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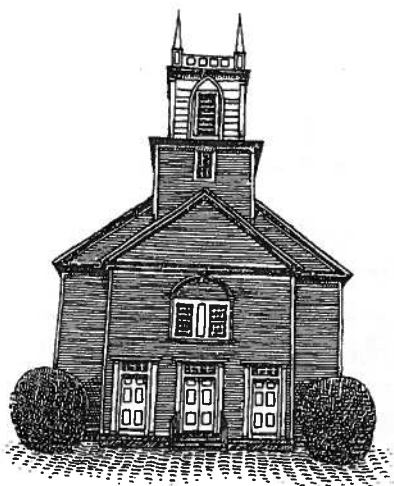
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West Granville Congregational Church
Main Road, Route 57
West Granville

Our Worship Services for 2014
 will be held on the
 2nd Sunday of each month.

The schedule is as follows:

June 8, 2014
 July 13, 2014
 August 10, 2014
 September 14, 2014
 October 12, 2014
 November 9, 2014
 December 14, 2014

All services are at 7PM.

Prior to the August "Old Home Sunday" service on August 10th we will be conducting our 12th Annual Community Potluck Picnic at 5PM. All are welcome to attend!

Our Worship leader is Rev. Dr. Lorrie Dunham – former Pastor of The Southwick Congregational Church. The organist is Roberta Kowal.

All are invited for refreshments and fellowship in the Academy Hall following each service.

Both the Church and Academy are available for rental. Please call Deborah Boulanger at 357-6360 for more information.

Share your opinions on local food in Granville

Participants needed for a graduate research study on local food in Granville.

This study seeks to define what "local food" means to residents of Granville and determine its use and availability throughout the year.

The survey can be taken online and will last approximately 15 minutes.

Interested? For more information or to take the survey visit:

www.LOCALFOODGRANVILLE.com

Questions? Email: emily.j.brunet@gmail.com

Recipe of the month

Aunt Mary's Apple Cake

2 cups flour
 2 eggs
 2 tbsp baking powder
 ½ cup sugar
 2 tbsp shortening
 ½ cup milk
 1 tsp vanilla

Mix all ingredients together, spread into a 9x9 in greased pan, cover with sliced apples. Bake at 350 for 35 minutes, sprinkle with cinnamon and sugar.



Marilyn Tkaczuk

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8th Graders are having a



and



**On Saturday, May 10
9-2
at the school.**

Thought for the day

"You have to have faith that there is a reason you go through certain things. I can't say I'm glad to go through pain, but in a way one must, in order to gain courage and really feel joy."

— Carol Burnett



Westfield River Watershed Assn
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KAYAK DEMO DAY – SAVE THE DATE!

Hampton Ponds State Park, Sat., May 17

Imagine trying several different styles of kayaks, paddling all day for just \$5.00. Kayak Demo Day on Saturday, May 17 is a perfect opportunity to get on the water and try long and short models, as well as stand-on-top and other styles, more than 60 boats in all. Demo Day, sponsored by the Westfield River Watershed Association in partnership with Westfield Water Sports/Wilderness Adventures Unlimited in Southwick, takes place at Hampton Ponds State Park, 1022 North Road (Route 202) in Westfield from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Rain date is Sunday, May 18.)

At Demo Day, instructors will make sure participants are outfitted safely, help them into a boat and show them some basic paddling techniques. Paddlers can try kayak styles from Wilderness Systems, Native, Wave Sport, Elie, Current Designs, Wenonah, Liquidlogic and others.

There will be demonstrations and instruction repeated throughout the day. Check out the Whitewater Kayak Demo, Eskimo Roll Demo, Outfitting for Safety, Rescue Clinic, Stand-up Paddling, and Intro to Kayaking Clinic.

For more information, visit
www.westfieldriver.org.

SILVER STREET CEMETERY ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Silver Street Cemetery will be held at

5:30 PM on May 7, 2014

at the home of

Bill Blakesley - 397 Main Rd. - Granville.

