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TYNGSBOROUGH TOWN CLERK NEWS

- **2021 Dog Licenses** are now 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. Voting hours have been reduced. **The polls will be open from 12:00 Noon until 7:00 PM.**
- **TOWN MEETING:** Town Meeting is scheduled for **Saturday June 26th** and will be held at the High School Field on Norris Road at **9:00 AM.**
- **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.

TYNGSBOROUGH WATER DISTRICT

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Public Notice

The Tyngsborough Water District Consumer Confidence Report is available for review at the District Office, 87 Progress Ave, Unit #2 or at the Town Hall and Library.

You can also read and download a copy at:
<https://bit.ly/3eEqrHR>

Dale Thompson, Superintendent

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). *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.*

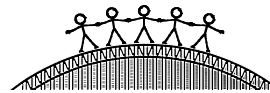
A new flyer will be posted on the last page of next month's issue, July/August . It will be on green paper. Please keep this so you will know what is and is not accepted.



Congratulations Graduates Class of 2021!

IN MEMORY OF

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| Drusilla Fidler McCaughey | Barbara Lee (Barrett) Keaney RN |
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| Melodie R. (Rogers) Connolly | Edward R. Gass Jr. |
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| Maureen A. (Mirasolo) Herrick | Theresa A. (Ouellette) Perez |



TYNGSBOROUGH RECREATION AND PARKS Call 978-649-2300 Ext. 150

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

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

- **THE NEWLY RENOVATED TYNGSBORO TOWN BEACH - OPENED FOR SWIMMING-** Memorial Day weekend, May 29. We have new sand and the grass is beginning to come in (please observe all signs and directions). Resident passes are needed to park and are available at the Town Hall. Volunteers are needed to assist in raking the beach each week. Please message your interest on FB or email TyngsboroughRec.com, (978) 649-2300 Ext 150. Note: The beach is accessible from Maplewood Ave. and Cedar Grove Ave., near the intersection of Lakeview Ave and Coburn Rd. Beach and parking are located at the end of the road.

• **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.

• **Kids Summer Tennis/pickle Ball Clinics** Ages 8-16 licensed certified instructor, top ranked. Organized group lessons. Master both tennis and pickle ball. Fun fitness \$199 for the week or \$60 per day. Develop skills, character, self-esteem and confidence. Register online at www.planettennis.com or phone 727-542-9636 Greg Reardan professional. Week 1: July 5-8 1:00pm-4:00pm Week 2: July 12-15 9:00am-12:00pm Week 3: July 19-22 1:00pm-4:00pm \$199/week or \$60/day [Tyngsborough Elementary School](http://TyngsboroughElementarySchool) 205 Westford Road, Tyngsborough, MA 01879

• **Tyngsborough Block Party – 2021** Music and Food Truck Event

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Tyler's Timely Technical Tips

By Tyler Denomme

Though small spaces, renovating a bath can be quite challenging as they contain more features than any other room besides a kitchen. Follow these simple tips for success.

Plan the project first, to feel better about final results and costs. Make a list of likes and don't likes about the existing bath. Prioritize frequently touched items (such as faucets, toilets, shower valves), and those that support your lifestyle (dual vanity sinks). Put budget expectations into perspective while planning 10- 20% contingency for inevitable surprises.

Install a tub only if you actually take baths. If the home includes another family bath with a tub, omitting the tub in favor of a luxurious shower in the master makes sense.

And, you might not have to remodel. You can start fresh without demo. Consider tile refinishing, new lighting or refreshing bath fixtures (toilets, trim, lights, faucets) for big impact on a smaller budget.

Tyler

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RECREATION NEWS CONTINUED FROM THE COVER

• Tyngsborough Block Party – 2021 Music and Food Truck Event
Sunday, August 29, 2021, 11am-4pm (Rain or Shine)

GENERAL ADMISSION: Free! **WHAT TO EXPECT:** Welcome to the Tyngsboro Block Party-by-the-Bridge! As you drive across the longest, and 2nd oldest, steel rib arch bridge in Massachusetts, prepare to experience a fun, family-friendly atmosphere with popular live music all day on the main performance stage and streets lined with a mouth-watering mobile buffet of meal and dessert food trucks. Meander thru the new Tyngsborough Common to explore local and corporate Vendors; Interactive Booths; Crafts; Local Artists; Pony Rides; Petting Zoo; Kids Activities; Food Samples; Craft Beer and Specialty Wines; try your luck at the Dunk Tank; compete in a Pie-Eating Contest; play Lawn Games, and so much more! This end-of-summer party has something for the whole family. We'll be partying RAIN or SHINE. Still, free admission.

MUSIC & SHOWS: Main Performance Pavilion:

• **motor booty affair** ~ The Ultimate Disco Party Band

Side Performance Stage: Entertaining Demonstrations/Shows every 30 minutes (Schedule TBA)

• **PARKING:** Tyngsboro Block Party parking is \$5.00 with FREE, fast and friendly Shuttle Service to and from the party. New shuttle routes and additional buses will be added for 2021! Handicapped permit parking area will be located behind the Tyngsborough Fire Department. Look for signage and lot attendants at each lot:

1 Winslow School VENDOR PARKING PASSES ONLY (250 Middlesex Rd. - Rte 3 N or S, Exits 88 or 90)

2 Tyngsborough Fire Department - Rear Lot HANDICAP PERMITS ONLY (26 Kendall Rd. - Rte 3 N or S, Exit 90)

3 Academy of Notre Dame (180 Middlesex Rd. - Rte 3 N or S, Exit 88)

4 Tyngsboro Sports Center/Mass Crane Co. (500 Potash Hill Rd. - Rte 3 N or S, Exit 88)

5 Pheasant Lane Mall Front Lot (Rte 3N, Exit 91, straight into mall driveway, first right into Block Party parking lot)

• **Note:** Local businesses providing free, or pay, parking are operating independently from the Tyngsboro Block Party and our shuttle service. See map for official TBP parking locations and directions.

