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TYNGSBOROUGH TOWN CLERK NEWS

2019 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!

2019 CENSUS forms will be mailed early in January. 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 send one. 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 14, 2019

Two-Year Term: Sewer Commissioner
Three-Year Term: Selectman, Board of Assessor, Board of Health, Library Trustee (2), Cemetery Commissioner, Finance Committee (2), School Committee (2), Sewer Commissioner
Five-Year Term: Housing Authority, Planning Board
Nomination papers will be available at the Town Clerk's Office
Have a safe and happy holiday season!

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



GIRLS SCOUT TROOP 76207'S PET SUPPLY DRIVE

Tyngsborough Girl Scout Troop 76207 is hoping to help the animal shelter, Lowell Humane Society. If you are able to donate any of the items below, we have collection boxes at the Tyngsborough Public Library (the exterior entryway to the Children's Room) and the Tyngsborough Elementary School lobby until February 28th.

- Stainless steel food/water dishes
- New 6-foot leashes
- New collars, including cat/kitten break-away collars
- Cat toys
- Paper towels
- Gift cards (see below)

If you would like to donate gift card(s) to store(s) where the Lowell Humane Society buys supplies (Petco, PetSmart, Walmart, Market Basket, Home Depot, Staples), please put it/them in an envelope labeled "Girls Scouts Troop 76207's Pet Supply Drive" to give to the staff who will get them to us.

Please help if you can. Thanks!

IN MEMORY OF

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David P. Seigny
Robert St. Hilaire
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Ronald L. Maynard

NOTICE

TYNGSBOROUGH WATER DISTRICT

Nomination papers are available for two (2), 3 year term for Water Commissioner. Nomination papers need to be returned by February 13, 2019 at 2:00 PM and can be obtained at the Tyngsborough Water District, 87 Progress Avenue, Unit 2.

The Election will be held on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM at the District office. All registered voters residing in the District are welcome to vote at this time.

The Annual/Special Meetings of the District will be held on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the District Office. 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

ATTENTION ALL WINSLOW SCHOOL ALUMNI

The Friends of the Winslow School and Winslow School Reunion Planning Committee need your help in collecting Winslow School Class photos! We ask that you please search your attics, basements, closets, old albums, wherever you think you may find your old school photos, and get them to us for cataloguing.

Stop by the Littlefield Library, 252 Middlesex Rd., Tyngsborough, on Saturday March 2, 2019 from 10:00-12:00 where we can scan your photo for our records so that you may take your photo back home with you.

You can also take a picture of your photo and email us the jpeg right from your phone! Please email us your pictures to ashleymak-evich@yahoo.com

Thank you so much for your support and your photos! We can't wait to see what you send us!



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

• **Tyngsborough Recreation Winter Softball Clinic 2019**
EXCITING NEWS -the Leslie University Softball Team will be helping to run the clinic! Sundays, January 27 - March 24, 2019 (except Feb. 17th) Two 1-hour sessions 2:30-3:30pm and 3:30-4:30pm \$60/player (\$100 family cap) Ages 4-14 2-week free trial for new players only. Try it. If she likes it, pay on week #3

• **Family Movie Night** *Old Town Hall, Kendall Road* March 1st, 7pm Movie TBD check our website and FB page

• **Shamrock Ball** for Daughters of all ages and their Dads (or Grandfather, Uncle, etc.) A Father-Daughter Dance with DJ, light refreshments, and a corsage for each girl. A photographer will be on site, offering packages to capture your special evening. Saturday, March 16, 2019 7 - 9 pm Tyngsborough Elementary School \$40 per couple, \$5 for each additional child ~ Advanced registration required ~

• **Shamrock Princess** The Grad Night Committee in conjunction with the Recreation Committee, will again offer the title of "Shamrock Princess". Included in the title will be a princess tiara and sash, a photo package, special father-daughter dance and special gift. To enter the raffle on the package please visit the ticket website and select it as an option. **Drawn Thursday, March 14, 2019** All proceeds benefit The Class of 2019 Grad Night activities. Pay it forward.

• **Men's Pick-up Basketball League** (Ages 18-55+): \$10/night at court or \$80 for the season. Calling all frequent and casual basketball players. Several games are played on the short court of the high school each week and teams vary depending on attendance. Currently scheduled for Tuesday nights starting October 3, 2018 through the end of winter, 2019 at THS from 8-10pm. Contact Joe with questions: joeholden62@yahoo.com. Register on line at Tyngsboroughrec.com.

• **SAVE THE DATE! 2nd Annual Tyngsborough Block Party**, August 25th, 2019. You asked for it and we are getting ready to do it again. Look for upcoming details at partybythebridge.com
• **POUND SWEAT. SCULPT. ROCK** 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! Yoga mat required. **Session 2 started on January 8. 6:30 p.m.** Full 8 week session is \$65 4 week option is \$35. You can choose any 4 of the 8 week that work for your schedule.

NEW NAME FOR FCOA (FRIENDS OF THE TYNGSBORO COUNCIL ON AGING)

The "Friends" has a new legal name!!*
To be inclusive of all the elderly in the Greater Tyngsborough area, we have changed our foundation's name to:

The Friends of Tyngsborough Elderly, Inc.
Same mailing address: P.O. Box 415, Tyngsborough, MA 01879
*The change was approved by the Attorney General of Massachusetts in November.



