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TYNGSBOROUGH TOWN CLERK NEWS

- **2021 Dog Licenses** are available at the Town Clerk's office or by mail. The license is now late and payment must include a \$25.00 late fee. 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.**
 - **TOWN ELECTION:** The Town Election is being postponed from May 11th to June 15th. This is to enable election workers and voters additional time to obtain the vaccination. A decision on voting hours will be made closer to the election and will depend on the Covid-19 numbers.
 - **VOTE BY MAIL:** The application for 2021 Vote by Mail can be found on the Town Website.
 - **TOWN MEETING:** Town Meeting is planned for June 26th at 9:00 AM at the High School Field. The rain date, if necessary, is June 27th.
 - **Census Forms** were sent early in January. Please make changes, sign and return. The census form does not register you to vote nor does it change your political party. Stay safe!
- Please contact the office at 978-649-2300 extension 129 or email to jshifres@tyngsboroughma.gov with any questions.

NOTICE TO TYNGSBOROUGH WATER DISTRICT USERS

The Tyngsborough Water District will be flushing water mains **beginning May 10, 2021**. The flushing program will be in effect for approximately 4 weeks. Flushing will be conducted between the hours of 8am and 3pm, Monday through Friday. During these times, water pressure may be low and the water discolored. Let the water run awhile and it should clear up quickly.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause. Thank you for your assistance!

Tyngsborough Water District

TYNGSBOROUGH BOARD OF HEALTH HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

This is scheduled for **August 28th**. It is held each year at the Tyngsborough Highway Department Garage, 87 Kendall Rd., Tyngsborough, MA (Rte 113). More information will be posted here as the date gets closer.

You may look at the October 2020 issue of *Neighbor to Neighbor* on my website www.neighbortoneighbornewsletter.com. The last page lists what to bring and what not to bring. A new list should be posted in the July/August issue.

IN MEMORY OF

Vasiliki Nicolakakis	MaryAnn Bierdron
Donald R. "Chip" Crowell	Edith Edna (Brake) DeCarteret
Concetta M. (Riccio) Miranda	Mary E. (Flynn) Garland
Gertrude M. (Plouffe) Quintal	Lucille (Lemire) James
Marjorie F. (Foley) DesLauriers	Doris E. (MacArthur) Langlois
Kenneth W. Gordon	Margaret K. (Hogan) Leedberg
Arthur F. Agostino Sr.	Gisele M. (Adam) Vermette
Joan Ruth (Monaghan) Anderson	
Dorothy F. (Ambrose) (Tramonte) Cantor	



TOWN BEACH ON LAKE MASCUPPIC

In case you have been wondering. Work to renovate the Town Beach on Lake Mascuppic is now underway.

The project includes the installation of an ADA compliant walkway, the replacement of existing beach sand, restoration of the existing grass area, the installation of an irrigation system, and the construction of a retaining wall to separate the beach from the grass area. This project is funded largely by Community Preservation funds approved by the Community Preservation Committee and Town Meeting as well as a small amount from the Recreation Committee's revolving fund. The Town Beach is under the care and control of the Recreation Department.

The project is slated to be complete by early May 2021.

Residents, please remember to pick up your Beach Parking Tag to hang in your car. It is available for free at the Town Offices, 25 Bryants Lane.



MEMORIAL DAY EVENT

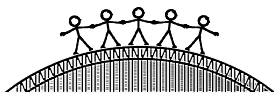
MAY 31, 2021

The Annual Memorial Day Parade is cancelled.

However, at 8:30 A.M. Memorial Day morning, a motorcade will depart from the old Town hall visiting all of the Town's cemeteries to salute the fallen. This is a very solemn and moving tradition. All are welcome to take part in the motorcade. Social distancing is possible since this event is outside.

Notification of any cancellation will be posted.

Christopher Dery
Director of Veterans' Services
veteransagent@tyngsboroughma.gov
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**TYNGSBOROUGH
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The Recreation Committee meets at the Old Town Hall, 10 Kendall Road. **Meeting dates and additional information may be found on our website at**

[Tyngsboroughma.myrec.com/info/activities](https://tyngsboroughma.myrec.com/info/activities)

Friend us on Facebook. Seeking new members. Join us!

