# Leyden Life

#### Leyden, Massachusetts

May 2016

Selectboard Office Hours: Monday — Thursday 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM Tax Collector: Monday and Wednesday 5:30 - 8:00 PM

> Assessors Office: Wednesday 2:00 - 8:00 PM

## Selectboard

#### **SELECTBOARD MEETINGS**

The Select Board will meet on Thursdays May 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM and May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 PM in their office (the fourth meeting on May 26<sup>th</sup> will be at PRES). To be added to the agenda or to get a copy of it, please contact Bob Hardesty at 774-4111 or leydenselectboard@crocker.com at least 72 hours prior to the meeting. Anyone not on the posted agenda is welcome to address the Selectboard at the end of the meeting during the "Citizens' concerns not anticipated in advance of the meeting" agenda item time slot.

#### **TOWN HALL MEETINGS**

Thu, May 2 6:45 рм Selectboard Wed, May 4 6:30 рм **Board of Assessors** Wed, May 4 4:30 рм Council on Aging Tue, Мау 10 7:00 рм **Broadband Committee** Wed, May 11 7:00 PM Planning Board Thu, May 12 9:30 AM Selectboard To be posted separately Board of Health (at the Police Station)

Mon, May 16 7:30 PM Conservation Commission
Tue, May 17 7:00 PM Historical Commission (Downstairs at Wed, May 18 6:30 PM Board of Assessors the church)

Thu, May 19 6:45 PM Selectboard Thu, May 26 9:30 AM Selectboard

Any changes to these meeting dates or times will be posted separately. Meetings *not* held monthly will also be posted separately. *Note:* Monthly meetings are now posted on the town web site at <a href="https://www.townofleyden.com">www.townofleyden.com</a>. Any changes or additions to meeting times and/or dates should be forwarded to the Municipal Assistant. —*Selectboard* 

# **Select Board Corner**

Mark your calendars for these important dates. On Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 PM the Select Board will hold an informational meeting at Town Hall regarding the articles that will appear on the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting. This is a great opportunity to discuss the issues that will carry the Town into the fiscal 2017 budget year. *The Leyden Café will donate hot coffee and refreshments for the meeting*.

Annual Town Meeting will be on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May 14<sup>th</sup></u> at 9:00 AM. We also plan on holding a special town meeting to resolve a few budget items on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May 14<sup>th</sup></u> at 8:45 AM. This is the last time your voice can be heard before the votes are cast on the fiscal 2017 budget year. We look forward to seeing a good turnout to debate the articles.

Leyden Selectmen and Broadband Committee members, along with our WiredWest delegates, have been actively pursuing all means to bring broadband to our Town. Recent articles in the paper have broadband on pause for western

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# Town Clerk

#### VITAL STATISTICS

Births: Charlotte Jean Facey, born March 26, 2016 to Randy and Angie Facey of North County Road.

There were no deaths or marriages reported in March.

#### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AND ELECTION

The Annual Town Meeting and Election will be held on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May 14, 2016</u> at Town Hall. Polls will be open from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Special Town Meeting will begin at 8:45 AM, and the Annual Town Meeting will begin at 9:00 AM. Candidates for open offices are: **Assessor** (3-yr), John Rodgers; **Board of Health** (3-yr), Kathie Benson; **Constable** (3-yr), Vanessa Russell; **Library Trustee** (3-yr), Carolyn Asbury; **Moderator** (1-yr), Kathy DiMatteo; **Planning Board** (2-yr), Robert Snow, (5-yr) William Harris; **Select Board** (3-yr), Lance Fritz; and **Tree Warden** (1-yr), David Brooks.

#### **ABSENTEE BALLOTS**

Absentee ballots are available at Town Hall during regular business hours until noon on Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>.

#### **DOG LICENSES**

Dog licenses for 2016 are now available during regular business hours. Fees are as follows: Neutered and spayed - \$10.00; Not altered-\$15.00; Kennel, 1-4 - \$30.00; Kennel, 5-10 - \$40.00; Kennel, more than 10 - \$50.00. Checks or money orders are encouraged. The office *does not have change*, so please bring the *exact* amount. Thank you.

