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photo by Taylor Loomis

From the Town Hall

Submitted by Janice Boudreau

This message is a bit more personal than my usual Town Hall news since it is my final message to you, I am retiring later this month.

I do not think you could ever know all the things I do on a day-to-day basis unless you worked alongside me for a period of time. There are so many details that must be cared for, Brooke Shulda is slowly getting a taste for what it is like as we make the transition to her taking over the job.

The most memorable projects were administrative tasks and overseeing finances for the \$7.6 million school building project and the \$1.3 million broadband installation, both time-consuming projects and ones that I will never have to do again!

I will miss the commute to work, so varied and beautiful each day. As someone that enjoys being outdoors and appreciates nature, it has truly been a bonus to work in such a beautiful town. There are times, however, when a craving for a coffee or a bagel could not be fulfilled, but those are the tradeoffs of living or working out here.

As a result of being so small, the employees and staff must work closely together, giving me a long list of appreciation, a few I will highlight. First, I have an enormous amount of gratitude to Marilyn Wilson, selectman at the time of my hiring, who was a great support to me both professionally and personally. A fellow Colby-Sawyer College graduate, we were amused to learn we had lived in the same dorm.

Secondly, I would like to thank Joanne Se-
manie, who has offered me support and en-

couragement, especially during trying times. We met in 1977 as students of photography at Hallmark Institute of Photography and have shared our love of photography ever since. She is someone I can always count on and truly loves her hometown.

Lance Larned, who became Superintendent about the same time I started as Executive Secretary, has always been there to lend a helping hand. He, like many of my colleagues, often goes beyond the call of duty to serve the town.

I thank Brooke Shulda for her fun, giving and caring nature who has made sharing the difficulties so much lighter and am so happy to see her blossoming in this position. Rachel Lewis has provided a wonderful positive presence as well. Rick Williams has been invaluable, always eager to lend a helping hand. Sean Loomis brings so much to his job and the Park, a true jewel of the town.

I thank all of you willing volunteers that have made the work of the town lighter and providing a true community.

I will join my husband Robert, who has also recently retired, closing his law practice. I am so proud of his 25 years of work for Community for Public Counsel Services (CPCS) performed with integrity and compassion. I am very fortunate to be sharing life with him.

Lastly I thank my Mother, who is an energetic 96-year-old, for instilling in me the notion of taking pride in the work you do, no matter how big or small. I have worked hard for Rowe and have put a lot 100% into what I have done with attention and intention. It has been very fulfilling.

HAPPY RETIREMENT JANICE!

As most of you know, Thursday September 21st, we say “see you later” to our dear longtime colleague and friend, Janice Boudreau. This will be a sad month for the Town staff and Town residents who have had the pleasure of crossing paths with Janice.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Janice for her excellent service and dedication to the Town of Rowe over the last 10 years. Your diligence and commitment to the Town has shown through the countless number of projects you have started and successfully completed. Your positivity and great sense of humor will be greatly missed in the Town Hall.

With Gratitude, Brooke Shulda



Photo by Claudine Poplawski

Happy September Rowe!

I would like to express how thankful I am to have been given the opportunity to serve as the new Town Administrator for such a wonderful group of people in such a lovely town.

Town Hall Updates:

In August, we welcomed Donna Butzke, as she will be taking over the position as Administrative Assistant and Meredith Sokol who has taken on the custodian position!

Fire Department News:

You may see Deputy Fire Chief, Brandon Sprague in or around your residence this month while he performs the mandatory Enhanced 911 (E911) regulations. E911 provides emergency responders with the location of the emergency without the person calling for help having to provide it. Feel free to reach out with any questions!

Respectfully Submitted,

Brooke Shulda

Interim Town Administrator

Board of Health

Submitted by Christine Bailey

If you haven't purchased your FY24 Refuse Garden dump tag, it can be purchased in person at the Town Hall, Board of Health office on any Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. You may also go to the Town of Rowe website and purchase them on-line.

Did you know that the Town of Rowe receives rebate dollars for recyclables? These funds are used for **repairs, maintenance, hauls and oversight** of the Refuse Gardens. So thank you all who are mindful and recycle.

Just a few benefits of recycling....