• **COMMUNITY YARD SALE 2021**

Join the Community Yard Sale. Sell your items from your home or rent a space at the Meeting House.

• **Town wide yard sale July 17 8am -2pm \$15 map and sign fee.** Refundable with return of signs.

Register online. <https://tyngsboroughma.myrec.com> Two signs will be provided for each participant to direct traffic to your sale. All sites will be listed on a master map for buyers to follow.

• **SPRING SOFTBALL** registration now open.

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Week 3: July 19-22 1:00pm-4:00pm

\$199/week or \$60/day Tyngsborough Elementary School, 205 Westford Road, Tyngsborough, MA 01879

• **COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS Available for Students**

Do you need community service hours? Contact us, we have opportunities. We are very grateful to all our student volunteers.

• Visit the website for more information about upcoming programs.

**SOMETHING FOR ROVER/KITTY
PROJECT**

I'm going to trial a project in Tyngsboro to help seniors and others with "pet insecurity". I would like to collect donated items such as pet food, leashes and lightly used toys to give to Tyngsboro residents who have a pet, but are having trouble keeping it due to financial constraints. Pets are so vital to our health at this time helping owners to maintain happiness, security and love during not only the COVID-19 epidemic, but all the time. Please consider emailing me at hrwhitehair@gmail.com, or contacting me at 978-846-2254 if you have questions or donations and we will see where this project goes from here. Thank you for your consideration! Heidi

FACE COVERINGS MANDATORY

Everyone is required to wear a face covering, whether indoors or outdoors, in all public places, even when able to maintain 6 feet distance from others. Exceptions for children under 5, and people who are unable to wear a mask due to a medical condition. **To read all the details about this, visit www.mass.gov and search "face coverings".** As of this writing there was discussion about updating this. Especially for those who have been fully vaccinated. Please go to mass.gov/doc/covid-19 for the latest information. You may also want to check on www.cdc.gov/coronavirus for the most recent updates at the CDC.

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TYNGSBORO GARDEN CLUB



Happy Spring from the Garden Club!

It's been a long lonely year with no meetings or speakers since last March, although we did do some town plantings this past fall.

However, we would like to announce that ***we will again have our Driveway Plant Sale at 2 locations in town, one on each side of the bridge, on Saturday, May 22 and Sunday, May 23 with masks and social distancing of course.***

Our first driveway sale location will be at the Gambale residence from 9-12 at 382 Dunstable Rd. Our other driveway plant sale will be at the Schneider home from 11-3 at 13 Beverlee Rd.

"Free Will Donations" will be accepted so no one has to make change or handle money more than necessary at both locations. This is to help defray the cost of our town plantings. We always have a good selection of perennials, hopefully some herbs and veggies, and a few houseplants. Please stop by at either or both locations to spruce up your yard for the summer! Hope to see you out and about!

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.

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DRIVE-UP FOOD PANTRY AVAILABLE

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.*



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FRIENDS OF THE TYNGSBOROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARY

** Spring is here! Although we are not yet meeting in person, we are still active and wish you would join us in our meetings and participate in our ongoing activities.

** The Friends are proud to announce that winners of the **2021 scholarships** are being awarded to the following high school seniors: **Miles Berthiaume**, Greater Lowell Technical High School as well as **Maya Puma, Meghan Hogan, and Kevin Carpenter** from Tyngsborough High School. Congratulations and good luck!

** The Friends are funding "**Gorgeous Gardens of New England**" via **Zoom, Tuesday, May 18, 7-8 p.m.** Sit back and enjoy a visual tour of some of the most gorgeous gardens in New England. This slide show presentation and talk will be given by Joanne Pearson of Fair Haven Photographs.

** The Friends are funding the purchase of outdoor mats for use during storytimes to be held in the garden. These will help the Library welcome children back and also tie into the summer reading program.

** In April we mailed **letters to lifetime members** who had no email address on file. If you received one of these letters, please respond by emailing us at Tynglbfrinds@gmail.com or calling the Library at 978-649-7361. When we send out emails specifically to members, we want to include you as you are still valued members.