• **DIRECTIONS:** Easy access from Rte 3 (Exits 88 or 90). Located at the intersection of Middlesex and Kendall Roads. GPS: **Winslow Rd. Tyngsborough, MA 01879**. Immediately south of the popular Nashua, NH retail district with a picturesque backdrop of the massive 547 foot **Tyngsborough Bridge** suspended over the Merrimack River.

• **FACILITIES:** Port-a-potties will be placed throughout the Tyngsboro Block Party grounds. Handicap accessible port-a-potties will also be available.

• **SOCIAL MEDIA:** **Click here** for even more details, with pictures!

• **OFFICIAL WEBSITE:** www.PartyByTheBridge.com

• **PET OWNERS:** For the comfort of all our party-goers, food vendors, and petting zoo friends, we are asking to please leave your dog at home during the Tyngsboro Block Party. Trained/licensed service dogs are welcome! Thank you in-advance for your cooperation.

• **EVENT SPONSORS:** [Tyngsborough Recreation and Parks](#) (Event Host), [Metro Mass Entertainment](#) (Official DJ/MC Company of the Tyngsboro Block Party), [Sherburne Lumber](#) (Official Lumber Yard of the Tyngsboro Block Party)

• Want to add your company name to this list? Become a 2021 Tyngsboro Block Party sponsor by [CLICKING HERE](#). Have questions or to donate a product/service, email: apage@tyngsboroughma.gov

• Seating is limited, bring a chair/blanket to claim your spot.

Want to be part of the party and volunteer?

Email: apage@tyngsboroughma.gov

Festival of Trees 2021 Planning Committee We are looking for new members to join our sub-committee to plan the Festival of Trees Event specifically (December 2-5, 2021). You do not need to be on the Recreation Committee. Contact the Rec. Office apage@tyngsboroughma.gov, send a message on FB or call Theresa 978-828-6589 if you have questions.

TYNGSBOROUGH HIGH SCHOOL

is proud to announce Ella Beaulieu, Tyler Ducharme, Kaitlyn Williams, and Emily Wojcik as the May Students of the Month.

Ella Beaulieu, daughter of Sarah and Michael Beaulieu, is a member of the National Honor Society. She is a recipient of the Outstanding Achievement in World Language Award, the Principal's Award, and a two-time recipient of the Academic Excellence Award. She is a member and captain of the varsity softball team. Ella volunteers at the softball clinics, the Tyngsborough Public Library, and the Tyngsborough Block Party. Her hobbies include decorating, exercising, playing club softball, going on walks, and hanging out with friends. Her favorite subject is math. Her future plans include having a fun and successful four years of college and finding a career that she enjoys. "My time at THS has given me skills that will help me succeed in the future such as time management, problem solving, and communication skills. This school has allowed me to meet so many great people that I know I can always count on, even though our colleges may not be close. Some memories from THS that I will never forget are homecoming, barely getting through APUSH, and playing high school softball with a great group of girls."

Tyler Ducharme, son of Toby and Nancy Ducharme, is a member of the varsity football team and served as team leader this season. His hobbies are weightlifting and football and his favorite subject is physical education. His future goals include going to masonry school, joining the bricklayers union and being successful especially within his craft. Thinking back on his days at THS he said, "I have made many friends and lifelong memories. THS has prepared me in many ways and I have gained many skills that I can use for the rest of my life."

Kaitlyn Williams, daughter of Scott and Sue Williams, is a recipient of the Outstanding Achievement in Visual Arts and two-time recipient of the Principal's Award. She is also a member of PALS and the ski & snowboard club. Kaitlyn plays on both the varsity field hockey and lacrosse teams. She volunteers at the Tyngsborough Festival of Trees, the "Spunk Your Trunk" fundraiser for Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital and at field days. She is also involved in the high school senior educator internship project. Her hobbies include paddleboarding, camping, walking with her dog, and spending time with family and friends. Her favorite subjects are anatomy and American Sign Language. She plans to study communication science & disorders on a speech and language pathology track at the University of New Hampshire. "As I soon leave THS, I have gained lifelong friendships and a strong academic foundation that I will use for my future. I have great memories and experiences to look back on that have shaped me into who I am today."

Emily Wojcik, daughter of Priscilla and John Wojcik, is a member of the National Honor Society. She is a recipient of the Outstanding Achievement in Visual Arts Award and a three-time recipient of the Principal's Award. She is a member of the varsity cheer squad, earning most improved, as well as the varsity lacrosse team. Emily is also a member of PALS and was a member of the theater program. She volunteers at Habitat for Humanity, NH Food Bank, and Cradles to Crayons, and her hobbies include hanging out with friends and family. Her favorite subjects are math and chemistry and plans to study forensic chemistry at University of Rhode Island. Thinking back on her days at THS she said, "I have gained friendships and bonds that I'll treasure and take with me outside of high school. I will remember all of the homecoming events and cheerleading at the football games with my teammates."

