

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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A FOND FAREWELL TO **MARY HUMPHRIES** WHO HAS EDITED THIS NEWSLETTER SINCE 2018. WE WILL MISS HER SKILLS, HER PLEASANT DISPOSITION, AND HER STEADFAST DEDICATION TO PRODUCING THIS NEWSLETTER MONTH AFTER MONTH. WE WISH HER WELL IN HER NEXT CHAPTER. Andrea Woods will produce the newsletter the next couple of months until a new person gets settled in. The newsletter email address is unchanged.

Phone Directory

Emergency 911

Selectboard /Town Coordinator
978-729-3224

Warwick Broadband
(413) 676-9544

978-544-

Selectboard voice mail	6315
Treasurer/Collector	3845
Highway	6349
Library	7866
Fire Station	(978) 633-9087
Animal Control	(413) 774-7340
Clerk/Assessors	8304
Bd of Health	6315
Community School	6310
Police Dept Business	2244
Building Inspector	(978) 544-6296
FAX all depts.	6499
Burn Permits:	
www.fcburnpermits.com	

DONATIONS— POSTAGE COSTS HAVE RISEN AGAIN. If you receive the newsletter by mail, we urge you to consider donating to the newsletter. Suggested donation is \$10/year. See Admin details above for mailing address and make check payable to WCN. Thank You.

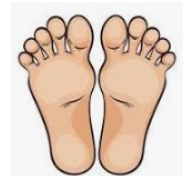
THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING DONORS AND ADVERTISERS THIS MONTH:

Mindy Gibbons Cody Gibbons Alan Genovese Warwick TCC

Total \$395.00

2026 Foot Clinics

All clinics are at 8:00 a.m. at Metcalf Chapel
 Aug 14 Sept 4 (** not the usual Friday)
 Oct 9 Nov 13 Dec 11



DON'T MISS ALL THE FUN

WARWICK OLD HOME DAYS

AUGUST 22 AND 23

SEE THE FULL LISTING OF ACTIVITIES ON PAGE 5!

OFFICE HOURS

Tax Collector: Jessica Foote

Office Hours: Monday 11-6/Thursday 11-2 other times by appointment

Phone: 978 544-3845 - press 1 for Tax Collector

email: collector@town.warwick.ma.us

Please Note: Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes are due annually on October 1st and April 1st.

Assessor's Clerk: Tracy Styles

Office hours: Tues. 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Thurs. 2:00-6:00 p.m. or by appointment.
(978) 544-8304

Town Clerk: John Paganetti

Office hours: Mondays 1-4 pm & Wednesdays 10-1 pm.
Phone: 978 544-3845

Community Garden News

The garden is growing and herbs are blossoming. Stop by and pick some flowers, lettuces and kale. Tomatoes, peas, peppers, beans and squashes will be producing soon.

Soon the garlic will be harvested, cured and made available by early August.

Look for in the Free Food Friday Shed.

Happy Gardening. Do stop by.

"The earth laughs in flowers" R.W. Emerson

On behalf of the Community Garden Crew
-submitted by Clare Green

COUNCIL ON AGING NEWS

COA continues to look for new members especially a volunteer to assist with administrative tasks including meeting minutes and record-keeping. If this important work is of interest to you, please get in touch with Clyde Perkins, Sr., at (978) 544-3879. Thank you for considering.

Warwick Historical Society

The Warwick Historical Society and The Meetinghouse Committee warmly welcome all folks, of all ages, to attend the Organ Music and Historical Vignettes Program on Saturday, August 22, from 3 to 4:30, at the 1836 Meetinghouse, (NOT, the Cemetery.)

Questions? Clare Green

PS Remember that the Historical Society Building is open Sundays, from 2 to 4pm.

Warwick Women's Guild

August 4, 2026

Women's Guild will travel to Signe Friedrich's home at 700 Old Winchester Road at NOON for a pool party. Bring your bathing suit and towel. Signe will have a light lunch but everyone is welcome to add a treat. Nancy will have information for Old Home Day projects.

September 8, 2026

Note the date change. Primary election is on the first. The Women's Guild will meet at the Town Hall at 1pm. We will have a business meeting followed by an LCR game. Refreshments will then be served.

-submitted by Nancy Kilhart

News from Town Hall

Straw Poll – Where to Hold Town Meetings?