** **The museum pass program is still active.** Check websites for the Butterfly Place Museum of Fine Arts, Museum of Science New England Aquarium, the Seacoast Science Center and Zoo New England for information. Reserve your pass at the Library website or call the Library.

** Although there will be no spring book sale this month, we plan to **sell books** at the Library at book sale prices. Come to the Children's Library entrance to see the selection and bring something home for you and the family. Fiction and nonfiction books will be available as well as some DVDs. If you normally submit your membership at the spring book sale, please mail it or deliver it with your dues to the Library. Thank you!

** The Library is still accepting **puzzles for kids and adults** that will be offered for a \$1 donation to the Friends. Donate puzzles for this good cause, then look for another to enjoy with family.

** The **upcoming meetings** are on Mondays at 6:30 pm by Zoom for now. Email tynglbfrinds@gmail.com for an invitation. We would love to see you. May 3 and June 7

** **Like us** on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/FOTPL>

ST MARY MAGDALEN PARISH

95 Lakeview Ave., Tyngsboro, MA 978-649-7315

• **Join us on Facebook! Search "Saint Mary Magdalen Parish Tyngsboro" & like our page. See daily meditations**

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

POLICE & FIRE EMERGENCY 911

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TOWN HALL, 25 BRYANTS LANE

OFFICES OPEN

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Friday 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Meeting schedules are posted at the front entrance of the Town Hall

Town Hall Directory Main Number 978-649-2300

Town Accountant	Ext. 124	Media Dept.	Ext. 140
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Board of Appeals	Ext. 112	Town Treasurer	Ext. 126
Board of Health	Ext. 118	Veteran's Agent	Ext. 131
Building Office	Ext. 112	Sewer Dept.	Ext. 134
Town Clerk	Ext. 129	Board of Selectmen	Ext. 100
Town Collector	Ext. 128	Town Administrator	Ext. 100
Conservation Office	Ext. 116	Recreation & Parks	Ext. 150
Capital Asset Mgmt Com	Ext. 124		

Highway Dept. 978-649-2310

SCOTTIE'S BENCH

Hi there former Camp Kiwanis staff and campers! This is "Rainbow" (Paula Sweeney) one of the Camp Program Directors during Scottie (Muriel Lafond's) tenure as Camp Director. I have exciting news!

"Hmm, I want to linger". Many scouts found a place to linger at Camp Kiwanis. Many friendships were made that have lasted a lifetime. One of the people instrumental in these lasting friendships was Muriel "Scottie" Lafond. She served as director of Girl Scout Camp Kiwanis from 1978-1994 at which time the Girl Scout Camp was closed. As the director, she often worked at least nine months out of the year, putting a team of staff together who would present a program that girls have remembered for decades. She would pull the team together in January and develop the theme, which was used to develop the special events. She hired and trained the staff. She attended many Neighborhood Meetings and Open Houses to promote the camp. Scottie mentored and guided many women into important leadership roles.

In August, 1994, we were no longer allowed to linger at Camp Kiwanis. Our friendships, for some, were moved to Camp Machagamee in Pelham, NH. Our hearts will forever be filled with fond memories of "our camping days and friendships true" made at Camp Kiwanis. The Camp has been converted to Open Space. The Tyngsboro Conservation Commission is in the process of developing parking spaces and an ADA trail on the Camp Kiwanis property. Our desire is to provide a memorial bench, "Scottie's Bench". A place where you may linger, take in the fresh air, and share new/old memories of this beautiful place. The bench will be part of the Camp Kiwanis Open Space Renovation Project in Tyngsboro where the camp was located.

Our goal is to raise \$3000 that will be used to acquire and install this bench. We would like to invite all former Camp Kiwanis staff, campers and their families to donate to "Scottie's Bench". There are two ways to donate. You can donate using this "Go Fund Me" link created by Cheryl Johnson (Teddy): [gf.me/u/zn2x8n](https://gofundme.com/u/zn2x8n) Or you can mail your check payable to: "Scottie's Bench", 164 Frost Road, Tyngsboro, MA 01879

Please spread the news to your camp friends!

