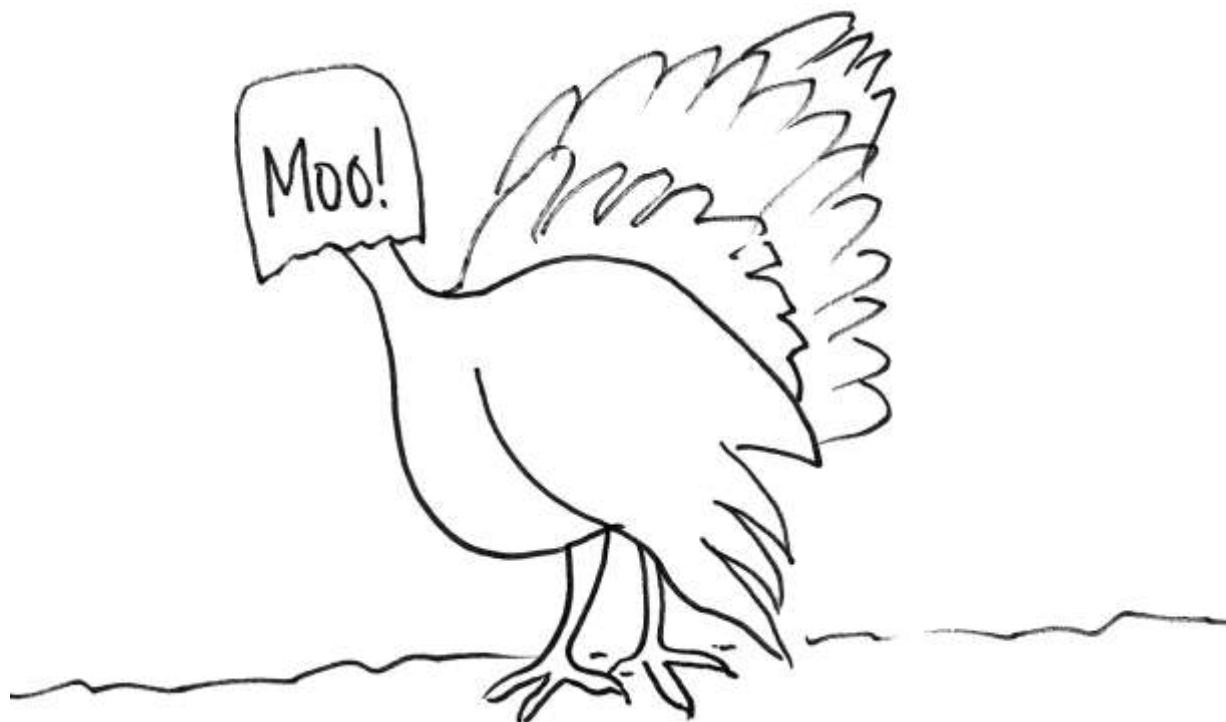


Congregational Church of Phillipston, U.C.C.  
60 The Common  
Phillipston, MA 01331

Phillipston  
Community  
Newsletter

**NOVEMBER 2011**



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

Sunday Service 10 a.m.

Church telephone 978-249-8583

Sunday School begins at 10 a.m.

Rev. Flynn 978-248-9558

Dear Friends,

On Sunday, November 27, the congregation will rejoice with me on the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of my ordination. What a privilege for me to serve the Congregational Church of Phillipston, United Church of Christ, and to celebrate this milestone with all of you. I was ordained on November 30, 1986 while I was serving Memorial Congregational Church, U.C.C. in Baldwinville. Ministry is a calling that has its own special joys and concerns. I have the opportunity to be present at some of the most difficult moments of people's lives - while they are at the bedside of a loved one at the nursing home or hospital, when an individual learns that he/she has a life threatening illness, when a marriage ends. And, I am able to be present with people at their happiest moments, too – when a couple exchanges vows, when a child is baptized, and when a couple celebrates the renewal of vows. Then, there are so many ways that I am also able to serve you in the community, whether at the Memorial Day parade, or with the Historical Society, on the Cultural Council, and as chaplain to Boy Scout Troop 39. I appreciate how generously the Phillipston community supports the church and me. Please come and celebrate with us! All are welcome!

Your Sister in Christ,

Stephanie C. Flynn

Thanksgiving Eve Service Wednesday, November 23 at 7:00 p.m.

25<sup>th</sup> Ordination Anniversary Service Sunday, November 27 at 10:00 a.m.

