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**Inactivation of Voters**

In accordance with M.G.L. Ch 51 those who do not respond to the annual street listing will be designated as “inactive.” We are currently preparing for the 2024 Elections and will be preparing our voter lists accordingly. If you did not send in your street listing, you will receive a notice that must be returned by the beginning of June letting us know you are still a resident of Granville and wish to remain an active voter. If not returned, you will be inactivated for the 2024 Elections.

**Dog Licenses**

All dogs that are six months of age or older must be licensed annually under M.G.L. Ch. 140. An updated proof of rabies vaccination is required prior to licensing as well as proof of spaying and neutering. Fee for a spayed or neutered dog is \$10. Fee for an unaltered dog is \$15. It is the owner's responsibility to register their dogs. ***Any license obtained after May 16 will be assessed a late fee of \$20.***

**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>

**Business Certificate:**

What is a Business Certificate?

Commonly known as a “DBA” (“doing business as”), a Business Certificate creates a public record of the name and address of the owner(s) of a business. This also includes anyone operating any type of home-based business. Consumers are entitled to this information and it may not otherwise be readily available.

Who must file a Business Certificate?

Massachusetts General Law Chapter 110, §5 states that any person conducting business in the Commonwealth under any title other than the real name of the person conducting the business, whether individually or as a partnership, shall file a Business Certificate in the office of the Town Clerk of every city or town where an office of any such person or partnership may be situated.

Under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 110, §6 a Business Certificate is not required if a corporation is doing business under any title which includes the true surname of any partner. Certain other associations and partnerships may also be exempt (refer to above citation for details.)

How do I file or renew a Business Certificate?

Forms are available by mail, on the town website, or in person. Each person named on the Business Certificate must either sign the form in person at the Town Clerk's Office or have their signature notarized on the form by a Notary Public. Filing a DBA does not protect your business name. The filing fee is \$30.00 and good for four years. Proper identification will be required.

Does the filing of a Business Certificate protect me from others using the same name?

No. The protection of a trademark (word, name, symbol or device) in Massachusetts is accomplished through the Secretary of State's Office.

Information about starting a business in Massachusetts can also be found on the States website [www.mass.gov](http://www.mass.gov)

**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.

## Attention Residents!

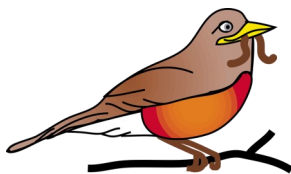
### Upcoming Bridge Construction & Road Closures



There will be 3 bridge repair projects that will occur this summer & fall in town: Alder Brook Bridge over Borden Brook Rd., Ripley Brook Bridge over Beech Hill Rd. and Hollister Brook Bridge over Old Westfield Rd.

The projects will begin with Alder Brook Bridge on Borden Brook Rd. & are scheduled to start as soon as Thursday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. The construction on Ripley Brook Bridge will follow and may be concurrent with Alder Brook Bridge. The construction on Hollister Brook Bridge will not begin until late summer or early fall.

All of these projects will result in road closures and detours. Please monitor the Town website, emergency services' social media pages or contact Town Hall for the most up to date information. Questions should be directed to Doug Roberts at the Town of Granville Highway Department (413 357 6007) (413 455 4446).



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WHERE: Granville Public Library

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***YOUR INPUT, IDEAS AND NEEDS ARE IMPORTANT!!***

**FRIDAY, JUNE 9<sup>TH</sup>, 1:30 P.M.  
TOWN HALL**

***RESIDENTS OF ALL AGES ARE WELCOME & ENCOURAGED  
TO ATTEND***



**PLEASE FILL OUT OUR COUNCIL ON AGING SURVEY EVEN  
IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THIS MEETING. THANK YOU!**



June 21, 6:00 PM

Granville Public Library  
presents

# Normal vs Not Normal

Join **Laura LaVoie** from *Our Dementia Life* to discuss what is "normal" ages vs living with a person with dementia.

Laura has been living and working with people with dementia for over 25 years. Her passion and mission is to help those living with dementia to live productive and living lives.



Register today!