Any questions please email:

Paula Sweeney paulajoesw@icloud.com

Sandy Corrigan sandyandjimcorrigan@verizon.net

Please join me and so many others in preserving Scottie's legacy.
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Tyngsborough Sustainability Committee:

Tyngsborough Zero Waste Day

Community Event

Saturday, May 15, 2021, 9am-1pm

**Tyngsborough Elementary School Parking Lot
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Dunstable Residents are welcome to take part.

Tyngsborough Zero Waste Day is an opportunity for residents (**Dunstable Residents as well**) to keep usable goods out of the waste stream. By partnering with local reuse organizations, durable goods can be used again and again, reducing the amount of trash we generate and the natural resources required to produce new goods.

- **PAPER SHREDDING** - \$10/box, NO binders; paper clips and staples are okay. *Available until the truck is full.* Sponsored by the Tyngsboro-Dunstable Rotary Club.
- **ELECTRONICS & SMALL APPLIANCES** - Small donation requested. Sponsored by Scout Troop 46. *NO TVs or CRTs.* Monitors (No TVs), Stereos/Radios, Cables/Power Cables, Video Games, Computers, Cell Phones, Speakers, Small Appliances, Microwaves, Toaster Ovens, Vacuums, Dehumidifiers, Dorm Refrigerators, Large Subwoofers.
- **BIKES & BIKE PARTS** - Free. Provided by The Bike Connector, a Lowell-based non-profit with a mission to make bicycling accessible for all (www.bikeconnector.org) learn more. **Bicycles** that are "serviceable" - no bent frames or stuck seat posts; **Bicycle Parts** - spare parts and components, including tubes, tires, wheels, chains, pedals, saddles, kickstands, racks and handlebars; **Bicycle Accessories** - Helmets (new only), tire pumps locks and chains for locks, gloves, bicycle books & manuals; **Tools** - General hand tools and specialized bike tools
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- **SCRAP METAL** - Free. Provided by Junk King.
- **BOOKS & CDs** - Free. Provided by Discover Books. Media accepted in any condition. Items that cannot be reused will be properly recycled. All Books, Magazines, CDs (music and computer storage), Records.
- **EYE GLASSES** - Free. Items collected will be donated to Dunstable-Tyngsboro Lions Club. Prescription Lenses, Reading Glasses, Non-prescription Sun Glasses
- **LIMITED SPORTS EQUIPMENT & LICENSE PLATES** - Free. Items will be repurposed for other uses. Skis, Snowboards, Wooden Bats, Golf Clubs, Metal License Plates.

This is an outdoor event. Please wear a mask. Do not attend if you feel sick or have been in contact with a person who has tested positive for COVID-19. Please remain in your car until you reach the vendor(s) you will be dropping items off with. Hand sanitizer will be available and physical distancing observed.

Want to volunteer? Extra hands are welcomed! To volunteer or if you have questions, contact the Sustainability Committee by calling (978)649-2300 or connecting with us on Facebook at **Sustainable Tyngsboro.**



ALTRUSA

Altrusa Club of Merrimack Valley is collecting new towels to benefit the Lowell Transitional Living Center (LTLC). The Lowell Transitional Living Center (LTLC) is the largest shelter and support organization north of Boston, providing 90 beds for the homeless. **To learn more or to donate, please email altrusamv@gmail.com**

The Altrusa Club has been meeting virtually on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. To learn more about Altrusa visit us at www.altrusa.org or districtone.altrusa.org



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Katerina Kalabokis for Selectman

My background in law and small business management allows me to offer a wide array of skillsets to the town.

- The ability to establish and maintain effective channels of communication and coordinate activities to a successful conclusion.
- Collaboration and negotiation skills that ultimately end in agreement on a wide array of topics.
- Organization, planning, and financial balancing that take into account future success.

I look forward to speaking with many of you at my upcoming events to hear your thoughts and discuss your expectations of me should I be fortunate enough to be elected. Follow my Facebook page for event notifications, dates, and times.

