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#### May Scholars' Profiles:

Nicholas Fielding of Granville is a sophomore at Springfield College and has a career aspiration to become a Physician's Assistant with a minor in Nutrition. Nicholas currently works as an EMT in Southwick, MA as a means to help fund his college expenses. He gets a lot of gratification after receiving written thank-you notes from those he assisted during their time of need. In addition, he takes his academics seriously and are a high priority. In the fall semester, Nicholas ran for and was elected as Vice President of Residence Hall Council complementing his leadership abilities and becoming a liaison to help fellow students maintain a happy and healthy balance of residential life at the college.

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Lydia Randall of Granville is currently a sophomore at Keene State College. While balancing a major in Health Sciences and a minor in Dance, Lydia likes to kick up her heels teaching Zumba several nights a week and also lifeguards part-time at the pool on campus to help with college expenses. Lydia's career aspiration is to become a Nurse. In addition to her busy schedule around the college, Lydia volunteers her time at Keene Hospital and is a wonderful complement to her future career.

"Thanking the people who make this scholarship happen is beyond words. It has made it possible to buy my books each year. Thank you for your help and support."

**Reminder:** Donations can be made online at our website or mailed to GTDFS, PO Box 214, Granville, MA 01034.

## **Memorial Day**

The Town of Granville would like to invite all residents to our annual Memorial Day ceremony on Sunday, May 24 at noon in the Granville Federated Church. The ceremony will honor all veterans who have served and those we have lost. In honor of the 70th anniversary of VE and VJ day we have invited Granville's six World War II veterans to attend. These veterans are Vaughn Banks- Army, Edward Roberts- Army Air Corp, Edward Jensen Jr., Glenn Dickinson, and Joseph LeClair- Navy, and Cyril Maceyka-Marines. Please join us in this special celebration.

All are invited to attend the

23 Annual

Arts and Artisans Show

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

Art Show hours:
Saturday May 2nd, 10-4 PM
Sunday May 3rd, noon -4 PM
(Reception 3-4 PM)
Old Meeting House Main Road,
Granville, Mass. 01034

Admission is free.

## In your Garden Now

By Gloria Knoener

By the time you read this edition I hope that the weather is conducive to getting out in your gardens.

May and June are prime garden months and still very busy with all of the activities needed to clean, open, prune, and plant and weed... Yes, weed.

Please remember to work the soil only after it is dry. Working in wet soil with tools or walking on it promotes compaction of the soil. If you take a handful of soil and squeeze it in your hand it should crumble and not glue together like paste. If it doesn't feel dry and crumbly then it most likely isn't dry enough to work in. You can add compost, dried leaves, and some organic fertilizers to the soil as you plant or you can broadcast it on top of the soil. Good organic compost can be applied liberally, you can never add too much.

Slug control can be placed in May and continue as needed.

Spring flowering perennials should be dead headed or cut back or sheared after flowering. Prune any growth that may have been damaged by late frost.

Now is prime time to divide your plants as necessary, plant new plants, rearrange plants as needed.

As soon as danger of frost is over (around here it is usually late May) you can begin to set out vegetable plants.

You can get answers to any gardening questions by logging on to WMMGA.org and clicking on Ask a Gardener. You type in your question(s) and a Master Gardener will get back to you with an answer within 24 hours or less, usually much less.

There will be soil testing clinic held on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at the Granville Town Hall. Bring a cup of soil in a plastic bag marked with where it came

from and what you wish to plant, what conditions i.e. shady, sunny, wet or dry. The soil testing will give you the PH balance and what if anything needs to added to your soil.

Weed - Weed - Weed.

### SOIL TESTING AT THE TOWN HALL

SOIL TESTING WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, MAY 16, @ GRANVILLE TOWN HALL FROM 9 AM – 12 NOON.

MASTER GARDENERS WILL BE ON HAND TO SOIL TEST AND ANSWER QUESTIONS.

