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## TOWN CLERK'S CORNER....

by Donna M. Fillion

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**Website:** [www.townofgranville.org](http://www.townofgranville.org)  
(Board and Committees, Town Clerk)

### Office Hours:

Monday evening 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Wednesday 10 am – 4 pm and by appointment

### Census

Thank you to those of you who have returned your census forms either with noted corrections or confirmation that there are no changes at your residential address. If you still haven't returned your census, please do so as soon as possible.

### Dog Licenses

Many folks have either stopped into town hall or via mail requested to license their dog(s) for 2017. There are still many on record who have not, so this is a friendly reminder to do so before May 1; otherwise, there will be a late fee of \$20/dog. For the safety of all dogs in town we maintain a list of all licensed dogs as well as dogs on record that veterinarians have advised us have their rabies vaccination, but may not be licensed. The census package included a dog license application for dog owners on record to license their dog. For first time licensing of your dog(s), you may go to the Town web site and print a form to complete. You may also call, request a form via mail, email or stop by the Town Hall. All dogs that are six months of age or older must be licensed annually under M.G.L. Ch. 140. An updated proof of rabies vaccination is required prior to licensing as well as proof of spaying and neutering. Incomplete applications will be returned to the sender.

### Annual Town Elections

Monday, April 10, 2017 – 12:00 pm – 8:00 pm

### Annual Town Meeting

Monday, May 8, 2017 – 7 pm – Granville Village School

### Marriage Intentions

If you wish to marry, you may contact my office or any other Town Clerk in the Commonwealth. The first document that a couple must complete is the Marriage Intentions Form and both must be present at the same time to do so. Following this, a license is issued and you can be married any place in the Commonwealth. Your marriage license is filed at the Town Clerk's Office where the Marriage Intentions Form is completed. Here is some additional information on marrying in MA: <http://www.mass.gov/courts/case-legal-res/law-lib/laws-by-subj/about/marriage.html>

### Vital Records

Birth records are filed based on residence. If you are a resident of Granville at the time of the birth of your child, then the child's birth certificate will be filed in Granville. Death records are filed in the community in which you pass away. Certified copies of vital records (Birth, Marriage, Death) are \$10.00.

### Notary Public

The Town Clerk, as well as the Town Administrator/Matt Streeter are Notaries Public. If you need our services, please call either of us and make an appointment. The service is free of charge to Granville residents.



## From Your School Committee Representative

It is with a very heavy heart that I must acknowledge the closure of the Granville Village School. On February 8, the Southwick Tolland Granville Regional School District School Committee voted (5-2) to close the Village School at the end of this academic year. Beginning in September, students from all three towns will attend the regional schools on the Southwick campus – Woodland (PK-2), Powder Mill (3-6) and the Regional School (7-12).

On behalf of the entire town, I would like to take this opportunity to extend an enormous THANK YOU to all of the GVS teachers and staff, both past and present, who have dedicated their professional (and often personal) lives to creating an exceptional learning environment for our children. You are what makes GVS so special and we will be forever grateful! I would also like to thank ALL of the Granville townspeople who fought so hard to save our school. Thank you for attending the meetings and expressing your opinions and concerns through public speak time, written letters and emails, fliers and posters, news and social media, etc. Thank you for your passion and dedication to our children, school, and community. I am proud of our efforts! Finally, I would like to express my deepest gratitude for the tremendous outpouring of support and appreciation you have shown for me and my family throughout this entire process. I am honored to serve as your representative and so very proud to call Granville my home!

Moving forward, Granville remains a part of the regional school district and I will continue to serve as the Granville representative on the school committee. I am also a member of the District's Instructional Leadership Team and newly created Transition Team. In the short term, my focus will be on making next year's transition as positive and successful as possible. I will also be involved in the budget creation and approval process so that I can be confident that the re-appropriated funds are directed toward improvements in teaching and learning. In the long run, it is important that all three communities unite and work together toward achieving the educational goals of the district. We must not lose our passion and dedication. I strongly encourage all Granville families to become even more actively involved in the schools- regularly communicate with teachers, attend school functions and meetings, join the PTO, volunteer your time, etc. Let's really make our positive presence known!