Anyone interested in the Silver Street Cemetery is welcome to attend.

In your garden –

This year the WMMGA (Western Mass Master Gardener Association) will be holding soil testing clinics in Granville during September and October.

April and May are two of the busiest months in your perennial and vegetable beds. Spring is a key time to clean and oil your garden tools if you didn't do it in the fall.

Clean up, planting, transplanting and dividing are key to making ready your beds for summer and fall.

Remove any winter mulch from around the crown of your plants, roses, shrubs, trees, etc.

Press back into the ground any plants that the frost heaved up over the winter.

Fertilize the gardens in April.

Cut back plants that were left for winter interest.

Renovations of gardens can get underway in April and continue throughout May.

Submitted by: Gloria Knoener, Master Gardener

All are invited to attend the

22 Annual Arts and Artisans Show

featuring Granville artist exhibiting talents in a variety of different media.

Art Show hours:

Saturday May 3rd, 10-4 PM

**Sunday May 4th, noon –4 PM
(Reception 3-4 PM)**

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SENIOR NEWS

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

A play put on by Steven Henderson
May 18 at the Town Hall - 2:00 p.m.

Driving Class for seniors
May 19 at the Town Hall - 1:00 p.m.

Volunteer Appreciation
June 5

Senior Picnic
June 19 at Stanley Park - 12 noon

May and June Birthday Party
June 23 at the Town Hall - 1:00 p.m.

Shifting Gears

The Registry of Motor Vehicles will do a Safe Driving Workshop for drivers 55+

May 19, 2014
at 1:00 at the Granville Town Hall.

There is no charge for this event.

The Workshop will cover the following:

- ♦ New laws that affect drivers in Massachusetts
- ♦ Frequent causes of collisions for older drivers
- ♦ How to obtain a disability plate or placard
- ♦ The warning signs of unsafe driving
- ♦ Adaptive equipment for elder drivers



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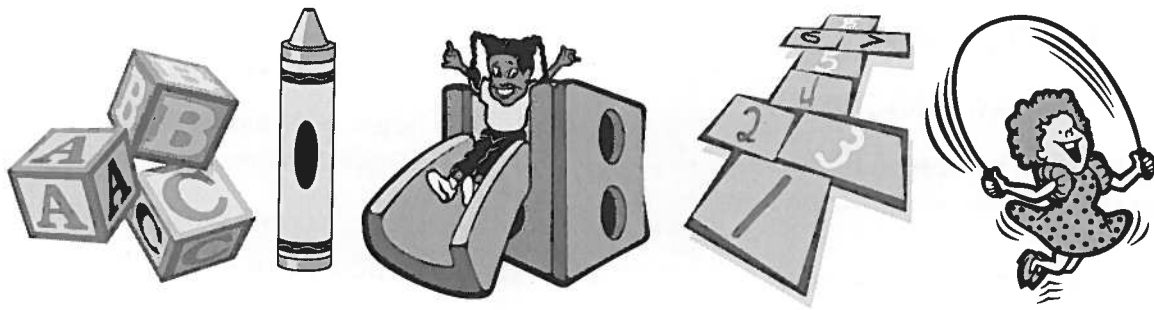
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KINDERGARTEN SCREENING FOR SOUTHWICK-TOLLAND-GRANVILLE CHILDREN

The Southwick-Tolland-Granville Regional School District Kindergarten Screening for the 2014-2015 school year will be held from **Monday, June 2nd through Tuesday, June 3rd, 2014 at Woodland School** for Southwick, Tolland and Granville residents.