PLEASE BRING SAMPLES (ABOUT 1 CUP)
OF YOUR SOIL IN PLASTIC BAGS
MARKED WITH THE SITE AND WHAT YOU
PLAN TO PLANT AND ENVIRONMENTAL
CONDITIONS
I.E. SHADY – SUNNY – WET – DRY.

Mark your calendars for Saturday July 4<sup>th</sup>

The TRUCK STOP BAND will be performing at our annual Block Dance

Starting at 6:30 pm,

Watch for more information

The Granville Green Committee along with a grant from The Granville Cultural Council



## **Granville Library**

Hours:

Monday 10-12, 3-8 pm • Wednesday 3-8 pm Thursday 5-8 pm • Saturday 10-12

New books for adults:

Dreamland: The True Tale of America's Opiate

Epidemic by Sam Quinones Every Day I Fight by Stuart Scott.

Job, The: True Tales from the Life of a New York

City Cop by Steve Osborne. Angel Court Affair by Anne Perry Bittersweet by Susan Witting Albert. Blood on Snow by Jo Nesbp

Blondes by Schultz

Dreamland by Quinone

Early Warning by Jane Smiley

God Help the Child by Toni Morrison.

Her Name is Rose by Christine Breen

House of Echoes by Duffy

Last One Home by Debbie Macomber.

Oh You Pretty Things by Mahin

Pleasantville by Locke

Pursuit in Provence by FovvwII

Wonder Garden by Lauren Acampora

Your Next Breath by Iris Johansen

For Kids:

The Case of the Vanishing Little Brown Bats: A Scientific Mystery by Sandra Markle.

The Farmer's Away! Baa! Neigh! by Anne Kennedy.

Gone Crazy in Alabama by Williams

Grasshopper and the Ants by Lester Pinkney

Sleepy Barker by Harriet Ziefert

Stick and Stone by Ferry.

**New Audio CDs:** 

Crispin: The Cross of Lead by Avi.

Family Romanov by Fleming

I am Not Joey Pigza by Jack Gantos

The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg by Rodman Philbrick

The New Kid at School (Dragon Slayer's Academy) by Kate McMullan.

Prairie Home Companion 40th Anniversary by Harrison Keillor

Scandalous Sisterhood of Prickwillow Place by Julie Barry

Snicker of Magic by Lloyd

Skink No Survivors by Carl Hiaasen

**New DVDs:** 

Big Hero 6

Classical Stretch: The Edmond Technique Core

Workout

Foxcatcher

Imitation Game, The

Interstellar

Longmire: Season 3

Masterpiece Mystery: Grantchester

Night at the Museum: Secret of the Tomb

Planet Dinosaur

Whiplash

Wild

Zombieland

#### IN NURSING HOMES

#### **Betty Carpenter**

Renaissance Manor of Westfield 37 Feeding Hills Road, Westfield, MA 01085

Melvin Jensen, Sr.

Governor's House 66 Broad Street, Westfield, MA 01085

#### **Bea Lewis**

Landmark at Monastery Heights 110 Monastery Avenue, W. Springfield, Ma 01089

## Cyril Maceyka

Renaissance Manor of Westfield 37 Feeding Hills Road, Westfield, MA 01085

#### **Ed Roberts**

Meadow Brook Nursing Home Salmon Brook Road, Granby, CT 06035

#### **Elsie Slack**

Governors Center 66 Broad Street, Westfield, MA 01085

### **Senior News**

You will find as you look back upon your life, that the moments that stand out are the moments when you have done things with others.

— Henry Drummond

#### **House Numbers**

Are there any seniors in town that would like an address house number? If so please call Dottie Bettinger 357-6698 and we will provide you with a house number sign, compliments of the Granville Council on Aging.

