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COVID UPDATES/VACCINE INFORMATION

The Board of Health is participating in the **West of the River Collaborative Vaccination Site** at the Big E in West Springfield. Call our COVID information line at 413-357-3177 and we can assist setting up appointments. Also on THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS at the West of the River Collaborative there will be limited number of Pfizer **APPOINTMENTS FOR CHILDREN** aged 12-17. Call for appointments at 357-3177. Please feel free to reach out with any COVID or vaccination related questions or visit the town website: www.townofgranville.net for COVID information and vaccination information.

GET VACCINATED = REMOVE MASK REQUIREMENT

As of May 29, 2021 the Commonwealth of Massachusetts face covering order will be rescinded and replaced with current CDC guidance which allows for all vaccinated individuals to be unmasked except in a very few situations i.e. hospitals, long-term care facilities and K-12 schools. All gathering limits will also be rescinded. Unvaccinated individuals will still be required to be masked in public. Details on town website or www.mass.gov/info-details/reopening-massachusetts

COUNCIL ON AGING

The efficient running of the municipality requires more than just town employees and elected officials. Volunteers are needed to keep the wheels of government turning. We are in need of members to serve on the **Council on Aging**. This board promotes a spirit of healthy, positive, aging through education and activities for all seniors, their families, and the community at large. The Council on Aging will be putting together a survey. The more input received will assist the town how best to utilize funding for the council on aging. Please consider joining. Email Matt Streeter at townadministrator@townofgranville.org with subject line COA if interested.

KNOX BOXES

The Council on Aging has a few Knox Boxes still available for Granville Seniors. These Knox Boxes securely hold house keys to allow emergency services such as police, fire and ambulance gain access to your house in the event of an emergency. The Fire Department will install the boxes. The boxes are provided **FREE** of charge to seniors 55+ who request them on a first come first serve basis. If there are no other seniors interested, then the remaining purchased Knox Boxes will be offered to Non-Seniors on a first come- first serve basis for a subsidized cost of \$50.00 per unit. Email Wes Bauver of the Granville Fire Department at wbauver@townofgranville.org or Matt Streeter at townadministrator@townofgranville.org with subject line COA if interested in a Knox Box for your home.

REFLECTIVE ADDRESS MARKERS

The Council on Aging and the Granville Fire Department are offering reflective house numbers/address markers to be posted at the curb or mailbox. These numbers increase visibility for police, fire and ambulance first responders to quickly locate properties in an emergency situation. These numbers are FREE to seniors 55+ and can be purchased by all other Granville homeowners for \$20.00. These have already helped first responders save lives and are highly recommended! If interested fill out form at www.granvillefire.net

Granville Public Library

2 Granby Rd · 357-8531 · granvillepubliclibrary.org

Library Hours

**Monday 10am-12 and 5-8pm, Tuesday closed, Wednesday 3pm-8pm,
Thursday 10am-12 and 3pm-6pm, Friday Closed, Saturday 10am-12.**



Do you need books with Large Print? The Library acquired some relatively new ones from other libraries. And, as always, we are thankful to Agawam Public Library who sends us a selection of about 25-40 LP books every three months. We also carry a few young adult non-fiction books in Large print. Our latest acquisitions are: *The Mitford Scandal* by Jessica Fellowes, *Deadline* by Sandra Brown, *Eternal* by Lisa Scottoline, *Karolina's Twins* by Ronald H. Balson, *Oath of Honor (Blue Justice)* by Lynette Eason, *Tom Dooley: American Tragedy* by Bill Brooks, *You Cannoli Die Once (Thorndike Press Large Print Mystery Series)* by Shelley Costa, *Everyone Brave Is Forgiven* by Chris Cleave.

Chromebook /Computer Training- On Thursdays between 3 and 6 PM, the Library Director is available to help you learn how to set up a Google email, use Google applications(apps) for writing, making posters, online survey's, slide presentations and more. Google allows all your documents to be saved in the "cloud" so you never lose them. All of these can be used on any computer from anywhere. You can even borrow our Chromebook (lap tops) to practice on.



