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Tuesday, Jan. 7th, 2020, 6:00 PM

Public Town Hall Meeting

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Guest Speaker: Rep. John Velis,
Candidate For MA State Senate

Rep. Velis is running in a special election for the MA Senate seat previously held by Sen. Humason. The special election will likely be held in March 2020.

Hear Rep. Velis' positions on current state and local issues.
Plenty of time allotted for Q & A.

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Granville Town Hall

707 Main Road

Granville, MA

[Inclement Weather Date: Thurs. Jan. 9th, 6:00 PM]

Hosted by: Voices Rising Together - a Granville-based grassroots advocacy group

For more info call: 413-348-2848 or email: jmiserve183@gmail.com

THE TRANSFER STATION WILL BE CLOSED ON CHRISTMAS EVE-TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2019 AND NEW YEAR'S EVE-TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2019

THE TRANSFER STATION WILL HAVE REGULAR SATURDAY HOURS IN DECEMBER & JANUARY.

IF THERE IS A WEATHER EVENT DURING THE WINTER ON A TUESDAY OR SATURDAY, THE TRANSFER STATION MAY BE CLOSED WITHOUT NOTICE.

RECYCLE on the **HOLIDAYS**

YES



Calendars



Cardboard & paper boxes



Gift & shopping bags



Paper gift cards



Tissue & gift wrap



Catalogs

NO



Photographs



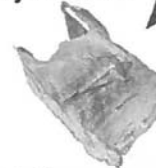
Holiday lights



Polystyrene foam



Ribbon



Plastic bags



Plastic cups

Please recycle gift wrap, gift bags, tissue wrap, and greeting cards (no metallics, glitter or foil).

Lists are not all-inclusive. Please check for www.springfieldmrf.org more detailed information.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS COLLECTION

The **Town of Granville** has contracted with New England Disposal Technologies (NEDT) of Westfield for the collection and disposal of various Household Hazardous Products and chemicals from Granville residents.



Residents can bring automotive wastes (oil, coolants, fluids, grease), oil based paints (including solvent, thinners aerosol cans), or household cleaning products and Lawn/Garden/Pool supplies (fertilizers, herbicides, pesticides, chemicals) to the:

NEDT Collection Center
190 East Main Street Westfield, MA
866-769-1621

on Mondays and Wednesdays 9am to 4pm; or Saturdays 9am to 1pm.

The Town will pay up the first \$30.00 of disposal costs and the residents will be responsible for any balance.

More information is available on the Transfer Station page of the Town of Granville website:

www.townofgranville.net/transfer-station



TOWN OF GRANVILLE
Department of Public Works

WINTER ROADS POLICY 2019-2020
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.



TOWN OF GRANVILLE Department of Public Works

707 Main Road
P.O. Box 247 01034
(413) 357 6007 (phone)
(413) 455-4446 (cell)
Dpwsuper@townofgranville.org
Doug Roberts, Superintendent

Winter Storm Policy

Property Damage During Winter Storms and Snow Removal Operations

WINTER STORM POLICY: Responsibility for Fixing/Replacing Roadside Mailboxes, Fences, and Landscaping.

This policy applies to all Granville residents.

Mailboxes, fences, and landscaping damaged by *snow* discharged from a snow plow will be the responsibility of the homeowner.

Mailboxes, fences, and landscaping damaged by contact with the *plow* will be repaired by the Highway Department.

The Highway Department will make repairs to mailboxes hit by the plow as soon as possible. Many mailboxes are closer to the pavement edge than recommended. Mailboxes that are in poor condition cannot with-stand heavy snow coming off a plow.

Mailboxes hit by contact with a plow will be repaired and the resident will receive an apology for the inconvenience.

Any resident may call my cell phone at (413) 455-4446 to discuss any Highway Department activities. The Highway Department can also be reached by email; dpwsuper@townofgranville.org.

