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DUNSTABLE TOWN CLERK

New! Automatic Voter Registration was signed into law and Massachusetts will become the 14th state to adopt AVR effective January 1, 2020. This means you'll automatically be registered to vote for transactions completed at the RMV, MA Health and MA Health Connector UNLESS YOU OPT OUT. "Automatic voter registration agency" shall mean a location at a state agency where an eligible citizen may register to vote.

The amendment to the Town of Dunstable General Bylaw adopted under Article 25 of the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of May 13, 2019 (Memorials and Monuments Bylaw), was approved by the Attorney General on October 3, 2019 and is hereby published by posting in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 32 as amended. A copy of these amendments and bylaws may be examined or obtained at the Offices of the Town Clerk during regular hours at the Dunstable Town Hall.

Proposed Initiative Petitions are Now Circulating for Signatures. Know what you are signing, below are the petitions circulating in town for signatures which were approved by the Attorney General last month and will appear on the 2020 State Election ballot if they secure the necessary signatures. You can click on a petition for additional information: <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/current-petitions-filed> A (Amendment) Amendment to Restore the Right to Vote B (Amendment) Amendment Regarding the Public Funding of Abortion C (Law) Law to Implement Ranked-Choice Voting in Elections D (Law) Law Establishing Adequate Funding for Residents of MA Nursing E (law) Initiative Law to Enhance, Update and Protect the 2013 Motor Vehicle Right to Repair Law F (Law) Law Relative to the Sale of Beer and Wine by Food Stores G (Law) Law Relative to the Humane Treatment of the Disabled H (Law) Law Relative to the Treatment of Persons with Disabilities I (Law) Law Relative to Political Spending by Non-Residents of Massachusetts J (Law) Whale Safe Fishing Act If you are not registered to vote, you can easily do that online IF you have a valid Massachusetts drivers license or state issued ID. www.sec.state.ma/ovr/. Or fill out a registration affidavit at the Town Hall.

If you are applying for the REAL ID, please read the instructions for required documents very carefully. **After October 1, 2020**, you will need a REAL ID or a passport to fly within the United States or enter federal buildings. Your documents cannot be laminated. Your birth certificate must have a raised seal, photocopies are not acceptable. Same with your marriage certificate, it must be issued by the municipality or State Vital Registry. A hospital record of birth is NOT a birth certificate. Same with a church record; it is NOT a legal marriage certificate. My advice is to start gathering the documents you'll need so when October 1, 2020 comes around, you'll be ready. <https://www.mass.gov/guides/massachusetts-identification-id-requirements#required-identification-documentation-overview>
Carol A. Skerrett, Town Clerk CMMC 978-649-4514 x222 CSkerrett@dunstable-ma.gov HOURS: The Clerk's Office is open Monday 3:00 pm-7:00 pm; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9:00 am-2:00 pm. Hours may vary due to holidays, workshops and elections. There are times the office is closed during these posted hours and extended hours for voter registration and absentee voting, please feel free to call ahead. Marriage licenses are by appointment.

IN MEMORY OF

Myrtle Cecelia Gardner
Marguerite T. Davey
Chief Charles C. Chronopoulos



THE DUNSTABLE BOARD OF HEALTH AND THE NASHOBA NURSING SERVICE

Well Adult Clinics Are held on the fourth Wednesday of every month in the community room of the Dunstable Library. These clinics allow for personalized, one on one attention from a nurse. Offered services include blood pressure and blood sugar screenings, diet/nutrition information and teaching, medication review and assistance with identifying and coordinating community resources and referrals. All residents, of any age are welcome to attend. **Next Well Adult Clinic will be held November 27 from 11 – noon.** Nashoba Board of Health Nursing, Services. (www.nashoba.org) or call: 978-772-3335 ext. 340 for more information.

Happy Thanksgiving!



THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS AVAILABLE FROM PACH

This Thanksgiving, PACH Outreach will again be distributing Food Baskets to Pepperell and Dunstable families in need. **Sign up through Tuesday, November 19th, 2019.** Call 978-925-9770 or email pepperell@pachoutreach.org. Sign up is also possible at the Food Pantry during open hours. Pantry Hours: Tuesday 5-7pm, Thursday 2-4pm & 5-7pm. **Be sure to give the following information:** your name, your telephone number for someone to contact you with distribution details, & total number of household members.

Basket pick up is Saturday, November 23rd, 12:00-2:00pm at PACH Food Pantry, 66 Hollis Street, Pepperell. **Advanced orders are required-PACH cannot accommodate walk-ins.** HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

REQUEST FOR DOG TAG NUMBER

Note: This is not a dog license application

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Dog's Name: _____

Requested Dog Tag #: _____

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GROTON GRANGE #7

SPONSORS PRUNING WORKSHOP

On **November 9th** Groton Grange #7 is offering a hands-on workshop on **PRUNING SMALL TREES AND SHRUBS**. Josh Degan, owner of Earthscape of Groton, will demonstrate pruning techniques, and participants will practice pruning. Please bring sharp, quality pruners with you. **Held at 320 Old Ayer Rd, Groton, from 10AM to 12:30 PM. To register call Clio Fisher at 508-517-9467 or e-mail fisherclio@yahoo.com.**

KNITTING AND CROCHET CLASS

This class is under the direction of Donna Acquaviva. It is held Monday nights at Swallow Union School from 6:30-8:00PM

DUNSTABLE SENIORS

Program Coordinator Susan Tully 978-649-6750

or Email at slt0213@verizon.net

We are a peer group for those over 60. Seniors meet in the community room of the Dunstable library every Wednesday Bone Builders, 10:30 - 11:30, dominos 10:30 - noon, lunch at noon. First Wednesday, BINGO FOR CASH. Last Wednesday of the month, POKENO, bring your pennies. SCRABBLE & CRIBBAGE group every Wednesdays at 12:30.

WISH LIST Wrapped candies, small or large size paper plates & cups, paper towels.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Lead an activity, teach a craft, visit or call a shut-in

Thank You To Simmons Farm & Greenhouse for sponsoring our October Birthday Party and to the **Dunstable Volunteer Fire Fighters Association** for sponsoring a delicious cook-out.

