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TYNGSBOROUGH TOWN CLERK NEWS

2021 DOG LICENSES will be available at the Town Clerk's office or by mail by November 16th. 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.

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

TYNGSBOROUGH BOARD OF HEALTH HOUSEHOLD YARD WASTE

Please mark your calendar. If you missed the Yard Waste collection on Nov. 7th another one is scheduled for Saturday, November 21st

Place all yard waste in open barrels or yard waste bags. Twigs and sticks (less than 4 inches in diameter) may be tied and bundled. Yard waste in plastic bags will not be collected.

Leaves and grass clippings must be placed in compostable PAPER LEAF BAGS (available at local stores such as Home Depot, Walmart, Market Basket, True Value Hardware stores, etc.), dry cardboard boxes or trash barrels. Boxes and barrels will be emptied and left at the curb.

• **Do NOT place yard waste in plastic bags!** • **Leaves and grass clippings in plastic bags or wet cardboard boxes will not be collected.** • Flower and vegetable garden waste may also be included. Grass clippings may be included with leaves or may be bagged separately. • Pinecones, pine needles and **small** twigs that are raked up with leaves may be included. • Paper leaf bags do not need to be closed at the top, **but please do not let them stand in puddles of water.**

THE STITCHERS

AT THE TYNGSBORO SENIOR CENTER

... welcome you to join the group at the center every **Monday from 1PM to 3PM (with mask)**. Project information, needles, yarn, and patterns are available as well as instruction at that time.

Our projects continue to be baby knitwear and blankets for Pregnancy Care Center in Lowell, as well as Hospice in Merrimack, New Hampshire where our lap robes, hats, scarfs, and afghans are distributed throughout southern New Hampshire. Previously, Hospice in the Merrimack Valley were recipients.

A big "Shout Out!" goes to those gals last month who brought in yarn to restock our supply cabinet. We also received a donation of new knit goods from an "at home" knitter. Thank you all for your unending support of agencies in need in this area..

For further questions and information, please contact Stitches Coordinator, Jean Jacoppi (978-649-90765).

IN MEMORY OF

Kevin M. McGee	Margaret Rita Fitzpatrick Driscoll
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ADOPT-A-FAMILY

Tyngsborough Public Schools ~ School Committee

It is that time of year again, and the Tyngsborough Public School's sponsored *Adopt-A-Family* program is beginning its annual efforts as we approach the 2020 holiday season.

The *Adopt-A-Family* program has been in existence for over forty years and provides assistance to needy families within our community during the holidays. **The continued goal of the program is to assist those in need within our community by providing a meal, as well as gifts for children and teens who might otherwise go without.** Last year this *Adopt-A-Family* program was able to assist over 100 needy families and elderly with help from students in our schools, private citizens and a few community businesses. This year the approach will be a bit different. While following safety guidelines, we plan to still support families with gift cards this season. This year will be no different in this respect as times continue to be difficult for a growing number of families.

In order to continue to provide assistance, we are reaching out to community members and businesses in the greater community for support. At this time the program is in need of the following:

- Any questions please email one of the committee members.
- Gift cards to Walmart, Market Basket, and Amazon will be greatly appreciated and should be mailed to the address below.
- Monetary donations (checks made out to Tyngsborough High School, memo: Adopt A Family Program) can be sent to Tyngsborough Public Schools, 50 Norris Road, Tyngsborough, MA 01879, ATTN: Sharon Fairbanks

We look forward to establishing new partnerships within our community. Your contribution, along with the combined efforts and generosity of many, will ensure another successful season of giving for our neighbors in need.

Warm regards,

Sarah Lewenczuk, 978-649-8914, Adopt-A-Family Secretary & Treasurer Sarah.lewenczuk@tyngsboroughps.org

Melissa Mallous, 978-649-3115, Family Liaison Melissa.mallous@tyngsboroughps.org

Sharon Fairbanks, 978-649-7488, Adopt-A-Family Community Liaison Sharon.fairbanks@tyngsboroughps.org

Happy Thanksgiving!





TYNGSBORO GARDEN CLUB



Even though we are still fighting Covid19, the garden club has been busy cleaning and planting throughout the town this fall.

Our latest project was on Oct 1, 2020. Members of the garden club planted donated flowers from our own members gardens at the Tyngsborough Funeral Home. With input from the owners, the Martin Family, we selected various plants from our gardens to donate to their new garden. They put in some bushes and benches and we planted some spring bulbs too. It will look beautiful next year!

We still have some work to do this fall, socially distancing and wearing our masks. We hopefully will be donating our usual holiday baskets to various town offices in December. Enjoy this beautiful fall weather and happy planting!

The Garden Club usually meets the first Tuesday of the month September-November and February-April. **Meetings will be on hold until further notice.**

If you love gardening, want to learn about gardening or just want to join a group of great people, new members are always welcome!

For more information find us on Facebook at Tyngsborough Garden Club or call Deb Schneider at 978-649-6362.

As the weather cools and we spend more time inside the Tyngsborough Garden Club wishes everyone a very safe holiday season.

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The TST meets on the second Wednesday of the month at the Tyngsborough Town Hall at 7pm. (For the time being, we will continue to meet via Zoom). For 57 years volunteers from the community have been coordinating fundraising and awarding scholarships to high school students from Tyngsborough. We welcome and need your help to continue this town tradition. Please join us!