The online Cambridge dictionary definition starts with “an unofficial vote that is taken to discover what people think about an idea or problem”. In keeping with the times, the poll is not using actual straw, but is online at <https://warwickma.org/> under “Latest News”. The poll will also be available on paper at the library and in the entryway to town hall. The question is whether to hold town meetings at Town Hall or in the School Gymnasium. Please vote by August 15!

Town Mailbox for Payment Drop-Off

Payments and other town business can still be dropped off in the black box next to the regular postal box in front of town hall. If you have access to town hall, you can also drop off payments to the Treasurer or Tax Collector in the large silver mailbox next to their offices. Please do not place payments in the mailbox upstairs.

Lizzie Alwan is our new Town Coordinator starting on AUGUST 3. We are pleased to have her coming on board.

-submitted by Diana Noble

Warwick Trails Group August Hike

Last winter, we scheduled this hike for January only to cancel it due to icy conditions. We rescheduled it for March, hoping that conditions had improved. Yes and no. The trails were no longer icy but there was now still a lot of deep snow! A few hardy souls did the hike anyway but let's try this again without the snow and ice. So . . .

The **Warwick Trails Group** invites you to join us for a hike on the **Darling Brook and Hockanum Hill Trails**.

When: Third Sunday of the month: August 16 at 1 p.m.

Where to meet: At the parking area located on Wendell Rd, about 0.7 miles south of the intersection of Wendell and Quarry Rds.

The Hike: This long lollipop loop hike (about 5.5 miles, with a change in elevation of about 50 feet) in the south of Warwick combines the ruggedness of the Darling Brook Trail with the more family-friendly Hockanum Hill trails. Please bring hiking poles if you have them, proper footwear, bug spray, and a water bottle. We will have maps and a trail description available.

Note: We will spot a vehicle at the Hockanum Road parking lot for those of you who want to do just some of the hike.

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

Questions about this hike? Contact nlharnden@comcast.net

Did you miss one of our previous hikes or want to learn more? Visit <https://warwickma.org/trails-group/>

-submitted by Nancy Harnden



LIBRARY NEWS - AUGUST

Library hours: Monday 10-4, Tuesday 1-8, Thursday 5-8 (closed Saturdays for the summer). Contact: warwick@cwmars.org; 978-544-7866; Ivan Ussach, director.

Free Faxing available: The Library's fax machine is available for use by patrons. There is no charge. See staff for assistance.

Presentation on Ho Chi Minh by Paul Stone - Tuesday, Aug. 4th @ 7 pm: Paul, a Warwick resident and recent author, will share his fascination with Ho Chi Minh (1890-1969), the Vietnamese revolutionary and statesman who founded the Democratic Republic of Vietnam in 1945 (known as North Vietnam after 1954), and served as its first president from 1946 until his death in 1969. In 1998, *Time* magazine included him on its list of the 100 Most Important People of the Twentieth Century.

Non-Fiction Discussion group - Thursday, Aug. 13th @ 7 pm (new time - 2nd Thursdays): This discussion group is wide open. Come to share/discuss or just to listen and build your reading list.

The Key to Poetry—Unlocking the Mystery, a workshop w/ bg Thurston: Thursday, Aug. 20th @ 6:30 pm (to 7:45): Please join us for a fun summer workshop. In this mini workshop (no experience necessary) we will explore examples and exercises for generating poems. As bg writes: "For me, Poetry has been the endless pursuit of one discovery after another. The poems I love best appear to be like rooms that change each time I enter them. I find that most of us are ever hoping to unlock the magic of each poem and possess its meaning. How can we become comfortable with "the unknowing" and let our writing embrace the mysteries inside and around us?" Sharing of writing is voluntary and optional. Contact bg at bgThurston@cathousefarm.com.

Monthly Short Story Hour - Langston Hughes, Aug 27th @ 7:30 pm: We'll read selections from *The Ways of White Folks* (1934). Born in the midwest, Langston Hughes (1901-1967) was an influential poet, novelist, playwright, short-story writer, columnist and activist. After moving to New York City he became a leading figure of the Harlem Renaissance, an intellectual and cultural movement of African-American music, dance, art, fashion, literature, theater, politics, and scholarship that spanned the 1920s and 1930s. Come to read or just to listen.