In order to be eligible for Kindergarten, a child must be ***five years old on or before September 1, 2014***. There will be no exceptions to this policy. As required by Special Education Law, Chapter 766, screenings will be conducted in the areas of hearing, vision, speech/language, cognitive and motor skills. **All parents having an eligible child should come to the Woodland School office at 80 Powder Mill Road, Southwick, MA to pick up an enrollment packet between now and May 19th. Open enrollment hours are 9:15 am to 2:45 pm. Granville residents should pick up an enrollment packet at Granville School.**

A check off list is included in the packet for your convenience. Once you've filled out your paperwork and have the necessary documents (proof of residency, birth certificate, immunization record and physical) as noted on the check off list, **return ALL information to the Woodland School Office**. An appointment will be made for you at that time to attend the screening (June 2nd & June 3rd) to complete the registration process.

PLEASE CALL

569-6598

With questions

Granville Federated Church,

American Baptist & United Church of Christ

16 Granby Road, Granville, MA 01034

—Phone 413-357-8583

Join us at Granville Federated Church!

Morning Worship is held each Sunday at 10 a.m. **Church School** runs concurrently with the Worship Service; starting after the second hymn. A **coffee hour** follows the service each week.

New member classes: Please call the Rev. Patrick McMahon at 413-579-4674 for information regarding the new member classes.

On Saturday, May 3rd we meet at a **restaurant for a meal** at 6 p.m. Plans are incomplete at the time of this printing, so stay tuned for updates at church or call Carolyn at 569-0384.

Soup and Bread Supper: The CROP Walk kickoff supper takes place at Southwick Congregational Church on Sunday, May 4 at 5 p.m. Regional Director Amy LaPorte will speak and sponsorship papers will be available. This is an important mission project and our participation is vital. It is called the **Southwick/Granville CROP Walk** and supports the pantry in Southwick where Granville residents are welcome to get food as well as critical Church World Service aid in over 80 countries including the USA. **On Sunday, June 1 remember to join us as a walker or a sponsor!** After the Walk, there is a festive time back at the church with music and a cookout.

The Rev. Patrick McMahon continues the **discussion of the book Zealot** on Sunday, May 11th. **Zealot** is a book about the historical Jesus. A **Bible study and sermon discussion** takes place on Sun., May 25th. This is a good time to strengthen and enrich your faith and fellowship with fellow parishioners.

Breakfasts continue to be a place of fellowship and delicious eating. The May breakfast will be on Sunday, May 18th from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. We serve pancakes or French toast, bacon or sausage, home fries and scrambled eggs, fruit,

juice, Danish, and more—all for a free will donation! No church membership required, but all are welcome to stay for the service if they want.

The **Ladies Aid** meets again on May 21st for a potluck luncheon followed by a meeting. *All women are welcome. Come and bring a friend or neighbor.*

Plans are being made for a **CHICKEN POT PIE SUPPER!** This is a fund raiser for the General Fund of the Church and happens at 6 p.m. on Sat., May 17th. **Menu:** chicken pot pie, roasted potatoes, vegetable, salad, apple cake with whipped cream and beverages.

Cost: Adults \$10; Seniors \$8; Children 12 and under \$3. Make your reservations by calling Dottie Lou at 357-6698 or Bobbie at 357-0914. *You need a reservation!* Tickets will be sold inside the church narthex or see church members for advance tickets.

We continue to thank all who support the Granville Church **Capital Campaign**. Pledge payment continues for two years. Donations without pledges are still accepted. Just mark Capital Campaign in the memo on your check.

Another option for supporting the drive is to buy Fair Trade **food products** that are for sale at the coffee hour each Sunday. Very tasty, we've tried them all! Ruth Dickinson Berquist is in charge of this.

We have **Big Y gift cards** available for purchase. Please see Jean McMahon.

All are welcome at any or all of our events.

MONTHLY/WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday— 10am-Worship Service
Church School
11am-Coffee Hour

First Saturday—6 p.m.-Potluck Supper & activity

Monday—8pm-AA Meeting

Third Wednesday—noon-Ladies Aid

Third Sunday—8:30—9:30 a.m. -Breakfast

Thursday—7 p.m.-Choir Practice

Granville Library's Summer Reading Program 2014

"FIZZ BOOM READ!" is sponsored by the Granville Public Library, the Granville Library Club, the Granville Cultural Council, the Massachusetts Cultural Council, the Massachusetts Regional Library System, the Collaborative Summer Reading Program and the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

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20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Craft during library hours 10 am – 12 pm 3 pm – 8 pm		11:00 AM Gran-Val Scoop Listen to a story, feed the animals, and enjoy an ice cream cone			
27	28	29	30	31	1	AUGUST 2
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May 10 – 8:00 p.m.

