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photo by Claudine Poplawski

From the Town Hall

Submitted by Janice Boudreau

Summer is passing so rapidly, I always thought it to be a time when things slowed down a bit, but not the case this year!

Water Issue

One issue Superintendent Lance Larned and I have been grappling with is some leaking occurring in the town water system. Five of the town buildings receive their water from the same source which is the well located at Town Hall. You may have noticed some digging occurring near the Safety Complex, behind the mailboxes. We had Lynde Well Drilling come out to investigate an area where it was thought have water leaking since observing water pooling up since early Spring. Our well pump was working more than it should be, and we have been unable to locate where the leaks are taking place. Lynde located a pipe with corrosion and holes and replaced a section of pipe, however, not all the leakage had stopped. The conundrum is that some of the pipes run under the buildings in places, which complicates matters. To make a long story short, there is more work needed to be done to see if there are additional leaks we can address before considering the next step.

At the same time, there were found to be pipes leaking in the men's room at the Safety Complex. Over the weekend another drain at Town Hall is leaking as well. We are fortunate to have a very robust water source that continues to supply adequate water.

Old Home Day 2023

There is an interest to revive the Rowe Old Home Days for next July on the traditional day of the second Saturday in July. Would you like to head up a committee to organize the day

and events? Would you like to be a part of this committee? Please contact me at townadmin@rowe-ma.gov or call 413-339-5520 ext. 100.



Lynde Well Drilling trying to locate leaking pipes

Assessor's News

Recent Property Transfers (Apr thru Jul 2022)

The following are recent property transfers in Rowe. Further details may be obtained by researching the specific deeds at the Franklin County Registry of Deeds website at masslandrecords.com/franklin

Deed Bk 7985 Pg 322, vanItallie Estate to Trevvett/Messer (Pine Tree Trust), Davenport Rd, \$81,000 (Map 409 Lot 004)

Deed Bk 8034 Pg 38, Gallo Estate to Yelle, 33 Old Cyrus Stage Rd, \$160,000 (Map 201 Lot 032)

Town Clerk

Submitted by Paul McLatchy III

Office hours continue to be on Thursday evenings from 6:00-8:00 and by appointment. Town officials who were elected in May or were appointed to various positions need to be sworn in, even if you are the incumbent. I still have two elected officials from 2021 that have not been sworn in!

In July the legislature passed an extension to the open meeting law changes allowing committees to meet fully remotely. This extension will last until next spring. Proposed mandates requiring hybrid meetings were thankfully not included, as this would have placed a considerable burden (both logistically and financially) on smaller towns.

I need election workers! Many of the election workers that have worked in the past are no longer available, so I am seeking out fresh candidates. The work is very easy, pays \$15.00/hour, and meals are included. It's also a great way to catch up on reading, knitting, or other quiet activity during the downtime! We have two state elections this fall, both of which run for 13 hours, not including 2-3 hours of counting afterward. It makes for a long day and finding people willing to work the entire shift is hard. If you are interested in working as an election worker, please contact my office at 339-5520 x103 and leave a message (or email me at townclerk@rowe-ma.gov).

As part of the recently passed legislation, voters should have received (or will shortly receive) postcards like the 2020 election that allow you to request a vote-by-mail ballot. Another change is in-person early voting. In-person early vot-

ing will take place on Saturday, August 27th from 10:00-2:00 PM, and on Thursday, September 1 from 6:00-8:00 PM, both sessions at Town Hall.

These are permanent changes to election law and apply to all state elections/primaries moving forward.



photo by Claudine Poplawski

From the Board of Health

CONGRATULATIONS to the COMPOST BIN RAFFLE WINNERS! Please pick up your compost bin from Rob at the Refuse Gardens:

Sherry McGuire
 Ian Boyd
 Paul McLatchy, III
 Karen Soviecke
 Cindy Stetson
 Kris Swenson
 Lynne Shulda
 Terry Veber
 Kathy Atwood
 Michael Brines

Saturday Movies at the Park

Next Showing: August 13 (rain date August 20)

Movie: The Greatest Showman





New Community Produce Swap at the library! We have designated a table out front with easy access for community members to have a space to share the over abundance of their gardens with others.