Congratulations to all four of these students.

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- Strong supporter of continued funding of critical infrastructure including, but not limited to, our roads.
- Proponent of giving our town's department leaders the direction they need, the autonomy and trust to execute on the day-to-day activities, and holding them accountable.
- Demonstrated passion for giving back to the community as a volunteer serving our town youth for over a decade. Seeking to continue community service to include all citizens of Tyngsboro.

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PROBLEMS WITH SPRINGING POWERS OF ATTORNEY

By Edward H. Adamsky, Attorney at Law

Your Durable Power of Attorney is one of your most important planning tools. It will allow a trusted person to handle your financial and legal affairs if you cannot do it yourself. Of course, you don't want your agent under the Power of Attorney to do anything now, you only want them to act when you cannot. So, this means many people think they only want a Power of Attorney that "springs" into effect upon their incapacity and not an "immediate" power. No one wants to give away any power until they have to, but there are major problems with Springing Powers of Attorney.

With a Durable Power of Attorney, you share your authority with the named Agent, who can be a family member, a friend, or any other trusted person. You do not give up any of your own authority to handle your affairs, you merely share it with the person named as your Agent. Most Powers of Attorney written by Elder Law Attorneys are immediately effective. That means the Agent has authority to act right away. Of course, the principal (the person signing the document) may not need or want the Agent to act right away, but an Elder Law Attorney knows it is best for the Agent to be able to act at a moment's notice.

Some lawyers write Powers of Attorney that are not immediate. Many forms you find online are like that too. Those forms have a clause that says the Agent's power only comes into effect upon the happening of an event such your incapacity. This is what we call a "Springing" power. The trouble is you then have to define that event and how you will prove the event has happened. Usually this is by saying that a Doctor must "certify in writing" that you are unable to handle your own affairs. This means that you have to be seen by a doctor, the doctor has to make the determination that you cannot handle your affairs, and then the doctor needs to be willing to put that in writing. All of this is logistically difficult and may delay or even totally stop the Agent from being able to get anything done.

If the Agent does get that letter or certificate signed by a Doctor, then the Agent will need to show that letter along with a copy of the Power of Attorney whenever he or she needs to act and to prove to a third-party that he has the power to act. That letter or certificate will probably be dated (as it should be) but that means that it will become "old" after a while and third parties may want to see a freshly dated letter which will require another meeting with the doctor and another attempt to get the doctor to sign a new certificate. This might repeat every few months for as long as necessary.

Any delay caused by needing to get the Doctor to sign off could mean that bills cannot be paid, money cannot be promptly moved from one account to another, or other legal documents, like a Medicaid application, cannot be signed and filed. These delays can cost money and limit the changes that could be made to account for a new and unexpected situation. You should discuss why an immediately effective Power of Attorney is right for you with your Elder Law Attorney.

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BONE BUILDERS

The program has resumed at the Tyngsboro Senior Center on Mondays and Wednesdays at 9:00 AM. For more information or to participate twice a week in classes, please call Jean Jacoppi, Leader (978-649-9076) or stop into the Center for additional information at 169 Westford Rd., Tyngsboro, MA.

STITCHERS

AT TYNGSBORO SENIOR CENTER

The Stitchers have returned to the Center on Mondays from 10 to 11:30AM. Masks are no longer necessary nor is social distancing. We will meet in the ARTS & CRAFTS room.

We are gathering all our knit goods to distribute to the needy. Items can be dropped off at any time at the center or on Mondays during the group session.

Donations of yarn have been plentiful through the year. If you are a home knitter, you are also welcome to pick up supplies for our projects.

Perhaps you have questions or need information, please call Jean Jacoppi, Coordinator (978-649-9076).

TYNGSBOROUGH BOARD OF HEALTH PREVENT TICK BITES

Ticks can make you sick when they bite you. They are most commonly found in grassy, brushy, or wooded areas. They only attach when you come into direct contact with them — they cannot jump or fly. Follow these steps if you live, work, or spend time in areas where ticks are present:

- Check yourself for ticks once a day — it's the single most important thing you can do.
- Use repellents that contain DEET on your exposed skin and those that contain permethrin on your clothes.
- When walking or hiking, stick to main pathways and the center of trails if you can. Brushing against tall grass and bushes will increase your exposure to ticks.
- Weather permitting, wear long-sleeved, light-colored shirts and long pants tucked into socks. This will help keep ticks away from your skin and make it easier to spot ticks on your clothing.
- Because dogs and horses are particularly susceptible, talk to your veterinarian about the best ways to protect your animals from tick-borne disease.

PREVENT MOSQUITO BITES

Mosquitoes can spread diseases that make you sick. In Massachusetts, mosquitoes can give you eastern equine encephalitis (EEE) virus or West Nile virus (WNV). Only a small number of mosquitoes are infected at any given time, so being bitten by a mosquito does not mean you will get sick. However, the best way to avoid both of these illnesses is to prevent mosquito bites.

- Drain standing water in and around your house or yard to prevent mosquito breeding.
- Repair window and door screens to keep mosquitoes out of your home.
- Use a mosquito repellent with an EPA-registered ingredient according to the directions on the label.
- Wear clothing to reduce exposed skin when weather permits.

