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The Daniel Rose House, 1741: Home of Six Revolutionary War Soldiers and the Nation's First Quilt Exhibited at an American Museum

By Corey Phelon Geske

The Daniel Rose House built in 1741 and long known as the 'Lieut. Jacob Baldwin Tavern' in the West Granville National Register Historic District, is one of the three remaining homes that were part of the original "Place called Bedford," that became Granville,



according to a Bond of 1741 at the Massachusetts Historical Society (MHS) and the tandem deed in Hampden County Records. Located by owner Bill Phelon who restored the home, the Bond was signed by Daniel Rose (1717-1790) 'of Bedford' with the heirs of merchant John Dolbeare, the Boston proprietor who owned the land. Daniel's brother, Deacon David Rose, an advance scout for the Durham Company, selected adjacent land and signed his Bond with other proprietors on the same day Daniel signed, May 22, 1741, to ensure their homes would be neighboring at the western edge of Rose family settlement, as their parents and brothers' families built east of them. West of David and on the west slope of Prospect Mountain, Daniel was positioned to defend and signal, with inventoried 'niches' in the west-facing cellar wall that my brother Bill Phelon proposed were cannon ports and the reason he called the home he restored, 'Fort Rose'.



When Granville Historian Rose Miller pointed out to me the early date suggested by the 2003 report of John O. Curtis (former Director of the Curatorial Department, Old Sturbridge Village) who toured the house at the request of previous owner Ernie Sattler, it was important to again locate the MHS document Bill had found before 2013, which was done after a search of several months. Curtis wrote, "In more than forty years experience looking at old houses, I can recall only one other example that was so remarkably untouched." MACRIS files of 1987 state, "The house is one of the best examples of home and tavern of eighteenth-century architecture remaining in the community today . . . The fact that these features are so complete and unspoiled make them of exceptional importance for study and guidelines for future restoration in the area."

The front entry and east doorway of the Daniel Rose House feature an angled architrave, herein called the 'Bedford Settlement Door Surround'; also found at the similar gambrel-roofed Rev. Jedediah Smith-Oliver Phelps House, 1757 (as noted in its 1987 MACRIS inventory); and at the John and Ruth Rose House, c. 1743.

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The Daniel Rose House, 1741, Continued . . .



At the Daniel Rose House, the front architrave 'pointed' to the original double-leaf front door of eight panels, the number '8' long associated in Christian architecture with the eight blessings of the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5: 3-10), speaking to mercy; a fitting doorway for Daniel, who like his brother John, was brother to deacons, David and Justus, the sons of Jonathan Rose, said to be a deacon by descendants.

Acting upon the Sermon, Daniel's neighboring brother David, who brought twenty-six families from Durham, CT to Bedford, would bring home the infant Lemuel Haynes on New Year's Day 1754, before the official name change of Bedford 'plantation' to the incorporated district of Granville, January 25. His gesture anticipated the Declaration of Independence: "all men are created equal." Deacon Rose would school Lemuel with books from the Durham Book Company, the oldest library in the colony of Connecticut, in which he owned a share, enabling Lemuel to become the first black man ordained a minister in the United States, preaching from 1781 to 1786 at Granville and returning to preach as late as 1833.



The Daniel Rose House was home to six Revolutionary War soldiers who answered the Lexington alarm and served at the Siege of Boston; fought British ships on the Hudson in the prelude to the Battle of Long Island; crossed the Delaware with Washington to fight at Trenton; served at West Point and Castle Island; marched to Fort Ticonderoga; wintered at Valley Forge and met with Governor John Hancock. In 1784, the home was a Tavern, run by Daniel's son Abner, an artilleryman injured in action on the Hudson in July 1776. After the house was sold by Daniel's heirs to Lt. Jacob Baldwin, it was again a tavern from 1794 to 1799.

