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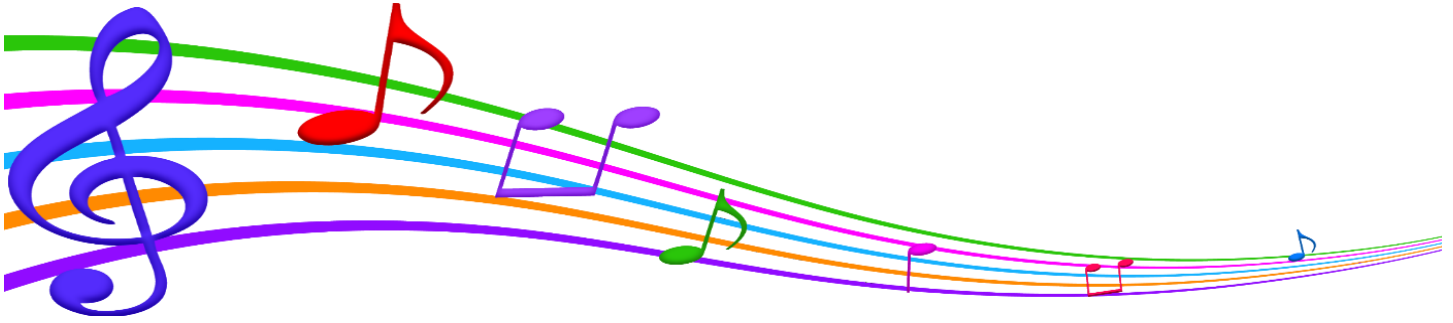
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Block dance on the Green

Friday, August 12th 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Bring your chairs, snacks, and get ready to have fun!



The Catnip Junkies bring the streets of New Orleans to the streets of New England! This band know how to throw a 'Party Gras'! Horns! Tap! Music! Laughs! Don't miss your chance to see this one-of-a-kind band that will have you singing and dancing along!

The Granville Recreation Committee is hosting the block dance, a Grant from the MA & Granville Cultural Council is sponsoring it

GRANVILLE COUNCIL ON AGING AND GRANVILLE CULTURAL COUNCIL

Present

Senior Movie Matinees



“Secretariat”

When: Thursday, July 14th
4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Where: Granville Town Hall

Free of charge!

*The greatest racehorse and the
greatest horse race of all time!
Starring Diane Lane and John
Malkovich.*

Please RSVP to:
GranvilleMatinee@yahoo.com or call
297-0445. Tell us if you'd like a ride!

Future dates and films to be determined
by attendee vote!

Special thank you to Cooley & Company, for their very generous donation of a TV screen
to make this possible!



Town-Wide Tag Sale for Granville and Tolland

Saturday July 30, 2022

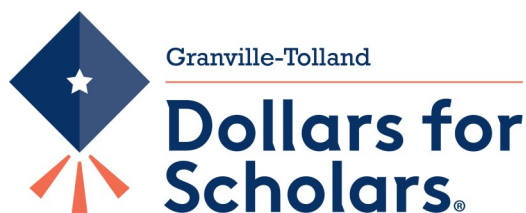
8am — 2pm

Maps with addresses of sales will be available at the Granville Village School and on Facebook

The Granville-Tolland Dollars for Scholars will also be having a Car Wash at the village school from 10am-2pm

If you would like to have your address on the map, or a spot at the village school, call Jen at (413) 454-4385.

All proceeds will go towards scholarships for the 2023 applicants. Business sponsors for the map are welcome!



Congratulations to the Granville-Tolland Dollars for Scholars® 2022-2023 Recipients

Named Scholarships

1st Lt. Travis Fuller Memorial Scholarship Fund

Rebecca Drohen – Fairfield University

Dorothy Miller Trust Endowment

Emily Buchter – University of New England Biddeford

Elizabeth H. Meiklejohn Memorial Scholarship Fund

Cole Duval – Bentley University

Everett O. and Miriam T. Rockwell Scholarship Endowment Fund

Abby Hoschouer – Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Jane and Stuart Watson Endowment Fund

Grayson Duval – Massachusetts Maritime Academy

Robert and Gloria Gery Scholarship Fund

Ruby Francis – Suffolk University

The Ladies Aid Society of Tolland Honoring Bertha Fowler Hale Endowment Fund

Carly Duval – Assumption College

Walter A. and Katherine E. Phelon Memorial Scholarship Fund

Ryan Pinney – Springfield Technical Community College

Luke Dargie – University of Arizona Tucson

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS AND FUTURE BOARD MEMBERS!

