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Happy 4th of July!

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What's Happening At The Board of Selectmen

By John Parker

(Editor's note: the following are edited summaries of Board minutes, which are available in full and unedited on the Town web site at www.weststockbridge-ma.gov and at the Town offices.)

May 16, 2008

Open meeting; Town Offices. Present: Selectmen Curt Wilton, Chair; Tina Skorput Cooper, Michael Kirchner. Also present: Administrative Assistant Mark Webber, Berkshire Record reporter.

Board Re-Organization. This being the first meeting following the annual election, the Board voted to re-organize with Tina Skorput Cooper as Chairperson, Mike Kirchner as Secretary, and Curt Wilton as Clerk.

Police Salary. The Board agreed to increase the full-time Police Officer's hourly rate from \$15.40 to \$17.50 reflecting completion of police academy training.

Zoning Approval. The Board reviewed a ZBA Special Permit allowing Rouge to expand its restaurant business to include the building next door.

Village School Renovation. The Board discussed a letter from Whiteway Construction regarding Police equipment, which suffered water damage during the Village School reconstruction. Final payment is being withheld until the matter is resolved.

Facility Use Request. The Board approved a request from CHP to use the Town Hall facilities on Tuesday mornings, extending their previous approval.

Aquatic Weeds. Mill Pond aquatic weed removal will begin next Tuesday.

COA Van. Since the State Executive Office of Transportation grant award for a new van has been pushed back another eight months, the Selectmen are considering buying the van through a previously approved town meeting appropriation. An updated quote received this week (\$39,752) is less than that received last September (\$41,754). Rob McDermott will check this new quote with other vendors, make sure it is exactly what the COA is expecting, and report back in a week.

Police Chief Candidates. The Board interviewed two finalists for the position of Chief of Police and expects to make a decision at the next scheduled regular open meeting:

Michael Stanton served 1 1/2 years as Chief of Police in West Stockbridge and 20 years as a police officer in Stockbridge. He feels that he could easily make the transition from an officer to Chief. His first task would be to make sure that no requirements were being neglected. He would take stock of the Department and personnel, but didn't expect to make any sudden changes. With regard to Community Policing, Mr. Stanton said policy should be shaped by the community's needs and wants. He would strengthen cooperative arrangements with neighboring departments. Activity logs would be used to determine staffing needs. He did not see need for an overnight shift at this time. The Chief should be on-call around the clock. Asked how he would gain the confidence of those who supported the outgoing Chief, Mr. Stanton responded that he would work just as hard for detractors as he would for supporters. The biggest challenge facing the new Chief would be to settle the waters caused by the change in Chief. Regarding relationships between the Chief and subordinates, Mr. Stanton responded there needs to be mutual respect but he will not tolerate misconduct. Mr. Stanton suggested the Board make their selection based on who is the best fit for the Town at this time.

William Bartini has been a police officer in Lee since 1988. He feels he could make the transformation from patrolman to Chief without trouble. His first priority would be to get to know the people of West Stockbridge. He would review policies and procedures and make changes if necessary. He would like to see full three-shift coverage, but budget and need would drive that decision. It would be important to mend fences right away. He would make himself accessible and seek to settle any problems quickly. Mr. Bartini said the Chief needs to be respectful to his staff, to act professionally, and he and his officers need to be held accountable. He feels very comfortable in West Stockbridge and is looking forward to the chance of working here.

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Business Profile

Sven Svendsson, New Owner of the Williams River Country Store *Story by Vicki Grayson*

Sven Svendsson, who has owned and operated West Stockbridge Video for 10 years, purchased the Williams River Country Store this past April. Needless to say, with two businesses on Main Street, he is a very, very busy man.

Sven, who is originally from Minnesota, came to West Stockbridge after a stop of several years



Above: Sven Svendsson is the new proprietor of the Williams River Country Store.

