

# Warwick Community Newsletter

## A D M I N I S T R A T I V E   D E T A I L S

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                           413-676-9544  
                           978-544-  
 Selectboard voice mail 6315  
 Treasurer/Collector   3845  
 Highway                6349  
 Library                 7866  
 Fire Station            3314  
  
 Animal Control        3402 Animal  
 Contr.Pager 978-217-2681  
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 32 Athol Road, Warwick, MA 01378

Claire Michaels & Jean Haskell,  
 and Mallet Rubbish and Recycling

**Total: \$170.00**

*Thank you very much for your donations.*

### TOWN CLERK NEWS

**Office hours:** Mondays 1:00-4:00 p.m. and Wednesdays 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

The office will be closed on Wednesday, November 27th.

Thank you, John Paganetti, Town Clerk

### ASSESSOR CLERK OFFICE HOURS

**Office hours:** Tues. 10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. and Thurs. 2:00-6:00 p.m. or by appointment. (978) 544-8304

Thank you, Tracy Styles, Assessor Clerk

**ELECTION DAY - NOVEMBER 5TH**

**The Women's Guild of Warwick**

Will sell

**COFFEE AND MUFFINS**

from 7 am until 11 am



**ASSORTED DESSERTS**

from 4 pm until 7 pm



In the hallway of the Town Hall

**A note from the Tax Collector:**

Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes were due on Oct 1st. All outstanding bills are accruing interest daily.

**THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED**

Tuesday November 12th - Wednesday November 20th

There will be no appointment hours offered through this closure.

I will look forward to seeing you Thursday November 21st



**Warwick Women's Guild Events**

**Nov 6, 2024**

Please note the change in date. Due to Election Day, the Women's Guild will meet on Wednesday, November 6, 2024, at 12:30 PM at the Town Hall parking lot to carpool to Terrazza at the Greenfield Country Club for our Annual Christmas Celebration at 1 PM. Bring a small gift if you care to share in the gift swapping.

**Dec 4, 2024**

Please note the change in date. The Women's Guild will meet on Wednesday, December 4, 2024 at 1 PM at the Town Hall dining area for our annual delivery of fruit baskets. The change in date is do to Senior Lunch being on Tuesday and we need the space all day.

## WARWICK COMMUNITY SCHOOL NEWS

Happy November,

We are writing to update you on all of our learning adventures in October. We kicked off the month with our 2nd annual Mountain day and for the first time had the pleasure of hiking up Mt Grace with junior kindergarteners! Mountain Day was inspired by Smith College's Mountain Day tradition and gives our students, staff and family members time to come together to learn in and about nature as a full community. On the way up, we learned about local flora and fauna from community members and hiking experts Brian Snell and Clare Green. Teachers then led creative activities including making nature gargoyles from organic materials on the trees along the way. We also did loads of singing as well. Thank you to all of the community members who contributed their time and expertise to make this event so meaningful.



Multi-Age student groups hiked the mountain together and participated in art projects along the way.

#### Warm Clothes Drive-

Our students learn in and about nature which means they must be prepared to be outside for recess and outdoor learning every day, even when it's cold. We're actively seeking warm clothes donations for students including coats, snow pants, boots, hats, mittens, gloves, scarves and neck gaiters. All clean and gently worn items greatly appreciated. Please deliver them to the main office. Please pass the word among your friends and families. thank you.

Warmly,

Carole, Stephen and Jess

### Foot Clinics

All clinics are at 8:00 a.m. at the Metcalf Chapel.

November 15th

December 13th

January 10, 2025



## **For the Warwick Community Newsletter - November 2024**

**From Stephen Stroud, Principal of Warwick Community Elementary School**

**Hello Warwick Community,**

**In previous newsletters, I shared how Warwick Community Elementary School teaches early literacy and math using brain-based research. This month, I'm excited to highlight how we bring our vision to life: "students will study in and about the environment."**

**Research (Jucker & Au, 2022) shows that learning through immersion in nature benefits all academic subjects by helping students connect real-world experiences with abstract concepts. Time outdoors also fosters social skills, emotional development, mental well-being, and physical health. Additionally, meaningful engagement with nature helps students develop a sense of connection to the environment, encouraging creative solutions to complex challenges like climate change and habitat destruction.**

