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TYNGSBOROUGH TOWN CLERK

2017 DOG LICENSES are available at the Town Clerk's office or by mail. Male/female licenses are \$11.00 and spayed/neutered licenses are \$7.00. Current rabies vaccination is required. If renewing by mail, please enclose a stamped envelope for the license. **Remember that there is a \$25.00 late fee for any registration after March 1!**

2017 CENSUS forms were mailed. Please check the information on the form for accuracy, make necessary corrections, and return promptly to the Town Clerk's office. If you do not receive a census form, please call the office and we will mail a form. Please note that the census does not register you to vote. You can register by going to mass.gov and completing an online voter registration form. Completing and returning the census keeps your voter status current and there will be no need to fill out a proof of residency form at the polls.

OFFICES TO BE FILLED

AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION MAY 9, 2017

One Year Term: Cemetery Commissioner, Library Trustee
Two Year Term: Cemetery Commissioner
Three Year Term: Selectman (2), Board of Assessor, Board of Health (2), Library Trustees (2), Cemetery Commissioner, Finance Committee, School Committee (2), Sewer Commissioner, Tree Warden, Moderator
Five Year Term: Planning Board

Nomination papers are available at the Town Clerk's Office and need to be returned by March 21st. Candidates need 45 signatures. Voter registration is scheduled for April 19th until 8:00 pm.

Please contact the office at 978-649-2300 extension 129 or email to jshifres@tyngsboroughma.gov with any questions.

JAMES JACOPPI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

The raffle is under way once again. This is our 15th year of fundraising for scholarships to aid in the continuing education of graduating high school students. This year's raffle winners will share in the \$2,500 in prizes. Tickets can be purchased by calling Joe or Jean Jacoppi at 978-649-9076.

All tickets must be received by Saturday, April 29th to be eligible to participate in the drawing.

Please visit our web site www.jamesjacoppischolarshipfund.com or Facebook page for any information you may need including access to the scholarship application.

IN MEMORY OF

David A. Beaulieu
Edith E. Richards Kearin
Barbara A. Newcomb
Alice R. Silva Gervais
Diane M. Landry
Norman D. Lecourt

Lawrence E. Christianson
Dylan T. Fleury Days
Larry D. Jones
Jeanne A. Moran Meleo
Edmund D. Murphy
Bessie Screpetis Natsios
Paul O. Paquette

NOTICE

TYNGSBOROUGH WATER DISTRICT

The **Election** will be held on **Tuesday, April 4, 2017** from 5:00 PM-7:00 PM at the District office.

The **Annual/Special Meeting of the District** will be held on **Tuesday, April 11, 2017** at 7:00 PM at the District Office, 87 Progress Avenue, Unit 2. Warrants and additional information will be available at the Water District Office.

Signed: Board of Water Commissioners

Tyngsborough Water District, 87 Progress Ave, Unit 2
Tyngsborough, MA 01879 978-649-4577

TYNGSBOROUGH CITIZENS

...invite you to join our on-line community forum. We share information about town and school happenings and ideas for how to make our town even better. Formed in 2000, we are over 450 town residents who converse via this Yahoo group. We are not an anonymous listserve; residents share their name and address when posting. We strive to keep the conversations civil and constructive. Membership is open to all residents.

Please visit tyngsboroughcitizens-subscribe@yahoogroups.com to join.

RECYCLING FUNDRAISER

**Electronics Recycling Fundraiser for
Tyngsboro Boy Scout Troop 46**

Electronics and appliances accepted for a nominal fee
Saturday, April 8, 2017 9am - 1pm
Tyngsboro Public Library
25 Bryant's Lane, Tyngsboro, MA 01879
Email questions to tyngstroop46@gmail.com

THS GRAD NIGHT

The Grad night committee continues to welcome new members. Please consider joining this fun and innovative group as we plan an amazing night for our 2017 THS graduates.

ATTENTION ALL!!! Looking for a fun filled night out in March? Join THS GRAD NIGHT for **Comedy Night!!!** The event will be held at the Princeton Station, Chelmsford on **Friday, March 31, 2017. Doors open at 7pm.** Tickets are \$25 each. This will be a night filled with lots and lots of laughs. We will have raffle items as well as silent auction items. This is a fun night for those age 21 and up. Tickets can be purchased from any committee member or by calling Caren Bovill 978-852-3964 or Tara Gabriel 978-397-6495. This event sells out fast so don't miss a chance to gather up some friends and have a great evening out!! For more information or visit our website www.thsgradnight.org. We appreciate your support of our Tyngsboro students.

What is Grad Night? Grad Night is an all night chemical free event for the graduating seniors of Tyngsboro High School. It takes place on the night of graduation. The evening is filled with food, music, entertainment and activities. **Check out our website at <http://thsgradnight.org/>**

Please consider joining our committee for Grad Night. We welcome parents of all age/grade students including senior parents to help make this a wonderful time for the graduates. Our February calendar raffle was a success. Thank you everyone for your support! The winner's have been notified and listed on our website. Please feel free to check out the exciting prizes that have been awarded at www.thsgradnight.org.

Meetings are held the first Monday of the month at 7PM in the teacher's lounge across from the cafeteria of Tyngsboro High School. **Our next meeting is March 7th.**

FRIENDS OF THE TYNGSBOROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARY



Scholarship/Service Award for High School Seniors: The Friends of the Tyngsborough Public Library are announcing the annual Scholarship/Service Award for 2017. The award goes to a deserving high school senior from Tyngsborough who is graduating this year. Award eligibility includes membership in the Friends of the Tyngsborough Public Library organization, volunteer service to a Friends activity, and plans to further their education. The student must also complete the application and submit it by March 31, 2017. Ask for an application at the Tyngsborough Public Library or go to <http://www.tynglib.org/index.php/friends-of-library>.

Membership Month: If you want to join the Friends of the Tyngsborough Public Library or renew your membership for the new year effective April 1, then watch for the brochure to be mailed to your household in March. March is the Friends membership month, and we are glad to accept new members and see the current members continue their support of our town library and its enriching programs. The Friends fund hundreds of children's books each year, the museum pass program, summer reading prizes and performers, fabulous events throughout the year and furnishings, technology, equipment and other enhancements not in the library budget!

Applications are also available at the library at 25 Bryant Lane.

Book Sale – Save the Date! The Friends will hold the Spring Used Book sale on the third weekend of May. Friday evening, May 19, opens the sale to Friends members, and the public is invited on Saturday, May 20.

The deadline is March 10th for the April issue of Neighbor to Neighbor.

Have events coming up in? Send an email to me at anne@NeighborToNeighborNewsletter.com or by mail to **Neighbor to Neighbor**, 64 Hardy St., Dunstable, MA 01827. News is placed on first come, first served basis, as space allows.

Need details about advertising your business? You may reach me at **978-419-1914** or email me at the above address.