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Tuesday & Thursday
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TYNGSBOROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARY

25 Bryant Lane, Tyngsborough, MA 978-649-7361 www.tynglib.org

- **AARP Tax-Aide Program** Call the Library for updates.
- **Dedication Meditation, February 4, 11 & 25, Mondays, 2:30-3:00 p.m.** Jan Price, LICSW, will be host a 30-minute silent meditation group. This is not a discussion group. Beginners and experienced meditators welcome. Bring a meditation cushion or use a chair. Drop in.
- **Slippery Science! Tues., Feb. 19, 1-1:45 p.m. Ages 6-12 years.** Explore the world of different polymers & ooze that seems to defy gravity. Make a colorful, ooey-gooney Mad Science Slime to keep! Registration required.
- **Mosaic Art, Wed., Feb. 20, 1-3:00 p.m. Grades 6-12.** Use a variety of materials, from beads to tiles, to create a piece that can be used as a trivet or coaster, or can be enjoyed as art! Registration required.
- **Art Circles Workshop, Sat., Mar. 9, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Grades 6-12.** Registration required. Work with circular papers to design a unique art piece, using paint, printed paper and a canvas.

CLOSED Monday, February 18,
in observance of Presidents' Day

- **Tech Advice by Appointment** PCs, android tablets & phones, Excel, MS Word, e-books, etc. **Tuesday, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Wednesday, 7-8 p.m.** Registration required.
 - **Adult Coloring Club, 1st Wed. each month, 6:30-8 p.m.** Drop in.
 - **SoundPlay Family Music program, Sat. Feb. 2, 1-1:40 p.m. Infants-5 yrs.** Drop in.
 - **Tiny Tots Storytime, Wed., Feb. 6 & 20, 11-11:30 a.m. Infants-3 yrs.** Drop in.
 - **Family Music Time, Thurs. Feb. 7, 10-11 a.m. Infants-5 yrs.** Drop in.
 - **Dads & Donuts Playgroup, Sat., Feb. 9, 10-11 a.m. Infants-3 yrs.** Drop in.
 - **Lego Club, Sat., Feb. 16, 10-11:30 a.m. Grades K-6.** Drop in.
 - **Pokemon Club, Wed., Feb. 27, 4-5:00 p.m. Ages 8-15.** Drop in. Bring your cards or handheld device
 - **Open Minds Literacy Yoga: Tuesdays, Feb. 5 – Mar. 19, 10-10:45 a.m. Ages 3-5.** Registration required.
 - **Storytimes for 3-5 year olds. Thursdays at 1 p.m.** Drop in. *No storytime: Feb. 21.
 - **Music Together Demo Class, Thurs. Mar. 21, 11-11:45 a.m. Infants-5 yrs.** Registration required.
 - **Writer's Group, Mondays, 6:30 p.m.** Feedback, publishing tips, all genres. Karen Johnson 978-649-7132
 - **Rep. Colleen Garry (or her representative) Office Hour – Sept-May, 3rd Saturday 9-10 a.m.**
 - **Board of Library Trustees Monthly 3rd Thurs.** Check TPL web-site for schedule changes.
- Artists & collectors, contact the Library to discuss scheduling an exhibit in the gallery or display case.

Register for TPL programs by calling the Library
or using the contact form on the website.

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Email: Broche@tyngsboroughma.gov

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 11:00AM

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•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.**

COA Meetings are the third Tuesday of each month. Meeting is on February, 19th at 3:30. Public welcome.

DONATIONS NEEDED: COFFEE, Cups 8oz Styrofoam, and Napkins, Paper Plates, Bowls, Small and Large Meals on Wheels Volunteer Drivers Needed

Wii BOWLING Instructor Beverly Rudeen **Every Friday 10:00-11:30** We have a ball, come join the fun! Prizes for the top players. **TEXAS HOLD' EM Thursdays 12:00 -3:00** If you like poker, come join us every Thursday. It's lots of fun! We have a table for beginners.

KNITTING/CROCHETING/QUILTING Every Monday 1:00PM-3:00PM Learn to knit and crochet as you socialize with others at the COA. We have many causes we knit for. With the cold weather coming we could use help knitting blankets, mittens, hats, scarves and slippers to distribute for the winter holiday season. We have plenty of supplies available to choose from. **PROJECT LINUS**

TYNGSBOROUGH, Children who have experienced recent trauma. (See Barbara or Tracy) **THE HOMELESS SHELTERS LOWELL**, Parents and children that have fallen into hard times.. (See Stitchers Coordinator) **Mondays @ the Senior Center 1:00-3:00**

CARD MAKING with Colleen Garry Thursday, February 7th 1:00 Come join the fun making crazy cards for friends, love ones, or family. Not hard at all, just lots of fun.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH AT 11:30 - FREE Lunch provided by Atrium at Drum Hill and Chelmsford Crossing followed by "Valentine Bingo"

VALENTINE'S DAY CELEBRATION Thursday, February 14th, 11:00 Entertainment TBD. "Tickets required" Sponsored by Tyngsborough Police Union. **Valentine's Day** is such a super sweet holiday! The first **Valentine's Day** in the year 496! Having a particular **Valentine's Day** a very old tradition, thought to have originated from a Roman festival.