Brief Thoughts on Metal Detecting - by Ottavio Parent, 10 yrs old: Checking out the Warwick Library's metal detector was an amazing experience! Walking through the woods felt like exploring a hidden world underground. You never know what you might find—We discovered square nails, shotgun shells, and even pieces of barbed wire. It was so much fun searching near old stone walls and following interesting signals along the trails. Metal detecting is a great way to get outside, go on an adventure, and maybe even bring home a cool treasure. I would definitely rate the Library's metal detector 5 out of 5 stars!



Warwick Old Home Days

August 22 and 23

OHD Eve Friday 21st

Town Hall Reader's Theater Play by Cheri Robartes—7pm Free

Sat 22nd

Women's Guild Cafe downstairs in the Town Hall

Coffee & Muffins 8am to 12pm

Tag sale on the common 9am to 2pm

Free space bring your own table

(Many Local Vendors will be there such as Lynrose Farm, The Holloways and more!)

Open Mike 10am to 3pm

Horse drawn wagon rides provided by Brian Hubbard

Warwick Historical Society open 10am to 3pm

11Am Tai Chi demonstration followed by

Honoring fellow Warwick Citizens

Warwick Fire Dept Cook Out Hamburgers, Hot dogs and Fries

New this year Pipe Organ Music and Historical Vignettes at the Meeting

House on the Hill (across from fire station) 3-4:30pm

Church Supper at the Town Hall 5:30-7pm

Community Contradance 7Pm at the Town Hall

Sunday Aug 23rd

Church Service Warwick Trinitarian Church Metcalf Chapel 10:00am

Join us at the Public Beach on Moore's Pond at 2pm

*For the Boat Extravaganza Parade bring your decorated
boat and show it off!!!*

MORE THINGS TO DO

“DOWNTOWN”

WARWICK OLD HOME DAYS 2026

TECH WIZARDS ON DUTY 10:00AM - 1:00PM

Bring your questions, laptops or phones

TEST YOUR BRAIN SPEED 10:00AM – 1:00PM WIN PRIZES!

Complete a small jigsaw puzzle – approximately 10 minutes. All participants win a prize. Best scores for the day win \$25.00 gift certificate to the new Casa Amigos restaurant in Orange.

IMAGES OF “DOWNTOWN” THROUGH THE YEARS

Photo slide show of changes in our town center. Old elementary schools, multiple churches, a road right down the center of the town common.

MEET OUR NEW TOWN ADMINISTRATOR 11:30AM TO 2:00PM

Lizzie Alwan will be hanging out with us for a while. Come welcome her and share what you like best about Warwick.

FREE ICE CREAM IS BEING SERVED 1:30PM – 2:00ish

“Downtown” is located in the Tavern at the Warwick Inn.

Across the street from the Town Hall.

OLD HOME DAYS SUPPER

August 22, 5:30-7 p.m. Warwick Town Hall

MENU

Homemade Baked Beans
Ham
Potato Salad

Cole Slaw
Dinner Rolls

Brownies & Ice Cream
Coffee
Lemonade

\$12 for adults

\$6 for ages 4-11

Age 3 and under Free

Take Out Meals Available. Please bring your own containers.

Proceeds benefit the programs of the Trinitarian Congregational Church.

Help us celebrate
Warwick Old Home Days!

Community Contradance -at the Town Hall

Saturday August 22nd 7pm

All dances are taught - NO fancy footwork is required!

You don't need to come with a partner

All ages and experience levels welcome! (including none)

Come to dance or just to listen to

Live music: Dave Beach and Friends

Fantastic caller: Julian Blechner

FREE

More info: Char Beach: (208)416-1534



NEW BUILDING AND ENERGY MANAGER POSITION

My name is Jared Kain-Woods. Some of you may know me as Jared Woods. I grew up in town before living in various areas of the Pioneer Valley, New Mexico, and Vermont. I recently was hired as the town's first Buildings and Energy Manager. For the last ten years I've worked in the field of Building Energy Efficiency. I've worked with many builders in the Northeast to help guide them towards building homes and businesses in a way that will reduce the costs of operation and increase the standards of healthy living in the buildings. The career path I've been on thus far has had me work closely with all areas of the trades and given me the language to bridge the gap between what an engineer might want to see and what is genuinely practical for our local community.