For more information about preventing mosquito and tickborne illness, visit www.mass.gov/mosquitoesandticks.

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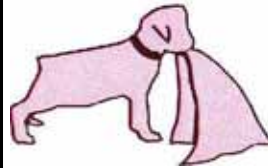
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Happy June!! We are slowly adding activities and programs at the senior center. We are following the Governor's reopening plan and practicing social distancing and additional safety precautions.

In May, we had our 1st breakfast in over a year! It was nice to see everyone. A big shout out to the Tyngsboro/Dunstable Rotary for their sponsorship.

We are still providing Meals on Wheels to homebound seniors, van service for medical (including appointments for the vaccine), shopping and outreach for those in need. Please feel free to call the center and we will do whatever we can to help!!

• We will be **CLOSED MONDAY JULY 5TH FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY.**

• **BINGO Every Tuesday 12:30-3:00** This activity helps keep your mind stimulated. There is a maximum of 45 people (3 to a table) **due to special restrictions, (COVID -19).** Please stop at the greeters desk for temperature check, hand sanitizer and mask. We have transportation if you need it for a sm. fee. Call 2 days in advance 978-649-9211 **NOW OPEN to the public, must wear a mask.**

• **Wii BOWLING .. Free Every Friday 10:00-11:30** Come join the fun! we have a ball, Time to get out of the house. Don't let COVID-19 keep you homebound we have all the things to keep you safe. 6ft distancing, masks, hand sanitizer, and temperature check. We have transportation that will pick you up and take you home for a small fee. Call 2 days in advance, 978-649-9211.

• **BONE STRENGTH...** Free Wednesdays 10:00 / Fridays 9:00 **NO Doctor's note required.**

• **BONE BUILDERS...** Free Mondays 12:00 / Wednesdays 12:00 **Doctor's NOTE required.**

• **COA BOARD MEETING 3:30 Tuesday, June 15th.** COA Board will be going on summer break. No meetings in July or August. "Have a great summer"

• **SENIOR/VETERAN BREAKFAST Thursday, June 17th, 8:30-9:00am.** Start your day off with a **FREE** healthy breakfast with friends here at the Center. **Food sponsored by: Lion's Club**

• **FATHERS' DAY CELEBRATION Monday, June 21st, 11:30** FATHER'S will be honored on this special day with a **FREE BBQ** lunch for ALL father's. If anyone who is not a father wants to attend it will be \$3.00 for their lunch. **Sign up by the 14th.**

• **TYNGSBOROUGH FOUNDATION FOR THE AGING** Seniors Helping Seniors. Next gathering will be Monday, June 14th at 10:00am. Tyngsborough Foundation for the Aging is a private, non-profit corporation organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, specifically for the purpose of providing services and fellowship for the Tyngsborough Senior Citizens through the "Tyngsborough Foundation" any age or residence are welcome to join. There are openings on the Board. If you are interested. Watch for the dates when we'll be getting together this spring. Our mission is to help serve Seniors. Call 508-308-4351 or email: tfta@yahoo

Please send in your news for the July/August issue by June 10th.

The July/August issue should be out after the 4th of July.

This issue will cover events for July and August.

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SCOTTIE'S BENCH FUNDRAISER UPDATE

We have reached our goal of \$3,000.00!

Our most sincere thanks to all who generously donated to "Scottie's Bench". The bench will be part of the Camp Kiwanis Open Space Renovation Project in Tyngsboro where the camp was located. The Tyngsboro Conservation Commission is in the process of developing parking spaces and an ADA trail on the Camp Kiwanis property. We hope you will have a chance to use the trails once the Conservation Commission has completed the project and visit "Scottie's Bench", a memorial bench in honor of Muriel Lafond, former director of the camp.

It is our hope that this bench will become a place where you may linger, take in the fresh air, and share new/old memories of this beautiful place. *Sincerely, Paula, Joan, Sandy and Cheryl*

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"LET HIM HEAR"

By Nathan Combs

Imagine for a moment that you're a 1st century Jew in Roman Palestine. You have heard about an impressive young rabbi from the unlikely town of Nazareth. You've even met fellow Jews who have witnessed his miracles or heard him teach in their local synagogues. When you learn that he is coming to teach nearby, you decide to go see him for yourself. As you arrive at the edge of the Sea of Galilee, you join the massive crowd that presses around Jesus. You watch as he climbs into a boat and begins to teach.

To your surprise, however, everything Jesus speaks is in riddles. You start to get excited about his repeated talk about "the kingdom of heaven," but there is no follow-up declaration of war against the Roman oppressors. There is no impassioned political speech. There are no recruiters working the crowd to construct a rebel army. Instead, Jesus simply gives parables! He speaks about a strange farmer who indiscriminately throws his seeds everywhere, even in places where he knows it won't grow. He speaks about a treasure hidden in a field, which is found by a man who sells everything he has to buy that field to obtain the treasure. He speaks of a tiny mustard seed which grows up to become a large shade tree for nearby birds. As Jesus unfolds parable after parable, you never hear him offer any explanation for these cryptic teachings. As he wraps up and begins to dismiss the crowd, he simply looks around and says: "He who has ears, let him hear." As the crowd begins to dissolve, you can't help scratching your head at what you've heard. You now have a choice to make: either approach Jesus and ask for understanding or simply walk away like most of the others are doing.