**At Warwick, each of our four classrooms has its own "outdoor classroom," chosen and shaped by the students. These spaces are integrated into the daily schedule, and activities vary. Sometimes students conduct science investigations, identifying plants and animals or exploring local geology. Other times, they use the outdoor space for reading, writing, or quiet observation. The sensory-rich environment allows for moments of reflection, helping students feel grounded.**

**Each student also has a personal "sit spot," like a favorite tree, where they can simply be with their thoughts. These spaces serve as emotional anchors. As a principal, I've often joined students for walks to their outdoor classrooms to help them reset after intense moments or to discuss peer relationships and academic mindset in a calming environment.**

**If you'd like to explore these ideas further, search online for "high-quality outdoor learning Jucker 2022" to access a free research compilation. Or better yet, visit WCS and let's talk!**

**Learning together,**

**Stephen Stroud**

**Principal, Warwick Community School**

[sstroud@warwick-k12.us](mailto:sstroud@warwick-k12.us)

### **References**

**Jucker, R. & Au, J. (Eds.). (2022). High-Quality Outdoor Learning: Evidence-based Education Outside the Classroom for Children, Teachers, and Society. Springer Nature. <https://library.oapen.org/handle/20.500.12657/57922>**

## Coordinator for November 2024 Community Newsletter – David Young

I must update and correct what I wrote last month about the new used highway truck purchase because before closing the deal we had the used truck independently surveyed and determined that it did not meet our specification which was, "excellent condition." The Highway Commission is working on this need and will need to rebid.

We are now funded for a year for our elder social connection / digital equity project that is physically centered at the tavern at the Inn. Funding has been secured however contracts are not signed and budgets need to agree upon with two state funding agencies. Thursday tech sessions from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the tavern will happen every Thursday in November except Thanksgiving Day. Bring us your problems. Come and check it out.

We have had a culvert failure on Athol road where one branch of Gail Brook crosses the road. I refer folks and remind you of what I wrote last month, which is that the Highway Commissioners, an elected body, oversee our roads. My understanding is they are working on a permanent repair and hope to, in the process, increase the capacity of the structure to carry water. In this I believe our local conservation commission is supportive. I think these short-term low weight limits are a much better solution than an all-out closure unless they are ignored by heavy truck traffic which will present a danger.

We still have room for you in our capital planning working group and do especially value citizen input. Our town department's role is to outline their needs and wants. The prioritization should not come from those quarters.

The Selectboard got a letter from the attorney general in response to a citizen's complaint of open meeting law violations. While we did not get any findings, they did note that greater specificity should have been on our agenda with respect to a hiring decision action. Since the name of the individual was known, it should have been on the agenda. I share this as a personal mea culpa, and as advice to other town committees that lightweight agendas that do not describe the business you know you are considering do not comply with OML.

Last week the town submitted what I believe is our fourth Green Communities competitive grant application. It includes a measure to produce domestic hot water at the school with a heat pump solution instead of the oil boiler which has been relegated to backup. Another measure is to heat the library with a heat pump. This will necessitate an electric service upgrade to the historic building. And we are addressing a few too cold areas at the school. In one case with another heat pump and in the other with a radiant electric heater.

We have been slowly working on our plans to add solar electric panels to the firehouse roof. To me this should not wait for a grant that does not exist yet because the payback is fewer than 5 years. Then, over the twenty-year modeled life of the project it saves us the price of that new fire truck. The longer we wait the more we spend on energy when we can meet the need at no eventual cost.

Remember Senior lunch. It happens Tuesdays at Town Hall at noon. Our school district is completing steps to establish a tax-exempt nonprofit organization to support our school district. We are a district, a school district that is Pre-K through 12th grade. We only operate an elementary school, but half of our 60 kids do not go there.

I have begun with the Selectboard planning my eventual retirement. In November I will complete my 17th year as town coordinator and my plan is to work another year and a few months until I hit that unfathomable to me age of 70. We are identifying duties and where it makes sense transition duties off to others now and defining the job. The transfer station commissioners have taken on supervision of that cost center. Selectboard approved some supporting staff for me. Tracy S who is assessor's clerk is assisting me and the Highway Commission with tasks which include processing bill payment on the Selectboard department side and managing the town hall use and rentals. Broadband staff are running that show more than ever. Before the school district was established, I did building management and rental bookings for both the Town Hall and school building. None of these are huge tasks but taken together they all add up. An option for my replacement is a couple of part time people. Something to be considered. For the past five years or so I have been working on resisting working 24 x 7. Maybe this part time idea is some kind of projection.