It is my hope that during my time as Buildings and Energy Manager that I can help facilitate improvements to our town's buildings so that they are more efficient to operate, more comfortable to work in, and can remain strong symbols of our town's dedication to its people. I will be doing my best to help Warwick get access to funding that is available from the state and federal programs. If nothing else, I hope to create a cooperative environment where everyone in town feels more comfortable with new technology/practices and encourage genuine conversations where people feel truly heard.

I look forward to giving back to the community that raised me and please feel free to reach out with ideas and concerns regarding the town's buildings and the community projects that come down the line!

Jared Kain-Woods



2026 Warwick Old Home Days

Moore's Pond Beach Party

Sunday, August 23 at 2:00PM

Where: Public beach at Moore's Pond

Events:

- **Boat parade:** 2:00pm
- **Live music:** 2:30-4:30pm
- **Sandcastle making contest:** 10:00am-3:30pm
- **Time to eat:** 3:00pm
 - Hamburger or hot dog, chips & lemonade (\$5.00)

Decorate your boat and join the parade!
Prizes for the fan-favorite boat.
Prizes for adult and child favorite sandcastle.



Trinitarian Congregational Church, UCC
Metcalf Chapel
32 Athol Road
Warwick, MA 01378

August 2026

Dear Friends,

"The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge. There is no speech or language where their voice is not heard. Their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world." (Psalm 19:1-4, NIV)

"My profession is to be always on the alert to find God in nature, to know God's lurking places. (John Muir)" (from A Call to Peace by Jim McGinnis, pg. 70)

I find that the community of Warwick is very blessed with the nature spread through and surrounding the town. You have Mount Grace, Little Mount Grace, Moore's Pond, Hastings Pond, and Wheeler Pond; places to find rest and tranquility, walking trails, listen to and watch creatures great and small, and look-out to breath-taking views and reflections of God's creations. With all of the nature around you, you're easily able to observe God's beauty in the diverse birds that visit your feeders or perch on branches in gardens as well as graceful deer and curious bears delighting your eyes. I truly enjoy the pictures captured of the wildlife community members post on The Warwick L-ternative FaceBook page. Every time I drive from Fitchburg to Warwick and back, I feel blessed to drive here, to be surrounded by all the forests, to come across deer, and become excited over seeing roaming wild turkeys. Being surrounded by God's creation, forests and by the water, are what I look forward to every summer for my two week family vacation in Maine. Ever since I was a child my family has vacationed in the coastal areas of Damariscotta and Pemaquid Point, Maine, an area very much like Warwick; small towns surrounded by forests and bodies of water. While on vacation in Maine, besides being able to get away and rest from the business of everyday life, it is enjoyable to breath the fresh air, see loons on the water and hear their distinct song at dawn and dusk, watch all the small and larger wildlife pass by, and watch and listen to the ocean waves crashing upon the shore. Though there are shorter moments throughout the year, this is my major opportunity each year when I get to immerse myself in our Creator's presence with all of my senses activated by the Creator's creations of nature. My hope and prayer for each of you is that you are able to also make time to immerse yourself in nature periodically throughout the year and while on vacations, whether here at home or elsewhere, to retreat to stillness and solitude from the noisy and fast-pace life, to attune your senses to the Creator's presence, and hear the Creator speaking to your spirit.

My vacation began on Saturday, July 25th and ends Saturday, August 8th. During the summer I have been sharing a sermon series called "Bad Girls of the Bible", inspired by Barbara J. Essex's Bible study of the same name, where I take you on a journey learning, through re-examination, the lives of some women of the Bible who have often been depicted as devious and despicable. I hope that you will join us for the remainder of this sermon series: August 9th for "Jezebel: Devious or Diva"; August 16th for "Delilah: Enemy or Entrepreneur"; August 23rd for "The Wives of Potiphar and Job"; August 30th for "Herodias: Heartless or Hurt"; and September 6th for "Sapphira: Good Intentions or Bad Ends". Our in-person worship services are on Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM (Zoom participation is available, just contact the church office for the Zoom code). I am usually at the church Sunday mornings by 9:15 AM and often stay until 11:45 AM and my office hours are Wednesday afternoons 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM. I invite you to come stop by to introduce yourself, to say "Hi", to chat, to share your story, and/or receive prayer.