Left: Left to Right: Matt, Sven and Hiliary

Photos: Tina Skorput Cooper



in Austin, Texas. He moved to the Berkshires to work at the DeSisto School and do, as he said, “some good in the world.” Eventually he left the school and worked at the Hawthorne Valley Farm in Ghent, New York, where he was able to pursue his life-long interest in sustainability. His father, a scientist who worked for 3M, was always inventing and building things such as a homemade solar hot water heater and as a result Sven has also always been interested in alternative energy.

He said he wanted to purchase the Williams River Country Store because he loves West Stockbridge and

is always looking for more projects in town to be involved with. He also strongly believes in supporting a local economy. The country store is already beginning to look different and plans for many changes are in the works. At the moment, in addition to all the general food and drink items in the store, there is an amazing variety of SoCo ice cream, (locally made from local milk) including a few special flavors that change weekly, a large selection of slush puppies, an assortment of “penny” candies that keeps getting larger each week, and a variety of sandwiches for lunch, the busiest time of the day along with early morning when there is a huge business in coffee and breakfast items.

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Old Town Hall. Mike Kirchner noted that the Board needs to get moving on a Request for Proposals for the Old Town Hall. Mark Webber will re-start the process, which had stalled because of uncertainty about proposed zoning changes. The Board doesn't want to wait; an RFP would note that zoning changes may or may not occur.

May 19, 2008

Open Meeting; Village School Town Hall. Present: Selectmen Tina Skorput Cooper, Chair; Curt Wilton; Mike Kirchner.

Chief of Police. The Board discussed the two Chief of Police candidate finalists, William Bartini and Michael Stanton. Following expressions of support from all three Selectmen, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Michael Stanton as Chief of Police. (Mike Kirchner then left to attend to personal matters.)

COA Van. Curt Wilton reviewed the history, timeline, current status and the Board's intentions regarding the COA van: the Board applied for a grant to fund a new van. Awards were to be announced in June 2008. In May, the Board learned that awards would not be made until winter 2009. Upon learning of the delay, the Board voted 3-0 in early May to order a new van and not to wait for the grant. Norwin Rehm (COA) agreed to the van specifications after adding a dual battery option. The total cost will be \$39,807. The van will be delivered in 6 to 8 weeks.

Bridge Crosswalks and Sidewalk. Louise Faggioni and Cecil Stannard expressed concern with the crosswalk design and the lack of a sidewalk on the west side of the newly reconstructed Shaker Mill Bridge. They feel that it is dangerous. Curt Wilton said the crosswalks will be installed and painted in a few weeks. The bridge design was approved and accepted by the Town following public hearings held approximately eight years ago, long before the current Board was elected. Although it is assumed that this topic was discussed at the public hearings, the Board will contact MassHighway and request an explanation for the change in sidewalk from one side to the other.

May 30, 2008

Open Meeting; Town Offices. Present: Selectmen Tina Skorput Cooper, Chair; Curt Wilton. Absent: Michael Kirchner. Also present: Administrative Assistant Mark Webber.

Sign Issue. A question was raised as to whether the sign at the bakery on Center Street is permitted and lighted. (Illuminated signs are disallowed under town zoning by-laws.) Mark Webber to investigate.

Building Inspector. An ad will be placed in the Shopper's Guide for replacement of the Building Inspector. Two working inspectors have already inquired.

Facility Use. The Board reviewed a request to use the Village School gym for a birthday party on June 20, from 12:30 to 3:30.

Special Town Meeting. The Board scheduled a Special Town Meeting for June 30th to take care of "housekeeping," end-of-year budget items, and to act on a proposed Zone II Wellhead Protection bylaw or regulation.

Insurance Claim. The Board reviewed a memo from the Town's insurance company about a claim involving a Highway Dept. vehicle backing into a private vehicle.

Bridge Project. Maximillian Construction will end their rental of office space at the old Town Hall on June 14. Maximillian has been paying the Town \$750/month rent since the beginning of the Shaker Mill Bridge reconstruction project.

Rest Stop. The Board also considered a request to use the Village School as a rest stop during the annual Multiple Sclerosis bike ride fundraiser. The Board agreed to ask event organizers to use the Town rest area facilities across from the Post Office instead.