- Helps keep your tag price at a minimum
- Reduces waste sent to landfills and incinerators
- Prevents pollution, conserves natural resources
- Conserves energy
- Creates jobs & produces economic benefits

Rowe Broadband, The Next Generation!

Our town-owned Broadband network has been a great success. We were fortunate to get it built before Covid restrictions, so we were able to remotely work, and study, and have other benefits during that time. Houses that had been on the market sold quickly once Broadband access was available, and we've attracted some younger families to move here.

I'm bringing this up because I want to give due recognition to our Town Administrator, Janice Boudreau, before she leaves. This was a large undertaking for a small town. Janice handled the voluminous paperwork requirements for the grants, as well as other bureaucratic necessities, which allowed me to focus on the technical details and project management. Since the initial construction, she has helped out with other aspects of the Broadband operation. I'm sure there is a lot that can be said about Janice's contributions in other areas over her tenure, but I didn't want this to be overlooked. We wish Janice our best for her retirement.

Janice leaves in her wake Brooke Shulda. Brooke has learned quite a bit about our Broadband operation and will be helpful in her new role as Town Administrator. Simon Zelazo has been quickly coming up to speed in his role as Deputy MLP Manager. More recently, Dave Arney has shown interest and is learning about our network and operation. Although Dave doesn't have an official role, it's good to have more people in town who know about our Broadband system. Both Simon and Dave recently moved to Rowe (since we got Broadband), and both are young professionals with families. They both work in different aspects of medical technology. It's great to have several young people interested in serving the community making Rowe the great place to live that it is.

David Dvore, Manager, Rowe Broadband MLP



Congratulations to Helen Shields!

On Wednesday August 17th, 2023, the Town of Rowe's Vice-Chair of the Selectboard, Joanne Semanie, presented the Boston Post Cane to 99.5-year-old resident, Helen Shields.

The Ceremony took place at the Rowe Town Hall during the Council on Aging's monthly event, "Third Thursday Coffee and Social".

Helen was overwhelmed with joy and greatly appreciated the company of fellow town residents and town employees.

The **Fire Department** members wanted to bring everyone up to date with the many projects that it has going on and present a couple of new endeavors.

The Fire Truck that was approved at the May 2021 meeting finally appears to be moving forward. The chassis is supposed to be delivered to the manufacturer this month. Upon receipt of the chassis they have 180 days to complete the truck. The preconstruction conference was held at the end of July and we are awaiting the final drawings for approval. Hopefully we will see delivery in the spring of 2024.

The refurbishment of the tanker that was approved at Town meeting this spring is moving ahead as fast as possible. Specifications have been received and forwarded to the Franklin Regional Council of Government to be put out to bid. The delivery of this vehicle is again dependent on the manufacturer receiving a chassis in a timely manner.

The replacement of the generator at the station is still ongoing. The Electrician that did the original proposal is no longer in business. A second proposal was received that resulted in additional money being set aside to complete the process. The second proposal did not include pricing compliant with this being a municipal job and differed greatly on the size of the generator needed. We are now in the process of having a company come and properly size the generator and then we can put it out to bid.

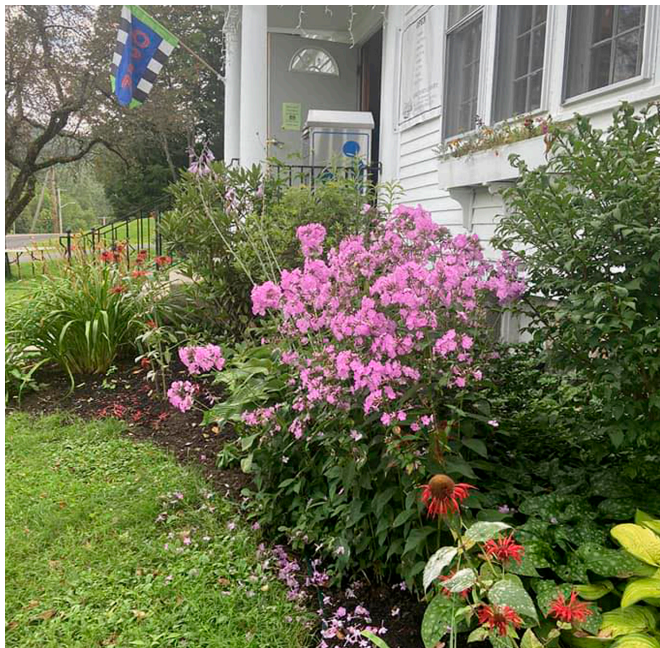
The roof replacement is also ongoing. This is being coordinated by Dan Pallotta, Chair of the Finance Committee.