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## Senior P.A.T.R.O.L. :

### Avoiding Identity Theft, Scams, & Fraud

July 24th 6:30 - 7:30  
Presentation will be

held at the  
**Granville Public Library**

-According to the Federal Trade Commission, consumers reporting losing nearly \$8.8 billion to scams in 2022. Avoid becoming a statistic!



Milagros Johnson has over 20 years working for the (Springfield) Mayor's Office of Consumer Information, a Local Consumer Program working in cooperation with the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office serving Hampden County and parts of Worcester County.

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED!**  
**PLEASE call 413-357-8531 or**  
**EMAIL US AT:**

**[GranvillePrograms@cwmares.org](mailto:GranvillePrograms@cwmares.org)**



## Please Join The Granville Library Club on Saturday June 24<sup>th</sup> - 4 to 6 pm

We are hosting an Open House and Dedication at  
the Granville Public Library

Come see our newly renovated Community Space and celebrate the  
**Granville Library Clubs 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.**

You can also learn some of the history of our beautiful library and see some historical items like this set  
of china dishes that have been part of the club for many years.

Can you guess how many pieces of china there are?  
At the open house, a prize will go to the person with the closest guess!



We will also have a special dedication of a new bench in honor of Donna Fillion and our 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Hosted by The Granville Library Club  
We hope to see you there!

Light refreshments will be served



## TOWN OF GRANVILLE

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(413) 357-6002 (fax)

### OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

The Town of Granville is seeking applicants for a Boards and Committees clerk who shall take and record minutes of public meetings and report to the Town Administrator.

#### BOARDS AND COMMITTEES CLERK – Job description and duties

The Boards and Committees Clerk shall be responsible for taking minutes, whether by hand or recording, transcribing the minutes into document form for adoption and preservation in accordance with MGL. Minutes need to be action minutes and generally comprise what occurs at the meeting, including members and public attending, discussion topics and any votes occurring.

While primarily the clerk will work for the Selectboard which meets almost every Monday throughout the year, the clerk may be needed to perform similar duties for the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, Conservation Commission, Town Meeting, or others which may meet on other days of the week, but far less frequently. These Boards and Commissions generally meet in the evenings, so the ability to attend evening meetings and drive at night is necessary.

Duties include attending meetings and public hearings; setting up meeting rooms; operating various equipment including listening devices, recording equipment, laptop computer; taking minutes and/or audio taping of various meetings as needed; preparing draft and final minutes. The Clerk should be proficient with word document programs and use a computer. Confidentiality and discretion, where applicable, of topics under consideration or in Executive Session is essential. In the future, The Clerk may also be responsible for establishing and maintaining Town social media accounts and would need to be familiar with various social media platforms.

The rate of pay is a piecemeal rate of \$100.00 per meeting to attend, record, transcribe and produce draft and final minutes. Additional similar duties office work may be assigned including scanning, transcribing, filing at a rate of \$15.00/hr. as part-time employee not to exceed 10 hours/week.

Education & experience: Minimum High School diploma or GED required. No prior experience necessary but understanding of municipal government and /or secretarial work preferred.

Letters of interest & resumes will be accepted via email at [townadministrator@townofgranville.org](mailto:townadministrator@townofgranville.org) with Subject Line: CLERK or by mail at drop box at Town Hall or PO Box 247, Granville, MA 01034 Attn: CLERK. Position will be open until filled. FSLA Exempt. Granville is an AA/EOE.





## *Granville's Independence Day Parade*

Tuesday July 4, 2023

Starting at 10:00 AM at the Town Barn, going past the Green (some may stop there) continuing on 189, to Silver, Cross, Sodom, 57 and back to the Green, where the prizes will be awarded along with a short presentation.

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### Again this year

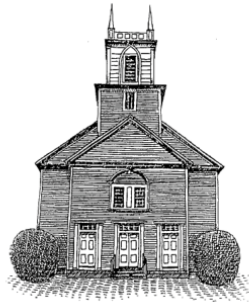
From 10-11:30 there will be an entertainer for children on the Green and those who chose to end their participation in the parade and spectators

We want to keep the folks on the Green entertained while waiting for the remainder of the parade.