## **Six-Town Super-Regional District Agreement is Underway!**

The Six Town Regionalization Planning Board (STRPB) voted in January of 2024 to move forward with crafting a proposed regional district agreement for a combined Pioneer Valley and Gill-Montague Regional School Districts. The proposed new preK-12 regional district would include the towns of Bernardston, Gill, Leyden, Montague, Northfield, and Warwick (a former member of the Pioneer Valley Regional School District) with the possibility of Erving and Vernon (VT) tuitioning their students into the new district's middle and high schools.

In the Spring of 2024, the STRPB appointed a District Regional Agreement Subcommittee (DRAS) to craft a new regional district agreement for the Six Towns to consider in the Fall of 2025. Members of the DRAS were recommended by each town's Selectboard and appointed by the Planning Board. The process will culminate more than 5 years of research, with contributions from acting and retired superintendents, consultants, administrators, staff, teachers, parents and students.

The DRAS is working with the Massachusetts Association of Regional Schools (MARS) Consulting Group, made up of retired superintendents, as they craft each section of the agreement. The subcommittee is using the regional agreement developed at the behest of the town Selectboards in the Pioneer Valley Regional School District in 2017. Members of the Honest Education And Retraining Trust (HEART) Committee were appointed by each Selectboard. Michele Giarusso of Leyden served as chair.

Once the subcommittee completes its work, the Planning Board will review and contribute to its development before making a recommendation. The STRPB's website [6towns.org](http://6towns.org) has made available all of its research and other information from the past 5 years. The public and residents are encouraged to read these reports. (website address below)

From its research the STRPB concluded that by combining the two districts, the increase in enrollment would provide significant educational benefits to middle and high school students. Among some of the benefits are: flexibility in scheduling (allowing for more content area core courses and electives); more athletic teams (bringing back some teams that were eliminated because of declining enrollment); more AP courses, clubs, performing arts, foreign language, business, health/well-being classes, and capstone projects; more paraprofessional support and broader support for students with specialized service. In low enrolled schools there is also a tendency for students and faculty to feel pressure when trying to support programs by taking on more responsibilities. Increased enrollment can help alleviate those pressures and reduce student and faculty fatigue and burn-out.

It was noted that having additional teachers in content areas would provide more approaches to learning and collaboration in all areas of instruction. For example, having four or five science teachers in a high school, instead of one or two, increases the number of courses and the diversity of subject matter that can be offered. Faculty certified in specific subject areas would

enjoy the benefit of sharing successful practices with their colleagues and allow them to plan diverse professional development opportunities tailored to their needs and the needs of their students.

Alan Genovese, Chairperson of the Planning Board commented... “It is important for students to experience as many educational opportunities as possible and have emotional and social support systems to prepare them for their future, whether it be college, employment, military, entrepreneurship, public service, and/or overseas careers like the Peace Corps.” Too often, communities focus on the finances of their school districts, thinking that more funding will solve their structural problem of low and declining enrollment. The misperception can be that reductions in staff, course offerings, electives, and after school activities (i.e., middle and high school sports) are caused by financial constraints of affordability rather than enrollment. Chapter 70 funding is based on, and driven by enrollment, and as Edward Moscovitch (one of the authors of the Chapter 70 funding formula) noted - the formula works well for a district if enrollment is increasing and is problematic if it is decreasing.

The Gill-Montague and Pioneer Valley Districts have experienced declining enrollments ever since they peaked in 1996. Both districts currently have middle and high school enrollments that are over 50% lower. Although combining the two districts would increase the middle and high school enrollments significantly, the new middle and high schools would still be small by State standards. Because of more course offerings, class sizes would remain reasonable.

To keep the public informed, the STRPB’s research, reports and other information can be found on its website at [www.6towns.org](http://www.6towns.org). Comments and questions to the board can be sent to [stpboffc@gmail.com](mailto:stpboffc@gmail.com).