The department has two new projects that are starting. The first one is the installation of house numbers or the replacement of existing house numbers. Many years ago the Town participated in a project to place house numbers on the street so that emergency responders could find you. These were made of a hard plastic that is failing and the numbers are coming off. The department has purchased new Red reflective signs that your house number will be placed on and the sign will be where emergency responders can see it. We will be replacing existing signs first. If you do not have one and would like one please email me at firechief@rowe-ma.gov and we will get one installed.

The second project is to measure some of our long driveways. This is to insure that we are carrying sufficient hose on the fire apparatus and to make some decisions easier in case of a fire. If your driveway or access road to your property is over 1000' we will place an identifier on your house number sign so we are aware that additional supply line may be needed in case of a fire.

I hope that everyone is enjoying their summer. If you burn wood now is the time to get your chimney inspected and cleaned. Due to the recent changes in OSHA regulations the department cannot perform this task but we can provide the brushes if you have someone that can do the cleaning. If you want to get on the schedule to borrow the equipment just drop me an email.

Submitted by Dennis Annear



Rowe Town Library News

Submitted by Molly Lane, Library Director

HOURS:

Tuesday 10-5

Wednesday 12-8 Thursday 3-7

Saturday 10-3

Lots of fun going on at the library. Secret Summer Reading Challenge has started. The first challenge is now available at the library. Stop by to see what it's all about. Each Wednesday a new challenge will be offered. Complete the challenge and stop in for a prize as well as to log in your effort.

Did you know the library has a library of things? We currently have a carpet cleaner, cricut, pressure cooker, metal detector, yard tools, electronics, fun yard games like giant jenga and cornhole, and a pressure washer.

Programs:

2nd Annual Fall-apalooza coming in October.

Look for information soon.

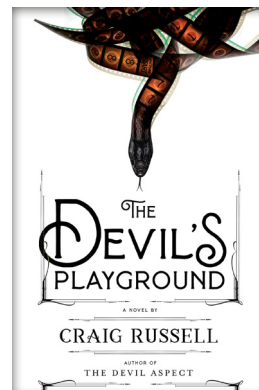
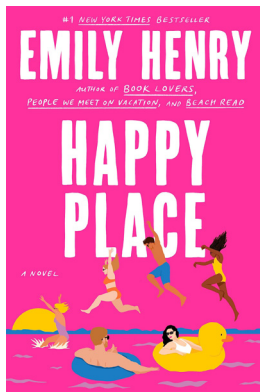
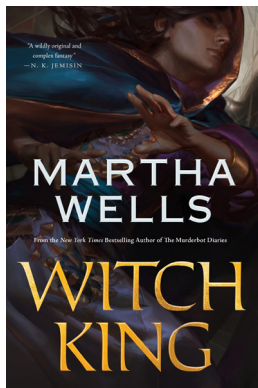
This year's event to include a chowder cook off!



Library Trustee meetings are held @ 10am on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. All town residents are welcome to attend.

Contact the library if you would like to be put on our email notifications for programs Rowelibrary@gmail.com

Adult Fiction:



Employment Opportunity

Library Assistant (Part-time)

The Town of Rowe is seeking a qualified individual to serve as Library Assistant for the Rowe Town Library evenings 9 hours per week. The focus of this position will be planning and facilitating adult & children's programs/presentations.

Minimum Qualifications include a high school diploma, or equivalent; computer skills; ability to provide quality customer service and an appreciation of the purposes and functions of the public library.

Applications can be picked at the library

For full Job Description: see the town website at www.rowe-ma.gov or in person at the library.

Please submit application to Molly Lane at 318 Zoar Rd, PO Box 457 Rowe Ma 01367 or email rowelibrary@gmail.com

Applications accepted until position is filled.