I would like to thank the Rowe and Charlemont Fire Departments for their quick response to a smoke incident that occurred at our home recently.

Everyone acted professionally in their role to make sure everyone was okay.

The Town of Rowe is so fortunate to have such a great Chief - Dennis Annear and his team.

Thank you again for being there for us in our time of need. You don't realize how important they really are until you actually need them.

Gratefully
Ed and Sandy Daviau

**Southern Vermont History Museum
Presentation
OWLS OF NEW ENGLAND
Pelham Lake Park Beach
Saturday, September 3, 2022
10:00 AM**

This birds of prey program focuses on the raptor night shift. The adaptations that make owls the supreme hunters of the night is the focus with an exploration into the various species of owls that call New England their home. SVHM staff will bring live owls, touchable artifacts, and interactive demonstrations to make this an unforgettable presentation.



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Rowe Town Library News

Submitted by Molly Lane, Library Director

HOURS:

Tuesday 10-5

Wednesday 12-8 Thursday 3-7

Saturday 10-3

Have you been in to see Donna's picks? Every couple weeks Donna picks a few books to order multiple copies of books she has researched and found to be highly recommended. Stop in for a quick read.

The library has put out a table for all to drop off or collect local overflow produce, plants, seeds or other garden related items. Hope you will consider sharing any extras by dropping them on our outdoor table.

We are working with local departments, Rowe Camp and Conference Center and many residents to coordinate the upcoming Saturday Night at the Movies Series. We are excited to work with everyone in creating more social activities/events for our community.

Programs:

Adults:

Mosaic Tile Workshop - Create a mosaic tile with broken china, glass beads, etc...

Wednesday and Thursday August 24th and 25th, 5:30-7:00 Call the library to reserve your spot.

Book Chat - "Mercy Street" by Jennifer Haigh. Wednesday August 17th at 3:30.

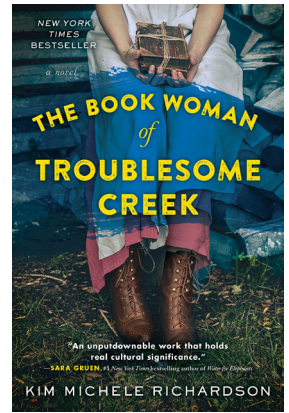
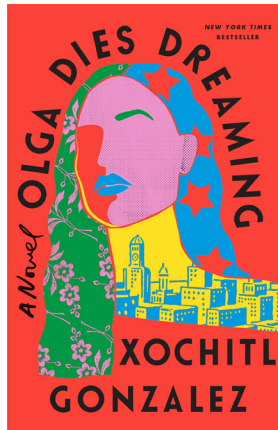
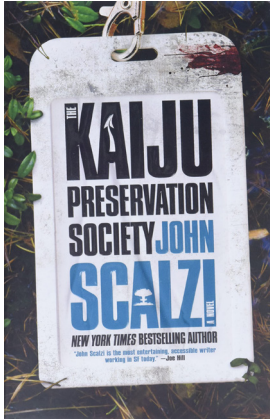
Kids:

Summer Reading Program- Slime - Play dough and Ice cream party...

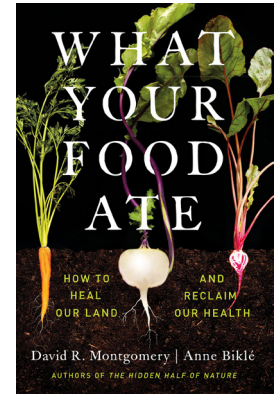
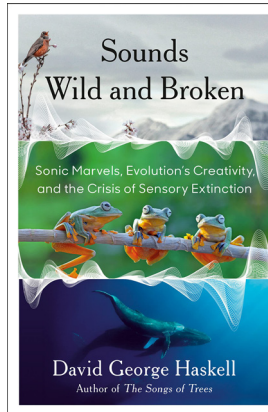
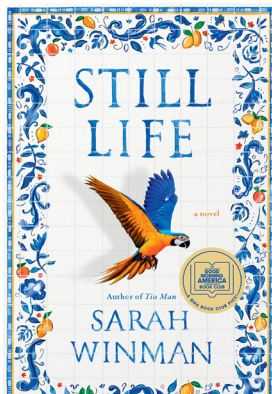
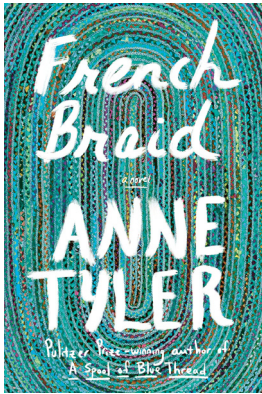
Wednesday August 3rd at 2:30 P.M

