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Dear Granville people,

Just a short note but filled to over flowing and appreciation and thanks for all the planning and preparation for another successful Granville Fair. Not only food and crafts were to be had but an abundance of happiness was on display everywhere you went within the fair. It was so nice to see the smiles and hear the laughter which seems to be diminishing in this tired old world.

And forever it is worth the Fair is not the only time I visit Granville and its beauty. For years I attended sunrise service on Blueberry Hill and had breakfast at the Federated Church until I could not manage the climb anymore.

My wife and I would travel 30 miles from Holyoke, stop at Mrs. Murphy's, get coffee and donuts to go, continue up to Granville and sit on the foundation to enjoy the quiet. It was here she informed me of cancer on her lung. I lost her in April of 2012, but I still drive up there several times a year to renew those memorable times. Coffee and donuts included. So all of you do yourselves proud in keeping Granville the jewel that it is.

Ronald J.Cobb

Important School Update

The Southwick Building Project is well underway and the newly renovated Middle-High School (for grades 7-12) is nearing completion. Southwick (Powder Mill) 7th and 8th graders are scheduled to move into this new building in January of 2015. **The School Committee has proposed relocating Granville's 7th and 8th graders in September of 2015, but a group of Granville parents has requested that this decision be delayed at least one year. The School Committee is considering this request and will likely make its decision during one of their upcoming November meetings.** If you have any thoughts or concerns regarding this matter, please plan to attend these public meetings.

They will be held in the Superintendent's office on the following dates:

Tuesday November 4 - 5pm

Tuesday November 18 - 6pm

Please show your support for our school!

More information regarding the Building Project can be found on the District's website:

<http://www.stgrsd.org/co/buildingproject/index.htm>

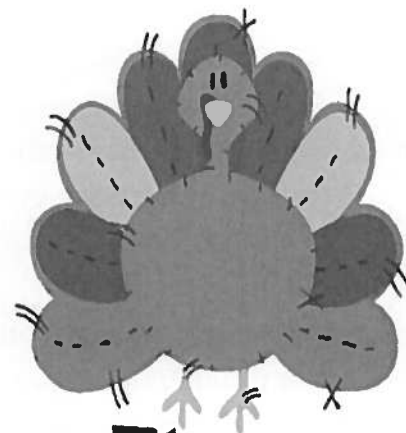


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Happy Thanksgiving

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION NEWS

Apply now for 2015 project funding!!

The Community Preservation Comm. has significant funding available for qualified projects in 3 categories:

Historic Preservation

Open Space & Recreation

Community Housing

The Community Preservation Committee (CPC) will begin meeting in November to provide information and to accept and consider applications for project funding in 2015. The CPC will meet on the following dates at 7 pm at the Granville Town Hall.

Nov. 20, 2014	Dec. 18, 2014
Jan. 15, 2015	Feb. 19, 2015
March 19, 2015	April 16, 2015 (if necessary)

The application deadline is January 31, 2015. Applications will be accepted from now until the deadline.

Those interested in applying for grant money should plan to meet with the committee at one of our regularly scheduled meetings to discuss details of your proposal. Our meetings are open to all to assist with clarifying qualifying criteria for CPA grants.

Legislative changes to the Community Preservation Act (CPA) in 2012 now allow for rehabilitation and restoration of open space, recreational land, historic resources and community housing even if the property was not originally acquired or created using CPA funds. This is a more lenient standard than in the past, which required that the rehab be done only on land purchased with CPA grant money. This allows the CPC to consider funding of a wider range of projects. The same legislative action also will increase matching funds from the State for local CPA projects.

For additional information, please read the application that can be found at townofgranville.net or call or e-mail Richard Pierce, CPC chair at 357-6403 or rpierce@comcast.net. All town residents are welcome to attend CPC meetings.

If you are interested in serving on the CPC please contact Rich Pierce or Kathy Martin, Town Administrator at Town Hall (357-8585)

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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 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.

WEEKLY/MONTHLY SCHEDULE

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

Church School – runs concurrently with the
Worship service

11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

Monday-8:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Third Wednesday-noon-Ladies Aid

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

Thursday-7:00 p.m.-Choir Practice

UPCOMING

HAM AND BEAN SUPPER

Saturday, November 8th at 6:00 pm

ADVENT CELEBRATION

Saturday, 12/6

4:30-Crafts for Adults and Children

6:00-Holiday Pot Luck Supper

7:00-Carol Sing, finished at 7:30

COME AND JOIN THE FUN!!

CHRISTMAS SEASON YOUTH CHOIR

Starting on 12/3, a Youth Choir will meet
Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 at the
Granville Federated Church. This is open to any
student 3rd grade and up who enjoys singing
Christmas songs and sharing them. We will learn
traditional and new carols (and some of their
stories) and several special Christmas anthems.

Planned so far:

- Rehearsals: Wednesday, 12/3, 12/10, and 12/17
from 6:30 to 7:30

-Sing at the morning church service 12/14, pizza
after church, travel to a local nursing home to
perform for the residents.

-Sing at the Christmas Eve Service 12/24.