#### Recipe of the month

Fresh Blueberry Sauce

1 cup sugar

1 tbsp cornstarch

1/8 tsp salt

1/8 tsp cinnamon

2/3 cup water

3 cups blueberries

Zest of lemon

1 tbsp lemon juice

Go through blueberries taking all stems and bad berries out, place remaining berries in a colander and gently rinse in cold water and let drain

In a medium pan combine sugar, cornstarch, salt, cinnamon and water, stirring until smooth then add blueberries

Cook over medium heat until sauce becomes translucent and has thickened, if to thin add ¼ tsp of cornstarch and continue to cook

Remove from heat and add lemon zest and lemon juice stir until well mixed, allow the sauce to cool before serving. Sauce can be used on waffles, pancakes, ice cream. This recipe is very, very good

## **Notice Notice Notice**

As of April 7, 2015 a new law became effective. Wipers on, headlights on! Also, headlights should be in use 30 minutes before sunrise and sunset or when visibility is under 500 feet. Drivers can be ticketed for failing to comply with the new headlight law and is considered a minor surcharge able traffic violation.

## New STGRS Representative – Pamela Petschke

Thank you to all who supported me in my bid for School Committee Representative. I am proud to serve the community and will work hard to make sure your voices are heard. Therefore, if you have any questions, comments, or concerns regarding the Village School or Regional School District, please do not hesitate to contact me at 357-6202 or pampetschke@hotmail.com.

I also encourage you to attend the regional School Committee meetings which are typically held the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month (except July) in the Community Room of the Superintendent's Office. Dates and times may vary, so please regularly check the District's website <a href="http://www.stgrsd.org/">http://www.stgrsd.org/</a> for meeting notices, agendas, and minutes.

I look forward to serving as your new representative!



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#### MDC ANNUAL WATERSHED INSPECTIONS BEGIN

Property inspections begin in late spring in the towns of Tolland and Granville, Massachusetts.

March 30, 2015 For Immediate Release

Hartford, CT – The Metropolitan District Commission (MDC) will be conducting its state-mandated annual watershed sanitary survey and inspection program beginning in April. The purpose of the program, which will continue through November, is to prevent contamination of the MDC's drinking water supplies as a result of, among other things, septic system failure, erosion, runoff, and other potential pollutants.

Routine watershed sanitary surveys are required by Section 19-13-B102(b) of the Connecticut Public Health Code.

The Barkhamsted Reservoir is located in Connecticut but the watershed area that drains to the Reservoir includes lands located within the Towns of Granville and Tolland, MA. As a result, property inspections will take place in the towns of Tolland and Granville, Massachusetts, beginning in late spring.

Routine field inspections take only a few minutes and will be conducted by MDC's Watershed Inspector who carries appropriate MDC identification and drives an authorized MDC vehicle. The Inspector does not enter homes; the inspection is limited to the exterior portions of the real property.

If a violation or a problem is detected, it is reported to the property owner and town officials. Information about faulty septic systems will be forwarded to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, as required by law.

Property owners may receive more information by contacting the MDC Watershed Management Unit, Barkhamsted Water Supply Division at 860-379-0916 extension 3105 or 860-278-7850 extension 3105.

**About the MDC**: The MDC is a nonprofit municipal corporation chartered by the Connecticut General Assembly in 1929. The MDC provides water, sewer and household hazardous waste collection services to its member municipalities: Bloomfield, East Hartford, Hartford, Newington, Rocky Hill, West Hartford, Wethersfield, and Windsor, and treated water to portions of Glastonbury, South Windsor, Farmington, East Granby, Unionville and Portland.

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Contact:

Kerry E. Martin
The Metropolitan District
Office: (860) 278-7850, ext. 3203
Email: kmartin@themdc.com

## Do Yourself a "Paver"!

Reserve your spot on the green with a pledge for a personalized paver!

The Town Green Committee is accepting orders for engraved pavers to be placed in the border of the new walkway for all passersby to view and enjoy in years to come.

This is a unique opportunity to memorialize a loved one, honor your family name, or to celebrate a special date. Address: Engraved pavers are \$75.00 each: Pledge amount \$75 \$150 other \*\*\* Funds will be collected by JULY 4, 2015\*\*\*\*\* Mail to: Marilyn Tkaczuk\* PO Box 341, Granville, MA 01034 or Karen Carpenter\* 703 Main Road, Granville, MA 01034 Make checks payable to: Town of Granville (in memo area please put "for paver" Engraving information to be submitted at time of pledge. If purchasing more than one paver, please copy bottom portion for engraving information. Maximum 15 spaces per line includes letters, numbers, punctuation and spaces with a 3 line maximum \* one letter, space or punctuation per bracket\* 

NOTE: DONATIONS TO BE COLLECTED BY JULY 4, 2015!!