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Watercolor Painting Workshop

Summer 2014

Dates: August 4 - 8, 2014

Time: 8:00a.m. - 12 noon

Place: Old Meeting House

Cost: \$25.00 per student

Watercolor painting will be the
main focus of this workshop,
although we will take some time on
the first day to work on basic
drawing skills too.

Very basic watercolor techniques
will be taught, so do not hesitate to
join the class if you have never done
watercolor painting before.

Advanced painters will be
encouraged to set their own a
agenda and may proceed to greater
challenges while beginning
painters will work together
to learn new skills.

The first 25 Granville adults
(age limit is 16 and older)
to enroll will be accepted into the
workshop, so call soon to
reserve a place in the class.

All students will be responsible for
their own supplies, a list of the
supplies you will need will be sent to
you soon after you apply. Call
Sharon if you have any questions.

To enroll
call Sharon Woodger 357-9014

This workshop is partially funded
by a grant from the Granville
Cultural Council and the
Massachusetts Cultural Council.

GRANVILLE LIBRARY

Granville Library Hours:

Monday 10-12, 3-8 pm

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Thursday 5-8 pm

Saturday 10-12

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New Books for Adults:

*Deep Rooted Wisdom: Stories and Skills from
Generations of Gardeners* by Augustus
Jenkins Farmer

Ebay for Dummies by Collier.

Groundbreaking Food Gardens by Niki Jabbour.

Not for Everyday Use: A Memoir by Elizabeth
Nunez.

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2014 Boston Marathon, Fundraising for Travis Fuller Scholarship Fund

Last year in April, Chris Durken attended the 117th Boston Marathon as he had done many years, but that year was going to be especially special because he and his wife were able to bring their 8 month old daughter there to share in the experience. Up until the first explosion, the day was as perfect as any previous Marathon Monday had been. That quickly changed when they became stuck on Boylston Street between both bombs. When they were finally able to get off Boylston, they ran away and a picture of them running was taken, which quickly made its way into national news outlets.

"I refuse to let that picture of me running away from the finish line define my Boston Marathon experience, which made me determined to participate in this year's marathon and cross the finish line on my own terms. I was lucky enough to be accepted (trust me, it wasn't via a qualifying time), and have taken this opportunity to raise money for a cause very near to me."

Chris Durken ran in this year's 118th Boston Marathon in memory of his friend Travis Fuller, who was killed while serving in the US Marine Corps in Iraq on January 26, 2005. Next January will mark ten years since his death and he wanted his friend's memory to continue by raising money for the scholarship in his name that goes to college students from his hometown, Granville, MA, that he loved so dearly. *"This scholarship helps keep his memory alive, and reminds us all to remember what a great friend and marine Travis was"*, as thoughtfully stated by Chris.

"I would be honored if you would join me in contributing to the 1st Lt. Travis Fuller Memorial Scholarship Fund to keep his memory alive in this upcoming 10th anniversary year. Your gift of any size will help me reach my fundraising goal of \$5,000 as part of my Boston Marathon runner philanthropic commitment."

Donations can be made online at www.granville-tolland.dollarsforscholars.org/ using the DONATE button (in the field "Specify your Scholarship Fund", please enter, "Fuller/Durken Boston Marathoner" OR mail your check, payable to GTDFS, PO Box 214, Granville, MA 01034, (please write on the check's memo line, "Fuller/Durken Boston Marathoner").