Volunteers wanted: We want to start to offer programs once again. As our Covid restrictions shift, we are able to start to meet in small groups. Do you have something to offer our community? Lead a Book, Pokémon, Nature, or other type of Club? Give a talk on geology or invasive species or other item of interest of the region? Help with Community Education on Climate change resilience? Share Farming/Garden tips? Your library wants to engage more with you, so please reach out and tell us what you might offer to the community. Granvill@cwmars.org or 413-357-8531

DVDs

- *Land* • *Body Brokers* • *The little things* • *The Mauritanian* • *Judas and the Black Messiah*
- *Soul* • *Abominable* • *Paw Patrol (3 different)* • *Crisis* • *Norm of the North* • *Storm Boy*

- N
- *Eleanor in the Village: E. Roosevelt's Search for Freedom... in Greenwich Village* by Jan Jarboe Russell
- o
- *Lady Bird Johnson: Hiding in Plain Sight* by Julia Sweig
- n
- *Elizabeth & Margaret: The Intimate World of the Windsor Sisters* by Andrew Morton
-
- *1932 : The Rise of Hitler and FDR: Two Tales of Politics, Sex, Betrayal, and ...* by David Pietrusza
- F
- *They Saved up a Storm* by Sarah Shea Smith (Local Author)
- i
- *She Explores: Stories of Life-Changing Adventures on the Road and in the Wild* by Gale Straub
- c
- *A Walk in the Wood: Meditations on Mindfulness with a Bear Named Pooh* by J. and N. Parent
- t
- *Elizabeth & Margaret: The Intimate World of the Windsor Sisters* by Andrew Morton
- i
- *A World on the Wing: The Global Odyssey of Migratory Birds* by Scott Weidensaul
- o
- *The PlantPure Nation Cookbook: The Official Companion Cookbook to the Film...* by Kim Campbell
- n
- *Breathing Under Water: Spirituality and the Twelve Steps* by Richard Rohr

- F
- *Mrs. Wiggins* by Mary Monroe
- i
- *Before She Was Helen* by Caroline Cooney
- c
- *The Other Emily* by Dean Koontz
- t
- *The Bounty* by Janet Evanovich and Peter Evanovich
- i
- *In the Clearing (Tracy Crosswhite)* by Robert Dugoni
- o
- *Double Jeopardy (A Stone Barrington Novel)* by Stuart Woods
- n
- *The Consequences of Fear: A Maisie Dobbs Novel* by Jacqueline Winspear
- *Calder Brand* by Janet Dailey
 - *The Hiding Place* by Paula Munier
 - *Relentless (A Gray Man Novel)* by Mark Greaney
 - *Sunflower Sisters: A Novel* by Martha Hall Kelly

Granville Public Library Strategic Plan Survey-

We are in the process of developing a strategic plan, aimed at providing the very best services to our community. A critical component of the process is gathering information and ideas from community members to establish priorities and create a focused direction for the library. The survey should take approximately 5 minutes to complete. Please complete the survey and return to the Library either inside or in book drop box.

Thank you for your participation.

Lise LeTellier, Library Director & Library Trustees, Bob Gleason, Jennifer Kinsman, & April LaBrecque.

- 1) Are you a Granville resident? Yes or No
- 2) Age:
- 3) List three words that you feel describe the importance of the Library to the Town of Granville.

- 4) In the last 12 months, during the Covid Pandemic, how often did you visit the Granville Public Library (GPL)? Circle your response from the below choices
Weekly or more Monthly Every few months Once or twice Almost never
- 5) In a typical year, prior to the Covid Pandemic, how often did you visit the Granville Public Library (GPL)? Circle your response from the below choices
Weekly or more Monthly Every few months Once or twice Almost never
- 6) If you use the Library regularly, what are 2 benefits you feel it provides to the Town of Granville.

- 7) If you do not use the GPL regularly, why not?

- 8) The Library has played a role for 125 years in the Town of Granville. Moving through the 21 century, the GPL wants to continue to play a role in the community. Choose 3-5 of the following that you consider important for GPL to pursue or continue to pursue.
 - a. Preschool program
 - b. Elementary program
 - c. Middle and High School program
 - d. Adult Programs
 - e. Technology programs (robotics, 3-D printer, etc...)
 - f. American Disabilities Act Accessibility updates
 - g. Adult Book clubs
 - h. Virtual Programs
 - i. Teen Book Clubs
 - j. Teens and Technology (Coding programs, robotics, etc...)
 - k. Library of Things
 - l. Increase adult non-fiction books
 - m. Increase adult fiction books
 - n. Increase young people non-fiction books
 - o. Increase young people fiction books
 - p. Ongoing repair and updates to the existing building.
 - q. Other _____
- 9) Currently the Library is Open 17 hours a week. Monday, Thursday and Saturday from 10AM-noon. Monday 5PM-8PM, Wednesday 3PM-8PM and Thursday 3PM-6PM. Any suggestions to a change in the hours or do you feel they are sufficient?

