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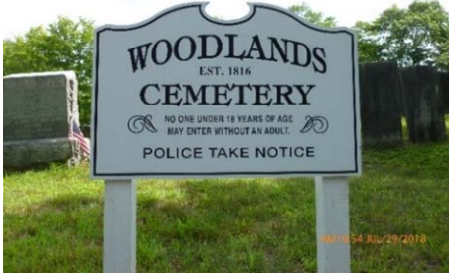
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### Woodlands Cemetery Update and History



The GPS project has been completed. A listing of all graves in Woodlands Cemetery is available and now contains the GPS coordinates of each grave to six decimal places. By using a smartphone or other GPS device to direct you to those coordinates you will be within sight of any specific grave in Woodlands. This list is available on-line through the Granville Historic Image Library via the Town of Granville's home site. Also a photo of any specific headstone can be found on the Image Library by doing a search on surname. A "plastic" copy of the list will soon be available in the Information box attached to the front gate. We will be happy to email a copy of the list to anyone requesting it via [WoodlandsCem@comcast.net](mailto:WoodlandsCem@comcast.net).

Woodlands remains an active cemetery; sites are available for purchase this summer for \$600.

Historically speaking, Woodlands Cemetery lays claim to Alpheus Bancroft, the grandson of Granville's very first settler, Samuel Bancroft...and we have stories to tell of both of them.

By all accounts Samuel Bancroft was Granville's first settler in 1735. He came here from West Springfield and was followed soon thereafter by his younger brother Nathaniel. Both are buried in the Main Road Cemetery. Reportedly Samuel built a house/fort in 1744 on what is now Old Westfield Road. The fort was intended as protection from the native Indians who, as it turns out, were no threat at all. He came with his wife, Sarah White, a Mayflower descendant, and had 10 children. It is said that Samuel Bancroft was noted here for his full formal Sabbath day apparel including the triangular cocked hat and white wig. He died in his sleep in 1788.

It is Alpheus, grandson of Samuel, who is buried with his wife Orpha Rose and several children in Woodlands Cemetery. Alpheus served in the War of 1812 as a musician in Captain William Marvin's Company, Colonel Evans Foot's Regiment. In the war of 1812, each company was assigned 1 drummer plus 1 fifer OR 1 bugler. It is assumed that Alpheus was one or all of these. Musicians carried no firearm and were issued only a sword. Alpheus returned home to Granville and lived as a carpenter succumbing to typhoid at age 63. Orpha lived to age 67.



The War of 1812 is somewhat less well known to many people. It was the result of Britain's war with France. Britain attempted to restrict our trade with France and in addition captured and compelled US sailors to fight in the Royal Navy against France. During this war Britain burned a number of landmarks in Washington DC. And in Baltimore Harbor, a 15-star flag flew over Fort McHenry inspiring Francis Scott Key to write the Star Spangled Banner. It is the only war where a 15-star flag was officially flown. The 2 extra stars were added to the original 13 in 1795 to represent Kentucky and Vermont.

This information is from Albion Wilson's *History of Granville*, [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com), the Smithsonian and various historical websites.

From the members of the Woodlands Cemetery Association, [WoodlandsCem@comcast.net](mailto:WoodlandsCem@comcast.net).

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 Labyrinth by Catherine Coulter  
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One Good Deed by David Baldacci  
 The Summer of Sunshine and Margot by Susan Mallery  
 Surfside Sisters by Nancy Thayer  
 Under Currents by Nora Roberts  
 Big Sky by Kate Atkinson  
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 Magic Tree House: To the Future, Ben Franklin!  
 First Day of Groot!  
 Chicken on a Broom  
 Wild Kratts: Lion Pride  
 Ranger Rick: I wish I was a Monarch Butterfly

### **New DVD's**

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 Hotel Mumbai  
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 (telephone)  
 413.357.6002 (facsimile)

assessor@townofgranville.org

**BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

July 1, 2019

To: All Residents of Granville

The Board of Assessors has contracted the services of Paul S. Kapinos & Associates, Inc. ("PSKA") of South Hadley, MA for revaluation services. As part of this service, PSKA will be measuring and inspecting all improvements inside/outside your home and land. The inspections will begin Monday, July 8, 2019, until all have been completed. Bill Beauregard, a representative from PSKA will be performing these inspections. Bill will have signs on his vehicle *Board of Assessors Official Business* affixed to both front doors of his vehicle. He will be driving a blue 2017 Nissan Sentra, MA Plate #6KA595. If no one is home, at the time of his visit, he will leave a notice for you to call the Assessors to schedule a time for him to come back.

We appreciate your cooperation as we prepare for our 2021 recertification year.