Some New Items This Month

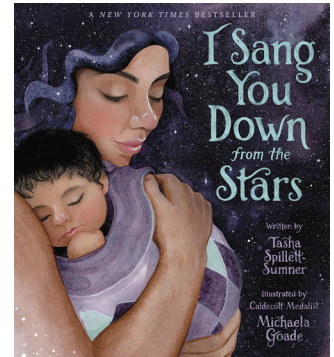
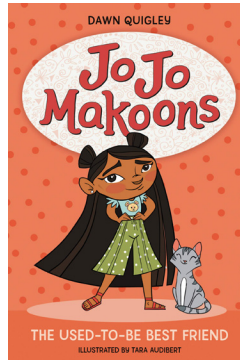
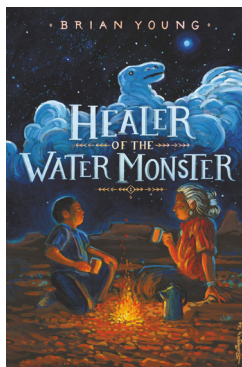
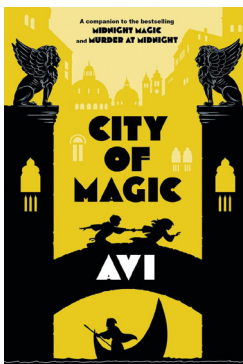
Adult Fiction:



Nonfiction:



Teens:



Kids:

ROWE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



As we hit the midpoint of summer, it's hard to believe that in less than a month (Wednesday, August 31st), the halls, fields, and forests of the school will again be filled the happy sounds of children talking, laughing, playing...and learning. It is a time of renewal, when everything seems fresh, and the possibilities are limitless.

The Rowe School Committee and the Rowe School nurse will meet with the Rowe Board of Health to determine how best to open safely when the new school year starts. We're receiving guidance from the state, and will be planning how to use the spaces inside and outside the school to deliver education in an engaging, challenging, and safe way. We'll be sharing more details on our plans soon. This past school year was one I hope we will not see the likes of again. Still, I know that the staff and families of the Rowe School, in cooperation with the School Committee, Board of Health, and NBSU Central Office, will meet whatever challenge we face head-on, and make sure we offer the best learning outcome possible for our students.

This year, we hope to restore our field trips, After School Learning Activities, Rowe soccer team, and pot-luck dinners...details to follow. Our information packet for families will go out mid-August, with the forms needing to be filled out for the beginning of school. Please be looking for that.

Despite the fact that things are slower here at the school during the summer, it has definitely not been quiet. Summer School was going on from the third week of June, and finished the third week of July. Our school secretary, Laurie, has been working hard to get ready for the first day of school. Teachers will be coming in during the month of August, preparing their classrooms for when the students return. As for me, I'm working to figure out how we can get the community more involved in the school. If you have some advice for me on that, or any other topic, please call (413-512-5101) or email (wknittle@roweschool.org). I'd truly like to hear from you.

-Submitted by Bill Knittle

Council on Aging News

Summer is moving too quickly, but there are still lots of local things to do while the weather is nice. A reminder that the last Movie on the Beach presentation will be The Greatest Showman at Pelham Lake Park on Saturday August 13. It is free to all; bring your kids, your grandkids, your neighbors. Come early to enjoy the sunset. Free popcorn and water will be available. Bring your lawn chairs/blankets and a wrap because, well, you know, its Rowe and sometimes it gets a bit chilly once the sun goes down. Movie starts at 8:30 p.m. A big thank you to the Rowe Center and Ben Werner, director, for the use and set up of the inflatable screen.

