

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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PHONE DIRECTORY

Emergency	911
	9 7 8 - 5 4 4 -
Selectboard	6315
Treasurer/Collector	3845
Highway	6349
Library	7866
Fire Station	3314
Animal Control	3402
Animal Contr.Pager	217-2681
Clerk/Assessors	8304
Bd of Health	6315
Community School	6310
Fire Dept Business	2277
Police Dept Business	2244
Building Inspector	2236
FAX all depts.	6499
Burn Permits	413-625-8200
Warwick Broadband Trouble	
413-676-9544	

No donations this month. The newsletter is an entirely volunteer organization dependent on donations. To donate, please make your check out to WCN and mail it to 32 Athol Road, Warwick, MA 01378. **THANK YOU**

LETTER OF THANKS: I would like to send a thank you to people in town who offered support and condolences after my husband Dave passed away in July. Although we are new to town it was comforting to know people cared and even baked bread! Ian and I will work hard to continue Dave's dream of renovating our home and starting a vineyard.

Debra and Ian Kelly

WARWICKIANS ON-LINE - How to subscribe

If you can send and receive e-mail, you can sign up for WarwickList, our town's on-line discussion group, founded by Ed Hawes during Old Home Days in 1996. Anything that would interest people who live here is appropriate. To join us, write to warwicklist-request@freelists.org with the subject Subscribe. In the message body give your full name, street address, phone number, and, if you're not a resident, a sentence or two saying why you want to join. You'll get a message saying your request has been forwarded for approval. Miryam Williamson, the listowner, will approve it, and you'll start receiving list mail. Also, you will automatically get the Community Newsletter by e-mail.

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Classes Sponsored by Warwick Recreation Committee

Newcomers are always welcome, and all instructors have modifications to fit your level. The hardest part is getting there! Most classes are held at our beautiful school gymnasium.. we encourage you to take these classes and use this space . It is yours to enjoy . Bring towel/mat , water and indoor shoes .

Beginner Tai Chi Classes Saturdays at 9am at Town Hall led by Mari Rovang and Sue O'Reilly-McRae.

STRONG Tuesdays 6-7 pm \$5

Be ready to sweat and see results this is a powerful new program that is great for men, women and teens. Not dance, but music led interval training that will challenge you to be healthier and stronger. This class is becoming very popular, come see what the buzz is all about ! Taught by Christine Rouleau

YOGA Starting Thursdays in July ... 9 am town hall
\$5 Please bring a mat



Two ZUMBA classes ; \$5

This is a dance fitness class performed to energetic music . No experience or skills required, just a willingness to have fun
Thursday's 6-7 pm taught by Susan Krieger.
Sunday 8-9 am taught by Christine Rouleau

See you there ! questions or feedback
to leannelimoges@gmail.com or call [\(978\) 544-5553](tel:978-544-5553)

www.warwickma.org is the Town's website. Along with things like *Permit Applications, Police Logs, Meeting Agendas, Town Hall Office Hours*, you can find this newsletter and lots of other very useful information! If you would like post something to the webpage, contact Ed Lemon, Webmaster at elemon@tiac.net.

LIBRARY

The Library will re-open on Saturday, September 9 at 10:00 AM. Stop by for homemade cookies and coffee and the latest in books and videos. Trash bags are always available.

If you missed our two very popular workshops this summer, we hope to be offering these and perhaps some others this fall and winter. Poetry with B.G. Thurston and Watercolor Journaling with Kerry Stone were so well attended we are hoping to offer them again. Don't forget our museum passes - great for the fall when they are not so busy. Hope to see you soon.

-Nancy Hickler, Director

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Our next quarterly meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 20 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall. Come learn about the Society's latest initiatives, and share your ideas on preserving our Town's history. Everyone is welcome, and refreshments are served. - Martha Morse

Warwick Council on Aging

Foot Clinic Schedule for 2017

Metcalf Chapel – 8:00-8:30 AM

Note: These dates are THURSDAYS

Sept 21 Oct 19 Nov16 Dec 21

GREEN CORNER FROM BUILDINGS AND ENERGY COMMITTEE

Mary Humphries: I understand that you and Steve were just recently involved with a solar project in the Amazon jungle. Please tell us about it!