Thank you,

The Granville Highway Department

Green Committee Pavilion

On Wednesday November 13th the Green Committee met to discuss building a pavilion on the pad at the Green. When the walkway was installed the pad was added so someday it could be the base for a pavilion. We are excited to start this project and asked to meet with the Select Board on Monday November 18th. Joe Pietroniero and Amos Carpenter presented what we had in mind. The Select Board were all in favor of the pavilion, they had several questions and some suggestions. The size would be 30X24, with a peaked roof all four sides will be open so as not to obstruct the view through the Green. There will be electricity and lighting for safety. The posts will start with stone pillars, then post and beam. As we formulate the plans, we will again meet with the Select Board and Bob Sullivan. This is a work in progress we will keep all informed through meetings and the Country Caller. We have always wanted a pavilion on the Green, but it took Joe to set things in motion!

A separate account has been set up to accept donations for this project. As of now we have donations of \$1065.00 from Joe & Carol Pietroniero, \$500.00 from Bill & Linda Blakesley and Dot & Joe donated \$200.00. This is a great start for this project, we anticipate the cost to be about \$6000.00. Anyone wishing to donate money send a check to the Town Hall indicating it's for the pavilion.

Amos Carpenter 413-209-2384, and Joe Pietroniero 413-530-6634 will oversee the Volunteer work force. Please call either one of them to donate your time toward this project. We know this will be a wonderful addition to our already beautiful Green and hope to have this built and ready for use before the July 4th. Celebration. (The picture below is a rough idea of what we have in mind.)



Thank you for your support The Green Committee



GRANVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Granville Fire Department wants to keep you safe this holiday season!

By Lt. Tim Rickis – GFD Firefighter & Public Relations Coordinator

Christmas Tree and Light Safety – It's that time of year again! Many of us will be decorating inside and outside of our homes. Here are some reminders to keep you safe!

- Keep trees away from heat sources.
- Water a cut tree daily and use a “non-tip” style tree stand.
- Never leave a lit tree unattended – if you leave the house, turn off the lights.
- Dispose of your tree properly, soon after the holiday, before the needles dry out.
- Unplug all lighting before retiring for the evening or leaving the house.
- Purchase lights and electric decorations which are listed by an approved testing agency such as Underwriters Laboratory (UL).
- Check all lighting for frayed wires, broken plugs, sockets, etc.
- Never overload outlets. Use no more than three strands of lights on a single extension cord, or follow manufacturer's instructions.
- Consider buying new energy efficient LED lights that don't get as hot.
- Always use appropriate weatherproof lights outdoors.

Candle Safety - In past years, candles caused over 100 fires, three civilian deaths, nine civilian injuries, five firefighter injuries and an estimated dollar loss of \$3.9 million in damages. Of the 84 candle fires in homes, 35% occurred in the bedroom. It is all too easy to fall asleep and leave a candle burning unattended in the bedroom.

- Remember to blow out candles before leaving a room or going to bed.
- Burn candles within a one-foot circle, free of anything that can burn.
- Before you go out, blow it out; never leave candles burning unattended.
- Always extinguish candles after use.
- Use a non-combustible saucer or candleholder.
- Keep candles out of reach of children and pets.

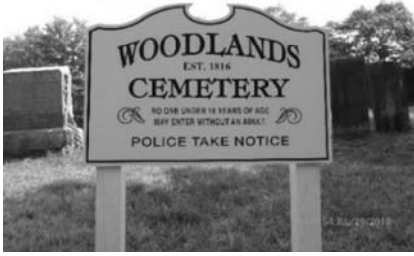
Ice Safety Tips:

- Never go onto the ice alone. A friend may be able to rescue you or go for help if you fall through the ice.
- Always keep your pets on a leash. If a pet falls through the ice do not attempt to rescue your pet, go for help.
- New ice is usually stronger than old ice. As the ice ages, the bond between the crystals decays, making it weaker, even if melting has not occurred.
- Beware of ice covered with snow. Snow can insulate ice and keep it strong, but can also insulate it to keep it from freezing. Snow can also hide cracks, weak, or open ice.
- Slush is a danger sign, indicating that ice is no longer freezing from the bottom and can be weak or deteriorating.
- Ice formed over flowing water (rivers or lakes containing a large number of springs) is generally 15% weaker.

