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TYNGSBOROUGH'S TOWN MANAGER REPORT

*From Colin Loiselle, Tyngsborough Town Manager
November 2024*

I am pleased to report the following information from Town over the last month. You can find a full version of the Town Manager's report online at tyngsboroughma.gov.

In October we bid farewell to our Police Chief Richard Howe who retired after 29 years of service to the Town of Tyngsborough, with the last eleven as Chief. Town Administration spent much of September and early October working through a thorough search process to select the next Chief of Police.

In October we completed work on the Tyngsborough Police Parking Lot project which was a long overdue project that saw a resurfacing and reorganization of the lot to make it safer and more accessible. This project was funded as a part of the FY2024 Capital Plan.

In September we welcomed our new Town Planner & Economic Development Director Benjamin McClure to Town Hall. Ben is from the area and very familiar with Tyngsborough and our successes. Ben will be spending a lot of his time working with new and existing businesses to ensure that Tyngsborough is a welcoming place where everyone's business can succeed.

This fall, we also completed our Town Center Pedestrian Project. The project took a severely overgrown and underutilized space and turned it into a vibrant gathering space that is completed accessible. The project was funded by a state-grant and some CPC matching funds.

In October the Town released an Invitations to Bid for the construction of a new pre-engineered steel building that will house the DPW on the same site as the current DPW building on Kendall Road. This building will have five garage bays and room for office space build out in a future phase. The construction of the building is funded through ARPA funds allocated as a part of the FY24 capital process and a proportional matching share from the Sewer Enterprise Fund.

Finally, Town Meeting convened on October 22, 2024 and considered 8 warrant articles. You can learn about Town Meeting and find the Town Meeting results by visiting www.tyngsboroughma.gov.

Be sure to visit www.tyngsboroughma.gov to stay up to date on all things happening in Tyngsborough. You can sign up for alerts & view all recent news articles. You can also follow Tyngsborough MA on Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn so that you'll never miss a beat. The Town Manager's Office can be reached by phone 978-649-2300 x100 or by emailing administration@tyngsboroughma.gov.

IN MEMORY OF

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Sister Cecile Duquette, S.C.O.
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Dennis L. Chapman
Gregory A. Brown
Patricia A. (Therriault) Cole

TYNGSBOROUGH TOWN CLERK NEWS

• **2024 Dog Licenses** are available at the Town Clerk's office or by mail. Male/female licenses are \$11.00 and spayed/neutered licenses are \$7.00. Current rabies vaccination is required. **If renewing by mail, please enclose a stamped envelope for the license.** • **Late Fee is waived for all NEW dog registrations.** • **BUSINESS OWNERS:** Friendly reminder. Please check the date on your Business Certificate to ensure it has not expired. Business Certificates expire every 4 years and are required by State Law. Thank you and stay safe! Please contact the office at 978-649-2300 extension 129 or email to jbrunelle@tyngsboroughma.gov with any questions.

ADOPT-A-FAMILY

To the Tyngsborough Community,

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 2024 holiday season.

The *Adopt-A-Family* program has been in existence for over forty-five 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 who might otherwise go without. Last year this *Adopt-A-Family* program was able to assist over 100 needy families with help from students in our schools, private citizens and a few community businesses. Again this year, we plan to support families with gift cards this season 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:

- *Gift cards to Walmart, Market Basket, and Amazon* will be greatly appreciated and can 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, 36 Norris Road, Tyngsborough, MA 01879, ATTN: Sharon Fairbanks
- *Any questions* please email one of the committee members.

We always 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



TYNGSBOROUGH HIGH SCHOOL

proudly announces Evan Cote

Addison Collins, Audrey Mahon, and Sabrina Osborne as the September Students of the month.

Evan Cote, son of Brenda and Scott Cote is a two-year member of the National Honor Society. Evan has received numerous awards since his time at THS, including the National Security Language Initiative for Youth Award, Massachusetts Senate Recognition, Harvard Prize Book Award, National Merit Commended Scholar, Massachusetts Foreign Language Association Award, AP Scholar with Distinction, the Core Values Award, the Commitment to Learning Award, the Academic Excellence Award, and the Outstanding Achievement Awards in both Social Studies and World Language. He is also a three-year class president, a school committee student representative, a two-year Spanish Honor Society president, and a member of both student council and the theater program. Evan also volunteered at the Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter. His hobbies include beginner language learning and playing the guitar. Evan's favorite subjects are foreign languages and English. Evan's future goals are to major in linguistics and work in linguistic equality advocacy during his career. He says, "Language barriers lead to disparities in health outcomes and unfair legal consequences, and that is an issue I care deeply about." Looking back on his days at Tyngsborough High School Evan says, "THS is a special place. Our small town tends to view individual wins as wins for the community, so the biggest thing I've gained is a strong sense of support. The most important thing THS has done for me is never limiting me in what I can do. I will walk away from THS with fond memories of my friends in the theater program and the fantastic teachers who made my high school journey possible".

Addison Collins, daughter of Debbie Collins is a two-year member of the National Honor Society. She has received numerous awards including the Commitment to Volunteering Award, the Commitment to Learning Award, the St. Michael's College Book Award for Scholarship and Service, and the Academic Excellence Award. Addison has been a member of the track and field team for two years where she qualified for divisional and also a member of the gymnastics team where she won the regional bars championship through her club team. Addison has also participated in community service at All Saints Church. Her hobbies are baking and her favorite subject is math. Addison plans to attend college and earn a degree in civil engineering. Looking back on her days at Tyngsborough High School she says, "From attending THS, I have gained lifelong friendships. Because of our small community, you get to know everyone and build connections. School has taught me valuable skills that I will need in the future such as time management and accountability. I will take the experiences I have had and the lessons I've learned from the amazing people here at THS".

Audrey Mahon, daughter of Karen & Chris Mahon is a two-year member of the National Honor Society. She had received numerous awards including the Commitment to Learning Award, the Academic Excellence Award, Outstanding Achievement in Mathematics, and the Rensselaer Medal Award. She is a five-year member of the THS cross-country team and a one-year soccer team member. Audrey has also participated in community service by volunteering at the Festival of Trees. Her hobbies include driving, soccer, and listening to music. Audrey's favorite subject is science and she plans to obtain a degree in engineering. Looking back on her days at Tyngsborough High School she says, "I loved taking group pictures with my friends during homecoming".

Sabrina Osborne, daughter of Caroline Osborne and Howard Osborne is a two-year member of the National Honor Society. Sabrina has received numerous awards such as the George Eastman Young Leaders Award, Outstanding Achievement in Theater Arts Award, Excellence In Stage Management Award, the Academic Excellence Award, and the THS Core Value Award. She is also a member of the DECA Club, the Yearbook Club, is the co-secretary for the class of 2025, and has participated in the theater program since the 6th grade. Sabrina has also participated in community service by volunteering at the Festival of Trees, the Tyngsborough Block Party, and the Lowell Humane Society and

has worked as a tutor and babysitter. Her hobbies include singing, dancing, reading, and traveling; her favorite subjects are English and business. Sabrina's future goals are to own her own business and help people in need. Looking back on her days at Tyngsborough High School she says, "Over the years, I have gained confidence and found who I truly am. The school has provided a space to fully be educated in all subjects and to make genuine connections with all people in the building. I will take memories of long theater nights, football games, and spending time with my friends".

Congratulations to these class of 2025, amazing students!

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THE TST IS ACTIVELY RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS

and invites you to join our meetings on the second **Thursday of the month at the Tyngsborough High School at 6:30 pm**. If you would like to volunteer at one fundraising event, enjoy trivia competition, or can help remotely by updating our website or Facebook page, we need you! Please send an email to info@TyngsboroughScholarshipTrust.org with any questions. All proceeds from fundraisers will benefit scholarships for the Class of 2025.

Stay tuned for more info about Trivia 2025!



TYNGSBOROUGH BOARD OF HEALTH

• **Expanded Recycling Center at the Highway Department - Now, in addition to large flattened cardboard, you can bring scrap metal, textiles, and mercury-containing items to the Recycling Center at the Highway Department (89 Kendall Road) for recycling or safe disposal, year round.**

Scrap metal: NO full-size appliances. For a list of accepted metals, please visit: www.scrapit.us/metals-we-take

Textiles: In any condition - Clothing and fashion accessories, underclothes, coats, footwear, purses, wallets, backpacks, towels, all linens, curtains, throw rugs, stuffed animals.