**Authors (respectfully submitted):**

**Alan Genovese, STRPB Chair**

**Greg Snedeker, STRPB Vice-Chair/Secretary/Treasurer**

## TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF WARWICK

November 2024

### “The Unexpected Harvest”

The haying is done, the crops are picked and pickled, and the leaves are nearing the end of their fall release. It is officially holiday season with Thanksgiving on the horizon, and Christmas nipping at its heels. We are always admonished to be, “Grateful...Thankful...Blessed” from wooden signs strewn about Hobby Lobby, and we can always find something to be thankful for. Family, friends, enough food on our plate and heat in our homes.

But what about when it has been a really challenging year? How do we find the gratitude when we have to work very, very hard to come up with something to say when everyone goes around the table when the turkey is plated and shares what they are grateful for?

Galatians 6:9 has a little something to teach all of us. *“So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up.”* Did you know that “harvest time” for our personal lives isn’t necessarily dictated by the growth of crops, but by our own internal growth? Your harvest time may not yet have arrived, there may be more growth required before you reap the rewards of a long season of hard work.

Sometimes our harvest looks more like simply making it through a difficult time intact, or perhaps it looks like unexpected blessings from bad outcomes...because life is like that, isn’t it? It is never like a Lifetime movie where all the loose ends are tied up in ninety minutes. Maybe we need to step back and view our circumstances from a wider perspective to see where the goodness has settled, or perhaps when we view our life through a wide angle lens we will see that there are new opportunities that aren’t visible to the eye because we are simply too close to events to see the new buds of possibility that are just waiting to blossom around us.

Just because we can’t see the harvest...yet...doesn’t mean that having patience and persevering won’t pay off.

May each and every one of you experience a beautiful soul-harvest, whether it arrives in November or the heat of summer. Just remember, trust that it WILL arrive!

In Light and Love,

Rev. Cindy LaJoy





## TCC UP-COMING EVENTS

November 2024

**Carpool Trip:** On November 3, a group from Metcalf Chapel is planning a carpooled trip to the Barre Cross to see this amazing installation with a great backstory just down the road in Barre, MA. If you've never heard of it, you can see the website at <https://www.thecrossinbarre.com> . If you are interested, email [jarkat99@yahoo.com](mailto:jarkat99@yahoo.com) and I'll keep you posted. Right now, we are planning to leave around 1, and if it's bad weather, we will reschedule. If you don't drive and would like to come, I'm sure we can arrange a pickup. It will require a bit of walking but it appears mostly flat.

**TCC Outdoor Cleanup:** If you like autumn air, and lending a hand, please join us on Saturday, November 9th from 10:00 a.m.– Noon as we tidy up.

**Movies in the Chapel:** Our November film will celebrate Native American Heritage month. Stay tuned for details. TCC movie night will be on Wednesday, November 20th at 7:00 p.m. Popcorn always served!

**Holiday Fair: Saturday, November 30th at WCS from 10:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m.** We have had a book swap and a puzzle swap. This year, how about a music swap? Yes, it's time to say "Danke Schoen" to Wayne Newton's Greatest Hits and pass them on to someone else. Here's your chance to swap some of your old favorites and get some new (to you!) music for your listening pleasure. This year at the Warwick Holiday Fair (Saturday, November 30 at the Warwick Community School), please consider bringing as many records, CDs, and cassette tapes in good condition for a Music Swap from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Both children's and adult selections are welcome. Swappers may bring and take as many as they like. Questions? Contact Nancy Harnden: [nlharnden@comcast.net](mailto:nlharnden@comcast.net).



### ON-GOING ACTIVITIES AT THE METCALF CHAPEL

**FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS** *Nonperishable food, personal hygiene items, and household cleaning supplies are collected in the front hall of the Chapel. The personal and household cleaning items are especially needed, as they cannot be purchased with "food stamps."*

**MEDICAL SUPPLY LIBRARY** *We have crutches, wheelchairs, walkers, and many other medical supplies for free loan at the Chapel. Check us out before buying new. Please bring only "durable equipment" (wheelchairs, walkers, "potty chairs" & similar items).*

**FREE FOOD FRIDAYS 9 AM @ the Chapel** Thanks to Clyde Perkins Sr., Zac Marti and many others, we have free food to give to those in the surrounding community who could use help stretching their food budget. Come check us out.