My Sincerest Thanks,  
Pamela Petschke

**St. Patrick's Day**

On March 17, 2017,  
the COA is celebrating  
St. Patrick's Day  
at 12:00 noon  
at the Town Hall

with the choice of corned beef  
or turkey sandwiches,  
coleslaw, coffee, juice and dessert.

The will be a slight charge of  
\$5.00 a person.

Please call us with your choice of  
sandwich by March 10<sup>th</sup>.

Call Patty Dickinson 357-8761  
or Dottie Bettinger 357-6698

PLEASE JOIN US

**MARCH 22, 2017**

GRANVILLE FEDERATED  
CHURCH HALL

AT 6:30 P.M.

**“PHOTOGRAPHY TIPS  
INCLUDING COMPOSITION,  
EXPOSURE, LIGHTING  
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by Mary Ann Fernandez who has  
photographed all over the world!!

Light refreshments to follow



**Marilyn Tkaczuk**

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PLEASE JOIN US

APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup>

7:00 P.M.

Lecture by

Wissam Abdel-Baki, Ph.D.

IMAM of the Islamic Society

of Western Massachusetts

***“INSIGHTS AND  
UNDERSTANDING  
OF THE MUSLIM RELIGION”***

Hosted by the

Granville Federated Church

Located in Fellowship Hall

Light refreshments follow

# Granville-Tolland

## Dollars for SCHOLARS®

A Program of Scholarship America®

### 2016 NEWSLETTER OF THE GRANVILLE-TOLLAND DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS®

On behalf of all the volunteers and scholarship recipients of the Granville-Tolland Dollars for Scholars®, our heartfelt thanks to all patrons and sponsors for their generosity in supporting the Chapter's ongoing work. We are pleased to share our activities over the past year.

- Scholarships were awarded to 28 undergraduate students from our two towns, totaling \$25,200 in 2016-2017. Scholarships are based upon merit, incentive and history of community service.
- Our on-line application, located on our website, Granville-Tolland.dollarsforscholars.org, provides access for students to apply for scholarships conveniently and from any location.
- The 2016 Mail-a-thon generated \$10,342 and with other fundraising efforts from our towns, raising \$3,197 (Harvest Fair proceeds, etc.), a total of \$13,539 was added to this year's available scholarship funds.
- Scholarships were provided, honoring the following creators of our permanent endowment: Dorothy Miller, Jane & Stuart Watson, Everett O. and Miriam T. Rockwell, Walter A. and Katherine E. Phelon, 1st Lt. Travis Fuller, Elizabeth Meiklejohn Memorial Endowment, the Robert & Gloria Gery Endowment and The Ladies Aid Society of Tolland Honoring Bertha Fowler Hale. Benefiting from positive market performance and sound investment strategies, the endowment investment returns also provided significant monies for the scholarship funds.
- In February, we held a "PaintSipFundraiser," providing an evening of fun, creativity, and fundraising for scholarships.
- In August, the Ninety Nine Restaurant & Pub in Westfield supported us in "Dining for a Cause." This was a terrific evening of laughter and fun, to see so many friends and neighbors enjoying a great dinner out while supporting our students. Be on the lookout for our next evening to be announced!
- Through the continued generosity of the Granville Village School's teachers and staff, Granville-Tolland Dollars for Scholars recipients continue to be beneficiaries of the school's Dress-Down Days fundraiser. Special thanks to Lauri Schlosser for her support and organization of these funds!
- The national motocross championships returned to the historic track in Southwick in 2016. Volunteers representing Granville-Tolland Dollars for Scholars donated their time to park cars on the regional school grounds and raised over \$3,000 toward annual scholarships!
- We participated in Granville's 2016 Harvest Fair by providing an inflatable joust booth for kids and families and a Samsung tablet raffle. We wish to thank our volunteers and our local sponsors, who are listed below.

**Armstrong Trucking  
Art & Sarajane Adams  
Braman Chemicals  
Don Johnson Carpentry  
Humphrey's Garage  
Jerome's Party Plus/Taylor Rental  
Karen McLaughlin, CPA  
L & M Auto, Inc.  
Pat's Greenhouse  
Paul Holmes Construction  
Quality Auto Care  
Southwick Collision Center  
Southwoods Magazine Printing & Signs  
Town Line Auto Salvage  
West Side Oil**

The Executive Board of Granville-Tolland Dollars for Scholars would like to extend our appreciation to everyone who helped to make this year's Harvest Fair event very successful. Without student volunteers, committee members and especially our generous sponsors and patrons, the Joust booth and our annual raffle would not have been possible. The money raised from these events will go directly toward scholarship funds for the 2017-2018 academic year.