Mercury-containing items - Fluorescent and CFL bulbs, thermometers, rechargeable batteries, elemental mercury.

TYNGSBOROUGH'S YARD WASTE DROP-OFF SITE

The Residential Yard Waste Drop Off Site is located across the street from Town Hall, 25 Bryants Lane, closer to the Middlesex Road end. **Use of this Yard Waste Drop-Off Site is available to residents only, is free and usage is unlimited during operating hours.** Vehicles will enter & exit through the same driveway. Look for the signage on Bryants Lane. **Open Tuesday through Friday 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM, Saturday 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM.** Please note that the Town will close the site during heavy rain events or snow events. *Notices about changes of hours due to weather events will be posted on the Town website & social media.*

Yard waste may be dumped from any type of container **or left in paper leaf bags**. No items should be left in anything other than paper bags. If transporting the yard waste via plastic bag or barrel, please dump directly onto the ground. Signs will point you to where to leave the yard waste. Your cooperation in keeping the site orderly is appreciated.

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TYNGSBOROUGH VETERAN'S AGENT

Veterans, Veteran widower, widow or dependents of a Veteran, you may be eligible for financial assistance from my office. I may be able to help with basic living expenses, rent or mortgage heating cost, prescriptions, hearing aids, monthly healthcare premiums and hospital/doctor bills not covered by your Medicare or other insurance. The Veteran's Office is a confidential office where your identity is completely confidential. Call or email to schedule an appointment. *Sincerely, Christopher W. Dery, Tyngsborough Veteran's Agent, 25 Bryants Lane, Tyngsborough MA, 01879 978-649-2300 X131 veteransagent@tyngsboroughma.gov*

TYNGSBOROUGH DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE

... is an official body, recognized both by the Massachusetts Democratic Party and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Ongoing initiatives include civic education/engagement, implementation of nature-based solutions for climate change and information outreach on Green Community, Climate Leader, Hero Act for Veterans and other government programs.. The committee welcomes participation and collaboration with everyone without exception. **Contact Chair Elizabeth Coughlin lizcoughlin2000@yahoo.com text/phone 978-758-2680.**

MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT

By Edward H. Adamsky

Medicare open enrollment is here. From October 15 through December 7, you can make any changes you want to your coverage. Those changes will take effect on the first of next year. There are new laws governing health insurance, so you should investigate carefully to see if you want to make any changes.

You can switch between Medicare Advantage plans. Or if you are in an Advantage plan and don't like it, you can switch back to traditional Medicare. If you are in traditional Medicare you can move to an Advantage Plan, or if you are staying with traditional Medicare, you can switch your Part D (prescription) plan. If you are in an Advantage plan now, you also have an additional period of January 1 to March 31 of next year when you can switch or drop your plan. With the new laws some Advantage plans are changing significantly, or may even be dropped, so you may have to make a change.

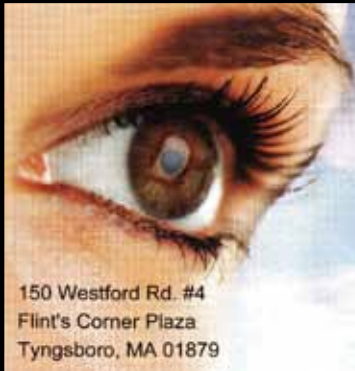
Be sure to contact your doctors to make sure they take your plan and if you are going to change, make sure they take the one you are planning to go to. Many Advantage plans have no premium which can seem tempting (along with the extra benefits they provide) but you may want to review all of the plans carefully, even if they have a premium, to see what is best for you.

The Inflation Reduction Act may mean that you will see lower prices for your prescription drugs in the coming years. But this might mean that some Part D plans will increase their premiums. The Government plans to take steps to stop this and has capped the price increase that carriers can charge to \$35 for next year. Still, this may mean changes in the future, so your plan might go away or change. Keep an eye out for any mailings from your insurance company.

You will have a yearly cap on prescription drugs of \$2000 for 2025, so that should reduce costs for some people. Those with fairly expensive prescriptions now may find that they will save a lot next year. Those on insulin will find their costs capped at \$35 per month. (That cap doesn't include some related items). Again, check the plan options and compare their drug formulary (the ones they cover) to make sure your prescriptions are covered by the plan you choose.

There is a program called Extra Help that can pay for some of your premiums if you qualify. It is a low-income program, but the limit has been increased to 150 percent of the Federal Poverty Level. Look into the program and apply if you are eligible.

Contact your insurance broker, if you use one, your Elder Law Attorney, or go online to Medicare.gov to find many handouts and informational articles about open enrollment and choosing a health insurance plan for next year. And do it now!




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The Recreation Committee meets at 80 Pawtucket Blvd. Meeting dates and additional information on our programs may be found on our website at TyngsboroughRec.com Friend us on Facebook. Seeking new members. Join this fun committee!

THE TOWN BEACH - Thanks to the Highway Department and all who pitched in this season to maintain the beach for all to enjoy! Resident passes are available at the Town Hall, they do not expire, so get yours for next season. Volunteers welcome to assist in fall leaf clean up. **Please message your interest on FB or email us.**

ADULT PICKUP BASKETBALL Back by popular demand. Median age is 41. Walk-in program with weekly games (when school gym is available). \$10 cash at the court. Follow us on Facebook www.Facebook.com/TyngsboroughRec for weekly schedule.

TYNGSBORO YOUTH BASKETBALL REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

We have programs for all ages/skill levels from PreK through 8th grade. www.TyngsboroughRec.com to learn more, and register.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE 15TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF TREES AND MORE! NOVEMBER 29, 30 & DECEMBER 1, 5, 6 & 7

The Tyngsborough Festival of Trees is a community celebration in our Town Center featuring three spectacular and historic buildings of uniquely decorated holiday trees, and seasonable displays. Raffle tickets are available for your chance to win any one of these beautiful trees plus up to 100 other raffle items generously donated by local businesses & families. The Gift & Craft Boutique will be sure to complete your shopping list. Find your "happy place" this season at the Tyngsborough Festival of Trees! Visit our website for the full schedule of events



<https://festivaloftreestyngsborough.com> Participate in the Festival

DONATE A DECORATED TREE, WREATH OR DISPLAY Time to start thinking about your tree entry!! Yes, time to start brainstorming! The deadline to register your tree is **by November 11th**. What kind of tree will you bring to the Festival this year? Judges award ribbons for the winning entries. People's choice award ribbons awarded each day. Register for all the items below on line at <https://festivaloftreestyngsborough.com>

DONATE A RAFFLE ITEM Contribute goods or services for our raffle, which is a popular attraction at the Festival. All donations will be featured with your company's name, and raffle winners will have the opportunity to learn more about your business.

WINSLOW WONDERLAND Want to decorate a Tree or Snowman? It's easy to adopt one for the season! Businesses, organizations or families can sign up to adopt your undecorated 4ft or 8ft wooden snowman and/or tree. Use your crafty side and paint, decorate, embellish your snowman or tree into a work of art and return it to be displayed for all to see! All snowmen/trees will be set-up on the common along Winslow Rd. Participate by going to "Winslow Wonderland" at your leisure, for strolling and picture taking. Our unique snowman and trees are perfect for photos of the season!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED DURING THE FESTIVAL OF TREES!

Every good event has many enthusiastic people who chip in to help make everything happen. We need you to help make this Festival of Trees the best ever! Please consider helping with set-up, general running during the Festival hours, activities and breakdown. Choose your time slot and get into the holiday spirit!

FESTIVE AND FUN WORKSHOPS! Get your friends & family together and take the [Tyngsborough Festival of Trees \(& more\)](http://Tyngsborough Festival of Trees (& more)) to the next level by signing up for a fun and festive workshop.

REGISTRATION OPEN! Wooden Flower Workshop (12/1) Holiday Decor Workshop (12/6)

Children's Cookie Decorating Workshop (12/6)

Floral Workshop (12/7) ACT NOW! Limited space available and will sell out. For info and to reservations, click: <https://festivaloftreestyngsborough.com/thingstodo> and scroll down.