Before, during and after the Civil War, the house was owned by Rev. Joel Baker's son, Francis G. Baker, and was home to the Nation's first quilt that would be exhibited in a period room at an American museum. Before 1886, the circa 1798 quilt made by Francis' mother, Olive Curtiss Baker, was donated to the Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association at Deerfield where it inspired Deerfield's Arts and Crafts Movement and was adapted by the Deerfield Society of Blue and White Needlework for a bed set commissioned by the mother of William Randolph Hearst. Olive's quilt is now at Memorial Hall Museum and Mrs. Hearst's set is at the Frary House. According to my research, the Baker quilt was made in Granville, MA (not Durham, CT) as long believed. Olive's whole-cloth wool quilt was dyed in a hue that bespoke her name, to represent the green color associated with 'Hope', and 'Olive Branch of Peace' on the Great Seal of the United States, with its motto, '*Novus Ordo Seclorum*', 'A New Order' for the young Nation. The Daniel Rose House is significant for its association with families representing an overarching ideal unique to the United States, a belief in the equality of mankind and the attainment of liberty as a natural right.



References: Massachusetts Historical Commission, Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System (MACRIS), Daniel Rose House (1741), GRN 33, Continuation, 196 pp.; also at "Main Road, 1442, Rose, Baldwin, Baker, Gibb, Bearse, Pendrake, Sattler, Phelon Place," PART 1. *Granville History Digital Collection* at <https://granvillehistory.omeka.net/items/show/362>; Corey Victoria Phelon Geske, "Main Road 1442, Daniel Rose House, PART 2 [3,4, Baker Quilt]. *Granville History Digital Collection* at <https://granvillehistory.omeka.net/items/show/1233>; Albion B. Wilson, *History of Granville, Massachusetts* (Hartford, CT: Connecticut Printers, Inc., Jan. 25, 1954). Christmas Card photo and design by Bobbie-Jo Day. Photos by Corey Phelon Geske.

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American Baptist and United Church of Christ
16 Granby Rd., Granville, MA
Transitional Pastor: Dr. Rev. John 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. It has been quite a learning experience for all of us. 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. All safety measures are observed so please feel free to join us.

DRIVE IN/PICK UP SUPPERS

Our March dinner will be Shepard's Pie (meat or veggie), Asian cole slaw, Irish soda bread and Homemade apple crisp for dessert. The dinner will be Sunday, March 14th from 12:30 to 1:30 pm. To make reservations please call Bobbi O'Connell at 297-0445 or Fran Wackerbarth at 357-6492 by March 12th. And thank you for all of your support!

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.

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.

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.

The Granville/Tolland Lions Club
2021 student award applications
are due May 1, 2021.

Applications can be obtained from
the local school
guidance departments or from Art
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Owner's Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Telephone: _____

All applications **must** include the following:

Current rabies vaccination certificate

Spay/Neuter certificate

If applying by mail include a stamped self-addressed #10 envelope. Two stamps are required if licensing more than one dog.

Make your check/money order (no cash) payable to the Town of Granville before April 19

Any license obtained after May 1 will be assessed a late fee of \$20.

You may purchase a dog license that expires the same year as your rabies certificate. The expiration date must be at least three (3) months into the licensing year.

Spayed/Neutered \$10.00

Unaltered Dog \$15.00

By State Law, all owner/keeper of dog(s) must license their dogs (MGL C 140, §137). All dogs in the State of MA must be licensed at 6 months. www.townofgranville.net

NAME OF DOG	BREED	COLOR	MALE or FEMALE	RABIES EXP	SPAYED/NEUTERED	FEE	TAG

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Date

Granville-Tolland
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**2020 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 16 undergraduate students from our two towns, totaling \$32,000 in 2020-2021. 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. Applications will be open until May 1, 2021.

The 2020 Mail-a-thon generated \$9,490. All our other planned fundraisers for the year were canceled due to COVID, so that was the total amount 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 help to support annual scholarship funds.

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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.

Granville-Tolland Dollars for Scholars®
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February 15, 2021

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Our communities have been supporting the college students of Granville and Tolland since 1974. Over these 47 years, more than 800 awards with over \$500,000 have been awarded, and in 2020, 16 recipients received \$32,000 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. If you have an interest in establishing an endowment in honor or as a memorial, now or in the future, please contact us at granvilletollanddfs@gmail.com.