# Warwick Holiday Fair



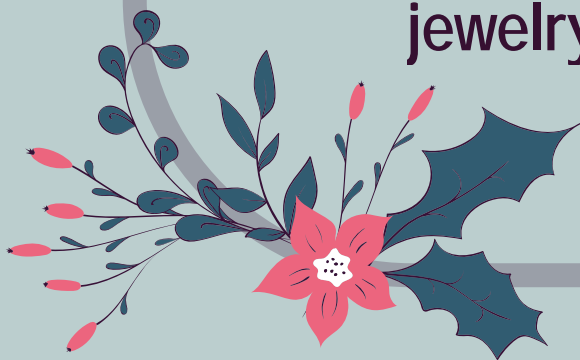
November 30, 2024 10AM - 3PM  
Warwick Community School,  
41 Winchester Rd.

## Local Gifts and Crafts!

Silent Auction, Hot Lunch, Music Swap,  
Santa Visit, Live Music, and  
Gift Card Raffle

**Over 40 tables!**

Fabric art, hand turned wooden  
bowls, maple products, baked goods,  
jewelry, and much more!



## Fantastic Summer at Warwick's Moore's Pond Beach!!

Swimming, boating, sandcastles, and more family fun was had by many at the beach from May to September! It was a rare day when passing by the beach I did not see someone enjoying this precious spot. Despite some weeks of abundant rain or very hot days, the water—tested monthly by AEI (Nelson) Lab in Swanzey, NH— demonstrated that it was safe for all activities. The state requires several years of weekly tests that show excellent safe water and then allows the water to be tested monthly. Moore's pond has been so clean that we have been testing monthly for several years now, which is a huge savings to the town.

This year we held our first Old Home Day boat parade rather than a corregata. We had eight boats participate. See photo! Our idea for next year is to include a sandcastle-making contest.

Other future projects on our agenda are to check with the state as to the requirements for a sanitation survey. If we get a cold winter with very thick ice, we also hope to remove a large pine tree that is a hinderance to keeping the beach clean.

We are looking for one more committee member. If you are interested, please call one of the co-chairs: Matt Connelly at 978-544-2009 or Diane Ellis at 860-302-5880. We meet monthly from April to September.

Stop by the beach, enjoy the view, and contemplate Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness!!

Diane Ellis for November Newsletter



### RECREATION COMMITTEE

**YOGA** Saturdays 9:15-10:30 a.m. with Kalliope, Town Hall, \$5-10

**ZUMBA** Zumba is a great workout and lots of fun for people of all ages and abilities. Your first two classes are always free! Tuesdays and Saturdays 8:00 a.m., Town Hall \$5

**PICKLEBALL & PING-PONG** PLEASE NOTE: There is no set schedule for pickleball or ping-pong. If you want to join the fun, please call or email me with days and times that work for you. [leannelimoges@gmail.com](mailto:leannelimoges@gmail.com) or call (978) 544-5553. Thank you, Leanne, Warwick Recreation Committee

## CEMETERY WALKS

**Jim Toth will lead two cemetery walks in November. The walks will be to the Kelton-Moses Cemetery on Monday, November 11, 2024 and to the Kelton Cemetery on Tuesday, November 12, 2024. Both walks will start by meeting at the Warwick Town Hall at 11:00 a.m. From there we will drive to the trailheads. Both cemeteries are in the remote northeast corner of town and have no direct road access. The Kelton-Moses Cemetery is about a three-quarter-mile hike from the trailhead and the Kelton Cemetery is about a half-mile hike from the trailhead.**

**The Kelton-Moses Cemetery has ten graves with engraved headstones as well as about 20 graves with un-engraved headstones. The Kilton Cemetery has five graves. Each Cemetery has one Revolutionary War Veteran.**

**Both hikes are moderate in difficulty, and good footwear is recommended. Please do not bring dogs. In case of rain, either hike will be postponed one week. Contact Jim at [jjttoth@gmail.com](mailto:jjttoth@gmail.com) for more info.**

## WARWICK PLANNING BOARD

The Warwick Planning Board will be holding a hearing on Thursday, Nov. 14 at 7:30 at the Town Hall to discuss proposed changes to the Zoning By-laws to reflect state level changes to ADUs laws, ahead of the Special Town Meeting.