You can read issues and see announcements and articles on line at www.neighbortoneighbornewsletter.com

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NECESSARY HEALTH CARE DOCUMENTS

By Edward H. Adamsky

With the current Covid-19 situation, we are all feeling worried about our potential health issues. There are several legal documents necessary to protect your health and wellbeing.

The first is the **Health Care Proxy**. This is a document that appoints an Agent to make medical decisions for you if you cannot do so yourself. You can name a primary Agent and an Alternate Agent. The power of your Agent comes into effect when your doctor determines that you cannot make your own medical decisions. The power would end if you recovered the ability to make decisions. Without a Health Care Proxy in place, your family would not be able to make decisions for you without a costly and time-consuming legal guardianship proceeding.

The next necessary tool is a **Medical Privacy Release** or **HIPAA Authorization**. This is a document that allows whoever you name to get your private medical information. Federal law prohibits access to your medical information unless you release it. You would obviously name your Health Care Agent and Alternate in this document, but you might also name a few other people that you would want to know about your medical issues, such as someone who helps you with doctor visits or who goes to the pharmacy for you. You might name your Agent under a Power of Attorney so that person could ask questions about medical bills if necessary.

Although not required, and not legally binding, some attorneys suggest that you also complete an **Advanced Directive** or **Living Will**. Some people call Health Care Proxies by this same name, so it can get confusing. An advanced directive is usually just a document that contains your wishes for future medical care. It can put in writing what you would want to happen in various situations such as your desire for life support and extreme medical measures, or your desire to avoid such things. You could also state your wishes for feeding tubes, breathing interventions such as ventilators and the like. You could also express your burial wishes.

If you are living with a serious medical condition, your doctor might ask you to consider completing a **MOLST** (also called a **POLST**) form. This is a medical order for treatment that can go with you from facility to facility. It contains several sections in which you and your doctor state your wishes for future medical care such as artificial nutrition and hydration, intubation, resuscitation, and a few other medical issues. The orders in this document will be followed by any medical facility in which you may be.

You should discuss all of these planning tools with your family and your legal advisor. By having the discussion and getting the tools in place, you can ease the emotional burdens on your family should you need medical care and be unable to make decisions. You and your chosen Agents should keep copies of all of these documents handy in case you need them. And we all hope that you never do.

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The Recreation Committee meets at the Old Town Hall,
10 Kendall Road, Tyngsborough November 30th at 6:30pm.
Additional information may be found on our website at TyngsboroughRec.com. Friend us on Facebook. Seeking new members. Join us!

Festival of Trees 2020 is Cancelled Next year will be magical! Start planning your entry early. If you were thinking of creating a display this year, try our outdoor decorating contest outlined below.
Volunteer to decorate outside: email apage@tyngsboroughma.gov.

SNOWMAN/TREE CONTEST INFORMATION, RULES & GUIDELINES Entrants must have picked-up the Tyngsborough Recreation Snowman and/or Tree; at Town Hall, 25 Bryant Lane between 8AM-4PM. Thursday, November 5, Tuesday; November 10, Wednesday; November 11, or request different date. Each entrant must register their entry <http://bit.ly/SnowmanRegistrationForm>.
Each entrant must complete their snowman or tree any time prior to Tuesday, December 1 at 5:30 PM, and drop off at Old Town Hall gazebo location (at any day/time). Attach a printed copy of your registration to your entry for identification.

All entries must be appropriate for public display. The Committee has the right to refuse to display entries. You may use any accessories to add to your entry. Entrants are encouraged to add their own creative touches that will make their snowman unique. By submitting an entry, contestants grant Tyngsborough Recreation Committee permission and authority to use pictures in any reasonable advertising or promotional activities. All Snowman and tree cutouts remain the property of the Recreation Committee

SNOWMAN & TREE CUTOUT DECORATING CONTEST

Old Town Hall, 10 Kendall Road, Tyngsborough MA

December 5-18, 2020

Businesses, organizations or families pickup the unique 4ft or 8ft wooden snowman and/or Tree from the Recreation Department for a refundable deposit of \$30. Use your crafty side and paint, decorate, embellish your snowman into your work of art. All snowmen will be set-up on the common along Winslow Road by Friday, December 4 by 5:30 PM.

Beginning at 5:00PM on December 5th, the community is invited to participate by going to "Winslow Wonderland" at your leisure, for strolling and picture taking. Our unique snowman and trees are perfect for pictures of the season! Voting will take place between December 5-18 on our Facebook page (@TyngsboroughRec). Highest number of "likes" each snowman and tree picture receives, wins a category. Winners will be announced on December 19th in the following categories. \$25 gift card prizes will be awarded to 8 entries for the following categories:
Best Traditional tree or snowman
Most Creative tree or snowman
Best of Show tree or snowman
Most "Tyngsborough" tree or snowman

The snowmen will stay on display during December-January. Participants deposits will be returned by mail once the decorated snowman is identified and returned to the common. If a snowman or tree is not returned by December 4, 2020 the deposit will be forfeited and cashed.