LUNCHES

November 6 Roast Turkey with all the fixings, provided by the Traveling Chef. Must have RSVP by October 30

November 13 Pork Tenderloin with roasted root vegetables provided by Dinner Made Simple. RSVP by Nov. 6

November 20 Pizza & Salad. We will also be celebrating our November birthdays. Party sponsored by Tully Farms

November 27 No Meeting, Have a great Thanksgiving

ACTIVITIES

Rivercourt Residence Lunches in West Groton will be held on **Tuesday November 19** at noon. Dunstable seniors are invited for a FREE delicious lunch. **Space limited to 12**, RSVP by Nov. 12.

Book Club Like to read? Then we have the group for you. Meeting is on Sat. **November 16 at 10:30** at the library. We will be discussing **Small Great Things** by Jodi Picoult. **Summary** A woman and her husband admitted to a hospital to have a baby requests that their nurse be reassigned - they are white supremacists and don't want Ruth, who is black, to touch their baby. The hospital complies, but the baby later goes into cardiac distress when Ruth is on duty. She hesitates before rushing in to perform CPR. When her indecision ends in tragedy, Ruth finds herself on trial, represented by a white public defender who warns against bringing race into a courtroom. As the two come to develop a truer understanding of each other's lives, they begin to doubt the beliefs they each hold most dear. Books may be ordered thru the library. New members are always welcome.

Thanksgiving Centerpiece Workshop Will be held on **Friday, November 22** at 11:30a.m. in the community room of the library. Using fresh flowers, you will create a delightful arrangement perfect for your Thanksgiving celebration. Space limited to 10 participants. **RSVP by Nov. 18**

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DUNSTABLE GRANGE #31

MEETINGS are held on the 2nd Friday of every month at Dunstable Town Hall at 8 p.m. Call for more information 978-649-3934. Come join Grange! *All are welcome!!! Refreshments will be served.*

- November 8 Painting with Dave
- Dec 13 Christmas party

Dunstable

Volunteer Firefighters Association

SANTA PARADE & HOLIDAY PARTY

Party at the Dunstable Fire Dept.

Pleasant St., Dunstable

Sunday, December 8, 2019

Inclement Weather Date: Sunday, December 15

Join us for yummy treats, a visit with Santa, gifts for the children, and plenty of holiday cheer! Parade starts at 11:45AM. Party begins after the parade, and will end at 3PM.

Parade Route: Starting at Dunstable Fire Dept., L. on Pleasant St., L. on Pond St., R. on Parkhurst St., L. on Pond St., L. on Pleasant St., L. on Cross St., L. Groton St., L. on Hall St., R. on School St., L. on Groton St., R. on Kemp St., R. on Adam St., L. on Route 113 in Pepperell, R. on East St., in Pepperell, Continue onto river St., R. on Hollis St., L. on Fletcher St., L. on Main St., R. on Century Way, Back to Main St., L. on Main St., L. on Mill St., Cross Main St. to Oak St., L. on Depot St., R. on Main St., L. on High St., R. on Thorndike St., R. on Forest St., across Route 113 to middle section of Forest St. across Lowell St. to Forest St.(up the hill), at the end of Forest St., Turn around at Valley St., L. on Lowell St., Merge onto Main St., L. on Pleasant St. and L. into Dunstable Fire Department.



DUNSTABLE

BOY SCOUT TROOP 28

WREATH SALE



Dunstable Boy Scout Troop 28 is holding their annual Wreath Sale now through Saturday, November 30th. Wreaths are pre-ordered/pre-paid, but if there are extras we will sell some at the church on November 30th. They will be delivered on November 30th. If you need an alternate date, please ask when you submit your order, so arrangements can be made. Last year the boys did such a great job pre-selling that they had only a few wreaths to sell on the day of the sale! This is held at the Dunstable Evangelical Congregational Church at 518 Main St. (in the town center near the common).

The sizes and prices are as follows: \$27 for Regular (24") and \$37 for Large (36"). The Wreaths are double sided, and hand made in Maine using fresh Fir by the Central Maine Wreath Company.

ORDER YOUR WREATH TODAY! Contact Bruce Ebersman, 18 Century Way, Dunstable, 978-649 6500 ebersman@hotmail.com <https://dunstable28.mytroop.us/node/1202>

November 10th is the deadline for the December issue.

More articles and events posted on the website.

www.neighbortoneighbornewsletter.com

Need details about advertising your business?

Contact anne@NeighborToNeighborNewsletter.com or Neighbor to Neighbor, 64 Hardy St., Dunstable, MA 01827.

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Again this year West Auto Repair, Inc. will be teaming up with Maureen Amaral, Realtor from Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage, who is our town's Toys for Tots coordinator, to collect toys for local families in our area.

Starting sometime during the week of November 18th we expect that the Toys for Tots collection box will arrive and will be set up in the office of West Auto Repair located at 30 Pleasant St. (a/k/a Route 113) in Dunstable, MA. The office is open Monday - Friday 8AM until 5PM. No appointment is needed, please just stop by and leave any unwrapped toys in the collection box.

Historically there has been a shortage of donations for children in their pre-teen years so please keep that in mind when considering what toys you might donate to this program. We look forward to seeing you all during this upcoming holiday season and we thank you in advance for your support. ***Should you have any questions relating to the Toys for Tots program please feel free to contact Maureen at 773-599-3257 and she can answer any questions you might have.***

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Do you have a child who is going into college and you wish you had more money for their tuition and either you or another member of your family served in the military? You may be able to apply for a scholarship from the American Legion. Just go to legion.org and select "Scholarships". There you will find many different scholarships available.



This is also the month we note an appreciation to our many veterans who are alive and have served to keep our freedoms. Some good ways to show your appreciation is simply to display our grand flag or even a simple "Thank You". I know that the Veterans along with our First Responders primary focus is to keep our country and you safe.

VETERANS' DAY NOVEMBER 11TH

As always if you know of any veteran, widow or family member in need of assistance of any kind, even if it is just information, please leave me a message at 978-649-3919 or send me an email at VSO@Dunstable-ma.gov. I am here to help you.

Joe Dean (Former USMC Sgt, Retired USAF Capt.)