By the time you're reading this, the new school year at Rowe Elementary will be in full swing. The students returned on Wednesday, August 30th, and all was right with the world again. The first graders will be playing on the playground structure again, the sixth graders will be learning about Math again, the second graders will be reading books again, the fourth graders will be laughing together at lunch, the pre-schoolers will be figuring out where things go in their room, and the first graders, third graders and fifth graders are getting to know their new teachers.

At the same time, the teachers are trying their best to catch up with students they've had before and to get to know students that are new to their room this year. A lot of learning goes on this time of the year, on the part of both students and teachers. It's important for parents (as it is for teachers) to check in regularly with your student as the school year progresses, to find out how they're doing, socially and emotionally, as well as academically. It's also important to establish regular communication with your student's teacher, by note, phone, email, or in person. Positive, regular communication between the school and families is a crucial factor in a student's success at school. We at the school will be working on that, too, so expect to hear from us shortly.

As I mentioned, school starts Wednesday, 8/30, and students will be released at 12:30 on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of the first week. There is no school Monday, September 4, due to the Labor Day holiday, our first full day is Tuesday, September 5. Students may arrive at the school as early as 7:45 a.m., there will be adult supervision on the playground and in the cafeteria. The school day starts at 8:25, with the Pledge and announcements in the cafeteria, and students will be in classrooms by 8:30. Students who arrive after 8:25 will be marked tardy. The school day goes until 3:15 p.m. We will be starting after-school activities by late September, so look for information coming home soon.

Information was sent home prior to school opening, including the Family Handbook and various medical and registration forms. The handbook is a few pages less than War and Peace, but I hope you will make time to read it, I think you will find it useful. It will be helpful if you can fill the forms out completely and return them quickly. If you have questions about the forms, please call Laurie or our nurse, Lydia Brisson at 413-512-5100. If you are driving your student to school, please read the drop-off and pick up information in your packet. If you're parking to come into the school, please park in a designated parking area, and not the circle by the entrance, so there is room for buses to get through. The circle is for parents/guardians who drop their students off, but don't plan to come into the building.

We are always looking for parent and/or community volunteers to help out at the school, there are a few different ways that we could use your help. If you might be interested in offering anything from as little as an hour to a few hours a week, please let me know, the students would benefit from your effort and expertise, either working in classrooms, the library or at recess. Call me at 413-512-5101 for more information.

There are some exciting things planned for the next few months: field trips and hikes, and academic activities, and I can't wait to tell you about all of them. I look forward to activities (pot luck dinners, movie nights, community lunches) that the whole community can participate in. As always, if you have questions or concerns, please call me at 413-512-5101. You can also email me at wknittle@roweschool.org. I look forward to hearing from you.

-Submitted by Bill Knittle

The Southern Vermont Natural History Museum will be presenting Meet The Mammals! Saturday, September 2, 2023 at 10 AM at the Park beach/picnic area.

This program is described as: "You're one, so is your dog and so is your cat! But what does it take to be part of this exclusive club? We'll take a close look at the what it takes to be a mammal, examine some mammal furs, skulls and even meet a couple of our furry education animals."

This program is free and for all ages. Please bring a chair and come enjoy this entertaining and informative program.



Massachusetts Cultural Council

The program is sponsored by the Rowe and Massachusetts Cultural Councils.

-Submitted by Laurie Pike

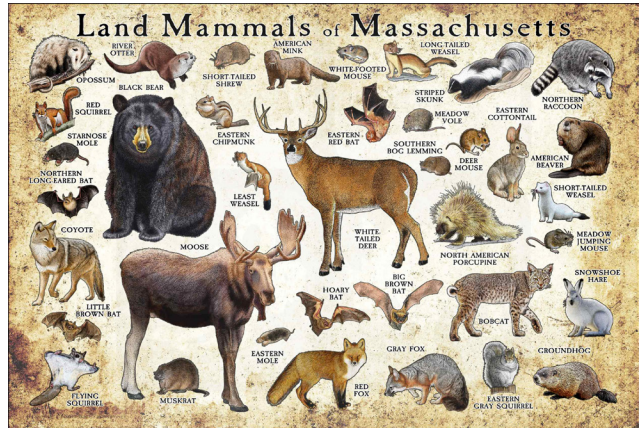


photo by Claudine Poplawski

Scott's Boot Shop

Submitted by Joanne Semanie



Scott's Boot and Shoe Shop by the brook at the bottom of Browning Hill (opposite home of Terry Veber) photo circa 1900