Leon K. Ripley, Chairman

Brian K. Falcetti

Denise M. Hyland

Donna M. Fillion, Assessor's Clerk

c: Building Inspector

Police Department

Selectboard

## TOWN OF GRANVILLE SUMMER MEETING SCHEDULE

Selectboard,  
Assessors & Planning Board

June 3, 2019 7:00pm

June 17, 2019 7:30pm

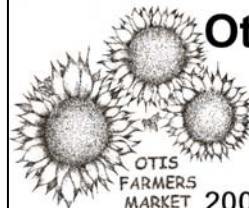
July 1, 2019 7:30pm

July 15, 2019 7:30pm

August 5, 2019 7:30pm

August 19, 2019 7:30pm

All Meetings at Town Hall,  
707 Main Road

**Otis Farmers Market**

Saturdays 9am - 1pm

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**CSM's begin Saturday, June 29th!**

Sign up for yours now by emailing us at

**OtisFM1@gmail.com**, messaging us on our FB page,  
or calling the Market Manager

**Jess Ripley at 413-357-9919**

**We offer the Lone Farmer for \$155**

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July-August Hours:  
Sunday to Thursday  
8 am – 7 pm  
Friday and Saturday  
8 am – 10 pm

We sell snacks, beer, wine, cigarettes,  
ice, bread, and much more!

## REC HALL & PAVILION

Available for private rental  
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Adults (13+): \$9.99  
Kids (4-12): \$6.00  
Kids 3 and under eat free!



## SNACK SHOP OPEN DAILY

July-August Hours:

Lunch 11:30 to 2PM Daily  
Dinner until 8:30PM Fri, Sat

8" Grinder: \$5.99 (Ham, Turkey, or Roast Beef)	Milkshake: \$3.49
Chicken Parmesan: \$5.99	Burger: \$3.99
Chicken Tenders: \$3.99	Hot Dog: \$2.99
Mozzarella Sticks: \$2.99	Fried Dough: \$2.99
French Fries: \$2.49	Onion Rings: \$3.99
Grilled Cheese: \$2.49	Pizza Bites: \$3.99
Family 16" Pizza: \$13.99	

(Toppings: Pepperoni, Onions, Peppers, Mushrooms, Bacon – \$1.50 per topping for 16" pizza, \$.25 per topping for pizza bites)

Feel Free To Call In Your Order For Pick-Up!

## DAY PASSES AVAILABLE

Monday to Thursday - 10 am to 7 pm  
\$3 per adult for Granville/Tolland residents  
(Kids 17 and under free with paying adult)  
Allows use of pool, fishing pond, playground

## BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Includes private use of pavilion or rec hall, a  
game of mini-golf, mining for gems in our  
sluice, use of pool and other facilities,  
pizza, soda, and cake!

\$150 for up to 10 children,  
then \$10 per child after

## MINI-GOLF, LASER TAG, MINING SLUICE

Miniature Golf: \$4 per person  
Laser Tag: \$5 per person  
Gem/Fossil Mining: \$6 - \$12  
per bag of mining rough

Open by request Monday to Thursday 10-3pm

## ACTIVITIES OPEN TO PUBLIC

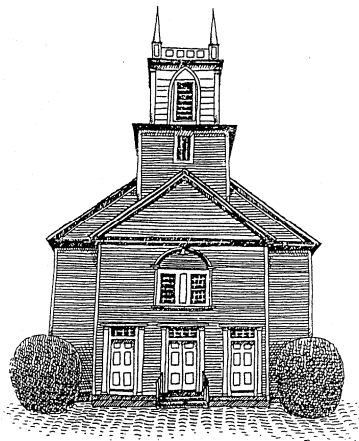
Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 6-10pm:  
Live DJs and Dance - \$5 per adult

Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup>,  
6pm-10pm: Live Band:  
The Resurrection Airmen  
- \$5 per adult

Saturday, August 31<sup>st</sup>,  
6pm-10pm: Live Band:  
DUH Band - \$5/adult



Book a weekend with us to enjoy all our events!



## West Granville Congregational Church

1580 Main Road, Route 57 - West Granville

Our Worship Services for 2019 will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month:

August 11, 2019 - Old Home Sunday

September 8, 2019

October 13, 2019

November 10, 2019

December 8, 2019 - Christmas Service

All services are at 7PM and followed by refreshments and fellowship in the Academy Hall.

### Upcoming Events:

5<sup>th</sup> Annual Church Yard Sale – Saturday June 15<sup>th</sup> 9-1

We supply the Lawn – You bring your items to sell! Everyone is responsible for their own items.

17th Annual Potluck Picnic on Saturday August 10th at 5PM. This year we are having a Contra/Square Dance following the picnic!

Scarecrow Contest – Columbus Day Weekend October 12-14<sup>th</sup>

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

Check our Facebook Page for updates on upcoming services and events!