Dunstable Veteran Services Officer

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HIPAA PRIVACY RULES

By Edward H. Adamsky

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA") required new privacy standards to protect health care consumers. It took until 2003 to have those standards finalized and implemented. At first the rules caused confusion and fear as the law had severe penalties (fines and jail) for violations of patients' privacy. Providers changed their systems and became very rigid in what information they would release.

In the last sixteen years however, providers have become used to the system. No one has been punished for innocent infractions and no health workers have gone to jail. Some egregious and criminal violations have been sanctioned but the original fears of most providers did not come true.

Still, the standards are in place to protect everyone's privacy, and providers do follow them. You will not be able to get any "Protected Health Information" from a "Covered Entity" without a release by the individual patient. In most cases if the patient is present, they can give verbal approval for a provider to speak to or in front of another person. But, without a written privacy release, the provider will not speak to a third-party about a patient who isn't there to assent. Hospitals are comfortable telling you if someone is there or not, but they won't tell you the person's condition.

This means that if you want someone else to know about your situation, then you should sign a HIPAA Privacy Release so that third person can present that document to any provider from whom they need information. I am now having all of my clients execute a Privacy Release along with their other Life & Estate Planning documents. You may need HIPAA releases for your college-age children too.

One reason a third-party might need information is to pay a bill. If you have signed a Power of Attorney naming some trusted person to help you with paying bills, then that person has the power to handle your money and pay the bill. But, if it is a medical bill, and they have a question about it, the provider will not talk to them without the Medical Privacy Release. A medical bill contains Protected Health Information and the billing office of a provider will not talk to your Agent under your Power of Attorney without a signed HIPAA release.

Protected Health Information means information about an individual's physical or mental health condition; the provision of health care to the individual; and, payment for that health care. "Covered Entities" include most health care providers, health insurers, and affiliated organizations (Doctors, Hospitals and Labs).

Estate Planning and Elder Law attorneys have modified their planning documents to include language designed to help families properly use and share protected information. Older documents may not have the right language, so you should review your documents, and if necessary, see your attorney to have them updated.

DIRECTOR OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

Anne Fenochetti Email: afenochetti@dunstable-ma.gov
Hours at Town Hall: **Tuesday** from 11-2 and **Wednesday** from 8-11. Call Anne at 978-649-4514 ext. 223 at the Town Hall or by appointment.

DUNSTABLE COUNCIL ON AGING Barbara Martin Chairman, Mary Dow Secretary, Donald Pottle, Vincent Hollins and James McMannus.

The Mission of the Dunstable Council on Aging is to serve as a supportive family resource as emerging needs of Dunstable residents become more complex; and to advocate for and provide, in a cost-effective manner, a safe, congenial environment where seniors may participate in social, educational, and cultural programs reflective of their needs. **Next meeting November 12 at 11:00 A.M. at the town hall. Feel free to give us your ideas.**

Bone Builders Program is held on Wednesdays and Fridays in the community room of the library from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Through a grant from CTI senior Corp. Volunteer leaders run the program. Bone Builders is a fun low- impact strength training and balance exercise program. Each class runs for 60 min. FREE to all seniors, space is available. Talk with Brian O'Donnell. None held on Nov 29.

Medicare Annual Open Enrollment The Medicare Advantage Plan **Open Enrollment period will run through December 7.** Contact our SHINE contact, Lisa Rose at 978-683-7747 if you have questions.

Medication Take Back Program Do you have out of dated or unused medication in your cabinet? An officer from the Dunstable Police Dept. will be at our meetings on the last Wed. of each month at noon to collect them and dispose of them properly. **Drop off will be November 20.**

Well Adult Clinic Are held on the fourth Wednesday of every month in the community room of the Dunstable Library. These clinics allow for personalized, one on one attention from a nurse. Offered services include blood pressure and blood sugar screenings, diet/nutrition information and teaching, medication review and assistance with identifying and coordinating community resources and referrals. All residents, of any age are welcome to attend. Next clinic **November 27 from 11–noon.**

PEPPERELL FOOD PANTRY OPEN TO DUNSTABLE RESIDENTS

PACH Located at 66 Hollis St. Pepperell is open on Tuesdays from 5 – 7 p.m. and Thursdays from 2–4 p.m. and 5–7p.m. PACH provides food, paper goods and personal care items to residents in need of assistance. If you are interested in using this service contact office at 978-925-9770 or visit their web site at www.pachoutreach.org. We will be organizing a food drive in the fall. Food collection boxes will be placed in the library, church and post office. **Donations would be appreciated they just need to be non-expired.** A volunteer will pick them up on Tuesdays. Dunstable collected **170 pounds** in September, thanks so much.

Prescription Advantage Open Enrollment New from Medicare. The new Medicare Advantage Plan Open Enrollment period will run January 31- March 31 of each year. Contact our SHINE contact, Lisa Rose at 978-683-7747 if you have any questions.

Buckets of Sand Winter is closing in and we know what that means, snow and ice. The Highway Dept. has again offered to deliver buckets of sand to your home for you to use on slippery places. Contact Anne Fennochetti if you would like a delivery.

Book Delivery to shut-ins is available through the Dunstable Library. Tell Sue if you or someone you know needs books or audio material.

Van Service is available for medical appointments and grocery shopping. Cost is \$5.00 for local trips, Lowell, Chelmsford, Nashua, Tyngsboro, Westford, Ayer, Groton & Pepperell. \$10.00 for any other. Contact Anne Fennochetti as soon as you know when your appointment is to make sure a ride is available.

Meals on Wheels Do you or someone you know need the services of Meals on Wheels? This service is now being merged with Tyngsboro's MOW. For information contact Joyce Dastou at Merrimack Valley Elder Services at 1-800-892-0890.

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Members of the Nashaway Girl Scouts and various Groton-Dunstable Scouting groups came together on September 21 for a day of interactive fun and games at Legion Field. The community was invited to learn and experience what Scouting has to offer kids from K-12. There was a lot to see and do from crossing rope bridges and tossing tomahawks to cooking cornbread and frying Oreos to trying out the sires on the police ATV. Groups on hand included Scouts BSA, Cub Scouts, Venture, Firefighter Explorers, Police Auxiliary, and Nashaway Girl Scouts. For more information about all the scouting programs offered in Groton and Dunstable, check out the GDScouting.org website.