*Congregational Church of Phillipston*

*Invites you to attend*

*A Special Service to Celebrate  
the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of  
Rev. Stephanie C. Flynn's Ordination*

*Sunday, November 27, 2011*

*Public is Invited to Attend*

*10:00 a.m. at the Congregational Church of Phillipston Sanctuary*

*Preacher: Rev. Fred Anderson*

*Charge to the Congregation: Rev. Skip Lloyd*

*Charge to the Pastor: Rev. Carol Brink*

*Pastoral Prayer Rev. Cynthia Crosson*

*The Choir will sing "Here I Am Lord," and "You are the Christ"*

*Followed by Potluck Brunch*

**There will be a pot luck dinner following the service.**

**Please call Paula Haley at 978-939-4086 to discuss what you may contribute to the meal.**

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 **October 2, at 6pm at the library***

### **→ Fall Hours**

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

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

Please call the library for information on our next Book Club selection, and the meeting date – and join us for lively discussion!!

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

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

#### ***Interlibrary Loan***

Check out the unlimited selection of books on [www.cwmars.org](http://www.cwmars.org)...if you find it at another library..we can get it delivered here! Call the library 249-1734 with any requests.

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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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#### **Who do you think should be nominated “Citizen of the Year”?**

Send in a short paragraph stating the person you nominate, and state why you think they should be chosen to be Citizen of the Year.

All nominations due December 1<sup>st</sup> at 5pm!

Send nominations to:

Phillipston Town Hall

Attn: Opal Clark

50 The Common

Phillipston, MA 01331

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**DECEMBER NEWSLETTER IS DEADLINE**

**NOVEMBER 23<sup>rd</sup>**

# Monthly Articles About Our Beautiful Queen Lake in Phillipston

by Queen Lake Assoc. Board of Director, Claire Adomaitis

## Article 22

The Annual Queen Lake Draw Down began just after October 1, 2011. Boards had been taken out during Hurricane Irene but had been replaced until the draw down started. The draw down will continue till sometime in January when the Dam committee decides it is time to start refilling again.

Did you know that what you do on the land surrounding the lake does affect the lake! Declining water quality can affect the type and number of fish species that inhabit the lake and can harm other recreational uses as well as the local economy. It is to everyone's best interest to take action to protect lake water quality. Landscaping and managing the property around the lake in an environmentally friendly manner is a way to do your part in protecting our "Queen Lake" while beautifying and increasing the value. How we use the land affects water quality. Recent studies show that the quality of a water body affects the value of waterfront property and ultimately the economic health of the local community. Now is the time during the winter season to study and plan an approach for the spring to improve the conditions around the lake to preserve the quality of its water.

Buffer areas are places with undistributed growth composed of trees, bushes, and a thick duff layer (leaves, needles, or mulch). Buffers act as filter areas, windbreaks and provide wildlife habitat, as well as helping to keep streams cool for fish. At least a 25 foot wide buffer is desirable. More distance is needed for steep areas. Lawns are not good buffer areas. New buffers should be created on developed sites, particularly along drainage ditches and along shorelines, to help filter polluted storm water runoff from land use activities.

Citizen action does make a difference in the health of a waterbody. This winter let us start thinking how each one of us might be able to make our crystal clear and sparkling "Queen Lake" remains that way!

Anyone with ideas, please email me at: [nikiyasara@aol.com](mailto:nikiyasara@aol.com)

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Wednesdays: 4:00-6:00 p.m. and Saturdays 7:45-1:45.

Sticker Sales: As of November 1<sup>st</sup>, stickers can only be purchased at the Transfer Station. Only checks (no cash, no credit cards) will be accepted.

By order of the Board of Health: Groups wishing to use the Transfer Station premises for any reason must submit a prior request to the Board of Health office by phone (leave return number) or email. Groups given permission to use the Transfer Station must set up where the Transfer Station manager directs them.

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# ***PHILLIPSTON'S HOLIDAY MEMORY TREE***

**Sunday, December 4, 2011 at 4:30 P.M.**

**On the Common – Lighting of the Tree**

*Reading of Names & Memories*

*2011 Public Service Award*

*Drawing of the Signature Quilt Winner*

*Holiday Handbell Concert*

*Historical Society Raffle Drawing*

Please come join us as the Historical Society of Phillipston once again sponsors the Memory Tree on the common, an event that has become a meaningful way to begin the holiday season. After the tree is lighted, we will move to the church for the reading of the names of loved ones who have passed away, family members and friends who are serving in the armed forces, and the happy events in our lives that we would like to share by lighting a light on the tree for each.