In the Peace of Christ,

Jordan Daigle

Lay Minister

TCC UPCOMING EVENTS



TCC Movie Night: Wednesday, August 26, 7PM Metcalf Chapel: Loretta Castorini, a bookkeeper from Brooklyn, New York, finds herself in a difficult situation when she falls for the brother of the man she has agreed to marry. Popcorn will be served and all are welcome. The more the merrier ~we hope to see you there.

Collection for Aid for Venezuela Earthquake Victims

Throughout the month of August, the Mission Committee of the Trinitarian Congregation Church of Warwick will be collecting money to donate to aid organizations that are already assisting recovery efforts in Venezuela. We have already sent money to World Central Kitchen (<https://www.wck.org>) and are planning for a larger collection to at least one additional aid organization. The top organizations working in Venezuela now include:

Catholic Charities

The International Rescue Committee (<https://help.rescue.org>)

Direct Relief (<https://www.directrelief.org>), partnering with Venezuela groups such as Accion Solidaria and GREMCA, providing emergency medical backpacks and trauma supplies to search and rescue workers

Project HOPE (<https://www.projecthope.org>)

UNICEF (<https://www.unicefusa.org>)

Save the Children (<https://www.savethechildren.org>)

Please consider joining us or donating to one of these organizations directly. The need is large. Checks can be made out to TCCW, with "Aid to Venezuela" on the memo line. All money collected for this will be donated to an aid organization assisting Venezuela earthquake victims.

Thank you. Karro Frost on behalf of TCCW Mission Committee

About School Districts - Part 2 by Diana Noble

Soon Warwick voters will be asked to vote on the [Six Town Regional Planning Board's](#) (STRPB) recommendation to dismantle our current Warwick Community School District and join a proposed regional district with Gill, Montague, Leyden, Bernardston, and Northfield. I am writing as a resident (not a committee member) to add "Part II" to my July article.

WCS is an integral part of our community. I encourage you to read the STRPB materials and vote. If formed, the new regional district (not Warwick) will control staff assignments, curriculum, whether Pre-K, 6th grade, or other grades continue at WCS, school choice, and the budget. In this proposed district, all high school students would attend Turners Falls high school.

If Warwick joins a regional district, school committee members must focus on the entire district rather than any individual town or school. In the STRPB plan, 1 member out of 13 would be from Warwick.

Warwick's current school district is responsible for students in grades K to 12; children graduating from WCS already have a variety of secondary school options. Like all municipalities, Warwick has a mandate to educate resident children. I strongly believe the best way for our town to fulfill this responsibility is to maintain Warwick's autonomy over the local elementary school and to carefully craft partnerships with nearby secondary school(s). We cannot afford (financially or otherwise) to lose our voice on how our kids are educated. Links for more information follows:

[Six Town Regional Planning Board](https://6towns.org/) <https://6towns.org/>

[Six Town Regional Planning Board Regional Agreement](https://6towns.org/s/GRRSD6TownRA040826l.pdf) <https://6towns.org/s/GRRSD6TownRA040826l.pdf>

[Six Town Long Range Plan](https://6towns.org/s/Great-River-RSD-Long-Range-Plan-FINAL-040826.pdf)

<https://6towns.org/s/Great-River-RSD-Long-Range-Plan-FINAL-040826.pdf>

[The key research study for the project](https://6towns.org/s/Final-Report-v25-8-14-21.pdf) <https://6towns.org/s/Final-Report-v25-8-14-21.pdf>

<https://6towns.org/s/GRRSD6TownRA060426.pdf>

2026-27 School Year Calendar

Warwick School District

August 2026 (0/0)				
M	T	W	T	F
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31				

September (19/19)				
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28	29	30		

October (21/40)				
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November (18/58)				
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30				

December (17/75)				
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January 2027 (19/94)				
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February (15/109)				
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March (23/132)				
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April (17/149)				
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May (20/169)				
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June (11/180)				
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28	29	30		

Half-day: PVRS and WCS	Staff opening days
Half-day: WCS	No School
Student first & last days	

	Student dismissal	Full day	Half-day
PVRS		2:30 p.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mahar		2:05 p.m.	10:15 a.m.
Elem.		3:15 p.m.	12:30 p.m.