### Explanation

The 2024 Affordable Housing Act was passed by the Massachusetts legislature and signed into law by Governor Healey in August of 2024. It includes changes in the treatment of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs), several of which contradict our current Zoning By-laws. We need to change the by-laws to stay in compliance with state law. We propose the following changes, all required by state law:

- ADUs are allowed by right instead of by Special Permit
- The maximum size of an ADU is 900 sq ft, up from our existing 800 sq ft
- Owner-occupancy of one of the two units is no longer required

In addition, we propose:

- Short-term rentals (such as Airbnb and Vrbo) are allowed in either the main house or the ADU, but not both. This is to discourage investors from buying houses, building ADUs, and renting both units on Airbnb, thus taking housing off the market
- Reorganizing the ADU-related sections in the by-laws

## Are you 65 or older?

**Do you need a smoke detector or carbon monoxide detector? The Women's Guild in conjunction with the Warwick Fire Department are providing these detectors for a limited time. Please contact Nancy Kihart or other members of the Guild if interested.**

## LIBRARY NEWS - NOVEMBER 2024

**Library hours:** Monday 10-4, Tuesday 1-8, Thursday 5-8 (and Saturdays 10-12:30 during school year). Contact: [warwick@cwmares.org](mailto:warwick@cwmares.org); 978-544-7866; Ivan Ussach, director

**Library of Things – available to borrow:** The Library’s infrared camera can show you where you are losing heat in your home – It’s easy to use. The Watt Meter will tell you the energy use of household appliances. Also available: Go Pro camera, telescope, ukulele – and books, too!

**Gravestones Program - Saturday Nov. 9th @ 10:00 am:** The Warwick Library is pleased to host the Fall Meeting of the Western New England Chapter of The Association for Gravestone Studies, a non-profit organization based in western Massachusetts. The morning session will run from 10 am to about noon, featuring reports on cemetery and gravestone related topics. The featured speaker is Jason Ur, Professor of Archaeology and Ethnology at Harvard. Another speaker, Bret Kramer, will report on recent excavations at Hope Cemetery in Worcester in search of buried gravestones.

After a break for lunch, the group will visit one or more cemeteries in town. This program is free and open to the public. For more information about The Association for Gravestone Studies: [www.gravestonestudies.org](http://www.gravestonestudies.org)

**Monthly Short Story Hour: Yan Ge - Thursday, Nov. 21st (3rd Thursday) @ 7:30 pm.** We’ll read selections this month from *Elsewhere*, a short story collection (2023)—and the first English book—by Yan Ge. Reviewer Chelsea Leu wrote: Yan Ge’s English debut is preoccupied with language, its failures, and its relationship to human emotions and the raw reality – the 'food' – of life. ... These stories map out the distance between the head and the gut – the way language can fail to convey the deepest, most visceral facts of life.” Yan Ge is the pen name for Dai Yuexing, born in China in 1984. She began writing at the age of ten and her first book was published when she was 17 years old. She has lived in Dublin since 2015. Come to read or just to listen.

**On Sense:**

“The trouble with fiction is that it makes too much sense, whereas reality never makes sense. - Aldous Huxley

When I see something that makes absolutely no sense whatever, I figure there must be a damn good reason for it. - Peter De Vries

(Source: 20,000 Quips & Quotes)

### NOVEMBER TECHNOLOGY HELP DAYS

**9 am to 12 noon at the Warwick Inn**

**Nov 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>**

**(No questions? Just come in to visit - the coffee is on)**

## RESTAURANT REVIEW

### Riverwalk Café

302 Spring St

Winchendon, MA 01475

(978) 297-7394

**Hours: Mon. - Closed**

Tues - Fri 7:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Sat - Sun 7:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

I recently went to visit Larry at the nursing home in Winchendon and found Riverwalk Café. It used to be a very nice restaurant, although I can't remember the name. It closed during Covid and never reopened. I discovered it has opened as Riverwalk Cafe and serves breakfast and lunch.

The place was pretty full when we stopped at about noon. The waitress was really nice, and although she was the only one, she kept up with taking orders, serving, and cleaning tables.

I was debating between breakfast or lunch, and since they have more options for breakfast (an entire menu of items), I decided to try their breakfast. The one 'special' on the board was French toast. As that's one of my favorite breakfast items, I opted for this 'special' which was three slices of thick bread. The waitress kept coming by adding coffee to our mugs. The service was excellent and the food was too. I will definitely stop there again.

Bon appetit!