From the beginning of the 1800's there was a whole complex of industries down the east side of Browning Hill. Alfred Olds established a tannery below a house and barn (now gone) on that side; those who carried on the business included Pliny and Joel Wells, Hitchcock and Maxwell, and finally Thomas Scott and his son, Charles, who purchased the company in 1845.

The Scotts ran a tannery from 1845 until 1900 with references in the manufacturing census from 1850 through 1880. The census showed the tannery running 9 months out of every year with up to thirteen employees. A skilled laborer worked an average of 10 hours per day with a rate of \$1.25 per day whereas an ordinary laborer worked the same hours per day for \$.75 per day. All decades of the census specify it was a tannery only with no claim to shoe making.

Thomas Scott was born in 1820 in Halifax, VT. He married Caroline Grant in Halifax in 1836 and

had two children before moving to Rowe around 1842. Records show that Thomas purchased the tannery in 1845 and is listed in subsequent census records as a master tanner. His son, Charles was born in Halifax in 1840 and is listed as a Tanner Apprentice in the 1860 census.

By 1880 Thomas and Charles were all living in the same dwelling on Browning Hill, but Thomas is listed as being disabled. This is around the time the business was beginning its shoe manufacturing. The business then became Scott's Boot and Shoe Shop.

Charles had married in 1871 and had a son in 1873. Thomas died in 1890, seven years after his wife. They are both buried in the East Cemetery along with some of their children and grandchildren.

Charles maintained the business and building until 1900. His only child died of tuberculosis at 23 in 1896. Life can hit you hard and after losing his father and son within a few years the business that had thrived for over 50 years closed and the building fell into ruin.

There is a ledger of business done at the boot shop in the collection at the museum as well as a pair of children's shoes. Stop by to see the other interesting exhibits during an open house or contact a trustee to get a personal tour.

Kemp-McCarthy Museum and Browning Bench Farming Museum September Dates
September 9 & 23, 10 am - 2 pm
Special Exhibit: 18th and 19th Century Fibers

Get the "up close" story about natural fiber fabrics used in the museum's 18th & 19th century collection of clothing, quilts and linens. Enjoy this hands-on experience with microscopes, weaving looms and a museum 'passport' activity. A tour of our Browning Bench farm museum is also available.

Rowe History Hikes: Mary Louise Mine
When: September 23, 10 am

Where: Meet at Maxwell Brook Wildlife Management Area (along Tatro Road)

A moderate, 3-mile interpretive hike to MassWildlife's Maxwell Brook Wildlife Management Area. Learn about the short-lived Mary Louise copper mine, how mines contributed to Rowe's history and how abandoned mines currently serve bat conservation.

For questions, contact Dana Williams at dmwilliams237@gmail.com or visit the Rowe Historical Society facebook page.



PELHAM LAKE PARK NEWS

Summer is on its way out the door down at Pelham Lake Park, which means its busy months are also ending with the departure of the warm weather. The summer staff will be all off to school by September 1st, and with that the summer of 2023 will come to a close. Now here's a recap of what happened during its high months.

In the month of August, the staff was hard at work making yet another trail. This one is off of the Davenport Trail on the lake side and will be called the Old Growth Habitat Trail. This trail stretches through the park's old growth forest and will have interactive message boards along the trail that correspond to what you are looking at on the trail. This should hopefully be open by summer 2024. The Park Department also applied for a new grant!

Pelham Lake Park now has all new tennis courts thanks to CD Davenport. They resurfaced the tennis courts, then the courts dried for about a month and ½, and then they were opened to the public. Now pick-up pickleball, led by town resident Steve, otherwise known as Pickleball Stefano, happens on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00-8:00pm. If this interests you and you have more questions, email, pickleballstefano23@gmail.com for more questions. Please feel free to use the courts for tennis or pickleball from dusk to dawn, just be respectful of the other town residents and the park facilities. Before entering the courts please read the rules and regulations that hang next to entrance.

