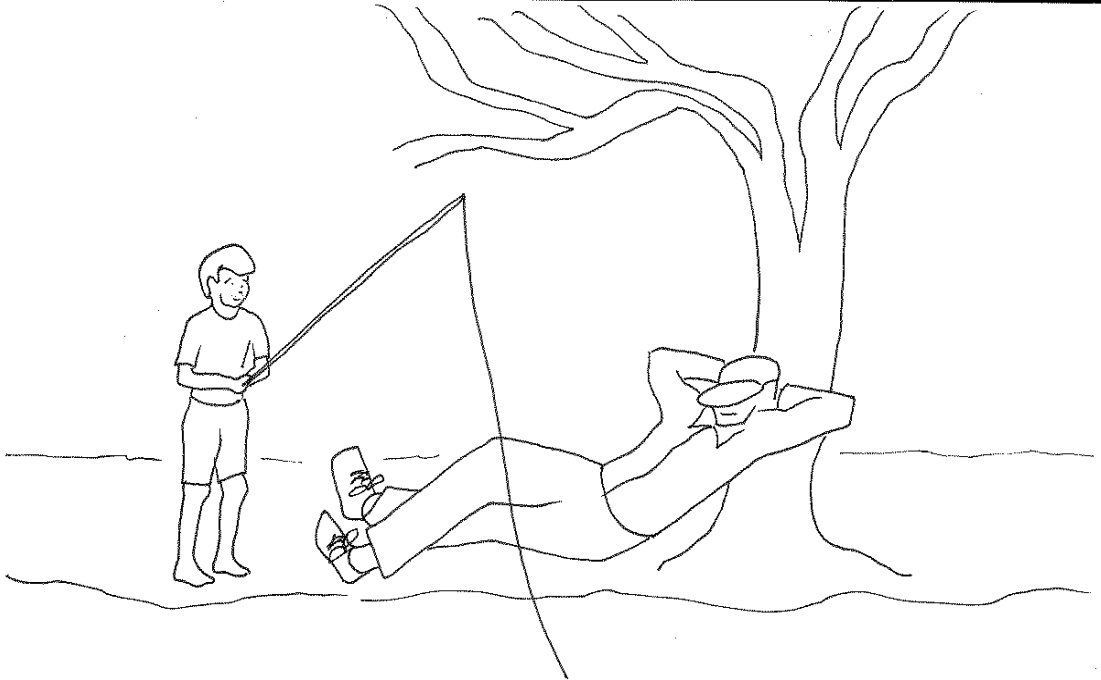


Congregational Church of Phillipston, U.C.C.  
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Phillipston  
Community  
Newsletter

JANUARY 2012



**The Phillipston Congregational Church, U.C.C.**  
**Our Community Church**

Sunday Service 10 a.m.

Sunday School begins at 10 a.m.

Church telephone 978-249-8583

Rev. Flynn 978-248-9558

Dear Friends,

Epiphany begins on January 6, the day the Wise men came and visited the Christ child, bearing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. January 6, would be the 12<sup>th</sup> day of Christmas, the day the twelve drummers are drumming in the song the Twelve Days of Christmas. I remember when I taught music to the third graders at Phillipston Memorial School how excited they were to learn all the verses to the Twelve Days of Christmas. I recently read an article about how the Twelve Days of Christmas was a catechism song for young Catholics in England during the period from 1558 until 1829, when the Roman Catholics in England were not permitted to practice their faith openly. This song was written as a sort of code, with a surface meaning and a religious reality underneath. Each element in the carol has a code word for a religious reality, which children could remember.

The partridge in a pear tree was Jesus Christ.

Two turtledoves were the Old and New Testaments.

Three French hens stood for faith, hope and love. (1 Corinthians 13:13)

The four calling birds were the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

The five golden rings recalled the Torah or law, the first five books of the Old Testament.