This was the choice of many Jews that Jesus interacted with, since he always spoke to large crowds in parables only (Matthew 13.34). Privately he explained their meanings to his disciples and told them that the "secrets of the kingdom" were exclusively given to them and not to everyone else (Matthew 13.11). Why would Jesus purposefully withhold those explanations from the many and give them to the few? The answer is simple: the disciples were the only ones who pursued him with questions! All of the others were uninterested in further inquiry because "seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand" (Matthew 13.13).

As we read the parables or any other part of God's word, we are faced with the same choice. Will we pay close attention and then ask questions from the text? Will we continually return to those words to dig out more treasure to enjoy and share with others? Or will we casually walk away from Jesus, too preoccupied by our own desires to care deeply about what he taught? He who has ears, let him hear.

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COVID-19 update: Please see the TPL website for current hours, safety protocols and service guidelines. Although the restrictions have been lifted throughout the Commonwealth, a significant staffing shortage has prevented the Library from proceeding with its plan to open its doors using a hybrid daily schedule that alternates between curbside pickup of materials and being open for browsing, computer use and other services. The Library staff thanks members of the community for their patience as services are expanded.

New! 2021 Summer Schedule:

Beginning June 21 and ending September 3

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| Monday | 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m. |
| Tuesday | 9:00 a.m.-5 p.m. |
| Wednesday | 10:30 a.m.-8 p.m. |
| Thursday | 9:00 a.m.-5 p.m. |
| Friday | 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. |

CLOSED on Monday, July 5,

in observance of Independence Day (July 4)

Get ready for TPL's SUMMER READING PROGRAM!

This year's theme is *Tails and Tales*.

- **FOR ALL AGES: Flying High Dogs, Monday, July 19, 1:30pm.** Mike Piazza and his frisbee dogs are educational, interactive, and FUN!. Register via the TPL calendar for this outdoor program.
- The **ADULT** program kicks off with **Chef Liz Barbour's Lobster Tails & Cocktails/Mocktails** virtual cooking class. **Monday, June 28, 7-8:30 p.m.** Learn how to properly steam a lobster for the best tasting results, incorporate the tail into a tasty recipe and shake up the perfect cocktail/mocktail to go along with your New England lobster tail recipe. Registration required via the TPL online calendar. Enter to win gift cards to local businesses at the end of the summer.
- **For TEENS, Grades 6-12.** Enter to win an Amazon gift card at the end of the summer. Teen programs will include **Minecraft** (Ages 10+) and **Dungeons & Dragons** (Ages 12+) on **alternating Fridays at 7 p.m. beginning June 18.**
- **For CHILDREN: Read to a Stuffed Animal.** Kids, register to adopt your new animal friend. Pick your plushie up at TPL starting June 23
- **SUMMER READING KICKOFF WITH WILDLIFE ENCOUNTERS ECOLOGY CENTER'S "TINY CREATURES." TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 2-3 P.M.** Meet some little friends at this very hands-on event with a variety of small, safe and amazing ambassador animals. Registration required via the TPL online calendar. *This program is funded by a grant from the Tyngsborough Cultural Council, which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency. The Friends of the Library also generously support our Summer Reading Program.*
- **Reading with Rabbits, Thursday, July 1, 11 a.m.** A rabbit-themed story time. Create fuzzy paper plate rabbits and interact with live rabbits. Ages Preschool-2nd grade.
- **Let's Go on a Bug Hunt with Hands on Nature** in the TPL garden, **Thursday, August 12, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.**
- **Nature Storytime at Sherburne Estate, Thursday, June 24, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.** This will be a socially-distanced, onsite storytime. Bring your picnic blankets and bug spray.
- **CrafTyng Tuesdays, 11 - 11:30 a.m. on Zoom, starting June 1.** Every week, a new animal will be featured for an at-home children's craft. Pick up materials one week before. Ages 4+
- **Art Safari Thursdays, 2 - 2:45 p.m. on Zoom, starting June 17.** Every week, we will learn to draw a new animal. You may pick up a sketchbook starting June 17. Ages 7+
- **Pokemon Trading Card Game Online, 11 a.m. - 12 on Mondays, starting June 21.** Learn to play and make new friends. Special bonus codes for registered players.
- **Kids & Teens** - Pick up your summer activities calendar! Please check TPL's online calendar for updates and details.

Ongoing programs:

- **New! Storytimes have moved outside to the garden area, weather permitting.** Thanks to a generous donation from the Friends of the Library, we will provide socially-distanced sitting mats for the children. Feel free to bring picnic blankets or lawn chairs, and bug spray.
- **Storytime with Ms. Sam! Ages 3-5. Wednesdays at 10 a.m.**
- **Music and Storytime with Mr. Robert. Thursdays at 11 a.m.**
- **Special storytime readers from the Tyngsborough Police and Fire Departments. (TBD)** Check the TPL calendar for more details.
- **50+ Jobseekers Networking Group via Zoom, 9:30-11:30 a.m., on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, January-June.** Professional career coach presents on relevant topics and guide hands-on skills workshops, features guest speakers and access to hiring managers. Register via the TPL calendar.
- **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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If you are interested in membership, please call Bob Guernsey at (508)380-4351 or Ron Keohane at (508)517-3895.

Feel free to join in our weekly Zoom meetings held on Thursdays at noon.

Contact either member listed above to find out how to join in.