•CENTER CLOSED PRESIDENT'S DAY Monday February 18th PANCAKES, PANCAKES! FREE BREAKFAST Thursday, February 21st, 8:30 The Center will be having a FREE, all you can eat pancake breakfast, bring a friend. Please call 978-649-9211 if you would like to be put on the list.

BOOK CLUB (Monthly) Thursday, February 21st, 12:00 The 3rd Thursday of each month. The book we will be discussing on February 21st will be "In the Midst of Winter" by Allende

FREE TAX ASSISTANCE Mondays ONLY, starting February TBD, Harry Gong, an AARP volunteer tax preparer will be available to assist you with your taxes on Mondays starting February TBD, through April 8th 2019. Call the Senior Center to schedule, an appointment. 978-649-9211.

SHINE February 26th 8:30-12:00 Serving Health Insurance Needs of Everyone. Our Counselor Lillian Colby will be holding office hours at the Center. Call 978-649-9211 to schedule an appointment. **Please bring insurance cards and a list of prescriptions you take with you.**

MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION Wednesday, February 27th, 11:00 Come celebrate Mardi Gras at the COA. Bring your own mask, and we'll supply beads for all to wear and complimentary Mardi Gras King Cake for dessert. If you decide you would like lunch (\$2.00), don't forget to sign up with Midge in the kitchen.

• SNOW CANCELLATION POLICY IF SCHOOL is CANCELLED, the Center will still be open **"just no elder bus"**. If Town Hall office is closed Tyngsborough COA will be closed. When in doubt just call and see if we're open.

FOOD PROGRAM- offers a FREE bag of groceries on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Each bag contains a variety of basic healthy foods: soup to cereal, meat to veggies, there may be a treat or two.. To see if you qualify call **Laura Marsan (978-946-1303)**, Application are also available at the Senior Center call or stop by 978-649-9211

SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) benefits may be available to you. To get help in applying, please contact the senior center and our outreach worker Rose can help you file the application. Call 978-649-9211 for appointment.

Merrimack Repertory Theater Lowell Auditorium Call or come in to sign up 978-649-9211 Group of 6 or more \$16.00 **Matinee Plays The Heath How can we make peace across generations?** Wednesday, February 20th, 1:30 **The Haunted Life A new play from Lowell's native son Jack Kerouac.** Wednesday, March 27th, 1:30 **Cry it out A comedy for every new mom.** Wednesday, May 1st, 1:30

Need Help Paying Your Heating Bills? Help is available! Community Team Work Fuel Assistance Program helps income-eligible households pay part of their winter heating bills. If your gross household income falls within the limits, you may qualify for fuel assistance benefits, discounts on your National Grid Gas, Oil or Propane and Electric bill. We'd like to make sure our seniors benefit from this program. Call the Tyngsborough Council on Aging 978-649-9211, Rose McGarry who will be here Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:00 to 1:00 doing application. Don't suffer from the cold. Put your pride aside and stay warm.



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Sherburne Nature Center trails are open daily, dawn to dusk, for the residents of Tyngsboro and neighboring towns. Traverse several woodland streams, go bird-watching, try to catch a glimpse of a beaver, and observe meadow wildflowers and butterflies. It's a great place for outdoor exercise and to enjoy nature close to home. Sherburne Nature Center and Trails activities are open to all who are interested. Activities go rain or shine. In extreme weather conditions, activities are cancelled. No reservations or fees required. Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

Please note: The tennis court behind the Sherburne Nature Center is PRIVATE property.

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WINTER SPORTS AWARD NIGHT

For all athletes that play a high school sport only, will take place
on: Thursday, March 14th at 7:00pm in the High School
Auditorium.

SPRING SPORTS INFORMATION

Parent Information Night: Monday, March 4th at 7:00pm in the
High School Gymnasium

FIRST DAY OF PRACTICE FOR ALL High School

SPORTS: Monday, March 18th after school

FIRST DAY OF PRACTICE FOR ALL Middle School Sports:

Monday, March 25th after school

SIGN-UPS FOR SPRING SPORTS:

High School: was Monday, January 28th thru Friday, February
1st during lunch period in the cafeteria

Middle School: Monday, February 4th thru Friday, February
8th during lunch periods in the cafeteria

FROM THE NURSES OFFICE: No athlete will be allowed to par-
ticipate in practice unless they have an updated physical and have
completed their on-line athletic registration. You can fax your son/
daughters physical to the following:

High School Nurse: Debbie Donohoe Fax: 978-649-1877

email: Debbie.Donohoe@tyngsboroughps.org

Middle School Nurse: Michelle Riley Fax: 978-649-9194 email: Michelle.Riley@tyngsboroughps.org

ATHLETIC REGISTRATIONS: can be filled out on-line through the
Parent Portal, excluding physicals. All physicals must go through
the nurse's office. Parents/Guardians that have not signed up on
the Parent Portal can access their registration using the following
steps.

STEP 1: Log into the Parent Portal at the following address: [https://
powerschool.tyngsboroughps.org](https://powerschool.tyngsboroughps.org)

STEP 2: Click on athletic registration link on the left hand side to
complete the registration process. Option to pay user-fee online is
also available on this page.

****DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATIONS**:** Tuesday, March 12th

***Sports Offered at the High School Level**

*Boys Lacrosse *Girls Lacrosse

*Baseball *Softball

Track & Field Boys Tennis Girls Tennis

*Possible 8th grade participation based on numbers

Sports offered at the Middle School Level 6th, 7th & 8th

Graders Boys & Girls Track Softball Baseball

FOR ALL SPORTS SCHEDULE PLEASE GO TO:

WWW.MWLMA.ORG

PARENTS/GUARDIANS: 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.

SPRING AWARD NIGHT: For all athletes that play a high school
sport ONLY, will take place on **Thursday, June 13th at 7:00pm** in
the High School Lawrence R. Kelleher Gymnasium

SPRING SPORTS PICTURES: For all athletes that play a high
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school on the high school turf. Picture order envelopes will be sent
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Kitty Angels is An All-Volunteer, Non-Profit Shelter for Needy Cats

TYNGSBOROUGH HIGH SCHOOL

Tyngsborough High School is proud to announce Seleen Al Horani, Dalton Lee, Abby McIsaac, and Andrew Stankiewicz as the January Students of the Month.

Seleen, is a recipient of the Outstanding Achievement in Visual Arts Award, the Principal's Award, the Commitment to Learning Award, and the Outstanding Achievement in Science Award. While a student at Lowell High School, she was a recipient of the Award for Demonstrating All 5 Core Values of LHS, and the Award for Demonstrating "High Five" Expectations in the Area of Determination. Seleen enjoys drawing, fashion designing, writing, reading, and learning foreign languages. Her favorite subjects are anatomy and art. Seleen looks forward to being a master in her future profession, traveling the world, speaking a third language, and publishing her own work. "THS brought me close to many wonderful friends and instilled hard work and determination into me, then awarded me for implementing them. I will always remember my smart, passionate teachers and the kind staff when I recall high school after graduating."

Dalton, son of Kim and John Lee, is a member of the National Honor Society and a recipient of the Outstanding Achievement in Mathematics Award, the Rensselaer Medal Award, the University of Rochester Xerox Award for Innovation and Information Technology, and the Academic Excellence Award. He is a member of the Robotics Club as well as the varsity soccer team and the track & field team. Dalton volunteers his time at the Catholic Heart Work Camp. He enjoys playing chess, and his favorite subjects are math and physics. Dalton looks forward to becoming an engineer. We asked Dalton what he has gained from THS, and he said "knowledge". We asked him what THS has done for him, and he said "Mr. Rhine taught me problem-solving". We asked him what fond memories he will take with him, and he said "soccer".

Abby, daughter of Scott and Stephanie McIsaac, is a member of the National Honor Society and is a recipient of the Academic Excellence Award, the Outstanding Achievement in Mathematics Award, and the Outstanding Achievement in Theater Arts Award. She is a member of the Senior Sidekicks, is the senior class secretary, and is a member of the International Thespian Society. Abby has earned numerous acting awards including a Superior Ranking in a Musical Theater Individual Event, an Excellence in Acting Award, a Preliminary Level Acting Award, and a Semi-Final Level Acting Award. She volunteers her time at a variety of community events including the Tyngsborough Trot and babysitting nights. She also volunteers at theater festivals and shows. She enjoys playing the guitar, playing the piano, reading and singing; her favorite subjects are anatomy, theater, English, and math. Abby is looking forward to focusing on a field in music/theater in college. THS has "given me a place that makes me feel like I belong, especially when it comes to theater." She will always remember "feeling like I've gotten closer to my fellow students and building stronger relationships with my friends."

Andrew, son of Naruemon and John Stankiewicz, is a recipient of the Academic Excellence Award and the Outstanding Achievement in Social Studies Award. He is a member of the Robotics Club and the varsity tennis team. Last year he earned the Most Improved Player Award for the tennis team. Andrew volunteers his time with cultural food clubs and by helping to organize the library. He enjoys playing table tennis, spending time with his friends, and learning. His favorite subjects are science, especially physics and chemistry. Andrew looks forward to helping people and making the world a better place, and to a career in nuclear or aerospace research. "I have met some remarkable teachers and students but THS has ultimately taught me to be a good human. That is all I could ask for."

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The Tyngsborough Garden club hopes everyone had very safe and relaxing transition into 2019. We have resumed our regularly scheduled meetings.

Our first meeting of the new year was held on Feb 5th with a presentation on Wild Mushrooms by Dianna Smith from Pioneer Valley Mycology. Her presentation was very informative and entertaining.

In March we look forward to a presentation on Vermiculture and Gardening by Linda Sheldon.

Our April presentation will be from the Tyngsborough Conservation Commissioner Danielle Mucciarone. Also in April we will partner with the Tyngsborough Public Library for Books in Bloom at the library from 4/9-4/12. Please drop by the library to see all the creative arrangements.

The Garden Club meets the first Tuesday of the month September-November and February-April at the Evangelical Congregational Church on Kendall Road at 6:45. New members are always welcome. Please come join us for one of our meetings, enjoy the presentation, and meet some new friends.

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Thank you to all who joined us for our eleventh annual dinner theater offering. Together with FOTT, we hosted two fun evenings of **The Drowsy Chaperone** on January 10 and 11. We hope you had as much fun as we did and we appreciate your support for our public schools. We were honored to see **State Representative Colleen Garry, Selectman Steve Nocco, Selectman Ron Keohane, and Assistant Town Administrator Justin Sultzbach** in the audience. Thank you for your support!