"Like" us on Facebook, and we'll keep you updated on the "happenings" through the year. We welcome volunteers, whether for a single event or many through the year!

We are greatly appreciative for the continuous trust and support from many individual patrons, sponsors and those who established named endowments. Collectively, this financial support provides valuable financial assistance to our Granville-Tolland undergraduate scholarship recipients.



PO Box 214  
Granville, MA 01034-0214  
Granville-Tolland.dollarsforscholars.org  
granvilletollanddfs@gmail.com

February 20, 2017

Dear Friend and Neighbor,

***Thank you for supporting our students!***

Our communities have been supporting the college students of Granville and Tolland since 1974. Over these 43 years, more than 775 awards with over \$475,000 have been awarded, and in 2016, 28 recipients receiving \$25,200 in total from many supportive Granville and Tolland neighbors. This support has truly made a difference in the lives of our students.

**Your continued loyalty and generosity keep Granville-Tolland Dollars for Scholars in the forefront of supporting our local scholars!**

Please help Granville and Tolland students fulfill their dreams with much needed scholarship support. Your gift of any size will enable us to fund more scholarships each year. You may make a gift by returning the bottom portion of this letter with your check or go online to make a donation at [www.granville-tolland.dollarsforscholars.org](http://www.granville-tolland.dollarsforscholars.org). If you have an interest in establishing an endowment in honor or as a memorial, now or in the future, please contact Martha Johnson, 54 Granby Road, Granville, MA 01034, [marthadon54@gmail.com](mailto:marthadon54@gmail.com) or 413-575-6200.

Your tax deductible gift made by April 1 (payable to Granville-Tolland Dollars for Scholars) will impact our available funds for next year's recipients. Thank you for your generous support that laid this foundation and continues to support our communities' undergraduate students!

Sincerely,  
Executive Board of the Granville-Tolland Dollars for Scholars

-----Please Detach and Return with your gift mailed to PO Address above-----

Enclosed is my 2017 Gift:    ☐ \$25    ☐ \$50    ☐ \$75    ☐ \$100    ☐ \$250    ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Donor Printed Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address for Tax Receipt: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel. #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you prefer to receive your tax receipt by Email?    ☐ Yes    ☐ No

Double or even triple your gift - ask your company Human Resource or Matching Gift Program department about charitable matching contributions. If your employer does have a program that will match your donations, please submit a completed matching gift form from your employer, and send it along with your donations to Granville-Tolland Dollars for Scholars.

The Granville-Tolland Dollars for Scholars is a non-profit, tax-exempt volunteer chapter of Scholarship America®. All contributions are tax deductible. We are a 501(c)(3) corporation and our Federal Tax Identification Number is 46-5057848.

## GRANVILLE FEDERATED CHURCH

American Baptist and United Church of Christ  
16 Granby Rd., Granville, MA 01034

Pastor: Rev. Patrick McMahon

Cell Phone: 413 579-4674

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KEEP UP ON GFC NEWS

Morning Worship is held each Sunday at 10 a.m.  
A coffee hour follows the service each week.  
We have Big Y gift cards available for purchase.  
Please see Jean McMahon.

### WEEKLY/MONTHLY SCHEDULE

Sunday-10:00 a.m.-Worship Service

11:00 a.m. Coffee hour

Monday-8:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Thursday-7:00 p.m. Senior choir

Third Sunday-8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Fellowship  
Breakfast. All welcome!

### FYI

We are a praying church. Part of this ministry is through our Prayer List Bookmark. Several times through the year, new bookmarks are printed with requested prayer for people in Nursing Homes, those needing support, healing, and those in our armed and protective services. Bookmarks are available in the vestibule at the front door.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

March 22nd at 6:30 pm

Fellowship Hall

Mary Ann Fernandez will give a talk on photography tips including composition, exposure, lighting and more. She will be showing examples of her work during the program. (Some of your trip to the Antarctic and those penguins, please?)

April 29th at 7:00 pm

Fellowship Hall

Lecture by

Wissam Abdel-Bali, Ph.D.