I look forward to hearing from you, Anne



TYNGSBOROUGH RECREATION

Call 978-649-2300 Ext. 150

The Recreation Committee meets at the Recreation Center 120 Westford Road the **first Monday of the month at 7pm**. Additional information may be found on our website at TyngsboroughRec.com Friend us on Facebook. **Currently three open seats. Join us!**

• CONTINUING BEGINNING VIOLIN/FIDDLE - Open to all towns Students will learn the fundamentals of playing the violin/fiddle to include: Violin/fiddle orientation, basic music theory, bowing techniques and finger position. Violin rentals available through Violin Instructor and Bridges and Bows of Westford (\$35/6week program). **THURSDAY CLASS** Ages: 4th grade through Adult, Location: Tyngsborough Recreation Center 120 Westford Road, Time: 3:30-4:30pm, Begins: Thursday 4/6-5/11 Instrutor: Lauren Mann Chaney, Fee: \$100 (includes \$10 in materials) **Register:** Online at www.Tyngsboroughrec.com **Questions:** terrilawrence@me.com 978-828-6589

• MEN'S PICK-UP BASKETBALL Held Wednesday Nights 8-10pm at the High school. \$10/night or \$80/half year (begins 1/4) Contact Joe Holden62@yahoo.com

• SOFTBALL Spring 2017 season registration will be accepted at Tyngsborough Town Hall and online **until mid March**. Every girl registered by this time will be guaranteed placement on a team. Those registering after will be assigned to a team if there is space available. There is no guarantee of placement on a team for those registering after teams have been made. **Season Only:** T-Ball (ages 5-6): \$75 All other ages: \$100 Season Family cap: \$150 Website and Social Media connections: www.TyngsboroSoftball.org "Tyngsboro Softball" on Facebook

• NEW FITNESS CLASS – Pound Sweat, Sculpt, Rock, with Pound -Rockout, Workout. It's a high-intensity, full-body, 45-minute workout that combines interval training, squats, lunges, plyometrics, and pilates with drumming — lots of drumming — with sticks that are heavier than average drumsticks. Come join the class! **8 Tuesdays-** \$65 6:30-7:15PM Yoga mat required.

• TRACK & FIELD FAMILY FUN NIGHTS PLANNING COMMITTEE: Please contact us at the Rec. Office or FB if you would help on our planning committee for 2017 Track and Field. We meet a few times before the program begins the second week in July in order to plan publicity, assemble teams, plan games and activities and order equipment. The program is for ages 4-10 and runs at 6pm for 6 consecutive Thursdays. We are always looking for new faces to join us! We also need coaches to supervise the children, no experience is necessary. We welcome older teens that enjoy helping younger children with the games and activities.

• JOIN THE FESTIVAL OF TREES PLANNING COMMITTEE: We are looking for new members to join our sub-committee to plan the Festival of Trees Event specifically. You do not need to be on the Recreation Committee. Contact the Rec. Office, send a message on FB or call Theresa 978-828-6589 if you have questions.

• TYNGSBORO FAMILY PLAYGROUP Join us on Wednesday mornings at the Tyngsborough Recreation Center for Playgroup. Ages 0-5 Years 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. Cost is only \$2 per week per child! Playtime, Crafts, Story & Snack ***Not exclusive for Tyngsborough Residents*** Follow our page to get information about events around town that are aimed for the 0-5 year old crowd. tyngsfamilyplaygroup@gmail.com

• TENNIS CAMP Held at the New Elementary School *Boys/girls ages 7-18 *Beginners through advanced *Tennis made easy and fun! 3 weeks of fun Class size limited so sign up now! **DATES, TIMES, and PRICE** July 3 - 6 Monday thru Thursday 9 - 12 pm \$199 (\$50/day) August 7 - 10 Monday thru Thursday 9 - 12 pm \$199 (\$50/day) August 14 - 17 Monday thru Thursday 1 - 4 pm \$199 (\$50/day) **New: Sibling discounts are no longer available**, 20% off total tuition each additional week (discounts offered by phone only) Daily rate is \$50! Held at the Bicentennial Courts adjacent to the Elementary School (Beginners Through Advanced) are Welcome Register now for any class by either sending an email that includes your Personal Information (phone number, address, etc) , Child's Information, (age and level) and Times to: Greg Reardon, U.S.P.T.R. You can also call: 727-542-9636

JOB OPENING AT DUNSTABLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

15 hours per week at \$15.79 an hour. Responsible for cataloging and processing new acquisitions, entering data and circulation desk duties. Skills required - advanced computer skills, typing and some library training. High school diploma or equivalent. Willingness to attend regional meeting. Send resume to Mary Beth Pallis, PO Box 219, Dunstable, MA 01827.

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- **Reconciliation** every Saturday from 3 to 3:40PM or by appointment.

- **View our bulletin** on line at www.stmarymagdalenparish.com.

Join us on **Facebook!** Search "Saint Mary Magdalen Parish Tyngsboro" and like our page to see daily meditations and events.

- **FIRST FRIDAY ADORATIONS** are held on the first Fridays of the month at the Church and will consist of Holy Hour with closing Benediction from **9:30AM – 12pm**.

- **The St. Vincent De Paul Society** operates a monthly food pantry out of the rectory in addition to providing holiday meals to those in need. We can be reached at 978-844-2365.

- **Prayer Line** – Do you know of someone needing prayers? Call Helen (978) 649-7927 or Carol (978) 649-6717. (Submit only first name of one to be prayed for)

- **MEN OF ST. JOSEPH** - The Men of St. Joseph in the Greater Lowell area meet on the Second Saturday of every month. Each monthly meeting includes prayer, food, and faith-building fellowship.

All meetings will begin at 7:00am and end no later than 9:00am.

Newcomers, father/son (Confirmation age) teams, and friends from other parishes are always welcome! To find out more, please come and check us out! Held at St. Rita's Church, Mammoth Rd, Lowell

- **CRAFT & CRIBBAGE NIGHT** Every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month from **6–8:00pm** at the Parish Center



FRIENDS OF THE TYNGSBOROUGH COUNCIL ON AGING

Friends of the TCOA Board of Directors: President: Joe Jacoppi, Treasurer: Joanne Jean, Clerk: Frank McCarthy, Jean Kareores, Elaine Rivard, Leon Poirier, Elaine Franks and Trudi Woods

As the busy Christmas and Holiday season passes, we are excited with plans for the late winter and spring season at the senior center. The Friends are working to help the Tyngsborough Council On Aging have fun filled and successful center activities in the months ahead. A few plans in the works sponsored by the Friends:

- An April lunch hosted by the Friends. Date TBD.
- An extravagant spaghetti supper with a cash bar is planned for September, date TBD. Stayed tuned!!
- The Friends participated in the Adopt A Family program this year and plan to continue with this worthwhile effort.
- In addition to our annual Craft Fair in October, we are now in the early stages of planning a huge Yard/Tag Sale to be held in the late summer or early fall.

All our activities take a lot of time, talent and treasure. Please consider helping us make the TCOA the best it can be. The Friends is a 501(c)3 non profit charity and all donations are fully tax deductible. **All gifts and donations can be sent to:**

The Friends of the Tyngsborough Council On Aging, PO Box 415, Tyngsborough, MA 01879-0094 Visit our Web Site:

<http://www.friendsofthetyngsbocouncilonaging.com>

Visit us on FaceBook: <https://www.facebook.com/FriendsofTyngsboroCOA/>

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Any other needs? **Please call Diane Nilsen at 978-649-8786**

or email dianecinilsen@gmail.com.