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The Calendar is available for \$12 a piece at the Dunstable Library, General Store, Rose of Sharon at Blossom Hill, The Farm-house Café, Tully Farm's Dairy Store, West Auto and from any of the Directors of the Dunstable Rural Land Trust.

All proceeds from the sale of the calendars go directly to the Dunstable Rural Land Trust to help preserve the rural character of our town. Call Elaine at 978-649-9236 for more information.

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ARE WE BORN IN SIN?

By Nathan Combs

As a result of the sin of our first ancestors, Adam and Eve, have we all inherited their guilt? Do we enter life with an unrighteous spiritual status? Although it is impossible to fully address this ancient debate in the space of one short article, we can briefly explore one of the passages many consider central to this question: Romans 5.12-21. In this chapter, the apostle Paul is making the case that Christians can have confidence in their spiritual reunion with God based upon what Jesus did in his death and return from the grave. We were saved *by* him, and we now rejoice *through* him.

That's the context in which Paul begins to write his controversial words, starting in vs. 12: "Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned..." It is beyond dispute from this verse that the curse of spiritual destruction grew from the garden of Eden and encompassed the world. But how exactly did it spread? Was it because it became an inherited human trait? Notice the last phrase of the verse carefully: "*because all sinned.*" This echoes what Paul had already written in 3.9-23 and charges that every human has actively participated in the sinful brokenness of the world, whether they descend from Abraham or not. Adam certainly was the first to expose the world to evil and its consequences, but that evil was fed and perpetuated by every one of his descendants. This happened through conscious choice, not through the mere act of birth.

Consider what Paul writes in Romans 5.18-19: "Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for *all men*, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for *all men*. For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous." If Paul is arguing that everyone automatically enters life as a sinner because of Adam's actions, then he's also saying in the same verse that all people will automatically be saved because of Jesus' work. Yet, Romans is very clear at the beginning of chapter 5 that we are "justified by faith." Therefore, Paul must mean that just as one man (Adam) opened the door to death for all people, the God man (Jesus) opened the door to life.

Not only that, but the grace that is now coming into the world is much stronger than the death that entered. Paul says as much in Romans 5.17 - "For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ." We are not born sinful, but we will all sin. However, the power of Jesus to rescue us is, as always, more powerful than the efforts of Satan.

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

We changed things up a bit this year to spread out the excitement and we felt that our first annual Classic car night and Touch a truck night were well received at the Dunstable Summer Concerts in 2019. What we think is going to become a new concert favorite we have to thank 3 Times Fast for providing the awesome classic rock and roll tunes for Classic Car night and Back2BackNH for their musical talents for Touch a truck night.

These two nights would not be possible without all of our generous individual and company donors, volunteers and vehicle owners who help us to make these two special nights such a huge success and for all of their participation we say THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!! The following is a list of companies and individuals who so graciously donated items for giveaways to vehicle attendees or the silent auction: Dream Diner, Dunstable General store, Alice Sniezek, Dunstable Animal Clinic, Pampered Paws Dog grooming, LAUNCH trampoline park, Bill & Sue Psaledakis, Gibbet Hill Grill, Forge & Vine, O'Neil Cinemas, West Auto Repair, Farmhouse Café, Rose of Sharon at Blossom Hill, Tully Farms Dairy, Simmons Farm and Greenhouse, Goss Farm and Amy Wilson (Thirty One director) Again a special thanks to all of the vehicles owners who made time to bring their vehicles to the town common. Without you all there would be no Classic Car night and Touch a Truck night at the Dunstable Summer Concerts so THANK YOU!!!! A special shout out to Melissa and Kim at the Rose of Sharon at Blossom Hill who helped to arrange some of the silent auction baskets for us and to all of the volunteers who help to make these two nights run smoothly. We couldn't pull these nights off without all of your help from parking attendants to ladies helping to man the silent auction table.

Our silent auction table raised \$1,310 all of which was donated back to the Dunstable Summer Concert organization to help keep the concerts going into 2020. Thank you to all of the concert patrons who bid on the items and congratulations to the lucky bid winners.

As co-sponsors of Classic Car Night and Touch a Truck night at the Dunstable Summer Concerts, thank you to you all. We hope you had fun and we look forward to seeing you again on the town

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By: Bella Paul

Youth Leader, Groton Neighborhood Food Project

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Groton Dunstable Special Education Parent Advisory Council

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The library will be closed for Thanksgiving on November 28 and 29th.

Featured Display This month's display is an assortment of David Winter cottages and brass antique shoes. This collection is provided by Whitney Healey. Come and check it out. If you would like to display your artwork or photographs in the community room, we would love to host you. Please contact Karen at kdebrececi@dunstablepl.org. Also checkout a collection of antique kitchen utensils on display from Sue Tully.

Community Room Artist Check out the new artwork done by Alice Sneizek. Her new collection of paintings are wonderful!

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Adult Reading Group *Like to read?* Then we have the group for you. Meeting is on **Sat. November 16 at 10:30** at the library. We will be discussing ***Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult**. Summary A woman and her husband admitted to a hospital to have a baby requests that their nurse be reassigned - they are white supremacists and don't want Ruth, who is black, to touch their baby. The hospital complies, but the baby later goes into cardiac distress when Ruth is on duty. She hesitates before rushing in to perform CPR. When her indecision ends in tragedy, Ruth finds herself on trial, represented by a white public defender who warns against bringing race into a courtroom. As the two come to develop a truer understanding of each other's lives, they begin to doubt the beliefs they each hold most dear. Books may be ordered thru the library. New members are always welcome. We meet every 3rd Saturday at 10:30a.m. in the community room of the library.

Quilter's Group They meet from 6-8 p.m., the first & third Tuesday of the month. If you are interested in learning to quilt or would like to join other quilters, this could be the perfect opportunity for you.

Cook Book Club The library has a cookbook club! We will have a cookbook displayed each month and you can select and prepare a recipe from the monthly selection. Then we will get together on the last Friday of the month at 12:00pm to enjoy the dishes. Signup sheet will be at the desk. **This month we will be meeting on November 22nd at 12:00 pm.** New members are always welcome.

