

Warwick Community Newsletter

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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

TOWN CLERK OFFICE INFO

The Town Clerk's office will be open 1:00-4:00 p.m. on Mondays in July. Wednesday hours by appointment. This office will be closed on July 14th. Thank you,

John Paganetti, Town Clerk

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

Oct 3rd

Nov 7th

Dec 5th

A black and white line drawing of a cat sitting at a high wooden chair, leaning over a table and eating from a bowl. The cat's tail is visible, hanging down the side of the chair.

Warwick has a few great classes that have been enjoyed for over seven years! *Newcomers are always welcome.*

The first two classes are free! The suggested donation is \$5. Zumba has many benefits: it's a great way to stretch, strengthen, increase balance, and lift your mood ! These classes are taught by Susan Krieger.

This is an all-level Hatha yoga class to meet students' needs. There is an emphasis on proper alignment. Pranayama breathing techniques, deep relaxation and meditation. A dynamic yet harmonious approach to cultivate strength, physical awareness, and inner balance. Yoga classes are taught by Kalliope Kalombratsos.

NEW YOGA CLASS!

I will be offering a Restorative Yoga class on Wednesdays at the Warwick Town Hall beginning tomorrow, June 25th, from 9:00-10:00 am. This gentle form of yoga, for practitioners of all levels, focuses on stretching and deep relaxation by holding poses for extended periods of time with the support of props like bolsters, blocks and blankets, all of which are available at the Town Hall.

With warm regards,
Amelia



From the Warwick Community School and District

Dear Warwick Community,

WCS Graduation update: Thanks to everyone who came out for our 6th grade graduation! It was a lovely event that celebrated our three rising seventh graders and launched two new named awards: The Brian E. Snell Extraordinary Service Award, to be awarded each year to a person who goes above and beyond to give of themselves to benefit our school community, and the Jessica S. Marshall Keystone Award, to be awarded to a person whose work is essential to keeping the work of the school moving forward. This year, the awards were presented to their namesakes. Thank you and congratulations, Brian and Jess! And special thanks to all of our guest speakers: Whistle Kingfisher, Dr. Alan Genovese, Brian Snell, Jess Marshall and John Hall.

Home Rule Petition update: We successfully testified for bill H751 at the State House on Tuesday, June 3rd. If passed, the new law would allow the Warwick District to allow students from surrounding towns to attend Warwick Community School in a fiscally responsible way. We are especially proud of the compelling testimony from our very own 6th grader, Ariana Perkins. Bravo, Ari! While we were at the State House, the students and staff watched the hearing on livestream and cheered us on - learning a real life lesson about how legislation is developed and passed. Students had also written passionate letters which we shared with the committee. Fighting for fiscally responsible school choice has truly become our community and school wide project-based unit!

What's Next for the Home Rule Petition: The Chairs of the Joint Committees on Education are considering creating a new bill that would solve this issue for all tiny districts. We will continue to keep you informed as we receive updates and collaborate with Senator Comerford and Representative Whipps to move the legislation forward as quickly as possible. We want to take a moment to thank all of you who took the time to write letters in support of school choice in Warwick. We gave all of your letters to the committee and they will be reviewed by the state legislators as they make their decision. Thank you. We are, again, deeply grateful to be part of such a strong and supportive community.

Thank you for your support!

Dr. Carole Learned-Miller, Founding Superintendent

Stephen Stroud, Principal

Jess Marshall, Director of Operations

Warwick Trails Group July Hike

We invite you to join us for a **Hike With a View** along another one of Warwick's beautiful trails.

When: Sunday, July 20 at 1 p.m.

Where to meet: Shoulder parking on Richmond Road at the intersection of Richmond Road and the New England Trail (about 1.9 miles north of the four-way intersection of Richmond, Athol, and Hastings Heights Roads).

The Hike: This out-and-back hike is approximately 1.8 miles (about 0.9 miles each way) with a change in elevation of about 350 feet. We will hike south and then east along a section of the New England Trail to a high point with a nice view of our own Mount Grace. Wear your bug repellent and bring a water bottle. We will have maps and a trail description available.

The all-volunteer Warwick Trails Group maintains some of Warwick's town-owned trails, hikes and maps existing trails, and plans and creates new ones.