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** Another great gift is a **membership** to the Friends. Whether or not you are a member, you can give a membership in the name of a friend or family member or new neighbor. Your donation of the membership dues goes to the Friends and will support the Library directly, not to the town. You may apply for or renew a membership to the Friends by using the application on the website at <http://www.tynglib.org/index.php/friends-of-library> or pick up an application at the Library.

** Are you unsure of your **membership status** with the Friends? Can't recall if you paid dues this year? The Friends membership year is April 1 through March 31. If you want to check on your status, please send us an email to tynglibfriends@gmail.com so we can confirm your membership for you.

** You can help **youth in need** by selecting a young adult book at the Library, paying the book sale price to the Friends, and donating the book to the Mass. Department of Youth Services. The books go to incarcerated youth who are in need of books to read. The prices are \$1 for hardcover and \$.50 for paperback, the same as the book sales. This is helping two good causes, for the youth who receive the books and the Friends who will pay for library programs. Win-win!

** The Friends will be funding a program with Baby Yoda finger puppets in November and a special visit from Santa on December 5. Watch the Library website for details and mark your calendars. **Passes for museums** are still funded by the Friends. Check the Library website for pass availability, and check the venue for visitor information.

** Another way to **support the Friends** is to designate Friends of the Tyngsborough Public Library as your favorite charity when ordering through Amazon using smile.amazon.com/ch/22-2986749. Your holiday shopping can benefit this nonprofit organization the easy way.

** **Meetings** – Monday, November 2 was the last meeting in 2020; there is no December meeting. If you wish to attend, please send us an email requesting a Zoom invitation. In 2021, we begin again with Monday meetings at 6:30pm on January 4, February 1, and March 1 (the annual membership meeting with elections). **The membership year begins again in April with a meeting on Monday, April 5.**

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: A group of volunteers have stepped forward to create a new 501c.3 with the sole purpose of supporting the Tyngsborough Council on Aging through fundraising and volunteer efforts. We look forward to working together with the 'Tyngsborough Foundation for the Aging' for the mutual benefit of the senior citizens of Tyngsborough and neighboring towns.

DONATIONS / VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The Center is looking for **Meals on Wheels Volunteer Drivers**. You will be compensated for your gas with a stipend. Doesn't need to be claimed on taxes. Call 978-649-9211. Once or twice a week. We really need your help.

WE ARE IN NEED OF: Masks / Hand Sanitizers, Bingo Helpers 12:30-2:30, Coffee ground and k-cups, 8oz., and 5oz.. Cups, Paper Plates Small and Large, Plastic Spoons, Forks, Knives, Napkins.

PROJECT LINUS PROGRAM The Center is in need of some yarn for our Project Linus Program which provides blankets for children who have experienced some kind of trauma. Volunteers make blankets from home and donate them.

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COA BOARD MEETING Meeting October 20th , 3:30

MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT DURING COVID-19 Medicare's Part C (Medicare Advantage) and Part D (Medicare Prescription) **Open Enrollment Period begins on October 15th and ends December 7th for 2021 plan choices.** The Tyngsborough Council on Aging "SHINE" (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone) Program will be scheduling telephonic appointments to review the Medicare coverage options for 2021. Contact COA "SHINE" office to schedule a telephonic appointment. SHINE Counselors are available via telephonic appointments to provide free and unbiased one on one counseling for Medicare beneficiaries, their family members, caregivers and representatives. The Tyngsborough Council on Aging "SHINE" office can be reached at 978-649-9211.

HOME DELIVERED NUTRITION MEALS (Meals on Wheels Program) Tyngsborough residents 60+ can call the **Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley at 1-800-892-0890 to see if you qualify.** The Tyngsborough Council on Aging distributes meals from our facility on behalf of ESMV. We deliver to homebound and clients who are on homecare short term. **BROWN BAG 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**, Applications also available at the Senior Center stop by or call 978-649-9211. **SNAP** (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) To get help applying, call our outreach worker Charlene at 978-649-9211 for appointment.

EASY TIPS TO AVOID HOLIDAY FOOD WASTE

By Sustainable Tyngsborough

Tis' the season for hearty meals, family gatherings and eating too much with people you love. Although this year might look a little different, one thing will remain constant - our love of good food.

Each year, Americans throw away 40% of all the food produced, according to *Wasted!: The Story of Food Waste*, a documentary about the tragedy of food waste and what we can do about it. Much of this food waste occurs between Thanksgiving and Christmas, when we just can't eat another turkey sandwich.

Here are some tips to help cut your food waste:

- **Only cook what you really need.** Consider the number of people you will serve and use a food calculator, like the Natural Resources Defense Council's Save The Food campaign "Guest-imator" at SaveTheFood.com
- **Stick to the list.** Grocery retailers often pre-package items for convenience but also to encourage us to buy more than we really need. If your holiday feast calls for 10 ounces of brussels sprouts, but you wouldn't normally eat them for a weekday meal, don't buy a pre-packaged 16-oz bag. Produce is almost always sold by weight. Buy only what you need and you won't find half a bag of slimy brussels sprouts in the back of the crisper drawer in January.
- **Plan for leftovers.** Be honest about what leftovers you will eat. Encourage guests to take leftovers home with them or look up a recipe in advance to use up what's left. Take a page from the restaurant play book and look at your left overs as prep instead! A veggie hash or turkey pot pie makes your leftovers feel like a totally new meal two days later and you already have most of the work done. For more ideas, or to join the discussion on food waste, connect with us on Facebook at Sustainable Tyngsboro.