Block Dance with the *Bad News Jazz & Blues Band* will take place Wednesday July 5, On the Green at 6:30 PM, Bring Friends, Family, Food, Drink & Dancing Feet

The Granville Recreation Committee is hosting the block dance, a Grant from the MA & Granville Cultural Council is sponsoring it



# West Granville Congregational Church

1580 Main Road, Route 57 - West Granville

Services will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month:

June 11

July 9

August 13 - Old Home Sunday

September 10

October - No service this month due to Harvest Fair

November 12 and

December 10

All services are at 7PM.

Refreshments and fellowship in the Academy Hall after each service.



### *Upcoming Events:*

- This year we celebrate our 20th Annual Potluck Picnic on Saturday August 19th at 4PM. This year "Sarah the Fiddler and Band" will return for a concert following the picnic!

Check out Sarah's FaceBook Page:

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



Thank you to the Granville Cultural Council for helping to fund the Concert!

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  
Interim Pastor: Dr. Rev. Johnny Wilson  
Church Services: 10:00 a.m. Sunday mornings  
Coffee Hour following the service.

## EVENTS

### DRIVE UP DINNERS

Many thanks to those who supported our May Drive Up dinner.  
Details for the dinner for June will be posted later. Watch for posters and announcements.

### BIBLE STUDY

Pastor Johnny has been leading us in a study of the book of James. We meet at 10:45 am on the first and third Wednesdays. Study dates for the month of June are Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>. We are at the end of our study in the book of James. Stay tuned for information about the next book we will be exploring.

### LUNCH BUNCH

Join us for our monthly lunch get together in the Fellowship Hall. Note that these are on the FIRST Wednesdays of each month. We will meet at 12:00 on Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. Bring a sandwich. Coffee and dessert and great fellowship are provided. ALL ARE WELCOME!

## MISSIONS NEWS

### AGAPE SCHOOL

Our church has been donating to the Agape School in Uganda for many years. Call Bobbi at 357-0194 if you would be interested in joining our efforts to continue to support the school and the children there.



## INFORMATION

### BIG Y GIFT CARDS

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

### FELLOWSHIP HALL RENTALS

The Fellowship Hall is available for rent for functions. It is complete with 2 restrooms, tables, chairs, kitchen facilities and parking. For more information contact Bobbi at 413 357-0194.

### CONTACT US

We try to help anyone in town who is in need of help in shopping, transportation, running errands, food, emergency fuel, etc. but we need to know. Please call.

To contact the church to leave a message for Pastor Johnny, please call 357-8583.

You can also call a Deacon (Dale Florida 357-8775, Eileen Jerome 413 896-0002, Fran Wackerbarth 357-6492, Alan Gregg 357-6156, Laura Fielding 357-6368), or our head Trustee Bobbi O'Connell 357-0194.

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday evenings-AA-8:00 pm  
Tuesday evenings-Church Board and Committee meetings  
Wednesday morning- Bible Study-10:45 am (1st and 3rd Wednesdays).  
Wednesday afternoon Lunch Bunch 12:00 noon (1st Wednesday)  
Thursday evenings- Choir-6:30pm

### In Assisted Living

Alice Demarais

The Arbors

40 Court Street Apt 108  
Westfield, MA 01085

Marge Feeney

Heritage Hall North

55 Cooper Street  
Agawam, MA 01001



## GRANVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

### **The Granville Fire Department would like you to meet Devon Doiron!**

By Lt. Peter Sorrajja- GFD Firefighter/EMT

For the Country Caller this month we will be continuing our trend of introductory articles. With that being said, we would like to introduce Devon Doiron to the wonderful residents of Granville. Devon has been a thoroughly involved member of the Granville Fire Department since he joined back in March of 2019. Over the past 4 years he has worked tirelessly to learn everything he can to become an exceptional firefighter. The reason for his dedication and hard work is solely because of his desire to provide the residents of Granville the best possible service he can. We as a department cannot begin to describe the appreciation we have for Devon as both a firefighter and an individual.