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HOLIDAY FOOD COLLECTION FOR SENIOR FOOD BASKETS



WOW! Where did that year go? We are planning the **November & December Holiday food baskets** in collaboration with the Tyngsboro Council on Aging and need your help to make this happen! Full details on the signup below.

1. For November - **Bring the items to the Senior Center at 169 Westford Rd on Saturday, November 16th from 10 AM to Noon** or they can be dropped off during their normal hours of operation prior to that day. Please label your bag or box "Senior Thanksgiving food baskets"; or

2. Through Friday night, November 15th, drop items on the **east side at 46 Beverlee Road** on the small farmers porch on the right side of the house (yellow house, black shutters, blue doors, mailbox with number is across from driveway); or

3. Drop items on the **west side at 8 Nevada Road**. Bins will be by the driveway weather permitting or you can drop on the porch if weather is poor - through Friday night, November 15th; or

Missed those dates but want to help? We are doing it again on Sunday, December 15th, so feel free to drop the exact same food items at any of those places up to **December 14th!**

4. Want to donate to the effort? Drop a check made out to the Tyngsboro COA and mark it "Senior Food Baskets" in the memo.

5. Contact kpuleo@yahoo.com; text 978-852-9060, or message Karyn Marie (Puleo) on Facebook with any questions or if you need items or donations picked up!

6. Do you know a senior experiencing food insecurity? Please reach out to Barbara Roche at the Council On Aging! *Thank you!*

Typical Food Items: Tomato Sauce, Pasta, Boxed Rice, Cereal, Instant Potatoes, Canned Fruit, Stuffing, Soup, Chili, Shelf Stable Milk, Canned Veggies, Tuna, Canned chicken, Peanut Butter and Jelly, Coffee/Tea.



FRIENDS OF THE TYNGSBOROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARY



• **March is our Membership Month but it is never too late to help this hyper-local group!** Please support the Friends by making a donation, or join us with a new mid-year membership/donation. Why donate? If you have benefited from a special event, enjoyed our local book sale or used the library museum passes, you have enjoyed a Friends supported program! It is never too late to join to help us support our neighbors.

Donate online at <https://www.tynglib.org/about/friends-of-the-library-application/> or scan the QR code at the top of this article. It only takes a minute to donate and has so much local impact!

• **Fall Book Sale was a huge success on October, 5 2024!** Thanks to all our Friends and others who purchased books, DVDs, CDs, jewelry, and puzzles to help support the TOPLF programs. **A sincere thanks** to those volunteers who sorted books, help set-up and clean-up! The Friends continue to fund several passes for museums and other venues for adults and families, indoors and out. Visit the Library's website to reserve a pass and click on the link to the venue for information on visitor information.

** **Giving Tuesday** on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving (Dec 3) is an international day of charitable giving, a day to be generous and do good. Donating your time is one of the best ways you can give.

• **NEW! Tiny Art Show:** the week of January 27 – February 1, 2025. The Friends will supply a tiny art canvas (4"x4") and easel for a family art show! You decide your medium, one canvas per person or group. Open to all ages. Artwork meeting the rules will be displayed at the library during the art show. Full rules will be available at the library when the event is closer.

• **Our meetings are the first Monday of the month** at 6:30 p.m. in the library. Please join us! The Friends do not meet during the summer months or in December. Please contact us at tynglibfriends@gmail.com with any questions or suggestions!

Please join our Facebook Page for updates!

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LOVE IS KIND by Kurt Paquette

Paul devotes many words to the subject of love because he wants to show the Corinthians "a more excellent way. He describes how love behaves 1 Corinthians 13..

Among love's many fruits is the sweet balm of kindness. "Love is kind," says Paul. Kindness is defined by Merriam-Webster's Dictionary as "of a sympathetic or helpful nature." Kindness is easily recognized and speedily praised by all, for it's a quality that people intuitively understand because it projects the love and compassion, we feel toward ourselves.

Jesus expressed it this way, "In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets" (Matt.7:12 NRSV). In other words, treat people the way you want to be treated. Ask yourself, "How do I like to be treated by other people?"

Now that you can answer those questions for yourself, flip it around and consider them from the other person's perspective. How should you treat someone in these situations? That's kindness – treating others the way you want to be treated. Some more thoughts on kindness:

Kindness is sympathetic. A kind person seeks to help people who are in distress, struggling, or need assistance. It can be a simple act like holding the door for an elderly lady or lending a few dollars to a friend in a pinch. To be kind sometimes requires that a person be more involved or devote more time to a person's situation. *Kindness is impartial.* It does not play favorites, nor does it respect people according to worldly standards. It is not prejudiced but seeks the welfare of everyone. "Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith," (Gal.6:10 NKJV). Part of being kind is relating to people different from you, putting yourself in that person's shoes, trying to imagine what they're feeling, and extending comfort and support. *Kindness is merciful.* One of the greatest acts of kindness is to forgive someone for some offense or transgression. The Hebrew word *hesed* (mercy) is translated as loving kindness by the NKJV; loving kindness is what mercy is all about. David says the man whose sins are covered is blessed (Psalm 32:1). We should not feel put upon to forgive someone who sinned against us, but rather rejoice that we can bless some penitent soul, forgiving them as God has forgiven us! What greater kindness is there?

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- **CLOSED Veteran's Day, Monday, November 11th**
Thanksgiving Holiday, November 28th & 29th
 - **COA BOARD MEETING, Tuesday, November 19th, 3:30pm**
CLASSIFIED SECTION DONATIONS NEEDED: Coffee (ground and k-cups), 12oz. Cups; Paper Plates-Small and Large; Plastic Spoons, Forks, Knives; Sugar Packets, and Small Coffee Creamers; Paper Napkins. We could use Holiday Paper Plates, Napkins and Utensil.
 - **FREE COMPUTER AND CELL PHONE HELP (MONTHLY)**
Now on the 1st Wednesday of each month, from 9:30-noon.
Dean Lotito will be available to help fix issues with your cell phones and computers. **No appointment needed.**
 - **Many more FREE activities including CANASTA, Every Thursday 1:00, MAHJONG Every Friday 10:00, PAINTING CLASS Every Monday 12:30-3:00, CRIBBAGE Every Tuesday Morning 10:00 - 12:30**
 - **THANKSGIVING DINNER: Friday, November 15th** at 11:30. Cost is \$10.00 per person. Come and enjoy a Thanksgiving Dinner with all the fixings at The Center for Active Living. **Headcount deadline is one week prior to the dinner. Payment is to be made to the greeter.**
 - **Book Club (Monthly) Wednesday, November 20th, 10:00,** Come join us on the 3rd Wednesday of each month with Carol Sides hosting. Meeting fellow book enthusiasts and discovering and reading the best new books each month is a great opportunity.
 - **HULA HOOP YOGA - FREE NEW! Every Thursday, held from 9:00 to 10:00. Instructor Shelly Toomey,** we will be using a hula hoop, flow into yoga poses, and incorporate dance movements. The exercise program is open to everyone. We will also be using the hoop for stretching. It's a lot of fun!
 - **BRIDGE Every Thursday at 10:00 A.M.,** there's a free Bridge event. During the game, players must follow suit if possible, but can play any card, including a trump, if unable to do so. A trick is won by the highest card of the suit led or by the highest trump, if played.
 - **Fire Department on Friday, December 6th at 11:30** for an important fire safety presentation. Don't miss this opportunity to learn crucial information that could save lives. We hope to see you there!
 - **THE OUTREACH PROGRAM** provides information and referrals to seniors and their families about programs and services provided by **The Center for Active Living** and other agencies in the elder network. **Call, for an appointment 978-649-9211, ask for Sam**
 - **NEED HELP WITH HEATING BILLS?** The Fuel Assistance Program assists income-eligible households in paying part of their winter heating bills. Please call Sam at **The Center for Active Living** at 978-649-9211 to schedule an appointment between 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM. No walk-ins are accepted!
 - **TYNGSBOROUGH PANTRY** The Tyngsborough Council on Aging, 169 Westford Rd, Tyngsborough, MA Phone: 978-649-9211, **Hours: M-F 9:00 am - 3:00 pm.** The food pantry is open to all ages. If you need food assistance, please call 978-649-9211 and ask for Barbara or Tracy. We can also arrange for food delivery if you're unable to pick it up. *For holiday assistance, please contact the center.* **Currently, we are in need of the following items:** Canned Baked Beans, Pasta, Tomato Sauce, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Crackers, Shelf-stable Milk, Cereal, Applesauce Cups, Juice Boxes, Nutrition Bars, Muffin Mixes, Cookies, and 12oz Coffee Cups.
 - **Volunteers are needed** to assist in packing cookies into boxes on **Wednesday, December 11th,** courtesy of the **Tyngsborough-Dunstable Rotary Club.** • **Merry Christmas!** Holiday Celebration, **Friday, December 13th, 11:30-1:30 Entertainment by Kathy Rodger**
- Stop by and see what else is going on!**



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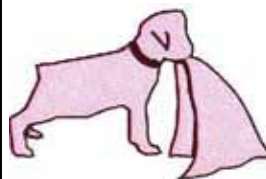
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There is significance to the order of words in the slogan “Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.” Recycling is good, but reusing is even more impactful than recycling, and reducing is the most impactful of the three.