If you enjoy hiking at the park, then you know the Lake View Trail needed a makeover, and what better way to do it then adding in a new boardwalk to replace the old bog bridges. The 1.1 mile trail is now covered with 360 feet of boardwalk that will not need replacing any time soon.

As you may remember, the park installed kiosk last summer at every trail head. Now this summer those kiosks have been filled with notice boards. The notice boards are accessible by car for anyone who wants to see them without hiking. These were done by town resident Andrea Hopkins and have visuals, writings, and explains how to access the Avanza interactive online map.

Another Trail that needed some reshaping was the Todd Mountain Trail, so this summer the staff spent some time adding in new drainage ditches. This keeps the trail

from being washed out by mountain rainfall and is essential to the trail maintainment.

We also completed many small projects this summer which included scrap-
ing and painting our picnic tables while also exchanging rotten boards. Weedwacking
continued this summer on the trails, park beach, and the town common. Buoys were
cleaned, beach sand was moved, and the owl marking the big rock in the lake is now
back in.

By the end of August our summer staff will be back at school and our life
guard, Michael Harrison, will be on duty until Labor Day weekend, so come down to
get your last minute swimming in. The beginning of September will hold one last sum-
mer event by the Southern Vermont Natural History Museum sponsored by the Rowe
Cultural Council. This event will be, Meet the Mammals, September 2nd at 10am at the
park beach.

Submitted by Sean Loomis

Mycology Walk

Immerse yourself in the fungal world for the morning!

September 16, 2023 | 9AM-11AM

Pelham Lake Park

85 Pond Rd, Rowe, MA 01367

Melissa Pariseau is joining us for a second time to teach
basic terminology, ID tips, and to share fun facts about
our local fungi!

*This program is supported in part by a grant from the Rowe Cultural Council, a local agency
which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.*

-Submitted by Hannah Poplawski

Preparing for Flu Season

It is hard to believe that flu season is nearly upon us once more. Nonetheless, here we are leaping into September and the subsequent autumn months. Although we do not want to wish the rest of summer away, it is always good to prepare early and start to think about getting our **Flu Vaccinations** again. The CDC recommends everyone over the age of 6 months old receives an annual flu vaccination and here's why:

- ☐ Flu vaccination can keep you from getting sick.
- ☐ Flu vaccination can help reduce the severity of the illness in people who do get sick with the flu.
- ☐ Flu vaccination can reduce the risk of becoming hospitalized with the flu.
- ☐ Flu vaccination is a very important preventative tool for those with chronic conditions such as cardiac conditions, chronic lung disease or diabetes.
- ☐ Flu vaccination during pregnancy can help prevent pregnant people from getting the flu during and after pregnancy and can help prevent infants from getting the flu for the first few months of their lives.
- ☐ Flu vaccine can be lifesaving for children-reducing the risk of severe life-threatening illness by up to 75%.
- ☐ Flu vaccination can help protect those around you who may be more vulnerable to the severe health consequences of the Flu.

Flu vaccinations come with the risk of common side effects, just like many other vaccines. Some common side effects from a flu shot include soreness, redness, and/or swelling where the shot was given, headache, fever, nausea, muscle aches, and fatigue. Very rarely can a serious allergic reaction occur, if they do some symptoms may include breathing problems, hoarseness or wheezing, hives, paleness, weakness, a fast heartbeat, or dizziness. Most times, people who have these allergic reactions have an allergy to the vaccine ingredient (such as egg-protein). You should contact your doctor if you ever have had an allergic reaction to a vaccination or to a vaccination ingredient previously.

The hope is for another Flu (and Covid) vaccination clinic at the Rowe Elementary School in October...please stay tuned for more information!

ON A PERSONAL NOTE....

I would like to thank Janice Boudreau for all her kindness and patience while I was getting acclimated to my position over the past year. She has been a friendly and welcoming face each day. Her ambitious work ethic, positive attitude and creative nature has brought joy, determination, and a sense of ease to all her coworkers and Town patrons. We will sincerely miss you Janice, but hope you have a very happy and relaxing retirement!