I would like to take a moment though to recognize some of Devon's personal accomplishments while he has been on the fire department, that are likely not known to the residents of Granville. Early on in Devon's career with us he attended the Hartford County Fire Academy where he excelled in the course and obtained his Fire 1 and Hazmat Ops certifications and has since gone back to the academy and completed his Fire 2 certification. Additionally, last year the department promoted Devon to the Chief Engineers position which is responsible for inspecting and maintaining our trucks and equipment. In every role Devon has been given he has put 100% of his energy into making sure that job is completed to the best of his ability, and I think that should be recognized more often.

Now, much like Robbie who we introduced last month, Devon's father also introduced him to the fire department at a young age. Devon would often attend drills with his father and grew up hearing calls come in over his father's pager. Funny story about Devon though, for many years Matt (our chief) tried to recruit Devon with no avail. It wasn't until the department responded to a call for a disabled motor vehicle that happened to be Devon's that he decided he would join. From that day Devon has grown to become a key member of the department but is also considered family among all of us.

When Devon is not devoting his time to the Granville Fire Department, he works full time as a heavy equipment operator in Otis MA and in the winter months he also plows for the City of Westfield. Devon is also a man of many hobbies, riding his motorcycle with friends, hunting, fishing, and playing video games are just a few. I also happen to know that he is a relatively mechanically inclined individual that enjoys working on cars and trucks from time to time. There really are not many things that Devon cannot do and if he does not know how to do something he is not afraid to learn.

Just like every member of the department, Devon has many aspirations regarding where he would like to see the department improve and grow in the future. He personally would like to continue improving his education when it comes to firefighting operations and wants to pass that knowledge on to newer members. Finally, when it comes to Granville itself, Devon describes the town as a community like no other. He feels that it is a friendly and welcoming place to live and on top of that he enjoys the small-town community. He also enjoys being able to see the positive impact that our work has on the community as a whole. Devon truly is an amazing individual and I urge everyone in town to meet him if given the opportunity.



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
May 1, 2023

**CONTACT: Joel Dusoe**  
joel.dusoe@mahouse.gov

## **Representative Boldyga Supports Investments House Passes \$56B Budget for Fiscal Year 2024**

**BOSTON** – State Representative Nick Boldyga (R-SOUTHWICK) recently supported a \$56 billion-plus state budget for Fiscal Year 2024, which provides for increased local aid, free universal school meals, and childcare provider assistance.

The preliminary House budget was approved on a vote of 156-0 on April 26, following three days of debate on 1,566 amendments that were filed by members.

Representative Boldyga said that the proposed House budget funds Chapter 70 education aid at \$6.58 billion, an increase of \$595.8 million, which fully funds 3/6ths of the goal rate mandated under the 2019 Student Opportunity Act, while also providing an additional \$7.86 million in minimum aid supplemental funding to boost per pupil minimum aid from \$30 to \$60. Unrestricted General Government Aid (UGGA), which can be used by communities to support a wide range of municipal services, is funded at \$1.25 billion, an increase of \$19.7 million.

According to Representative Boldyga, the House spending proposal will provide the Third Hampden District with over \$41 million in direct education aid. This includes \$25 million for Agawam Public Schools, \$10 million for the Southwick Tolland Granville Regional School District, and \$5.9 million for the Gateway Regional School District.

Additionally, Representative Boldyga said over \$7 million in unrestricted state aid would be allocated throughout the district including \$4.3 million for the Town of Agawam, \$1.4 million for the Town of Southwick, and \$1.4 million among the Hilltowns.

Representative Boldyga noted the House budget funds charter school aid, regional school transportation and homeless student transportation at 100% reimbursement rates by providing \$232.7 million in charter school reimbursements for sending districts, along with \$107.86 million in regional school transportation (an increase of \$25.68 million), and \$28.67 million for homeless student transportation (\$5.69 million more than this year). The House budget also includes \$506 million in Special Education Circuit Breaker reimbursements, an increase of \$55 million over the current year, and provides for \$10 million in Rural School Assistance Grants.