- 10) Libraries throughout the Commonwealth serve various functions for their community. How well do you feel GPL has served the town in past few years? On a scale of 1-5 with one being not well at all and 5 being very well. _____

What ideas do you have to help the GPL serve the Town better?

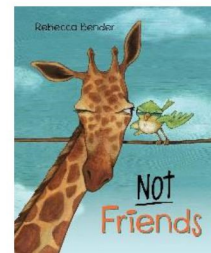
JUNE Library Activities for Children and their families**TAKE AND MAKE**

Get it right away! Father's Day cards

In the packet you will find materials to get your young one started. Have fun creating your special card for your special person that you call Dad or you treat as a Dad!

**STORY WALK**

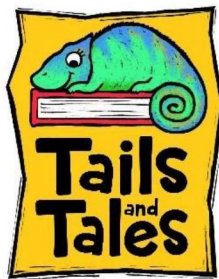
Not Friends by Rebecca Bender. A tale about a bird and a giraffe who bother each other with their behaviors. Check out the STORY WALK on display on the side lawn of the Library from June 7 to June 21.

**SUMMER READING PROGRAM**

Mostly for the youth, but challenges for tweens, teens and adults as well.

Register your child/grandchild by filling out the form below and drop off at the Library. Addition forms at the Library. Deadline June 21 or ASAP.

Kick-Off is June 26, 10:00 – 12:00. Drop in any time to pick up your Summer Reading Program Packet. Find out what Page the Bookworm is going to you do to earn raffle tickets. Teens will have their own raffle! Help us make fun decorations for the Program room and see our special blow-up animals. Stories will be scheduled at 10:15, 10:45, 11:15, and 11:45. Get a grab bag and start reading. SRP is Sponsored by grants from the Granville Cultural Council and Library Club

**Highlights for Summer Programs are:**

- Weekly activities and story times (not just on Saturday!!)
- A Special Gran-Val Scoop Activity
- July 31- Hands-on workshop with Sharon Billings to create your own Fantasy Creature (Tail & Mask)
- August 7- The Lion Heart Puppet Show
- August 14- Finale- Parade of Fantasy Creatures
- Encore- September- John Porcino Musician and Storyteller

The 2nd Annual First Lady and Blades Summer Reading Challenge

Granville Public Library's goal is to get at least half of the number of visits this summer as we had prior to COVID. The number of visits in 2020 dropped from an average of 600 to only 119. The goal is at least 350 visits, which will be tracked from July 1 to August 16. Kids, teens, and adults are all invited to participate in summer reading and borrowing books or other "things" and help hit the goal. Special Raffle prizes

"Hello Summer" Adult Raffle- Drawing June 21, 2021- First Day of Summer- Come to the Library, fill in the animal Cliché of the day, June 2-21 and receive a raffle ticket towards the "Hello Summer" Gift Bag.

TAILS and TALES REGISTRATION FORM

Granville Public Library 2021 Youth Summer Reading Program starting at age 3.

Please return completed form to the library by June 21

PLEASE PRINT

Child's First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Child's Age: _____ Grade: _____

Address: _____ Mailing Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Contact Number: _____

Please be sure to notify the person running the event of any allergies your child may have.

Please remember that children must be accompanied by an adult.

If you have any questions, please contact Linda Dickinson at 413 – 357 – 8771.

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 at the church.

ONLINE CHURCH SERVICES

We are continuing our online services which have proved to be very well received. Please join us either on You Tube (type in Granville Federated Church) or on our Facebook page. The services are posted at 7:00 A.M. on Sunday morning. Our regular in-church services are also continuing and growing! All Covid-19 safety measures are observed so please feel free to join us for the service and coffee hour.

DRIVE IN/PICK UP SUPPERS

Our next drive in/pick up dinner is Grilling time! We will be serving barbecued chicken or veggie quiche, potato salad, corn casserole and strawberry shortcake. The dinner will be Friday, June 25th and is \$12 with pickup from 5 to 6:30 pm. To make reservations please call Bobbi O'Connell at 413 297-0445 or Fran Wackerbarth at 357-6492 by June 23. And thank you for all of your support!