—Elizabeth Johnson

Town Clerk Office Hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:00 – 8:00 PM or by appointment — Telephone 774-7769 or 772-3739

Email: leydentownclerk@crocker.com

# INFORMATIONAL PRE-TOWN MEETING MONDAY, MAY 2<sup>ND</sup> AT 7:00 PM

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING SATURDAY, MAY 14<sup>TH</sup> AT 8:45 AM

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING SATURDAY, MAY 14<sup>TH</sup> AT 9:00 AM

# **Leyden Town-Wide Tag Sale**



The Leyden Town-Wide Tag Sale plans are underway. The date will be <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May 21<sup>st</sup></u>, from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM, with Sunday being an "individual" option.

The Leyden Café at Town Hall will be open for purchase of beverages and baked goods. Hopefully Town Hall will provide an additional site for anyone interested in setting up in the center of town for more

exposure to potential sales traffic. The "Market Day" participants are encouraged to join us.

If you wish to sign up or have questions, call Marie Lovley at 624-0012. The only cost will be a shared percentage of the cost of the Recorder advertisement.

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# **Robertson Memorial Library**

Library Hours: Monday 1:00 – 6:00 PM; Wednesday 1:00 – 6:00 PM, and Saturday 10:00 AM to NOON Phone 773-9334 (Leave a message any time.)

In late March roofers repaired the damaged tiles on the library's slate roof. They did their best to keep the colors consistent, and it is now leak proof and lovely. Money from the state aid fund we maintain will pay for the work done.

This spring we hope that Bill Maguire will find the time to paint the north and east sides of the building. Signs of peeling indicate that it is time. The front and south sides were repainted several years ago, so we are on top of maintenance and keeping the building attractive and inviting.

An increase in regular family visits is encouraging. Moms and/or dads visit weekly with their young children, often signing out as many as a dozen or more books. By immersing their youngsters in literacy, parents are supporting what is taught in school and giving their children the opportunity to practice skills, listen actively to books being read aloud to them, and enjoy the experience of meeting new characters, places and animals through books. Join these parents in giving this gift of love to your children! You'll never regret it!

An uninvited April snowstorm interrupted spring's arrival, but one last shoveling of the season was no big deal. The irises outside the front door were unscathed, and the sun's warmth made the atypical not too hard to bear. It did force me to stay at home on that Monday, but the library was open on Tuesday as promised when storms hit on library days!

Congratulations to patron Jerry Levine! This man had a goal, to read a list of fifty of the most important books ever written. He has done it! His last tome was a seven volume Proust novel, *Swann's Way*. I recall his reading *Don Quixote, Jane Eyre, Wuthering Heights*, and *Anna Karenina*, to name a few. I'm *impressed*! Now what will he do? Jerry?

One final word...a visitor from Michigan staying with her parents for a week found this library to be fantastic! She was more than impressed with our selection of up-to-date children's books and survived that early April snowstorm reading the books she'd chosen, all fifteen of them! V+ for the RML!

Happy spring! —Chris Johnston

# **Memorial Day Events**



Sunday, May 29 - Meet at South Cemetery at 2:00 PM to renew the Veterans' flags at the various town cemeteries.

Monday, May 30 - Memorial Day services at 10:30 AM at the Town Common.

# **Select Board Corner**

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Massachusetts. We can tell everyone that there has been no pause on our part. We have been actively meeting and traveling around Western Massachusetts at all-day meetings on weekends, and on weekday evenings. We will continue to pursue what Town Meeting voted on last year and work towards the goal of bringing fiber to the homes in this community. We encourage everyone to contact State Representative Paul Mark and tell him to make sure Governor Baker moves forward on broadband.

The last mile needs to be built for the economic development of Western Massachusetts and for our school students to be able to compete with their peers. This is the number one priority for all the hill towns.

-Respectfully, Bill, Jeff, and Lance

#### **Leyden Life Lowdown**

#### **EASY SUBMISSION**

Submit an e-mail to Cornelia Reid at cr43wr41@gmail.com, Carolyn Asbury at carolyn.asbury@gmail.com, and Bob Taylor at bobxtwo@verizon.net. (Yes, please send it to all three of us.)