Gloria Varno

## TCCW MISSION COMMITTEE NEWS

The Warwick Trinitarian Congregational Church's Mission Committee would like to thank the community for helping to support the efforts of the Mission Committee. Oftentimes, a glass fishbowl is set up to receive donations, during Old Home Days or during the Holiday Craft Fair. Those contributions add up. We were able to assemble and package 48 health kits and mail them to CWS, Church World Service, who then distributes them, as needed.

Also, we'd like to extend another warm appreciation to those who contributed to the request to support World Central Kitchen, WCK, who are providing meals to those in need. \$2,100 was raised, and the Mission Committee designated the money towards Hurricane Helene victims.

"It takes a village."

We support local and global initiatives.

In appreciation from the Mission Committee:

Andrea Woods, Karro Frost, Mary Humphries, Kelly Chappel-Farley, Clare Green

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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
					1 Free Food Friday 9:00 am @ Metcalf Chapel	2 Zumba 8:00 am; Yoga 9:15-10:30 am; Library 10:00 am-12:30 pm; Climate Chg bell ringing 11:00 am; Climate Vigil 11:30 -12:30 pm; T. Station 8:00-3:00 pm
3 Worship Svc 10:00 am;  Barre Cross trip 1pm  Daylight Saving Time	4 Library 10:00 am -4:00 pm  Learn & Play Group Library 10:30 am	5 ELECTION DAY  Zumba; Bone & Balance; Tai-Chi;  Sr. Meal Noon Town Hall  Library 1:00-8:00 pm	6  W Women's Guild 12:30 (TH)	7  Warwick Inn Tech Help 9:00 am-Noon   Library 5:00- 8:00 pm;	8  Free Food Friday 9:00 am @ Metcalf Chapel	9 Zumba 8:00 am; Yoga 9:15-10:30 am;  Library 10:00 am-12:30 pm with Gravestones Program @ 10:00 am  Transfer Station 8:00- 3:00 pm;  Climate Vigil 11:30- 12:30 pm
10 Worship Svc 10:00 am	11 Learn & Play Group Library 10:30 am; Veterans Day; Kelton Moses Cemetery Walk 11:00 am	12 Zumba 8:00 am; Bone & Balance; Tai-Chi  Sr. Meal Noon Town Hall  Kelton Cem Walk 11am  Library 1:00-8:00	13 Book Club 10:00 am at Library	14 Warwick Inn Tech Help 9:00 am-Noon  Library 5:00- 8:00 pm  Planning Board 7:30 TH	15 Foot Clinic 8:00 am TCC  Free Food Friday 9:00 am @ Metcalf Chapel	16 Zumba 8:00 am; Yoga 9:15-10:30 am  Transfer Station 8:00-- 3:00 pm;  Library 10:00 am-12:30 pm  Climate Vigil 11:30- 12:30 pm;
17 Worship Svc. 10:00 am	18 Library 10:00 am -4:00 pm  Learn & Play Group Library 10:30 am	19 Zumba 8:00 am; Bone & Balance; Tai-Chi; Sr. Meal Noon;  Library 1:00-8:00 pm	20  TCC Film Night 7:00 pm	21 Warwick Inn Tech Help 9:00 am-Noon  Library 5:00- 8:00 pm;  Monthly Short Story Hour 7:30 pm	22 Free Food Friday 9:00 am @ Metcalf Chapel	23 Zumba 8:00 am; Yoga 9:15-10:30 am;  Transfer Station 8:00- 3:00 pm; Climate Vigil 11:30-12:30 pm;
24 Worship Svc. 10:00 am	25 Library 10:00 am -4:00 pm  Learn & Play Group Library 10:30 am	26 Zumba 8:00 am; Bone & Bal- ance; Tai-Chi; Sr. Meal Noon; Nurse drop-in TH 1:00-3:00 pm; Library 1:00-8:00 pm	27	28  THANKSGIVING DAY	29  Free Food Friday 9:00 am @ Metcalf Chapel	30 Zumba 8:00 am; Yoga 9:15-10:30 am  <b>HOLIDAY FAIR 10-3</b>  Transfer Station 8:00- 3:00 pm; Climate Vigil 11:30-12:30 pm;

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**Warwick Planning Board - Nov 14**

**TCC Movie Night - Nov 20**

**Short Story Hour - Nov 21**

**NQ Nurse Drop-in - Nov 26**

**Holiday Craft Fair - Nov 30**