CORLISS (CORY) LAMBERT

**CANDIDATE FOR
RE-ELECTION**

**TYNGSBOROUGH
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

***I ASK EACH TYNGSBOROUGH VOTER FOR
THEIR SUPPORT AND A VOTE ON MAY 9, 2017***

I ADVOCATE FOR:

OPEN USER FRIENDLY TOWN GOVERNMENT

AN OPEN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION DECISION PROCESS

OPEN PUBLIC BUDGETING PROCESS

BEST USE OF LIMITED TAX DOLLARS

EQUAL CONSIDERATION FOR ALL TOWN DEPARTMENTS

FUNDING PRIORITY BASED ON NEED

STRONG PUBLIC SAFETY AND EDUCATION DEPARTMENTS

FULL DISCLOSURE ON ALL BUDGETING AND SPENDING

EXPANDED ADULT & SENIOR RECREATION

I OPPOSE:

UNPLANNED/UNMANAGED GROWTH

FUZZY MATH & POLITICAL DIVISIVENESS

UNPLANNED AND UNSUPERVISED SPENDING

GOALS:

ESTABLISH A COMMUNITY CENTER

UPDATE TOWN MASTER PLAN

FULLTIME TOWN PLANNER ONBOARD

FULLTIME TOWN ENGINEER ONBOARD

FULLTIME GRANT WRITER ONBOARD

RELATED EXPERIENCE:

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SCHOOL POLICY AND TRANSPORTATION SUBCOMMITTEES

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**TYNGSBOROUGH BAND 4-12,
5TH ANNUAL MATTRESS FUNDRAISER
SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2017**

On Sunday, March 12, 2017, Tyngsborough Band 4-12 is pleased to host, once again, a one of a kind fundraising event. This event has been VERY successful for us, and in school districts all over the country for over 10 years. We are very excited to bring it back to Tyngsborough Band 4-12.

We hope this memo acts as a reminder that if you, or anyone you know might be in need of a mattress, please save the date and visit our mobile showroom. Did you realize 1 in 10 people buy a new mattress every year? This is the time to buy and save up to 50% off retail, all while supporting our program. There will be 20+ sets on display and a team of experts on hand to answer any questions you may have. **When: Sunday, March 12, 2017 Where: In the HS Cafeteria Time: 10am-5pm**

This is a no pressure sale, just stop in and take a look. Even layaway and delivery are available to make it easy on you. It is a pleasure to be able to find a way to help our students while providing cost savings to our community and staff. We appreciate your support of our fundraiser and hope you spread the word to neighbors, family and friends. *Sharing our event is easy on Facebook & Twitter [facebook.com/CFSNorthBoston](https://www.facebook.com/CFSNorthBoston)
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March is here and we hope that you can visit us soon during the Lenten season. We have compiled a Lenten devotional guide of readings for each day from Ash Wednesday through Easter. We invite you to view this on our website.

Our Celebration of Music is on Saturday, March 18 at 7:00 PM. Music from our handbell and vocal choirs will be featured as well as performances from some of our talented members! This is truly an inspiring and uplifting evening! Our Scholarship Dinner, that benefits our scholarship fund for graduating seniors, will be held at 5:30 PM right before our Celebration of Music. Chicken Parmigiana is on the menu. Please inquire about tickets by calling the church office. We are fortunate to have a scholarship fund to aid our high school graduates continuing their education. All are invited to attend this meal and the Celebration of Music

We are excited that construction has started to install two new lifts, a ramp, and accessible bathroom in our church building!

We are on 242 Main Street in North Chelmsford, right on the Westford/Chelmsford line. From Route 3, take the Route 40 exit to Chelmsford, take a sharp right onto Main Street Chelmsford right after the variety store and follow Main Street until you see the church on the left.

**TYNGSBORO HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE
SCHOOL ATHLETIC OFFICE INFORMATION**

• **WINTER SPORTS AWARD NIGHT** for all athletes that play a High School Sport only, will take place on: **Thursday, March 16th at 7:00pm** in the High School Auditorium.

SPRING INFORMATION

• **FIRST DAY OF PRACTICE FOR ALL HS & MS ATHLETES: Monday, March 20th** after school.

***For all Sports Schedules please go to: www.mwlma.org**

*If you would like to receive scheduling text alerts during your son/daughters sports season
Please go to <http://www.tyngsboroughps.org/pages/Tyngsborough/Departments/Athletics> and CLICK on Schedule Alerts for Parents.

TYNGSBOROUGH COUNCIL ON AGING



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PLEASE SIGN IN WHEN YOU COME TO THE CENTER!!

Hours of Operation are Monday thru Friday 8-4. Bus 8:15-3.

Lunch is served promptly @ 11:30 everyday must make reservations 2 days in advance BEFORE NOON Call 978-649-9211 \$2.00 for seniors & \$4.50 for non-seniors

• **WELLNESS CLINIC COA, 169 Westford Rd 978-649-9211** Nancy Harding, RN, from the **Circle Home, Inc.** 1st Tues each month.

• **WELLNESS CLINIC at ELDERLY HOUSING** Nancy Harding, RN, from the **Circle Home, Inc.** Red Pines Elderly Housing, the third Tuesday of each month from **8:30 - 9:30.** Brinley Terrace Elderly Housing, the fourth Tuesday of each month **8:30-10:00.**

• **HOMEMADE and DELICIOUS** Every Friday Volunteers give up their time and make up a delicious homemade meal for a \$3.00 donation and if we have leftovers you are welcome to a second plate. If you're interested in coming please call 3 days in advance. You'll be happy you came. It's a warm, welcoming environment. Rummy Cube afterwards.

• **VETERANS' COFFEE HOUR!! Thursday, March 9th, 9:30-10:30** (Run by Chris Dery - Town Veteran's Agent) This is an informal group that meets once a month to reminisce about time served and discuss benefits that are available to veterans. Come on down and have a cup of coffee and a donut amongst friends! Joseph J. Stavolta will give assistance and answer questions.

• **ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION, Wednesday, March 15th at 11:30** **LAST DAY FOR SIGN UP IS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8TH** Tickets are \$5.00 for a traditional corned beef and cabbage dinner. Tyngsborough Middle School will be here for entertainment. **Must have a ticket to attend. (See Greeter)**

• **FREE TAX ASSISTANCE** Mondays mornings **ONLY** Harry Gong, an AARP volunteer tax preparer will be available to assist you with your taxes between 9:00-12:00 on Mondays through April 10th, 2017. Call the Senior Center to schedule an appointment. 978-649-9211.

• **DAY OF BEAUTY Thursday, March 16th, 10:30 -12:30** We will be going to Nashoba Valley Technical High. If you would like the cosmetology price listing feel free to come in and pick one up. Bus available to and from, call 978-649-9211.

• **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT "THANK YOU LUNCHEON"** Wednesday, March 22nd, 11:30 **LAST DAY FOR SIGN UP IS WEDNESDAY MARCH 15TH** Come and join us for lunch to thank the Tyngsborough Highway Department. Tickets \$3.00.

• **SPECIAL LUNCH HOUR (10% discount) AT CAZADORES, Monday, March 20th 11:30-1:00 Sign up by March 15th** Check out the newest restaurant in town. After a long cold winter get some fresh air, catch up with friends for fun and laughter while sampling Cazadores Mexican menu.