Children's Program Come and join Mrs. D. for a special children's craft on **Tuesday, November 12th at 4:00pm**. We will be making an assortment of Thanksgiving crafts. Please wear clothes that can get messy. Please sign up at the library or email Mrs. D. at kdebrececi@dunstablepl.org

Children's Program Come in and read to Mr. Wilson, our library dog. This will take place on **Thursday November 14th at 11:00am**. Please sign up at the library or email Mrs. D. at kdebrececi@dunstablepl.org

Preschool Story Hour Please come in with your 3, 4 or 5 year old for story hour on Thursdays and Fridays. We meet 10:30-11:30. Program includes stories, songs and a craft or activity. Join the fun!

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- There will be a Congregational Retreat at Dane Kramptz home on Saturday, November 16th. Details will be coming soon.
- On Tuesday, November 19th, Church Council meets at 7:20 PM.
- The Prayer Shawl Ministry will be at 6:30 PM on Friday, November 22nd.

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On Saturday, September 14, 2019, the Altrusa Club conducted a Food Drive at the Market Basket on Amherst Street in Nashua to benefit the Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter (NSKS).

The overwhelming generosity exhibited by Nashua shoppers on a cold, rainy day warmed our hearts and helped to make our efforts a huge success. Altrusa is grateful to Market Basket (DeMoulas Supermarkets, Inc.) and the manager, Marty Maguire, for allowing members of Altrusa to solicit donations outside the store. This demonstrates Market Basket's continued commitment to the community.

To those who gave so generously, we thank you for helping us fulfill our mission and for providing support for the NSKS.

Altrusa International of Merrimack Valley is a non-profit volunteer association whose members are dedicated to making a difference in the lives of others. **For more information about Altrusa, please visit www.altrusa.org or email altrusamv@gmail.com.**

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... **My Life, My Quit™** has youth coach specialists trained to help young people by phone or text. Young people can call or text "Start My Quit" to 855-891-9989 for free and confidential help or sign up online at mylifemyquit.com.

... Encourage young people to ask their school nurse or counselor, athletic coach, doctor, parent or other trusted adult for help.

... Visit teen.smokefree.gov for tools and tips.

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TYNGSBOROUGH DUNSTABLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY



The Little Red Schoolhouse is located at 64 Main St., Dunstable, MA (Route 113) not far from the town line near Rte 3

Meetings are FREE and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Events listed here are held at the Little Red Schoolhouse unless noted otherwise.

• Thursday, December 5th 6:30 to 8:30PM

Seasonal Greenery Workshop

Create your own holiday decorations by the warmth of the wood stove using your local natural greens. Refreshments are provided. For info: Call Ann Fenochetti, 978-649-0439

• Sunday, December 8th 6 PM

Annual Meeting and Holiday Potluck Supper

Great food and a good time with old friends and new, by the wood stove. Come join us! For info: Call Lynda Justice, 978-587-8423

For program updates, check the TDHS website:

www.tdhistoricalsociety.org

Email address: tyngsboroughdunstablehs@gmail.com

4TH ANNUAL LIVING NATIVITY

on Saturday, December 7. Walks between 5:30PM and 7:30 PM on the Dunstable Town Common, Dunstable Center, Main St., Dunstable, MA

This will be a night to remember! We've expanded the event this year, with more animals, warming fires and musical presentations! Join us for an outdoor guided walk to Bethlehem. Trace the steps of Mary and Joseph as you walk down the candlelit paths and meet the shepherds and Wisemen. Enjoy the Christmas music and view the animals as you journey to see the baby Jesus. Come anytime between 5:30 and 7:30, each walk is about 20 minutes. After the walk, join us for refreshments. Sponsored by the Dunstable Evangelical Congregational Church.

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DUNSTABLE TYNGSBOUGH LIONS CLUB



"We Serve" The Lions Club is a non-profit organization of men and women dedicated to serving communities locally and globally giving hope and impacting lives through humanitarian service projects and raising donations to support areas of need. We are currently looking for community minded members to join, please contact membership chair Joe Ward his contact information is below.

Officers for the 2019-2020 Lions Year

President: Mark Alexander, 1st Vice President/Membership Chair:

Joe Ward, Treasurer: Bob Reich, Secretary/Club Service Chair:

Laura Ward

Anyone interested in joining the lions is asked to contact Joe Ward at 978-930-1153 or Mark Alexander at 978-649-9124. **Our Regular Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month starting at 6:30 pm** at Princeton Station 147 Princeton St., in N. Chelmsford, MA.

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RISE AUTHORS TO READ AT NASHUA PUBLIC LIBRARY

Members of the creative writing classes at the Rivier Institute for
Senior Education (RISE) will read from *DAWN, The Literary Journal
of RISE*, at the Nashua Public Library Sunday, November 17 from
2:00 – 4:00 p.m. in the Theater. Copies of *DAWN* will be available
for \$6, and authors will be pleased to add autographs and inscrip-
tions.

Many RISE members have a passion for writing and began putting
their creative thoughts to paper, writing memoirs for their families.
Poetry has grown in popularity over the years since Dawn's incep-
tion.

DAWN was first published in the spring of 2000, featuring the works
of nine RISE authors. This year's publication tops out at an impres-
sive 148 pages and features the prose and poetry of 35 authors.
The journal is divided into three sections: fiction, nonfiction, and
poetry. The non-fiction section remains almost 100 percent memoir
writing. A short biographical sketch of each author appears in the
back of the journal and tells of the varied backgrounds and careers
of each author.

DAWN is a thoughtful and inexpensive gift to give to friends and
family. It is available for purchase at the RISE office, Rivier Univer-
sity, Room 126 in Memorial Hall, Clement Street, Nashua. Proceeds
from sales of the *DAWN* Journals will go to a RISE Memorial Schol-
arship which supports Rivier undergraduate day students who have
demonstrated a commitment to the greater Nashua community
through volunteer work or public service.

The Dawn Editorial Staff is hoping that audience members who
aren't familiar with RISE will want to learn more about the program
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DOG PARKS

Tara M. Sacramone, DVM



Recently it seems more and more people have been bringing their dogs to dog parks. Each dog park is different. Some are very official, well maintained, requiring membership, proof of vaccination and even a DNA test on the dogs stool, insuring all feces will get picked up. Some are just places people with dogs tend to gather together to let their dogs play, some even without fencing. Much like everything in life there are good and bad things about dog parks.