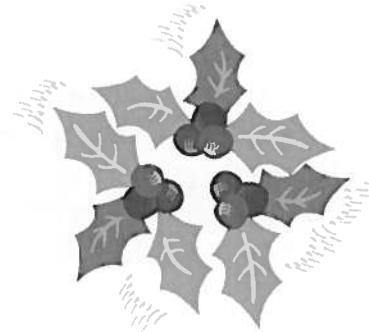
HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

**Westfield Vocational Technical
High School**

*Annual Holiday
Craft Fair*

Sunday, November 30, 2014

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



Senior News

The more we give of anything, the more we shall get back. Grace Speare

Butter Nut Squash with apples and cranberries

¼ cup butter

1 medium butternut squash, peeled and cut into ½ inch cubes (about 5 cups)

1 medium apple cubed

½ cup dried cranberries

¼ tsp ground cinnamon

¼ tsp ground nutmeg

2 tbsp. firmly packed brown sugar

Preheat oven to 425

In a 1 ½ quart baking dish, combine all ingredients, season if desire with salt. Cover and bake for 30 minutes Remove cover and bake for 15 minutes or until squash is tender.

TO OUR VETERANS

We Salute You

Granville's COA will be hosting a party for our Veterans at the Town Hall, November 10, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

We will be serving hot soups, sandwiches, apple crisp and hot coffee and juice.

UPCOMING COA ACTIVITIES

The COA is planning an early Christmas Party this year. Please look for posters in the Library, Post Office and Granville Store for the Date, time and price.

WINTER IS COMING....

You will need to take steps for your protection, to ensure your safety you will need to understand the following winter terms:

Winter Storm Watch – be alert a storm is likely

Winter Storm Warning – Take action the storm is in or entering your area.

Blizzard Warning – Snow and strong winds combined will produce blinding snow, near zero visibility, deep drifts and life threatening wind chill seek shelter immediately

Winter Weather Advisory – Winter weather conditions are expected to cause significant inconveniences and may be hazardous to be on the roads

Frost/Freeze Warning – Below freezing temperatures are expected and may cause damage to plants, crops and fruit trees.

Winter Emergency Supply Kit – Stock enough supplies to survive three to five days including: prescriptions, nonperishable canned goods, dried fruit and nuts, manual can opener, water (1 gallon per person per day) extra batteries, portable radio, baby care, pet supplies, extra blankets, sleeping bag and a fire extinguisher.

More tips to come in the December Caller.



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Hours:

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Thursday 5-8 pm • Saturday 10-12

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New Books for Adults:

Hitler's 1st Victims by Timothy Ryback.

Bone Clocks by David Mitchell.

Deadline by John Sandford.

Desert God by Wilbur Smith.

French Pastry Murder by Leslie Meier.

Paying Guests by Sarah Waters.

Secret Place by Tana French.

Some Luck by Jane Smiley.

Stone Cold Touch by Jennifer Armentrout.

Wait for Signs: Twelve Longmire Stories by Craig Johnson.

For Kids:

The Next Wave: The Quest to Harness the Powers of the Ocean by Elizabeth Rusch.

Alone Together by Suzanne Bloom.

Animals Santa by Jan Brett.

Art Lesson by Tomi DePaola.

Christmas Mice by Bethany Roberts.

Creature Features by Jenkins.

Emma and the Blue Genie by Cornelia Funke.

Farm Days by William Wegman.

Heroes of Olympus Book 5 Blood of Olympus by Rick Riordan

Madman of Piney Woods by Christopher Curtis.

Puppy Place # 35 Cooper by Ellen Miles.

New Dvds:

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Westfield, MA 01085

Bea Lewis

Landmark at Monastery Heights

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W. Springfield, Ma 01089

Cyril Maceyka

Renaissance Manor of Westfield

37 Feeding Hills Road

Westfield, MA 01085

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Meadow Brook Nursing Home

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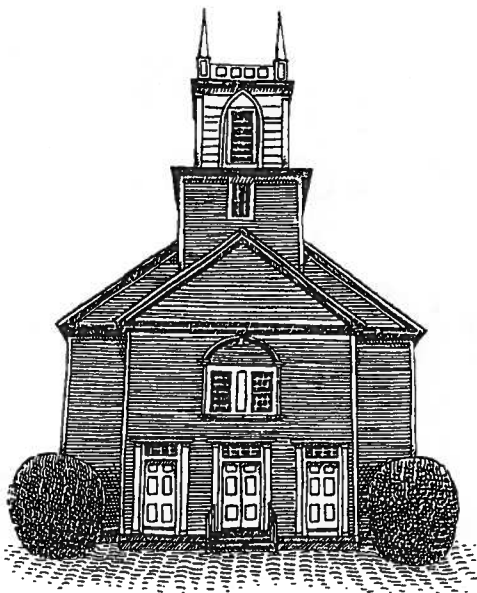
35 North Lane, Granville, MA

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413-214-5235

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:

November 9, 2014 • December 14, 2014

All services are at 7PM.

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.

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*Crafters are invited
to rent a table space.*

*If you are interested please call
413-262-1959
for more information
and a registration form.*

**Adopt A Family
Program
for Christmas!**

If you are interested in helping a
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and would like to participate in the
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