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 Tim Rickis at firedept@townofgranville.org

Woodlands Cemetery Update and History



Winter has settled in, all is quiet. The Welcome sign and the Information box have been removed until Spring. The veterans' flags were removed just after Veteran's Day as they should be according to the Veterans Administration and the VFW thus preventing the flags from being damaged and disrespectfully flown over the winter. New flag holders have been purchased and placed to accommodate those sites that had no holder.

The repair project for this year, funded by the Community Preservation Act, was completed in September. We are happy to say that the hazardous stones have been secured and the fallen and broken stones previously noted in the Caller have been righted and repaired. This gets our cemetery in very good shape. We expect that there will be only a few leftover items to address next year. The 3 stones that had fallen and broken happened to be children's stones. We're happy to now have them upright. They are Mary Griswold age 9 months, Frank and Lillianetta Phelon ages 9 and 2, and Luella Williams age 3.



We are attempting to rally interest and commitment to address similar and badly needed repairs in Main Road and Northeast (Old Westfield Road) Cemeteries.

243 years ago, in 1776, not only were we waging a war of independence but there was also a major threat in the form of a smallpox epidemic. In Granville, it is reported that smallpox took the lives of 7 people. And being that the townspeople were understandably afraid of the continual spread of the disease, those who died from it were buried in a separate area. The Smallpox Cemetery is unmarked and the most specific location documented anywhere is "on the mountain". Children were especially susceptible to smallpox. According to the records of Reverend Timothy Mather Cooley, the seven who are buried there are Amena Stiles age 4, Mary Seward age 6, Asa Simons age 25, Asa Haven age 25, Mary Sweatman age 88, Nathaniel Bates

Age 2 and Hannah Gibbons.

Hannah Gibbons was only 2 when she was stricken and did not recover. She was the daughter of Peter and Sarah Green Gibbons (Main Rd. Cemetery) and the sister of Timothy and Jedidiah Gibbons (Woodlands Cemetery).

Hannah's father, Peter, built the house at 502 South Lane in 1771 and it is still standing. Before the

house was built, Peter and Sarah had a cabin at that location where, it is said, that in August of 1752 Hannah's mother Sarah chased a black bear away from her outdoor bread oven with a club. Oven Rock is reportedly still there. The house was featured in the Granville Bicentennial Tour Book in 1954. Peter served in the Revolutionary War under Capt. Lebbeus Ball.

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Woodlands Cemetery cont.

The very next year in 1777, as soldiers returned from the war, they brought with them what was then known as Camp Fever. It was known also as Camp Distemper and today it is typhus. During that time other ailments could have been lumped into the Camp Fever category; in any case, it was very contagious and as such, very alarming. Similar to the creation of the Smallpox Cemetery, the town established a Camp Distemper Burial Ground... also unmarked, also located "on the mountain". Again children were especially susceptible. It is documented that 37 Granville people died of Camp Fever in 1777. At least 29 of them were children. Sarah Bancroft, age 5, and Malenda Bancroft, age 1, died within 7 days of each other. They were the daughters of Samuel Jr. and Elizabeth Spelman Bancroft and the granddaughters of Granville's first settler, Samuel and Sarah White Bancroft. Both Samuel and Samuel Jr. fought in the Revolution. Parents and grandparents are buried in Main Rd. Cemetery.

We hope that sometime in the not too distant future, we can have a sign or plaque at either Woodlands or a different Granville cemetery that will list the known names of those who are buried in each of the 2 cemeteries "on the mountain".

Credits to Albion Wilson, the Image Library at GranvilleHistory.omeka.net, and Ancestry.com.

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

Woodlands Cemetery has sites available:
48 Blandford Road

Walking the cemetery to choose the sites will be possible until the snow prevents us from doing so.