<https://www.facebook.com/WestGranvilleCongregationalChurch1778/>

## GRANVILLE FEDERATED CHURCH

American Baptist and United Church of Christ  
16 Granby Rd., Granville, MA 01034  
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TO KEEP UP ON GFC NEWS

To contact the church, please call a deacon (Dale Florida 357-8775, Eileen Jerome 357-6610, Fran Wackerbarth 357-6492, Alan Gregg 357-6156, Laura Fielding 357-6368), or our head trustee (Bobbi O'Connell 357-0914)

### WEEKLY/MONTHLY SCHEDULE

Morning Worship is held each Sunday at 10 a.m.  
A coffee hour follows the service  
Monday nights- AA meetings  
Thursday nights- choir will resume rehearsals  
August 29th  
Music during the summer will provided by many different musicians and is always very special. (the choir looks forward to joining the congregation for a time and just listening and enjoying.)  
Church Breakfasts will resume in September

### SUMMER NEWS

Our summer so far has been really interesting. Working with and listening to different ministers with new ideas and approaches has been a learning experience for us. August promises to be just as interesting. Starting in the fall we hope to have an interim pastor in place who will assist us in our search for a settled pastor. We will be reaching out to church members and friends for suggestions in that search. Your input will be very much valued and appreciated. Thank you.

Big Y gift cards are available. Please see Karen McLaughlin to purchase them. A percentage of the sale goes to help support the church.

### HELP FEED THE ORPHANS!

Each month for several years now, I have sent \$150 to the Agape School in eastern Uganda to help feed the hundreds of orphans living there. I am looking for ten people to donate \$5.00 each per month to assist in this outreach. People of Granville were wonderful and last year I received the \$50, enough for each month. Would you

please consider lending a hand?

Thank you, Bobbi O'Connell  
48 Dickinson Drive 01034  
Granville, MA  
or Granville Federated Church  
16 Granby Rd, Granville, MA 01034

### HAVING A PARTY OR NEED SPACE FOR A RECEPTION OR MEETING?

The Granville Federated Church Fellowship Hall is available for rent, complete with two restrooms, tables, chairs and kitchen facilities.  
For more information contact Bobbi O'Connell at 413 357-0914 or Karen McLaughlin at 413 357-9090  
HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY AUGUST!

### In Nursing Homes

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## GRANVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

### The Granville Fire Department wants you to stay safe this Summer season!

By Tim Rickis – GFD Firefighter & Public Relations Coordinator

August – Time to work on the house and Enjoy the Outdoors!

Below are a few tips and reminders to help keep you and your family safe.

#### Oily Rag Safety:

Do-it-yourself projects often involve using products with high VOC's which makes them flammable. Examples of these products are oil-based paints and stains, varnishes and polyurethane, paint thinners, etc. Oily rags have a long history of being a source of fire, because people are not aware that they have the ability to spontaneously combust and catch on fire.

Oily rags that get folded or balled up and tossed on the floor have the danger of going through a process that starts with oxidation. As the oil is drying on the rag, it produces heat, and air gets trapped in the folds or balled up portions. Heat and oxygen are combined in addition to the rag, which is usually made of combustible cloth that can become a source of fuel. Heat, oxygen and fuel are all that is needed to create a fire, which is why oily rags that are not disposed of properly can create a fire that people are not prepared for. Oil or gas-soaked rags should be safely disposed of after use using two steps:

Hang them outside to dry in a safe area or spread them out flat, making sure they are weighted down outdoors. They should not be in a pile.

Once they are dry, they should be disposed of properly.

The now dry oily rags should be stored in a small,

airtight, non-combustible (such as metal) container with a tight-fitting lid. An old paint can is a good example. The rags should be completely covered with a solution of water and an oil breakdown detergent. Do not add any other combustible material (stuff that can catch fire). The user should then dispose of the rags during a city-sponsored hazardous waste collection day.

#### Mulch Fire Safety:

Large piles of mulch can easily spontaneously combust with all the heat they generate, so it's important to be vigilant and employ good housekeeping. The distance between piles prevents a fire in one from easily spreading to another or to a building.

Keep wood mulch 18" away from combustible exteriors of buildings such as wood or vinyl siding. Don't put it right up against the building.

Use materials such as pea stone or crushed rock for the first 18" as a barrier around the foundation of the building.

Provide proper receptacles for smoking materials at entrances to buildings (place at least 18 inches away from the building) and in designated smoking areas. Empty regularly and do not mulch these areas.

For the first half of 2019, Granville Volunteer Fire Department responded to the following 67 calls:

- 39 EMS Calls
- 9 Motor Vehicle Accidents
- 4 Alarm System Responses
- 3 Power Line Down
- 3 Unauthorized Burns
- 3 Motor Vehicle Fires
- 3 Brush Fires
- 1 Chimney Fire
- 1 Water Leak
- 1 Called/Cancelled while responding

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 Lt. Tim Rickis at [firedept@townofgranville.org](mailto:firedept@townofgranville.org)



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**APRIL 13**  
**HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON (PG)**

**APRIL 27**  
**WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR? (PG-13)**

**MAY 11**  
**A STAR IS BORN (R)**

**MAY 25**  
**INCREDIBLES 2 (PG)**

**JUNE 1**  
**HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON 2 (PG)**

**JUNE 15**  
**BLACK PANTHER (PG-13)**

**JULY 6**  
**A DOG'S WAY HOME (PG)**

**AUGUST 10**  
**AQUAMAN (PG-13)**

**AUGUST 24**  
**WONDER PARK (PG)**

**SEPTEMBER 7**  
**HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON 3 (PG)**

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 "Four Seasons"  
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