Massachusetts residents, businesses and municipalities produce 6 million tons of waste per year (trash+recycling). We have run out of room for our waste and have become a waste export state. Material reuse is essential to reducing waste.

The Sustainability Committee has set a goal of 3% reduction in Tyngsborough’s total waste tonnage. Last fiscal year we brought 3,959 tons (trash+recycling) to the curb. Can we reduce this total by 119 tons (238,000 pounds)? The Sustainability Committee provides and suggests the following ways you can help, in order of their impact

- Don’t trash your food waste! Turn it into rich compost with a backyard compost bin (no meats) or by bringing all food scraps to the Recycling Center at the DPW (Kendall Road).
- Remember that textiles are banned from the trash. Bring your clothing, other textiles and shoes to one of our collection bins at the Recycling Center (DPW) or next to the Tyngsborough Middle School or have Helpsy come and collect them curbside (Schedule a pickup at <https://www.helpsy.co/pickup>).
- Consider buying something you need at a second-hand store or reselling or giving away unwanted items in good condition.
- Say NO to single-use bottles, bags and food utensils & containers: Replace disposable water bottles with reusable ones; bring your own bags to the grocery store; bring your refillable coffee mug to the coffee shop; reuse plastic storage bags and aluminum foil (wash, air dry after each use) or purchase silicone-based reusable storage bags; reuse glass jars for food storage (food storage in glass is better for your health than storing in plastic).
- When choosing between products, consider their packaging. Which one results in less waste? Check www.recyclesmartMA.org to determine if your packaging is recyclable or just trash.

- Choose stores that offer bulk or refill products, where you can bring your own refillable containers. Find a merchant near you at <https://www.unpackedliving.com/blogs/news/zero-waste-massachusetts-directory>.

- Request to join the Facebook Group called” Buy Nothing - Tyngsboro, MA,” where residents give and ask for all sorts of items for free.

- Own a business? Consider implementing reuse where possible (<https://upstreamsolutions.org/reuse-businesses-directory>).

Don’t be overwhelmed by this list. Choose a few new habits that are doable for you. If you’re already doing some of these things, are there new ideas you might try? Every little bit adds up.

Sustainable Tyngsborough is a subcommittee of the Select Board. We meet at Town Hall the third Tuesday of every month, beginning at 6:30pm. You are always welcome to join us and share your sustainability ideas and concerns. Like us on Facebook @Sustainable Tyngsboro.



The Tyngsborough Land Trust is working alongside Land Trusts across the country to help conserve 60 million more acres by 2030. The more land we protect, the more we support healthy ecosystems and biodiversity where plants and animals thrive. This leads to less carbon in the air we breathe and improved health and well-being for us all, right here in Tyngsborough and throughout our country.

Please contact us at TyngsboroughLandTrust.org to discuss how you can protect the beauty and natural resources of your land.

You can also support us through membership in the Tyngsborough Land Trust by visiting TyngsboroughLandTrust.org. If you missed the First Annual Meeting on November 3rd, there may be updates posted.



Tim’s Timely Technical Tips

By Tim Hulings

Let’s explore some of the factors behind why we see higher amounts of water heater failures as outside temperatures drop.

Water coming into and exiting the water heater will be affected by the external temperatures, causing the heater to work harder during colder months. Location matters. Often installed in colder areas, such as unfinished basements or a garage, means the unit needs to work overtime to raise and maintain water temperatures.

Age of the unit. Older tanks with large amounts of sediment build-up and corroded anode rods are more likely to fail under heavier stress. Finally, hot water demands go up when it’s cold outside. We use more and hotter water for things like showers, baths and dishes when it’s chilly outside.

Annual check-ups by a professional plumber can help avoid unexpected breakdowns.

Until next month, stay comfortable. *Tim*

Got a question? Drop me a note!
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• **Fri. & Sun. Closed**

CLOSED Thursday, November 28th for Thanksgiving Day

• **Seizure First-Aid Training Class: Saturday, November 9th at 10:00 a.m.** Seizure First Aid Class at Tyngsborough Public Library.

- Learn how to recognize different seizure types. - Understand the correct steps for helping someone having a seizure. - Identify when emergency services are needed. In order to receive seizure first aid certification, registrants will first need to complete this pre-assessment. **Register on our website.** Space is limited to 50 participants. Ages 16 and up are welcome.

• **Painting Class with Hammar's Studios: Saturday November 16th at 11:00 a.m.** Join us for a fun, winter-themed painting class with Hammar's Studios! Create your own 16" by 20" masterpiece just in time for the holidays! **Registration required.** Limited to 15 participants. This class is primarily for adults but children 10+ may attend if they are with a parent/guardian who is also registered and participating in the class. Registration opens Wednesday, 10/16 at 9:00 am. Tyngsborough residents will receive the first spots; residents of other towns will be on the waitlist until Wednesday, 11/6. On Wednesday, 11/6, if there are spots open, people on the waitlist will be admitted in waitlist-order.

• **Fall Genealogy Series: Irish Genealogy: Wednesday, November 13th at 6:30 p.m.** Irish Genealogy with Tom Toohy. **Register on our website.**

• **Library Holiday Party: Wednesday, December 4th at 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.** Annual Library Holiday Party. Check our website for announced details. No registration required.

• **Writers' Group: Every Monday at 6:30 p.m.**

• **Adult Coloring Club: Wednesday, November 6th and December 4th at 6:30 p.m.**

• **Tech Help: Tuesdays 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. and Wednesdays 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.** Get technology help at the library. Book an appointment for an individual lesson or consultation on topics such as: Computer basics; Android tablets and phones; Microsoft Word. Call the library (978-649-7361) or email circdesk@tynglib.org to register for a timeslot. **Registration required.**

• **Book Clubs: Cookbook Club** Dec. 18th at 6:30pm ; **Romance Club** Nov. 13th at 6:30pm ; **Non-Fiction Club** Dec. 16th at 6:30pm ; **Mystery Monday** Nov. 25th at 6:30pm ; **Fiction Club** Jan. 29th at 6:30pm.

• **Visit Tynglib.org/events to check out all of the upcoming virtual events!**

Register for TPL programs by calling or emailing (circdesk@tynglib.org) the Library or using links provided on the online calendar for virtual programs.