FRIENDS OF THE TYNGSBOROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARY

** The Friends generously support the Library's **Summer Reading Program** (SRP) each year by funding programs, supplies and reading incentives for all ages. This year's theme is *Tails and Tales*. Kids, adopt your own (Friends funded) plushie and read to it over the summer! SRP details are available at the Library and on its website, tynglib.org.

** Thank you to lifetime members who responded to our request for **updated email addresses**. If you are a member and did not receive our newsletter in February, please email us at tynglibfriend@gmail.com with an update or call the Library at 978-649-7362.

** We are hoping to have a **fall book sale** on October 15 and 16. For a successful sale, volunteers will be needed especially for setting up and tearing down. The set up will be on Friday, October 15, mid to late afternoon to allow for volunteers to help after school or work. Please consider helping if you can move boxes of books, set up tables, sort books, etc. We will announce how to sign-up at a later date.

** 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.

** 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. DVDs are also for sale.

** The last meeting before our summer break will be on Monday, June 7, at 6:30 pm by Zoom. Email tynglibfriends@gmail.com for an invitation. We would love to see you.

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SPRING CLEANING SUSTAINABLE TYNGSBOROUGH

During April and May residents stepped forward to help clean up the litter in town and to bring tons of materials to be reused or recycled.

Town-wide Clean-up -- All together, you filled over 80 15-gallon bags of litter. That's over 1,200 gallons of litter! Some told us they separated the clean aluminum cans to put into their recycling, so our total was even greater. Great job, Tyngsborough! Many thanks to the folks at the Highway Department for assembling the clean-up kits and collecting the bags left around town.

Zero Waste Day -- Tyngsborough hosted the Town's first ever Zero Waste Day event on May 15. The goal of the event was to provide residents an alternative avenue to discard unwanted goods without adding to our trash system, all while keeping usable materials out of the waste stream so that they can be used again and again. The event exceeded expectations. Nearly **ten tons** of material was collected, including: 7 tons of scrap metal, 1800 lbs of shredded paper, 1600 lbs of clothing & textiles, 6 pallets of books, CDs & records, 2 box trucks worth of electronics & small appliances, 65 bicycles, hundreds of pairs of glasses, 14 pairs of crutches. Items collected were donated to reuse organizations such as The Bike Connector, Crutches for Africa, Discover Books and Helpsy, with each organization promising that items that could not be reused would be responsibly recycled. Community groups such as the Lions Club, Rotary Club and Scout Troop 46 worked together to make this event such a success. Thank you also to our local business partners Junk King and HomeWorks Energy.

Curbside Compost Collection -- Diverting food scraps from the waste stream is a great way to reduce our waste tonnage, how much waste gets burned at the incinerator, and results in richer soil for our gardens. We are up to 20 households pre-subscribing to Black Earth's curbside food waste collection program. Black Earth will begin this program when at least 40 households or businesses in Tyngsborough have signed up. For every subscription, Black Earth will donate a cubic yard of finished compost to the middle school's BRIDGES Food Garden. www.blackearthcompost.com.

Sustainable Tyngsborough is a subcommittee of the Board of Selectmen. We meet the third Tuesday of every month, beginning at 6:30pm, in Meeting Room #1. You are always welcome to join us and share your sustainability ideas and concerns.

BAKE AND CRAFT SALE

On **Saturday June 12th from 12-3** Mae and Bob Hopke will be hosting a Bake and Craft Sale at their house at **200 Pond St., Dunstable, MA**. The proceeds will all go to support the **American Cancer Society's Relay for Life** event. Normally the Relay for Life is held with many other teams at a larger venue. It is virtual again this year due to the pandemic, so we will host a mini one at our home.

The Relay for Life is much more than a fundraiser. We remember, honor and support those in treatment and celebrate those who have won their battle. We have a luminary ceremony with luminaries decorated for individuals affected by cancer to make sure they know they are loved and for those who lost their battle, that they are not forgotten. We will have luminaries up in our yard that day to show that we will continue our fight to find a cure against this disease as we offer HOPE and support to those we love. Stop by if you want to add a luminary to the display. Luminaries are decorated white paper bags.

On **June 12th we will be selling individually wrapped bake goods and small items filled with HOPE!** We will once again be selling "Gabi's" bears in honor of a 5 year girl who lost her battle to brain cancer. We will also be selling raffle tickets for a diverse array of prizes! Our Team "A Wee Bit of Hope" also makes and donates "Gabi's" bears and cloth face masks to MGH Pediatric Oncology as part of our team spirit.

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Vendors are welcome. Please call Catherine Irzyk, **978-649-7690** for more information and to reserve a space.

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Nashua, NH: Due to COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, *The Rivier Institute for Senior Education (RISE)* awarded scholarships and elected officers at its annual meeting online on April 27th. New officers, elected for 2021-2022, are: *Cynthia Geiger*, President; *Lisa Marie Clark*, Vice-President; *Susan Hart*, Secretary; and *Delores Davis*, Treasurer.

A \$2,224 RISE Memorial Scholarship was awarded to *Julia C.*, an undergraduate day student in Health Science. *Daniel W.*, a graduate MBA Management student, was also awarded a \$2,224 RISE Memorial Scholarship.

The RISE Memorial Scholarship is awarded annually, based on financial need, to a full- or part-time Rivier student with preference given to a student who has earned more than 30 credits at Rivier and is currently enrolled in at least two courses per semester.