Certificate of Occupancy. The Board reviewed a Certificate of Occupancy request for a new home at 3 Pondview Drive. The house may be too close to the property line and the owners have been informed that they need to seek a variance through the Zoning Board of Appeals. Until a variance is acted on, the C of O cannot be signed.

Priority List. The Board reviewed a priority list compiled by the Administrative Assistant. The Board will review the list periodically to track projects and initiatives.

Executive Session. The Board voted to go into Executive Session for collective bargaining of non-union personnel.

June 2, 2008

Open Meeting; Town Offices. Present: Tina Skorput Cooper, Chair; Curt Wilton. Michael Kirchner unable to attend. Also present: Administrative Assistant Mark Webber.

Bridge Sidewalk. The Board approved a letter to MassHighway Director Peter Niles requesting an explanation of sidewalk placement on the newly reconstructed Shaker Mill Bridge.

Officer Appointments. The Board will review Annual Officer Appointments at their next meeting.

Election Complaint. James Domainque, Sr., presented a letter to the Board detailing his version of the May 12, 2008, Town elections. Mr. Domainque detailed an encounter at or near 10 West Center Road involving Police Officer Perrin, who Mr. Domainque claims was not on duty and not in uniform. Mr. Domainque stated that Officer Perrin instructed him to leave the premises because he was in violation of a trespass order. Mr. Domainque stated that Officer Perrin acted unprofessionally and suggested the Board suspend Officer Perrin. Asked why he was asked to leave the Village School property on Election Day, Tina Skorput Cooper responded that, as the Chief Election Official of the Town, she felt that Mr. Domainque's presence would be detrimental to the election. It was agreed to pass Mr. Domainque's letter on to Town Counsel for review.

License Request. Mr. Domainque went on to ask if the Town issues "hawkers and peddlers licenses." Neither Selectman present was familiar with that type of license, nor could they recall one ever being issued in the Town, but it was noted the Board is the issuing authority for all Town licenses. Mr. Domainque then asked for an application for a Class II (used car) license for the property at 10 West Center Road, stating that William Kie currently holds such a license for 8 West Center Road and shouldn't because license holders must be of "proper moral standing." Tina Skorput Cooper responded that the Board has not issued a new

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Saturday August 9th

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BAKING CONTEST: Entries accepted between 11AM and 12 Noon.

Judging starts at Noon. Call Lynn Ryan for pre-registration info: 413-232-7758.

The **PET PARADE** opens the Festival at 10AM. We want lots of pets in "costumes" that suggest or resemble Zucchini's. More info? email ws_petparade2008@yahoo.com or call Julie at (413) -232-7923. **ZUCCHINI WEIGH-OFF:** Hopefully your Zucchini's are getting bigger every day! We're accepting entries from 11AM to 1PM.

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of the
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Dear Residents of Richmond and West Stockbridge,

The Community Health Association is pleased to announce that it has relocated its offices to the Town Hall of West Stockbridge as of July 3, 2008. Office hours are 9am - 1pm, Monday through Thursday, and all residents of Richmond and West Stockbridge are welcome to use our services.

Thanks to the generosity of the residents of the Towns of Richmond and West Stockbridge from 1928 through the present, the Community Health Association has served the public health and home health needs of many of our town residents, especially those of our frail and elderly residents. The services offered have varied over time due to the needs of the two communities and changes in health care delivery of services and funding.

Recently, CHA has made the decision to refocus our mission by going back to our beginnings as a public health organization and ending our status as a provider of visiting nurses services due to changes in Medicare reimbursement. This means that we are providing free nursing consultation visits, venipuncture for lab tests, protime testing, administration of injections, cardiopulmonary and diabetic assessments on a walk-in basis from our office in the school building for our residents. We believe that the provision of these services is essential for the health and well being of some of our most compromised residents and with the increase in transportation costs the provision of these services in our own town is more important than ever. We are also scheduling health fairs, classes, and regular clinics in our two towns and are available to assist you and your family in working through the maze of our health industry to meet your health needs.