Contact us for information now and/or mull it over until early Spring.

Carolyn Donatini

Dorrie Holmes

WoodlandsCem@comcast.net

**Novi Cantori
Christmas Concert is
CANCELLED.**



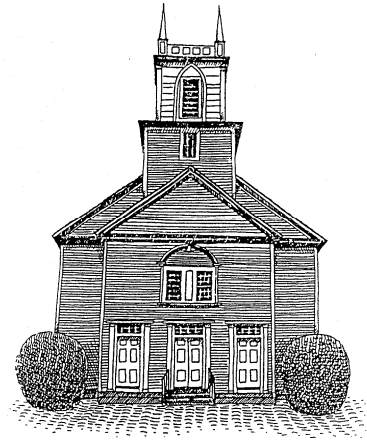
**Joe Pietroniro
Granville, MA**

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**West Granville
Congregational Church**

1580 Main Road, Route 57 - West Granville

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

December 8, 2019 - Christmas Service

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

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/](https://www.facebook.com/WestGranvilleCongregationalChurch1778/)

Granville Library

2 Granby Rd · 357-8531
 Hours: Monday 10-12, 3-8
 Wednesday 3-8
 Thursday 5-8
 Saturday 10-12



Check out our new website at
granvillepubliclibrary.org

New Books for Adults and YA

A Minute to Midnight by David Baldacci
 Scarlet Fever by Rita Mae Brown
 Under Occupation by Alan Furst
 Genesis by Robin Cook
 Spy by Danielle Steel
 Twisted Twenty-Six by Janet Evanovich
 The Innocents by Michael Crummey
 Criss Cross by James Patterson
 The Confession Club by Elizabeth Berg
 The Second Sleep by Robert Harris
 Tom Clancy Code of Honor by Marc Cameron
 The Andromeda Evolution by Michael Crichton
 A Christmas Gathering by Anne Perry
 The Accomplice by Joseph Kanon
 Final Option by Clive Cussler
 An Irish Country Family by Patrick Taylor
 Song of the Crimson Flower by Julie Dao
 Just Watch Me by Jeff Lindsay
 The Ship of Dreams: The Sinking of the Titanic
 and the end of the Edwardian Era

New Audio CD's

Minute to Midnight by David Baldacci
 The Family Upstairs by Lisa Jewell
 Under Occupation by Alan Furst

New Kids Books

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Wrecking Ball
 Biscuit's Snow Day Race
 I Want to Be a Pilot
 Dinky Donkey
 One Snowy Morning

New DVD's

Driven
 Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw
 The Art of Racing in the Rain
 Brian Banks
 The Peanutbutter Falcon
 Dora and the Lost City of Gold
 Blinded By the Light

PS4 Games

Call of Duty Modern Warfare
 Star Wars: Jedi Fallen Order

Library News

Pokemon Club meeting will be held December 5
 from 6-7 pm.
 The Library will be closed on December 25th and
 January 1st.

December Happenings At The Library

Search for the hidden Elves and solve the riddles.
 Earn a raffle ticket each time you solve the
 weekly riddle.

Holiday Stories and Craft
 December 14 10:30 – 11:30

Take & Make or Make & Take Project
 December 16, 18, 19 (while supplies last)

So Many Elves!

The Holiday season has arrived and Santa has
 sent some of his elves to the Granville Public
 Library to help us celebrate. Look around the
 library for the little helpers.

Each week one little elf will have riddle for you to
 solve. Find the elf, solve the riddle and receive a
 ticket for the December raffle. Throughout the
 month there will be four chances to win a mini
 craft kit

December 7, 14, 21, 28

Come visit the Granville Public Library and have
 fun searching for the elves hiding amongst books
 and things.



GRANVILLE TOLLAND

LIONS CLUB

Presents

Breakfast

with **Santa**
Saturday

December 7th

7:30AM - 10:30AM



At the

***Fellowship Hall in the
Granville Federated Church***

Adults \$7.00

Kids 6-12 \$4.00

Pancakes Sausage Bacon Coffee Juice

Children 5 and under eat for free!