Either attach a Word document or include the information in the body of the e-mail. If e-mail is not possible for you, hard copies of items for *Leyden Life* can be left in the book drop outside the Library. The deadline for inputs is the <u>15<sup>th</sup> of the month</u>.

If you would like to receive the **electronic version of** *Leyden Life* in PDF format, please email the same three addresses listed above.

#### THANKS

Thanks to Julie McCarthy, Jerry Levine, and Angels' Rest for donations. Thanks to Karen Loomis for help with collating, and thanks to deliverers Marie Bartlett, Marie Lovley, Pat Little and the Cafferys. (We apologize if we missed anyone.)

Registered Holsteins and Brown Swiss Maple Syrup



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#### **Leyden Life**

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Items for the next issue are due to Cornelia at cr43wr41@gmail.com, Carolyn at carolyn.asbury@gmail.com, and Bob at bobxtwo@verizon.net by 5:00 PM on

Sunday, May 15th

If you cannot e-mail your submission, please leave it in the book drop outside the Library.

Donations are always welcome! Send to:

Leyden Life c/o Reid
30 West Leyden Road
Leyden, MA 01337

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# **Council on Aging**

Leyden Council on Aging News

**DID YOU KNOW...** that seniors can go to any Senior Center/Council on Aging program anywhere in Massachusetts? Because senior centers are largely funded by federal and state money, they welcome everyone, regardless of where they live. So we want you to know that in addition to your own COA, you can also take advantage of programs in other towns. For example, the Bernardston Senior Center offers lunch every day at 11 a.m. At Shelburne, you can practice Aerobics, Tai Chi, Yoga, *and* Reflexology every week, not to mention French conversation class. If quilting, painting, or line dancing is your interest, check out Erving's beautiful Senior Community Center. For those of you who want to go farther afield, there is always Northampton and Amherst Centers. Some Senior Centers may charge for certain programs. You can look online for more information; or call the Centers and ask them to send you a newsletter or calendar; or check the *Recorder's "Talk of the Town"* page regularly. But don't forget our third Wednesday luncheons and other programs right here in Leyden—this is the *only* place where you can meet your neighbors!

#### CONTINUING: Exercise Class on Tuesdays – Now through May 31

12 noon -1 p.m. ~ Core Strength Training with Linda Allis. Upstairs at Town Hall. We are continuing our series of strengthening exercises to help with building muscle, improving balance, and keeping on the move. The class is a combination of seated and standing exercises. For more information, call Cecilia Tusinski at 624-3436.

#### Wednesday, May 4

#### NEW! 10:00 am-12 noon ~ Foot Clinic with Dr. Michael Coby, DPM

Downstairs at Town Hall. Accepts Medicare and most insurances. We need a minimum of 6 people. Please call Sue Howarth (774-3118) to make an appointment as soon as possible.

**4:30-6:00 p.m.** ~ **Monthly Business Meeting** at Town Hall. Anyone is welcome to attend. Call Chair Carol Johnson (773-7619) if you wish to be added to the agenda.

#### Wednesday, May 18

- 12 noon ~ Leyden Lunch Group ~ Come for an Indoor Cookout! Hamburgers, hot dogs, salads and dessert will be prepared by the folks from TRIAD, a program of the Franklin County Sheriff's Office focused on protecting the safety and welfare of seniors throughout the County. Downstairs at Town Hall. Please call Sue Howarth at 774-3118 by Monday, May 16, to make a reservation.
- 1 p.m.-2 p.m. ~ To Be Announced ~ We are hoping to offer another Legal Check-up for Seniors, as we have done for the past 2 years. However the Mass. Bar Association's Elder Law Education Program has a shortage of elder law attorneys available to offer programs, but we're still hoping. We will keep you posted via email, newspaper, and bulletin board outside Town Hall.

#### Friday, May 20

#### MOVIE NIGHT!! ~ Brooklyn (PG-13) 7-9 p.m. at Town Hall.

This film won a BAFTA award for Best British Film of 2015, and was nominated for 3 Academy Awards: Best Picture, Best Actress and Best Adapted Screenplay.