• **SHINE Serving Health Insurance Needs of Everyone.** Wednesday March 15th, 8:30-12:30 Our Counselor Lillian Colby will be holding office hours at the Center every third Wednesday of the month. Call 978-649-9211 to schedule an appointment. **Please bring insurance cards and a list of prescriptions you take with you.**

• **FOOTCARE CLINIC** TyngsboroughCOA, 169 Westford Rd 978-649-9211 Next appointment, Tuesday, April, 18th, 10:00-12:00, \$30 **DONATIONS NEEDED:** Hot Coffee Cups - 8 oz., Coffee. Paper Plates Lg or Sm, Medium Paper Bowls. Clear Wrapping paper to wrap baskets 3' tall. We are looking for volunteers to help and/or prepare our Friday lunches. We will supply all the ingredients and you can use our kitchen for preparation. **Please contact Barbara Roche at 978-649-9211 if you are interested!**

• **FAITH WORKS!** Faithworks is back! They will help us again with repairs, yard work etc. All referrals must be received by April 9th. We will need to give them your name, address, phone number and your specific request. Call Rose or Tracy at 978-649-9211 if you are interested.



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DATES TO REMEMBER

- **Sunday, March 12** Daylight Saving Time Begins.
Turn clocks ahead one hour Saturday Night.
- **Friday, March 17** St. Patrick's Day
- **Monday, March 20** Spring Begins
- **Saturday, April 1** All Fools' Day
- **Sunday, April 9** Palm Sunday
- **Tuesday, April 11** Passover Begins
- **Friday, April 14** Good Friday
- **Sunday, April 16** Easter Sunday
- **Saturday, April 22** Earth Day
- **Wednesday, April 26** Administrative Professionals Day

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TYNGSBOROUGH HIGH SCHOOL

... is proud to announce Haley Bean, Hope Caniff, Samantha Lee, and Kush Patel as the February students of the month.

Haley, daughter of Russell and Laurie Bean, is a member of the National Honor Society and a recipient of the Principal's Award and the Dedication to Learning Award. She is also a member of the Spanish National Honor Society and the Senior Sidekicks program. Haley is a four-year member of the girls' basketball team, and is currently a senior captain. She has volunteered over 300 hours of her time in the community, including at a soup kitchen in Nashua, with her church, and with NHS. Haley enjoys reading, playing basketball, spending time with friends and family, and working. Her favorite subjects are AP Biology, AP Literature, AP Language, and AP Chemistry. Haley looks forward to obtaining a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing, becoming a registered nurse, working in a hospital in the neonatal unit, and travelling the world helping people through Nurses Without Borders. "THS has allowed me to make friends and be apart of a very special community while giving me the opportunity to grow in my education."

Hope, daughter of Nicole and Peter Caniff, is a member of the National Honor Society and a recipient of the Core Values Award, the St. Michael's Book Award, and the Principal's Award. She is a founder of the SAGA (Sexuality and Gender Alliance) club, and a four-year member of the theater department. Hope has also been a four-year member of both the field hockey and girls' basketball teams, and is a current captain for the basketball team. She has volunteered her time at various children's events at the library, at spring clean-ups at THS, and by tutoring her peers. Hope enjoys singing, playing the piano, and participating in theater, and her favorite subjects are AP Biology and AP Chemistry. She looks forward to earning a Bachelor of Science in Biology and to earning an MD so she can become a doctor and save lives. "At THS I have made friendships worth lasting a lifetime."

Samantha, child of Kimberly and John Lee, is a recipient of the Academic Excellence Award, the Massachusetts Foreign Language Association Award for Leadership in Foreign Language Activities, and the Outstanding Achievement in Foreign Language. She is a member of the theater program, the SAGA club, and ITS; The International Thespian Society. Samantha volunteers her time with the House of Hope, the Special Olympics, at the Snack Shack at Bridemeadow, and at theater events for the middle school. She enjoys drawing, singing, doing logic puzzles, watching old game shows, watching animated programs, watching psychological thrillers, reading, and playing with her cats. Samantha's favorite subjects are science, math, musical theater, Spanish, anatomy, Biology of Cancer, Projects in Art, and many more. She looks forward to seeing the world change with her. "Eventually there will be a day, after high school has long since passed us by, where I'll remember all my experiences here. I'll remember the knowledge I gained; the curiosity that permeated each question I had. I'll remember the friends I made; classmates and teachers alike. And most of all, I'll remember the family that I became a part of."

Kush, son of Bhupendra and Chandrika Patel, is a member of the National Honor Society and is a recipient of the Academic Excellence Award, the Outstanding Achievement in Computer Science, and the Outstanding Achievement in Social Studies. He is a member of the boys' tennis team and has volunteered his time at the Tyngsborough Public Library. Kush enjoys fixing computers, working out, travelling, trying new technology, watching Star Wars videos, and gaming. His favorite subjects are math, science, War Literature, history, and Game-Making. Kush looks forward to graduating from college with a Computer Science degree, becoming a software engineer, starting a family, and living a happy and prosperous life. "THS has given me the knowledge to fulfill my dreams, and as I look to the future, I will never forget my amazing friends, and the memories we have created."

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The application is available on our website www.EFTyng.org and should be submitted to EFT by **March 15th**. We look forward to awarding grants that will enhance educational opportunities across our public school district which will directly benefit our students and their learning experience. All grants will be formally announced and celebrated at our Annual Awards Ceremonies in June. To see a description of the grants awarded the first eight years or to get an overview of the grant program please visit www.EFTyng.org and click on *Grant Programs*.

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As always, the EFT welcomes **volunteers** who would like to help us achieve our mission and support our fundraising efforts. For more information, please contact our President, Karen Jackson at contact@eftyng.org. The Education Foundation for Tyngsborough is a non-profit organization striving to enhance educational opportunities across Tyngsborough's Public School District by raising funds and promoting awareness of issues related to public education. Like us on **Facebook!**

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TYNGSBORO GARDEN CLUB



Winter is surely upon us as we have had many inches of snow to upset many people's schedules. Unfortunately, we had to cancel our February 7th meeting to paint clay pots for spring. Perhaps we will pick it up again next year.

However, our **March 7th meeting at 7:00 pm at the Evangelical Church on Kendall Road** should be wonderful as we will enjoy a presentation by Maureen Bovet from Lexington on Paris gardens. Spring is right around the corner, and this should be a welcome presentation!

Our April 4th meeting will feature Linda Sheldon of Tyngsborough and fellow garden club member speaking to us on the use of herbicides in Preen and Roundup vs natural ways to fertilize your plants and gardens. This should be an eye opening and interesting presentation at 7:00 at the church.