Picture with Santa \$3.00

8:30-10:30am

Tickets at the Door

Proceeds to benefit

Eye Research • Emergency Community Services • Student Awards



Highland Valley
ELDER SERVICES



Share the Love with Vulnerable Seniors This Year

Exciting news! For the 12th year running, the Meals on Wheels network is participating in the 2019 Subaru Share the Love Event. Over the past eleven years, Subaru and its retailers have helped Meals on Wheels to deliver more than 2.2 million meals nationwide to seniors in need.

Why does Subaru support Meals on Wheels? Too many seniors are struggling to stay independent and healthy. **One in four seniors lives alone in isolation and one in seven seniors might not know from where their next meal is coming.** This is simply unacceptable, which is why Highland Valley Elder Services provides the nutritious meals, friendly visits and safety checks to the seniors of Hampshire and Hampden counties. This vital support keeps seniors in their own homes, where they want to be.

We're incredibly grateful to Subaru and its Retailers for supporting our organization and the seniors we serve. With that in mind, we thought you might want to learn a little bit more about the Subaru Share the Love Event.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS

This November 14, 2019, through January 2, 2020, for every new Subaru vehicle purchased or leased, Subaru will donate \$250 to the customer's choice of participating charities.* Meals on Wheels is one of four national participating charities and has been since the inception of the event. Through this event, as a member of Meals on Wheels America, Highland Valley Elder Services will receive a share of the donation from Subaru vehicles sold at participating Subaru Retailers.

You might not be in the market to purchase a new car, but if you are, please look into the Subaru Share the Love Event to learn more. If you're not shopping for a new vehicle, *you can still help* by spreading the word to your family and friends. A few quick and easy ways to do that:

- Share this newsletter!
- Share our posts about the Share the Love Event on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

And remember: this holiday season you can ensure our senior neighbors are not forgotten, when you purchase or lease a new Subaru and select Meals on Wheels as your charity of choice.

*Disclaimer: Subaru will donate \$250 for every new Subaru vehicle sold or leased from November 14, 2019, through January 2, 2020, to four national charities designated by the purchaser or lessee. Pre-approved Hometown Charities may be selected for donation depending on retailer participation. For every new Subaru vehicle sold or leased during the campaign period, participating retailers will donate a minimum of \$50 in total to their registered Hometown Charities. Purchasers/lessees must make their charity designations by January 15, 2020. The four national charities will receive a guaranteed minimum donation of \$250,000 each. See your local Subaru retailer for details or visit subaru.com/share. All donations made by Subaru of America, Inc.



TOWN CLERK'S CORNER....

by *Donna M. Fillion*

Telephone: 413.357.8585 Ext. 3/413.357.3805

Email: townclerk@townofgranville.org Website:
www.townofgranville.net

Office Hours: Monday evening 6:30 pm – 8:30
pm, Tuesday and Wednesday 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
and by appointment

2020 Important Dates

Presidential Primary – March 3, 2020, 7 am – 8
pm, Town Hall

Annual Town Election – April 13, 2020, 12 pm – 8
pm, Town Hall

Annual Town Meeting – May 11, 2020, 7 pm,
Village School

State Primary – September 1, 2020, 7 am – 8 pm,
Town Hall

(House Bill Set Pre-Labor Day Primary from
September 15 to September 1)

State Election – November 3, 2020, 7 am – 8 pm,
Town Hall

Early Voting hours for Presidential Primary will be
Monday, February 24 through Friday, February
28. I will select early voting days and hours by
February 10 which will be posted in the January
Caller.

The last day for Massachusetts residents to
register to vote, update their address, or change
their party for the Presidential Primaries is
February 12, 2020. My office will be open 10:00
am – 4:00 pm.