Janice Kurkoski: We worked with the Mishana people, in a village of about 50 people on the Nanay river, a tributary of the Amazon. Our friend Jim Dunn's son Carlos has been working with them for many years. We also worked in a smaller more remote "camp" for the last week.

MH: How was the work funded? Was it a non-profit venture or a government grant?

JK: Carlos organizes healing retreats and workshops there, and with the help of a major donor and income from the retreats, he has built a new research center in the village. Western doctors and patients can come and witness the healing that takes place under the guidance of the local shamans, who are well versed in the healing properties of the native plants and animals.

MH: How long were you working there, and was the project completed by the time you returned to Warwick?

JK: This time we were there for three short weeks. A year ago we spent one month, and 4 years ago it was just a week. Yes the project was more or less completed, and we always leave time at the end for on-site training. We follow up by writing "operating" instructions when we return.

MH: What will the solar power be used for in this remote area? How will the people directly benefit?

JK: At the new research center, which has 12 guest rooms, we installed a rather large 12 kW photo voltaic array, consisting of 42 solar panels, batteries, inverters, etc., which powers lights, fans, the water pump, a full kitchen & laundry, office, lab equipment, etc. At the remote camp we installed only 12 solar panels, batteries, inverter, lights and receptacles in the cabins, and equipment to interface with their generator. Both centers provide year-round employment to many of the local folks, and a few nearby homes also receive free electricity, where before there was none at all, or a generator provided occasional power.

MH: What were some of the similarities/differences between that project and those you've been involved with here in the states? I'm assuming the tools and technology were very different?

JK: Actually the technology is pretty much the same - and it works even better in the equatorial sun. These systems are what we call "stand-alone", because there is no electrical grid there, so batteries do all the work at night or on rainy days. As for tools, it's amazing what you can come up with when you don't have the right one!

MH: Tell us about one of the most interesting experiences or challenges you had during your time there. Tools, process, weather, etc.

JK: The sun is really intense - you have to get off the roof by 8:30. It can rain anytime, then the sun comes back out. Mosquitoes abound, and malaria is present, but we are probably even more at risk for Lyme disease here in Warwick. The absence of vehicles is always refreshing for us. Other than that, we are really well taken care of there, and it is not too different than home - small village, big trees, nice folks, no cell service or internet. Alligator for breakfast was a new one on me!

MH: You had told me that this particular work is something you really enjoy doing with your husband, Steve; that the two of you make a good team in this important and rewarding effort. What's the highlight of your working relationship?

JK: We know and respect each other's skill-sets, so we divide the work accordingly - no problem there. And our energies are in sync, so when it's time to take a break or jump in the river - we totally agree. Always the highlight for us both is working alongside the people there, learning from them, eating with them, joking and laughing together. Our poor Spanish also provides us with great opportunities for humor, and communicating is getting easier each trip.

MH: Do you have plans to go back to the Amazon or any other remote location for similar projects in the future?

JK: We plan to return to the Tohono O'Odham reservation in Arizona this coming January with students from the UMass Lowell Solar Engineering program. Other than that, we just consider ourselves "on-call".

MH: Janice, thank you so much for taking time to share your amazing green energy experience with us at the Green Corner!

THANK YOU!

WAWBEEK ROCK

Alana & George Day

In 1915 or 1916, Fred Bergquist was asked to engrave the big rock on Hastings Pond Road with the words "WAWBEEK" and the Genesis bible verse "IN THE BEGINNING-GOD".

Fred Bergquist was an immigrant from Sweden and lived in Warwick for about 25 years before moving to Orange. He was a stonecutter and quarry worker.

Fred Bergquist is grandfather to Alana Day (Orange Road), Roger Bergquist (Wendell Road), and Beverly Stone (cottage at Laurel Lake)

He is also great-grandfather to Katrina Lyman (Orange Road) and Derek Bergquist (Shepardson Road). And great, great grandfather to Hannah Lyman, Peri Bergquist, and Hannah Bergquist. There are many descendants of Fred who live in the Athol, Orange, New Salem and Erving area as well as towns around Massachusetts.