The six geese a laying stood for the six days of creation. Genesis chapter 1

The seven swans swimming represent the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit, Prophecy, Serving, Teaching, Exhortation, Contribution, Leadership and Mercy.

The eight maids a milking were the eight beatitudes. (Matthew 5: 1-12)

The nine ladies dancing were the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit, Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self Control (Galatians 5:22)

The ten lords a leaping were the Ten Commandments. (Exodus 20: 1-17)

The eleven pipers piping stood for the eleven faithful disciples. (Mathew 28: 16-20)

The twelve drummers drumming symbolized the twelve points of belief in the Apostles Creed.

Your Sister in Christ,

Stephanie C. Flynn

Beginning Sunday, January 8, we will be worshipping downstairs to save on heat.

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PHILLIPSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT  
OPEN BURNING RESIDENTIAL PERMIT

OPEN BURNING SEASON JANUARY 15 – MAY 1, 2012

BURN PERMITS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE BOARD OF SELECTMAN'S OFFICE  
ON MON., TUES., WED., 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM. AND THURS. 9:30 -11:30 AM.  
PHILLIPSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT – WED. 8:30 – 11:30 AM. THURSDAY  
EVENINGS 6:30 – 8:30 PM. IF AVAILABLE CALL 978-249-6302

AGRICULTURAL BURN PERMIT MUST BE OBTAINED FROM FIRE CHIEF STEVENS

TO OBTAIN A BURNING PERMIT BY MAIL:

PLEASE COMPLETE THE INFORMATION BELOW AND MAIL COMPLETED  
INFORMATION WITH A CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO: TOWN OF PHILLIPSTON IN  
THE AMOUNT OF \$5.00. INCLUDE A SELF ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE FOR  
BURN PERMIT.

MAIL TO: PHILLIPSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT  
90 STATE ROAD, PHILLIPSTON, MA 01331

NAME

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ADDRESS

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PHONE NUMBER

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THE NEWSLETTER IS ON [www.phillipston.com](http://www.phillipston.com)

## **Phillips Free Public Library**

25 Templeton Road - Phillipston, MA 01331 #978-249-1734

Phillipstonlibrary@comcast.net

**Library Director:** Jackie Prime

*The Board of Trustees meeting will meet on **January 4<sup>th</sup>**, at **6pm** at the library*

### **→ Winter Hours**

**Monday: 5:00 – 8:00 Tuesday 9:00 – 2:00 Saturday 9:00 – 11:00**

#### ***Book Club***

The book club is currently reading “Food, Inc. How Industrialized Food is making us Sicker, Fatter and Poorer and What you can do about it” . Call Jackie to obtain a copy of the book and find out when our next meeting is.

#### ***Story Hour***

Story Hour will be held every Tuesday morning at 10:30. Come and join us for stories, games, crafts, snacks & FUN!!

#### ***DVD's***

We are excited to offer popular movies on DVD! Please help us build a great collection with your suggestions!

New titles added include:

Horrible Bosses

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows

The Town

The Fighter

Rango

#### ***Library Visits***

The Classes will be coming to the library for their monthly visit on Tuesday, January 10. PLEASE encourage your child to return their book from the previous visit so they may borrow a new one!

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#### **Community Preservation Committee**

The Community Preservation Committee will be accepting applications for the 2012-13 granting cycle. You may find the applications in the stand outside of the Selectmen's office. Applications are due by January 10, 2012 in the Community Preservation Committee mailbox in Phillipston Town Hall.

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**FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER IS DEADLINE**  
**JANUARY 23<sup>rd</sup>**

# Monthly Articles About Our Beautiful Queen Lake in Phillipston

by Queen Lake Assoc. Board of Director, Claire Adomaitis

## Article 24

The end of another “Wonderful” year spent enjoying our crystal clear Queen Lake. Ice is starting to skim over the lake after a very warm fall. One wonders what this winter will be like. The Historical Society is again planning the “Great Ice Out” on Queen Lake. Queenie will soon be placed on ice (once it is formed) at the North End of the lake. Raffle tickets will soon be available, make sure everyone gets one!