First the good – let's face it, it's just plain fun to watch a dog run full throttle, especially if you don't have a fence at home. All that running is good exercise for weight control, many of the dogs I see are overweight. Also it is good socialization, dogs are a pack animal and most of them like to socialize with other dogs.

As a veterinarian I will admit that there are many things about dog parks that frighten me. Firstly contagious diseases, from viruses and bacteria to ringworm (skin fungal infection) to external parasites like fleas and mites and internal parasites like roundworm, whipworm, giardia, etc. Some of these diseases are also contagious to humans. I also worry about bad behavior both from other dogs and even my own dogs. Not all dogs like each other all of the time and not all dogs like all people all of the time either. Dog bites can be very serious, even life threatening. Not to mention how unpleasant it is to witness a dog fight. Even nice happy dogs can knock over an innocent bystander. Bad behavior can also come from the other dog owners. Some things are just annoying, like not picking up after their dog, and some things are more serious, like not taking responsibility if their dog becomes aggressive and injures either a person or another dog.

So if you are considering bringing your dog to a dog park, proceed with caution. If you have a smaller or an easily frightened dog proceed with extreme caution. Go to the park first, see how it seems to you. Maybe one with more rules is more your style or maybe a more casual approach will work for you. I will admit you won't see me at any dog parks. As well as all of the above concerns I have the added worry that one of the dogs will figure out I'm a veterinarian and convince all of the other dogs to gang up on me.

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Our worship service is at 9:30 AM and starts with children and youth attending with their family. Children and youth participate in several aspects of the service until they go to their Sunday School classes with teachers. *We will be having a Hanging of the Greens service in early December.*

We hope to see you soon! 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.

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THE 15TH ANNUAL Groton Community Home Tour

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GROTON COMMUNITY HOME TOUR

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The tour is a self-guided, adults-only tour of distinctive and historic properties. The 2019 Home Tour will showcase homes in Groton and the surrounding communities, including two antique homes from the 1800s which have undergone stunning transformations, a quaint home on a working family farm, and a unique new construction featuring french provincial and equestrian design with impeccable attention to detail.

The Tour begins at Groton Community School (now at 14 Main Street in Groton) with complimentary coffee and donuts from Dunkin Donuts and The Catalano Companies. Various local artisans and merchants will be at GCS and in the homes providing a unique opportunity for holiday gift shopping. While at the school, enter to win Chance items and baskets generously donated by local businesses, artists, friends, and Groton Community School families. The Chance items will be on display and Chance tickets will be on sale at the school the week prior to the Home Tour. Winners do not need to be present at the time of the drawing to win. To order tickets for the Groton Community Home Tour visit: www.grotoncommunityschool.org/tickets

Tickets are also available by cash or check at the following locations: Groton Community School: **New location-14 Main Street, Groton, MA.** FacetsETC: 30A Hollis Street, Groton, MA. Kimball Farm: 400 Littleton Road, Westford, MA. Lavender: 137 Main Street, Groton, MA. The Groton Inn: 128 Main Street, Groton MA. **Advance tickets for the Home Tour are \$30 per person or \$40 per person with a boxed lunch from Salt & Light Bistro Cafe. Tickets purchased on the day of the tour are \$35 (admittance only)**

Thank you to our 2019 Groton Community Home Tour Soaring Sponsor 360 Gymnastics, Our Kaleidoscope Sponsors McGovern Automotive Group and Workers Credit Union and our Community Sponsors: Babin Landscaping, The Catalano Companies, Great Road Farm and Garden, and Platt Builders. Full event details are available at www.grotonhometour.com

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PIANO PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP: On-stage practice in a casual masterclass format with expert coaching from Indian Hill Music School faculty: Saturday, November 16 at 10:00am with pianist Sarah Tocco, 36 King Street, Littleton, MA. FEE: \$20 (Free for Indian Hill Music students) Pre-registration required. Learn more: (978) 486-9524 or www.indianhillmusic.org.

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FRIDAY NIGHT JAZZ JAM: Listen to a swinging set by the Mike Caudill Trio followed by an open jam session. Stay and listen, or sit in to play standards with the group. Friday, November 22 at 7:30pm, 36 King Street, Littleton, MA. TICKETS: \$10 (Free for Indian Hill Music students) Learn more: (978) 486-9524 or www.indianhillmusic.org.

CHAMBER MUSIC AT INDIAN HILL: Duo Nouveau with cellist Young Sook Lee and pianist Yoojin Lee perform music of Beethoven, Busoni, Bartok, and Britten: Sunday, November 24 at 3:00pm, Indian Hill Music, 36 King Street, Littleton, MA. TICKETS: \$15 (Free for Indian Hill Music students) Learn more: (978) 486-9524 or www.indianhillmusic.org.

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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."

Sunday worship time begins at **10:30am** and Christian Education/ Sunday School for children and adults at **9am-10:15am**.

WORSHIP: Pastor Bobby leads our worship services which feature a variety of music, scripture readings, corporate prayer, and spoken messages, with Communion (the Lord's Supper) served on the first Sunday of the month.

EDUCATION: Adult and children Sunday School classes meet at 9:00 am on Sunday mornings in the Fellowship Hall and Room #4 respectively. During the Adult class, the "CASKET EMPTY" program, a Summary of the Bible, we'll cover the Old and New Testaments in a historical progression, showing how they work together to create the biggest, best story that has ever been told. The Adult class also meets at 7:00 pm Tuesday evenings at the parsonage covering the same material as on Sunday.

CHILDCARE: Childcare for infants through kindergarten is available both during Sunday School hour and the worship service.

FELLOWSHIP: Everyone is welcome to an informal time of fellowship with coffee, tea, and refreshments after the service.

DECC YOUTH GROUP: All area youth in grades 6-12 are welcome! Regular meetings will be held on Sundays 4-6 pm at the Dunstable Evangelical Congregational Church, unless otherwise noted. Some events planned are astronomy night, fundraisers, games, snacks, study, the Living Nativity and other surprises. Contact Leader Jon Hughes with any questions at Jon.hughes480@gmail.com or 978-303-7708.