Submitted by the Town Nurse

Recent Property Transfers (August 2023)

Further details may be obtained by researching the specific deeds at the Franklin County Registry of Deeds website at masslandrecords.com/franklin

Deed Bk 8201 Pg 36, James E. Davidson (as sole Trustee of the Barbara F. Davidson Declaration of Trust) to Bonne Davidson Fierravanti, 81 Brittingham Hill Road, \$100.00 (Map 407 Lots 41, 42, & 46)

Deed Bk 8203 Pg 23, Zdenka Jonak to Hardik H. and Mamta H. Patel, off Zoar Rd, \$10,000 (Map 410, Lot 12)



Faith Travis's Beautiful Garden on Pond Rd.

photo by Claudine Poplawski

HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2023

GCC MAIN CAMPUS AND ORANGE TRANSFER STATION

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY SEPTEMBER 15TH

**Register online at: franklincountywastedistrict.org
or fill out the form on the back of this sheet and mail it.**

Your appointment time and directions will be mailed after registration is processed.

For residents and businesses of the following towns:

Athol, Barre*, Bernardston, Buckland, Charlemont, Colrain, Conway, Deerfield, Erving, Gill, Hawley, Heath, Leverett, Montague, New Salem, Northfield, Orange, Petersham, Phillipston, Rowe, Royalston, Shelburne, Sunderland*, Warwick, Wendell, Whately.

This collection event is free for residents. **Barre and Sunderland residents must pay to participate in 2023.* Space is limited. Greenfield and Leyden residents are not eligible and should call (413) 772-1528 for info on disposal.

For business registration and pricing information, call (413) 772-2438.



Participants will be required to remain in their vehicle and place all waste in the trunk, rear cargo area, or truck bed. Batteries, thermometers, and thermostats are no longer accepted; these items can be brought to most town transfer stations year-round.

LATEX PAINT IS NOT ACCEPTED AT THIS COLLECTION.



WHAT TO BRING

Any substance labeled: CAUSTIC, TOXIC, CORROSIVE, POISON, FLAMMABLE, WARNING, DANGER, CAUTION



- Paint (non-latex), spray paint, varnish, paint thinners, solvents
- Herbicides, pesticides, yard/garden chemicals, wood preservatives
- Asphalt sealer, roofing tar, household cleaners, pool chemicals
- Motor oil, antifreeze, automotive fluids
- Photo chemicals, arts & crafts supplies, furniture polish

WHAT NOT TO BRING

Fluorescent light bulbs, batteries, mercury-containing items (see reverse for alternate disposal), latex paint, empty containers from hazardous products (put empties in trash, not recycling), gas cylinders, radioactive material, explosives (including ammunition & fireworks)

For more information: franklincountywastedistrict.org or contact the Franklin County Solid Waste 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.



Franklin County
Solid Waste Management District



The
Rowe Center
UU Camp & Conference Center

(413) 339-4954 rowecenter.org

Rowe Residents enjoy one free program per year. Call to claim discount when registering.



SEPTEMBER

- 9 *Feast of Losses, Dying into Life, Living Into Death* with Kim Rosen
 - 14 *Slow Writing: A nature-writing course* with Chip Blake
 - 15-17 **The BurnBright Experience: An Extraordinary Invitation to Transformation** with Ozioma Egwuonwu
 - 15-17 **The Nature of Eros** with Ian MacKenzie & Asha Mærie
 - 22-24 **The Spirit of Place: A Contemplative Photography Retreat**
• with Susan Patrice
 - 22-24 **An Introduction to Playback Theatre** with Hannah Fox
 - 27 - *Beyond Medicine: A Physician's Revolutionary Prescription for Healing Yourself and Transforming Your Life* with Patricia Muehsam, MD
 - 29 - 1 **Telling Your Story: Writing a Personal Essay** with Seth David Branitz
- On-Site at The Rowe Center ● Online

Pickleball

Tuesdays & Thursdays 6pm to 8pm
Saturdays from 9am to 11am

All levels of play welcome...
Beginners to experienced
Paddles/balls provided
Instruction provided

All that is needed is a pair of court shoes/sneakers and a willingness to be involved in the fastest growing sport in America.