The end of April will also bring **Art in Bloom at the library and Earth Day at the Sherburne House**. In May, we will celebrate Spring with a trip to Mahoney's garden center in North Chelmsford. More details to follow next month. There is a lot going on in town with many groups and committees. Hope to see you somewhere!
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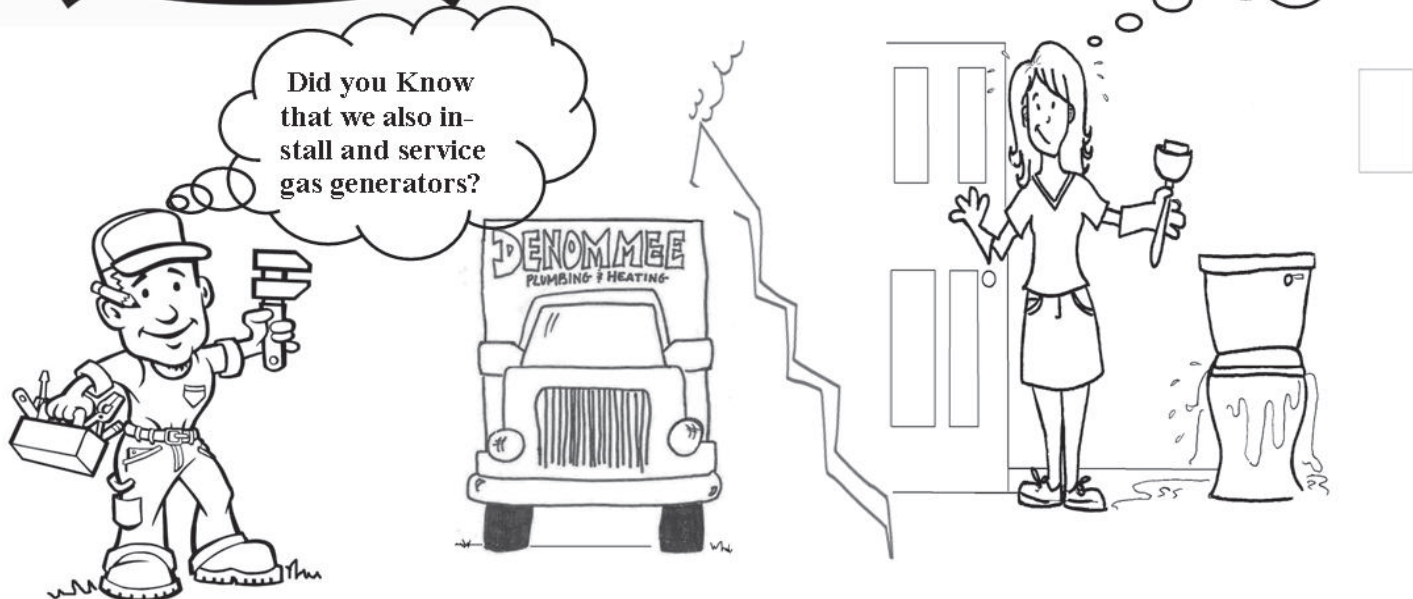
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• **Feel Mad: Helping Your Child Manage Angry Feelings Workshop** Date: March 8, 2017, 7:00-9:00pm

Location: Tyngsborough Middle School, 50 Norris Rd; Tyngsborough, MA 01879 Upstairs in the Library Speaker: Nadine Briggs, www.simplysocialkids.com This parent seminar will explore the causes of anger in kids, ideas to prevent outbursts from occurring, and how to problem solve situations that are resulting in angry feelings. This workshop provides an empathetic approach to angry outbursts and gives a menu of safe strategies that children can try to solve their problems. This seminar is based on the workbook, I Feel Mad: Tips for Kids on Managing Angry Feelings co-authored by Donna Shea and Nadine Briggs and published by How to Make and Keep Friends, LLC All of their books will be available for purchase this evening by credit, debit or cash. This workshop is FREE and Open to the public and all towns! It is for BOTH parents and Educators! **You must RSVP to Amy-Jane Maciel Tyngsboro SEPAC Chair at ajmaciel@comcast.net to attend. Thank you.**

The Tyngsboro SEPAC Chair is always available to answer any questions or concerns parents/guardians may have/feel. Please contact Amy-Jane anytime at ajmaciel@comcast.net. All other SEPAC contact information is below. Thank you!

Contact Information: Amy-Jane Maciel, Tyngsboro SEPAC Chair: Ajmaciel@comcast.net

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We have Men's and Women's singles and a Mixed Doubles Division. There is every level of play, from beginner to advanced and all matches will be coordinated by experience in order to facilitate enjoyable, competitive play. The league is open to anyone over the age of 18 and you do not need to be a resident of Tyngsboro to join. We've had over 80- players in past seasons!!

Registration fee is \$20.00 per player. The Adult Tennis program offers participants league play and presents a great opportunity to socialize and compete on the courts on a regular basis. We play on the weekends at 9:30am, 11:00, 12:30pm or 2:00 depending on your personal conflicts (if any) -- matches last 1 1/2 hours. A new schedule is made each week matching different players with similar ability and taking in to consideration any weekend conflicts you may have. **All players must register and league fees are due at the time of registration.** Players may register individually or with a partner for the mixed doubles league (\$40 total) **Registration must be submitted by April 20th in order to be included in the first week.** The openings are filled on a first come first served basis. Register at tyngsboroughrec.homestead.com/Tennis.html or contact Scott at sellis7511@comcast.net.



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If your organization or non profit group has a special event coming up in **April** please send the info in by **March 10th**. Articles are placed on a first come, first served basis. Call or email me if you have further questions about submitting news. News can be sent in a word file or in the body of an email.

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• **Pastel Paint the 45-Million-Dollar-Flower, Saturday, March 25, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.** A pastel workshop with award-winning pastel painter Gregory Maichack. All materials are included: pastels, pastel paper and pencils. **Registration required.**

• **Makerspace: 3D technology and robotics!** Calling all tinkerers, makers and engineers on **Saturday, April 1, 10 a.m. 2:00 p.m.** **Ages 7- adults.** Learn how to scan and print 3D objects. Try out a 3Doodler and other cool technologies! **Session One:** 10-11:30 a.m.–Ages 7-12 with parent; **Session Two:** 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.–Ages 13+ and adults Registration required for sessions 1 & 2. Drop in and check out what's happening. *The Makerspace and Pastel Painting programs are funded in part by a grant from the Tyngsborough Cultural Council, which is supported by the MA Cultural Council, a state agency.*



• **Mentalist Preston Heller's "Well Guarded Secrets", Wednesday, March 15, 7-8:30 p.m.** This exciting show includes enhanced psychic abilities, thought implantation, telekinesis, sixth sense, telepathy, and inexplicable physical illusions. Plan to participate for a very surprising experience! Recommended for ages 12 and older. **BENEFIT!** Please bring nonperishable food items to donate to the Council on Aging.

• **Tyngsborough High School Student Art Exhibit, March 22-April 5.** Stop by to view the paintings, sculpture and mixed media works of our talented young artists! **Opening Reception – Wednesday, March 22, 6-8 p.m.**

• **"Welcome Spring" Tea Party, Thursday, March 23, 2-3:30 p.m.** Join us for an elegant afternoon of teas, treats, door prizes and lovely company. Registration required. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library, the Library Trustees & Staff.

• **Mindful Eating: Why What and How You Eat Matters, Wednesday, March 29, 7-8 p.m.** Be aware of how you eat and learn practical strategies for mindful eating. With integrative nutrition health coach Stephanie Kirylych. **Registration preferred, but not required.**

• **Craft Beer Basics, Wednesday, April 5, 7 p.m.** Dan Eng, president of Natick's Barleycorn's Craft Brew, will discuss the history of beer, ingredients & methodology, beer styles, tasting & sensory evaluation, and food pairings. **FREE BEER SAMPLES! A valid government issued photo ID is required for entrance.**

• **College Financial Planning, Wednesday, March 8, 7-8:00 p.m.** College planning and financial aid seminar: how to pay for college without bankrupting yourself and your children. Teens welcome with a parent. Registration preferred but not required.

• **Saturday, March 11, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Game On! Modding Minecraft. Grades 6-12.** Build structures and run simple games in Minecraft with the Raspberry Pi microcomputer and Python programming language! Registration required.