FELLOWSHIP HALL RENTALS

The Fellowship Hall will be available for rent when the church reopens for functions, complete with 2 restrooms, tables, chairs and kitchen facilities. For more information contact Bobbi at 413 357-0194.

BIG Y GIFT CARDS

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

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.

In Assisted Living

Skip and Alice Demarais,
The Arbors, 40 Court Street
Room 329, Westfield, MA 01085

WE'RE GRILL'IN THIS JUNE
AT THE
GRANVILLE FEDERATED CHURCH
TAKE-OUT DINNER JUNE 25TH
SERVING 5:00 – 6:30 PM



BARBEQUE CHICKEN OR VEGGIE
QUICHE, POTATO SALAD,
CORN CASSEROLE &
STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE!
\$12.00 PER PLATE

PLEASE CALL IN YOUR ORDER BY JUNE 23RD:

BOBBI - 413 297-0445 or FRAN - 413 357-6492

*DRIVE UP & PAY AT THE DRIVEWAY ENTRANCE TO
FELLOWSHIP HALL & YOUR ORDER WILL BE
BROUGHT OUT TO YOU*

The Tolland Church will
resume its summer services
June 13th at 10 AM,
with a Bible Study at
9:30AM before the church
services.

The other services will be:

June 20, 27

July 11, 25

August 1, 8, 15

RECORDS WANTED:

Buying your old vinyl
records-LPs and 45s.

Looking for Rock, Blues,
Jazz, Folk, Soul, Funk,
Heavy Metal and more.

Top \$\$ paid.

Will travel to you.

Call or text Mark
@ 413-626-6396.

FOR SALE

CALL 413-258-4105

**8-FOOT PINE
SPIRAL
STAIRCASE**

**BY DECOR
STYLISE**

**WITH ALL
COMPONENT
PARTS**

**READY TO BE
INSTALLED**

\$300

**UPRIGHT PIANO
GOOD CONDITION
WELL MAINTAINED
BY**

3 GENERATIONS

\$500

**5'X4' PARTNER
DESK**

**WITH GLASS
COVER**

**6 DRAWERS ON
EACH SIDE**

MAKE OFFER

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Easy Enchilada Casserole

1 can mild enchilada sauce

1 jar medium salsa

6 flour tortillas, burrito size

1 can (or bag frozen) corn

1 can black beans, rinsed

1 can pinto, cannellini, or great northern beans, rinsed

4 cups shredded cheese (I use mild cheddar and a Mexican blend)

Customize it with precooked chicken or ground beef, diced tomatoes, etc.

Preheat oven to 350F. In a large bowl, mix the beans, corn, salsa, and any other add-ins. In a buttered 13x9 glass baking dish, place two tortillas, cover with about half the bean mixture, and sprinkle with cheese. Repeat layers, then finish with a third layer of tortillas and cheese. Drizzle the enchilada sauce over the top. Bake 30 minutes, until bubbly.



GRANVILLE TRANSFER STATION PUNCH CARD ORDER FORM

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

Mail this form with check to:*Town of Granville**P.O. Box 247**Granville, MA 01034**Attn: Transfer Station***CARD TYPES**

*NOTE: Purchase the punch card that corresponds to the bag size you use.
Price per gallon is the same for all bag sizes.*

- ☐ 13 Gallon Card (*Pink Card*)..... \$75.00
- ☐ 30 Gallon Card (*Green Card*)..... \$75.00
- ☐ 42 Gallon Card (*Blue Card*).....\$75.00
- ☐ 50 Gallon Card (*Yellow Card*).....\$75.00
- ☐ Recycling Card – Blue or Green Bin (*Orange Card*).....\$75.00
- ☐ Cardboard Level Full 8ft Truck Bed (*Bright Green Card*)... ..\$150.00
(Good for Ten Truck Loads)

Total Amount: _____*Make checks payable to the Town of Granville**All trash in a tied bag.*

*...For Office Use Only...***Payment Received By:** _____ **Date:** _____**Amount Paid:** _____**Check Number:** _____

FOR GRANVILLE RESIDENTS ONLY
Cards will be Returned by Mail