Speaking of entertainment, mark your calenders for September 13 when Tim Van Egmond, storyteller, dulcimer player will present his musical program, "Landscapes of Hope." We will be meeting at the Rowe Historical Society. We are considering morning time starting with coffee and homemade goodies. BUT we need volunteers who are willing to help set up the meeting room and/or bake some of the goodies. Anyone have a large coffee pot that can be used (the old RCOA coffee pot is stuck in the not-to-be-entered Gracy House).

We are fortunate to have our new Town Nurse, Rachael. Have you sent in the health needs questionnaire she sent out last month?

Speaking of volunteers, it takes a village. Gone are the days of only a few folks doing most of the work it takes to get the COA up and going again. There are nine seats on the Council and two are vacant. I would like to see the Council more diversified and representative of the population of the community. It would be wonderful if two male residents would step forward to volunteer for the vacant seats. You don't have to be related to someone else on the council - in fact, it probably would be better if you were not. But your perspective of growing older and what that means, and what is needed to remain happy, healthy, etc. is most important. So please, Guys, give it a try.

Lastly, the Heath Council on Aging has reached out and asked the Rowe COA to participate in a program in September (date to be announced - please listen to Rowe Robo calls and read the Goal Post). The program will be presented by an expert in scams directed toward the elderly - we all have read and/or been approached by questionable persons who want personal information or try to get us to give information which would lead them to be able to steal our resources. Location will be announced, but undoubtedly will be in Heath - another opportunity for some folks to volunteer to car pool from Rowe.

Have a great August.

Susan Tomlinson

Browning Bench Tool Factory

Submitted by Joanne Semanie



Bench Tool Factory building on original site

On November 1830, Anson Browning of Colrain purchased a five-acre lot measuring ten rods by eighty rods, the west ten being from the corner of the "Original Mill Lot" up Middletown Hill Rd (#7, Williams property). By 1832 Anson was assessed for a house, shop and land and in 1833 for a house, barn, shop and land. The house at #7 has the initials HB on several of the beams so Horace Browning must have been involved with his brother in the building of the house and shop.

The deed for the property in January 1834 from Anson to his brother Horace is for \$700, the property was assessed that same year for Horace with a house, barn, shop and five acres for \$450. There are no additional listings for Anson Browning who returned to Colrain.

In the genealogy section of "The History of Colrain, Massachusetts" by Lois Patrie, Anson and Horace "started a carriage factory in Rowe". The value of Horace Browning's holdings was the same until 1846 when it jumped to \$600. By 1847 he is being charged for "stock in trade" valued at \$150. This is the start of his making bench tools.

The book "Wooden Planes in 19th Century America" by Kenneth D. Roberts lists the Browning Bench tool dates as 1852-1855 but the first date should be 1847. William D. Swain is listed in this book as making planes in Rowe in 1856 although there is no confirmation of this. He was probably working for Browning and continued to make planes under his own name until 1859. The museum is in possession of several planes marked H. Browning, Rowe, Mass" and one marked "Wm. D. Swain, Rowe, Mass". Antique tool collectors prize these planes as rare and desirable.

The shop was deeded to Hosea Nelson in 1860 and listed as a mechanic shop and lumber shed until 1878 when the property was sold. The subsequent owners kept a good roof on the building thus preserving it.



Moving the Bench Tool Factory building to its current site 1976

In 1976 Jack and Nancy Williams gave the building to the town to be moved and restored as a Bicentennial project. It was moved to its present location on Pond Rd. from its original location on the opposite side of the road below the Williams house. Throughout the years it has served as a summer space for exhibits of craft by the people of Rowe, utilized for park projects and currently houses some of the museum collections.

The Bench Tool Factory building is one of the two buildings currently used by the Rowe Historical Society for displays and storage of artifacts. The articles in the factory building center around the town's agricultural history with other large pieces including wagons and sleighs. There are also photographs of people and places around town in the early 1900s displayed. It is open when the main museum building is open and gives a little window into some of the history and people of Rowe's past.



Exhibit at the Bench Tool on sugaring



As we head into that last month of summer there's still a lot being done down at Pelham Lake Park. Workers have been and continue to be hard at work as we finish up kiosk installations and work on trail re-routes.

