



Volume 7, Number 6 - June 2026

**Annual Town Meeting: Saturday, June 6, 10: a.m.**  
**Conway Grammar School**  
**Elections: Thursday, June 11**  
**11:00 - a.m. and 7:00 p.m. - Town Hall**

## Notes from the Town Administrator

Annual Town Meeting is Saturday, June 6, at 10:00 a.m. at the Conway Grammar School. There are 25 articles on the warrant. Article 2, as always, is the town budget, and this year most of the increases are due to the increase in health care costs, which have raised budgets within the town as well as for the vendors the town uses. Articles 3-5 are boilerplate articles included annually. Articles 6-19 are articles requesting funds for various town needs, such as paying for the new fire truck, adding funds to town stabilization accounts for future expenditures, purchasing equipment for the highway department, working on the town streetlight project, etc. Articles 20 and 21 deal with the town's revolving funds and community preservation funds. Finally, Articles 22-25 are changes requested to either the general or protective zoning bylaws.

As always, if you have suggestions for something the town should be doing or any comments or questions, please feel free to reach out to me anytime at 369-4235 x 3 or [townadmin@conwayma.gov](mailto:townadmin@conwayma.gov). And please be sure to sign up for the emergency alert system; you can find the link on the front page of the town website, [conwayma.gov](http://conwayma.gov).

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## Youth and Parent Day

Sunday, June 7, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., rain or shine, is Youth and Parent Day at the Conway Sportsman's Club, 245 Elmer Road. Parents, grandparents, and Conway kids of all ages: You do not want to miss this fun Conway tradition put on by the Conway Sportsman's Club in conjunction with the Conway Police Department. Last year more than 100 kids and adults enjoyed a beautiful day filled with fun, educational, and confidence-building activities.



The biggest draw was the massive indoor trout pond, the brainchild of Ken Ouimette. The club provides young anglers with all equipment, as well as fish-cleaning and bagging services. Another great draw (besides the hamburgers and hotdogs) is Tom Ricardi's rescued birds of prey, from baby owls to majestic hawks. A large selection of animal paw-print molds – from bobcat to bear – is available for kids to make and take home as souvenirs. They can build birdhouses from kits to add to their treasures. With the guidance of our professional archers, kids (and maybe curious parents?) can learn basic archery skills. Our sporting clays course provides older youths and adults with the opportunity to learn how to handle firearms safely and to experience the thrill of trying their luck at hitting sporting clays. There are always additional surprises to round out the day!

## Franklin County Fix-It Days

Local towns, in conjunction with the Franklin County Solid Waste District, are hosting two June fix-it/repair events for Franklin County residents. These events are free and open to all Franklin County residents. Save the dates.

**Saturday, June 13, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.** Colrain Central School, 22 Jacksonville Road. A wide variety of repair stations will be set up. Fixing stations include electrical, woodworking, gluing, mending/darning, jewelry, knife and tool sharpening, restringing of weed whackers, and bikes. There will also be activities for kids.

**Saturday, June 27, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.** Conway Grammar School, 24 Fournier Road. This fix-it event is still being planned. Details will be posted to the Franklin County Solid Waste District's website.

Local "fixers" are being sought. If you are interested in volunteering, contact the solid waste district. Details on repair stations and more will be available at [franklincountywastedistrict.org](http://franklincountywastedistrict.org). Contact the solid waste district by emailing [fcswmd@crocker.com](mailto:fcswmd@crocker.com) or by calling 413-772-2438.

## Swimming Pool News

While it is our intention to open the Conway Pool on May 22 and hold a town-wide picnic on June 12th, we may have to delay opening and future events due to the condition of the platform (aka "The Raft"). Over the winter ice caused structural damage and the committee agrees that it is currently unsafe. We are working hard to fix the problem and will open as soon as we are able to safely. In the meantime, visit continue to visit our [webpage](#) and Facebook for updates as well as signage in town. Thanks for your understanding and patience.