The annual “Citizen of the Year” for public service to the town will be announced. The recipient of the Signature Quilt that celebrates the town’s 225th Anniversary will be drawn. Then we’ll be entertained by the beautiful tones of the Hardwick Handbell Choir directed by Cindy Baird.

Light refreshments will be served in the vestry. While we are eating and listing the winning names of the Historical society’s 2011 raffle will be pulled.

It will be a lovely evening that you won’t want to miss.

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**NEEDED –**

**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.

TOWN CLERK  
TOWN OF PHILLIPSTON  
50 The Common  
Phillipston, MA 01331

978-249-1733 Fax 978-249-1733

Karin L. Foley

Town Clerk

Attention

**Hunters and Fisherman**

**Starting this coming year Hunting and Fishing Licenses for 2012 will not be available at the Town Clerk's Office. The Town of Phillipston will no longer be a sales agent for the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife.**

You will be able to purchase your licenses on line at the new electronic licensing system called "MassFishHunt". This site is located at [www.mass.gov/masswildlife](http://www.mass.gov/masswildlife) with all the information you will need.

When applying on line your license, permits and stamps will print out of your printer. If you have any other questions please contact [mass.wildlife@state.ma.us](mailto:mass.wildlife@state.ma.us) or the Central Wildlife District, 211 Temple Street, West Boylston, MA 01583, phone 508-835-3607.

**COUNCIL ON AGING NOV. NEWS  
PARTLY FUNDED BY THE  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ELDERS**

Lunches are served on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month in the vestry of the church at 12 noon. Please call Jean Marshall at 978 249 3164 or by signing up before hand.

Blood pressure clinic on the 3rd Tuesday from 11 to 12 in the vestry.

Nov. 1 <sup>st</sup>	Nov. 15 <sup>th</sup>
Gypsy soup	Tangerine chicken
W/ crackers	Brown rice
Pot roast w/ gravy	California blend veg..
Mashed pot	Whole wheat bread
Whole wheat bread	Yogurt
Cinnamon apple muffin	

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## **LADIES BENEVOLENT SOCIETY**

A "Mystery Ride and Luncheon" was the activity for the October meeting of the Ladies Benevolent Society of the Phillipston Congregational Church. Ten ladies arrived on the Phillipston Common to car pool for this mystery ride. The leading car was driven by our President, Claire Adomaitis with a car following driven by Nancy McEwen traveling thru winding country roads and viewing the magnificent fall colors finally arriving at "The Cross" on 33 Harty Road, Barre, MA. John Harty, who created the wonderful sight, took us all on a tour of the property with many stories of its beginning to the present time. We then piled into the cars again and continued on to have a most joyous, extensive, delicious lunch at "The Jenkins Inn" on the common of Barre, MA. Everyone had a most joyous and enchanting time. The ladies will continue to have their sewing meetings on Thursday mornings at 9 a.m. in the church vestry. All are welcome to join us. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 16, 2011 at the home of Kay Deans with Jean Marshall and Nancy McEwen serving as hostesses. Signatures are still being sold for the Signature Quilt and anyone wishing to sign and enter the raffle may call Barbara Sanden at 978-249-4913. Our membership is open to all ladies – young and old!

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Come to the Historical Society of Phillipston meeting  
and hear the story about an exciting voyage

**Dave and Janet Bramhall will present**  
**"Sailing Adventure in the Northwest Caribbean"**

Wednesday, November 9, 2011 at 7 P.M.

Congregational Church Vestry

The Bramhalls spent three months on a sailing trip from Florida to Mexico, Belize and Guatemala. This was not a trip planned by a travel guide or as part of a tour group; it was done by themselves, and many months and research went into the preparations to make it a safe expedition. So not only will we learn about the sights they saw and the natives and fellow seafarers they met, but we'll gain insight into the planning required to sail where there are coral reefs, the importance of the compass, and the challenges of food preparation in the hot tropics. A short business meeting will be held before the program to update you on some of the good things happening in the Society. Guests are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

**North Quabbin Garden Club**  
**Thursday, November 17, 2011 7 p.m.**  
**Millers River Environmental Center**  
100 Main Street, Athol, MA 01331