The summer park staff have finished installing all the new kiosks to most every trail head. The new kiosks are placed at the trail heads of, Beach Trail, Riding Ring, Lakeview Trail, Sibley Trail, Davis Mine Loop Trail, Sabrina Rice Trail, Dead Moose Trail, Davenport Trail, Tennis Court Trail, Williams Trail and Soule Trail. The kiosks were built by Hilltown Demolition and were spruced up by the park staff. On them will be a new trail map and announcements and news from Pelham Lake Park.

The park staff has also been working on a reroute to the Beach Trail. This re-route is taking place where the Beach trail intersects with the Sabrina Rice Trail/Williams Trail and also right before the boardwalk that was built last summer. These sections will be completed by the beginning of August.

The second senior picnic of the summer will be held August 25th at 12:00pm. You can call the Park Headquarters to reserve a spot and tell him your order so we can prepare the meal in advance to your arrival. You are welcome to sit down at the park and enjoy your meal by the waterside or take it home with you.

The Rec Program is heading into week three! Emma Poplawski has completed bug and forest week where every day an on-theme activity is planned followed by an afternoon of swimming. The kids are enjoying the warm weather and company of the park staff. The next two weeks are Daring Defense and Wonderful Water, where the kids will learn about the forests and its animals' natural protection and then the ways of water.

Over the summer the park has been hosting outdoor movie nights with the complete showings of "Dog," and "Grease." The last movie to be shown at the park this summer will be The Greatest Showman which will be shown August 13, at 8:30pm. These movies have had great turnout and have been a great community gathering event for the summer.

And again, if you need a park sticker or a guest pass and don't have one from last year, you can come down to the park to pick those up. We hope you had a great summer using the park facilities and we can't wait to see again next summer. Have a great year!

Submitted by Sean Loomis

MILKWEED: The Ultimate Sanctuary

Visit a wildlife sanctuary and there's a good chance you will spot milkweed. This native plant is like its own tiny wildlife sanctuary. The flowers provide a safe place for small animals to seek food, water, and shelter. Some animals can only find the food they need on milkweed. The next time you're around some milkweed, take a closer look and see which of these creatures you can find.

Monarch Butterfly

Monarch butterfly caterpillars only eat milkweed leaves. Although the plant is poisonous to most creatures, these caterpillars aren't harmed by the poison and will store it in their bodies. Predators who are foolish enough to try to eat one of these caterpillars will get sick and will probably leave the other monarch caterpillars alone.

Bumblebees

The bumblebee is one of few insects big and strong enough to carry milkweed pollen. The plant makes a lot of sweet nectar in return for the bee's hard work. Look carefully at the bumblebees you see on the flowers. Do they all look the same? Probably not—there are at least seven different species that can be found just in and around Boston!

Eastern Milkweed Bugs

This insect has a mouth that looks and works like a long straw. Poking its mouth into a milkweed seed, the bug slurps up the liquid like a milkweed-flavored milkshake. Look for these bugs on the milkweed's seed pods in late summer.

Crab Spiders

These spiders, which look like crabs, can change color to match the part of the flower they're using as a hiding place. This comes in handy when hunting for bees, their meal of choice.

Red Milkweed Beetles

These funny-looking beetles grow up underground eating milkweed roots. Once they become adults, they come up out of the ground and eat the plant's leaves and flowers. If you carefully pick up a milkweed beetle and hold it to your ear, you'll hear it make a soft, mechanical squeaking sound. It makes this sound when it's upset, so put the little bug back gently!

Ready, Set, Go Outside!

Go to massaudubon.org/go and download our **Milkweed Sanctuary Checklist**. See how many species you can find!



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ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY

Franklin County Solid Waste District is planning to hold the 2022 household hazardous waste collection on Saturday, September 24th at GCC's Main Campus and the Orange Transfer Station.

Residents and businesses must pre-register by September 16th. Online pre-registration for the 2022 collection will begin in mid-August, at: franklincountywastedistrict.org. Mail-in registration forms will be available in late August at town transfer stations and in local newspapers.

Participants will be assigned an appointment time to bring wastes to the collection; an appointment time and instructions will be provided by mail after registration is processed.

The collection is free for residents of most of the District's 21 member towns. Businesses may participate but must pay for disposal costs. For business registration information, call (413) 772-2438.

This collection provides an opportunity to dispose of hazardous items that should not be put in the trash, such as leftover oil-based paints, stains, thinners, pesticides, herbicides, pool chemicals, motor oil, antifreeze, household cleaners, and other household chemicals. A more complete list of acceptable items is at: franklincountywastedistrict.org.