Subscribe to our NEWSLETTER to get updates on all our programs sent to your inbox every month!
tynglib.org/newsletter

Kids & Teens TEENS/TWEENS

• **Club Pokemon: Monday, November 4 4:00—5:15 PM & Monday, December 2 4:00—5:15 PM** Through Pokemon, we learn strategic skills, participate in friendly competition, and have fun! Whether your young trainer has binders full of cards, are just learning to play, or gaming on their Switch or mobile device, join us to share love of the game. For grades three and up. Younger grade levels welcome with adult accompaniment. **RSVP online.**

• **Writer's Club for Teens: Monday, November 18 6:00—6:45 PM & Monday, December 9 6:00—6:45 PM** Teen writers explore writing prompts and learn creative writing techniques -- sensory description, scene writing, using dialog. Writers also have the opportunity to share their work with each other and to receive

feedback from an experienced writer and editor. Program will be hybrid, held at the library and on zoom. **Register online.**

• **Clay Cactuses for Teens and Tweens with Pop-Up Art School: Saturday, December 7 11:30 AM—1:00 PM** Sculpt a cactus and succulent with air dry clay. You won't have to worry about killing these adorable potted desert dwellers! Pop up Art School will show you how to make the pots, the cacti and succulent, and how to finish them with acrylic paint. Make one for yourself or as a holiday gift! Class is intended for grades 6-12. Younger registrants welcome to attend with parental supervision, but will only be admitted after all registrants from within the age group. **Register online.**

KIDS SPECIAL PROGRAMS

• **Instrument Petting Zoo, Tuesday, November 12th at 10 a.m. (ages 0-4)** Join Let's Play Music for an informal, hands-on workshop that allows kids of all ages to explore and play with different instruments. Take turns listening to the different sounds each instrument makes as well as how they feel while playing them. This program is for ages 0-4. **Registration is required.**

• **Seed Saving with Land's Sake Farms, Wednesday, November 13th at 3:30 p.m. (grades pre-k-3rd)** Learn about how farmers and gardeners save seeds for the winter. This program includes a story that shows the seed-saving process and the opportunity to save seeds from crops grown at the farm. Kids will decorate seed envelopes to take the seeds that they save home, and can plant them to grow their own flowers and vegetables. This program is for children in grades preschool to third grade. Registration is required and spots are limited.

• **Family Sing-A-Long with James Lepler, Tuesday, November 19th at 11 a.m. (ages 0-6)** Join James Lepler for an interactive performance for children 0-6. Sing and dance along to a high energy mix of original and traditional songs. This program is for children ages 0-6. **Registration is required.**

• **Disguise a Gingerbread Man Challenge, December 2nd - December 14th (ages 6-12)** Kids can pick up a blank gingerbread man template from the Children's Room starting on December 2nd. They will have until December 14th to decorate their gingerbread man into a book character of their choosing. Once they've finished, they'll **return it to the Children's Room by the 14th** so patrons can vote on their favorite gingerbread man. Voting will end on December 18th, and we will announce the winner and post it on the Tyngsboro Library Kids Facebook Page, as well as display it in the Children's Room for the final two weeks of December. The winner can also come to the Children's Room to receive a prize. This program is for ages 6-12. No registration required.

KIDS MONTHLY PROGRAMS

• **LEGO Challenge Club, Saturday, November 16th at 11 a.m. (all ages with a grown-up)** All ages are welcome to join our LEGO Challenge. See our Instagram [@tyngsboroughpubliclibrary](https://www.instagram.com/tyngsboroughpubliclibrary) for examples of past LEGO Challenge creations. No registration required.

• **The Book Worms Picture Book Club, November 18th at 4:30 p.m. (ages 5-9)** Please join Miss Brienne for a new picture book club for children ages 5-9 (siblings welcome)! Each month we will choose a new picture book that will be the theme of the club. We will then do a short/simple writing activity together followed by a craft. Please join us this month for The Bad Seed by Jory John. Registration is required and appreciated. Hope to see you there!

• **Monthly Scavenger Hunt, All Day, All Month Long (ages 3-12)**

KIDS WEEKLY PROGRAMS

• **Family Storytime, Thursdays at 11 a.m. (ages 2-5)**
• **Family Resource Network Playgroup - Wednesdays at 11 a.m. (ages 0-6)**

• **BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES** Meetings are generally held monthly on the third Tuesday. 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. Also, check out the new and easy way that you can join or renew your membership to the Friends of the Library right from the Friends link on our website simply by using the "Join and Pay" or "Donate" buttons.

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TYNGSBOROUGH HIGH SCHOOL

proudly announces Lillian Gikas, Ryan Manning, Thomas Collins, and Annabel Liu as the October Students of the Month.

Lillian Gikas, daughter of Aubrey and Jeff Gikas is a two-year member of the National Honor Society. She has also received several awards such as the Academic Excellence Award for three consecutive years, the National Honor Society Award, Outstanding Achievement in World Language, and Outstanding Achievement in Business. Lillian is also a member of the yearbook club and a member of the Senior Sidekicks. She has been very involved in athletics at Tyngsborough High School. She is a four-year varsity basketball team member, was named captain her senior year, and received the Midland-Wachusett League Academic Achievement Award her junior year. Lillian is also a four-year member of the varsity lacrosse team and was named captain senior year and received the Midland-Wachusett Second Team All-Star her junior year. She has participated in community service such as the Tyngsboro Block Party, Festival of Trees, Lowell Community Table, and the Tyngsborough Youth Soccer Snack Shack. Her hobbies include spending time with family and friends, playing basketball and lacrosse, and going to the beach. Lillian's favorite subjects are anatomy and math and her future goals are to attend college to major in exercise science to pursue a career in physical therapy. Thinking back on her days at Tyngsborough High School she says, "I have gained many friendships as well as a love for science thanks to some amazing teachers. Some memories I will take with me were making it to the Final Four in basketball my junior year as well as going to Italy".

Ryan Manning, son of Theresa and Michael Manning is a two-year member of the National Honor Society. He has received numerous awards including the Academic Excellence Award for three consecutive years, Outstanding Achievement in Science, and the Core Values Award. Ryan has also been very involved in athletics during his time at Tyngsborough High School. He is a three-year member of the varsity golf team receiving the Most Improved Player award his sophomore year and named captain his senior year. Ryan is also a four-year member of the varsity basketball and baseball teams and was named on the All-Academic team in basketball during his junior year. Ryan is a member of the DECA club and is hoping to become involved with Morgan's Message. He has dedicated over fifty hours to the Wish Project and coached a recreational basketball team for one year. Ryan's hobbies include going to the gym and his favorite subjects are math, ceramics, or anything with Mrs. Times. His future goals are to Promote Morgan's Message within Tyngsborough High and help promote mental health awareness. Ryan plans to attend college and become a computer engineer. Looking back on his days at Tyngsborough High School he says, "I've gained so many great relationships with friends, teachers, and coaches that I will look back on with great gratitude."

Thomas Collins, son of Maria and Tom Collins is a two-year member of the National Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society. He also has received numerous awards such as Academic Excellence Award, AP Scholar Award, Academic Excellence in English Language Arts, and the 2024 Salem State University Book Award. Thomas is also the co-president of the Robotics club, a member of Bio-Builders and Student Council, and he is also an Eagle Scout. Thomas has also been very involved in athletics being a four-year member of the varsity wrestling team and co-captain his senior year and a three-year member of the varsity football team and named captain his senior year. He also has volunteered at the Tyngsborough Block Party, at St. Mary Magdalen Parish, and he built an outdoor fitness area at a local park in Tyngsboro which required over 200 hours of community service. Thomas's hobbies include camping, biking, fishing, and going to the gym, and his favorite subjects are physics and history. He plans to attend college and study either civil or mechanical engineering and also travel the world. Looking back on his days at Tyngsborough High School he says, "I have gained many new friends and experiences. The school has provided me with the resources I need to excel. I will take with me the memories I made with friends in the classroom, on the field, and on the mat".

Annabel Liu, daughter of Xiao Yun Wang and Yi Xing Liu is a two-year member of the National Honor Society and the Spanish National Honor Society. She has also received numerous awards such as the Academic Excellence Award, Outstanding Achievement in Science Award, Outstanding Achievement in Social Studies Award, AP Scholar with Distinction Award, the University of Rochester Frederick Douglass and Susan B. Anthony Award, Outstanding Achievement in World Language, Outstanding Achievement in Wellness, and the Core Values Award. Annabel is also the president of the student council, the vice president of the Spanish National Honor Society, and a member of the medical professionals club. She has also been a varsity tennis team member for two years. Annabel has participated in community service at the Tyngsborough Public Library and Lowell General Hospital. Her hobbies include reading, spending time with friends and family, and cooking, and her favorite subjects are English and science. Annabel's future goals are attending college, traveling, spending time with the people she loves, and being happy. Looking back on her days at Tyngsborough High School she says, "THS has given me the chance to form priceless relationships with my classmates and teachers, and I'll forever remember laughing with my friends in the library, the cheers of the homecoming crowd, and the sense of a tight-knit community in the school".