Join us! As always, the EFT welcomes **volunteers** who would like to help us achieve our mission and support our fundraising efforts and **new board members** who want to develop executive experience while helping our public schools. For more information, please contact our President, Theresa Manning at eftyng@gmail.com. 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. Follow us on **Twitter**, like us on **Facebook** and remember us when shopping on-line at Amazon (smile.Amazon.com).



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****The first Friends meeting in 2019 is on Monday, February 4, 2019, at 7pm at the Library to discuss the annual budget and upcoming activities.** On **Monday, March 4, 7pm**, we plan for the March membership month and elect officers for the new membership year which begins April 1. The Friends are actively seeking new members who want to volunteer their time to the Library in support of the community. Please consider joining us. We look forward to seeing you there.

****Are you a high school senior who will be graduating this year and would like to apply for a scholarship?** The Friends have a scholarship/service award for a Tyngsborough senior who has been active with the Friends. See the Library website, Friends tab, for the application which is due by Friday, March 22, 2019.

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By Nathan Combs

The story of Joseph (Genesis 37-50) is remarkable for many reasons. Its storyline is rich in detail, its characters are relatable, and its message is appealing. Joseph was the firstborn son of Jacob's favorite wife Rachel, was given a multicolored coat by his father, and enjoyed a privileged status among his many brothers. He was, however, hated by his siblings for capturing their father's affections. At the earliest opportunity, Joseph was sold by his brothers to Ishmaelite slave traders and eventually ended up in an Egyptian prison for holding to the principles of his God. Although Joseph rose to become the assistant warden of the prison and eventually the right hand of the Egyptian king, the events that brought him to Egypt must have lived vividly in his memory. Such unthinkable evil might easily have twisted the heart of a lesser man into bitterness.

Joseph, however, had a different perspective. After his brothers came to Egypt for food in a time of severe famine, Joseph eventually revealed himself to them and shared his thoughts about their horrific shared past. "As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today" (Genesis 50.20). How did Joseph maintain such a godly attitude towards the people who hated him?

First, Joseph kept his gaze on the bigger picture of how God was able to work with sinful people. Obviously, the Lord did not approve of the evil actions of Joseph's brothers or cause them to sin. He did, however, use their hatred for His own purposes: to save the world through Abraham's family. In the short term, that was accomplished by Joseph's distribution of grain to a starving world in famine, including his own family (Genesis 41.57). In the long term, the family of Abraham would save all the families of the earth through Jesus Christ (Galatians 3.8). In following Joseph's example, we must be more alert to the work of God than our own personal hurt if we desire to rid our lives of bitterness.

Secondly, Joseph left vengeance in the hands of God. After their father's death, Joseph's brothers feared delayed retribution and pleaded with Joseph to forgive them. After weeping at their distress, Joseph assured them that he had no plans for revenge. "Do not fear, am I in the place of God?" (Genesis 50.19). Joseph's actions mirror the commandment of Jesus to "love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil" (Luke 6.35).

Regardless of how we are unjustly treated by others, there is no degree of evil that justifies bitterness of heart or action. Joseph relied on God to work through his difficult circumstances and was used by Him to save many lives. May we follow the same pattern!



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BENEFICIARY DESIGNATIONS AND DIVORCE OR MARRIAGE

By Edward H. Adamsky, Esq.

You must keep your beneficiary designations up-to-date for life insurance and retirement accounts. If something changes in your life, you may need to update them. Changes include births, deaths, marriages, and divorces. If you got divorced, it would extinguish any rights that your ex-spouse had in your estate. A Will clause that left assets to "my wife, Jane Smith" would be voided by a divorce. In Massachusetts, the law has been updated so beneficiary designations to a spouse are also voided by a divorce, but New Hampshire has not adopted this newer rule. No matter where you live, it is best for you to update the beneficiaries on life insurance and retirement funds if you get divorced. If you left an ex-spouse as a beneficiary that person could try to make a claim and if you never informed the financial institution of your divorce, they would pay out to the named beneficiary (even if it was technically voided by law). This could result in lengthy and costly litigation among your family and ex-spouse. If you had moved to a new state after your divorce, the rules in that state might govern and that could change the result.

This shows that it is very important to review all assets and file new beneficiary designation forms so that your assets will pass as you want. You should not rely on agreements or court decrees to make those changes. You should inform financial institutions if you do get divorced, and if your divorce order requires you to name your ex-spouse as a beneficiary of some asset, then you need to inform the financial institution of this, so they will honor your designation. (It's common for parents of young children to keep life insurance in place with the ex-spouse named as beneficiary).

You should also consider the effects of getting married on Estate Planning. You will want to decide if you should change beneficiary designations on certain assets. Also, keep in mind that a spouse has rights in marital assets including a general claim against the estate of a deceased spouse, even if not named in the Will. New estate planning documents should be completed if you get married. Also, for Medicaid purposes, all of the assets of the couple are counted in making a determination of eligibility for benefits, regardless of the origin of the assets. Pre-nuptial agreements cannot change this rule no matter what they say, because the Federal law of Medicaid and public policy overrule the agreement. This means that a well-off person who marries a less-well-off person will be responsible for the spouse's cost of nursing home care, no matter what. Estate Planning should not overrule love, but the consequences of marriage and divorce must be considered when making your Estate Plan.