More than 80,000 students a day have eaten lunch in schools since the universal school meals program started, saving households up to \$1,200 per child per year. Representative Boldyga noted the budget also establishes a commission to study school meal nutrition and requires the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) to study and make recommendations for minimizing school food waste.

Provisions included in the House budget require that 85% of any Millionaires Tax revenues collected in excess of \$1 billion be deposited in an Education and Transportation Innovation Fund that would be available for use in any subsequent spending bill for one-time spending purposes. The remaining 15% of excess revenues would be deposited in an Education and Transportation Stabilization Fund, which could be drawn down as needed. The balance of this fund would be capped at 33% of the surtax spent in the previous fiscal year.

During floor debate, Representative Boldyga supported an amendment filed by Republican Leadership to strike language from the budget that would exempt Millionaires Tax revenues deposited into the Education and Transportation Stabilization Fund from counting towards the allowable state tax revenue limitations under Chapter 62F and 62F calculations. Chapter 62F was approved by the state's voters in 1986 and requires that excess tax revenues be returned to the state's taxpayers whenever revenue collections in a fiscal year exceed an annual cap tied to wage and salary growth. The amendment failed on a party-line vote of 25-132.

Representative Boldyga said the proposed exclusion is not justified, as all other taxes including taxes constitutionally designated towards specific uses like the gas tax are included in the current calculation, and tax rate increases have not been held aside from the formula previously. He argued the Legislature should not be making these changes unilaterally, as they only serve to undermine the will of the voters.

Other education and transportation initiatives set to be funded include:

- \$84 million for MassGrant Plus, which provides financial assistance to undergraduate students who reside in Massachusetts;
- \$50 million for High Demand Targeted Scholarships to assist Massachusetts students pursuing an in-demand profession at a community college or state college or university, with a requirement that the student commit to working for five years in an in-demand industry in Massachusetts after graduation;
- \$40 million for C3 (Commonwealth Cares for Children) Stabilization Grants, which support early education and care providers' day-to-day operational and workforce costs;
- \$25 million to reduce the waitlist for income-eligible early education and care programs;
- \$20 million for MassReconnect, which provides financial assistance to scholarships to community college students who are 25 or older and do not have a degree;
- \$20 million for endowment matches to encourage private fundraising by the Commonwealth's public higher education institutions;
- \$100 million for highway bridge preservation;
- \$70 million for regional transit funding & electrification grants

Representative Boldyga highlighted some of the other key initiatives contained in the House budget, which include:

**MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY** – The House budget increases the limit on the amount of grants the MSBA provides to municipalities to assist with school building construction and renovation projects. For Fiscal Year 2024, the cap will increase more than \$300 million, from \$800 million to \$1.1 billion.

**HIGHER EDUCATION** – The House budget invests in higher education by providing \$327.3 million for the Commonwealth's state universities, \$337.7 million for community colleges, and \$691.9 million for the UMass system. It also commits \$175 million for scholarship funding.

**STABILIZATION FUND** – The House budget proposes transferring \$525 million in excess capital gains proceeds to the Commonwealth's Stabilization Fund, also known as the Rainy Day Fund, which is designed to protect vital state programs and services from being cut during economic downturns. The fund is expected to have a balance of \$8.5 billion this year, and the proposed transfer would push the balance to over \$9 billion in the new fiscal year.

The budget now moves to the Senate, which is scheduled to begin debating its own spending proposal prior to Memorial Day. The differences between the House and Senate budgets will then be resolved by a joint conference committee, which will produce a final spending plan to send to Governor Maura Healey.

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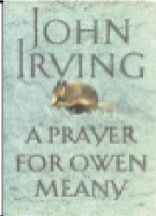
## Lots happening this summer: Adult Programing

**Nurse's Hour: 5:30-6:30 Monday June 5**  
Stop in and get your blood pressure taken, ask the nurse questions, just visit. She is here for you.