A \$1,550 Dr. Rose Arthur Scholarship was awarded to *Yamiris S.*, a Professional Studies student in the Associate of Science Nursing Program.

The Dr. Rose Arthur Scholarship was established in honor of the founder of RISE. Dr. Arthur also served as Dean of the Undergraduate Evening School. The fund supports evening students who have demonstrated a commitment to the greater Nashua community through volunteer work or public service.

The RISE program, tailored for "learning in retirement" is in its twenty-fourth year. Individuals over age 55 are welcome to learn more about our program by contacting RISE at rise@rivier.edu. You can also visit the RISE website at www.rivier.edu/departments/rise and/or www.facebook.com/rise1997.



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Tyngsboro Youth Football and Cheerleading is proud to launch our 16th season providing local area youth with the opportunity to learn football and cheerleading in a safe, fun environment while promoting the values and importance of academic achievement, teamwork, and sportsmanship. We offer all co-ed programs including **FLAG FOOTBALL** (Grades K-1), **FLEX FOOTBALL** (Grades 2-3), and **TACKLE FOOTBALL** (Grades 4-7), and **CHEERLEADING** (Ages 5-14). We are proudly affiliated with the American Youth Football and Cheerleading (AYF/AYC) program. We provide our coaches with comprehensive training to ensure the safest experience for your child.

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CLOTHING SHED AT DUNSTABLE CHURCH IS OPEN!



The clothing donation shed at the Dunstable Evangelical Congregational Church, **518 Main St, Dunstable MA**, open to the public.

If you're not familiar with the clothing donation shed, it's designed to give community members a uniquely clean, convenient, and well-cared-for option to donate their used clothing to. St. Pauly Textile Inc., the company that has provided the shed, partners with a network of businesses and various organizations to distribute donated items both here in the U.S. and worldwide, where they're ultimately re-worn by people who need them. The Dunstable Church additionally has the option to use donations to serve community needs. *With over 1,300 clothing drop-off sheds in place, St. Pauly Textile Inc. collects over 90,000 pounds of clothing every day and estimates that this clothing ends up in 44 different countries (including the U.S.) yearly.* In 2019, the company was able to help keep over 20 million articles of clothing out of landfills, which clothed an estimated 2.5 million people worldwide. The company was founded in 1996 and is an A+ rated member of the Better Business Bureau. Accepted items: clothing, shoes, belts, purses, blankets, sheets, curtains, pillowcases, and stuffed animals.

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The Story of Christianity The online History of Christianity class will continue with Part 2 from through June 22 (no class May 25). This 10-week class will cover the Protestant Reformation and then the history of Christianity in the United States. Classes are held on Zoom Tuesday nights 7:30-9:00 PM. All are welcome, even if you did not attend Part 1. Please contact Peggy Drew at peggy-j-d@hotmail.com to sign up.

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"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.

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.

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.

• **SENIOR/VETERAN BREAKFAST ~ Thursday, June 17th, 8:30-9:00AM.** Start your day off with a **FREE** healthy breakfast with friends at the Tyngsborough Senior Center, 169 Westford Rd., Tyngsborough. **Food sponsored by: Lion's Club.**

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- **Can tabs** please place into bags before putting in the boxes.

Lion's collection boxes for eyeglasses and hearing aids and can tabs are located at the Tyngsborough Post Office, American Legion Post 247 at 90 Pawtucket Blvd., Multi-Service Center at 180 Lakeview Ave, Dunstable Town Hall, Post Office and Library. **Pennies for Sight:** "Your change- changes people's lives" See a Lion cannister around please consider donating. Every Penny Counts!

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Registration: 12:30 p.m. ~ Shotgun Start: 1:30 p.m.

TICKETS \$150 per golfer - OR - \$600 for a group of four golfers
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Be sure to register early as space is limited. To sign up and obtain more information, visit our website at: www.GLTPO.org. If you have any questions about the event, you can reach us via email at parentgroup@gltech.org

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This website contains a wealth of information about the Post. Please remember to be safe & keep our troops in your prayers.



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SUNDAY, JUNE 13th, Children's Sunday, 10:00am

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• **TO WATCH LIVE SERVICES**

Log on directly to facebook and go to Ecct Church. You may also log in at any time and watch the recorded services.

• **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. *You may click on "Jump to the Current Sermon. To find the most recent.*

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2. Tanzania and Rwanda – a photographic tour by Becky Bronson of the exotic animals and adventures she encountered.
3. Sunlight Symphonies and Auroras - Join Kelly Beatty from Sky & Telescope Magazine and learn about what makes the Northern Lights, rainbows and why the sky is blue.
4. History of Ancient Astronomical Devices – Elaine Isaak will discuss Stonehenge, Su Sung's clock & the Antikythera Mechanism, and more.
5. Earth Science Satellites - Join John Hodges, who helped build some of today's satellites as he talks about various orbital remote sensing technologies.
6. Global Macroeconomics – Economist & Central Banker, Yehuda Porath, talks about; free trade, tariffs, Covid-19 effects on the global economy and the implications of Brexit.
7. Cambridge Analytica and Facebook – Chris Wilkinson explains what happened with user information during the scandal.
8. Revolutionary Photography – With over 30 years as a photographer, Kelly Johnson shares her work & story documenting the activism in the SF Bay area.
9. Hudson River Valley – Albany NY native Bruce Magnuson will guide us through this fascinating region touching upon historical, cultural, and artistic themes.
10. Book Discussion Group – will cover Caste by Isabel Wilkerson, and The Cold Millions by Jess Walter.
11. Film discussion Group – will talk about Fences.