With the departure of several long-serving board members in the past couple years, we are asking you to consider volunteering your time so we can ensure future college students from Granville and Tolland can continue to receive scholarships from us. **All eligible students with a complete application receive an award, and the average scholarship this year was \$3000!** We have four business meetings each year, with additional meetings as needed for planning events (usually no more than once a month).

Email GranvilleTollandDFS@gmail.com for information about upcoming events and meetings.



GRANVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

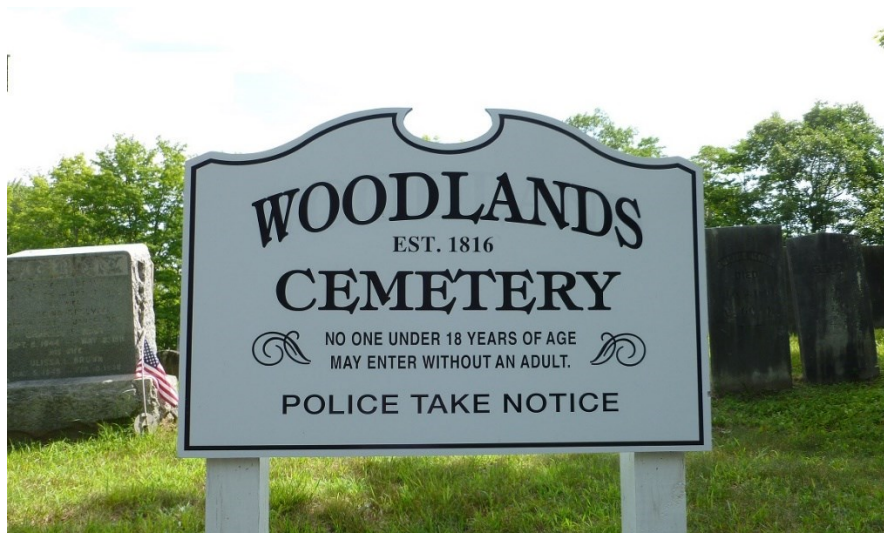
Summer Fire Safety Tips from The Granville Fire Department!

By Lt. Peter Sorrajja- GFD Firefighter/EMT

Summer has finally arrived and so have all the fun and exciting outdoor activities that come with it. As the nice weather arrives there will be more outdoor cookouts, beach trips, campfires, and many more. Our job on the fire department is to ensure you take a moment to understand and realize the risks that summer brings. Now with that being said here are a few tips to help you stay safe this summer.

- Your grill should be approximately ten feet away from your house. Grills are a primary cause of house fires in the summer. This can be prevented by regularly cleaning your grill, keeping it a safe distance from your house and checking the propane periodically for leaks.
- When working in the heat remember to drink water and stay adequately hydrated. Inadequate hydration can lead to things such as headaches, fatigue, heat exhaustion and in severe cases heat stroke.
- After mowing your lawn, you should allow your lawn mower cool before storing it inside. There has been an uptick in house fires due to lawn mower malfunctions and it has been recommended that you allow it to cool outside away from any structures in the event of a fire. Additionally, you can help prevent fires by regularly checking your lawn mowers oil, any electrical connections and by regularly cleaning it.
- With the summer we understand people will be having more outdoor fires. We would like to recommend that you keep them to a 3-foot by 3-foot space. We also recommend you avoid the use of accelerants to avoid any injuries or fires burning out of control.
- Our last tip of the evening is to check the batteries in your flashlight. With the summer we can see an increase in severe thunderstorms which can lead to power outages. In the event of an outage, you should have functioning flashlights. You can also purchase emergency lights that plug into your outlets and come on when the power goes out.

We hope that you will all take a second to read these tips and implement them into your daily lives. While they may sound silly by taking a few moments to adhere to these tips you are both working to making a safer environment for you, your friends, and your families. Now we hope that you all have a safe and wonderful summer. Most importantly the fire department would like to wish the entire town of Granville a Happy Fourth of July.



WOODLANDS CEMETERY UPDATE: NOW A CREMATIONS-ONLY CEMETERY

In November 2020, multiple unmarked graves were discovered in diverse locations throughout the cemetery. They were in the “newer” section of the cemetery that was thought to have been unused up to that point. There was no option at that time except to close the cemetery to casket burials and pause the selling of new sites while still honoring cremations only for those sites already owned.

After some research and review of options, it has been determined that the GPR (Ground Penetrating Radar) technology that is available to identify potential unmarked graves is not within our financial resources and not definite enough to pursue.

Therefore, Woodlands is now permanently a cremations-only cemetery and we are confident that we can open the cemetery for the sale of new cremations-only sites for now and the foreseeable future. Sites remain as 10 ft x 4 ft and can accommodate up to 4 cremation burials. Sites are \$650 each and will increase to \$700 in 2023.