• **Pokemon Club, Wednesday, March 15 Two Sessions: Teens ages 13+, 3-4:00 p.m. Ages 9-12, 4-5:00 p.m.** Bring your own cards or handheld device. Enter a raffle. Drop in.

New! Family Music Program: Saturday, March 4, 1-1:40 p.m. Infants to age 3. Sound Play: music and movement in a fun and playful program and includes singing, dancing, playing instruments & more. Registration required. **Upcoming dates: 4/8 and 5/6. • Music Together demo class, Thursday, March 9, 11-11:45 a.m. Infants to age 5.** Music Together® is a wonderful early childhood musical program. Registration required. **Upcoming dates: 4/13 and 5/11. • Make and Take Craft for kids, Monday, March 13, 4-6:00 p.m. Ages 5-12.** Drop in. • **Open Minds: Yoga and Literacy Class for 3-5 year olds on Tuesdays, February 14 –March 28, 10-10:45 a.m.** Registration required and must sign up for all six weeks. **Tiny Tots Storytime, March 15, 11-11:30 a.m. Infants to three year olds.** Drop in.

Spanish Stories! Wednesday, March 8, 4:30-5:00 pm. Ages 4-10. THS Spanish Honor Society students will read stories. Learn some Spanish words, activities and more. • **Lego Club: Saturday, March 18, 10 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Grades K- 5.** Drop in **Dads & Donuts Playgroup: Saturday, March 25, 10-11:00 a.m. Infants & toddlers.** Drop in. • **Storytimes for 3-5 year olds. Thursdays at 1:00 p.m.** Drop in. • **Pajama Jam, Wednesday, April 5, 6:30-7:15 p.m. Toddlers to age 4.** Registration required. **Open Minds: Yoga and Literacy Class for 3-5 year olds on Tuesdays, April 4 –May 16, 10-10:45 a.m.** Registration required and must sign up for all six weeks.

• **Writer's Group - Mondays at 6:30 p.m.** Feedback and publishing tips; all genres. Contact Karen Johnson at 978-649-7132 or kjohnson39@comcast.net

• **Rep. Colleen Garry (or a representative) Office Hour – September-May, third Saturday of each month from 9-10 a.m.**

• **The Friends of the Library** meet on the 1st Monday of every month at 7 p.m., September-June.

• **The Board of Library Trustees** meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6:45 in the Library.

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THE ESTATE TAX

By Edward H. Adamsky

You may be working on your Income Tax return about now and know more than you wish about income and deductions, but do you know anything about the Estate Tax? You complete an Income Tax return every year but an Estate Tax return is something you may only encounter once, if ever. Here is some information on the Estate Tax.

The Estate Tax is tax on the value of the assets of someone who has died. The assets are valued as of the date of death and those assets include everything in which the person had an interest. These may include a house, bank accounts, investments, retirement accounts, and life insurance proceeds (even though those proceeds aren't paid out until after death). The Estate Tax return must be completed and filed, and the tax paid, within nine months of death.

There is a Federal Estate Tax and some States, like Massachusetts, have their own separate tax. There is a threshold below which an estate does not have to pay Estate Tax. The Federal limit is \$5.45 million. If the estate assets are worth less than that, then there is no Federal tax due and no return required. The Massachusetts exemption is \$1 million. Thus an estate of \$2 million would have to file and pay Massachusetts but not Federal Estate Tax.

There is no Estate Tax between a legally married couple. The unlimited marital deduction eliminates the tax on assets that pass to a spouse. The size of the estate (and the amount of the Estate Tax) can also be reduced by various deductions such as amounts paid to charities and allowable expenses of the Estate.

In conjunction with the Estate Tax there is a Gift Tax. To make the Estate Tax work, which taxes assets at death, there has to be a Gift Tax, that taxes the making of gifts during life. If there were no Gift Tax then everyone could just give everything away sometime before death and no one would ever pay the Estate Tax. The Gift Tax has the same lifetime exemptions. There is also a yearly exemption of \$14,000. You can make as many yearly gifts up to the exemption amount as you wish and you will not use up any of your lifetime exemption. If you go over the yearly exemption amount, you may use up some of your lifetime exemption.

Most people won't ever have to pay an Estate Tax. Either their assets will be under the exemption amount or they will find some other way to avoid the tax. There are various tools such as Trusts that can be used to help reduce or eliminate the Estate Tax. If you have an estate that is larger than the exemption amounts, then you should see your Estate Planning Attorney and figure out if there are planning tools that are right for you.

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A series (4 classes) March 14, 15, 21, 22 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The next session will be held on April 4, 5, 11, 12. Classes are held at Middlesex Community College, 67 Middle St., Classroom 405, Downtown Lowell. **Register online at www.mvhp.org or call 978-459-8490.**

Landlord Training Classes are held from 5pm to 8:45pm on the following dates March 27, April 24, May 17 as well as other future dates.

Please check online for other available classes.

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Thank you to all who attended Trivia Night! Congratulations to our top 3 teams: "Titanic Smarts", "Beverlee Hillbillies" and "The Critics". A special thank you goes out to Bob Mercier, as he added to the enjoyment of the evening as the Trivia MC. Thank you, Bob Hill, for donating your winnings from the 50/50 Raffle. All proceeds from Trivia Night and our other fundraisers go towards scholarships for the Class of 2017.

Attention Class of 2017: The TST Scholarship application is now available on our website: www.tyngsboroughscholarshiptrust.org. The application is also available at the THS Guidance office. Students must be a high school senior, a resident of Tyngsborough and have plans to further their education in the fall to apply. Students attending high schools other than THS are also encouraged to apply. All applications are due on March 3rd; **late applications cannot be accepted.** Please see our website for more information.

The TST Business Drive began March 1st: If you would like to make a tax-deductible contribution to our business drive, please contact us info@tyngsboroughscholarshiptrust.org or mail your donation to P.O. Box 547 Tyngsborough, MA 01879. Any donation of \$500 or more will qualify for a "Named Scholarship" which will allow us to offer a scholarship in your name or in honor of a loved one.

The Door to Door Scholarship Drive begins on April 1st. High school seniors participating in the Door to Door drive will canvas neighborhoods in Tyngsborough raising money for scholarships. If you work for a company that matches donations, you can double your donation to scholarship drive. BAE Systems, Digital Credit Union, Fidelity, JC Penney, and Raytheon are just a few of the companies that participate in the matching gift program.

A reminder to the 2016 scholarship recipients: Please be sure to submit proof of school enrollment to the TST at P.O. Box 547, Tyngsborough MA 01879 by April 15th so you can receive your first or second payment. Please contact Ellen O'Neill, Treasurer, at 978-649-9195 with any questions regarding payment.

The TST meets on the second Wednesday of the month at the Tyngsborough Town Hall at 7 p.m. For 53 years volunteers from the community have been coordinating fundraising and awarding scholarships to high school students from Tyngsborough. We welcome and need your help to continue this town tradition. Please join us at our monthly meetings the second Wednesday of the month at the Tyngsborough Town Hall. Please contact info@TyngsboroughScholarshipTrust.org with any questions.



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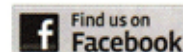
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TYNGSBOROUGH DUNSTABLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Events will be held at the Little Red Schoolhouse which is located on Route 113, near the Tyngsborough/ Dunstable Town Line.