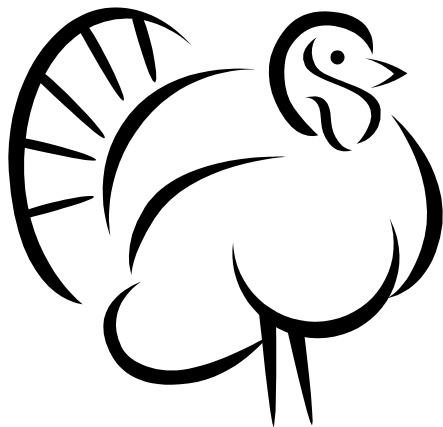
Fabulous Fall Planting

Landscape designer **Louise Garwood** of West Brookfield will present a program focusing on garden bed design for fall color and texture and winter habitat for critters. We'll then be ready to plant in the spring for wonderfully rich fall displays.

An affiliate of the Millers River Environmental Center in Athol, the North Quabbin Garden Club formed in 2006 to encourage interest in all phases of home gardening. With efforts to promote better horticultural practices and foster civic beauty, emphasis is placed on use of native plants, organic gardening, and the conservation of natural resources. Monthly meetings are usually held on the third Thursday evening of each month featuring informative speakers or workshop sessions. Members are currently working on a wildlife habitat garden at the Millers River Environmental Center and planning their annual spring sale of perennial plants and specialty items. Guests and new members are always welcome, so join us this month and learn something new about gardening. Meetings are free to members and guests are asked for a donation.

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## PHILLIPSTON FIRE ASSOCIATION TURKEY RAFFLE



THANKSGIVING

NOVEMBER 5, 2011

7PM @ THE SAFETY COMPLEX

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## 33rd Annual Narragansett Craft Fair

Saturday, November 12, 2011, 9am—3pm

Narragansett Middle School, 464 Baldwinville Road

*Craftspeople from all over New England  
Wide Variety of Crafts and Gift Items  
Do all your Holiday Shopping Early!*

**Coffee Can Auction, Big Ticket Raffle, Café Open All Day**

**Free Parking**

**Admission by Donation-** Please bring a non-perishable item for the Baldwinville Food Pantry

Can't make it that day but wish to purchase Big Raffle tickets??? Just send a request to Phillipston PTG Raffle, c/o Phillipston Memorial School, 20 The Common, Phillipston, MA 01331 - \$1 per ticket - or see a Phillipston Memorial Student! For more information, call 978-249-8175.

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**Quabbin Valley Healthcare  
Annual Holiday Craft Fair  
Saturday, November 19, 2011  
9 am~3 pm  
821 Daniel Shays HighwAthol**

Proceeds from the Craft fair benefit the QVHC Resident Council Fund,  
Veterans Club, Alzheimer's Association and the Relay for Life  
Come and join us for a day filled with Crafters, Basket Raffles,  
Huge Chance Auction  
Visits with Santa, Baked Goods, Lunch Counter

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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).

DECEMBER IS DEADLINE NOVEMBER 23<sup>rd</sup>

# Holiday Memory Tree

***Please come join us*** as the Historical Society of Phillipston, Inc. once again sponsors a "Memory Tree" on Phillipston Common - Sunday, December 4th. Lights go on at 4:30 PM. We'll sing carols while we light the tree and then retire to the warmth of the church to hear the reading of the names and events that are important in each of our lives. The Annual "Citizen of the Year" for public service to the town will be announced and the recipient of the "Signature Quilt" that celebrates the town's 225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary will be drawn. We'll then be entertained by the beautiful tones of the Hardwick Handbell Choir directed by Cindy Baird. Light refreshments follow the ceremony.

To include your names and events in the ceremony, please list the names and type of remembrance on the form below. Each name is a \$5.00 donation and you may contribute to as many names/lights as you'd like. Include a separate sheet of paper if you need more room.

For any questions, contact Linda Langevin at (978) 939-5656.

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Enclosed please find my \$\_\_\_\_\_ donation for \_\_\_\_\_ light(s) on the "Memory Tree".  
Enclosed is my check made out to the **Historical Society of Phillipston, Inc.**

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Name Remembered                      Memory or Celebration of   Relationship to Person Remembered

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(Continued on enclosed separate page.)

**Your Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone No.:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Deadline for submissions is Tues. Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>. Mail or bring form to:  
Historical society of Phillipston, Inc., c/o Linda Langevin, 105 Riley Switch Road,  
Phillipston, MA 01331 Phone: 978-939-5656