## Ashfield FilmFest Announces Inaugural Hillywood Award

In mid-September Ashfield becomes Hillywood for a weekend celebrating filmmaking. The annual Ashfield FilmFest is scheduled for September 18 and 19 at Ashfield Town Hall. This year's FilmFest will feature special prizes for women and youth filmmakers. Now in its eighteenth year, the Ashfield FilmFest is establishing a new cash prize – the Hillywood Award – which this year will honor the winning short film submitted by a female filmmaker. The theme of this special category will change annually.

Local hand-blown glassmakers Michael Schunke and Josie Gluck of Vetro Vero are sponsoring the Youth Award, a category for films made by creators aged 18 or younger. Last year Vetro Vero created beautiful awards given to winning filmmakers.

On Friday night, we will screen *Girl Climber*, a documentary film following professional climber Emily Harrington as she attempts to free-climb the challenging Golden Gate route on El Capitan in Yosemite in under 24 hours. Galen Knowles, who is an executive producer for this film, began his career with award-winning entries in the Ashfield FilmFest as a teenager. The evening will feature a postscreening discussion including Knowles, the film's director, Jon Glassberg, and others. Saturday night is the short film competition gala, when the community gathers for the excitement of watching a juried collection of community-created films together with big sound on a big screen.

Submissions for the short film competition must be no longer than five minutes and have some connection to western Massachusetts. You can submit your film through FilmFreeway – you'll find a link on our website, [ashfieldfilmfest.org](http://ashfieldfilmfest.org). The submission deadline is August 15, but it's not too early to get your film in and avoid that last-minute panic!

Mark your calendars for the event, and make your film(s) now! Amateurs and established filmmakers, young and old, are encouraged to submit films. YOU could be the one to take home the coveted Audience Choice Award, the Youth Award, this year's Hollywood Award, or other cash prizes.

Looking for inspiration? Check out past entries on the [ashfieldfilmfest.org](http://ashfieldfilmfest.org) website, and read more about entry guidelines. See all the short films from the past seventeen years on the Ashfield FilmFest YouTube page [www.youtube.com/@ashfieldfilmfest5914](http://www.youtube.com/@ashfieldfilmfest5914).

## Sir Reggie's Homemade Quiz

We've seen or used many of the following acronyms during our lifetime. But do we know what words the letters stand for? Before looking at the answers, put a checkmark next to the acronyms you can define. See how close you can come to naming the eight words that make up the #10 acronym.

1. MYOB
2. TMI
3. AFL - CIO
4. SWAK
5. SWAT
6. LLC
7. DVD
8. BVD
9. COPD
10. ADCOMSUBORDCOMP HIBSPAC

Answers are on page 21.

## Call for Submissions: Conway Kindness Corner

Do you have a neighbor who has done something that made your life a little easier, helped you out of a tough spot, or otherwise brightened your day? Let us help you celebrate them! Please send your brief (fifty words or fewer) shout-outs to [newsletter@conwayma.gov](mailto:newsletter@conwayma.gov). A shout out to community member Sady Sullivan for proposing this idea to us!

## LGBTQ+ Group

by Donna Gilman

I'm thinking about creating a small, welcoming LGBTQ+ (and allies) gathering for Conway residents in my home: a place for connection, conversation, tea, snacks, and simply being around good humans. No agenda, no pressure, no need to perform or network. Just a relaxed space to meet people and build more community in our little corner of western MA. This is for ages 16 and over. Come as you are, stay for a bit. No alcohol. If this resonates, message me, Donna Gilman, for details at [dgilman64@hotmail.com](mailto:dgilman64@hotmail.com). Ideally, this will happen once a month, starting this summer.

## AFC Committee Needs a New Member

The Age-Friendly Conway/Mass-in-Motion Committee has filled one of its open positions but is still looking for another new member to bring us up to seven. We are the committee that hosts various events in town to bring cohesion, socialization, and fun to our older residents. We welcome anyone who is interested. What we most need are your energy and a willingness to bring new ideas into Conway.

We meet every third Thursday of the month at 9:00 a.m. in Town Hall. Our next meeting is June 18. Anyone is welcome to drop in

and observe. Come join us and be a part of Conway's movement to create a more age-friendly community.