There is a program on **March 26, 2017** called **Dunstable, Dunstable, Dunstable**, with **Scott McPhie** who is a historian and knows the history of Dunstable when it was a very large township. Following his lecture the recently repaired and rebound Town Vital Records, Town meeting records and Selectmen's records from the 18, 19, and 20th centuries will be available for viewing. Historian Carol Bacon and Town Clerk Carol Skerrett will be present to answer questions regarding these records. **The lecture will be held at the Dunstable Town Hall, 511 Main St at 3:00 PM.**

April 22, 2017 is the annual **Spring Cleanup at the Red Schoolhouse starting at 9:00 AM.** We would love to see some new faces to help make the schoolhouse sparkle for our programs this year, call Bill Psaledakis at 978 649-6005 for more information.

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Mr. Skylar Grossman, Tyngsboro Middle School Theater Director, reported that all 4 productions of Godspell were sold out and were a tremendous success. Thanks to all volunteers, cast, crew and community who helped make the shows a success!

- On 3/25, Tyngsboro H.S. is hosting an ITS One Act festival and this will require many parent and student volunteers to help manage all the activities. Please contact Sarah Martin, THS Theater Director if you are able to help.

- The FOTT is busy preparing for the Masquerade Ball to be held at Old Town Hall on Friday, April 14th. Tickets are \$50 per couple of \$30 per individual. This event is for those 18+ and it's going to be a fun night where costumes are encouraged but the only requirement is that a masque be worn by all who attend. Please contact Dawn Pierce at 978-490-7657 for tickets.

- On 4/29, the middle school will be participating in the Middle School festival and Cavedream has been chosen as the show to be performed by 15 cast members.

- This year's High School main stage show is **Fiddler on the Roof**. Auditions took place in early February. **Show dates are:** Friday, 5/12 @ 7pm, Saturday, 5/13 @ 7pm, Saturday, 5/20 @ 7pm and Sunday, 5/21 at 2pm. **Tickets will go on sale on March 30th** via online ticket sales which can be found on the FOTT website: FOTTtheater.org. Please help us sell out each of these shows – purchase your tickets online early. And be part of our "TRADITION"!!

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7:00 PM: Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ at St. Mary

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ARE ALL SINS REALLY EQUAL IN GOD'S EYES?

By Nathan Combs

The Bible clearly teaches that all people commit sin (Romans 3.23), all become participants in the brokenness of the world when we sin, and all stand in desperate need of God's grace. But does Scripture teach that God views all sins as equally repulsive? The answer to this question is not merely philosophical and carries far-reaching consequences for our spiritual lives.

First, it's fairly easy to see that sins are not equal in terms of their *effects* on other people. For example, murdering your next door neighbor not only affects you, but also your murdered neighbor, your respective families, and the community in which you live. Coveting your neighbor's boat, however, mostly affects you because it's an internal attitude. Both are wrong, but the damage they produce in the world differs greatly.

Secondly, sins are also not equal in terms of the level of *punishment* needed to address them. For instance, first degree murder is a capital offense in most civilized societies, as it was in ancient Israel (Numbers 35.30-31). Breaking the speed limit, however, only merits a stern warning and perhaps a small fine. The way that our judicial system counts some infractions more serious than others is a reflection of how our Creator views and addresses sin.

Consider what Jesus told Pilate in John 19.11, that "he who delivered me over to you has the *greater sin*." In His discussions with Jewish leaders, Jesus held up certain righteous characteristics as "*weightier* matters of the law," implying a weightier level of sin if "justice and mercy and faithfulness" are not practiced (Matthew 23.23). In Luke 12.47-48, Jesus taught that different degrees of punishment are appropriate depending on the the seriousness of an individual's actions. In Proverbs 6.16-19, God identified seven specific sins that He "hates," implying that these particular transgressions are especially depraved, because they lie at the root of so many other sins. Throughout the Law of Moses, God gave descriptions of certain kinds of offenses that were "abominations" to Him, clearly setting them apart as particularly evil (e.g. Leviticus 18.22; Deuteronomy 7.25, 23.18). Throughout Scripture, we are struck by God's special hatred of certain actions that destroy His fundamental plans for human flourishing.

What are the practical implications of understanding God's perspective of sin? First, the way I treat sin in *myself* depends on how God views my sin. If I understand that God truly abhors "haughty eyes" (Proverbs 6.17), then I will likewise prioritize eradicating pride from my heart! Similarly, the way we treat sin in *others* is necessarily affected by God's view of sin. If a fellow Christians is caught in a sin God especially hates, I must restore him in a spirit of gentleness (Galatians 6.1) but also clearly communicate to him the seriousness of his situation. Lastly, if I do not view sin accurately, it will be impossible to for me to learn how to think as God does and embrace His mind (Isaiah 55.6-9).

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PIE BAKE-OFF! Saturday, March 18th! A community favorite event returns! Drop off your favorite homemade pie between 10 am and 12 Noon at Fellowship Hall at the Dunstable Church. Please include your recipe. All ages welcome. Multiple categories (even for those who prefer to use a store-bought crust), special awards! Judges are looking for Best overall presentation, quality of crust, filling flavor. Sponsored by the Sunshine Girls. Judging in the afternoon, then public is invited at 6:30 pm to sample and taste. For more info or to sign-up, contact Sue Metzler (978-649-7737) or Susan.metzler@hotmail.com or Sue Tully at sjt0213@verizon.net.
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The Parish Center for the Arts, Corner of Boston Road and Lincoln Street on Westford Common, PO Box 411, Westford, MA 01886 Telephone: (978) 692-6333

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• Staying Found with Search and Rescue Dogs

April 22 9:30-11:30 Beaver Brook Brown Lane Barn 52 Brown Lane Hollis NH Co-sponsored by Beaver Brook, the Appalachian Mountain Club and NE K-9 Search and Rescue. Focus is to teach children how not to get lost, and how to stay safe if separated from their group. For kids aged 4-10. Free! See search and rescue dogs in action! The workshop will start at 9:30am and run for 1.5-2 hours. Pre-registration required. These workshops sometimes fill up, so register early Register online at www.beaverbrook.org

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Saint Louis School, 77 Boisvert St, Lowell 01850 is now accepting applications from the 2017-2018 school year in grades Pre K 3 thru grade 8. Part time options are available in our Pre K 3 program. Any new student who enrolls in our K-8 program will receive a \$50 towards tuition. Tours and "shadow" days are available. Simply contact the school office to schedule an appointment 978 458 7594.

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RISE SPRING SESSION



Seniors can choose from more than 57 five-week courses with two start dates. Second term courses begin March 13 and end April 21. There are no learning prerequisites, no tests and no credits earned. Membership for the ten-weeks of courses is \$130.00 and includes the use of the Muldoon Health and Fitness Center, Regina Library, and Dion Dining Hall.

Members may participate in up to five courses each term. Course topics include literature, history, music, art, computer science, photography, religion, philosophy and spiritual enrichment, writing, world cultures, current events, personal finances, genealogy, film, moderate exercise and water exercise. Twenty four of the courses are new for Spring.

The RISE program, tailored for "learning in retirement", is in its twentieth year. Individuals over age 55 are welcome to learn more about RISE, meet with facilitators and register with a check for the Spring Semester at the information session.