An Irish immigrant lands in 1950s Brooklyn, where she quickly falls into a romance with a local. When her past catches up with her, however, she must choose between two countries and the lives that exist within. *All ages welcome*.

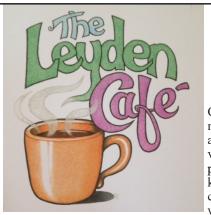
#### Save the Date! Friday, June 17

Potluck Picnic and Concert with Zydeco Connection. 6:00 PM at Avery Ballfield. Funded by a grant from the Leyden Cultural Council.

**Do You Need a Ride?** Free transportation is available to Leyden residents 60 and over, as well as to people of any age with a permanent or temporary disability who are unable to drive. Call Gilda Galvis (773-7932) at least 24 hours in advance.

Can You Give a Ride? If you are interested in helping seniors in your community (or have just always wanted to drive a Cadillac), then call Gilda Galvis (773-7932) to find out more details about our senior transportation service.

—Dianne Ryan



# The Leyden Café Open 9:00 to 11:30 AM Sundays downstairs at Leyden Town Hall

Come to the Café as part of your Sunday morning routine and enjoy the great coffee and Karyn's wonderful goodies while you visit with your friends and neighbors. Some people are bringing their knitting! You never know who you will meet here, but you will certainly see friendly faces and get a welcome chance to catch up with your

neighbors, with the news, and with your town.

The Café will provide free cookies and coffee on Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> for the Pre-Town Meeting at 7:00 PM.

We will **NOT** be open on **Sunday**, **May 8<sup>th</sup>**, which is the **Firemen's Mothers' Day Breakfast**. Hope to see you there!

The Cafe will be open Saturday, May 21st 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM for the town-wide TAG SALE and Sunday, May 22nd 9:00 - 11:30 AM.

# Save the Date! <u>Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup></u> Potluck Picnic and Concert with Zydeco Connection

Bringing the sounds and rhythms of Louisiana music to New England since 2004. Guaranteed to get your toes tapping & body moving!

6:00 PM at Avery Ballfield Bring a Potluck Dish! Desserts provided by the Leyden COA All ages welcome! Page 4 Leyden Life

## WiredWest

As this article is being written, two very recent articles in the Recorder are relevant to what WiredWest is working to accomplish: on Monday, April 11th the Recorder reported that MBI is resisting Montague's choice of a provider to extend broadband access to parts of that town unserved by existing cable Although this is different from towns like Leyden with no cable access at all, and involves a separate pot of MBI-controlled funds, it feels very familiar to those who have been working with WiredWest; the State agency, with no representation of the town involved, is at the last minute resisting a decision made by the town and reversing itself on its own previous approval of the company selected by Montague to do the job. Then, an editorial on Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup> notes that Governor Baker spoke to municipal officials gathered at Stan Rosenberg's annual Municipal Conference at GCC by using Skype. Skype is an Internet-based telephone and video application which many, if not most, of the town officials could not have accessed in their broadband-lacking home towns. One of our WiredWest delegates recently returned from an extended trip to the Himalayas, where he reported that he had better cellular and Internet service than he does in Rowe. He was corresponding with WiredWest the whole time he was there. This is actually pretty shocking for Massachusetts to have almost a third of the state at such a disadvantage.

I am quite sure that most of you, if you read the Recorder, are pretty up-to-date on what is happening with WiredWest and MBI, or at least what makes it to the paper. Lately it feels as though WiredWest resembles that observation about ducks on a pond: on the surface we appear calm and serene, just floating along, while underneath we are paddling like crazy. We can be calm in one sense because we can be sure that somehow our towns will get something done. Our need for high speed internet is certainly not going away. Those needs increase daily. I read about patients being able to have face-to-face appointments with their doctors via Skype, while having their health needs monitored electronically. This is very important for us as we age, particularly in rural areas like ours. Smart homes enable us to be independent much longer. None of us has that capability right now. All our small businesses (and there are many in Leyden) can increase their markets and maximize their time and energy. The list of the benefits is really endless. This does not even get to the point of homes we cannot sell without universal broadband, children who grow up and cannot stay here to live because their jobs require more, and the economic impact we are facing every day. It is more important in rural areas because we are at a distance from various services and cannot go to a business across the street to use their Wi-Fi. We have recognized this over and over by responding to surveys, sending in deposits, voting to form a Municipal Lighting Plant, and then to join WiredWest as a cooperative of MLP's. Then we voted to authorize borrowing the funds for our share of the project of getting fiber to the home. We are putting up two-thirds of the money, the State has promised one-third, and so far we are not seeing any of those promises met. This has been a very long process and we want to see more action.