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• **THANK YOU** to all who attended our Holiday Events! Our Annual Christmas Fair was well attended as well as our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. We hope you enjoyed the events as we celebrated the Birth of Baby Jesus and wrapped up our 150th Church Celebration festivities. Each family received a special 150th Christmas ornament to hang on their Christmas trees.

• **Then there was one more surprise for our congregation!** A very talented craftsman at our Church had collected some of the original old hardwood flooring when we replaced the floor in the Sanctuary a few years ago. He made a beautiful cross from that original wood for our altar, then he made many small crosses that were given out to each family at our year-end December 30th Church Service! What a beautiful and special gift to have as we concluded our 150th Anniversary!!! **Thank you, Paul Chizook!**

• **Sunday School program** for all ages. Children will begin the Sunday Services with their parents and will be dismissed to their age-appropriate classes at 10:15am. It is important to note that all adults working with children have passed their CORY applications to ensure a safe environment for our children

• **All Executive Boards and Committee Meetings have begun**

• **LADIES BIBLE STUDY** -Has begun on Tuesday morning, from 9:30 am to 11:30 am Bible Study will begin on the Book of James. There is still room if you would like to join this amazing study group.

• **SERMONS ON-LINE:** Weekly sermons by Pastor Frediani: 1. Log onto the church website <http://www.tyngsborocongregational.org> 2. On home page you will see a photo of the church. Hover the cursor over the word "SERVING" 3. Click once on the word "SERMONS" 4. Scroll down to see "Listen to our sermons for free on SoundCloud.com" 5. Click once on the link/word "SoundCloud.com" 6. Below the Church logo sermons listed by date, passage, sermon title 7. Click orange circle to listen to the sermon you desire.

• **CORPORATE PRAYER TIME** - We would like to announce that we have begun Corporate Prayer time in the Sanctuary each Sunday after our Church Service. This begins at 11:45 am and we would like to invite you to join us to pray for whatever may be on your heart.

• **SUNDAY SERVICE CANCELLATIONS** - If Sunday Worship Service needs to be cancelled due to inclement weather, we will post the cancellation on the following TV stations: WBZ Channel 4; WCVB Channel 5; WHDH Channel 7 and WMUR Channel 9

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Officers for the 2018-2019 Lions Year

President: Mark Alexander, 2nd Vice President: J.J. Ward,
Secretary/Treasurer: Bob Reich, Director: Richard Lowe

Anyone who would like to join the Lions is asked to call Bob Reich at 978-649-5874 or Mark Alexander at 978-649-9124. Our Regular Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month starting at 6:30 pm. Call one of the members, at the telephone numbers given above, to find the location.

EVENTS

Two packages were put together to send overseas to military personnel. The packages contained practical everyday items a service person needs along with some items for enjoyment.

YOU CAN HELP BY DONATING THE FOLLOWING

Used eyeglasses are collected for refurbishment and distribution to less advantaged people around the world.

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 Senior Center, 169 Westford Rd., Tyngsborough and Dunstable Town Hall, Post Office and Library.

BARN DANCES

Held at **The Parish Center for the Arts**, Corner of **Boston Road and Lincoln Street on Westford Common**, PO Box 411, Westford, MA 01886 **978-692-6333**; PCA@Westford.org

Our **regular fourth Saturday monthly Barn Dance** at the Parish Center for the Arts. • **Saturday, February 23, 7:30pm**, Dudley Laufman calling • **Saturday, March 30, 7:30pm**, Dan Veino calling No experience required. First-time dancers: **come at 7:00pm for free instruction**. Saturday fee \$6 adults; Students 21 & under free.

Sunday Afternoon Dances:

- **Sunday, February 10, 3pm**, Marcie Van Cleave calling
 - **Sunday, March 10, 3pm**, Jacqueline Laufman calling
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This website contains a wealth of information about the Post.

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AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 247

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Meetings are held the first Thursday of each month at 7pm.

Auxiliary Unit 247 Current Elected Officers:

President: Bernadette Harper; Sr. Vice: Josephine Beauregard; Secretary: Patricia Modrich; Treasurer: Diane Dileo; Chaplain: Rebecca Modrich; Executive Committee: Mary Dupras, Annette Coles and Kathleen Oilje. Debra St Peters was Installed as Unit Sgt-At-Arms at the October meeting.

For information on the Auxiliary Unit meetings, or functions contact Unit President Diane Dileo at 978-204-9329


We also would Welcome New Auxiliary Members 18 and older. Contact Unit President or Treasurer.

... The Unit Jr. Auxiliary is accepting new Jr. members. Contact 978-649-7540 if interested in joining.

"NEW HORIZONS"

Dracut Community Band Is Welcoming New Members Instrumentalists wanted to play in the Dracut Community Band. Open to all musicians 18 years and older who live in Dracut and surrounding communities. No audition is required but members should have some playing and music reading experience. Come and join in the fun! We rehearse on Thursday evenings at Christ Church United in Dracut Center from 6PM to 7:15PM.

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ALTRUSA UPDATE

Organized in January 1976, the Altrusa Club of Merrimack Valley is celebrating its 43rd year of service in the Greater Lowell/Greater Nashua area. Altrusa's mission is to promote literacy and to make a difference in the lives of those in need in our communities.