Marriage Intentions

If you wish to marry, you can contact my office
or any other Town Clerk in the Commonwealth.
The first document that the couple must
complete is the Marriage Intentions Form and
both must be present at the same time to do so.
Following this, a license is issued and you can be
married any place in 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](http://www.mass.gov/courts/case-legal-res/law-lib/laws-by-subj/about/marriage.html)

Justice of the Peace

If you are planning a wedding during 2019, you
can contact me to act as your Justice/Wedding
Celebrant for your civil ceremony.

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
died. 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
and make an appointment. The service is free of
charge to Granville residents.





Open for Sales & Open House December 8 & 15

9:30 am-5 pm or by appointment

Open for sales of Maple Syrup, maple products,

Jam, Jelly, Fruit Butters, Specialty Foods

Gift Baskets & Grass Fed Beef

New & Used Cross Country Ski Equipment,

Gift Certificates, Ski Season Passes

Maple Corner Farm

Beech Hill Road 413-357-8829

GRANVILLE FEDERATED CHURCH

American Baptist and United Church of Christ
16 Granby Rd., Granville, MA 01034
LIKE US ON FACEBOOK AT GRANVILLE
FEDERATED CHURCH, GRANVILLE, MASS. 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 7 p.m. choir rehearsal
Third Sunday 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. CHURCH

FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, Dec. 7 Breakfast with Santa 7:30 to
10:30 am (Sponsored by Granville Lions)
Saturday, Dec. 7 Church Decorating, Pot Luck
Supper, Carol Sing. Starts at 5:00 pm
Sunday, Dec. 15 Fellowship Breakfast 8:30 to
9:30 am
Sunday, Dec. 22 Christmas Service 10:00 am
Wednesday, Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight
Service 7:00 pm

COME AND MEET DR. JOHN WILSON!

Dr. Rev. John Wilson has been hired to serve as our transitional pastor as we search for a settled minister. Dr. Wilson (Pastor John) comes to us with over 36 years of experience in the ministry. He has served as Navy Chaplain, college lecturer and instructor, Director of college ministry, senior pastor, interim pastor, guest speaker at several special events and much more. He and his wife Levonne live in Springfield. Please join us as we welcome Pastor John and Levonne to our fellowship. Big Y gift cards are available. Please see Karen McLaughlin to purchase them. A percentage of the sale goes to help support the church.

NEWS FROM AGAPE SCHOOL, UGANDA

Terrible rains for several weeks have caused crop failures and greatly increased food prices. This is also causing well water contamination (3 children hospitalized for typhoid). I am asking you to consider helping me to send the school more funds in Dec. and Jan. to purchase food-no amount is too small! In addition, at year end I try to add new money to the well maintenance fund. The water contamination required chemical treatment to make it safe to drink and cook with. We are fortunate to be able to just turn on the tap!

Thank you.

Bobbi O'Connell and the GFC Missions

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 WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON AND A MERRY CHRISTMAS!



MERRY CHRISTMAS

OBITUARIES

Barbara Alice Frisbie Duperrault,

Barbara, age 97, passed away peacefully on October 19 after a short illness. She was born in Westfield to the late Porter Theron and Alice (Hoskins) Frisbie of West Granville. Barbara graduated from Westfield High School in 1939. She was employed at Standard Electric Time and Westfield Manufacturing prior to marriage. She later worked in the Westfield School System. Barbara was a member of the First United Methodist Church for 68 years where she was actively involved in World Missions, Sunday School, Fund Raising, and the United Methodist Women's organization. She also volunteered at Baystate Noble Hospital for 10 years. She will be remembered for her love of family, church and service to others. Barbara enjoyed bike riding, walking and Bible study with friends. She is pre-deceased by her brother Donald P. Frisbie, who died in WW II, her beloved husband, Donald W. Duperrault and her good friend Douglas Falconer. She leaves her son, Glenn P. Duperrault and his wife Lydia of Southington, CT, daughter Jean D. Tom of Monroe, CT and three cherished granddaughters: Alicia and Hannah Tom and Amanda Wishart Cohen. The family wishes to express their sincere appreciation to the doctors and staff at Baystate Noble Hospital and the Homecare Team for their expert and compassionate care of Barbara.