We welcome any questions, comments, or expressed interest.
Woodlands Cemetery Association

Cemetery location: 48 Blandford Road, Granville
Contact: WoodlandsCem@comcast.net
or Carolyn Donatini, 413-357-6159

SANDMAN'S WILD BLUEBERRIES

104 McCarthy Road

Our wild blueberry season should be starting between the 2nd and 3rd week of July. Quarts, 10lb, 20lb boxes available as well as assorted jams using our wild blueberries and other local fruits. Visit our FB page to preorder so that your order will be ready and waiting for pick up.

Qts. \$7 10 lbs. \$40 20 lbs. \$70

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Granville@cwmar.s.org

NEW Email JUST for program registration:

GranvillePrograms@cwmar.s.org

Our Hours:

Monday, Thursday, and Saturday 10 AM-Noon

Monday 5-8 PM, Wednesday 3-8 PM, Thursday 3-6 PM

Closed Tuesday, Friday and Sunday

Summer Reading Program BEGINS-- POST this on your refrigerator!!

Children Ages 3-12: Read beyond the Beaten Path; Teens and adults: Boston Bruins/Blades



Each week stop in, share your reading log, and fill out a worksheet or complete an activity to earn a raffle ticket. Worksheets/activities will change each Monday.

Summer Reading Kick – Off July 9, 10:00 – 12:00

Age 3-adults invited to participate in the Summer Reading Program.

Prizes and Events.

Register and/or pick up your packet,

Decorate your own bandana and banner.

Check out the raffle prizes, learn about Hiking Safety.

See all the activities listed below! Join in the fun!!!!



Let's go on a Bear Hunt - July 13 (Wednesday) 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. or July 14 (Thursday) 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Nature's Colors Story and craft - paint with natural dyes July 16 (Saturday) 10:30-11:30

Gran-Val Scoop -July 20 (Wednesday) 6:30 – 7:30 p.m or July 14 (Thursday) 10:30 – 11:30 a.m

MACRAME with Sharon Billings: July 21 (Thursday) 4:00- 5:00 pm- See below

Bugs Day and Night: Stories and Collage Art Craft - July 23 (Saturday) 10:30 - 11:30 a.m

Fox and Friends: Stories, craft, night walk ideas July 27 (Wednesday) 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. or July 28 (Thursday) 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

MACRAME with Sharon Billings Workshop #2 July 28 (Thursday) 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.- See below

Space Camp for Kids- July 30 (Saturday) 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. See below

Birdhouse Decoration – Story & Workshop #1: Painting August 3 (Wed.) 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. or August 4 (Thurs.) 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Renown Author- HEIDI E.Y. STEMPLE- August 6 (Saturday) 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. See Below

THE PLACES YOU'LL GO with DAVIS BATES- August 10 (Wednesday) 6:30 p.m See below

Birdhouse Decoration – Workshop #2: August 10 (Wed.) 6:00 – 6:30 p.m. or August 11 (Thurs.) 10:30 – 11:30 a.m

Interactive Storywalk- August 13 (Saturday) 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Reading Beyond the Beaten Path- Story telling August 17 (Wed.) 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. or August 18 (Thurs.) 10:30 – 11:30 a.m

FINALE GATHERING- Raffle, S'mores, Sing Along w/ David LeTellier with his guitar-August 20 (Saturday) 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

ART CAMP- for 10 year old to TEENS

Macrame with Sharon Billings- This program is supported by the Granville Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency

Thursday July 21, 4:00-5:00 pm Workshop #1- Beginner skills to make a bracelet.

Thursday July 28, 4:00-5:00 pm Workshop #2- Use skills from #1 to make a wall hanging



SPACE CAMP for kids

Saturday July 30, 10:30

Storytime with the **GALAXY**

HERO -Stories, songs and activities from OUT of This WORLD with this adventurer!

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More happenings at Granville Public Library- Visit your community hot spot today!

NATURAL DYE WORKSHOP
DYEING TO WEAR IT!
July 14, 3-6pm
 Create your own wearable art!
 (Silk scarf or tie!)
 Register TODAY by Emailing
GranvillePrograms@cwmar.org

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WOW! Heidi Stemple

is coming to Granville Public Library
Saturday August 6, 10:30 AM



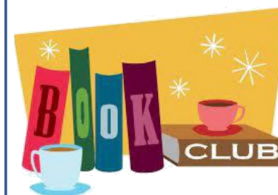
So many books, but we asked her to focus on bird topics for her visit with us! Thank you Heidi!