Congratulations to these four amazing, Class of 2025 students!

TYNGSBOROUGH REPUBLICAN TOWN COMMITTEE (TRTC)



The TRTC serve as our community's official representation within the Massachusetts Republican Party. In addition to promoting the principles of the Republican Party, we also assist local, state, and national Republican candidates in their bid for public office. While not everyone agrees on all issues, the TRTC focuses on issues we all share: **less government, budgetary restraint, and lower taxes.**

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- Visit **St. Kathryn Religious Goods** right behind the church office

MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT

- **When's the Medicare Open Enrollment Period?** Every year, Medicare's open enrollment period is **October 15 - December 7**.
- **What's the Medicare Open Enrollment Period?** Medicare health and drug plans can make changes each year—things like cost, coverage, and what providers and pharmacies are in their networks. October 15 to December 7 is when all people with Medicare can change their Medicare health plans and prescription drug coverage for the following year to better meet their needs.
- **How do people know if they need to change plans?** People in a Medicare health or prescription drug plan should always review the materials their plans send them, like the "Evidence of Coverage" (EOC) and "Annual Notice of Change" (ANOC). If their plans are changing, they should make sure their plans will still meet their needs for the following year. If they're satisfied that their current plans will meet their needs for next year and it's still being offered, they don't need to do anything.
- **When can people get information about next year's Medicare plans?** Information for next year's plans are now available.
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• **Sunday Morning worship service begins at 10:30 AM** with Interim Pastor Doug Walker leading.

We welcome you to join us anytime!

• **The Pastoral Search Committee** continues working to find a new pastor for the Dunstable Church. Applications are being accepted at the Dunstable Evangelical Congregational Church, 518 Main St, PO Box 190, Dunstable MA 01827 or at DECC_PSC@dunstablechurch.org.

• Our **Adult Sunday School Class** is back in session, and you are invited to be part of it. At **9:00am on the first and third Sundays** of each month, we will be discussing together how to live as mature Christians – in our church community and among our neighbors, with lots of questions and lively interaction.

• At **9:00am on the second, fourth and fifth Sundays**, we will view a portion of Timothy Keller's teaching on "The Reason for God", a beautifully crafted presentation on the profound difference a relationship with God makes in our lives. This is followed by questions & answers, and open discussion. We think you will find these classes a beneficial and enjoyable opportunity to engage with others as together we learn more and more about putting our faith into action.

• **Dunstable's church** is delighted to be partnering with our Dunstable neighbors in this year's Jinglefest activities on December 7th. Our "Journey to Bethlehem" presentation on the Town Common is a major part of the program for that day, as is the Community Chorale Concert. We also gladly open our facility to be used by several other Jinglefest activities. To volunteer or see when things are happening, check out the events listing on the website, www.journeyjinglefest.com; there are lots of opportunities to get involved and have some fun!

• We would like to thank Anne Paquin for her 41 years of dedication to this publication and to the towns it serves. Her devotion to her readers, contributors and advertisers is beyond faithfulness. Her love of these towns and their residents is obvious. We will miss you. **Thank you Anne.**

• **We welcome everyone every Sunday morning at 10:30am at the big white church in the center of Dunstable.** We would love to meet you! Please join us. God bless.

BONE BUILDERS

AT TYNGSBORO SENIOR CENTER

Bone Builders meets every Monday and Wednesday from 9AM to 10AM in the Activity Room of the Tyngsboro Senior Center. Participants must be cleared by their doctor and present a signed doctor's note to attend the class. Our exercises are slow and deliberate using hand and leg weights which are provided. All instructors are certified. We are currently on wait list but suggest that you come in and view a class before filling out all the paper work. **For further questions, please call Leader Jean Jacoppi (978-649-9076).**

STITCHERS AT

TYNGSBORO SENIOR CENTER

Stitchers Group meet every Monday from 10AM to 11:30 AM in the dining room of the center. Plans are underway for our season of giving. Knitwear, lap robes, and afghans will be distributed to those seniors who receive Meal On Wheels, to those who participate in Adopt a Family, to children at our elementary school, and the Lowell General Hospital Cancer Center.

The Stitchers have combined their talents and crocheted a wonderful Poinsettia afghan and pillow. They are holding a raffle on Dec. 13 at the center Christmas Party. You need not attend to win. Raffle tickets can be purchased at the Thanksgiving Dinner on November 15, or at the Christmas Party. For further information, please call Jean Jacoppi, Coordinator (978-649-9076).

We are accepting monetary donations and new yarn. If you are donating, please leave your name and contact with the Greeter. We thank you.



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For more information, please visit our new web site at: <https://tyngsborogardenclub.org> or email us at tynggardenclub@gmail.com. Sue Bowden, Ellen O'Neill, co-presidents



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• **EXECUTIVE BOARDS** - Have resumed their monthly meeting schedules. Our Search Team is still meeting regularly and interviewing Pastor applicants as they continue to search for our new settled Pastor. This is not an easy task and we appreciate all their time and efforts.

• **LADIES BIBLE STUDY** - Tuesday mornings at 9:30 - 11:00 am. This is a continuation of Ephesians which began last year. If you would like to attend, please come to our CLC (Christian Learning Center) located in the building next to the church, or call our Office for more information. It is never too late to come to this study. We welcome ALL!

• **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** - Tuesday evenings, at 6:30 - 8:00 pm. at our newly renovated CLC (Christian Learning Center) located in the building next to the church, or call our Office for more information. This is a 12 week study of the Book of Daniel. Again, it is not too late to attend this study! ALL are welcome!!

• **DAYCARE DURING CHURCH SERVICES** - Daycare is provided every Sunday morning when the children are dismissed. All daycare staff are cleared through a State Mandated CORI check if working with minor children so you can be assured your child is safe. They will have fun meeting new friends and learning about Jesus. We are always looking for helpers for Sunday mornings. Our goal is to have enough staff member volunteers so you would only have to help one Sunday a month. Please sign up or speak to a Deacon, Joan Politi, our Sunday School Superintendent or Patti Ann Reekie, Secretary and Sunday School Assistant.

• **WORSHIP/MUSIC TEAM PRACTICE** - Wednesday evenings 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Led by our own professional gospel singer, Barry Shirk.

JUNIOR WORSHIP/MUSIC TEAM - A NEW addition to our church body is our Junior Worship/Music Team for 5th grade students and up. We are so excited to have so much interest in this newly created group!!! We have found that we have many talented students who love to worship through their singing. Brief practice sessions will be held twice per month on Sunday mornings right after church services. Joan Politi will be assisting our Worship Team Leader, Barry Shirk. Practice dates are as follows: **Nov. 10, Nov. 17, Dec. 1 and Dec. 15.** Our goal will be to learn new songs to sing in church and on special occasions.

• **YOUTH GROUP** - Our Sunday School leaders will begin a new year with Youth Group meetings. Dates and times will be forthcoming soon. Consider signing up your young teen for fun yet spiritual, supportive and sharing time group meetings. This time is a great and safe place for them to share and care. The world is a very turbulent place for us as adults as well as our children, Let's support them and give them positive survival tools any way we can! **Please call our office for more information 978-649-2262.**

• **PRAYER & PRAISE MEETINGS** - Meets on **Wednesday evenings in our Sanctuary from 5:15 to 6:15 pm.** Please join us for prayers, praise, singing and spiritual support. We all need uplifting often in our lives. This will help give you strength for daily struggles. Led by Pastor Nyakio Kamau.

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Organized in January 1976, the Altrusa Club of Merrimack Valley is a non-profit volunteer association, with the mission to promote literacy and to make a difference in the lives of those in need in our communities.

The Altrusa Club of Merrimack Valley has been very busy this fall preparing for several upcoming projects: A Food Drive to benefit the Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter on November 2, 2024 at the Hudson, NH Market Basket; Birthday parties for the little ones living with their teen Moms at Brigid's Crossing in Lowell; Prepping Meals for Kids at the Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter, a program initiated to end childhood hunger by providing three meals a day to children who would otherwise go hungry; and Support of the thirty (30) veterans from various wars, who live in Princeton House, a residential facility associated with the Bedford VA on Veterans Day.