Now to the paddling furiously below the surface: Multiple committees are working to negotiate with MBI, which controls the money the State has voted for our towns, to set up a network that we feel is the best, most future-proof, most economical one we could possibly have. For some time now, this has felt like a oneway street, with WiredWest acting in good faith to meet their demands, while MBI throws up one roadblock after another. At the moment, they are saying that they need time to review the project in new ways, work that has been done endlessly already by WiredWest and even MBI in the past. In the meantime, we see no forward progress from MBI. No Board member or other decision-maker at MBI lives or works in a town without broadband, while every member town of WiredWest is represented by a delegate who lives here. There is a certain condescension that we are just small towns who don't deal with big projects and can't work cooperatively, ignoring the fact that we routinely allocate very large amounts of money for regional schools, that we work cooperatively all the time with neighboring towns. We may be small towns, but we have a lot of people in our towns with the business and technological experience to handle a project of this size. We appreciate the fact that MBI, at a time when its leadership is in flux again, is meeting with our teams to negotiate their differences. At this point, however, that feels like an empty gesture, since nothing ever seems to change from their side of the project.

—Sheila Hourihan, alternate delegate, and Al Woodhull, delegate to WiredWest

# Leyden Knitting Circle

The Leyden Knitting Circle will meet in May, locations TBA. Usually



we meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays, and often on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday afternoon.

You are welcome to join us! Bring your knitting, mending, embroidery, crocheting, or any craft work you enjoy.

Please call Peggy (774-5764) or Laura (773-8325) for more information.

—Laura Timmerman, 773-8325
Facebook Group: "Leyden Knitting Circle"
Members sometimes post pictures of their
projects here, or interesting knitting-related links.

# LeydenUnited Methodist Church

Another change in our wonderful Little White Church on the Hill is that our Sunday morning Service time is being changed to 9:00 AM instead of 8:45.

Also, a reminder that our wonderful Pastor Cheryl will be leaving us for two churches in the Lake Sunapee, NH, area and her last Sunday with Leyden will June 19<sup>th</sup>. Please stop by to wish her well after Church on the 19<sup>th</sup> or any Sunday before that date

God Bless our wonderful Leyden United Methodist Church.

—Mary Lou Barton, Church Council President

# Thank you, from the Leyden United Methodist Church

The Roast Pork Supper held in March was a great success. With so much support from the community we were able to put together the supper and offer a silent auction. We received both food and produce, as well as donations of items for the silent auction from many Leyden locals. Our hope was to display items and services offered within the community. We are so grateful for so many donations offered to help this event come together. We were able to profit approximately \$1,100.00 with the sales of the supper and the silent auction.

We enjoy serving the community and bringing people together to share our beautiful hill town. We hope to create future community events as a way to bring

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Representative Paul Mark and Selectman Bill Glabach solving the world's problems at the Maple Sugar Supper on April 2<sup>n</sup>



Give from the Heart with Art! Wine and Canvas Event Saturday, May 21st

1:00-4:00 PM Arrive 15 mins early Leyden Town Hall, 16 W. Leyden Rd.

Cost is \$45, of which \$10 will go to the Leyden United Methodist Church to help with the cost of an industrial ventilation hood for the Leyden Cafeteria booth at the Franklin County Fair.