Throughout its long history, CHA has had offices in both towns to meet the needs of the residents. We have been very pleased to have our office in the Richmond school and grateful for the town to have our office built specifically for us when the new school was renovated. In 1998, the voters of Richmond voted and appropriated funds for the renovated school which included a specific suite of rooms, designed to meet the special needs of Community Health and to allow for its own entrance and egress aside from the School operating schedule.

Recently, we have been notified by the Richmond school committee that they plan to use our space for administrative offices. Even though we are saddened by this decision, we are thrilled by the generosity expressed by the town of West Stockbridge, as they have offered CHA space in their new town hall. Please stop by and see us.

Save the date for the CHA Health Fair! It will be Saturday, July 19, 12-4 at the West Stockbridge Town Hall.

With Warm Regards,

Community Health Association Board of Directors

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Parks & Recreation News

By Jenni Roy-Hallock

We have been working on many different projects this month. Some of the bigger ones include:

- The playground behind the Town Offices – considering a way to get volunteers to help spruce it up a bit.
- Walking path around the Town Offices' grounds – reviewing plans recently submitted.
- Popcorn maker – in the process of buying one for our various events.
- Skate Park – reviewing ideas to upgrade it with the help of David Eddy
- 'Zuck' Races – starting to put together volunteers to run the races (the Zucchini Festival will be here before you know it!)

So, if you take a particular interest in any of these issues, please join us at our next meeting, July 15th, 7 pm at the Town Offices, or contact me at jenniroy1@gmail.com or 232-4322.

Meanwhile, Card Pond is open and looking great! Hours are Wed-Friday 11-4, Saturday and Sunday 11-5 with our Lifeguard, Jillian Culver. Also, enjoy the new basketball backboards and hoops at the court by the tennis court.

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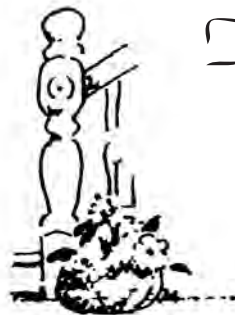
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Library News

By AJ Coles, Librarian



There continues to be a lot going on in the library. Jennifer Tremblay Sturgis has just accepted the Library Assistant position and will start in July after a CORI

background check has been completed. Please welcome Jennifer back to West Stockbridge!

NEW HOURS: Beginning July 1st, the Library will have new hours: Tuesdays 11 AM-5 PM, Wednesdays 2-6 PM, Thursdays 2-6 PM, Fridays 2-8 PM, and Saturdays 10AM-2 PM.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM: Kids (of ALL ages) can sign up for the summer reading program online from the library's blog, www.wspl.blogspot.com. Starting July 2nd, there will be activities in the Library to go along with the Summer Reading Program theme, "Wild Reads". We'll meet on Wednesdays from 4-5 PM through August 6th.

THE COW LADY: On July 12th at 11AM, Carol Weiss, a.k.a. the Cow Lady, will be in the Library for Story Time to read her book on cows.

AMUSEMENT PARK AUTHOR: On July 25th at 7 PM, Jay Ducharme will be in the library to discuss his new book, Mountain Park, which

documents the amusement park's history in the 1900's. "So, take a wild ride back in time this summer with Mountain Park memories." (Janice McArdle)

ADULT COMPUTER CLASSES will start on July 1st at 1 PM. Call AJ at the Library if you'd like to attend, 232-0300 x 308.

ONGOING PROGRAMS are Knitting (Wednesdays at 2 PM), Scrapbooking (Thursdays at 4 PM), and Story Time and crafts (Saturdays at 11 AM). The Book Club will meet July 11th at 6 PM, to discuss *The Wednesday Letters* by Jason Wright.

FREE PASSES TO AREA ATTRACTIONS: Day passes are available to West Stockbridge residents. There are passes to The Mount, the Norman Rockwell Museum, Hancock Shaker Village, and Parks Passes for free parking at state parks.