Questions? Contact warwicktrails@googlegroups.com

Old Home Days are coming up fast... August 23rd and 24th

Our next newsletter will include the flyer. I am reaching out to everyone to get back to me on what they are planning to do. *Let's make this year be great.* You can call me anytime, but please leave a message and I will return your call as soon as I can. (978) 790-4459 or email me at colly043@gmail.com, as always I am looking for help with children's games. Also, I am always open to new ideas.

Thank you for all you do to make this happen.
Sincerely, Colleen Paul

Warwick Women's Guild

July 1, 2025

Change of plans! The Women's Guild will meet at Gloria Varno's home (324 Wendell Rd) at 1:00 pm for a short business meeting and enjoy the beauty of Moore's Pond.

August 5, 2025

The Women's Guild will car pool from the Town Hall at 1:00 pm to enjoy visiting Lois Wells at her cottage on Moore's Pond. We will discuss the selling of muffins on Old Home Days and any other business.

Year-end message from the Warwick Community School Foundation:

As we end our first year, we share both our gratitude and tremendous excitement for the future. This year, our Foundation has raised funds to cover a full year of nature preschool at Warwick for a family in need, and we've laid the groundwork to do even more to support teachers and families next year.

Huge thanks to everyone who gave funds, time or good cheer to us! Endless thanks to founding board members and Warwick superstars, Clare Green and David Wells for their contributions to getting the Foundation up and running. And, big cheers to Heather Berlin and Melanie Schillemat who've joined and will continue to help us build our foundation and grow our impact. If you run into these amazing neighbors, please give them a high five for all they've done to support this incredible school and mission. Have a wonderful summer!

—The Warwick Community School Foundation Team

Ice Cream Social July 6, 2025 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.



Sponsored by the Metcalf Chapel on the Warwick Town Hall Lawn

Come and enjoy a delicious sundae you make yourself at the Warwick Town Hall Lawn on SUNDAY JULY 6 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Get a dish of ice cream - 1, 2, or even 3 scoops (\$4, \$5, \$6). Top off your creation with many topping choices from hot fudge and hot butterscotch to berries and cream.

Live musical entertainment.

Sit and chat with neighbors or someone you just met. Picnic tables are provided, but if you want to be more comfortable bring a lawn chair to sit in and enjoy your ice cream and toppings.

Tag Sale or Crafter Tables are welcome to be set up on the Common as well. No preregistration needed.

The Historical Society Building will also be open.

LIBRARY NEWS - JULY 2025

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

NEW! Peabody Essex Museum pass: The PEM (pem.org) is a world-class art museum located in Salem, Mass. The Museum's roots date to the 1799 founding of the East India Marine Society, an organization of Salem ship captains who had sailed near or beyond either the Cape of Good Hope or Cape Horn. The society's bylaws included a provision for the establishment of a cabinet of "natural and artificial curiosities." The Museum pass provides for discounted admission.

NEW!: Salem Witch Museum pass: To make the trip east to Salem even more worthwhile, the Library now also offers FREE passes to the 1692 Salem Witch Museum (salemwitchmuseum.com). The Museum examines one of the most enduring and emotional events in American history, the Salem witch trials of 1692; as well as the earlier European history that preceded and led to it. (**Note:** not for use during October-November.)

Lego Club for Kids! - Tuesdays, July 8th and July 22nd @ 3:30 pm: The Lego Club meets twice a month after school on Tuesday afternoons, and is a place for kids to socialize and build. Open to children of any age and their caregivers. All children must be supervised.

Let's Talk Ticks - Tuesday, July 8th @ 7 pm: Join Samantha, our public health nurse, for a free presentation about ticks, tick-borne illnesses and tick bite prevention. **NOTE:** Samantha will be offering free Permethrin spraying to hiking/outdoor boots and shoes at these events (Please bring a spare pair to wear).

Non-Fiction Discussion Group - Thursday, July 17th @ 7 pm: This discussion group is wide open: Could be something you're reading now or from long ago; science, history, memoirs, biographies; articles, books, newsletters, journals. It's all up for discussion at the new non-fiction discussion group. Designed for independent, asynchronous reading, we'll get together to share our favorite non-fiction reads and make recommendations. Come to share/discuss or just to listen and build your reading list.

Mobile MakerSpace workshop (#7) - Electronic Soldering: Saturday, July 19th @ 1 pm - for ages 12 and up: Learn the basics of soldering and electronic components through building a light up circuit board. **Space is limited—please register in advance.** Programs will run approx. 90 minutes.