#### **Silent Auction**

Snacks and water will be provided. Alcoholic drinks TBD. Please check Facebook *Leyden Wine and Canvas* event page for updates or call/text Emily Herron-Clark @ 413-336-6248. Registration is required at: http://www.wineandcanvas.com/springfield-ma

ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY BREAKTAS Date: 5/8/2016 Time: 7AM-11AM Come join the Leyden Firefighter's Association for our annual **Mother's Day Breakfast**  All You Can Eat • Full Breakfast Buffet • Only \$10 per person

• Moms & Kids are Half Price

Leyden Town Hall 16 West Leyden Road Leyden, MA



Business Name

Leyden Firefighters Asso 16 West Leyden Road Leyden MA, 01337

Save The Date! 3rd Annual Fundraiser



#### **Mutts in Need**

**Fundraiser for the Friends** of the Franklin County Regional Dog Shelter, Inc.

Saturday August 20, 2016 Millers Falls Rod & Gun Club

Fun Begins at 3:00pm Dinner, Music, Live Auction Tickets \$25.00



For further information call (413) 676-9182

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# **Ukulele Edu-Concerts led by Dave Yubruh**



**Upcoming Events at PRES** May 4 6th grade Parent Night @ PVRS May 12 FCÜBankingDay May 25 PRES Spring Concert, 6:30 May 30 No School, Memorial Day June 2 Field dday June 3 3/4 Field Trip to T.F. Fishway June 10 6th grade Graduation,6:00PM June 17 Last day, Noon release

Learning and fun was the theme for students at the Pearl Rhodes Elementary School on February 9<sup>th</sup> in two Ukulele Edu-Concerts led by Dave Yubruh. Pre-K to second graders gathered in the morning and third to sixth graders in the afternoon, each group taking turns playing one of the 12 colorful soprano ukuleles brought by Yubruh. Students learned how to hold the instrument, strum, and create chords by fretting strings. They also were taught the different ukulele sizes, the parts and names of the instrument, and how sound is generated. During the 45-minute to one-hour periods students learned three chords — enough to strum and sing several songs, including "Three Little Birds," "You Are My Sunshine" and "Hound Dog."

Yubruh, who presents Edu-Concerts through <u>ComedyAndMusic.com</u>, said that the goal of the Edu-Concerts is "to introduce students to a fun, portable, inexpensive instrument so that they can be creators of music, not just consumers of it." He added that "It's easy to get started on a ukulele, but it also provides great opportunities for playing and enjoying pretty much any type of music."



This project is sponsored in part by a grant from the Leyden Local Cultural Council, a local agency that is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency

## PARCC & MCAST esting Schedule

Grades3/4

May 2, PARCC ELA May 20, 23, 27, 31 PARCC Math

Grades5/6

May 3,5,12 PARCC ELA

May 17,19 MCAS Science, (grade 5 only)

May 24,26, June 1 PARCC Math

June 3, PARCC Math, (grade 5 only)



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## **Unclassified Ads**

#### **Unclassified Ads Policy Statement**

We welcome unclassified ads from Town residents, and will run them free of charge (though a small donation of \$1 or so is always appreciated). We will normally run an ad for one issue only, unless requested to extend it.

**For Sale:** Logitech wireless keyboard and mouse set. Like new, in original box. \$85 value, will sell for \$20. Call Bob Taylor at 624-8965. **For Sale:** Williams Allegro Digital 88-Key Piano. Includes padded bench seat and sustain pedal, nine voices, reverb, and chorus. \$250 value, will sell for \$80. Call Bob Taylor at 624-8965.

**For Sale:** Set of six oak chairs—\$50. Call Bob or Bob at 624-8965. *Note: See the e-edition for pictures of the three items above.* 

**Wanted:** Leaves, wood chips, manure, waste hay, etc. for compost. Please call Robin or Laura at 773-8325.

**For Sale:** "Massive oak" table, solid oak with solid carved legs and wrought-iron supports. Believed to be 1930s vintage. Seats 4 (or 6), excellent condition. *Note: See the e-edition for a picture of the table.* Also, a Jacuzzi bathtub that was working perfectly when removed to make the bathroom handicapped-accessible, \$100, most hardware included. Contact Jennifer at 760-672-5336 or mntnhiker@sprint mail.com.

**Boer Goat Meat** is available at Frizzell Hill Farm. Goat is quite tasty, low in fat and cholesterol, and high in protein and iron. Give it a try! Visit <a href="frizzellhillfarm.com">frizzellhillfarm.com</a> for information and a price list. Thanks for supporting local Leyden farms!