ART EXHIBIT: Local Artist Mary Ellen DeVanny will have her artwork on display in the Library during the month of July

TRUSTEE'S MEETING: The next Trustees' meeting will be Thursday, July 17th. Come and hear what's happening at the Library! ■

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Art at the Library:

Mary Ellen Devanny, Abstract Colorist and Action Painter

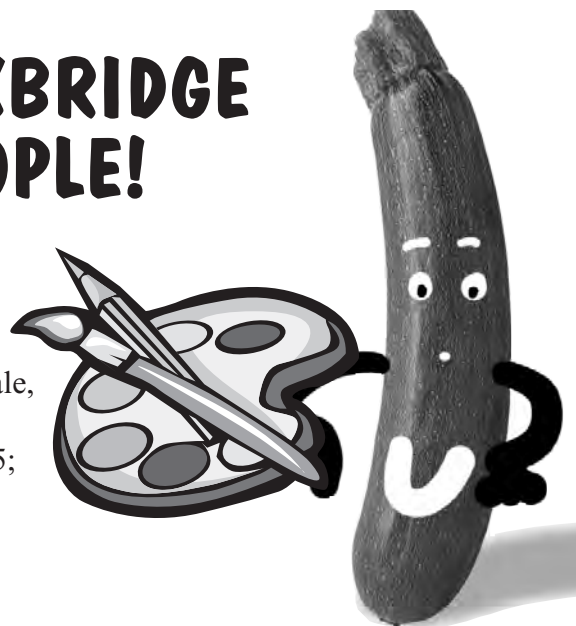
Samples of Mary Ellen's paintings will be on display in the Library during July. In addition to acrylics, Mary Ellen also creates collages. Mary Ellen says, "I play with color and textures to define a feeling/observation while always trying to create light that balances the total experience. Attitude is everything. The overall prize is being able to share the completed experience." ■



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(Board of Selectmen, continued from page 6)

Class II license in memory and does not have an application form. However, Mr. Domainque is free to apply in the name of Vivian Kie. The Board will locate a license application. Curt Wilton stated that the Board takes Mr. Domainque's claims seriously and will investigate them and will be advised by Town Counsel. The Board will get back to him in a few weeks.

Parks and Recreation. Tina Bardwell, representing Parks and Recreation, gave an update of activities. Card Pond will open on June 20 and this year's lifeguard will be Jillian Culver. Portable sanitary facilities and the continuing geese problem were discussed.

June 9, 2008

Open meeting; Town Offices. Present: Tina Skorput Cooper, Michael Kirchner, Curt Wilton. Also present: Administrative Assistant Mark Webber.

Planting Project. Josh Morse addressed the Board about his Eagle Scout planting project. The final part is a flowerbed around the new Town Offices sign in front of the Village School. Installation of the new sign has been delayed and he is concerned about finishing the project. The sign vendor has been contacted

numerous times but has not yet installed the sign. Mike Kirchner pledged to at least get the sign posts installed by the end of the week so Josh can make his flowerbed. Board members complimented Josh on the job he has done with his beautification project.

Lane/ZBA Lawsuit. Mark Webber is scheduled for a deposition in the Lane/ZBA lawsuit this Wednesday.

Special Town Meeting. Posting for the June 30th Special Town Meeting needs to be done no later than June 16. The Board will review the warrant at their June 14 meeting.

Class II License. The Board reviewed and approved a letter to Vivian Kie stating that a Class II license for 10 West Center Road cannot be issued and is not allowed by Town of West Stockbridge Zoning By-laws.

Driveway Damage. Mark Webber informed the Board that the Town's insurance claims adjuster viewed the Flumerfelt property recently with the Highway Supt. and will issue a letter stating their position on Mr. Flumerfelt's claim that the town is responsible for property damage to his driveway and lawn as a result of a severe rain/snow melt event in March. Curt Wilton noted that a 'road emergency' was declared and that there was documented damage to Town roads and private properties in several areas of Town.