For more information, contact Tilda Hunting at 369-4170 or 413-687-3024 or Robin Yerkes, chair, at 413-575-7816.

## Conway Historical Society News

Once again, the Historical Society has two season passes to Historic Deerfield and is making them available to all Conway residents. Each pass will admit up to four people. To reserve, contact Louise at [lmbeckett@crocker.com](mailto:lmbeckett@crocker.com) or 413-325-1738; best if you can give 24-48 hours notice. Note: Passes should be picked up either the day before or the day of your planned visit and must be returned immediately following your use so that others may enjoy them. For more information on Historic Deerfield, including hours, see [historic-deerfield.org](http://historic-deerfield.org).

We are gearing up for our Summer Exhibition, which we hope to open just after the Fourth of July holiday. Stay tuned in! The museum will be open Sunday afternoons in July and August from 1:00-4:00 p.m. For other times or to arrange an appointment, please contact us at [chs@conwaymasshistory.org](mailto:chs@conwaymasshistory.org).

If you have a strong interest in history and would like to get involved with the society, please join us or come as a volunteer to help with research, event production, or managing our social media. The society welcomes new members. Annual dues are still \$10.00 for individuals and \$18.00 for multi-member memberships. Checks may be mailed to Conway Historical Society, PO Box 174, Conway, MA 01341. Visit our website at [conwaymasshistory.org](http://conwaymasshistory.org) for information on events, to search the collection, or to learn more about this volunteer organization.

## Field Guide to Conway: Mountain Laurel

(*Kalmia latifolia*)

Other names: Spoonwood, Sheep Kill Laurel, Calico Bush, Ivy Bush, Mountain Ivy

by Courtney Gilligan & Marilyn Webster; illustration by Hannah Harvester

Throughout the winter Mountain Laurels have graced us with their thick, glossy, evergreen leaves and twisted, red-brown branches. Come late spring and into early summer, they will bloom in shades of white to pink.

If you can, lean in close and admire the geometry and artistry of the buds and flowers. Notice that the cupcake frosting-like bud has ten knobs and the blossom is pentagonal-shaped with subtle markings in cinnamon, scarlet, rose, or burgundy. Count ten curved stamens lined up with the edges and center of each of the five lobes. If you return to the shrubs in the fall, you'll see small seed pods with five parts.

Scientists Callin Switzer, Robin Hopkins, and Stacey Combes used high-speed cameras to study Mountain Laurels and their pollinators. They observed that as the flower opens, the filaments attached to each pollen-bearing anther are pulled backward in an arc, creating a catapult ready to fire. When a bee – the flower's primary pollinator – begins to explore, the filaments hurl the pollen at the bee's underside. These scientists were able to determine that the filaments moved at 3.5 meters per second, earning Mountain Laurel a reputation as one of the fastest-moving plants on the globe!

While all parts of Mountain Laurel are toxic, containing grayanotoxins, white-tailed deer and possibly other species will forage lightly during the winter if desperate. However, the shrubs provide cover for black bears, Eastern cottontails, Eastern screech owls, ruffed grouse, and various songbirds.

Mountain Laurel grows in the forest understory on rocky slopes and will often form thickets in forests after logging. They are able to grow in nutrient-poor and disturbed soils, because they have a symbiotic relationship with ericoid mycorrhizal fungi that are specific to members of the



*Ericaceae* or Heath family, which includes Mountain Laurel. This relationship helps plants acquire nutrients and rebuild carbon in the soil to set the stage for reforestation.

As you drive down Whately Road in June, keep an eye out for the resplendent stand of Mountain Laurel along the eastern edge of the former beaver pond just beyond Cricket Hill Road. You'll also have ample opportunities to see the shrubs in bloom if you walk in Conway's beautiful woods.

## From the Director of the FML

Field Memorial Library and the Friends group are pleased to offer a trial home delivery service for patrons with mobility challenges and limited opportunities for library visits. Need a library card or renewal? No problem! Please call the FML for more information, assistance with requesting materials, library cards, and delivery arrangements at 369-4646.