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COVID-19 update: The Library is planning to open its doors to visitors in early May, offering a daily schedule that alternates between curbside pickup of materials and being open for browsing, computer use and other services. **Please see the TPL website for current hours, safety protocols and service guidelines.** The Library staff thanks members of the community for their patience as services are expanded. Options for reopening are assessed carefully and with a goal to provide Library services to the greatest number of patrons during this pandemic.

•CLOSED Monday, May 31, in observance of Memorial Day•

TPL is pleased to introduce Robert Carter, our new Head of Youth Services.

"Mr. Robert" manages the Children's Room collection, develops youth programs and acts as a liaison to local schools and homeschooling parents. He brings a wealth of experience, loads of energy and a creative mind to his new position. Robert has worked with children and teens in numerous MA public libraries and recently managed a makerspace/arts center. Check the TPL calendar for some of the great programs he's already scheduled and make sure to stop in to say hello. Robert is excited to get to know members of our community and share his many ideas with them!



•Gorgeous Gardens of New England via Zoom, Tuesday, May 18, 7-8 p.m.

Sit back and enjoy a visual tour of some of the most gorgeous gardens in New England. Virtual slide show presentation and talk given by Joanne Pearson of Fair Haven Photographs. Funded by the Friends of the Library.

•50+ Jobseekers Networking Group via Zoom, 9:30-11:30 a.m., on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, January-June. Professional career coach will present on relevant topics and guide hands-on skills workshops. Meetings will also feature guest speakers and access to hiring managers. See the TPL calendar for topics and registration information.

•LEGO Animation Workshop, Tuesday, May 11 at 2 p.m.

via Zoom. Learn the basics of creating an animation using LEGO minifigs. You should have your own minifigs and baseplate. You'll also need some kind of camera-- either a webcam or tablet or smartphone. Ages 8+.

•Pigeons and Ducklings and Elephants and Piggies!

Tuesday, May 18 at 3:30 p.m. via Zoom. A Mo Willems craftyng fest! We'll make Pigeon and Duckling finger puppets and Elephant and Piggie paper bag puppets. You may pick up materials one week before. Ages 4+.

•Music and Storytime with Mr. Robert! Ages 3-5. Thursdays at 11 a.m. on Zoom. Check TPL calendar for details.

•Storytime with Ms. Sam! Ages 3-5. Wednesdays at 10 a.m. on Zoom. Check the TPL calendar for more details.

•Have you tried Hoopla yet? TPL staff are available for assistance via email (circdesk@tynglib.org)

•Board of Library Trustees Meetings are generally held monthly 3rd Thursday. 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 email option on the online calendar.

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The Board of Directors of the Friends of the Tyngsboro Elderly, Inc is looking forward to scheduling activities and entertainment as soon as the state will allow the gathering of a group. Until such time, we will continue to welcome all who support us with your membership of \$10 a year.

The Friends of the Tyngsboro Elderly Inc, is a 5013C NonProfit Organization of over one hundred members. For more information or membership forms, please contact Elaine Rivard (978-649-7689).

TYNGSBOROUGH/DUNSTABLE ROTARY CLUB

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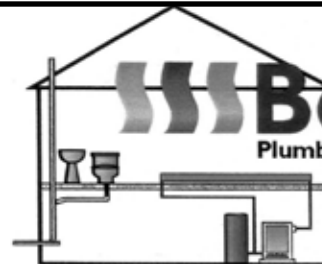
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ARE YOU STANDING IN THE BREACH?

By Nathan Combs

We are enthralled by hero stories in which one human holds back a great disaster from overwhelming the lives of others. For example, children all over the world know the famous Dutch story of a child who single-handedly saved his town from a flood by holding his finger in a dyke until help arrived. I do not know if "The Boy Who Held Back the Sea" is truth or fiction (or a mixture of both), but I do know that God's Scriptures are full of this kind of imagery.

In Psalm 106, as the writer is praising God for his steadfast love in dealing with generations of stubborn Israelites, he recounts Moses' actions at Mt. Sinai when the people "exchanged the glory of God for the image of an ox that eats grass" (vs. 20). When God expressed his resolution to annihilate the people, Moses "stood in the breach before him, to turn away his wrath from destroying them" (vs. 23). Despite the personal toll this experience must have taken on Moses, the unselfish actions of this one man saved the lives of thousands that day.