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

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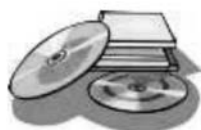
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Hours are: **Mon 10-12 and 5-9pm, Wed 3-8pm, Thurs 10-12 & 3pm-6pm, Saturday 10am-12.**

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_____ <i>Greenland</i>	_____ <i>Hatari!</i>
_____ <i>Hearts and Bones</i>	_____ <i>The Great Outdoors</i>
_____ <i>Kiki's Delivery Service</i>	_____ <i>Lupin III: The First</i>
_____ <i>The Little Prince</i>	_____ <i>Jungleland</i>
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_____ <i>Let Him Go</i>	_____ <i>The Kid Detective</i>
_____ <i>A Call to Spy</i>	_____ <i>The Informer</i>
_____ <i>The Croods: A new Age</i>	

Welcome Spring Make & Take Project Kit for Children.

Pick up at the
Library while
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Audiobooks



_____ <i>Dissenter on the Bench: Ruth Bader Ginsburg's Life and Work</i> by Victoria Ortiz
_____ <i>Lemon Pies and Little White Lies</i> by Ellery Adams
_____ <i>Breach of Crust</i> by Ellery Adams
_____ <i>Dolly Parton SongTeller</i> by Dolly Parton

History Biographies & Memoirs



_____ <i>Pelosi</i> by Molly Ball
_____ <i>The Last Days of John Lennon</i> by James Patterson
_____ <i>Till Murder Do Us Part</i> by James Patterson
_____ <i>The Doctors Blackwell: How Two Pioneering Sisters Brought Medicine to Women and Women to Medicine</i> by Janice P. Nimura
_____ <i>Built: The Hidden Stories Behind our Structures</i> by Roma Agrawal
_____ <i>The Flying Mathematicians of World War I</i> by Tony Royle
_____ <i>Paper: Paging Through History</i> by Mark Kurlansky

Introducing the Granville Library of Things!

The Library is not just a source for books, videos, & magazines, it is now a place you can borrow those rarely needed, but great to use, THINGS!

Religion

_____ <i>Are We Going to Be Okay? Reconciling My Faith in Christ and Science</i> by Merrill Edmonds

Starting in March, we hope to have 2 laptops computers with hot spots, 2 types of microscopes, and a telescope.

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_____ <i>The Children's Blizzard: A Novel</i> by Melanie Benjamin
_____ <i>Pianos and Flowers: Brief Encounters of the Romantic Kind</i> by Alexander McCall Smith
_____ <i>What Once Was True</i> by Jean Grainger
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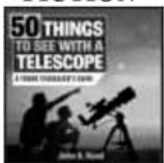


____ *And the People Stayed Home* by Kitty O'Meara
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 ____ *Will You Take Care of Me?* by Margaret Park Bridges
 ____ *The Giving Tree* by Shel Silverstein
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NON- FICTION



Boston Bruins Signed Team Shirt Raffle

As part of the MBLC 2020 Summer Reading partnership with the **Boston Bruins**, the team donated prizes to be given to selected summer reading participating libraries. The Granville Public Library won the **Signed Team Shirt** to be raffled off, by the Library Club, to benefit the 2021 Summer Reading Program, "Tails of Tales"

See the Shirt on Display at the Library

Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the Library or by seeing a Granville Library Club Member.

The drawing will take place on May 13, 2021 at the Library Club Meeting

Woodlands Cemetery Update and History

Woodlands Cemetery was established in 1816 with the burial of young Alsop Paine Stow. Almost 100 years later, the town deeded the cemetery to the Woodlands Cemetery Association with all the bylaws and incorporation appropriate for the times. Early on, when people spent the



majority of every day in town and among their fellow townsfolk, it was a very active and well-membered association. Helena Duris (1904-1992) was the Secretary of the Association for 21 years. She was for that entire time seriously responsible in her duties and adamant in her quest for accuracy. Helena was born Helena Blanche Womboldt in Newton, MA, one of 12 children. A graduate of Framingham Teachers College, she taught in Torrington, Southwick and Granville. She was a beloved teacher of all 9 grades of Ore Hill School in West Granville. An avid historian, she also

was the Curator of the Historical Room in the Granville Library, served on the Editorial Board of Stone Walls quarterly publication and was an active member of the Granville Historical Society.