Sustainable Tyngsborough is a sub-committee of the Tyngsborough Board of Selectmen. Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30PM in Town Hall in Meeting Room #1, if Town Hall is open, or via Zoom if Town Hall is closed. You are always welcome to join us and share your sustainability ideas and concerns (Zoom access can be found on the online town calendar). *The public is always welcome.*

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HOLIDAY SCHEDULE: Nov. 11, Wednesday, Veteran's Day, **CLOSED** Nov. 26, Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, **CLOSED**.

The Staff, Trustees and Friends of the Library wish all our patrons a Happy Thanksgiving! Dec. 24, Thursday, Christmas Eve, **Early Closing- 12 p.m.**; Dec. 25, Friday, Christmas Day **CLOSED**; Dec. 26, Saturday, Day after Christmas, **CLOSED**; Dec. 31, Thursday, New Year's Eve, **Early Closing - 12 p.m.**; Jan. 1, Friday, New Year's Day, **CLOSED**

• **Winter Backyard Birds via Zoom, Wed, Nov. 18, 7-8 p.m.** This interactive program will feature a bird-quizz format that enables the attendees to test their own knowledge and ask follow-up questions. Information on how to participate in the annual Audubon Christmas Bird Count, common and not-so-common birds that may be found our backyards and how bird feeding may enhance the diversity of birds attracted to your yard will also be included. Presented by Dr. Steve Hale, owner and operator of Open World Explorers, which runs local guided birding tours. *Check out TPL's new circulating birdwatching kits-one for adults/ one for families with children!*

• **Finger Puppet Fun! Saturday, Nov 21, 10-11 a.m. via Zoom.** Ages 6-12. **Registration required. Take It & Make It!** TPL provides a kit & you attend the virtual class! Create a Star Wars character finger puppet. Kits will be available for pickup at TPL on Wed, Nov 18.

• **Felted Snowman Workshop, Wed., Dec. 9, 7-8:30 p.m. via Zoom - Take It & Make It!** TPL provides a kit & you attend the virtual class! Learn the basics of needle felting and create a whimsical snowman. Ages 16 to adult. Instructor: Rachel Benson. Registration required by November 30. Complete kits for this project will be available for pickup at TPL on Thurs, Dec. 3.

• **Holiday Book Page Floral Arrangement, Tues., Dec 1, 10-11:30 a.m. via Zoom - Take It & Make It!** TPL provides a kit & you attend the virtual class! Create a paper holiday arrangement that includes poinsettias crafted from old book pages. For adults and teens. Registration required.

Tewksbury Public Library invites residents of Tyngsborough to join their **Greater Lowell 50+ Job Seekers Networking Group**, created to support those searching for a new job, changing careers or reentering the workforce. **Virtual meetings will be held via Zoom on Wednesdays, Nov. 18, Dec. 2 & 16.** Each meeting will feature different job skill topics presented by expert guest speakers. **Registration required via 50plusjobseekers.org.**

Storytime with Ms. Sam! Ages 3-5. Wednesdays, Nov 11 at 10 a.m. on Zoom. No storytime on Nov 18 & 25. Check the TPL online calendar for details!

Board of Library Trustees Meetings are generally held monthly 3rd Thursday, but the pandemic has altered this schedule. Check the TPL or Town websites for scheduled meetings.

Friends of the Library – Join in the fun and support your library! Meetings are held 9 Mondays per year at 6:30 p.m. in the Library. See the TPL website for dates.

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

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We welcome all who support the Tyngsboro Senior Center activities and fundraisers through your membership in the Friends of the Tyngsboro Elderly, Inc. It is through your yearly (\$10) membership that we are able to provide special dinners and lunches, speakers, and entertainment throughout the year.

Members of the Board met recently to decide on the next activity, when allowed. Board members include: Joe Jacoppi, President; Elaine Rivard, Clerk; Carol Sides, Treasurer; and Leon Poirier, Elaine Franks, Mary Basiliere, and Joanne Jean.

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Rotary builds international understanding through scholarships, exchange programs, and humanitarian grants. Throughout the world, Rotary clubs participate in a broad range of educational, intercultural, and humanitarian activities designed to improve the lives of others.

If you are interested in membership, please call Bob Guernsey at (508)380-4351 or Ron Keohane at (508)517-3895.

Want to join a meeting?

Currently we are meeting every Thursday at noon.

Local Rotary Past Events • Fishing Day for Individuals with Disabilities of all Ages – Tyngsboro Sportsmen Club • Senior meals for the Tyngsboro and Dunstable Councils on Aging • Many other local service events.



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 247

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Auxiliary Unit 247 Officers for 2019-2021:

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

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

AMERICAN LEGION NEWS

• **American Legion Post 247 Inc. of Tyngsboro IS OPEN**

The Post is pleased to welcome back all Post 247 Members, Family, & Guest. **No meetings scheduled at this time.**

If you are interest in joining, or want more info about what is happening at the Post, please get in touch with the person noted for each organization or call the Post at 978-649-7540.