During this winter is a time to be thinking about how one may protect our beautiful lake that is enjoyed by so many during the coming months, residents on the lake as well as the people of the Town of Phillipston. The town has a great gem here!



In late November the Merganser ducks arrive on their journey south. Every year we see them arrive, staying a few days and then heading south again. A sign of the winter to come!

Remember “safety” when going out on the ice at the lake and also the town bylaw about vehicles on the lake. Enjoy this winter, have a fun time and be safe!

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### Storage Space for Bazaar Flea Market Items

The committee needs new space to store items until the June Bazaar. Our present benefactor Martha Craft has moved to Gardner so we need to find a new home for the many items donated to the church throughout the year. Do you have or know of a barn, garage, or shed that we might use? Please call Gerry Gariepy at 978-939-5465 or Jim Potter at 978-939-4470.

# Girl Scout Cookies On sale



**Saturdays  
at the Phillipston Transfer Station  
January 21st thru February 18th  
8:00 am to 1:30 pm**

Can't make it, contact your GS neighbor or  
Ann-Marie Geyster – 978-939-4004  
Jennie Jordan – 978-249-9314

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## **LADIES BENEVOLENT SOCIETY**

The Annual Christmas Party of the Ladies Benevolent Society was held on Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> in the Vestry of the Church. A delicious dinner was served with each dish being provided by each lady. Grab gifts were received by each person attending. Annie's game followed with much laughter and teasing. Fun was had by all. The next meeting will be held in the vestry of the Church on Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m. with hostesses being Janice Howard and Nancy Deming. Our membership is open to all ladies – young and old! A lifetime membership can be had for only fifty cents.

## **2012 Census**

The 2012 census forms have been mailed out. Please take a minute and review your information and make corrections as needed. Each house should list all people living there including children. Census figures are important and help all communities to acquire state aid for growth, schools, roads and municipality resources.

Please save your tax dollars and respond to the first mailing saving everyone time and postage. Responding is easy it only takes a minute and there is a postage envelope enclosed.

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## **Dog Licenses for 2012**

The Town Clerk's Office will start issuing dog licenses for 2012 on Monday December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011. You may come to the town hall on Mondays from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, Wednesdays 12: pm to 6:00 pm and the first Saturday of the month from 8:00 am to 10:00 am.

**There will be a rabies clinic on January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012**  
**noon to 2:00 pm**  
**at the Phillipston Safety Complex on route 2A.**

Phillipston Rabies Clinic  
Saturday, January 14th, 2012  
12:00PM - 2:00PM  
Phillipston Fire Station

Fee: \$15.00 Rabies Shot  
Other shots available are:  
Distemper \$15.00  
Kennel Cough \$23.00  
Lyme \$23.00  
Leukemia \$23.00  
Please bring previous certificate with you!

Cash or Check Only (No Credit or Debit Cards Accepted)



## **Narragansett Area Youth Baseball 2012 Registration**

### **Saturday, January 21, 2012**

9 am – 2 pm **Narragansett High School Gym**

9 am – 3 pm **Phillipston Memorial School Gym**

**AND**

### **Wednesday, January 25, 2012**

6 pm - 8 pm **Narragansett Middle School Cafeteria**

**All children ages 4-18, male and female,  
are welcome to play**

**Please visit our website at [www.nallonline.org](http://www.nallonline.org) for  
additional registration information, including  
registration forms**



Phillipston Girl Scout Troop 30279. They recently held a food drive at the Transfer Station collecting food for the Gardner Food Pantry. The picture is of the whole troop delivering the food to the pantry. Thank You to the people of Phillipston who donated food or money to help our cause.