Recently it was noticed that brush had grown up around the rock and the words were hardly readable because of a build up of lichen and moss. Permission was graciously granted to clean up the area and the rock. The brush was cleared and the Warwick Fire Dept. did a "power wash" of the rock at a recent drill night. The Bergquist family extends their sincere thanks to Chief Ron Gates, Deputy Chief Roland Weld, and the fire department members who participated. Members of the Bergquist family made a joint donation to the Warwick Firemen's Association building fund.

**T H E
G A T H E R I N G
P L A C E**

The Gathering Place menu is available each week there is a Gathering, on the L, Warwick Web and TCC Facebook page. **Gatherings will be alternating Fridays (01, 15, and 29 September), in the Town Hall Dinning Room, from 10:00 AM to 1:30 PM.** Coffee for \$1.00 ready at 10:00 AM, Cup of Soup for \$3.50, ½ Sandwich for \$2.00. Have both (Cup and a half) for \$4.50 starting at 11:30 AM. Desserts anytime. With the warmer weather I will be offering quiche and salads as well. Need lunch to go, bring a container for soup and we'll pack lunch for you. Everyone is welcome.

Tracy Gaudet, Outreach Coordinator for Orange COA and Shine Counselor, (Serving Health Insurance Needs for Everyone), is attempting to be more available to Warwick Residents. Tracy will be at the Gathering on Friday, 15 and 29 September. Stop by and put her to work for you. Tracy can assist individuals with public benefits, fuel assistance, food stamps, Mass Health, etc. You may contact her at [978-544-3481](tel:978-544-3481) or tgaudet@townoforange.org, she will be bring application forms for various programs. Got questions, need assistance, stop in between 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM.

-Diana Tandy



R E V I E W

Longfellow's Wayside Inn
72 Wayside Inn Road
Sudbury, MA 01776
(978) 443-1776
<http://www.wayside.org/>



How about a nice Fall day trip? Head down to Rt. 20 in Sudbury MA to Longfellow's Wayside Inn. You can see The Grist Mill, The Schoolhouse, The Chapel and The Inn, America's oldest operating inn. Make sure and stay for lunch or you can stay overnight if you prefer and have dinner.

The Grist Mill was built under the direction of Henry Ford and ground the first flour on Thanksgiving Day in 1929. You can see the operation April thru November, on Wednesday thru Sunday 9 AM to 5 PM. The Schoolhouse, built in 1798 was originally in Sterling MA and moved to Sudbury in 1927 and used for grades 1 thru 4 until 1951. It is believed to be the school mentioned in "Mary Had a Little Lamb". Since there is no heat, it opens in mid-May thru mid-October from Friday thru Sunday, 11:30 AM to 5 PM. The Chapel was also built by Henry Ford in honor of his mother, Mary and his mother-in-law Martha, hence the name Mary Martha Chapel.

That is a little history of the area but having had lunch recently at the Inn, I wanted to recommend a trip to see the area and have a delicious lunch. I had the Georges Bank Sea Scallops and they were by far, the best scallops I have had, baked with Ritz cracker crumbs. The waiter talked me into trying their special Sangria and he was correct, it was delicious. Prices are slightly higher than an average place but well worth the price for what you get. My meal was \$19.95 and well worth it.

You can walk around the grounds before or after and see some magnificent scenery. All seasons are beautiful there but especially in the fall. Check out the website for events and they highly recommend reservations for dining and/or lodging. Bon Appetite.

- Gloria Varno

B O A R D O F H E A L T H

Notes from your Board of Health: Helen Whipple, Chair and agent Nancy Lyman, member and clerk Don Matthews

The Board of Health has been involved in many heavy discussions during their past few meetings and we would like to update you on actions that we have taken.

We have sent a letter to Governor Charles Baker encouraging the use of green energy and opposing fracking. We deliberated on a petition that was brought in by a concerned citizen asking the board to adopt a pesticide restriction on town owned property. After talking to the highway superintendent, we determined that they do not apply pesticides on town land. We were concerned about the budget implications for signage, coordinator's time commitment and the implication for funding for training sessions. We also understand that the forestry committee is concerned with buckhorn infiltrating the town forests and that a forester may develop a plan that could possibly use an herbicide. Given these factors, we opted not to adopt this policy. Nevertheless, we feel that there is a real danger in some of the chemicals that are on the market. And while such a policy could never apply to private lands, we want to encourage anyone using a pesticide to read the warnings carefully and considered using a more nature friendly control method.