• Much renovating, sanitizing, and improvements have been conducted while the Post has been closed. We look forward to welcoming every one back.

*****FOOD IS ONCE AGAIN BEING SERVED.** As of now **hours are Sun., Tues, Wed, Thurs 1pm to 8 PM and Friday and Saturday 1pm to 9PM. Closed Monday.** The menu includes Appetizers, Subs, Hamburgers, Pizza and more. Stop in we'd love to see you. Please be well and STAY SAFE.

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We have a free, drive-up, food pantry for any of our neighbors who may be in need of food during this difficult time. It is our sincere prayer that we can be a blessing to our community as we get through this pandemic together. **We do require that you make an appointment by calling the church at 603-888-7579 and ask for our Secretary, Dianna, who manages the schedule.** We do have to space out our client visits. If you do not need help but know someone who does, please pass on this information. *The church is located between World Academy and the Fire Station at 130 Spit Brook Rd., Nashua, NH.*



Tyler's Timely Technical Tips

Bathing in cold water is no fun. Recognizing common signs of a failing water heater can help homeowners be prepared, and avoid unexpected -and costly- emergency repairs or replacements.

Discolored or Gritty Water: Rusty, gritty or muddy-looking water can mean the anode rod is gone, and the tank is corroding.

Water Smells or Tastes Off: Water that smells like sulfur or rotten eggs may indicate an interaction between bacteria in the water and the anode rod can create this problem.

Leaking Water: Water heater leaking can occur because of sediment buildup, lack of maintenance, or simply due to deterioration. The relief (TPR) valve dripping could be a sign of dangerous pressures developing inside the tank.

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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. It's a great place for outdoor exercise and to enjoy nature close to home. **No activities are scheduled at this time. Please feel free to walk the trails. Just remember the tennis court behind the Sherburne Nature Center is not part of the PUBLIC Nature Center property.**

TYNGSBOROUGH VETERAN'S AGENT

Under the Blue Water Navy Veterans Act of 2019 if you or your family member served aboard a naval vessel during the Vietnam war from January 9, 1962 through May 7, 1975 and was in the waters of Vietnam, you may be entitled to compensation from the Veterans Administration for illnesses related to Agent Orange exposure. If you the Veterans suffered from any of the following illnesses regardless of if they are still living or not please contact my office immediately to see if I can assist with your claim for benefits.

Cancers Chronic B-cell leukemia; Hodgkin's disease; Multiple myeloma; Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; Prostate cancer; Respiratory cancers (including lung cancer); Some soft tissue sarcomas;

Other illnesses AL amyloidosis; Chloracne (or other types of acneiform disease like it); Diabetes mellitus type 2; Ischemic heart disease; Parkinson's disease; Peripheral neuropathy, early onset; Porphyria cutanea tarda;

If you have an illness that's not on our list of presumptive diseases, but you believe it was caused by Agent Orange exposure, you can still file a claim for VA disability benefits. But you'll need to submit more evidence. Keep reading to learn about service requirements and supporting evidence.

Service requirements for presumption of exposure: We base eligibility for VA disability compensation benefits, in part, on whether you served in a location that exposed you to Agent Orange. We call this having a presumption of exposure.

You have a presumption of exposure if you meet at least one of the service requirements listed below.

Between January 9, 1962, and May 7, 1975, you must have served for any length of time in at least one of these locations:...In the Republic of Vietnam, **or** ...Aboard a U.S. military vessel that operated in the inland waterways of Vietnam, **or** On a vessel operating not more than 12 nautical miles seaward from the demarcation line of the waters of Vietnam and Cambodia, **or** ...On regular perimeter duty on the fenced-in perimeters of a U.S. Army installation in Thailand or a Royal Thai Air Force base. These bases include U-Tapao, Ubon, Nakhon Phanom, Udorn, Takhli, Korat, or Don Muang.

Or at least one of these must be true. You: ...Served in or near the Korean DMZ for any length of time between September 1, 1967, and August 31, 1971, **or** ...Served on active duty in a regular Air Force unit location where a C-123 aircraft with traces of Agent Orange was assigned, and had repeated contact with this aircraft due to your flight, ground, or medical duties, **or**...Were involved in transporting, testing, storing, or other uses of Agent Orange during your military service, **or** ...Were assigned as a Reservist to certain flight, ground, or medical crew duties at one of the below locations.

Eligible Reserve locations, time periods, and units include: ... **Lockbourne/Rickenbacker Air Force Base** in Ohio, 1969 to 1986 (906th and 907th Tactical Air Groups or 355th and 356th Tactical Airlift Squadrons) ...**Westover Air Force Base** in Massachusetts, 1972 to 1982 (731st Tactical Air Squadron and 74th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, or 901st Organizational Maintenance Squadron) ...**Pittsburgh International Airport** in Pennsylvania, 1972 to 1982 (758th Airlift Squadron)

The Veteran's Office is a confidential office where your identity is completely confidential. Please call or email the office to schedule an appointment. If I cannot assist you I will direct you to the resources available to you.