Village School Project. A meeting will be set with CMS, the project manager for the Village School project, to officially close out the building project.

Town Officers Appointments. The Board reviewed a draft of the Annual Town Officers Appointment list.

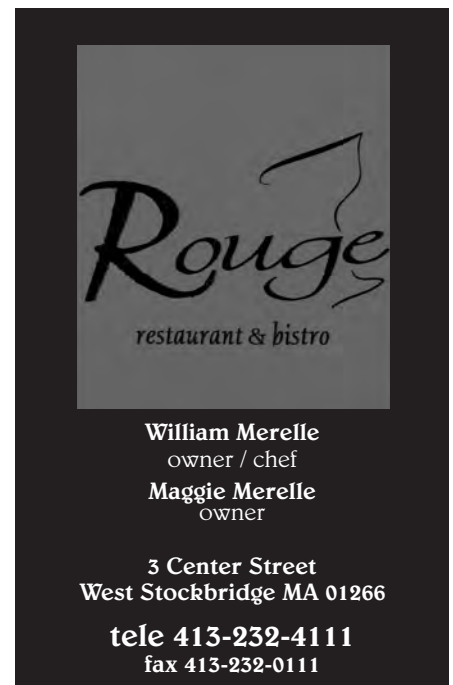
Executive Session. The Board went into executive session for non-union personnel collective bargaining. ■



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July Birthdays

July 6	Paula Lockenwitz
July 7	Pam Lockenwitz
July 8	Michael Skorput
July 18	Ian Babcock
July 18	Brigitte Redel
July 24	Dale Skorput
July 31	Emily Kleiner-Goudey



West Stockbridge Compactor Station

Bill's Recycling
Tip of the Month:



The Compactor Station can accept cans and bottles no larger than 2 gallons with no metal (e.g. handles, etc.) attached.

Please remember, styrofoam and plastic bags are not recyclable at the Compactor Station. Many supermarkets will accept plastic bags for recycling.

Hours:

Tues., Thurs. 10am-6pm

Sat. 8am-6pm

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Bill Pixley, Attendant

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Community News & Events

Richmond/West Stockbridge Community Health Association

The Community Health Association will hold a Health Fair on Saturday, July 19, from noon to 4 p.m. in the gymnasium of the West Stockbridge Town Hall, 21 State Line Road – a free offering of health services and information programs open to residents of Richmond and West Stockbridge.

Free screenings, to be provided by Community Health and Berkshire Health Systems, will include cholesterol, diabetes, health insurance assistance, blood pressure, nutrition, and skin and sun health.

Planned as “health promotion” programs are a food demonstration, cancer prevention, medication and supplement review, integral medicine, free BIA body composition testing, and ambulance service.

Three lectures are scheduled: “Lyme Disease and Other Tick-Borne Illnesses” by Deborah August, MD, 12:30 to 1:00 p.m.; “Achieving Optimal Health through Chinese Medicine” by Lonny Jarrett, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.; and “Health Promotion and Wellness” by Michelle Hemingway, MD, 3:00 to 3:45 p.m.

For more information, call Emilie Jarrett, CHA director, at 698-3303.

Stockbridge Grange Holds Monthly Dinner

The Stockbridge Grange will serve a family-style public baked bean and ham dinner in the Grange Hall on Church Street in Stockbridge from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm on Sunday, July 13. The cost is \$9.50 for adults and \$4.50 for children under twelve. Take out is available by calling 298-3185.

Church Plans Bazaar

The West Stockbridge Congregational Church is holding a Bazaar on Saturday, July 19th from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Tables are available for \$25. For further information, or to reserve a table, please call Joanne Wodecki at 413-528-3344.