Aug. 19	First day for new teachers (professional development)	Jan. 18	No school: MLK Day (offices closed)
Aug. 24	First day for returning teachers (professional development)	Jan. 29	Half-day, Elementary students (in-service)
Aug. 31-Sept. 1	All staff (professional development)	Feb. 15	Presidents' Day (offices closed)
Sept. 2	Gr. PK-12 first day (full day)	Feb. 15-20	No school: February vacation
Sept. 4	Half-day, all students (in-service)	Feb. 26	Half-day, all students (in-service)
Sept. 7	No school: Labor Day (offices closed)	March 12	Half-day, all students (in-service)
Sept. 30	No school: In-service day	March 24-26	Half-days @ Elementary only (conferences)
Oct. 9	Half-day, all students (in-service)	March 25	Half-day, all students (in-service)
Oct. 12	No school: Indigenous Peoples' Day (offices closed)	April 9	Patriots' Day (offices closed)
Oct. 28-30	Half-days @ Elementary (family conferences)	April 19-23	No school: April vacation
Nov. 11	No school: Veterans' Day (offices closed)	May 7	Half-day, all students (in-service)
Nov. 25	Half-day, all students and staff	May 31	No school: Memorial Day (offices closed)
Nov. 26-27	No school: Thanksgiving (offices closed)	June 15	Last day, half-day, all students (if no snow days)
Dec. 11	Half-day, all students (in-service)	June 19	Juneleenth
Dec. 24 - Jan. 1	No school: December vacation	June 23	Last day, half-day (if five snow days used)
Dec. 24-25	Christmas (offices closed)		
Jan. 1, 2027	No school: New Years Day (offices closed)		

"In-service" includes professional development, work sessions, and meetings.
School Committee voted to adopt this calendar on April 29th, 2026

BONE AND BALANCE 9AM and TAI CHI TUESDAYS 10:00 a.m.

Classes held at the Town Hall. Tai Chi is often described as “meditation in motion,” Tai Chi uses slow, graceful movements to promote balance, flexibility, and overall well-being. It is suitable for people of all ages and can help reduce stress while improving strength and stability.

YOGA SATURDAYS & WEDNESDAYS 9:00-10:15 a.m.

I will be offering a Restorative Yoga class on Saturdays and Wednesdays at the Warwick Town Hall beginning June 24th from 9:00-10:15 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. Hope to see you on the mat! Amelia

ZUMBA SATURDAYS 8:00 a.m.

Zumba has many benefits: its a great way to stretch, strengthen, increase balance, and lift your mood ! class taught by Susan Krieger. first two classes are always free

We hope you can join us! These classes are sponsored by the Warwick Recreation Committee. –submitted by Leanne Limoges



ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY

Franklin County Solid Waste District will hold the 2026 household hazardous waste collection on Saturday, September 19, at Greenfield Community College (GCC) and the Orange Transfer Station.

Residents and businesses must pre-register by September 9th. Online pre-registration for the 2026 collection will open in mid-August at franklincountywastedistrict.org. Mail-in registration forms will be available in mid-August at town transfer stations (as supplies last) and in local newspapers.

Participants will be assigned an appointment time to bring waste to the collection; an appointment time and instructions will be provided by mail after registration is processed.

The participating towns are Athol, Barre*, Bernardston, Buckland, Charlemont, Colrain, Conway, Deerfield, Erving, Gill, Hawley, Heath, Leverett, Montague, New Salem, Northfield, Orange, ~~Petersham~~, Phillipston, Rowe, Royalston, Shelburne, Sunderland*, Warwick, Wendell, and Whately.

This collection event is free for residents of most participating towns. *Barre and Sunderland residents must pay to participate in 2026. Greenfield and Leyden residents are not eligible; call 413-772-2438 for disposal information. Businesses may participate but must pay for disposal costs. For business registration information, call (413) 772-2438.

This event provides an opportunity to dispose of hazardous items that should not be put in the trash, such as leftover oil-based paints, stains, thinners, pesticides, herbicides, pool chemicals, motor oil, antifreeze, household cleaners, and other household chemicals. A more complete list of acceptable items is at franklincountywastedistrict.org.

Batteries and mercury-containing items such as fluorescent light bulbs, thermometers, and thermostats are not accepted at this collection. However, these items, which may contain mercury or heavy metals, should not be put in trash or recycling. Handle them carefully, bring them to a municipal transfer station or a [Regional Hazardous Waste "Super Site"](http://Regional Hazardous Waste 'Super Site') and hand to the attendant. In addition, fluorescent light bulbs are accepted free of charge at Lowe's Stores (all types of fluorescents), and Home Depot (CFLs only).