**Bill Maguire Painting:** Serving the Leyden area's paint and staining needs since 1978. Interior, exterior, deck refinishing, window sash work, power washing, dirt and mildew removal. Call 413-774-5330.

Erik's Handyman Service: Let me help you with your "to do" list. Property maintenance, brush control, lawn mowing, roto-tilling, odd jobs, and miscellaneous projects. If you could use some help, give me a call at 413-774-9948 and ask for Erik, or e-mail to erikshandyl@yahoo.com. Reasonable rates. Insured.

**Ed's Sugar Shack** has fresh local maple syrup for sale. Available in gallons, half gallons, quarts and pints. Call **773-7619**, Ed and Carol Johnson, 72 South County Road, Leyden. Member of Massachusetts Maple Producers Association

**Natural Lamb** is available again from the Petersons at Orchard Valley Farm. No growth-enhancing hormones or antibiotics. Usual cuts generally available. Special orders on request. Call 624-5562 or email ovfarm@verizon.net. Like us on Facebook at Orchard Valley Farm.

**Maple Run Farm**: Natural Romney yarn is for sale for knitting or weaving, processed chemical-free at Green Mountain Spinnery in Putney, VT. Call Barbara Wallace at 774-7780.



# **Sweet Morning Farm CSA**

2016 FARM SHARES

NOW is the time to reserve your Farm Share. Shares will be starting in less than a month and last 20-22 weeks. All shares include a wide variety of vegetables, and flowers plus pick-your-own pole beans, snap peas, and cherry tomatoes. Our farm is not certified but we are committed to organic and sustainable practices.

EGGS: We sell organically-grown pasture-raised chicken eggs for \$6.00/dozen.

EXTRAS: Picking spinach, mesclun, cilantro, and sorrel. Call or email for availability or to be placed on our News & Extras Email List. If you can't have your own garden, come be part of ours.

—Laura Timmerman, Rob Creamer Sweet Morning Farm, 413-773-8325, sweetmorningfarm@gmail.com, http://sweet-morningfarm.blogspot.com/ https://www.facebook.com/SweetMorningFarm

#### Linda Romano

Spring healing sessions continue through the season: Mindfulness Meditation and activities, Thursdays, 6:30-7:30 PM, with private or group sessions, and Reiki I attunement, 6/4/16 from 10:00-2:30 PM. Call or message me on Facebook: Linda Romano or Massage & Holistic Services. Phone 413-624-3334, or romanohealing @gmail.com.

# Thank you, from the Leyden United Methodist Church

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others into our community and show all the wonderful things our little town has to offer. Thank You and God Bless.

Supper and Silent Auction Donors and Sponsors were: Andy's & The Oak Shoppe; East Hyland Farm, Sid Herron & Debbie Barnard; Massage & Holistic Services, Linda Romano; North County Electric, Todd Sessions; Leyden House Gerald McCarthy; Bev Gale & Sue Hale; Dillon Chevrolet; Frizzell Hill Farm, Lynette Snedeker; Dottie Howes; Mary Lou Barton; Mark Benjamin; Fosters Supermarket; Spirit Fire Retreat Center, Tim Darter, Steve Kramer, Donna Mitchell-Moniak; Bree-Z-Knoll Farm, Warren Facey; Our Family Farms, Angie Facey; Stanley And Fuller Brush, Pat Webb; Ed and Rita Klaus; Spatchers Farm, Ken & Holly Spatcher; Dancing Bear Farm, Tom Ashley; Sweet Morning CSA, Laura Timmerman; Angels' Rest Retreat Center, Jennifer Paris; and the many others who so kindly donated items.

Also thanks to the many helping hands who gave their time in the kitchen, as well as servers, setting up, clean up and ticket sales

Thank you for all the local donations provided for the Silent Auction.

—Emily Herron-Clark

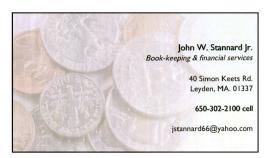


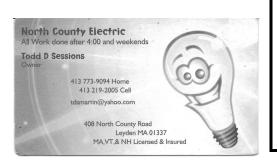
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