Years later, after God's people had settled in Canaan and had become corrupted by idols again, God was looking for another Moses. Although God is committed to punishing evil, he constantly searches for ways to extend his mercy. This time, however, there was no one in Judah with the spirit of Moses. "And I sought for a man among them who should build up the wall and stand in the breach before me for the land, that I should not destroy it, but I found none" (Ezekiel 22:30). The prophets, priests, and princes of the land were too intent on unjustly grabbing for power and riches to care about the state of their nation.

The problem God laments in Ezekiel is resolved in the story of Jesus. Rather than destroying humanity, God himself became the man who stood in the breach, holding back his own righteous anger against our sins. As Paul puts it in Romans 5:9, "Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God." Even as he was hanging on the cross, Jesus was more concerned about the dangerous position of the souls who mocked him than he was about his own pain. "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do" (Luke 23:34).

Are we following the examples of Moses and our Lord by standing in the breach for someone else? If you're living in a difficult community, family, or marriage, what kind of thoughts occupy your waking hours? Are you more absorbed by how the sins of others have hurt or upset you and looking for ways to see them punished? Or are you more concerned with the hurt that others are experiencing and asking God to forgive and heal them? Standing in the breach is tremendously uncomfortable, but it is the place of glory because God is standing there.

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It is our hope that we will soon resume our scheduled Stitcher time at the Tyngsboro Senior Center. That time will be announced soon, hopefully, as we adhere to the ongoing changing rules of the state. We continue to make afghans, lap robes, shawls, and hats for hospice. For further information or questions, please contact Coordinator, Jean Jacoppi (978-649-9076).

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Tyler's Timely Technical Tips

By Tyler Denommee

Homeowners considering HVAC updates are encouraged to explore local incentive rebate programs promoting the adoption of Air Source Heat Pump (ASHP) systems for home air conditioning and heating.

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MISCONCEPTIONS OF LONG TERM-CARE PLANNING

By Edward H. Adamsky, Attorney at Law

Medicaid (MassHealth) is the only government program that pays for Long Term Care costs. Medicare (health insurance) may cover the costs of short-term skilled nursing care, but it will not pay for Long Term Care. Medicaid is a means-tested benefit, so you have to be financially eligible. If you don't qualify for Medicaid, you will have to pay for your Long Term Care on your own.

Nursing Home Care is what most people think about for Long Term Care. If your care needs are high, you may need nursing home care. There are home care options that may be more affordable, so you should always consider that first, if possible. The average cost of a nursing home care is around \$12,000 to \$14,000 per month - over \$150,000 per year. Most people cannot afford that expense for very long. In that case, you may need to seek Medicaid eligibility.

The biggest misconception is that Medicare will pay for nursing home care. Medicare is health insurance for medically necessary care. A short-term rehabilitative stay in a nursing facility is medically necessary and Medicare will pay for that. But long term assistance with the activities of daily living (eating, dressing, bathing, and the like) is not medical care.

It may not be too late to try to protect your assets. That may not be the goal, and sometimes it shouldn't be. But, for many people, the thought of spending their life savings in the last year or two of their lives is too horrible to bear. They want to take whatever steps are allowed to "protect" their assets. You should start to plan for protecting assets well in advance due to the five-year look-back period rule under Medicaid. But there are some exceptions to that rule, and there are some techniques that can be used at the last minute. So, you should always consult with an Elder Law Attorney when long term care is in the near future.

There is often confusion about the look-back period. For over 20 years it was 3 years. That meant that the Medicaid office examined your financial affairs for the three years prior to the date of your Medicaid application. In 2004, the look-back period was increased to 5 years. It has been that way ever since. It is possible the law might change again, but nothing has happened since 2004 and it seems doubtful our current congress will attack seniors.

Many people think that gifting \$15,000 is allowed by Medicaid because it is allowed by the IRS rules. But Medicaid and the IRS are two different systems with completely different rules. There is no yearly exemption amount for gifting under Medicaid. Any amount of money or any asset given away in the five years prior to your application can disqualify you from getting Medicaid.

