

WORD ON THE COMMON STREET

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DEVELOPMENTS SHAPING OUR TOWN

Project Updates



Pumpkins-Clare Curran



photo of Cordaville Hall construction

Heritage Day 2023 - Thank You!

Heritage Day 2023 welcomed more vendors and activities since pre-pandemic. We owe enormous appreciation to the 58 vendors and especially our Recreation Dept who led the event-planning efforts. It was marvelous to see 200+ marchers in the parade led by our loyal Veterans accompanied by the Trotter Marching Band.

Special thanks to DPW & public safety for their assistance throughout the day and all around support.

Also to St Marks for use of their field and facilities at no cost. #communitycollaboration

The Town is indeed grateful to be hosting Assabet students on their field project this Fall. The crew of juniors and seniors has been hard at work on the additional program space being built on the front of Cordaville Hall. The first floor of the building hosts the bustling Southborough Senior Center, and this additional room will provide flexible space that can be used for crafts, group activities, and a welcoming space for conversations. The students working on this project have proven to be polite, respectful, and talented individuals and the Town would like to acknowledge their professionalism.

Civic Corner

Do you have a few hours per month to donate to your community? If you have a skill set that you believe a Town board/committee would find helpful, please take a look at our committee vacancy list: <https://bit.ly/46UbsmL>. Currently the Economic Development Committee requires the most assistance. EDC is seeking pro-active residents to contribute to economic development that's balanced and sustainable for Southborough. If you're civic minded, locally engaged, have specialized knowledge and expertise in a relevant industry or profession, or have an interest in supporting, sustaining, and improving our local economy, we would love to hear from you! Reach out to our current EDC Chair Rob Anderson at randerson@southboroughma.com or our EDC Coordinator Leah Emerson at lemerson@southboroughma.com to find out about current EDC opportunities.

Grants Awarded

Kudos to the Police Department who received \$19,970 in grant funding through the FY24 Municipal Road Safety (MRS) Program from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security's Office of Grants and Research (OGR). This is a cost reimbursement grant program, in which the money will be used to cover SPD overtime shifts for directed, traffic safety patrols that support traffic safety and enforcement events. There is also an allowance to purchase traffic safety equipment which we are grateful for!

Did You Know??

Kudos to the Recreation Department for launching AED's that are now placed at all school fields. Join us in extending our gratitude to the Malinowski Family & the Choate Fund for generous donations to this program.



photo of AED machine

Tercentennial Trivia!

Question: What site does the Fay School dining room and dorm now stand on? Send your answers to Katie at kbarry@southboroughma.com to be revealed in the next issue!



photo of light bulb

Columbus Day Weekend at Southborough Golf Club for ALS had another successful weekend this year. 350 rounds were played and \$600 in additional donations were made over the three-day period. A check in the amount of \$4,100 will be issued to ALS ONE in memory of Brian Shifrin [former Selectman] & John Wilson [former Veterans Agent and Town Moderator].



golf tee



Mark Purple 2023

Employee News

We are so pleased to welcome Debbie Ferrante as our new Assistant Town Accountant! She is a cheerful and welcome addition to this department and will be a tremendous asset who will support all our town departments. With her experience in another municipality, she possesses an excellent skill set that will be put to good use immediately. Debbie's gracious personality has already made an impact at the Town House!



photo of Debbie Ferrante

Upcoming Events

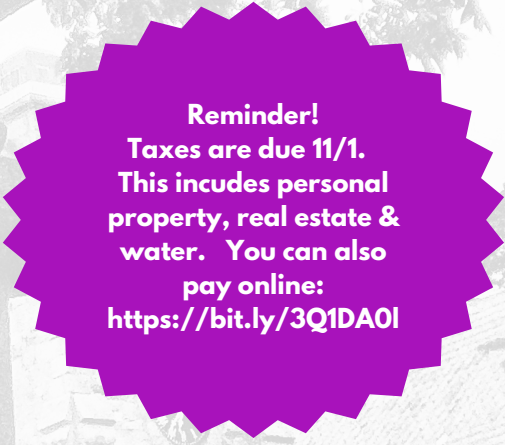
HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

Saturday, October 21, 2023
9:00 - 12:00

DPW Yard, adjacent to the Transfer Station

Take a moment to review all the details of what is and is not accepted:

<https://www.southboroughma.gov/247/Public-Works>



Reminder!
Taxes are due 11/1.
This includes personal property, real estate & water. You can also pay online:
<https://bit.ly/3Q1DA0I>

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