The ALTRUSA Club of Merrimack Valley extends a big thank you to Barnes & Noble (B&N) of Nashua for giving us the opportunity to participate in the 2018 Charity Gift Wrap, an annual event which provides a valuable fund-raising resource for non-profit charities to continue their community outreach. The hospitality of B&N, along with the generosity of their patrons, always makes this a special and enjoyable holiday endeavor...and we are grateful for this gift. Thank you to all the patrons who stopped at the gift wrap table and helped us achieve our fundraising goal.

Christmas gifts and age appropriate books were purchased and delivered to the children living with their teenage Moms at Brigid's Crossing in Lowell. "The house is very busy these days with all of the toddlers and preschoolers around." (Johanna Ford-Hunt, Program Manager)

The Altrusa Club meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. To learn more about Altrusa, e-mail us at altrusamv@gmail.com or visit us at www.altrusa.org.

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A FEW TIDBITS

Tara M. Sacramone, DVM



I went to a continuing education meeting at Tuft this past Sunday and I learned many things, so I thought I would pass some on to all of my loyal readers.

We often see dogs who were adopted from the Southern USA or other warm climates. My own little dog is from Tennessee. Most of these dogs have had a negative heartworm test. The problem is that it can take 6 months for a heartworm test to convert to positive. Therefore all rescue dogs should be put on heartworm prevention and retested six months after arriving in New England. Also, recent studies have shown that Advantage Multi (a topical monthly flea/tick medicine) might be the best preventative to use with a dog who is in that category and can even be used as a long-term therapy to kill adult heartworms in positive dogs if your dog cannot handle the standard multidrug therapy.

Lyme disease continues to be researched, however what to do in animals is still unclear, even with the researchers. A few facts remain the same. The annual heartworm test that looks for tick borne diseases proves exposure only. About 10 – 20 % of exposed dogs become ill. In order to say the dog has Lyme disease the dog has to have clinical signs and a positive blood test. The two things all of the experts agreed upon are that clinically ill dogs should be treated for 28 days, and that all dogs should be on some sort of tick control. The deer tick does not hibernate through the winter. Snow can physically block them, but if there is no snow on the ground your dog should continue to use tick control.



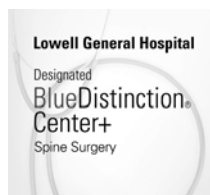
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42ND STREET We are excited to be partnering with ACTORS inc in the Spring when they bring their newest musical 42ND STREET to the Carl Rondina Performing Arts Center in Chelmsford. Showing 4/12 - 4/14 the performances will be supporting The Wish Project. For more information and ticket purchases go to their website www.actorsincorporated.com or call (978) 984-3151.

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About Us The Mission of The Wish Project is to help families in need in Merrimack Valley. www.TheWishProject.org or call us at (866) 947-4360. **Mailing address is:** The Wish Project, PO Box 8693, Lowell, MA 01853

If you would like more information please contact Lori at Lori@thewishproject.org and let her know how you would like to help. You may also make a donation on our website.

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ELISABETH BRUYÈRE AWARDS DINNER MARCH 28TH AT LENZI'S IN DRACUT

Ste Jeanne d'Arc School invites you to join us as we honor **Monique Letendre** at the annual Elisabeth Bruyère Awards Dinner on March 28th at Lenzi's in Dracut.

This annual event was established to recognize persons in the community who, by their lifestyle and activity, have also prioritized the same values which motivated Elisabeth Bruyère, persons whose generosity, openness and caring have become synonymous with their names.

Monique Letendre has been a professional educator since 1972 and has served Ste Jeanne d'Arc School's students since 1987. She has been an active member of the community and has had a positive impact on the lives of countless students as a French teacher and Assistant Principal.

Thursday, March 28, 2019 at Lenzi's - Dracut, MA
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If you prefer to read the NtoN online, or you misplace your issue, you can go to my website

www.neighbortoneighbor.com and read both the Tyngsborough and the Dunstable editions. For 35 years advertisers have made it possible for all residents of Dunstable and Tyngsborough to receive this publication free of charge at their home.

I truly thank all of you for your continued support of *Neighbor to Neighbor*. Your loyalty is greatly appreciated.

The purpose of the *Neighbor to Neighbor* continues to be the same. To give you some local news, interesting events to enjoy, informative articles and a place to find local businesses within the community to help you in your every day life. *I look forward to hearing from you soon for the March issue!*

**Sincerely,
Anne**



CLUB OF TYNGSBORO/DUNSTABLE

Rotary Motto: Service Above Self

Theme: Rotary Making a Difference

The Rotary Club of Tyngsboro/Dunstable has been serving the Tyngsboro and Dunstable area for 44 years.

We NOW meet at the Dream Diner, on Middlesex Rd., Tyngsboro, on the 1st & 4th Thursday of the Month at 7:15am, as well as the 2nd & 3rd Thursday of the month at 12:15pm.

Rotary club members are business, professional, and community volunteers in your locality who meet regularly to plan and implement community service activities and network with other professionals. Throughout the world, Rotary clubs participate in a broad range of educational, intercultural, and humanitarian activities designed to improve the lives of others.