The Altrusa Club recently initiated a \$500.00 scholarship to be awarded to a student enrolled in the Nursing Program at Middlesex Community College. The Scholarship is offered in memory of Past President of Altrusa, Charlene Muscato, whose passion for nursing spanned more than 50 years of service in the Greater Lowell Community. Altrusa appreciates the cooperation of Susan Lavallee, Director of Nursing at Middlesex for her assistance.

Altrusa meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at the Tyngsborough Senior Center, 169 Westford Road, at 6:00 p.m. Please email altrusamv@gmail.com if you are interested in joining other volunteers in making a difference in the lives of others in our communities.

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COZY UP AND SAVE: ENERGY EFFICIENCY TIPS FOR FALL

Christine McCarron of Tyngsboro's Beehive Brokerage

Fall is in the air, and with it comes crisp temperatures and shorter days. You may love the beautiful leaves – but not the higher energy bills that cold weather often brings. Here are some tips to help you stay cozy and save on energy costs this fall:

1. Weatherize Your Home (MassSave.com can help with this):

Seal up drafts: Check windows and doors for air leaks and seal them with weatherstripping or caulk. **Insulate properly:** Ensure your home has adequate insulation, especially in attics, basements, and crawl spaces. **Install storm windows or covers:** These can significantly reduce heat loss through your windows.

2. Adjust Your Thermostat: Lower nighttime temperatures: Set your thermostat to a lower temperature at night when you're sleeping. **Utilize programmable thermostats:** These allow you to set different temperatures for various times of the day. **Consider a smart thermostat:** Smart thermostats can learn your habits and adjust temperatures accordingly.

3. Optimize Heating Systems: Regular maintenance: Ensure your heating system is properly maintained to operate efficiently. **Clean or replace filters:** Dirty filters can reduce airflow and increase energy consumption. **Consider a programmable thermostat:** These can help you control your heating system more efficiently.

4. Harness Natural Light: Open curtains and blinds: During the day, let natural light warm your home. **Close them at night:** Prevent heat loss through windows by closing curtains and blinds when it's dark.

5. Be Mindful of Appliances: Unplug electronics: Even when turned off, many electronics consume energy. Unplug them when not in use. **Use energy-efficient appliances:** When replacing appliances, opt for energy-star certified models. **Cook efficiently:** Use lids on pots and pans to retain heat and reduce cooking time.

6. Embrace Energy-Saving Habits: Layer up: Wear warm clothing instead of cranking up the heat. **Use energy-efficient light bulbs:** LED bulbs use less energy and last longer than traditional incandescent bulbs. **Take shorter showers:** Reducing shower time can save water and energy (*but I personally love a long hot shower when it's cold outside*)

Give these tips a try and enjoy a cozy and comfortable fall while reducing your carbon footprint and saving money.

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• **Sunday, December 1st** Our annual Business Meeting is at 5 p.m., followed by a potluck supper. Bring your favorite dish to share with old friends and new, by the wood stove. It's always a fun evening, and nicely spaced between the holidays.

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At our last Board Meeting, plans were put in place for the annual Spring Fling. The date is June 17th, 2025. The entertainment will leave you overwhelmed! Complimentary tickets will be given out the last week in May. More information will be coming your way in the Spring.

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- **Life insurance** – If your employer offers group life insurance at no cost as an employee benefit, you may want to take it – but be aware that it might not be enough to fully protect your family should anything happen to you. You may have heard that you need about seven to 10 times your annual income as a life insurance death benefit, but there's really no one right answer for everyone. Instead, you should evaluate various factors — including your mortgage, your income, your spouse's income (if applicable), your liabilities, the number of years until your retirement, number of children and their future educational needs — to determine how much insurance you need. If your employer's group policy seems insufficient, you may want to consider adding some outside coverage.

- **Disability insurance** – Your employer may offer no-cost group disability insurance, but as is the case with life insurance, it might not be sufficient to adequately protect your income in case you become temporarily or permanently disabled. In fact, many employer-sponsored disability plans only cover a short period, such as five years, so to gain longer coverage up to age 65, you may want to look for a separate personal policy. Disability policies vary widely in premium costs and benefits, so you'll want to do some comparison shopping with several insurance companies.

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By Dean Lotito

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In the Apple App Store and Google Play Store you can search for the OneDrive App from Microsoft. Once the app is loaded, you will need to log in using the same Microsoft account that you use on your Windows PC. Once you are logged in, the documents folder on your PC will be available on your Apple or Android phone.

It is required that the documents folder on your PC be under the OneDrive directory. This is the default setting when windows is installed.

If you can access files from both your computer and cellphone, it is important to you, try this. If you have any issues setting it up, I am available to assist you. I am at the Tyngsborough Senior Center on the 1st Wednesday of the month from 9:30am-12:00 noon and at the Dunstable Library on the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 10:00-12 noon, for free Computer and Cell Phone help.

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<https://www.animalsheltering.org/page/wild-neighbors-book>



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Public Policy State Committeewoman Elizabeth Coughlin 1st Middlesex Senate District is currently providing outreach information regarding Green Community, Climate Leader, Hero Act for Veterans and other grants and initiatives.

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Current list of officers for the American Legion Auxiliary

Linda May Small, President; LeeAnn Houle, Senior Vice; Joyce Ferreira, Junior Vice; Michele Lambert, Secretary; Annette Coles, Treasurer; Sergeant At Arms – Vacant; Chaplain – Vacant.

The American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 247, meets on the first Thursday of each month at the American Legion Post 247 at 7:00 p.m. We are always looking for new members. The mission of the Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military and their families. Please contact the Post if you are interested in joining.

AMVETS POST #247 ROBERT D. PELLETIER

90 Pawtucket Blvd. Tyngsborough, MA

Officers: Robert Golas, Commander; Rod Wood, Secretary / Chaplain; Dave Coles, Finance Officer; Ron Russell, Sergeant At Arms; Senior Vice - Vacant; Junior Vice - Vacant;

The AMVETS meet on the first Tuesday of each month at the American Legion Post 247 in Tyngsboro at 2:00 p.m. The AMVETS are always looking for new members. If you are a veteran and served more than 180 days, you can join the AMVETS provided you submit a DD214 or equivalent with your application. Applications can be obtained at the Post.

The AMVETS will be holding a flag retirement ceremony at the American Legion on November 11th. All are welcome. Anyone with ripped or frayed flags may drop them off at the Legion either prior to or on the day of the ceremony. All flags should be placed in the white box located outside the Post in the parking lot.



ROBERT D. PELLETIER AMERICAN LEGION POST #247, INC.

90 Pawtucket Blvd., Tyngsborough, MA 01879

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. Active Duty Military, Military Retirees and Veterans are encouraged to join and be a part of our Legion Family. Learn how you may qualify to be a member of the American Legion. For more information please contact John Taylor, post operations manager at johnntaylor1777@gmail.com

The new facility has multiple areas capable of hosting events of varying sizes. Room available packed with modern technology to facilitate corporate meetings or sport draft events. Member Lounge atmosphere is that of Sports Bar meets Martini Lounge. **Too many features to mention. You should stop by and see for yourself!**



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

Massachusetts Detachment, Squadron 247 Robert D. Pelletier
Post 247, 90 Pawtucket Blvd, Tyngsboro

• SAL Detachment 247 now meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at Post 247.

• We are always welcoming new members. Drop in or call 978-649-7540. **Anyone interested** in becoming a member of the Sons of the American Legion is welcome to attend our monthly meeting. Applications are available at the Post at any time.

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CHARITY NAVIGATOR

We are often contacted to make a donation to different organizations. Want to make sure they are legitimate and the donated monies are well used? You can now look up these charities at www.charitynavigator.org



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HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF GREATER LOWELL CRITICAL HOME REPAIR PROGRAM

Is your home in need of a critical repair? Did you know that Habitat for Humanity of Greater Lowell does more than just build homes for local families?

In an ongoing effort to meet the Habitat mission that everyone should have a decent and affordable place to live in dignity and safety, Habitat Lowell also offers a **Critical Home Repair Program** for income qualified seniors and veterans with homes in need of a critical repair. Repairs focus on safety, accessibility, mobility and code enforcement issues so that homeowners can remain safely in their homes.