The RISE program will be holding a year-long celebration of its twentieth anniversary. The program began under the guidance of the late Dr. Rose Arthur, long time Rivier Dean of the Undergraduate Evening School, to offer enriched learning opportunities for area adults in collaboration with the Road Scholar Network.

Course brochures are available online, at local libraries and senior centers, and at the RISE office at Rivier University, which is in Memorial Hall, Room 126, on Clement Street. Seniors can view and download a brochure from the RISE website www.rivier.edu/rise and/or <http://www.facebook.com/RISE1997>. Additional information is available by calling (603) 897-8623.

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- **Sunday Evenings:** All Church Bible Study 6:30-8pm "How to recognize god's voice (and respond in obedience)" This began 1/15/17 and will continue 12 weeks. Study books are available for \$10. **Open to the community.**

- **Tuesday** 9:30 - 11:30 am -Women's. Bible Study. (Old Testament Women) All women invited

- **Tuesday Evenings:** Boards and Committee meetings

- **Thursday and Saturday** - Thrift Shop Open from 10am-3pm

- **Friday:** Youth Group meets. Call Joy at 978-649-6142) High School and Joan at 978-649-2590) for Middle School.

- **THE 150th Anniversary Committee** of the church is meeting regularly now to plan events for the historic celebration in 2018.

- **Feb 12, 2017. Women's Winter Event. 12 noon until 2:30pm**

- **Ladies Day Apart In Derry, NH, april 1, 2017**

• **THE THRIFT SHOP** Located next to the Church, it is open to the public on **Thursdays and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.** We offer an assortment of clothing and shoes, handbags, baby items, books, small appliances, dishes, glassware, decorative items, and craft items, ETC. We welcome your patronage and donations. **Please do not drop off large furniture, TV's, Computers or Bikes.** Thanks so much for understanding, we haven't means by which to dispose of them without incurring costs.

DUNSTABLE TYNGSBOUGH LIONS CLUB



"We Serve" The Lions Club is a non-profit organization of men and women dedicated to helping the community through donations raised by volunteers.

- **Officers for the 2015-2016 Lions Year**

President: Gerry Roth, Secretary/Treasurer: Bob Reich, Membership Chairman: Ed Majewski, 1st Vice President: Mike Roth, Tail Twister/Lion Tamer: Mark Alexander

- Anyone who would like to join the Lions is asked to call Ed Majewski at 978-649-6204 or Mark Alexander at 978-649-9124. Our Regular Meetings are held at Angelas on the first Tuesday of the month starting at 6:30 pm.

YOU CAN HELP BY DONATING THE FOLLOWING:

- **USED EYEGLASSES** are collected for refurbishment and distribution to less advantaged people around the world. *We thank all who have donated glasses.*

- **CAN TABS (in sealed bags)** are also collected for kidney dialysis time through the Shriners Hospital.

Lion's collection boxes for eyeglasses and tabs (in sealed bags) are located at the Tyngsborough Post Office, American Legion Post 247 at 90 Pawtucket Blvd., Tyngsborough Council on Aging Center, 169 Westford Rd., Tyngsborough and Dunstable Town Hall, Post Office and Library.

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Please call Maureen Johnson 978-454-0055 for more information or if you'd like to join. We will be having an organizational meeting soon--We will notify players of date and time for meeting and start of rehearsal. Any donations of used instruments would be greatly appreciated especially a concert bass drum and stand.

NEW ENGLAND VOICES IN HARMONY

The Nashua based women's a cappella chorus, New England Voices in Harmony, invites ambitious female singers to attend *rehearsals every Tuesday evening beginning at 6:30 pm* at our rehearsal space: the Nashua Senior Center, second floor, 70 Temple St., Nashua. New England Voices in Harmony is a chapter of Harmony, Inc. an international non-profit, educational group which promotes singing in the barbershop style. Rita Ralston at rralston10@aol.com for more information. www.newenglandvoicesinharmony.org



ALTRUSA CLUB OF MERRIMACK VALLEY

ALTRUSA is a non-profit community service organization dedicated to improving the lives of those in need in our community. With the start of a new year, Altrusa is recruiting new members to help with our projects. To learn more about Altrusa visit at www.altrusa.org or email altrusamv@gmail.com.



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 247

90 Pawtucket Blvd. Tyngsborough, MA 01879

Meetings are held the first Thursday of each month.

Auxiliary Unit Officers for 2016-2017

President: Diane Dileo; Sr. Vice: Kathleen Olje; Jr. Vice: Annette Coles; Treasurer: Frances Radgowski; Secretary: Josephine Beauregard; and SGT-At-Arms: Mary Dupras.
Executive Committee: Mary Hanley and Maureen Harris

For information on the Auxiliary Unit meetings, or functions contact Unit President Diane Dileo at 978-204-9329 or Unit Secretary Josephine Beauregard 978-459-7015.

Yours In Auxiliary, Unit Secretary, Josephine Beauregard

THE UNIT IS STILL COLLECTING can pull tabs drop off at Post and earmark for Auxiliary. **We also would Welcome New Auxiliary Members** 18 and older. Contact Unit President or Treasurer.

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We are always welcoming new members. Drop in or call 978-649-7540. **Anyone interested** in becoming a member of the Sons of the American Legion is welcome to attend our monthly meeting. **Applications are available at the Post at any time.**

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- New Toys for Birthday Bags 1-3 yr olds & 6-8 yr old girls, crayons
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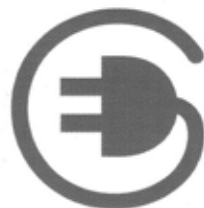
Beyond basic necessities the agencies also need simple educational toys to take into their client's homes to help stimulate babies and toddlers to develop successfully. We created our BITS Bag project to help fill this important need. If you can help with any of these items please contact Jill at Jill@thewishproject.org to let her know how you can help. Our goal is to give these early education toys out to 500 children in Merrimack Valley in April. These BITS bags will go to therapist workers so that they can leave the toys in the home for the child and parent to play and practice between visits. Last year we gave out 600+ bags to families in Merrimack Valley. You can help by donating filled bags, collect items.

WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO JOIN US AT THE WISH PROJECTS 6TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC.

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The Wish Project provides furniture, home, and baby Goods-Bank to more than 27,000 needy people each year. All clients are referred through social service agencies, and are financially qualified. A 501C3 tax deductible charity For more information visit <http://www.irs.gov> 1 A Foundry St. 495 to Lowell Connector to Exit 4 Plain St., Lowell, MA 01852 Turn Right on Plain St., go 0.3 miles, Turn Right on Foundry. Call **978-441-9474**, or find out more on our website www.TheWishProject.org/press/

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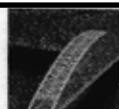
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by Tara M. Sacramone, DVM



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Histiocytomas are quick growing and very specific looking as well. They are freely moveable, round, firm, often have no hair and are ulcerated. They grow to about 1 centimeter and sometimes look like a button. They generally occur on the head or legs of short-haired breed dogs, and most dogs get only one.

Not every skin mass in a young dog is a histiocytoma, so if you find one bring your pet to your veterinarian. However, histiocytomas are very common, so if you do find a skin mass in your young dog don't panic, you may get lucky and it will go away all by itself.

UMASS LOWELL LEARNING IN RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION (LIRA) SPRING CURRICULUM 2017

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