**Library Club Meeting:**  
**Thursday June 8**  
6:00 PM



**June 14**  
7:00-8:00 PM  
**Book club with Gloria**  
"A Prayer for Owen Meany"  
by John Irving



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*Sleep hygiene and the basics of using Essential Oils*

Please join Tricia Sedelow, BSN RN, Southwick Public Health Nurse and Jean Fisher, LMT, Owner of Journey Massage & Wellness for a discussion on establishing good sleep habits. As well as using essential oils to support restful sleep. Essential oil samples will be demonstrated during this presentation.

**Wednesday June 28**  
**6:30-7:30 PM**  
**Granville Public Library**

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**Community Solar**  
What is it and how you can benefit from the Solar Energy already being produced in Granville.  
**Wednesday June 7- 6:30 PM**





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### More Happening: Youth Programing

**Storytime for toddlers and early elementary kids and their family.**

- Saturday June 3- 10:30-11:30- Dads
- Thursday June 22- 3:30-4:30 - Bugs
- Saturday June 24- 10:30-11:30- Bugs



Birth to 2 years old  
**Playgroup w/ Tina**  
Monday June 12

10:00 AM

Sponsored by Pathways for Parents



Last Wednesday after school .  
programming for this school year:

**June 7**

**Karen Carpenter**  
Pressed Flower Art.

Thanks for all your support of the LSTA grant funded program and trusting your youth to our library. This is why the library was built! Plus book of course!



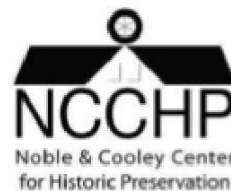
### FIND YOUR VOICE and help your library SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2023

The Summer Reading Program ( SRP) kicks off on Saturday July 1 and come to a close on August 12. Lots of fun activities, for all ages, are being planned throughout the six weeks. **See separate page for all info!**

Parents are encouraged to **sign up their children**, even if they are unable to attend all events and activities. We love to see everyone, but know you travel and do fun family things too! You and your child can read at home, on vacation or in the car, and take the log sheet with him/her/they when visiting other places. Just check in periodically to fill out tickets during the 6 weeks before the Talent show. The important part is to keep reading. Something for all ages, including adults.

To add to the fun and to create a sense of challenge to keep everyone reading, we'd like to continue to offer raffle prizes. This year, we are extending an *invitation to community* members to contribute to the prizes. **Donations** may be monetary, or better yet, a new item appropriate for Children 3-12, teens or even a few adult prizes. Please drop off donation by June 15. Questions?

Contact Linda Dickinson ( 357-8771) or Lise LeTellier - Library Director at 413-357-8531.



### Grand Finale Celebration

**June 19, 2023 1:00-3:30**

Celebration begins with a tour the NCCHP museum to celebrate Yankee Ingenuity. Then Children will build toy drums, Guided by our Police and Fire, we will PARADE to the Library, share in a brief educational presentation about Juneteenth, then share Ice Cream together.

Come and celebrate with us or just cheer the kids down water street.





**2023 Granville Public Library  
Summer Reading Program Schedule of Events  
Join the fun and FIND YOUR VOICE**



July 1 (Saturday) 10:00 – 12:00 **KICK-OFF**

- Drop-in Pick up your summer packet.
- Decorate a flag to take home and one to display at the library. Decorate a pin.
- Check out what activity Page, the bookworm, has prepared for you.
- Pick up “My Place in the World Kit”(take home and finish/bring back to earn a ticket)
- Visit the Our Community Food Pantry table and pick up a free book and info.

July 3 (Monday) Library Closed for Holiday

July 5 (Wednesday) 3:30 – 4:30 **Pokémon Club**

- Bring your favorite Pokémon card or toy and be prepared to share what you love about Pokémon. Whole binders are not welcome at the first meeting.
- Age Range Focus: 8 Years and Up

July 6 (Thursday) 10:30 – 11:30 **Getting to Know You**

- Acrostic Poetry/ Who Do You See in the Mirror?
- Age range focus: 3 - 12

July 8 (Saturday) 6:00 – 7:00p.m. **Instruments Have A Voice**

- Learn/Explore/ Listen: Bring a chair or blanket for your own comfort. Fun For All Ages!