In 1930 she married Joseph Duris (1899-1979) and about 1935 purchased a home in West Granville. They both loved and respected history and collected antiques. The house at 1572 Main Road, built in 1832, is now called the Helena Duris house.

JOE DURIS ANSWERS FRED CHAPMAN'S CHALLENGE! The claim is that he cut one acre of ground which produced 48 tons of hay! But that's not all. The cutting time was exactly one hour, and within another hour and a half the hay was all in the barn. We wonder what Joe's wife feeds him! Is it Pop or Grape-Nuts, Joe?--- or maybe just good old spinach?

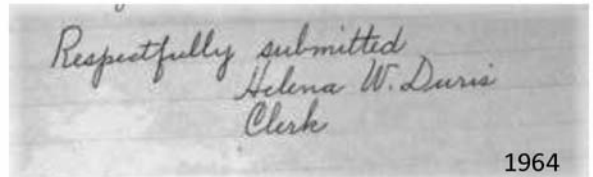
Joseph served his country in WWI in Europe and later worked for the Springfield Water Works.

Both Helena and Joseph loved our town and our country..

Leona Clifford writes about both of them in *Long Ago Days*. She has this to say about Joseph.

On November 29th, one of West Granville's oldest citizens was laid to rest in the cemetery there. Joseph A. Duris loved his town and his country. He was a veteran of World War I and was interested in veterans affairs as well as town affairs.

I believe, however, that what he enjoyed most was working for and in the West Granville Cemetery. For many years he mowed and trimmed, mended and cleaned ancient stones, caused the driveway and parking places to be paved



1964



Abt 1918



1925



1974

Joseph A. Duris / 2nd Battery, Field-Artillery-Replacement Regt./1899/A.E.F.



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Woodlands Cemetery Update and History Cont'd

..... He installed a visitor's box and I have seen many compliments in it on the condition of this yard by people looking up ancestors, as well as strangers, who like to look over old cemeteries as I do.after visiting an old New York State graveyard where many Revolutionary soldiers lie, (he) decided to do what they had done and erect a flagpole with a large flag in the West Granville Cemetery. He tended it faithfully as long as he was physically able. It was a grand idea, for in every such place there are veterans who, for one reason or another, never had monuments or flags and who are unknown now, like the Unknown Soldiers in Washington, D.C., only to God. A large flag on a staff honors one and all.

Early on, in 1923, Helena came to Granville to be the teacher at Ore Hill School in West Granville. It was a small one-room school with about 20 pupils spanning all nine grades. One of her pupils was Leona Aldrich, who became, for Granville, a historian in her own right. Leona writes of that time:

I'm sure all the pupils were early on that morning so as to get a peek at the new teacher through a window and try to size her up before the bell rang. Well, she wasn't very big and didn't look mean. She didn't look like anyone to be afraid of but time would tell. At nine o'clock the bell rang and we found ourselves under the tender, loving care of Helen B. Womboldt (Duris).....I wonderwhat it must have been like coming from a big town like Newton, Massachusetts to a "back in the hills town" like Granville- from all the comforts of the city life to the more primitive farm life then existing in most West Granville families. No running water, some of the more fortunate had pumps at the kitchen sink but several still depended on a bucket and windlass, sometimes in a shed sometimes out. No bathrooms, no central heat, only privies, pumps and wood stoves.

Leona married Dennis Clifford and remained in Granville raising a family on Old Westfield Road.