For further information about Rotary, please email us at tdrotary@yahoo.com or visit our website at: www.tdrotary.org.

Thank you for your continued support.

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DECC is a welcoming church at the heart of the Dunstable community. "We gather to glorify God, to grow in Christ and to live the gospel in the world."

Join us for Sunday Worship Service at 10:00 am each Sunday.

Child care is available during the service for infants through kindergarten age. Pastor Bobby Ross leads our worship services which feature a variety of music, scripture readings, corporate prayer and spoken messages and with Communion (the Lord's Supper) served on the first Sunday of every month. Everyone is welcome to an informal time of fellowship with coffee, tea and refreshments after worship.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL is regularly held at 10:00 am. Children will sit with their family for the first part of the service, then move on to class for the remainder of the service. Classes are for children age 6 and up. Children 5 and under are welcomed in the Nursery at the beginning of our service. For more information and to sign up to help, please contact Shellyannross@gmail.com.

DECC YOUTH: Regular meetings are held on Sundays from 4:00-6:00 PM but special events may be held at other times.

Please contact Jon Hughes at 978-393-7708 if interested and to confirm location and time of meeting.

SCOUT SUNDAY: Sunday, February 17th or 24th. Contact your leaders. All Scouts, Girls and Boys, will be recognized and some may participate in the Sunday morning service which begins at 10:00 AM.

COMMUNITY PIE BAKE-OFF! Open to anyone who loves to bake yummy pies! Think about your favorite. **This will be held on Saturday, March 16.** Drop off your favorite homemade pie between 10:00a.m. and noon at the Fellowship Hall of the Dunstable Church. All ages are welcome to enter. There is even a category for those who prefer to use a store-bought crust. Judging is on a point system with everyone starting with 15 points. Judges are looking for: 1. Best over-all presentation 2. Quality of crust 3. Filling flavor

Judging will take place during the afternoon. Awards will be made for best youth pie (up to age 16). And the Silver Spoon award for the best over-all pie. Please, the judges request a recipe to be included.

The public is invited to come to the Fellowship Hall at 6:30p.m. to do their own taste testing. For more info email sjt0213@verizon.net

Come visit your community's church. Visit any Sunday morning at 10:00 am. We will be happy to greet you. For more information about any of these events, contact the Church office 978-649-6251, email info@dunstablechurch.org or visit our website at www.dunstablechurch.org



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EVENTS AT LEGION POST #247

Beginning Feb, 1st, the Post will be offering home made Subs on Monday & Friday from 12-3 at \$5.00 ea.

- Feb, 9th, Amvets Meat Shoot 7:pm
A Valentine Raffle will be drawn At 8:pm
- Feb, 24th, Ladies Auxiliary Meat Shoot 4:pm
- Sunday, March 4th, Legion Meat Shoot 4:pm
- Saturday, March 9th, 2019 Psychic Fair
10am. - 4:pm Readings \$25.00
- Sunday March 17th, St' Pat's Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner
\$10, from 12:00 noon until gone
- Sunday March 24th, Sons of the Legion Meat Shoot 4:pm.

Events held at Post #247, 90 Pawtucket Blvd., Tyngsborough

Public invited to come and enjoy!

For more info call 978-649-7540

SAVE THE DATE

ST. PATRICK'S DINNER AND SHAMROCK RAFFLE - THE PUBLIC IS INVITED

St. John the Evangelist Church, 115 Middlesex St. in North Chelmsford will host a Traditional **Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner and BYOB** on **Saturday, March 16, 2019** in the Church Hall. Doors open at 5:00pm for appetizers with the dinner starting at 5:30pm. You will be treated to a corned beef & cabbage dinner, appetizers, hot and cold beverages and dessert. Take a chance on winning one of our beautiful gift baskets from our Shamrock Raffle table. Each paid dinner ticket will be entered into a Door Prize drawing. **Call Jane Sockey at 978-649-3404 for more info.**

JAMES JACOPPI

MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

Dear Friends and Family,

This is the 17th anniversary of the passing of our beloved James. With the help from all of you, our raffle awarded over \$8,400 in scholarships to aid in the continuing education of graduating high school students last year. **We have awarded over \$125,000 over the years.** We feel blessed to have the ability to remember Jim in such an extraordinary way. We are extremely grateful for your continued support.

This year will be our 7th Annual Raffle (Commonwealth of MA #36). The raffle drawing will be held on April 5th. The drawing results will be on our website www.jamesjacoppischolarshipfund.com and winners will be contacted by phone.

Tickets are \$5 each or 7 tickets for \$25. If you wish to purchase additional booklets, or did not receive any by mail, please call Jean Jacoppi at (603) 714-2523. All tickets must be received by Monday, April 1st. We appreciate and thank you for any donation you can provide to the foundation.

Prizes: 1st Prize: \$1,500; 2nd Prize: \$500; 3rd Prize: \$250; 4th Prize \$150; and 5th Prize: \$100 *Congratulations to the lucky winners from 2018.* The winners were: 1st Linda Cornellier; 2nd Ed Napekoski; 3rd Mary Cooney; 4th Marilyn Campbell and 5th Emmit Clifford. For any other information you may need including access to scholarship applications please visit our website www.jamesjacoppischolarshipfund.com or our Facebook page.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Sincerely, The Jacoppi Family

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