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We would like to thank the Girl Scouts for the Christmas carols this Christmas season.  
Thank You  
Mel & Reg Haughton

# **Boy Scout Troop 39**

## **Pulled Pork Dinner**

January 14th at 6pm

Phillipston Congregational Church

Tickets are \$8 each - Eat in or takeout!

Dinner includes pulled pork sandwich,  
coleslaw, pineapple and dessert.

We'll also be raffling off a couple of gift  
baskets to help raise money.

All funds raised will go directly to Troop 39.

To purchase tickets  
contact any Boy Scout.

For more information or additional tickets  
please contact

Heidi at 978-939-5608

Jessie at 978-249-2552



# PHILLIPSTON LIONS CLUB BOOK MARK CONTEST

For:

Children from Kindergarten to grade 4 !!

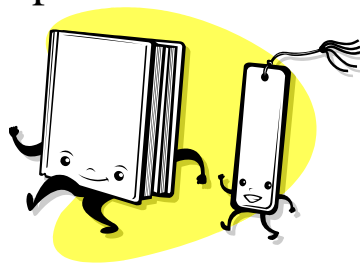
Design a bookmark for the Phillipston Public Library and enter  
for a chance to win of three prizes!

1<sup>st</sup> place: \$25.00

2<sup>nd</sup> place: \$15.00

3<sup>rd</sup> place: \$10.00

Send your bookmark to: Marilyn Holway  
250 State Road,  
Phillipston, MA 01331



Include your name, address, phone number, age and grade.

Contest runs from December 1, 2011 – March 1, 2012

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## ATTENTION PHILLIPSTON NEWSLETTER READERS

The Phillipston Community Newsletter is put together and mailed by volunteers and members of The Congregational Church of Phillipston, U.C.C. This is mailed to every mail box in Phillipston. The newsletter is available to all nonprofit organizations in town to post news items or notices of upcoming events. Businesses in town may place ads at \$20 for a full page \$10 for a Half page and \$5 for quarter page. A full page for the newsletter is 7" x 8.5" with a .5" margin. Please support your Community Newsletter by submitting your ad or news items by the 23<sup>rd</sup> of the month to allow time us to get it out on the 1<sup>st</sup>. Items received after that will be put in the next month. Ads or news items may be sent to:

The Congregational Church of Phillipston, U.C.C.

60 The Common, Phillipston, MA 01331 - Attention: Newsletter

Items can also be sent by e-mail to [newsletter@phillipston.com](mailto:newsletter@phillipston.com), which is preferred.

Payments for ads and any other donations should be sent to the church at the same address.

The Congregational Church of Phillipston, U.C.C will decide what can be put in the newsletter and also may limit the number of pages in an issue.

All questions or comments can be sent to the address above or e-mailed to

[newsletter@phillipston.com](mailto:newsletter@phillipston.com).

FEBRUARY 2012 DEADLINE IS JANUARY 23<sup>rd</sup>



# PHILLIPSTON LIONS CLUB BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, January 21, 2012

7:30 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.

PHILLIPSTON CHURCH

Orange Juice, Toast, Eggs, Sausage, Home Fries, French Toast, Coffee,  
De-Café Coffee, Tea & De-Café Tea

Omelets \$1.00 extra

\$6.00 Adults & Young Adults

\$5.00 Senior Citizens - \$4.00 Children under 12 years

**SPECIAL \$6.00**

**“Santa Fe Omelet”**

**CHILI & CHEESE WITH HOMEFRIES, TOAST OR ENGLISH MUFFIN**

UPCOMING BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2012

Ham & Beans with Two Eggs, Homefries, Toast or English Muffin



## PHILLIPSTON LIONS CLUB SNOWMAN CONTEST

Open to all children of Phillipston, any age!

Build a snowman for a chance to win  
one of three prizes!

Send a picture of your snowman to: Marilyn Holway

250 State Road,

Phillipston, MA 01331

Include your name, address and phone number.

Contest runs from January 1, 2012 – April 30, 2012