For the month of June we are pleased to offer three Saturdays of "Reading with the Dogs." Although intended for children, all are welcome to come and listen to a picture book read by a patron and her two furry companions! Saturdays: June 13, 20, and 27 at 10:30 a.m.

Anyone who missed the May opportunity for tech help from our visiting Digital Navigator (United Way) is encouraged to call us about future opportunities.

Chris Caldwell, Director, Field Memorial Library  
[director@fieldmemoriallibrary.org](mailto:director@fieldmemoriallibrary.org)  
369-4646 [fieldmemoriallibrary.org](http://fieldmemoriallibrary.org)

## From the Friends of the Field Memorial Library

**The seed library** in the catalog cabinet has been replenished with new seeds for this season! Please stop by and take whatever you need. There is no limit! The Common Seed Project's seed of the season is a Hopi Sunflower. This is the same initiative that gave us the Provider Bean last year. You can read about this program at [guides.library.umass.edu/commonseed](http://guides.library.umass.edu/commonseed).

**Free Museum and Park Passes** The Friends are pleased to fund seven museum and park passes with no admission fee. MASS MoCA in North Adams will admit two adults and two children under 16. Historic Deerfield provides entrance for four adults. The Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art will admit two adults and four children. Our newly added pass for the Norman Rockwell Museum offers two adult discounted tickets for \$10 each. Children under 18 are free. Wistariahurst Museum in Holyoke admits two adults, as does the Pioneer Valley Symphony Orchestra. The Clark Art Institute in Williamstown will admit one adult free as well as active military, veterans, and teachers without a pass and with ID. DCR offers free admission and parking at any Massachusetts State Park. To find park locations and programs, visit [mass.gov/visit-massachusetts-state-parks/locations](http://mass.gov/visit-massachusetts-state-parks/locations). The Smith College Museum of Art is free to all without a pass as are the Mead Art Museum and the Beneski Museum of Natural History at Amherst College. Do take advantage of our passes to visit these wonderful places.

**June 19-22, Story Walk** *Curious George Goes to the Fire Station* by H.A. Ray will be set up at Veterans Memorial Park across from Town Hall. You can walk from one sign to the next to read the story. Activity kits will be available in a plastic container, first come, first served. Just help yourselves. More story walks will happen on the third weekend of each month. We are able to do this with the generous support of the Union 38 Family Network.

**Friends Annual Appeal Letter and Anniversary** On July 11 we will celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the Field Memorial Library. We will be sending out our appeal letter and celebration information at the end of June. Please look for it. We hope you will all come to enjoy this special anniversary as we also celebrate our country's 250<sup>th</sup>!

## Update from the Board of Health

**June Is National Safety Month** National Safety Month focuses on reducing preventable injuries. For 2026, a main focus is staying safe on the roads. Phone use and texting cause roughly 1.6 million accidents annually in the United States, and more than 3,000 people die each year in crashes involving distracted drivers.

Texting while driving makes you 23 times more likely to be involved in a car crash, making it at least as dangerous as driving while drunk. Reading or sending a text takes your eyes off the road for roughly five seconds, which is long enough to travel the length of a football field while going 55 mph. Eating, adjusting navigation or audio controls, and interacting with passengers while driving can all distract a driver's attention.

For better safety, silence or put away mobile devices before you drive, use a phone with hands-free features only when necessary, program navigation before starting your drive, and pull over safely if a call or task cannot wait. These practices are just as important on local streets as on highways.

Another focus for 2026 is preventing slips, trips, and falls. Fall-prevention measures such as bathroom grab bars and improved home lighting significantly reduce the chances of an injury. Address such common fall hazards as loose rugs and cluttered stairways. Remember also to test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and to store medications out of the reach of children.