Monthly Short Story Hour - Grace Paley, Thursday, July 24th @ 7:30 pm. We'll read selections from *A Grace Paley Reader* (2017). "A writer like Paley," writes George Saunders, "comes along and brightens language up again, takes it aside and gives it a pep talk, sends it back renewed, so it can do its job, which is to wake us up." Best known for her inimitable short stories, Grace Paley was also an enormously talented essayist and poet, as well as a fierce activist. She was a tireless member of the antiwar movement, the civil rights movement, and the tenants' rights movement, among other causes, and proved herself to be a passionate citizen of each of her communities—New York City and rural Vermont. "Her short stories are among the finest produced by an American." (Kirkus Reviews) Come to read or just to listen.

Warwick Scholarship Committee A. George Day, Jr.

2025 Scholarship Awards:

Pioneer Valley Regional School - Class of 2025

Alice, Eric, Oscar Anderson Scholarship	
Jerad Goulston, Jr.	\$1500.00
Anita L. Pike Memorial Scholarship	
Jerad Goulston, Jr.	\$900.00

Home schooled - Class of 2025

Alice, Eric, Oscar Anderson Scholarship	
Ella Alderman-Sterste	\$1500.00
Anita L. Pike Memorial Scholarship	
Ella Alderman-Sterste	\$900.00

The Anita L. Pike Memorial Scholarship is awarded to the graduate of the class with the highest scholastic average. Both Jerad and Ella have a 4.00 GPA.

2025 total	\$4,800.00
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Scholarship Committee Members

A. George Day, Jr.	Warwick Firemen's Association
Joe Paul	Warwick Firemen's Association
Chris Langley	Warwick Firemen's Association
Kathy Connelly	Trinitarian Congregational Church
Linda Gale	Member-at large
Arline Lincoln	First Parish and Religious Society
Gloria Varno	Warwick Historical Society
Carol Foote	Warwick Women's Guild

Donations may be made to any of the three scholarships funds at any time. The committee will be very grateful for any assistance towards keeping the scholarship funds a continuing program for our college students.

Warwick Community Scholarship Fund
Alice, Eric, Oscar Anderson Scholarship Fund
Anita L. Pike Memorial Scholarship

Address: 12 Athol Road
Warwick, MA 01378



The Green Corner

Is there life after death for a Solar Panel?

What happens to all those solar panels when they are done being useful?

You may have heard somewhere that this is a big problem.

Let's look a bit closer

Most solar electric panels are proven to still produce over 87% of their rated output after 25 years. However, some do fail prematurely due to weather hazards, manufacturing defects, or are simply removed to make way for the latest & greatest new models.

Can they be recycled?

Yes! They are mostly glass, aluminum, & silicon, and we already know how to recycle these. The trace amounts of plastics and heavy metals can also be captured and recycled. The EU already mandates 85% recycling of solar panels, and recycling centers are popping up in the US.

Any way you cut it, making electricity has undesirable effects, so using less in the first place is the golden rule. We can then choose the most efficient way to use it, followed by how we (or our electric suppliers) choose to make it. Compared to the costs, both monetarily and environmentally, of extracting and burning coal, oil and methane (aka 'natural' gas) to make electricity, solar really does shine – the fuel source is already up there and the exhaust is only the above-mentioned materials. Burning fossil fuels produces tons of waste such as coal ash and, according to the British Medical Journal, the associated air pollution contributes to some 5 million premature deaths annually worldwide. However, the elephant in the room (our earth) is the resulting CO2 emissions that are one of the main drivers of global warming. As for nuclear power – we have yet to figure out what to do with the waste.

The climate advisor Michael Barnard recently wrote: ..."coal and gas combustion emissions are the primary contributors to global warming, driving catastrophic climate change effects that dwarf any hypothetical risks from inert solar waste".

For the complete article, see <https://medium.com/the-future-is-electric/the-great-solar-waste-misdirection-c0810460a400>

~ Warwick Buildings and Energy Committee

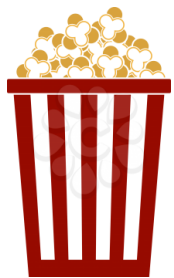
"Technology Help Days" Every Thursday

Get out those old photos and we will digitize them for you
so you can see them on your phone, tablet or laptop.
Share them with friends and family.