It is always advisable to consult with an experienced Elder Law attorney sooner rather than later. Although there are exceptions it is best to plan ahead and utilize the full extent of the law and the look-back period to accomplish your goals.

FLINT POND BOAT RAMP AND PARKING LOT CLOSED FOR DAM REPAIRS

The parking area and boat ramp off Flint Pond Road in Tyngsborough will be closed to the public from now until April 2022 to allow for dam repairs. The water level of Flint Pond will be lowered substantially during this time. Public access to these areas will be restored after the project is completed next spring.

The Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (MassWild-life) is conducting the dam repairs as ordered by the Office of Dam Safety. The dam was deemed in poor condition due to overtopping and erosion of the earthen berm. During the construction period, areas near the dam and parking lot will be closed.

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Some good news for a change.

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Then, as of this writing, on Sunday, May 2 at dawn the members of the New Hampshire Power of the Past Collectors were gathering at the Schoolhouse for their **44th Annual Gas and Steam Engine Meet**. Admission is always free for visitors and they welcome your stopping by for a look at the history they are devoted to preserving. Hopefully next year things will be more settled and everyone will have advance notice of this amazing event.

Finally, it looks like a go for the Strawberry Festival on Saturday, June 26. Details are still pending, but we will share them as soon as possible.

Last but not least, thank you to those who have renewed their memberships and made donations so far this year! We appreciate your kind support.

Membership forms and more info is available at www.tdhistoricalsociety.org

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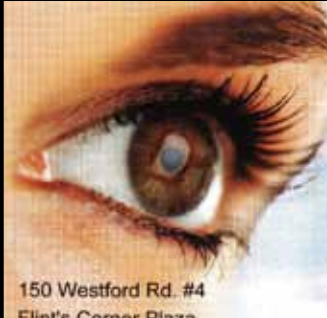


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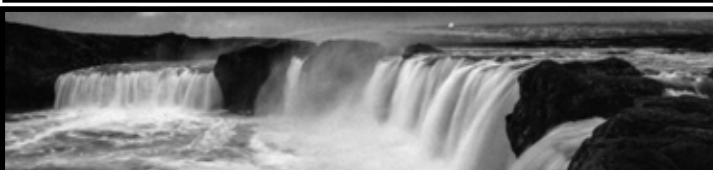


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For these reasons, housing decisions require plenty of careful consideration. Want to be prepared to make the right choice when the time comes? Start here.

1. Should you build or buy?

Both building a new home or buying an existing one can be good choices. You'll typically pay more for a new home, but it will likely need fewer repairs and have lower maintenance costs.

Existing homes, on the other hand, are usually cheaper upfront. They may come with more issues and potential repairs, though.

2. Is it better to move or to remodel?

There will typically come a time when you outgrow your first house. When this happens, you'll need to decide whether updating (or expanding) that property is best or if you're better off finding a new home instead.

Renovating will come with some hassle and mess, but if you love your location or your kids' schools, it can be a smart choice. Buying a new property would allow you to change some of those foundational aspects — things like location, school district and community amenities.

3. Is it time to downsize?

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This will showcase artists at any stage in their careers and from across the United States. **The exhibition will be on view May 1 to June 12, 2021.**

Why this theme? Lowell National Historical Park is currently partnering with community members to develop a future exhibit in the Mogan Cultural Center about Lowell's cultural diversity. As another way to explore cultural expression we would like to see how artists from across the country experience or observe "community" for this juried exhibition at the Brush Art Gallery.

The Brush Art Gallery and Studios is located in the Lowell National Historical Park across the courtyard from the Visitor Center. This dynamic and captivating place was originally founded by the Lowell Historic Preservation Commission, U.S. Department of the Interior in 1982. The Brush presents museum quality exhibitions, educational programs, and has collaborated with many other nonprofit groups. Artists occupy studio spaces to interact with and educate the public on a weekly basis. Currently, eleven studio artists produce paintings, illustration, photography, jewelry, sculpture, ceramics, quilts, and handwoven items. Associate artists display work in the common area. The Brush Art Gallery and Studios is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization. The Brush is supported by Lowell National Historical Park and Eastern National.