Sincerely, Christopher W. Dery, Tyngsborough Veteran's Agent,
25 Bryants Lane, Tyngsborough MA, 01879
978-649-2300 X131 veteransagent@tyngsboroughma.gov

DATES TO REMEMBER

- **Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 26th**
- **Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, Monday, December 7th**
- **First Day of Hanukkah, Friday, December 11th**
- **DVFFA Santa Parade, Sunday, December 13th**



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Evan Dowling, son of Brett and Roberta Dowling, is a recipient of the Outstanding Achievement in Wellness Award and three-time recipient of the Outstanding Achievement in Theater Award. In addition, he has been a member of the theater program since freshman year and was elected to serve this year as president for a second term. Evan enjoys acting, singing, dancing, driving around with friends and making people smile and laugh. His favorite subjects are English and theatre. He looks forward to performing on Broadway, teaching theatre to high school students and continuing to make people laugh. "Throughout my years at THS, I have gained many new insights about myself, who I am and what I want to be. This school has provided a safe environment where I am free to be myself, and provided me with great experiences that have shaped me into who I am now. I will always remember the long hours I've spent in the theater, prepping for musicals with all of my friends, and being able to perform with them in front of my family and members of the THS community."

Meghan Hogan, daughter of Tim and Jen Hogan, is a recipient of the Principal's Award, Commitment to Learning Award and the Core Values Award, and elected senior class vice president. She is a member of the THS field hockey team, and volunteers at YMCA holiday banquets and winter food drives. Her hobbies include fishing, working out, racing and gardening. Meghan's favorite subject is anatomy. She looks forward to attending college, backpacking Europe and getting a good job. Thinking about her days at THS, "Beautiful friendships and homecoming memories. School has provided me with a great education that will hopefully help me get through college successfully. The memories that I have made from every year of homecoming and just being able to spend time and have fun with friends and getting an education at the same time."

Andrew Rice, son of Arthur Rice, is a two-year member of the National Honor Society. He is the recipient of the Principal's Award, the Xerox Award for Innovation and Information Technology Award, Outstanding Achievement in Computer Science Award, and the Outstanding Achievement in Science Award. He volunteered and now works at the YMCA seasonally and he spends his free time boxing. His favorite subject is science, and is excited about attending college. The fond moments he will take with him are "memories with my friends".

Abigail Serrano, daughter of Wendy Gregoire and Ronny Serrano, is a two-year member of the National Honor Society and elected vice president this year. She is the recipient of the Outstanding Achievement in Mathematics, Outstanding Achievement in Social Studies and Outstanding Achievement in Science. In addition, she is a recipient of the Commitment to Learning Award, Harvard Prize Book Award and a three-time recipient of the Academic Excellence Medal. Abigail is involved in student council and PALS. She is a member of track and field team, earning league all star recognition twice, as well as a member of the cheerleading team, earning academic league all star recognition and is a two-year captain of the team. She volunteers at town meetings, book sales and the Tyngsborough Block Party. Her favorite subjects are math and chemistry. In the future, she hopes to attend college to study pharmacy, find a job in a hospital, raise a family and purchase a house. "As I leave THS soon, I have learned how to be successful in working independently, while also learning to use the resources around me like my peers and my teachers. My favorite memories at THS would definitely be the ones made in classes with fewer students, as you are really able to bond with those around you and it makes class more enjoyable. I will also, of course, remember the school trips and the craziness of homecoming week once I leave THS."

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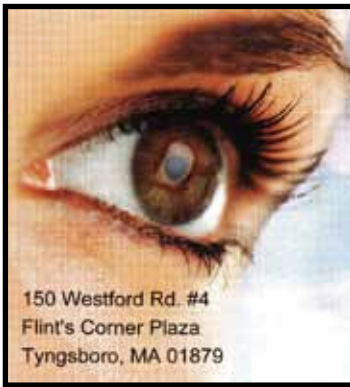
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- **AGAIN, WE ARE LIVESTREAMING MANY DEVOTIONS**
 - **Confessions now held indoors**
 - Mondays at St. John from 4:00-5:00pm
 - Wednesdays at St. Mary from 4:30-5:30pm

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

St. Mary: 4 pm on Saturday/ 7 am and 11 am on Sunday
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RESERVATIONS ARE ONLY OPEN FROM Monday 9 am - Thursday 3 pm for the upcoming weekend! If you have access to a computer, please do **NOT** phone in your reservation, but rather use the link and access code provided via previous flocknotes. We highly recommend that you thoroughly read the guidelines—set forth by both Governor Baker and the Archdiocese—that need to be strictly followed for both registering for and attending Mass. **(Go to our website for details.)** Being well-versed in what is expected, you can make better make a decision as to whether or not Mass attendance at this time is right for you. **No reservations needed for Daily Mass just weekend Mass.**

Phone-In Reservations we ask only those who **DO NOT HAVE ACCESS TO THE WEBSITE** use this option. Call the parish offices between the hours of 9 am - 12 noon, Monday and Wednesday, and between the hours of 2 - 5 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. phones will NOT be answered outside of these times; we remain lightly staffed. Reservations will NOT be accepted via voicemail or email messages. **Don't Make Reservations Those in vulnerable populations** are highly encouraged to remain at home and join via livestream. **DISPENSATION FROM THE OBLIGATION TO ATTEND SUNDAY MASS HAS BEEN EXTENDED INDEFINITELY BY CARDINAL SEAN.**

If you have any news for the December issue, please send in your information by November 18th.
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Kittens: Pros They are cute. Can be easier to train to use a scratching post or have their nails trimmed or even have their teeth brushed. They are super entertaining. You really don't need a television for a few months after getting a kitten, or even better - get two. Generally an adult cat is more likely to accept a kitten rather than another adult cat.