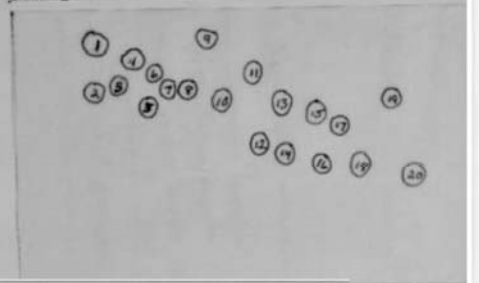
In 10 of her later years, she penned a series of reminiscences about Granville entitled *Long Ago Days*. They were published in the Caller and eventually bound into a book which is available at the Granville Library.



Ore Hill School about 1922, one year or so before Helena came there to teach.

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20. Irene Stetson

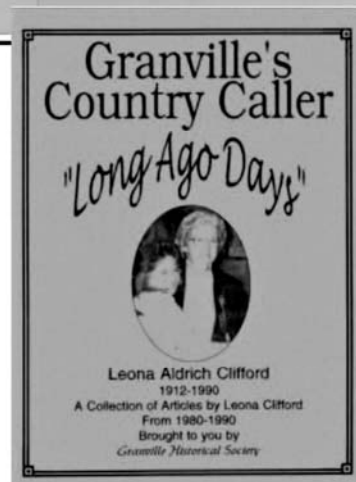


Helena and Joseph Duris and Leona and Dennis Clifford rest in West Granville Cemetery.

From the members of the Woodlands Cemetery Association,
WoodlandsCem@comcast.net.



Credits: *Long Ago Days* by Leona Clifford, ancestry.com, MACRIS (Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System), findagrave.com, West Granville Parish News, July 20, 1935, Woodlands Cemetery Association Minutes 1964, *Stone Walls*, Winter 1993, the Granville Historic Image Library at granvillehistory.omeka.net.





TOWN CLERK'S CORNER....

by Donna M. Fillion

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**TOWN HALL IS CLOSED TO PUBLIC –
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**

Annual Town Elections

Monday, April 12, 2021 – 12:00 pm – 8:00 pm –
Town Hall

Nomination Papers

Nomination Papers for candidates running for town offices have been pulled at the Town Clerk's office for the Annual Town Election to be held April 12th.

The last day to file a Nomination Paper with the Town Clerk/Board of Registrars is March 1, 2021 by 5:00 pm.

The following slates of office will be on the ballot:

- one member of the Selectboard for three years;
- one Moderator for one year;
- one Assessor for three years;
- one Town Clerk for three years;
- one Library Trustee for three years;
- one member of the Regional School Committee for three years;
- one Constable for three years;
- two members of the Planning Board for three years; and
- five members of the Recreation Committee for three years.

If any resident has questions pertaining to the census form, the dog license form or nomination paper you may call my office for assistance. Forms may be returned by mail or hand delivered to the drop box at the Town Hall addressed to my attention.

Annual Town Meeting

Monday, May 10, 2021 – 7 pm – Granville Village School

Dog Licenses

Some dog(s) have not been licensed for 2021. 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 homeowners I maintain a list of all licensed dogs. The census package included a dog license application for dog owners on record to license their dog(s). 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 by appointment. 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.

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 have not returned your census, please do so as soon as possible. Failure to respond to the mailing shall result in removal from the active voting list and may result in removal from the voter registration rolls.

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 to do so. Following this, a license is issued and you can be married within 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>

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TOWN CLERK'S CORNER CONT.

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 to make an appointment. The service is free of charge to Granville residents. Please note Notary Services are provided as a courtesy.

A Notary does NOT give legal advice.

The following are REQUIRED in order to be provided with Notary Services:

- The document CANNOT already have been signed
- All signers MUST be PRESENT at time of notarizing
- The Notary is stating they have WITNESSED the document being signed
- The person(s) signing MUST provide a proper photo ID

The document MUST contain the appropriate Notarial Statement (Clause) - NO EXCEPTIONS ... Types of Notary: Jurat (statements are true) OR Acknowledgement (ones free act). The certificate MUST contain the oath given by notary to identify the type of notary act.