READ BEYOND THE BEATEN PATH
"The Places You'll Go"
 Wednesday
 August 10, 6:30 PM
Story and songs with
DAVIS BATES

A lively participatory performance for families on the Granville Public Library Lawn



This program is supported by the Granville Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency

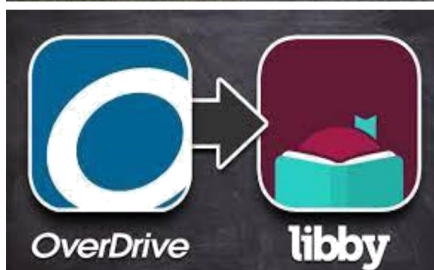
Book Club

Limit of 10 people.
 Facilitated by Gloria Knoener.

July 13, 7:00-8:00 pm - Discussing *Daughter of a daughter of a Queen* by Sarah Bird.

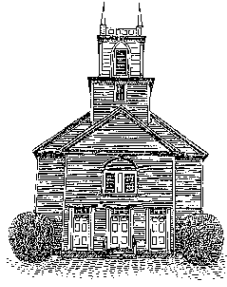
August book is:
Five Smooth Stones by Ann Fairbairn.

Contact the Library if you wish to join us



Attention, OverDrive app users! OverDrive is discontinuing the legacy OverDrive app in early 2023 and transitioning users to the Libby app. Libby is OverDrive's newer app for browsing and enjoying digital content from our library. It's time to give Libby a try! All your loans, holds, and wish list items will be waiting for you in Libby when you add your library card. Never used E-Books before? Download the Libby App and give it a try!

New Books, DVDs, Library of things items arrive weekly. Check us out and come on in!!!



West Granville Congregational Church

1580 Main Road, Route 57 - West Granville

We will resume monthly services in 2022!

Services will be on the 2nd Sunday of each month:

June 12

July 10

August 14

September 11

October 9

November 13 and

December 11

All services are at 7PM.

Refreshments and fellowship in the Academy Hall after each service.

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Upcoming Events:

- 19th Annual Potluck Picnic on Saturday August 13th at 5PM.
This year the "The Sarah the Fiddler Trio" will return for a concert following the picnic!
Check out Sarah's FaceBook Page:
<https://www.facebook.com/sarahthefiddler>



- Scarecrow Contest – Columbus Day Weekend October 8-10th

Thank you to the Granville Cultural Council for helping to fund the Concert!

Both the Church and Academy are available for rental.

Please call Deborah Boulanger at 357-6360 for more information.

Check our Facebook Page for updates on upcoming services and events!

<https://www.facebook.com/WestGranvilleCongregationalChurch1778/>

GRANVILLE FEDERATED CHURCH

American Baptist and United Church of Christ
16 Granby Rd., Granville, MA
Interim Pastor: Dr. Rev. Johnny Wilson
Church Services: 10:00 a.m. Sunday mornings
Coffee Hour following the service.

EVENTS**BIBLE STUDY**

Pastor Johnny has been leading us in a study of the book of James. There will be no Bible Study meetings in July and August but we will resume in September.

MISSIONS NEWS**AGAPE SCHOOL**

We are continuing to help the orphans and students at the Agape School in Uganda. Over the past few years, in addition to monthly donations to help feed them, we have paid to drill a well, sent money for livestock and fruit trees, bunk beds for the kids to sleep in and money to buy bibles for each to study during the covid shutdown. If you would like to donate to help, please call Bobbi at 357-0194.

INFORMATION**BIG Y GIFT CARDS**

Big Y gift cards are available. Please see Eileen Jerome to purchase them. A percentage of the sale goes to help support the church.

FELLOWSHIP HALL RENTALS

The Fellowship Hall is available for rent for functions. It is complete with 2 restrooms, tables, chairs, kitchen facilities and parking. For more information contact Bobbi at 413 357-0194.

CONTACT US

We try to help anyone in town who is in need of help in shopping, transportation, running errands, food, emergency fuel, etc. but we need to know. Please call.

To contact the church to leave a message for Pastor Johnny, please call 357-8583. You can also call a Deacon (Dale Florida 357-8775, Eileen Jerome 413 896-0002, Fran Wackerbarth 357-6492, Alan Gregg 357-6156, Laura Fielding 357-6368), or our head Trustee Bobbi O'Connell 357-0194.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday evenings-AA-8:00 pm

Tuesday evenings-Church Board and Committee meetings

Wednesday evenings- Bible Study-6: 30 pm (1st and 3rd Wednesdays) No Bible Study meetings in July and August. We will resume in September.