We are looking at licensing the kitchen in the town hall as a commercial kitchen. That said, this town hall is truly a hall of the people, so we encourage you to use it and clean it up as soon as you finish using it. To date, we have seen no evidence that they are inhabiting the town hall, but unwanted creatures love crumbs and we would like to make sure they don't decide that the kitchen is a welcoming home. Our goal is to see the dishwasher and the kitchen floor replaced and then designate the kitchen as a commercial kitchen.

We have secured a door hanger that deals with ticks. These are available and may be picked up on the table to the right after you enter through the front door.

SELECTBOARD MINUTES (ABRIDGED FOR PRINTED NEWSLETTER) July 31, 2017

Electronic subscribers of the newsletter will receive full Minutes.

Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne, James Erviti

Others present: Town Secretary and Town Clerk Rosa Fratangelo, Finance Committee member Steve Ruggiero, School Committee and HEART Committee member Sue O'Reilly-McRae, Jared Robinson (*Athol Daily News*)

Erviti MOVED to approve the minutes of July 17, 2017 as printed. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Magi MOVED to sign the FCSWMD Memorandum of Understanding. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-1; Magi and Pruyne: AYE, Erviti: ABSTAIN

Erviti MOVED to approve the Scope document Northfield-Warwick Community Compact Statement of Work. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Magi MOVED to contact the Massachusetts Environmental Police regarding the feeding of wildlife by Moore's Pond. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Magi MOVED to approve a Special Town Meeting for Fall with a date to be determined after consulting with the Moderator. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0

At 6:52 p.m., Magi MOVED to adjourn. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

ANIMAL CONTROL

In August there was a CONFIRMED RABID gray fox in the Brush Valley section of Town. Because rabies can only be confirmed by an examination of the brain, this fox is dead and no longer poses an active threat. However, it seems highly likely that there may be more, as rabies spreads from mammal to mammal through contact with the saliva of an infected animal.

The virus travels from the site of a wound inflicted by a rabid animal to the brain and then down into the salivary glands. At this point the animal is rabid and can transmit the disease – an animal is not rabid and able to spread the disease until the rabies virus has traveled to the brain and down into the salivary glands.

A rabid animal dies in less than 10 days, which is why when a domestic dog or cat scratches or bites and breaks the skin it is quarantined for 10 days – if it's alive at the end of that time it is determined not to have been rabid when it bit. If it dies during quarantine it must be tested for rabies.

Rabies vaccinations are considered effective, but the minute chance of vaccine failure is the reason I have been told that the State does the quarantines even on vaccinated dogs and cats.

PLEASE vaccinate your pets against rabies and keep their vaccinations current with no lapses – it's the law for a reason. And always be careful, cautious and very aware of your surroundings when outdoors. -Rosa Fratangelo

C O U N C I L O N A G I N G

Notes from the Warwick Council on Aging - Carol Foote & Helen Whipple

We have been able to clarify how the council on aging can help you with medical transportation needs. If you are on MA Health and are going to a MA health certified provider, you can call the FRANKLIN REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (FRTA) at 1-413 774-2262. You can be picked up and delivered to this provider and returned home. You must be 60 to take advantage of this MA Health benefit.

Otherwise you may take advantage of the Medical Ride program offered by FRTA.

You call 1-413-774-2262 and request a med ride. There is a charge for this service of 25 cents per mile. You do not pay the driver, but you will be billed. The med-ride drivers have all had their driving records checked, their vehicle checked to be sure it is reliable and have been subject to a Cori check by FRTA. There are some limitations to this service. It is only available for residents of Franklin County and their medical provider must be in a different county. The charge of 25 cents per mile is from the driver's door. At this time, FRTA has about 10 certified drivers. They are from the Greenfield, Turners Falls and Orange area. One needs to call a couple of weeks before their appointment and they will be called back to indicate if a driver is available. Ex: Warwick to Athol is possible (2 different counties) but Warwick to Greenfield is not covered (same county)

It would be nice if there was a Warwick resident who would like to be a certified driver. If you are interested, please call the FRTA at 1-413-774-2262 and ask to speak to Marissa.