**Fireworks and Fourth of July Safety** With Independence Day approaching, be aware that consumer fireworks, including sparklers, are prohibited for personal use in Massachusetts. In 2024 in the United States an estimated 14,700 injuries from fireworks were treated in emergency rooms, and there were 11 reported deaths. One-third of injuries were to children under the age of 15, and 10% resulted from sparklers. Enjoy fireworks safely at public fireworks displays. When hosting outdoor cookouts, follow standard food safety guidelines: Keep hot foods above 140°F and cold foods below 40°F, never leave a grill unattended, and keep children and pets away from cooking areas. Fully extinguish and cool charcoal before disposing of it.

Wishing everyone a healthy and safe time in June.

*Information from the Conway BOH is focused on our shared public health. Consult your healthcare provider for your personal healthcare guidance.* For the most up-to-date information, see the town website and BOH webpage [conwayma.gov/g/42/Board-of-Health](https://conwayma.gov/g/42/Board-of-Health).

## Conway Council on Aging

Council on Aging meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. in Town Hall. The next meeting will be June 3.. For more information, contact Patricia Ann Lynch, COA chair, at 369-4284 or email [patricialynch@earthlink.net](mailto:patricialynch@earthlink.net).

## Senior Calendar for June

**"First Friday" Walk-in Wellness Clinics** Clinics are held on the first Friday of the month in Conway Town Hall from 9:00 a.m. to

12:00 noon. Regional public health nurses Lisa White, RN, and Meg Ryan, RN, staff the clinic. There are no out-of-pocket costs to residents for this service, which is provided through the town's membership in FRCOG Cooperative Public Health Service. For more information, call 413-774-3167 x 156 (Lisa) or x 158 (Meg).

**Monthly Foot Care** Foot clinics are usually held on the first Monday of the month in Town Hall BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. Clinic hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The fee is \$25.00. A 48-hour notice is required for cancellations; without such notice, you will be responsible for the fee. NOTE: Reservations are taken at each month's clinic for the following months. Reserve a space now for the July or August clinic. For information or to schedule an appointment, call Pat Kocot at 369-4248 or 413-775-3629.

**Senior Citizens Day** National Senior Citizens Day was established by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to celebrate the achievements, dedication, and contributions of older Americans, while also highlighting the need for support, quality care, and community for the aging population. Join the Council on Aging on Saturday, August 22, in Veterans Memorial Park opposite Town Hall to honor our older citizens. Details will follow in future issues of *Conway Currents*.

**Senior Meals** In most months meals are held at Town Hall on the second and last Thursdays of the month. Meals may be eaten in or picked up at noon. For reservations, more information, or to be added to our email or phone list for announcements, call Carolyn Thayer at 413-559-0282.

**Senior Strength & Balance Classes** Classes meet on Tuesday from 9:00 to 9:45 a.m. and Friday from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. on Zoom. Each class includes upper body, lower body, and core strength exercises with dumbbells and balance training. This Healthy Bones & Balance program is sponsored by RSVP. Contact leader Gary Fentin at 413-530-1703 for information or for the Zoom link.

**Walking Group** Join us for gentle walks around town and enjoy companionship and friendly conversation while engaging in healthful exercise. The walking group meets in front of the library every Monday at 9:30, weather permitting. For more information call Carolyn Thayer at 413-559-0282.

**Yoga for Seniors** Led by Jody Smith-Soles on Wednesdays in person and on Zoom. Class times and locations: mat yoga 10:00-11:00 a.m. at the library, chair yoga 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. at the UCC. Call Jody at 413-824-9435 for information or for the Zoom link.

### **Senior Services**

**Durable Medical Equipment Loans** The COA has items of durable medical equipment available for loan, including wheelchairs, transfer chairs, walkers, crutches, canes, tub and shower chairs, commodes, and raised toilet seats. Call Hank Horstmann at 413-522-9240 to borrow equipment. NOTE: Please, when loaned equipment is no longer needed, call Hank to return it.

**SHINE Counseling** The SHINE (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone) Program provides free health insurance information and counseling to all Massachusetts residents with Medicare and their caregivers. People who have Medicare or who are about to become eligible for Medicare can meet with a counselor to learn about benefits and options available. A counselor will review programs that help people with limited income to pay health care costs.. SHINE counseling is available by calling LifePath at 773-5555 or by contacting Meg Ryan, one of Conway's public health nurses, at 774-3167 x 158.

