am Sr. Mealsite Noon Library Open 1-8pm No Zumba	11 Playgroup 9:15-11am WCS	12 Library Open 5-8pm ZUMBA 6PM	13 Town Hall Gathering Starts at 10am	14 Transfer Station 8-3 Library Open 10:00-12:30
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22 Worship Service 10AM ZUMBA 8AM Cookie Swap Caroling Whipple Open House	23 Library Open 10-4 NO SCHOOL HOLIDAY BREAK	24 Exercise 10am Sr. Mealsite Noon Library Open 1-4pm No Zumba NO SCHOOL	25 CHRISTMAS DAY NO SCHOOL	26 Library Open 5-8pm ZUMBA 6PM NO SCHOOL	27 Town Hall Gathering Starts at 10am NO SCHOOL	28 Transfer Station 8-3 Library Open 10:00-12:30
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DECEMBER, 2013

HOLIDAY RECYCLING REMINDER

Happy Holidays! Thank you for your recycling efforts over the past year. Following are some guidelines for recycling during the holiday months and all year long:

Please **DO** include the following items in your paper recycling mix:

YES

- ✓ corrugated cardboard boxes
- ✓ paperboard gift boxes
- ✓ greeting cards (except those with foil, metallic inks, or glitter)
- ✓ wrapping paper, gift bags, tissue wrap (except those with foil, metallic inks, or glitter)
- ✓ paper shopping bags (any type of handle is okay)
- ✓ catalogs and calendars



TIP: Keep a recycle bin or paper bag near gift wrapping and unwrapping.

Please **DO NOT** include the following items in your recycling mix:

NO

- ribbons, bows, and tinsel (reusable from year to year)
- packing peanuts and Styrofoam (accepted for reuse at Greenfield UPS Store)
- holiday lights (WtE scrap metal recycler in Greenfield pays .20/lb. for light strings)
- plastic bags (clean, dry plastic bags marked #2 or #4 recyclable at some retailers)
- blister packaging (formed plastic package used to hold toys and electronics)
- photographs

Questions about recycling? Please contact Franklin County Solid Waste Management District at (413) 772-2438; info@franklincountywastedistrict.org, or visit www.franklincountywastedistrict.org.
 MA Relay for the hearing impaired: 711 or 1-800-439-2370 (TTY/TDD).

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