Imam of the Islamic Society of Western  
Massachusetts

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### LOOK AHEAD

Easter will soon be upon us.

We will be celebrating with several special services:

Maunday Thursday which will be held on  
Thursday, April 13th at 7:00 pm.

Easter Sunrise Service, April 16th on Blueberry Hill  
in West Granville. Time TBA.

Easter service at GFC at 10:00am on Easter  
Sunday, April 16th.

Please join us for any or all of these special  
worship times!

**PLANNING A PARTY, A REUNION, A BABY  
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**OR BOBBI O'CONNELL @ 413 357-0914**

## Yoga Spring Session

Our yoga instructor will return on  
April 11 for an 8 week session of yoga.

The classes are held at the  
Granville Church on Tuesday evenings  
from 6:30 until 7:45.

We welcome newcomers!

The class size is limited and the  
classes tend to fill up very quickly  
so don't wait to call and sign up!

For more information and sign up  
please contact

Rosy Campbell 357-8765.



## Prospect Mountain Campground

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## HELP WANTED

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Are you or is someone you know:

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contactingus.html](http://www.prospectmtncampground.com/contactingus.html)

and email or mail it back at your earliest convenience!

Experience is great, but not necessary.

Must be of legal working age to apply.

Interviews to be conducted late March / early April.

## NEWS FROM GRANVILLE CULTURAL COUNCIL

PLEASE JOIN THE LIBRARY CLUB  
FOR MARY ANN FERNANDEZ'S  
LATEST MOVIE:

**Latitude 55° & Above**

**APRIL 13TH, 2017**

**AT 6:30PM**

**AT THE TOWN HALL**

This movie is travel and nature photographer, Mary Ann Fernandez's latest film.

**It incorporates 4 travel destinations:**

**Alaska**

(bears, whales and more),

**Churchill Canada**

(Polar Bears and more),

**Iceland and Greenland**

(Ice and spectacular ariel views of Iceland ).

***Lots of fun facts , you may not have known about these destinations!***

***Come and enjoy the show!***  
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## Classic Southern Cooking Class

Presented by: Fran Gleason

**May 13, 2017**

**12-3pm**

**Granville Federated Church, Lower Level**

Cost: \$20.00

Limited to 20 people

Bring containers to take home samples to enjoy later

To make a reservation:

Email; [fgleason@comcast.net](mailto:fgleason@comcast.net);

call or message 413-231-4929.

I will send you a notice that it has been received.

Folktales will be shared during the preparation of these traditional family recipes. From easy fried chicken to cobbles and sweet tea. Food will be served to the group and questions answered.

This is the third class in the series made possible by the Granville Cultural Council.

## Recipe of the month

### HAMBURGER CASSEROLE

1 lb. box Barilla medium shells

1 lb. hamburger, cooked with garlic, onion, salt and pepper to taste

2 cans Campbell's tomato soup

½ cup water

1 cup cheddar cheese

1 cup mozzarella cheese

Cook noodles according to package directions, drain

After browning hamburger, add 2 cans of tomato soup to the frying pan, add water

Stir and cook over medium heat for 3 minutes

Pour noodles in a greased 9x13 baking dish

Pour hamburger mixture over noodles and stir

Sprinkle cheese over casserole and cover with foil

Bake in a 375 oven for 20 minutes, remove foil and bake for 10 minutes longer.

## **"Songbirds of the Northeast"**

a 90 minute power point presentation  
featuring both images and recordings of  
our local songbirds

will be offered by naturalist John Root

**at 6:30 PM**

**on Tuesday, May 23**

**at the Granville Town Hall**

707 Main Rd. in Granville.

Free; perennials for edible landscaping  
and attracting wildlife will be offered for  
sale.

*This program is supported in part  
by the Granville Cultural Council,  
a local agency which is supported by the  
Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency*

## **Granville Library**

2 Granby Rd. • 357-8531 • granvillelib.info

Hours: Monday 10-12, 3-8      Wednesday 3-8

Thursday 5-8      Saturday 10-12

Please call ahead if there is inclement  
weather. The library WILL BE CLOSED (at least in  
the morning) if school is cancelled. For safety  
reasons we will not be open until the driveway is  
plowed and the sidewalks are shoveled after a  
storm. No late charges are incurred for closures  
due to weather. Thank you for your  
understanding.