**Transportation for Medical Appointments & Shopping** The Shelburne Senior Center provides curb-to-curb van transportation within Franklin County for seniors 60 and over for in-county medical appointments and grocery shopping. Call the center at 625-2502 to make an appointment at least 48 hours in advance or for information about reservations and fees. An application with a copy of a photo ID is needed to be pre-approved for ridership. For

rides to out-of-county medical appointments, call the FRTA at 774-2262 x 163 for information and reservations.

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## Currents Advertisements & Notices

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Rates for ads up to 150 words are: one month \$8.50, three months \$16.50; six months \$26.50, twelve months \$45.50. Pay by checking account or credit card through the town's website <https://conwayma.gov/> > How do I . . . ? > Pay for > Newsletter Advertising; or send a check to made out to **Conway Currents, Town of Conway, PO Box 240, Conway, MA 01341**. Please send the text of your advertisement to Louise by email at [lmbeckett@crocker.com](mailto:lmbeckett@crocker.com).

**Family of three** - seeking rental housing in (or very near) Conway. Two or more bedrooms required. I grew up in Conway, and moved back last summer, with one child enrolled in kindergarten at the Grammar School for Fall 2026. We are employed, responsible, and love living in the hilltowns. Call or text Lianna at 510-504-5558; [lianna.girshman@gmail.com](mailto:lianna.girshman@gmail.com)

**The Conway Inn** - Open for pizza, chicken wings, and breadsticks, Friday and Saturday, 4 - 10 p.m.; Sunday 5 - 8 p.m. Call 413-369-4428 for takeout. Live music jams, second Friday 7 p.m. and third Thursday - starts around 6 p.m. - each month! Look for the blue flag on the porch.



**Baker's Country Store** - open seven days a week for all-day take-out breakfast and lunch: Monday-Friday 6 a.m.-6 p.m.; Saturday 7 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday 7 a.m.-3 p.m. Always find a variety of homemade desserts and baked goods and a large selection of last-minute items. Pick up veggies to plant in the garden; enjoy an ice cream cone or a smoothie! Check us out on Facebook: [facebook.com/Bakers-Country-Store](https://facebook.com/Bakers-Country-Store) for today's specials or call 413-369-4936.

**Natural Roots Farm** - We are a horse-powered community supported farm (CSA) located along the South River right here in Conway. **Become a member of the farm! Sign up for our 2026 CSA season. We offer flexible 10 week or full-season 22 week share options in regular and**

**large sizes.** Details on our website: [www.naturalroots.com](http://www.naturalroots.com). The wider community is welcome to shop for vegetables, Tues & Fri, 3:00 -6:30, June - October. It's like a farmer's market every week! Our farm store is open to the public year-round, self-serve during daylight hours. We offer eggs from our own pastured hens as well as other local items including beef, chicken, pork, dairy, baked goods, honey, maple products, coffee, tea, ice cream, snacks, beverages and more! Enjoy this beautiful, bountiful farm and the vibrant community that we feed. Natural Roots, 888 Shelburne Falls Rd., Conway, MA 01341, 413-369-4269, [naturalrootscsa@gmail.com](mailto:naturalrootscsa@gmail.com).

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**Debra Hoyle Studio and Gallery** - welcomes spring! Collage and gel printing workshops are available at the studio on individually scheduled Saturday afternoons. Typically 3 hours and all supplies are included for

\$65. per person. No experience needed! Call or text 413-325-5579 for more info. [instagram.com/debhoyle.art.rockpaperscissors](https://www.instagram.com/debhoyle.art.rockpaperscissors)

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**Old Parsonage Flowers** - does custom work! Custom house number tiles or Conway coasters, small signs, wedding invitation mementos, along with our regular stock of pressed flowers, fresh flowers in season, and upcycled decoupaged items. The stand is open on Upper Baptist Hill when you see the sign out on 116. Or contact us at [oldparsonageflowers@gmail.com](mailto:oldparsonageflowers@gmail.com).