July 10 (Monday) 6:30 – 7:30 **Make Some Noise!**

- Listen to a story and then make a tambourine.
- Age range focus: 3 - 12

July 12 (Wednesday) 3:30 – 4:30 **Introduction To Journaling**

- Learn about the fun and benefits of journaling. Receive a journal and a set of colored pens.
- Age Range Focus: 10 years - Teens Preregistration Required

July 13 (Thursday) 10: 30 – 11:30 **Express Yourself Through Painting**

- Acrylic paint class led by Sharon Billings . Wear an old shirt and bring your creativity!
- Age Range Focus: 5 years – 8 years Preregistration Required

July 15 (Saturday) 10:30 – 11:30 **“Find Your Voice with a Tromp Through the Swamp”**

- Tom Sieling will entertain families with music and stories. Bring a chair or blanket for your comfort.  
**Sponsored by the Massachusetts Cultural Council and the Granville Cultural Council**

July 17 (Monday) 6:30 – 7:30 **Express Yourself Through Sculpture:**

- Get creative with clay, wire, beads, etc.
- Age range focus: 3- 12

July 19 (Wednesday) 3:30 – 4:30 **Pokémon Club**

- Come share your love of Pokémon and participate in some games and activities.
- Age Range Focus: 8 years and up

July 20 (Thursday) 10: 30 – 11:45 **Express Yourself Through Painting**

- Acrylic paint class led by Sharon Billings . Wear an old shirt and bring your creativity! Age Range Focus: 9 years – 12 years Preregistration Required

July 22 (Saturday) 10:30 – 11:30 **Find Your Voice with Puppets**

- Using a variety of materials create a puppet and give it a voice.
- Age Range Focus: 3 years – 12 years

July 24 (Monday) 6:30 – 7:30 **Raise Your Voice**

- Decorate a Megaphone and Uncover a Hidden Word. Age Range Focus: 3 years – 12 years. Preregistration Required

July 26 (Wednesday) **Diane Edgecomb: A Living Myth Two for one! One for kids and one for adults!**

- 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. JOIN IN! program focused toward 4 years and up
- 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. A THOUSAND DOORWAYS
  - A chance meeting with a young Kurdish refugee sets an American storyteller on a quest of danger and discovery to record the last Kurdish storytellers.
  - Program focused toward Teens and Adults. Bring a chair or blanket for your comfort.
  - **Sponsored by the Massachusetts Cultural Council and the Granville Cultural Council**

July 27 (Thursday) 10:30 – 11:30 **Raise Your Voice**

- Decorate a Megaphone and Uncover a Hidden Word.
- Age Range Focus: 3 years – 12 years. Preregistration Required

July 29 (Saturday) 10:30 – 11:30 **Share Your Voice**

- Using a variety of materials create something to express yourself.
- Age Range Focus: 3 years – 12 years

July 31 (Monday) 6:30 – 7:30 **Gran-Val Scoop**

- Come participate in an activity to “give the animals a voice.” Then enjoy some ice cream. Rain or Shine- Age range 3-Teens. Preregistration required.

August 2 (Wednesday) 3:30 – 4:30 **Pokémon Club**

- Come share your love of Pokémon and participate in some games and activities.
- Age Range Focus: 8 years and up

August 3 (Thursday) 10:30 – 11:30 **Gran-Val Scoop**

- Come participate in an activity to “give the animals a voice.” Then enjoy some ice cream.
- Rain or Shine- Preregistration required. Age range 3-Teens

August 5 (Saturday) 10:30 – 11:30 **Bob Carr – Author and poet.**

- Come enjoy a reading of his newest book “ Rainbows” and then be guided through your own creations with words and pictures.
- Bring a chair or blanket for your comfort. Family Fun!

August 7 (Monday) 6:30 – 7:30 **Practice** for Talent Show (more information to come)

- Share What You Like About the Library
- Age Range Focus: 3 - 12

August 9 (Wednesday) **Practice** for Talent Show (more information to come)

- Share What You Like About the Library Age range Focus: 8 - Teens

August 10 (Thursday) 10:30 – 11:30 **Practice** For Talent Show (more information to come)

- Share What You Like About the Library Age range Focus: 3 - 12

August 12 (Saturday) 6:00 p.m. **FINALE Talent Show** put on by reading program participants.