Cons They can be quite destructive, they love to climb and therefore scratch curtains and furniture, not to mention your pant leg. They need to play and if they are left alone all day they tend to sleep all day and are up all night. Their inquisitive nature can lead to trouble, like eating things they shouldn't or getting stuck in the couch. It's hard to predict their adult personality, so if you need a super friendly or super lazy or super tolerant cat you won't really know if that's what you've got until they grow up.

Cats: Pros Their temperament is set, you can tell what you're getting. They are less energetic and therefore demand less of your time and don't mind being alone for longer periods of time. They are cute too, and what you see is what you get, not all cute kittens end up being cute cats.

Cons If they have an undesirable behavior trait, it can be hard to change it. If you already have a cat it can be harder for him/her to accept another adult cat.

So consider what will be best for your family at this moment in time (and up to 20 years from now). We, of course, would recommend you get your new pet from a shelter. With a little time and looking around you can generally get whatever you are looking for. Plus the shelters generally really know their cats' personalities and can help match you up with the perfect feline friend.



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• **Church Services are now open to the public at 10:00 a.m. Sunday mornings.** Masks are required, distancing being followed. We will implement and honor all safeguards.

If you prefer to stay home, Sermons are still available on line.

• **SERMONS ON-LINE:** Weekly sermons by Pastor Frediani: 1. Log onto the church website <http://www.tyngsborocongregational.org> 2. Click once on the word "SERMONS" 3. Sermons listed by date, passage, sermon title Click on date to listen to the sermon.

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We have two new items you will love and want to purchase for the upcoming Holiday Season!!

1) Our very own professional Gospel singers, Barry and Debbie Shirk, have just released their new CD entitled "**Special Music, Special Occasions, Our Church**". Our Pastor Frediani has included a highly recommended endorsement of this beautiful release and it features our beautiful church on the CD cover. We are so very proud to have them as part of our Worship/Music Team and members of our Church!!! **CD's are available at our Thrift Store for \$12.00 each (with \$2.00 of this cost being donated to support our Church).**

2) Another very talented artist of our Church has available for purchase her very beautiful "**Angels of Love, Life and Hope**" and Other Light Catcher Creations Handcrafted by Janet. These are also available at Handmade in New England Store at the Pheasant Lane Mall. You can meet some of the artists at the Mall Store on Saturday's through the Christmas Season. Prices vary.

Both of these items make affordable and wonderful spiritual gifts for the Holidays!

We are sorry to announce that **we will NOT be having our Annual Craft Fair** this year due to the Covid pandemic. We hope to be back next year and **THANK YOU** all for supporting this amazing event over the years!!!

• **CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE** - We are hoping this will take place on **December 24th at 7:00 p.m.** Please watch for further information.



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The Officers did meet and decided to cancel the last two events that were scheduled for this year. On November 14th we were to learn about beekeeping from professional beekeeper Rick Reault, owner of The Colony in Tyngsborough. A tour of the facility was to be offered afterward. This program has been postponed until next fall.

On December 6th The Annual Meeting and Holiday Potluck Supper was to take place at the Little Red Schoolhouse. Always a wonderful time around the old woodstove with friends, music, singing and food. We look forward to next year's Holiday Potluck Supper.

For the Annual Election of Officers, a vote will be held by email. We appreciate our communities' support during these unsettling times and wish everyone good health over the coming months.

Questions about the Historical Society, Call Lynda at 978-587-8423. More info is available at the www.tdhistoricalsociety.org
Email address: tyngsboroughdunstablehs@gmail.com

**DUNSTABLE
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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: Joseph Ward, Treasurer: Bob Reich, Secretary: Laura Ward, Tail Twister: Meghan DeMonico.

Because of COVID-19 meetings are canceled at this time. **Anyone interested in joining the lions is asked to contact Joseph Ward at 978-930-1153.** Once we can meet again, we will let you know where, and when meetings will take place.

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UPDATE - REOPENING FOR IN-PERSON WORSHIP

We now meet in person for worship at our usual 10:30am worship
time. Here are a few things you need to know:

Please RSVP at your earliest convenience so we can have as
much time as possible to plan. We expect to have kinks that need to
be worked out so the more time the better. In fact, if you're planning
to attend, please take a break from reading this, go to the website
and scroll down the front page to see the sign up section right now,
read the info, and sign up! **You will need to sign up on the web-
site each week so the space can adequately planned.**

**Finally, for those of you who are taking part in the Mark
study** on Sunday mornings, we will have a set-up in the fellowship
hall which will allow you to join the class together with those who
are remaining home on Zoom. Let Peggy Drew or Rodrigo Cardoso
know if you plan on attending the class in person at the church
before worship.

If you have any clarifying questions, please don't hesitate to ask!
This is uncharted territory for us all so don't be alarmed if it seems
a bit overwhelming. Many churches have successfully gone before
us with very similar formats and things have gone well, Praise God!