Batteries and mercury-containing items such as fluorescent light bulbs, thermometers, and thermostats will not be accepted at this collection. These items, which may contain mercury or heavy metals, should never be put in trash or recycling. Handle carefully, bring them to a municipal transfer station or a [Regional Hazardous Waste "Super Site"](#) and hand to attendant. In addition, fluorescent light bulbs are accepted at Lowe's Stores (all types of fluorescents), and Home Depot (CFLs only).

For more information visit: franklincountywastedistrict.org or contact the District at info@franklincountywastedistrict.org, (413) 772-2438. MA Relay for the hearing impaired: 711 or 1-800-439-2370 (TTY/TDD). The District is an equal opportunity provider.



Margaret "Maggie" Elizabeth (Bradbury) Rice, 75, of Rowe, MA, died peacefully on June 27, 2022 at her home surrounded by her family after a brief battle with cancer. Maggie was born in Pittsfield, MA on January 22, 1947, to Allan Rossman Bradbury and Phyllis Esther (Corey) Bradbury. She grew up playing in the woods at Mount Hope Farm in Williamstown, MA. Maggie graduated from Mt. Greylock Regional High School in 1965. In 1968, she graduated from the last class of the Henry W. Bishop III Memorial School of Nursing, which was affiliated with the Pittsfield General Hospital. Maggie used her skills as a registered nurse for 50 years. She worked for 20 of those years at North Adams Regional Hospital, where she had served as a candy striper in her teenage years. Maggie also worked in nursing/rehab centers in Berkshire

and Franklin counties. In her retirement years, Maggie served for seven years on the Rowe Board of Health and 27 years as an active board member for Rowe Elementary School.

Maggie is survived by her husband of 54 years, Robert R. Rice. Her family includes a son, Dean Rice (Jennifer), and a daughter, Claudine Poplawski (Daniel). Maggie was predeceased by her daughter Sabrina Corey Rice in 1984. Maggie also leaves seven cherished grandchildren (Alex, Jameson, Tyler, Jordan, Hannah, Emma, and Grace). She is survived by her sisters Carolyn Smith (Kime) of Concord, CA and Catherine Whitcomb (David) of Worthington, MA and her brother Dr. Andrew Bradbury (Rebecca) of Rexburg, Idaho. She leaves 13 nieces and nephews and 25 grandnieces and nephews.

Maggie loved her family and friends above all else. She spent her time creating beautiful gardens, tending honeybees and chickens, and enjoying the company of her dogs (Cassie and Chief) and cat (Theodore).

Maggie and Bob visited all 50 states in the USA on their various road trips.

‘Summer Safety’

Submitted by Rachel Lewis, Rowe Town Nurse

It's summertime and the living is easy. For many, summer is a favorite season; having the opportunity to sit by the lake, have day trips to the beach, hiking and biking, or just putter about in the garden during long summer days (not to mention lack of worry over impending snow storms!). Along with warmer temperatures and abundant sunshine, summer also brings some special health considerations for seniors. Older adults are at risk for heat-related health problems for a variety of reasons, including chronic health conditions like heart disease or COPD, as well as age-related physical changes and the side effects of certain medications. Although most of us love to soak up the sunshine, please stay vigilant during the warmer temperatures with these safety tips.

STAY COOL

As we get older, our bodies lose the ability to manage temperature changes efficiently. This can lead to conditions such as heat exhaustion or heat stroke, which has the potential to become a medical emergency. Our senior population are much more vulnerable to the harmful effects of heat, as their bodies do not adjust as well to sudden changes in temperature. During the hottest days, it would be advised to stay indoors in a cool place. To help keep your home cool, keep the curtains drawn closed during the day to block strong sun rays, keep a fan circulating air throughout your home, keep lights turned off during the day, and appliance use to a minimum (such as an oven).

STAY IN TOUCH

For homebound or mobility-limited seniors, having a trusted neighbor, family member or friend who checks in regularly can be an important safety measure in the summer. It is a good idea to keep close contacts informed of daily routines, such as walks and gardening. Keeping emergency phone numbers handy and sharing this information with a friend or neighbor can help in the event of a heat-related health emergency as well.