For more detailed class descriptions, and dates and times for these free Zoom classes: www.uml.edu/LIRA. Then click on Course Schedules. Guests, to receive the links for the free Zoom classes, email your name and address requesting the class links to LIRA@uml.edu. **CLASSES START IN JUNE.**

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Show: **Just Married** Show: June through 27, 2021

Love birds or not... be sure to flock to Loading Dock Gallery this June. **Just Married** at the Loading Dock Gallery from June 2 to June 27, celebrates love with art—cheerful, elegant, and inspired. Carolyn Lee Cook creates art prints of her paper airplane series and a handmade quilt inspired by her son and daughter-in-law's wedding. Betsy Keeney creates elegant jewelry to wear or give. Laura Massei's hand lettering supports love with words on canvas. Vivian Rosalee adds whimsy with paintings of animals dressed for a wedding. Whether shopping for unique gifts for the wedding party or art to enliven a happy couple's home, **Just Married** has something for you.

• **Carolyn Lee Cook** prints, paints, and sews colorful art inspired by family, friends, nature, "and life in general." Her paper airplane series in **Just Married** grew out of love for her son and daughter-in-law, air traffic controllers, living far away. The series includes a quilt made from fabric originally purchased for her son when he was in middle school. "I thought of him and his new bride so often while working on this series." Cook lives in Billerica, MA and teaches art to middle and high school in Lexington. In addition to her studio at Western Avenue Studios in Lowell, MA, she uses "every spare table at home."

• **Betsy Keeney** of Centre Village Studio presents jewelry suitable for weddings or any joyous event. Her pieces feature elements inspired by nature, such as lotus, cherry, and dogwood blossoms. They also reference leaves and abstract forms. Working with precious metals, particularly gold and silver, Keeney incorporates subtle texture in her designs, as well as accenting some of her pieces with pearls or gemstones. Primarily self-taught, Keeney loves to experiment. She teaches at the Institute of Art and Design at New England College in Manchester, NH. Keeney worked from a studio at Western Ave Studios for thirteen years. She now lives and works in Pepperell, MA. Her jewelry makes the wearer feel special, and will stand the test of time.

• **Laura Massei** of July Design marries words and color in artwork that inspires and celebrates faith, hope & love. Her work is as uplifting as a song. In **Just Married**, Massei presents hand lettered messages of love on large canvases, integrating them with joyful abstract painting. A member of Western Avenue Studios for two years, Massei now works out of her home studio in Nashua, NH. For Massei, making art is a way to stay inspired. "And if I need to be inspired, maybe someone else does too."

• **Vivian Rosalee** loves animals, real and imagined. Her **Just Married** pieces present animals all dressed up for the wedding. The animals, painted in ink, feel both whimsical and elegant. "Many people love animals and have pets, and they are often included in the wedding celebrations in some way. That's why I am painting animals in wedding attire - suits, wedding dresses, flowers, etc. Animals are even cuter dressed up in fancy attire!" Rosalee has a BFA from Lesley University. She shares a studio space at Western Avenue Studios with her mother, Carolyn Lee. She donates 10% of her profits to either the Central Food Ministry in Lowell, or a parrot rehab center (Happy Wings Sanctuary) in Virginia.

Just Married runs June 2-27, 2021 at Loading Dock Gallery, 122 Western Avenue, Lowell, MA. Join a Meet and Greet event Saturday, June 5, 3-5 PM.

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1. What are closing costs?

Closing costs include several fees, including those associated with originating, processing and underwriting your loan, recording the transaction with your county, appraising your home and more. Taxes and insurance are also part of these expenses.

2. When do you pay them?

Closing costs are paid on closing day, once your loan is ready to be finalized. You'll also pay your down payment at this time.

3. How much are closing costs?

The exact amount you'll pay will depend on various factors, including your location, loan amount, lender and more, but you can generally expect to pay somewhere between 2% and 5% of your total mortgage balance.

4. Are there ways to reduce closing costs?

You can reduce your closing costs by shopping around for your lender and title company, asking the seller to contribute, or, in some cases, negotiating with your lender.

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2021 YOUTH PUBLIC SAFETY ACADEMY TO BE HELD VIRTUALLY

CHELMSFORD, Mass. – The Middlesex Sheriff's Office has announced that it will be offering a free, virtual Youth Public Safety Academy (YPSA) once again this summer.

"While our goal had been to host an in-person camp this summer, it takes months of planning to properly prepare for a high-quality learning experience like YPSA," said Middlesex Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian. "With limited guidance available to us early in the planning process on how summer camps could safely operate and what compliance measures might look like, we decided the best decision was to follow the successful model we implemented last year when we held a series of free, virtual YPSA sessions."

Additional information regarding the 2021 Virtual YPSA will be released in the coming weeks. Families with questions about YPSA may contact Director of Community Affairs Ken Doucette at 978-495-7408 or at kdoucette@sdm.state.ma.us.

To read the full letter from Sheriff Koutoujian to families regarding this year's YPSA, please visit middlesexsheriff.org/YPSA.



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