On Sunday, Nov 24, we will dedicate all donations received for families of Pepperell and Dunstable that are served by PACH (Pepperell Aid to Community & Home). If, each day, you put one food or personal care item in a box, by Thanksgiving Sunday you would have a wonderful donation. You can drop off items any time in the containers in Fellowship Hall. (If you continue one item each day through December, you would have another box of needed items for My Father's House to donate at the Living Nativity!)

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Our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service on Tuesday, Dec 24th, will begin at 7:00 pm, preceded at 6:45 pm by a Carol Sing, so come early to sing some familiar Christmas carols. There will also be a contemplative service on Christmas Day at 10:00 am.

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Evangelical Congregational Church of Tyngsboro

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Route 113, 23 Kendall Rd. Tyngsboro, MA 01879

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JOIN US FOR SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

OUR MISSION: Glorify God by encouraging all people to know Jesus together in Faith, Love and Service. Worship Service at 10:00 a.m. Nursery available. Followed by Fellowship and Refreshments. Cancellation information will be listed on our website:

www.tyngsborocongregational.org

• **Our "ROAR" SUNDAY SCHOOL** "ROAR" is the program that will be taught this year. This is a very exciting and fun program and the kids will love it! Children will begin the Sunday Services with their parents and will be dismissed to their age-appropriate classes at 10:15 a.m.

• **LADIES BIBLE STUDY - TUESDAYS** 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. This year the study is entitled "Bible Survey...A Big Screen Perspective". Please plan to join our Bible Study group. You may call our Church Office and leave your name and phone number and our Secretary will return your call.

• **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.

• **THE THRIFT SHOP** • Located next to the church is open to the public on **Thursdays and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.** We offer an assortment of clothing, shoes, handbags, baby items, books, small appliances, dishes, glassware, jewelry, etc. **Please do not drop off** large items as we do not have the means to dispose of these.

• **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM - Sunday, December 1st at 10:00 a.m.** This is such an important and meaningful day for our Sunday School children of all ages. Please come and enjoy the beginning of the Christmas Season with us as they perform this special service sharing the meaning of Christ's birth.

• **CHRISTMAS FAIR - DECEMBER 7th** - Doors open at 9:00 a.m. We will continue our Cookie Walk tradition, offer baked goods, toys, Goody Bags and items for Christmas shopping! "JT603 Catering" (Josh Lorman and Todd Rivard) will be there cooking up a storm of BBQ favorites and soups for everyone! **Try our new breakfast "McChurch Muffins"**. Ring our church bell, tour our church, submit your tickets for door prizes, and shop our Thrift Shop for amazing gifts at affordable prices. We have additional parking behind the church!!! SEE YOU ALL ON DECEMBER 7TH!

• **DECEMBER 24TH - CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE** AT 7:00 P.M. - join us for this meaningful evening service where we all come to celebrate the Birth of Jesus Christ.

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- **Friday, November 4th at 7:30PM Music BINGO** 978-649-7540
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- Upcoming meeting of the **Auxiliary**. The Auxiliary Unit voted to change their Unit meetings date and time. **They now meet on the last Thursday of the month at 6PM**
- **November 22nd "Familiar Feud". Aka Family Feud**
Start time 2pm to 3:30PM. Prizes, Free admission.
- **Saturday, November 23, 2019 from 1-5PM. ALA Middlesex County District Five, will honor their District Five Director Josephine Beauregard. With Testimonial.** To be held at the Robert D. Pelletier American Legion Post 247
- Please sign-up for the **Adult Christmas party Friday December 6, 7-11pm!!** Yankee swap (\$15 gift), DJ and Potluck (let us know what you will be bringing)

American Legion Post 247 Inc. 90 Pawtucket Blvd., Tyngsboro, MA

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Active duty military and veterans always welcome to join. First Year FREE for new Legion members. For further information call **978-649-7540**. Remember to attend the committee meetings on the first Thursday with your input and ideas.

The public is invited to get involved in all events of the post. The veterans monthly dinners will continue on the first Wednesday of the month. We are always looking for help to serve the veterans. **Keno and Scratch Tickets are available at the Post.** There is an ATM in the Post for your convenience.

Elected Post 247 Officers serving for 2019-2020

Commander: Raymond Hamelin; Sr. Vice Commander: Pete St. Peters; Jr. Vice Commander: Larry Monaco; Finance Officer: John Burke; Adjutant: Don Pierce; Judge Advocate: Roland Milliard; Executive Board: Joe Conlin, Robin Dion, and Fred Carroll.

Visit our website, www.AmericanLegionPost247.org

This website contains a wealth of information about the Post.

Please remember to be safe & keep our troops in your prayers.

AMVETS POST #247 ROBERT D. PELLETIER



90 Pawtucket Blvd. Tyngsborough, MA

We hold our meetings on the **1st Tuesday** of the month at **7 p.m.** all veterans are welcome with 180 days or more of active duty. Come down and join us for a meeting.
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OFFICERS: Commander: William A. Beaton; 1st Vice: Jan Domrowski; 2nd Vice: Steve Harhs; Adjutant: John Cogan; Finance: David Coles; Judge Advocate: Roland Milliard; Provos Marshal: Roland Russell; Chaplain: Rod Woods. E-Board: John McDermott, Marty Bloomgren and Claire Beaton.

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AMVETS National Website: <http://www.amvets.org/>



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 247

90 Pawtucket Blvd. Tyngsborough, MA 01879

Meetings NOW held the LAST Thursday of each month at 6pm.

Auxiliary Unit 247 Officers for 2019-2020:

President: Josephine Beauregard; Sr. Vice: Bernadette Harper; Jr. Vice: Sarah O'Callaghan; Secretary: Patricia Modrich; Treasurer: Diane Dileo; Chaplain: Debbie Dion; Unit Sgt-At-Arms: Debra St. Peters. Executive Committee: Kathleen Olje.

For information on the Auxiliary Unit meetings, or functions contact Unit President Josephine Beauregard at 978-458-7015.