Music during the summer will be provided by individuals and small groups while the choir takes a break. We'll be back in September.

In Assisted Living

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Theodore (Ted) Reinhold Sussmann, Sr.

Ted, age 83, (1938 – 2022) passed away on June 3, 2022, at his home, surrounded by his loving family. Born in Westfield, MA on December 10, 1938, to the late Reinhold Max and Florence M. (Moore) Sussmann, he attended the West Granville School through 8th grade and graduated from Westfield High School in 1956.

Ted then took up agriculture on the family farm, Hillcrest Farm in Granville. He got his start with two Brown Swiss cows, Phyllis and Phoebe, that he bought interest free through the Frank Atwood WTIC radio program. From January 1962 – October 1963, he proudly served his country in the United States Army where he was stationed at Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville, AL.

On a fateful trip to the Dude Ranch in Tolland, Ted asked a pretty girl, Ann, to dance and then proposed on their 4th date at the Goshen Fair. That was a bit too quick for Ann but after two years of dating, Ted married the love of his life, Ann B. Curtiss on July 8, 1967.

Besides his work on the farm, he worked for the Massachusetts Turnpike at the Blandford Depot doing road maintenance from 1988 – 1999. Always one for agriculture, Ted rose very early to work on the landscape crew out of Boston for many years on the Turnpike. He retired to dedicate his time to haying and growing blueberries on the farm. In his spare time, Ted enjoyed snowmobiling and was a member of the Granville Lions Club, West Granville Cemetery Committee, as well as a member of the Granville Team on the Southwick Grange Card Club.

To cherish his memory, Ted leaves his beloved wife Ann; his children Theodore R. Sussmann, Jr., Jeanne A. LeFebvre and Timothy C. Sussmann; his grandchildren Erin M. Sussmann, Lauren E. Sussmann, Theodore R. Sussmann, III, Gretchen T. LeFebvre and Owen M. Lefebvre as well as his siblings Anne Jensen, Mary Woodger, and Paul Sussmann.



Our family would like to thank all the people who helped during the tiring and painful final weeks of my husband, our father, and grandfather: Ted Sussmann Sr. We would like to specifically thank the Town Ambulance (especially crew of Nate Sindland and Amanda Fountain on the final call), Fire, Police, and State Police for their help in the final weeks and days. The Highway Department, especially Doug Roberts, made sure the Olde Meeting House was in good shape for our celebration of his life. To you and the many others whose kind words and assistance meant so much, we thank you.
Ann Sussmann

James M. Augustyniak

James, age 67, (1954-2022) devoted husband of the late Constance (Kinanis) Augustyniak, died June 6, 2022, at Baystate Medical Center, Springfield.

James was born on October 13, 1954, in Springfield, MA, son of the late James M. and Leocadia (Janisieski) Augustyniak. Prior to his retirement James worked in food distribution, having driven trucks and retiring from Sweet Life after 20 years of service; but also having driven trucks for Empire Beef Trucking, and B&H (Webster) Trucking.

In addition to his wife who died on October 15, 2012, and his parents; he was also preceded by his fur baby "Minnie" who died on July 4, 2021. He enjoyed hunting and fishing, but he adored his three grandchildren, Olivia Cook of Granville, MA, Jayda Correa of West Springfield, MA and Jonathan Ortiz of Florida.

In addition to his grandchildren, James leaves his special surrogate daughters and care givers, Ashley Cook and her husband Steve, of Granville, MA, Jacqueline "Jackie" Cotto Correa and her husband Jaime, of Springfield, MA; his best friends Bob Randall of Enfield, CT, Cheryl Baron Marrewa and her husband Stan of West Springfield.

"People are often unreasonable, illogical and self-centered: forgive them anyway. If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives: be kind anyway. If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies: succeed anyway. If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you: be honest and frank anyway. What you spend years building, someone may destroy overnight: build anyway. If you find happiness, others may be jealous: be happy anyway. The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow: do good anyway. Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough: give the world the best you have anyway. You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and God; it was never between you and them."



DO YOURSELF A "PAVER"

Looking for a unique gift?

How about honoring a loved one with a PAVER on the Green?

Reserve your spot on the path at the Town Green, you can personalize a loved one's name or celebrate a special date, by adding a paver to our walkway for \$75.00 per paver. Fill out the form below and send it to Marilyn Tkaczuk, PO Box 341 Granville MA 01034

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Address: _____

Each paver must have a separate application with engraving information below

Maximum 15 spaces per line includes letters, numbers, punctuations, & spaces with 3 line maximum

Paver size is 6.75" X 4.25" if you have questions call Marilyn @ 413-357-6303