Submitted by Steve Lattanzi aka Pickleball Stefano

Town Clerk

Submitted by Kevin Balawick

Hello Neighbors! My office hours are on Tuesday evenings from 6-8pm and by appointment. Please feel free to call and leave a voicemail or email to request an appointment. I do my best to check my messages throughout the week. I apologize for any confusion about my office hours. I believe I have tracked down and corrected the last remaining places where my office hours are posted.

Help! I need more election workers. If you are interested please contact my office at 339-5520 x103 and leave a message (or email me at townclerk@rowe-ma.gov). The work is very easy, pays \$15.00/hour, and meals are included. The election day is long, but if I have enough people on my roster I can divide up the 13 hours that the polls are open and the additional 3 hours that we will spend counting votes. So please, do reach out if you have an interest. It's a great time to catch up on reading while getting paid and doing your part to help our democracy function.

September Birthdays

- 1 - Ramon Sanchez
- 1 - Tobias Tanner
- 2 - Susan Wood
- 3 - Martha Rossi
- 4 - Robert Clancy
- 5 - Ryan Burke
- 5 - Christopher Tatro
- 6 - Helen Danek
- 6 - Andrew Kuehl
- 9 - Karen Markert
- 9 - David Poehlein
- 9 - Madison Roccio
- 9 - Ryan Shattuck
- 9 - Caitlin Upton
- 11 - Divina Williams
- 12 - Douglas Wilson
- 13 - Thomas Plante
- 14 - Loretta Dionne
- 14 - Karen Soviecke
- 14 - Wendy Sutherland
- 15 - Heidi Cousineau
- 15 - Benjamin Katz
- 15 - Tiffany Reardon
- 16 - Nicholas Baker
- 17 - Scarlett Buchanan
- 19 - Jordan Rice
- 19 - Michael Schreiber
- 19 - Lillian Duval
- 22 - Brian Ash
- 22 - Deborah Katz
- 22 - Lance Larned
- 22 - Jillian Crowningshield
- 22 - Jonathan Tower
- 23 - Robert Avallone
- 25 - Ron Stanford
- 25 - Jocelyn Crowningshield
- 26 - Ron Atwood
- 28 - Debra Crowningshield
- 28 - Ann Grieco
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Town Services

Town Main Line at 413-339-5520

<u>Position/Dept.</u>	<u>Ext #</u>	<u>Email Address</u>	<u>Hours</u>
<u>Admin Assistant</u>	<u>101</u>		
<u>Assessors Office</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>assessor@rowe-ma.gov</u>	<u>Wed 8-1 or by Appt</u>
<u>Board of Health</u>	<u>105</u>	<u>boh@rowe-ma.gov</u>	<u>Tues 8-1 Clerk</u>
<u>DPW</u>	<u>111</u>	<u>dwphighway@rowe-ma.gov (339-5588)</u>	
<u>Executive Secretary</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>townadmin@rowe-ma.gov</u>	<u>Mon-Thurs 9:30-5:00</u>
<u>Fire Dept</u>	<u>112</u>	<u>firechief@rowe-ma.gov (339-4001)</u>	
<u>Fitness Room</u>	<u>149</u>		
<u>Library</u>	<u>114</u>	<u>rowelibrary@gmail.com</u>	<u>Tues: 10-5 Wed: 12-8 Thu: 3-7 Sat: 10-3</u>
<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>	
<u>Post Office</u>	<u>(413) 339-5390</u>	<u>Mon-Fri: 12:15-4:15, Sat: 8:30-11:30</u>	
<u>Tax Collector</u>	<u>106</u>	<u>collector@rowe-ma.gov</u>	<u>Mon-Wed: 9:00-5:00</u>
<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>Tues: 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>
<u>Transfer Station</u>	<u>(413) 339-0216</u>	<u>Sat: 8- 2:00pm, Sun: 8- Noon, Wed: 7 -10am & 4 - 7pm</u>	
<u>Treasurer</u>	<u>108</u>	<u>treasurer@rowe-ma.gov</u>	<u>By Appt.</u>
<u>School</u>	<u>(413) 512-5100</u>		

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