### **New Adult & YA Books:**

*A Series of Catastrophes and Miracles: A True Story  
of Love, Science, and Cancer* by Mary  
Williams.

*Here We Are: Feminism for the Real World* by Kelly  
Jensen

*Stretch: Unlock the Power of Less - and Achieve  
More than You Ever Imagined* by Scott  
Sonenshein

12:30 from Croydon by Crofts

*Book of American Martyrs* by Joyce Carol Oates  
*Clairvoyants, The* by Karen Brown  
*Coming, The* by David Osborne  
*Days Without End* by Sebastian Barry  
*Death of a Ghost* by M.C. Beaton  
*Divided Spy* by Charles Cumming  
*Dressmaker's Dowry* by Meredith Jaeger  
*Freedom Broker* by K.J. Howe  
*Garden of Lamentations* by Deborah Crombie  
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*My Not So Perfect Life* by Sophie Kinsella  
*Old Bones* by Cynthia Harrod-Eagles  
*Perfect Little World* by Kevin Wilson  
*Signal Flame* by Andrew Krivak  
*Sisters of Sugarcreek* by Cathy Liggett  
*Some Kind of Magic* by Mary Ann Marlowe  
*Young Wives Club* by Julie Pennell

### **New Books for Kids:**

*9/11 Attacks* by Laura Murray  
*Grand Canyon* by Jason Chin  
*Hiking* by Allan Morey  
*In the Shadow of Liberty: The Hidden History of  
Slavery, Four Presidents, and Five Black  
Lives* by Kenneth Davis  
*Rivers of Sunlight: How the Sun Moves Water  
Around the Earth* by Molly Bang  
*The Bolds* by Julian Clary

### **New Audio CDs:**

*Behind Her Eyes* by Sarah Pinsborough.  
*Great Reckoning* by Louise Penny  
*Jealous Kind* by James Lee Burke  
*Summer Before the War* by Helen Simonson  
*Trespasser* by Tana French

### **New Dvds:**

*9th Life of Louis Drax, The  
Arrival*  
*Bleed for This*  
*Christine*  
*Edge of Seventeen, The*  
*Hawksaw Ridge*  
*Inferno*  
*Jack Reacher: Never Go Back*  
*Loving*  
*Manchester By the Sea*  
*Nocturnal Animals.*  
*Scooby-Doo Shaggy's Showdown*  
*Sherlock Season 4*



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## Winter Roads Policy 2016-17

Town of Granville, MA

In effect from November 1 - to April 30

Doug Roberts Superintendent of Public Works

- ♦ On-street parking is prohibited. Vehicles will be towed at the owner's expense.
- ♦ During winter road operations, main roads are first priority therefore, Main Road, Granby Road and Old Westfield Road will be cleared first.
- ♦ Depositing snow on a Town road is prohibited.
- ♦ Plowing snow across a Town road is prohibited.
- ♦ Granville is the source of drinking water therefor we limit the use of salt.
- ♦ Drive below the posted speed.
- ♦ High quality snow tires are essential.
- ♦ Allocate more time for travel.
- ♦ Town Roads with low use patterns may be closed for winter maintenance.
- ♦ During winter weather limit travel, to essential trips only.
- ♦ Be aware of changing road conditions, flurries, morning frost and shaded areas become slippery rapidly, an isolated weather event often causes slippery conditions in one area or curve. Notorious for this are the Gorge, Hairpin Turn, the north end of Old Westfield Road, Water Street at the Transfer station corners.
- ♦ Communicate with inexperienced drivers a clear understanding of all the dangers involved in winter driving.

## OBITUARY

### Richard S. Kaslikowski

Richard, age 57, formerly of Granville passed away on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 in Charlotte, NC. Richard was born in Westfield, MA on March 6, 1959, the son of the late Stanley and Ruth (Bettinger) Kaslikowski. He is survived by 2 sisters, Irene Egerton of Southwick, MA and Evelyn Egerton of Pahrump, NV and many nieces and nephews. Besides his parents, Richard was also predeceased by a brother, Douglas Messenger in 2015.

### IN NURSING HOMES

#### Betty Carpenter

Westfield Garden's  
37 Feeding Hills Road,  
Westfield, MA 01085

#### Cyril Maceyka

Westfield Garden's  
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#### Ed Roberts

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