Suggestion: This Med ride option could be expensive for you. We suggest you find a neighbor or friend and offer them lunch or a small amount of gas money.

SELECTBOARD MINUTES (ABRIDGED FOR PRINTED NEWSLETTER) July 17, 2017

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Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne, James Erviti (arrived at 6:13 p.m.) Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary and Town Clerk Rosa Fratangelo, George Day, Jared Robinson (*Athol Daily News*)

Magi MOVED to approve the minutes of July 3, 2017 as printed. Pruyne SECONDED Motion CARRIED 2-0-0

Magi MOVED to designate the following positions Special Municipal Employee: Constable, Transfer Station Commissioner, Tree Warden, Burial Agent, Council on Aging Member, Field Driver, Finance Committee Member, Fire Chief, Franklin County Technical School Representative, Special Police Officer, Tax Collector. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED

Magi MOVED that the Selectboard allow Rosa Fratangelo, our elected Town Clerk, to also the following appointed and compensated positions: Animal Control Officer at an annual stipend of \$1,738.00; Inspector of Animals at an annual stipend of \$506.00; Town Secretary at \$14.47 per hour not to exceed \$2,756 for FY 2018. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0

Magi MOVED to grant Beth Gilgun a MGL:268~20D exemption to serve as Assessor, Assessor's Clerk, Treasurer and Cultural Council Member. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0 .

Magi MOVED to grant James Erviti a MGL: 268~20D exemption to serve as Selectman, Special Police Officer, Emergency Management Director and ZBA Member. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0

Magi MOVED to appoint Barbara Walker to the Moore's Pond Beach Advisory Committee for FY 2018. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0

At 6:42 p.m., Magi MOVED to adjourn. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0

NEW BOOK ABOUT HISTORIC WARWICK HOMES

As Featured in the Recorder - Seven Years in the Making

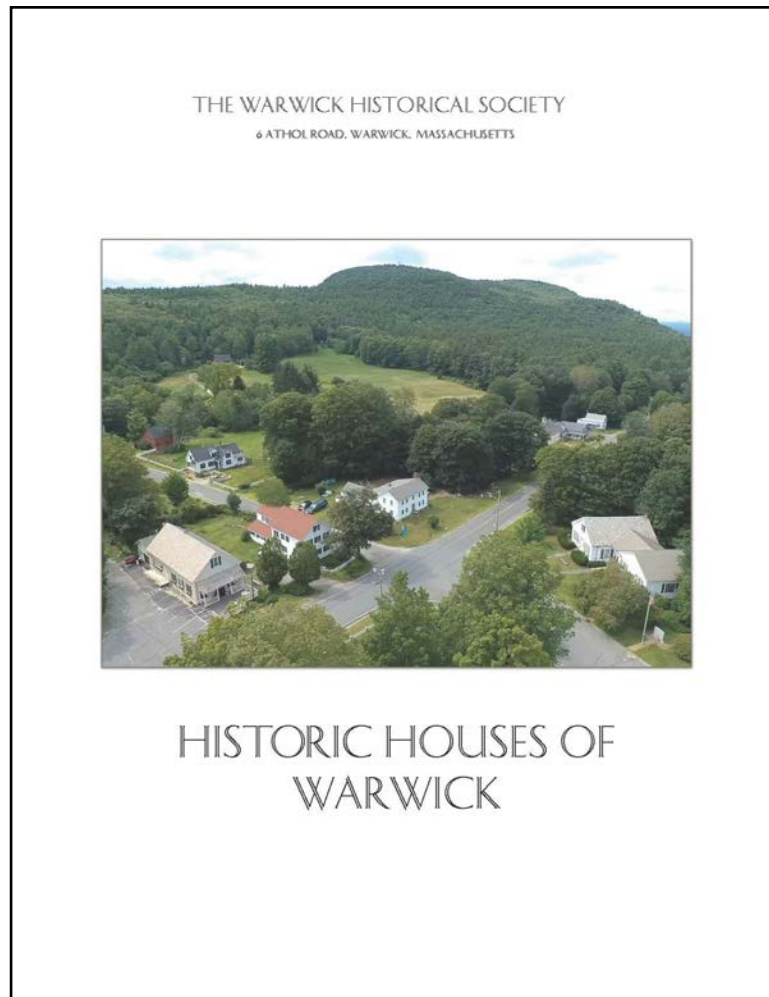
The Warwick Historical Society proudly presents its new publication:

Historic Houses of Warwick

Packed with color photos of 28 of Warwick's historic houses, historical information and more.

Available on Old Home Day, at the Crafts Fair, and at the Library

Only \$8.00



W O M E N ' S G U I L D

The Guild will meet at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday September 5 in the basement of the Town Hall. We'll have a regular business meeting, look ahead at programs and events for the Fall, and enjoy each others' company with refreshments. Remember: ALL women of Warwick are Guild members and everyone is most welcome! - Martha Morse



Calling Warwick Artists: It's Coming....

The Art Show is just around the corner!

The Warwick Arts Council wants to put your work on display in the Town Hall at our 27th Annual Art Show on Columbus Day weekend in October (10/6/17-10/9/17). Greater Warwick area artists of all ages and experience levels are encouraged to complete those creative projects. If you create it, we'll show it off – whether it's fiber art, ceramics, collage, puppetry, wood carving, furniture, monotypes, jewelry, drawings, sculpture, photography, painting or something different. So put this notice on your bulletin board or refrigerator and get cracking! Details will appear in the October newsletter about joining our community arts weekend that will include an artist reception. *Questions? Email: tomwyattphoto@gmail.com or call 413-768-8641*

Brush Valley 4-H will be having an informational meeting/ open house on Sunday, September 24, 2017 at 862 Orange Road, Warwick from 2-4 p.m. Visitors can see some of the projects youth did this past year and get information on joining 4-H. Call Julie for more information (978) 544-5427.





82 Industrial Boulevard
Turners Falls, MA 01376

2017-2018 School Calendar

August - 31 days

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September - 30 days

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October - 31 days

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November - 30 days

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December - 31 days

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January - 31 days

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February - 28 days

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March - 31 days

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April - 30 days

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May - 31 days

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June - 30 days

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Start and End Dates

- August 28 Staff Begins
- August 29 Grades 10th & 12th only - first day
- August 30 Grades 9th & 11th only - first day
- August 31 All students report
- June 1 Graduation
- June 13 Last Day of School = 180 days - Noon release
- June 20 Last day of school including five inclement weather days = 185 days

Delayed Opening/Early Release/Full Day In-Service

- September 13 Delayed Opening
- September 22 Chamber of Commerce Breakfast
- October 11 Delayed Opening
- October 30 No School Students/Full Day In-Service
- November 10 Early Release - 12:00 P.M. - 8th grade visits
- November 17 Early Release - 12:00 P.M. - 8th grade visits
- November 22 Early Release - 12:35 pm
- December 13 Delayed Opening
- January 10 Delayed Opening
- January 22 No School Students/Full Day In-Service
- February 14 Delayed Opening
- March 14 Delayed Opening
- April 11 Delayed Opening
- May 9 Delayed Opening
- May 18 Early Release @ 12:35 pm, Grades 9,10,11, (Sr. Capstone Presentations)
- May 21 Delayed Opening for Grades 9, 10 & 11 (Senior Sign-out)

Legal Holidays & Vacations

- September 4 Labor Day - No School
- October 9 Columbus Day - No School
- November 13 Observing Veterans' Day - No School
- November 22 Half-day
- November 23-24 Thanksgiving Recess - No School
- December 25 - Jan. 1 December Recess - No School
- January 15 Martin Luther King Day - No School
- February 19 - 23 February Recess - No School
- April 16 - April 20 April Recess - No School
- May 28 Memorial Day - No School