Granville-Tolland Dollars for Scholars® mission is to promote scholarship, community involvement and leadership among the undergraduate college students of Granville and Tolland through financial support for their education. In 2014 the organization marks a milestone year, celebrating 40 years serving the Granville and Tolland communities' scholars.

1st Lt. Travis Fuller Memorial Scholarship Fund



Travis Fuller was always an adventurous soul. Regardless of where he was, he found adventure and inspired people to do the same. He found his niche in athletics when he joined the Southwick-Tolland Regional High School cross country team his freshman year. His success here led him to join the track and field and wrestling teams. His dedication to physical fitness and academics commanded respect from his peers on the athletic field and in the classroom.

Above all this Travis was a kind, fun loving, loyal person. It was a surprise to many that he decided to attend the Massachusetts Maritime Academy, a military institution. As with everything that Travis set his mind to, he excelled. He attended Officer Candidacy School during the summers, and entered the Marines as a commissioned officer upon graduation. As an officer, Travis was able to see the world, training in far and exotic places. Travis was sent to aid in Operation Iraqi Freedom, where he led his men through some of the most dangerous battles of the war. 1st Lieutenant Travis J. Fuller along with many of his men were killed in a helicopter crash on January 26th, 2005.

The 1st Lt. Travis Fuller Memorial Scholarship Fund was established in 2005. On average, two local students each year receive a Fuller Scholarship.

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Thoughts on Cemeteries

Granville has many beautiful and historic cemeteries.

As Memorial Day approaches, thoughts turn to mowing and caring for these lovely places.



How to properly care for historic cemetery stones can be problematic.

Newer parts of cemeteries have sturdier stones, and with careful mowing, stones are rarely chipped or broken in the process. The historic stones, in contrast, are easily chipped, marred, or even broken off or tipped over by the use of modern power equipment.

Likewise, string trimming devices can easily mark and damage the softer textures of historic gravestones, and eventually obliterate the words inscribed into the stone.

So...what to do? Most people expect a cemetery to look neat and well-cared for.

Many feel it is disrespectful to "neglect" a cemetery by not mowing regularly.

For example, the West Granville Cemetery on Route 57 is a lovely and historic cemetery, a most beautiful place.

The southernmost area of the West Granville Cemetery could be considered relatively "new," with more sturdy granite tombstones. Folks with loved ones buried there expect to see this area well-mowed during the growing season. The northern, higher part of the West Granville Cemetery, lovely also, has a preponderance of the smaller, softer, more fragile and very historic tombstones, which have suffered damage from too-frequent mowing efforts. What to do?

In researching this dilemma, it turns out many other towns face the same issues, and have some creative ways of caring for both the newer and the older, fragile parts of cemeteries.

Some have chosen to mow the "old" cemeteries sparingly, perhaps only once per season, usually after the native wildflowers have finished blooming and have gone to seed.

At the same time, the "newer" cemetery areas are mowed and trimmed more frequently. Some cemeteries are even "mowed" by goats or sheep!!

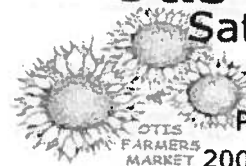
There are a number of interesting and informative discussions on this topic easily found on the Internet. Three very helpful and informative ones are:

"Hallowed Prairie," Managing a rural, country cemetery has an eastern Iowa community divided

Conservation Talk by Michael Trinkley, AGS Quarterly, Vol. 34, No. 3, Summer 2010

Washington Whispers, "Goats to Mow the Lawn at Congressional Cemetery," by Steve Nelson, US News and World Report

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If you've already ordered a paver but haven't yet paid, or if you'd like to order one, now is the time. The \$50 price will be honored until May 1, 2014. After then, the new price will go into effect.

To order a paver, mail the form with appropriate payment to: Marilyn Tkaczuk, P.O. Box 341, Granville, MA 01034 OR Karen J Carpenter, 15 Granby Rd, Granville, MA 01034.

Thank you for your support for this community project!

— IN NURSING HOMES —

Philip Dickinson

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37 Feeding Hills Road

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