For more information, please visit: <http://thebrush.org>.

Lowell National Historical Park is a unique urban national park, founded in 1978, dedicated to preserving and exploring Lowell's continuing history as the nation's first large-scale textile manufacturing city. The park works in partnership with community organizations, local residents, and visitors to tell stories of technology, labor, immigration, women's rights, and the industrial economy in Lowell and beyond. Over 500,000 visitors annually visit Lowell National Historical Park museum sites, participate in interactive canal and trolley tours, view operating mill machinery, participate in hands-on family programs, attend special events, and more. **For more information, please visit: <http://www.nps.gov/lowe>.**

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One of the goals we have as the church is to provide supplemental ways to pursue that growth, both individually and communally. The Christian life was never meant to be lived alone. We have opportunities for you to connect in community and grow in faith. Please find some listed below, along with a description.

As you consider any of the below offerings, before you think of a reason why you can't do it, because those may be the first thoughts that enter your brain, try to think of a reason why you can and should!

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166 Middlesex St., North Chelmsford, MA,
****May 16th, 2021 at 10AM to 3PM**

Please join staff and volunteers for our first ever parking lot yard sale! We've been hard at work selecting the most perfect items and pricing them for amazing deals. You'll find tons of brand new clothing items, new shoes, toys, home décor, household items, and so much more. All purchases will support the mission of The Wish Project and allow us to continue to provide basic necessities to those who need them. ***Cash and credit cards will be accepted.***
Come ready to shop!! **Rain Date May 23, 2021

WISH LIST

Diapers in sizes 4 and 6, Pull ups in size 4T/5T, Baby proofing safety kits, Dressers, Metal bed frames
Small Kitchen Tables, Microwaves, Pot holders, Frying pans, Mixing bowls, Can openers
Laundry detergent pods, Women's Deodorant
Shampoo and conditioner, Body wash
Girls shirts in Sizes 3T, 4T, 6, 7, 8, 10, 14, 16, and 18
Girl's PJs in sizes 10-18
Little Girls sneakers in sizes 9 and 9.5
Boys shirts in sizes 14, 16, and 18,
Boys pants in sizes 10, 12, and 18
Men's shirts in Sizes Medium and Large
Men's pants in waist sizes 38-43
Women's sweatshirts in sizes Medium and Large, Women's socks
Women's sneakers in sizes 5, 5.5, 7, and 7.5
Spring jackets for the whole family

CLOTHING AND TEXTILE RECYCLING Did you know that if you have clothing, bedding, shoes, curtains, or any cloth item that you don't think have any use, whether they are stained or ripped, we can still accept them and sell them by the pound? Just bag them up separately and write recycle on the bag. All funds raised will go into supporting our mission and our clients!

About Us: The Mission of The Wish Project is to help families in need in Merrimack Valley. Find out more on our website www.TheWishProject.org or call us at (866) 947-4360.
Our New mailing address is: The Wish Project PO Box 8693,
Lowell, MA 01853



Hi everyone,

It's that time of the year again ... time for Great Strides to benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Sadly for the 2nd year in a row we will not be able to have our annual lemonade stand to benefit Cystic Fibrosis. Last year we didn't let COVID 19 hold us down and we held a drive by parade for Reid and his family which they really enjoyed. We are going to make the best out of what we can and we hope to hold a drive through ice cream stand with Reid's favorite flavor hopefully sometime over the next few months. Stay tuned for future details.

I have set a pretty ambitious goal this year of raising \$4,000 to help my friend Reid as he celebrates a big year in his life. If you would like to donate you can send me a check made payable to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation to Sophia West PO Box 86 in Dunstable MA 01827 or you can go to my fundraising page and donate online. https://fightcf.cff.org/site/TR/GreatStrides/100_Northern_New_England_Nashua?px=1634405&pg=personal&fr_id=8554 (Please note: there is an underscore where it looks like a space)

I hope you can help me help my friend Reid and all others who battle CF on a daily basis. Thank you and stay well!! Sophia