MCAS Dates

~ Dates to Remember ~

- October 19, 2017 Parent's Night @ 6:00 P.M.
- Nov. 10 & 17, 2017 8th Grade Visits - Noon release
- Nov. 16, 2017 8th Grade Career Awareness Night #1
- Feb. 8, 2018 8th Grade Career Awareness Night #2

Semester 1 8/31/17 - 1/19/18 - Mid-Term 11/3/17
Semester 2 1/23/18 - 6/13/18 - Mid-Term 3/30/18

Approved by School Committee vote on June 14, 2017

**Week 1 - 9 & 11 Academics
10 & 12 Shops**
**Week 2 - 9 & 11 Shops
10 & 12 Academics**

Updated 6/23/17

Approved at 3/30/17 PVRSDC Mtg.

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 2017/2018 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

AUGUST (2/2)							SEPTEMBER (20/22)							OCTOBER (20/42)							
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27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28	29	30	29	30	31					
8/28: Faculty First Day							9/1: Full day of school							10/9: Columbus Day							
8/30: Students First Day*							9/4: Labor Day Holiday							10/27: Full Day In-service							
(*Grades 1-12)							9/7: Pre-K & K First Day														
NOVEMBER (19/61)							DECEMBER (16/77)							JANUARY (21/98)							
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11/23-24: Thanksgiving Recess							12/7 1:45 Early Release: Elementary Only														
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							6/19: 185th Day														

Every Friday PVRSD will dismiss at 12:54 p.m. & all Elementary Schools will dismiss at 1:45 p.m.

- Please be advised that MA public schools must be in session 180 days prior to July 1. Days lost to weather events or other emergencies are added to the 180th scheduled day.
- With the exception of opening week, students are released early on Fridays to accommodate professional development. If a weather event results in a delayed start on Friday, there is no change to the early release. However, only PreKindergarten students should not report on Friday if there is a 2 hour delayed start.



TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH of WARWICK

SEPTEMBER 2017

Dear Friends,

Jesus was not a political activist in the way that term is used today, but he was a moral activist and much of his ministry sent waves of great discomfort throughout the political structures of his day. He challenged not only the ruling elite for their greed and self-serving oppression of the poor, the weak, the marginalized, but he also challenged his own followers to look beyond their own self-interests; to “pick up your cross and follow me”. Notice, he did not say “worship me” or “be loyal to me”, he said “follow me”.

In the past few weeks we have seen vicious bigotry and hatred rise up to intimidate and injure and kill those who stand in peaceful resistance. What follows here are excerpts from a blog posted by Rev Kelly Gallagher who was in Charlottesville to peacefully and courageously place her body in between the white supremacists and those they would “eliminate”. (For a full reading, well worth the effort, go to MACUCC.org and scroll to blog posts; Charlottesville.)

“The clergy call to Charlottesville came from a new organization - ‘Congregate’ - that formed quickly in the face of the growing presence of the alt-right and white nationalists descending on Charlottesville over the last few months...

Congregate called on clergy to come and stand with them in Charlottesville, to bring Jesus’ Gospel of love to that place, knowing full well that it would be dangerous. Indeed, we were encouraged to record our statement of why we came and share it with a loved one, ‘in case the worst happened’...It became our role as clergy throughout the day to go into the fray. We had been trained the day before how to stand in the face of violence, how to protect our body and the bodies of others from the violence, how to hold the line. After our training, we joined hundreds of others at a worship and prayer service with Rev Traci Blackmon and Dr Cornell West who reminded us that love wins over evil.... We started early Saturday morning as we walked silently from First Baptist Church to Emancipation Park... We lined up face-to-face with the white nationalist militia, only a sidewalk between us. At first glance one might think they were the National Guard as they were heavily armed with automatic weapons, guns and knives... We lined up and began to pray. We prayed for love. We prayed for the hearts of all those present. We prayed that hatred and violence would cease, and we prayed for the strength to stand in the name of love throughout the day. As the hate groups began to arrive, group by group, they would file down the sidewalk between our line of clergy and the line of militia, hitting us with their flags, insults and spit...In response, we sang...led by ...Rev Osagyefo Sekou who trained us, walked beside us and led us in song and prayer. We chanted ‘Love has already won’ over and over. And as the people of Charlottesville gathered behind us they began to sing and chant as well. With that song and prayer and words of love surrounding that space, I could look upon the young white supremacists before me in a new light. There was no hate in my heart and I was grateful...There are those who are seeking to boil the violence down to two sets of radical groups. That is not the case. While there were those protesting the White Supremacists who were not committed to non-violence, the violence began when one of the hate groups intentionally plowed through the group of clergy as we stood on the steps of the park. Other groups moved forward to protect us before that could happen again....As the day went on, we were called to different points of conflict. There was a moment when we were traveling down a street toward a conflict and people on the street stepped to the side and began to applaud. We heard ‘thank you’ and ‘bless you’...We waded into a crowd exchanging words and some blows, standing between the groups, inviting the white nationalists to keep moving...