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**Eastern and Somatic Therapies** - and Western Mass Equine Therapy for mental health offers private sessions and retreats in therapeutic yoga, qigong, connection, intimacy and yoga therapy as bodywork and dialogue, as well as equine therapy for mental health. Sessions are available in person or virtually. Yoga with Horses is scheduled for Saturdays at 10 am starting May 9th. Class space is limited, so enroll soon at [www.ginambarrett.com/contact](http://www.ginambarrett.com/contact)

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**Summer Classes at Hannah Harvester Fine Art! - Art for All Ages**, Wednesdays 3-6 p.m. starting June 10. Drop in - Ages 7-107! We'll mostly draw but might do a little painting from time to time. All levels. Stay for the whole time or come late or leave early. **Plein Air Painting**, Thursdays 4-7 p.m., June 11-August 20. For painters in any medium with at least some experience. Bring your own outdoor easel/plein air set-up and your materials. We'll meet at the Delabarre studio and paint nearby. On rainy days we'll work in the studio. Find details under "Classes" at [www.HannahHarvester.com](http://www.HannahHarvester.com), or email me at [hannahharvesterfineart@gmail.com](mailto:hannahharvesterfineart@gmail.com) for more info.

**Fresh, Local Farm Food Delivered Right to Your Door!** - Hart Farm CSA boxes are filled with veggies, fruits, flowers, eggs, bread, cheese, meat and more. Choose from 3 different box types and then choose your delivery dates. Delivery throughout West Franklin and Hampshire Counties every Friday, April 24th-October 23rd. Pay with card/check/SNAP/Venmo. We provide an accessible, convenient and flexible schedule farm box program to the community that we love. You can expect high quality, freshly picked, delicious produce infused with good vibes and delivered with a smile. We also offer a 20 week flower CSA and garden plant sales to pick up at the farm! 413-453-9098. Info: [www.conwayhartfarm.com](http://www.conwayhartfarm.com), [conwayhartfarm@gmail.com](mailto:conwayhartfarm@gmail.com).

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**Davenport's Mobil Service Station** - has been locally owned and operated by the Davenport family since 1981. Celebrating 45 years in business this year! We have an automotive service shop selling brand-name, competitively- priced tires. Pick up a soft drink, chips, lottery or the *Recorder* - Find us at 269 Mohawk Trail in Shelburne Falls. Hours: Mon - Fri: 6:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Sat: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Sun: 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. 413-489-3740.

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**Conway Natives Nursery** - Native Plants, Locally Grown! 351 South Shirkshire Road, Conway, MA; Nursery open Sundays 9-5; Find us at the Ashfield's Farmer's Market every Saturday 9-1. Healthy, hardy native perennials and shrubs grown right here in the hills of Conway. Transform your yard into a native plant sanctuary this year, benefitting pollinators, birds and the planet. Visit Conway Natives to tour the shade and sun demonstration gardens, awesome stone work, and the print shop and Wilder Hill Press gallery on site. Landscape design and installation services, cut flowers in season. Sound gardening advice based on years of experience. 413-772-9065; [lilianjackman@gmail.com](mailto:lilianjackman@gmail.com); [conwaynatives.com](http://conwaynatives.com)





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## Sir Reggie's Homemade Quiz Answers

1. **M**ind Your **O**wn **B**usiness
2. Too **M**uch Information
3. **A**merican **F**ederation of **L**abor - **C**ongress  
of **I**ndustrial **O**rganizations
4. **S**ealed **W**ith **A** **K**iss (old acronym written  
on the back of an envelope)
5. **S**pecial **W**eapons **A**nd **T**actics
6. **L**imited **L**iability **C**ompany
7. **D**igital **V**ideo **D**isc
8. **B**radley **V**oorhees **D**ay (the last names of the underwear  
brand's owners)
9. **C**hronic **O**bstructive **P**ulmonary **D**isease
10. **A**Dministrative **C**OMmand, Am**P**HIBious Forces, **P**ACific  
Fleet **S**UBordinate **C**OMmand (I know, the letters aren't in  
the order of the words. Well, that's the military for you.)



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