- Admission: bring a canned good for Our Community Food Pantry/Bring an individually wrapped snack to share. Mark with ingredients./Water provided/Raffle Drawing/ Bring a chair or blanket for your comfort.

“Find Your Voice” is sponsored by the Granville Public Library, the Granville Library Club, the Massachusetts Cultural Council, the Granville Cultural Council, the Collaborative Summer Reading Program, the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, and other supporters of the library. REGISTER TODAY-

Please contact Summer Reading Program Co Coordinators Linda Dickinson or Bridget Nobbs, with any questions.



**RECORDS and COLLECTABLES  
WANTED**

Buying old vinyl records, LPs and 45s. Interested in most types of music. Cash paid, I will come to you. Also buying old advertising, signs, postcards, stoneware, comic books, Granville related items, etc.

Contact Mark @ 413-626-6396  
or 357-6346.

Email- [vinyl4mark@gmail.com](mailto:vinyl4mark@gmail.com)

**~Lunch Bunch~**

Come join the Lunch Bunch at Granville Federated Church on Wednesday, June 7th and Wednesday, July 5th at noon.

**ALL ARE WELCOME!!**

Provided: Coffee, Tea,  
Dessert,  
Fellowship

(Bring your own sandwich)



**NURSE HOUR AT GRANVILLE TOWN HALL**



Tricia Sedelow, BSN RN, is the Regional Public Health Nurse from the Southwick Board of Health serving the towns of Granville, Southwick and Tolland. Tricia will hold monthly “Nurse Hour” for blood pressure checks, health education and to answer questions or concerns. No appointments are needed.

The Nurse Hour sessions will be in the Granville Town Hall, 707 Main Rd.

The June schedule is as follows:

First Thursday of each month from 11:00am to noon:

**June 1, 2023**

Third Thursday of each month from 3:00pm to 4:00pm:

**June 15, 2023**

Also, the nurse will hold an office hour at the Granville Library, 2 Granby Road, monthly on the Second Thursday of each month from 5:00pm to 6:00pm:

**June 8, 2023**

**Donald Demarais**  
**3/13/31 - 4/24/2023**

Westfield - Donald (Skip) Demarais, formerly of Granville, passed away peacefully at the Arbors Assisted Living in Westfield on Monday, April 24, 2023. He was the son of the late Ethel and Ernest Demarais of Agawam.

He leaves his beloved wife of 71 years, Mary Alice; daughters Donna and husband Roger of Phillipston, MA; Debra of Brewster, MA; Dorrie and husband Paul of Granville, as well as 7 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Skip grew up in Agawam. He married his high school sweetheart in 1952 and started a family. A desire to raise his family in the country, with enough land to pasture horses, brought him to Granville. Skip often fondly shared that upon reaching the end of a long driveway, located at a prospective property and taking in the amazing view overlooking Hartford and Springfield, he immediately knew he had found their forever home. When not working, he spent his years updating and modifying the home. Family interests always kept him busy caring for the property, pastures, barn and gardens. He worked as a self-employed contractor and builder both in Granville and Tolland, retiring in 1996.

Snowmobiling, golfing, fishing were some of his interests that captured his spare time. In his later years he enjoyed ice skating at Amelia Park Arena, mowing his property on his riding lawnmower, tinkering in his garage and trips to Costco. Skip was always easy going, one who never wished for any fanfare, enjoyed a good prank or joke, loved fudge, and car rides in the countryside.

A decline in health necessitated a move in 2019 to the Arbors. Although Granville always remained home to Skip, he enjoyed the easy lifestyle, activities and friendships formed within the Arbors community.

Family would like to thank the entire staff at the Westfield Arbors and Beacon Hospice for their compassionate care.

Services will be private at a later date. Donations in Skip's memory can be made to the Granville Fire Department, P.O. Box 247, Granville, MA 01034