There needed to be love on the streets of Charlottesville that day. There needed to be the love of God and Christ manifest – in bodies that could hold each other, that could stand firm, that could sing louder than the hateful chants of those who would silence love. There needed to be some sign that the institution that claims Jesus cares, walks in his steps, and won’t give in to hate and fear...

• *It wasn't until the next morning in church that many of us began to feel the impact of that day...As...one of the founding members of Congregate Cville, began to preach and reflect on the day before, I began to weep, ... for the hatred that permeates the hearts of so many in our country, for the system of evil that is white supremacy that seeks to end the love of all of God's children, for the fear in the hearts of people on every side... (She)...ended by sharing... that she felt called to put her body in a place where it could absorb some of the hate and violence so that black and brown bodies didn't have to, because they have been absorbing the violence for so long. That is what Jesus did, ...he absorbed the hate and evil of the world – and gave back love.*

If ever there was a time for Christians – particularly white Christians - to enter the fray, it is now. The wave of white supremacy will keep coming as the push against it gets stronger. Let us stand before it with love, claiming in the name of Jesus our call to love our neighbors as ourselves. While some who claim Christ as Lord spew hatred and embrace violence to advance their cause, let us be the Christians who are known by our love.”

In hopeful faith, Dan

UP COMING EVENTS

IT'S APPLE PIE TIME AGAIN The TCCW apple pie bake and sale is coming *the first week in Oct.* You can pre-order (your best option for getting a pie, as they go quickly) by emailing Helen Whipple at hrwhipl1@yahoo.com. And we would not want to exclude any of you from the fun of peeling, slicing, rolling out the dough and filling the pie shells, this is open to any who wish to come. The peeling and slicing will happen in the evenings of Tuesday and Wed (Oct 3 &4) and the rolling and filling happens in the mornings of Wed & Thurs (Oct 4&5). All pies will be gone by Friday, Oct 6.

SAVE THE DATE FOR CROP WALK! SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15. Crop Walk will be held in Greenfield starting at the 2nd Congregational Church (on the Common). Would you like to walk to raise money for Hunger? Join us! You can call the Chapel (544-2630) to get a sponsor form or go online to www.crophungerwalk.org and set yourself up there under the Franklin County Walk to receive sponsors.

WHERE DO CROP HUNGER WALK FUNDS GO?

CROP Hunger Walks help to support the overall work of Church World Service, particularly grassroots development efforts around the world. In addition, each local CROP Hunger Walk can choose to return up to 25 percent of the funds it raises to hunger-fighting programs in its own community.

CROP Hunger Walks help to provide food and water, as well as resources that empower people to meet their own needs. From seeds and tools to wells and water systems, the key is people working together to identify their own development priorities, their strengths and their needs - something CWS has learned through 70 years of working in partnership around the world.

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 & 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.

Deep Dish APPLE PIES



\$10 each

Order baked or unbaked (ready to freeze). Available October 5 and 6th. Email orders to hrwhip1@yahoo.com or call 978 544-6838. This is a fundraiser for the church.

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Don't Miss these SEPTEMBER events in Warwick!

THE GATHERING PLACE - EVERY OTHER FRIDAY- 10am - Town Hall

WOMENS GUILD - September 5

LIBRARY REOPENS ON SATURDAYS STARTING-September 9

HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING—September 20

4-H INFORMATION MEETING—September 24