At this point, we are still unable to provide childcare. However,
families with young kids are welcome to attend. Hearing some baby
cries and child sounds may be music to some over quarantined
ears! Make the choice that best suits your family. Sign up.

**Finally, let's remember 3 things: Everyone is approaching
this strange season of life differently based on their life cir-
cumstances.** Any who desire to worship in person are more than
welcome (as space allows!). Any who desire to remain at home and
worship with us via live stream, are more than welcome. Let's be
gracious, patient, and loving towards each other.

**Also, try to let go of what you believe to be the ideal wor-
ship experience in this season.** In these unique days, whether
we meet on a stream, or in person, there will be a sense of loss as
neither option will be like "the way things used to be."

However, if we focus our eyes on Jesus, the author and
perfecter of our faith, who loves us and gave his life for us, and
who lives eternally, we can gather faithfully in worship, BEING
The Church. **Head over to our website (www.dunstablechurch.org)
for more details and to learn how to sign up!** In-person, on
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I look forward to receiving more good news to share! So keep
that in mind, and when you have any info, please let me know. So
many things are being downsized or postponed until better days. If
your organization will have any online fundraising projects please
consider sending the info in. If you are making or collecting items
for people in need, maybe others would like to help your
organization as well.

Just so you know, right now the total printed circulation including
Dunstable and Tyngsborough is 6,481 issues. More news is posted
on the pages of the website. Current and past issues are also
available by clicking on "Neighbor to Neighbor Newsletter issues" in
the heading on the website.

**I wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving. Hopefully you can find
a way to get together with family and or friends, in person or
with Zoom, FaceTime, Meet or any other app. Be well, Anne**



ALTRUSA NEWS

Although Altrusa members have been restricted by COVID 19 in providing hands on service in our communities, the Altrusa Club of Merrimack Valley continues to fulfill its mission and make a difference in the lives of others. **The Altrusa Club is currently meeting remotely.** Altrusa's mission is to promote literacy and to make a difference in the lives of those in need in our communities. Learn more about Altrusa, e-mail us at altrusamv@gmail.com. You may also visit us at www.altrusa.org or <https://districtone.altrusa.org/>

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Please go to the website to see what programs are available, and to register.

- **November Full Moon Guided Hike, Saturday, November 28, 6:30 – 8:30pm, Maple Hill Farm, 117 Ridge Rd, Hollis, NH 03049, USA** Join BBA Naturalists for a Full Moon Night Hike around the trails of Beaver Brook. Dress in layers, because believe it or not, you will warm up and be so happy to get outside on a fall night! It's a great experience. November full moon is called "Beaver Moon". After the hike you will return to Maple Hill Farm for warm beverages and provisions. \$15 Register at www.beaverbrook.org
- **Greens gathering & Wreath making, Wednesday, December 2, 10:00am – 12:00pm, Wednesday, December 2, 1:00 – 3:30pm Brown Lane Barn and BBA Trails** Join BBA staff for a hike to gather greens: mountain laurel, hemlock and white pine and cones and berries for making a holiday swag or wreath. We will provide bags and clippers but if you have some bring them along. We will have 2 options: Space for 15 people in Brown Lane Barn or 10 people in our 'open air classroom' the Granite Room, bottom of Brown Lane Barn. Plus we have picnic tables and a porch outside too. We'll have coffee, tea and muffins to warm you up. \$25/\$20 BBA Members. Register at www.beaverbrook.org
- **December Full Moon Guided Hike, December 26, 6:30 – 8:30pm** Join BBA Naturalists for a Full Moon Night Hike around the trails of Beaver Brook. Dress in layers, because believe it or not, you will warm up and be so happy to get outside on a fall night! It's a great experience. December's full moon is called "Cold Moon". After the hike you will return to Maple Hill Farm for warm beverages and provisions. \$15 Register at www.beaverbrook.org

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5 COUNTERTOPS THAT ARE WORTH THE UPGRADE

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Updating your kitchen can be a smart way to increase your home's worth. In fact, Remodeling Magazine named a minor kitchen renovation one of the best projects to take on this year — and upgrading your countertops is a good place to start. The right countertop can add aesthetic and resale value to your home and improve your space's functionality. Which of these five materials do you like best?

- **Quartz:** These countertops are low maintenance and nonporous, meaning they won't soak up moisture or hold bacteria. Quartz is also quite popular and may attract more buyers to your home when it comes time to sell.
 - **Soapstone:** This rare material is trending among home designers. Its unique aesthetic can add effortless style to your space, but it'll come with a hefty price tag.
 - **Granite:** A classic style, granite offers a great look, as well as a scratch- and heat-resistant surface. It's one of the more expensive countertops, and it needs regular resealing to stay in top condition.
 - **Solid Surface:** These countertops are a mixture of manmade materials and resins, making them easy to keep clean. Solid surface comes in all sorts of colors and tends to resemble granite — minus the high cost.
 - **Eco-Friendly:** Upcycled wood and recycled glass are two options in this category. The cost will depend on where you source your materials, but you'll be minimizing your environmental footprint and getting a one-of-a-kind countertop in the process.
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We will have Jeannette's Fried Dough on site! There will be some other Christmas Surprises too. We have over 1000 Trees, Wreaths, Roping, and a large selection of holiday décor for sale.

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