Cemetery Rules and Regulations Reminder

The Cemetery Commission would like to remind residents and visitors of the rules and regulations of the West Stockbridge Cemeteries:

- Cemetery hours are 8 am to sunset
- Speed Limit is 15 mph
- No dogs or horses are allowed in the cemeteries
- No motorized recreational vehicles (i.e. ATVs, dirt bikes, snowmobiles) are allowed.
- Dumping of garbage and refuse is prohibited.
- No work of any kind may be done on cemetery grounds without the approval of the Cemetery Commission.
- No plantings of any kind may be made on any lot without permission of the Cemetery Commission; however, annual flowers may be planted next to monuments, but must be removed in the Fall.
- Trees, bushes and shrubs may not be planted in the cemeteries. Existing trees, bushes and shrubs may be removed at the owner's expense.
- Winter wreath decorations are permitted from November 11 (Veteran's Day) until April 15.

Tag & Bake Sale

St Patrick's Church will hold a Tag Sale and Bake Sale on Saturday, August 2, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Tag sale items are being accepted until July 27. Please leave clean, usable items in the rectory garage between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.



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Assessors Office	Tues. 5-7pm; Wed., Thurs., 9:30-12:30pm; Sat. morning by appointment
Board of Health	Fri. 9am-4pm
Board of Selectmen	Mon. thru Fri., 8:30am-4:30pm
Building Inspector	Please call for hours
Compactor Station	Tues., Thurs., 10am-6pm; Sat. 8am-6pm
Conservation Commission	Leave a message for inquiries
Fire Department	Fire Chief's Office Hours Mon. 6:30pm-9:00pm
Highway Department	Leave a message any time
Library	Tues 11am-5pm; Wed. & Thurs. 2-6pm; Fri. 2-8pm; Sat. 9-2pm
Police Department	24 hours, 7 days a week
Post Office	Lobby: 7am-7pm, 7 days/week Window: Mon.-Fri. 9am-4:30pm; Sat. 9-12 noon
Town Accountant	Leave a message for inquiries
Town Clerk	Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 8am-3pm
Town Collector	Wed. 4pm-6pm; Thurs., Fri., Sat. 10am-2pm
Town Treasurer	Thurs. 9am-4pm

Phone Directory	
Town Hall Main Number	413-232-0300
Town Clerk	ext. 300
Town Collector	ext. 302
Board of Assessors	ext. 303
Library	ext. 308
Building Inspector	ext. 313
Board of Health	ext. 314
Treasurer	ext. 316
Accountant	ext. 317
Board of Selectman Administrative Assistant	ext. 319
Conservation Commission	ext. 338
Town Hall Fax	413-232-7195
Police Department (Non-Emergency)	413-232-8500
Fire Department (Non-Emergency)	413-232-4200
Highway Department	413-232-0305
Transfer Station	413-232-0307
Sewer Plant	413-232-0309
Seasonal Lifeguard	413-232-0315
Council on Aging	413-232-4317
Post Office	413-232-8544

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JUNE 2008 Calendar of Events			
DATE	EVENT	TIME	PLACE
July 1	Computer Classes Begin	1:00pm	Library
July 2-4	Town Clerk's Office Closed		
July 3	Board of Health Meeting	7:00pm	Town Offices
July 4	HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!		
July 10	CHP HCAP Community Health Screening	2:00-4:00pm	Town Offices
	Conservation Commission Meeting	7:00pm	Town Offices
July 11	Local Yokel Submission Deadline		
	Book Club Meeting	6:00pm	Library
July 12	Carol Weiss, aka The Cow Lady	11:00am	Library
July 13	Stockbridge Grange Dinner	1:00pm-2:00pm	Stockbridge Grange
July 14	Planning Board Meeting	7:00pm	Town Offices
July 15	Parks and Recreation Meeting	6:30pm	Town Offices
	Finance Committee Meeting	6:30pm	Town Offices
July 17	Library Trustees Meeting	Call for time	Library
July 19	Community Health Assoc. Health Fair	12noon-4pm	Gymnasium at the Town Offices
	Friends of the Library Book Sale	10:00am-4:00pm	Town Offices
July 21	Board of Selectmen's Meeting	6:30pm	Town Offices
July 25	Author Jay Ducharme	7:00pm	Library