STAY HYDRATED

Older adults often become less aware of thirst and our aging bodies naturally have a decreased ability to conserve fluids. It is vital for seniors to stay hydrated, especially in the summer months and when exerting themselves. Making hydration a habit will help keep you healthier; some medications can exacerbate dehydration- combine this with hot summer sun, soaring temperatures, and/or loss of bodily fluids during exercise, this may be a recipe for dehydration disaster. It may be helpful to set an alarm or reminder to drink water or to carry a reusable water bottle with you. Be mindful of symptoms of dehydration such as thirst, dry mouth, feeling dizzy and/or tired, having very concentrated urine and a decreased urine output. These symptoms can also be related to other illnesses or conditions, so if you have any questions or concerns please contact your town nurse or other health care providers.

PROTECT YOUR BODY

Be sure to wear appropriate clothing and protective gear when involved in any outdoor activities. Sunscreen, a hat, sunglasses and loose fitting, light-colored clothing are all important accessories for people of all ages. Applying sunscreen while outdoors is vital in preventing sunburns and skin cancers, as well helping to reduce early aging of skin and sunspots. Outdoor activities for older adults are a great way to stay active and stay healthy; however, be sure to dress for the weather and consider getting that outdoor exercise early in the morning or later in the evening when temperatures drop a bit and the sun isn't quite as strong. (and remember bug spray if going outdoors especially around dawn or dusk!)

References taken from: <https://www.seniorlifestyle.com>



Nurse's Notes:

- 1) Please listen to my weekly updated voicemail for my current hours in the office for the week OR find this information on the Nurse's Webpage on the Town's Website.
- 2) Please remember to complete and return the survey that was sent out at the beginning of July if you have not done so already.
- 3) Sharps boxes are available in the Nurse's Office and you are able to discard your full sharps container here as well.
- 4) There is an assortment of health equipment available for town resident use- please enquire for more details!




Saturday Night At the MOVIES

 ★ Dog

June 11, 2022
(Rain date June 18)

 ★ Grease

July 9, 2022
(Rain date July 16)

 ★ The
Greatest
Showman

Aug 13, 2022
(Rain date Aug 20)

Pelham Lake Park, Rowe. Movies start at 8:30 pm

Bring your lawn chairs/ blankets and bring the whole family,
for a fun evening under the stars. **FREE** popcorn and water

Rowe Community Church

Submitted by Ros Mullette

Aug.	7	Worship & Observance of The Lord's Supper
	14	Worship & Praise Service
	21	Worship & Praise Service
	28	Worship & Praise Service

August Birthdays

1 - Henry Dandeneau
2 - Doris Fensky
2 - Norma Denson
4 - Nicole Denouden
3 - Virginia Gary
6 - Lenny Laffond
6 - Raymond Boutwell
7 - Frank Wheeler
8 - Ellynn Packard
13 - Elizabeth Palmer
13 - Richard Hamilton
13 - Linda Avery
14 - Robin Booth
16 - Raymond Wilson
18 - Robert Boyd
20 - Jay Williams
22 - Andrea Crowningshield
23 - Christine Bailey
24 - Presley Veber
24 - Daniel Wessman
25 - James Sousa
25 - Eugene Donovan
27 - Kyle Shippee
27 - Rebecca Katz
30 - Herbert Butzke
31 - Jeanette Crowningshield

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<u>Fitness Room</u>	<u>149</u>		
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<u>Park</u>	<u>110</u>	<u>parkmanager@rowe-ma.gov (339-8554)</u>	
<u>Police</u>	<u>113</u>	<u>policechief@rowe-ma.gov (339-8340)</u>	
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<u>Town Accountant</u>	<u>102</u>	<u>accountant@rowe-ma.gov</u>	<u>By Appt.</u>
<u>Town Clerk</u>	<u>103</u>	<u>townclerk@rowe-ma.gov</u>	<u>Thurs: 6-8:00pm or by Appt.</u>
<u>Town Nurse</u>	<u>107</u>	<u>nurse@rowe-ma.gov</u>	<u>Mon: 8-4, Wed: 10-6, and Thurs: 8-4</u>
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<u>School</u>	<u>(413) 512-5100</u>		

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