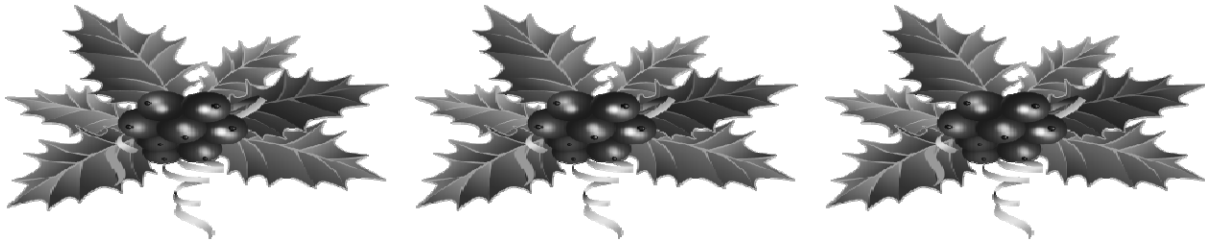
John Jemiolo

On Friday, November 15, 2019, John Jemiolo, loving husband and father of two children, passed away at the age of 72. John was born July 22, 1947 in Springfield, MA to John and Margaret Jemiolo. John married Patricia Laptew on September 23, 1972 and raised two children. He attended Westfield Trade High School and graduated in 1966. He served in the US Army as a radar mechanic for three years. John started working at Digital Equipment in 1972 where he continued to work until his untimely death. He had a passion for hunting with his brother Stephan and their friends. He also had a love for riding his motorcycle and loved going on long rides with his friends. He loved gardening and spending time at his local Rod and Gun Club. He was known for his sense of humor and his work ethics and for his ability to fix anything from mechanical to building a house. John was preceded in death by his father John and his mother Margaret. He is survived by his wife Patricia, his two children Sarah Pattison and her husband Curt of Westfield and his son Andrew of Townsend, his sister Linda Parody and her husband Gary and his brother Stephen and his wife Doris and several cousins, nieces and nephews.

In Nursing Homes

Jennie Maceyka,
Room 105, Armbrook Village, 551 North Road, Westfield, MA 01085

Skip and Alice Demarais,
The Arbors, 40 Court Street Room 329, Westfield, MA 01085



**To All Town Employees & Town Volunteers,
Elected & Appointed, Past & Present:**

**You are invited to the Town's
Annual Christmas Gathering
Friday, December 20th, 2019
6:00pm until 9:00pm at the
Granville Town Hall**

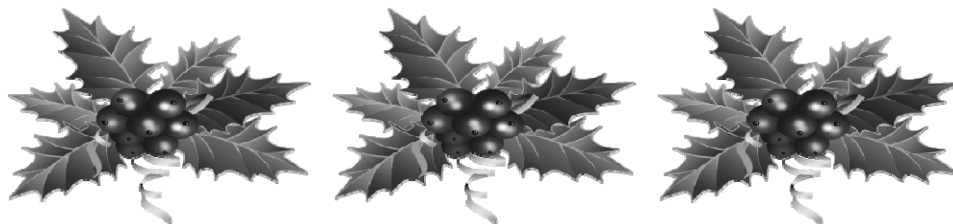


It is potluck so bring some food to share.

**If you would like to participate in
the gift game, bring a same sex gift of
\$15-\$20 value. We'll play the game at 7:30pm.**



**All past and present Town volunteers
& employees are invited, so pass the word!**





Granville-Tolland Lions Club

The 2020 Granville-Tolland Lions Club Community Anniversary, Birthday Calendar is now available for delivery. To subscribe for delivery of the annual calendar please email d.stosick@comcast.net. Your \$5.00 annual subscription is critical to the continued support of the Lions Club, which has served the Granville and Tolland communities for over 53 years. The lions are always a helpful resource for those with hearing, eye and sight emergencies and our club has helped several local citizens.



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