# 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

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK AT GRANVILLE FEDERATED CHURCH, GRANVILLE, MASS. TO KEEP UP ON GFC NEWS

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.

We sincerely thank all who support the Granville Church Capital Campaign. Pledge payments continue for one year. Donations without pledges are still accepted. Just mark Capital Campaign in the memo on your check. We have been able to make many, many needed repairs and updates thanks to your contributions. Thank you!!!

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.

#### WEEKLY/MONTHLY SCHEDULE

Sunday-

10:00 a.m.-Worship Service/Church School 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

Monday-8:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Thursday-7:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal

Third Wednesday-noon-Ladies Aid

Third Sunday-8:30 to 9:30 Breakfast (Open to all!)

#### A LOOK AHEAD

Spring church clean up on Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> after church. (Pizza lunch first) No pot luck supper on Saturday evening, May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

#### JUNE

The CROP Walk is Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. Please think about participating or sponsoring a walker!

Sunday, June 14th

Tentative date for our Church School Appreciation Sunday and Picnic.

**PLEASE JOIN US!** 

#### GRANVILLE FEDERATED CHURCH DINNER

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## **Granville Library's Summer Reading Program 2015**



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#### FOR CHILDREN AGES 3-11 • REGISTER AT THE LIBRARY

JUNE 20TH - JULY 6TH

#### 357.8531

Library Hours: Monday 10-12/3-8; Wednesday 3-8; Thursday 5-8; Saturday 10-12

**MONDAY CRAFTS - WHILE SUPPLIES LAST** 

5	JULY 6	7	8	9	10	11	
12	Masks & Magic Color Scratch Superhero Crafts during library hours 10 am - 12 pm 3 pm - 8 pm KICKOFF  13  Super Reader Bookmark Craft during library hours 10 am - 12 pm 3 pm - 8 pm	14	10:00 AM Town Hall Greg & Axel Magic & Illusion Co. SPONSORED BY THE GRANVILLE CULTURAL COUNCIL Bring a donation of dog/cat food, etc.  REGIST RATION REQUIRED	16	17	10:00 AM Town Hall Visit the Police and Fire Stations REGISTRATION REQUIRED  18	
19	20	21	REQUIRED 22	23	24	25	
	Superhero Bracelets & Pendant Necklaces Crafts during library hours 10 am – 12 pm 3 pm – 8 pm		11:00 AM Gran-Val Scoop Listen to stories, feed the animals, and enjoy an ice cream cone Two special readers will read to us!				
26	27	28	29	30	31	AUGUST 1	
	Bumblebee & Ladybug Craft during library hours 10 am – 12 pm 3 pm – 8 pm		9:30 AM Granville Post Office Tour REGISTRATION REQUIRED			10:00 AM Library Lawn Mimi's Hilltop Apiary REGISTRATION REQUIRED FINALE	



Marilyn Tkaczuk

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#### **OBITUARY**

Elizabeth A. Finneran

Liz of Hull, MA, died April 4, 2015, the beloved wife of the late George Finneran, devoted mother of Patricia Finneran of Hull and Mary Beth Sussmann and her husband Ted of Granville; sister of Frances Figueiredo of Hingham, MA. Cherished grandmother of Erin Marie, Lauren Elizabeth and Teddy Sussmann all of Granville. Elizabeth was a longtime Hull resident, she enjoyed gardening, flowers, reading and spending time with her children and grandchildren. Her grandchildren held a very special place in her heart and she would drive anywhere to see them participate in their activities.

Elizabeth graduated from Hull High School and received her Associates Degree from Fisher College. Her life was dedicated to taking care of her family especially her daughter Patricia. Elizabeth will be sadly missed by all those who were blessed to have known her.



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