To find out more, please visit <https://lowellhabitat.org/what-we-do/critical-home-repairs/> or contact **Critical Home Repair Manager, Kim Raymond** at 978-692-0927 option 4 or criticalrepairs@lowellhabitat.org.

SEEKING NEW BRIDGE PLAYERS!

We are a small group of bridge players who are playing on Thursday mornings, 10 am at the Tyngsborough Senior Center, 169 Westford Rd. in Tyngsborough. We are looking for more bridge players to join us! We are non-competitive and have been practicing bidding as well as the conventions that we have learned in beginner lessons. If interested or curious, please contact Rose Mitchell at mitchell6260@msn.com.

Read Current & Past issues & other news online at
www.neighbortoneighbornewsletter.com
New issues are posted early in the month.

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ST. KATHRYN PARISH 30TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR AND PENNY SALE

St. Kathryn Church, 4 Dracut Road, Hudson, NH
Saturday November 9 from 9 am - 6 pm
Sunday November 10 from 9 am - 3 pm

- **Grand Raffle** with First, Second and Third Cash Prizes plus many 50-50 Cash Raffles
 - **Penny Sale** with hundreds of brand new prizes \$1 buys 100 chances to win
 - **Theme Basket** room full of creative baskets for you to take a chance on
 - **Holy High Rollers** table for a chance on Big Ticket items
- Visit with **Santa**
- Enjoy a treat from the **Bake Sale** table
 - Buy a handmade gift for yourself or others in the **Craft Room**
 - Grab a homemade meal, soup or sub at **Katie's Kitchen**
- Visit **St. Kathryn Religious Goods** right behind the church office
Save the Date, We look forward to seeing you!

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THE GROTON COMMUNITY HOME TOUR IS BACK FOR 2024!



The 20th Anniversary [Groton Community Home Tour](http://www.grotoncommunityschool.org/home-tour) is a self-guided, adults-only tour of distinctive and historic properties. This beloved event is back to celebrate its 20th anniversary! Groton Community School is a nonprofit, nationally accredited children's center with community at its core. The Home Tour is a highly anticipated community event and important fundraiser for the school, giving attendees the opportunity to tour beautiful and unique area homes and enjoy shopping with amazing artisans and vendors.

The Groton Community Home Tour is Saturday, November 23, 2024. Tour details can be found, and tickets purchased, on the school website: www.grotoncommunityschool.org/home-tour. Advance tickets for the Home Tour are \$45 per person or \$60 per person with a boxed lunch with [Salt & Light](#) fare (\$62 GF). Tickets purchased on the day of the tour are \$50 (admittance only).

The 2024 Home Tour will showcase homes in Groton, including two antiques with historically significant ties to Groton, a sprawling farm estate and two gorgeous modern residences! Details will be shared in the Program Guide on the day of the tour, but "teasers" will be released online in the week prior to the Tour to pique the interest of attendees.

The Tour begins at Groton Community School, where attendees check in, and can then enjoy Dunkin refreshments (generously provided by the Catalano Companies) and peruse the artisans and vendors on site at the school. Boxed lunches can be ordered in advance, and picked up at the school midday. Attendees also have the opportunity to take a chance to win prizes from a Chance Drawing, with a wide variety of exciting items and creative Classroom Baskets. The school is open from 9 AM to 2 PM, and homes are open from 10 AM to 4 PM.

Groton Community School is very grateful for generous event sponsors, including Enterprise Bank and Exit Realty, the welcoming homeowners, fantastic artisans and vendors, appealing Chance Drawing donations, and the volunteers and GCS families who make this event a success!

A Time to Give Thanks

Dear Neighbor,

NOTICE

In case you didn't see the notice in last month's issue, The December 2024 edition will be my last *Neighbor to Neighbor* newsletter. For 41 years I gave you as much news and information as possible, all in one place, delivered right to your home, on a monthly basis.

I would like to thank the advertisers who made this all possible. Many have been offering their services to the communities for several years; others have joined more recently. It has been a pleasure working together with all of them.

I am also so grateful for the contributors who sent in their monthly articles. They took time out of their busy schedules to share important information with us, writing in a way that made it easier for us to understand.

Each month, people from countless organizations, have let me know what was happening with their groups. There are so many organizations and non-profits which contribute to the communities of Dunstable and Tyngsborough. I thank you all for sharing your information with all of us.

I will be keeping www.neighbortoneighbornewsletter.com active for now, where you can access the current as well as older issues of *Neighbor to Neighbor*

Just one last reminder: November 12th is the deadline for the December issue. I look forward to hearing from you!

Email: anne@neighbortoneighbornewsletter.com

Sincerely,
Anne



DUNSTABLE'S ANNUAL JOURNEY AND JINGLEFEST – DECEMBER 7TH

Held in Dunstable Center, Main St., Dunstable MA.

All are invited to celebrate the holidays in Dunstable's town center! You won't want to miss this year's event! Live music throughout the day, kid's midway, Santa Claus, contests, craft fair, book readings by local authors, the official town hall holiday lighting, and of course, 'The Journey' as well as many other great activities! Look us up at www.journeyjinglefest.com for all the details.

Events held in or around town hall:

1:00 – 7:00 Snowman contest; 1:30 – 7:00 Photo stage; 2:00 – 4:00 Theater – The Mousetrap; 3:00 – 4:00 Live music – Jimmy Ragtag; 4:00 – 6:00 Kids' midway; 4:00 – 6:00 Kid's face painting; 4:00 – 7:00 Refreshment table; 4:00 – 7:00 Tully milk truck; 4:00 – 6:00 Chowder & Soup cook off; 4:00 – 6:00 Local kids' caroling; 3:00 – 6:30 Hidden Grinch contest; 4:00 Santa's special arrival; 5:00 Town Hall lighting

Local business events:

All day -Wickham & Willoughby; 4:00 – 6:00 Book readings at W & W; 7 – 2, 3:30 – 8 Farmhouse Café

Events at Swallow Union School:

1:30 – 5:30 Craft fair and Silent auction

Events on the Town Common:

4:30 – 6:30 Journey to Bethlehem and Troop 28 S'mores station

Events at the Dunstable Church:

4:00 Live music – Seth Connelly; 5:00 Live music – damian and the displayers; 6:00 Live music – Valerie Callahan; 3:00 – 6:30 Children's art gallery; 4:00 – 6:00 Children's cookie decorating; 3:00 – 7:00 Gingerbread house contest; 4:30 – 6:00 Kid's crafts; 4:30 – 6:00 Photos with Santa; 7:00 – 8:00 Dunstable Church Community Choir

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- Are you looking for a job that you can do in the comfort of your own home?
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- How about the many non-profits?
- Would you like to help businesses in the communities?
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For 41 years the *Neighbor to Neighbor* has been delivered free of charge, in what the post office refers to as "Total Saturation". Which means every home and post office box receives it. It is not just sent to a select few. All thanks to the many advertisers. They have been pleased with the results and want to continue to advertise.

If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please contact me, Anne Paquin, by email, at annepaquin76@gmail.com.

I look forward to hearing from you soon!

Anne Paquin

8TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE/FUNDRAISER EVENT BY PAWS FOUR THE CLAWS Handcrafted Soaps Tyngsborough Dunstable Historical Society LITTLE RED SCHOOLHOUSE 64 MAIN ST. (RTE. 113) DUNSTABLE, MA

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Along with purchasing our high quality items, as always 100% of your purchase price will be donated to help homeless animals! Once again we will have our "Feed Their Hungry Bellies" Kitty Food Fundraiser to help feed so many hungry + homeless kitties on cold, dark streets. If you can, please bring a large bag of Kitty Food or a case of Friskies Canned Pate Cat Food or donate \$10.00+ and we will pick food up for you! We thank you so much in advance & to show you our appreciation you will receive our "Thank You Gift Bag"!

The animals & I thank you so much for your continued support + help in reaching our next \$100,000.00!!!! **We will also run the Online Open House starting a week later from Monday, November 18th through Sunday December 15 to be sure your gifts arrive on time for the holidays!**

We look so forward to seeing & welcoming you again to our Holiday Open House/Fundraiser! Thank you!