We do not notarize copies of original documents - NO EXCEPTIONS

We reserve the right to deny notarial services based on circumstances i.e., if the above-mentioned policies are not followed, documents are incomplete, documents are in a format that is unacceptable to this office or if the documents do not have the notarial clause/statement.

TOWN OF GRANVILLE Department of Public Works

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Doug Roberts, Superintendent

WINTER ROADS POLICY 2020-2021

In effect from November 1 - to April 30

- On-street parking is prohibited. Vehicles will be towed at the owner's expense.
- Parking at the Town Hall, Library, or School is restricted to those doing Town business during business hours.
- During winter road operations, main roads are a priority.
- Town Roads with low use may be closed for the winter.
- Depositing snow on a Town road is prohibited.
- Plowing snow across a Town road is prohibited.
- "All season" tires are not a substitute for snow tires.
- High quality snow tires, preferably studded, are essential for winter driving.
- Limit travel during storm events.
- Drive below the posted speed.
- Be aware of changing road conditions, flurries, and frost. Shaded areas become hazardous rapidly. An isolated weather event will create hazardous conditions. Notorious for this are the Gorge and Hairpin Turn on Route 57, the North end of Old Westfield Road, and Water Street by the Transfer Station.



GRANVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Granville Fire Department appreciates your continued support!

*By Capt. Tim Rickis – GFD Firefighter & Public
Relations Coordinator*

Clothes Dryer Safety

In recent years, there were 100 dryer fires that caused civilian injuries, eight fire service injuries, and \$2.7 million dollars in property damage. Almost half of the fires, 47%, occurred in 1- and 2-family homes.

Clean the Lint Filter After Every Load

Remember to clean the dryer filter screen after each load of laundry, to clean the outside vents twice a year and to occasionally vacuum the motor area of the dryer. If materials such as cooking oil, solvents and other combustible or flammable liquids were not removed completely during the laundry cycle, heat from the dryer may cause them to ignite. This is the reason that mop heads should not be put into the dryer. An adult should be at home whenever the dryer is in use and the home should have working smoke alarms.

Dryer Fires Prevention Tips At-A-Glance:

- Clean the filter screen after each load to prevent lint buildup, which can cause fires.
- Stay home when the dryer is in use.
- Clean the outside vents twice a year to clean out any accumulated dust and lint.
- Vacuum the motor area. The dust and lint in the vent area can ignite if it gets hot. You may need to remove a panel in order to get to the motor area.
- Commercial dryers should be cleaned out regularly because of their frequent use and shared venting system.

- Don't dry mop heads in the dryer! The dryer's heat can ignite the chemical residue on mop heads.

- Keep the surrounding area clean. The dryer's heat may ignite anything left too close to the dryer.

Together, we can improve the life safety and well-being of our Granville residents!

The all-volunteer members of The Granville Fire Department are proud to serve our residents 24/7. Please visit our web page at <http://www.granvillefire.net> or find us on Facebook! For Public Relations contact Capt. Tim Rickis at firedept@townofgranville.org

OBITUARY

Bobbie-Jo Day of Tolland Ma passed away on Jan 22 2021 at her home with her loved ones.

Bobbie-Jo was born on Sept 14, 1965 in Winstead Ct the daughter of the John and Loretta (Davis) Day. She attended local schools and graduated from Southwick High School Class of 1984 .

Bobbie Jo will be remembered for her love for her family, her connection to nature, sense of adventure and a smile that lit up every room she was in. She was a committed mother to sons who saw and appreciated her hard work and dedication to them, a dependable daughter always willing to go the extra mile for her parents, and a loving partner whose relationship was one to look up to. Quick to make you laugh, or share a picture of her garden; Bobbie-Jo had a free spirit that brought love and light to all who knew her and will be deeply missed.

Bobbie-Jo is survived by her parents John and Loretta (Davis) Day, partner Christopher Carroll, children Jason and Matthew Campbell, grandchild Kody Campbell, and sister Lori (Day) Nelson.

A Memorial Service will be held at a later date.

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