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

••• **The Unit Jr. Auxiliary is accepting new Jr. members.**
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If you belong to a group and have upcoming events, such as a fundraiser or an organization that you love to take part in, have a business that is looking for employees, or offers a service that you want everyone to know about, let me know. Share your info. There is no fee for news but free space is limited, so it is best to get it in as soon as possible. Remember that the printed issue is usually out around the 5th or 6th of the month. **So you do have to plan ahead. For paid ads, please contact me by email. I will then forward a rate sheet to you.**

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For more information please email: nashuahistorical@comcast.net, call 603-883-0015 or visit our website: nashuahistorical.org

Please visit The Nashua Historical Society's changing exhibit case at Nashua's City Hall. The current exhibit is a history of the Pheasant Lane Mall.

LOADING DOCK GALLERY

122 Western Avenue, 2nd Floor Lowell, MA 01851

Orbs: Spheres of Unity Orbs: will be on display at the Loading Dock Gallery through December 1, 2019.

The Loading Dock Gallery heralds November with an invitational exhibition by Tracey Levesque entitled **Orbs: Spheres of Unity**, showcasing the fine art and fine craft of glass, fiber, 2D and metal artists.

The theme of this show is both relative and timely as this select gallery of artists explores the unifying principle of orbs, spheres and circles, their significance, and how the different media of artistic expression convey the form's essence of perfection, unification and the balancing of the extremes of the world we live in. Come delight in this artistic celebration of the orb and how its symbolic nature of unity, vision, inclusivity and balance may only scratch the surface of our imaginations!

The Loading Dock Gallery is a program of Loading Dock Arts, Inc., a 501C3 nonprofit. The gallery is open Wednesday-Saturday from noon to 5:30 PM, and Sunday until 4 PM. For more information, call 978-985-0695. On-line, visit the gallery at theloadingdock-gallery.com or shop store.theloadingdockgallery.com



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Groton and Dunstable Family & Community Programs

- Join us on any 1st Tuesdays during the school year -1:30 p.m. at: Dunstable Congregational Church, 518 Main Street, Dunstable
- Join us on any all Mondays during the school year -9:30 a.m. at: Peter Twomey Center (behind G-D Middle School North), 348 Main Street, Groton

Townsend and Pepperell Family & Community Programs

- Join us on any 1st & 3rd Tuesdays during the school year -10:30 a.m. at: Pepperell Library (Lawrence Library), 15 Main Street, Pepperell

- Join us on any Wednesdays during the school year -10:30 AM at: Townsend Library, 12 Dudley Road, Townsend

Please contact Jana Harrison, at jharrison@awrsd.org, or 978.874.0163 for further information.

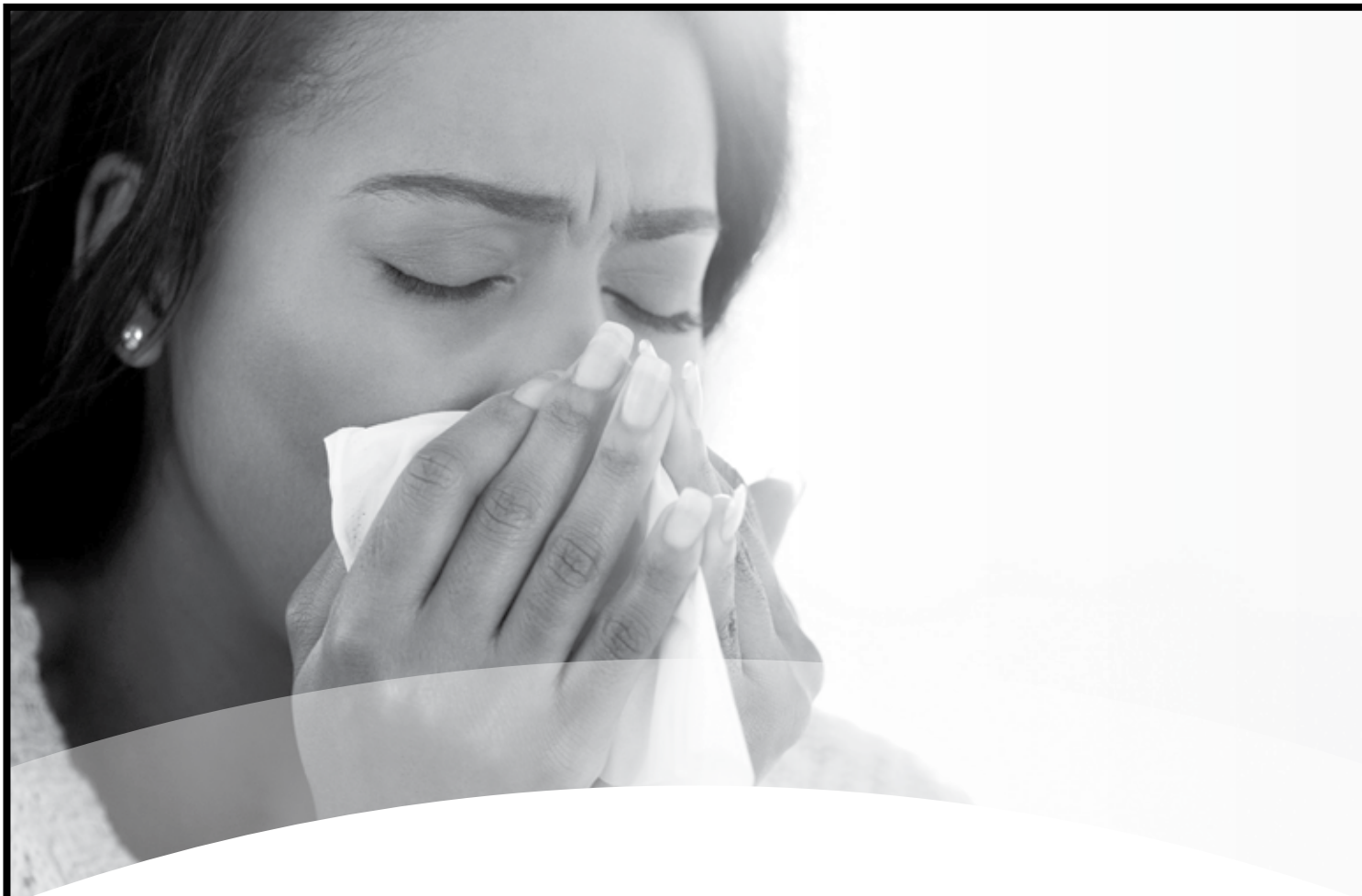
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