For more information, visit franklincountywastedistrict.org or contact the District at info@franklincountywastedistrict.org, (413) 772-2438. MA Relay for the hearing impaired: 711 or 1-800-439-2370 (TTY/TDD). The District is an equal opportunity provider.

AUGUST 2026

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
<u>Location Key</u> TH-Town Hall MC-Metcalf Chapel DI-Downtown Inn TS-Transfer Station LI-Library	<u>Notes</u> Library Closed for Summer Satur-days Reopens when School Starts Student's first day of School is Sept 2					1 Zumba 8am; Yoga 9-10:15 am TH; Climate bells 11am MC Climate Vigil 11:30 -12:30 pm LI; TS open 8-3
2 Worship Svc 10am MC Sacred Rhythm Circle 1-4pm TH Historical Society Open 2-4pm	3 Library Open 10-4	4 Bone & Balance 9am; Tai-Chi 10:00 am; Sr. Meal Noon WWGuild 1:00 pm TH;Tech Help 1:00 pm DI; Li-brary Open 1-8 pm. Ho Chi Minh Prog 7pm LI	5 Yoga 9am Women's Guild 10:30 am TH; Book Club 10am LI; TS open. 3-6 pm	6 Tech Help 9:00 am-Noon DI Library Open 5-8pm	7 Free Food Friday 9am MC	8 Zumba 8am; Yoga 9-10:15 am TH; Climate Vigil 11:30 -12:30 pm LI; TS open 8-3
9 Worship Svc 10am MC Historical Society Open 2-4pm	10 Library Open 10-4	11 Bone & Balance 9am; Tai-Chi 10am; Sr. Meal Noon TH; Tech Help 1pm DI; Library Open 1-8 pm	12 Yoga 9am TH; TS open. 3-6 pm	13 Tech Help 9am-Noon DI Library Open 5-8pm; Non-fiction Discussion Grp 7pm LI	14 Foot Clinic 8am MC Free Food Friday 9am MC	15 Zumba 8am; Yoga 9-10:15 am TH; Climate Vigil 11:30 -12:30 pm LI; TS open 8-3
16 Worship Svc 10am MC Warwick Trail Group Hike 1pm Historical Society Open 2-4pm	17 Library Open 10-4	18 Bone & Balance 9am; Tai-Chi 10am; Sr. Meal Noon TH; Tech Help 1pm DI; Library Open 1-8 pm	19 Yoga 9am TH; TS open. 3-6 pm;	20 Tech Help 9am-Noon DI Library Open 5-8pm; Poetry Program 6:30pnm LI	21 Free Food Friday 9am MC Play Reading 7pm—TH	22 OLD HOME DAYS see schedule Zumba 8am; Yoga 9-10:15 am TH; Climate Vigil 11:30 -12:30 pm LI; TS open 8-3 Special open Library hours 10am-2pm
23 OLD HOME DAYS ; Worship Svc 10am MC 30 Worship 10am MC Historical 2-4pm	24 Library Open 10-4 31 Library Open 10-4	25 Bone & Balance 9am; Tai-Chi 10am; Sr. Meal Noon TH; Tech Help 1 pm DI; Library Open 1-8 pm	26 Yoga 9am TH; TS open. 3-6 pm; TCC Movie Night 7:00 pm	27 Tech Help 9am-Noon DI Library Open 5-8pm; Monthly Short Story Hour 7:30 pm	28 Free Food Friday 9am MC	29 Zumba 8am; Yoga 9-10:15 am TH; Climate Vigil 11:30 -12:30 pm LI; TS open 8-3



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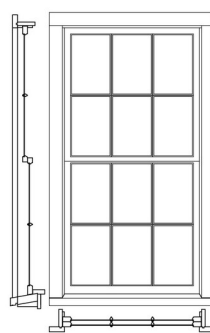
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DATES TO REMEMBER:



Tech Help - Every Tues and Thurs

Women's Guild - August 4

Ho Chi Minh Program - August 4

Foot Clinic - August 14

Nonfiction Discussion Group - August 13

Warwick Trail Hike - August 16

Poetry Program—August 20

Old Home Days Aug 21, 22, 23

TCC Movie Night - August 26

Monthly Short Story Hour - August 27

Historical Society Open Sundays 2-4pm