9:00 a.m. to noon - Downtown Warwick

(This program is supported in part by a grant from the Warwick Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.)

TCC UP-COMING EVENTS



Movies in the Chapel: *War/Dance, 2007.* From movie critic Leonard Maltin:

“Compassionate, uplifting documentary account of Ugandan orphans who have only known lives of war and strife. They reside in a the Patongo Displacement Camp, where they prepare to vie for a National Music Competition trophy. Despite their horror stories, the youngsters show astounding resilience, and the film is a primer on the power of music to elevate the spirit.” Film at TCC on Wednesday, July 23rd. Popcorn served!

ICE CREAM SOCIAL! Sunday, July 6th from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on the Town Hall lawn. Remember to bring your favorite lawn chair. Enjoy great ice cream with all the toppings, as you visit with friends and neighbors on a summer afternoon.



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).*** We’ve added a clipboard on the door of the medical supply room. Please just fill out your name and item borrowed and cross off the line when the equipment is returned.

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.



We’re happy to be celebrating the one-year anniversary of the opening of the Warwick Social Center in the Historic Warwick Inn, currently home to “Tech Help Thursdays,” 9:00 am-noon. Stop in for coffee, a chat, or to get your technical issues solved!

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1 Zumba; Bone & Balance; Tai-Chi; Sr. Meal Noon TH; WWGuild 1:00 pm; Library 1:00-8:00 pm	2 Yoga 9:00 am Town Hall Transfer Station 3:00 -6:00 pm	3 Warwick Inn Tech Help 9:00 am-Noon Library 5:00-8:00 pm	4 Free Food Friday 9:00 am @ Metcalf Chapel Independence Day	5 Zumba 8:00 am; Yoga 9:00-10:30 am; Lib. 10:00 am-12:30 pm; C. bells 11:00 am; Climate Vigil 11:30 -12:30 pm; T. St 8:00-3:00 pm
6 Worship Svc 10:00 am; Ice Cream Social 1-3:00 pm	7 Library 10:00 am -4:00 pm;	8 Zumba; Bone & Balance; Tai-Chi; Sr. Meal Noon Town Hall; Library 1:00-8:00 pm; Lego Club 3:30 pm; Tick Talk Library 7 pm	9 Yoga 9:00 am TH Book Club 10:00 am Library; Transfer Station 3:00 -6:00 pm	10 Warwick Inn Tech Help 9:00 am-Noon Library 5:00-8:00 pm	11 Foot Clinic 8:00 am Metcalf Chapel Free Food Friday 9:00 am @ Metcalf Chapel	12 Zumba 8:00 am; Yoga 9:00-10:30 am; T. Station 8:00-3:00; Library 10:00 am-12:30 pm; Climate Vigil 11:30 -12:30 pm
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20 Worship Svc. 10:00 am; Warwick Trails Group Hike 1:00 pm	21 Library 10:00 am -4:00 pm	22 Zumba 8:00 am; Bone & Balance; Tai-Chi; Sr. Meal Noon; Library 1:00-8:00 pm; Lego Club 3:30 pm	23 Yoga 9:00 am TH Transfer Station 3:00 -6:00 pm TCC Movie Nite 7:00 pm	24 Warwick Inn Tech Help 9:00 am-Noon Library 5:00-8:00; Monthly Short Story Hour 7:30 pm	25 Free Food Friday 9:00 am @ Metcalf Chapel	26 Zumba 8:00 am; Yoga 9:00-10:30 am; Transfer Station 8:00-3:00 pm; Climate Vigil 11:30-12:30 pm
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*** *SAVE THE DATE!* OLD HOME DAYS, AUGUST 23 & 24 ***

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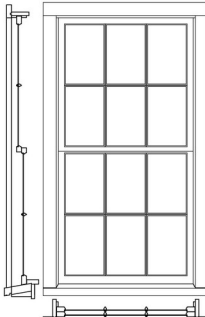


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WARWICK COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED



DATES TO REMEMBER:

Warwick Women's Guild - July 1

Tech Help Days - July 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31

Ice Cream Social - July 6

Tick Talk - July 8

Lego Club - July 8 & 22

Book Club - July 9

Foot Clinic - July 11

Non-fiction Discussion Gp - July 17

Mobile MakerSpace - July 19

Warwick Trails Group Hike - July 20

TCC Movie Night - July 23

Monthly Short Story Hour - July 24

