



# August 2021

The Town of Washington Parks Committee would like to express our gratitude to the volunteers who assisted in the park cleanup efforts on Saturday June 19th, 2021. Thank you specifically to Ernie Lampro of Always Growing Landscaping for his donation of mulch for the park, Craig Willis of White Wolf for the beautiful work on the park paths, to our community members who participated - Linda Levernoch and the Watsons, and also to the members of the Park Committee who organized and participated in the event. Unfortunately, we again had minimal participation in the event and few hands participated in the heavy lifting. We as a Parks Committee will be discussing discontinuing the annual volunteer event due to lack of community participation and will be exploring use of the park budget for clean up efforts. Anyone who still would like to assist in any volunteer work we have many projects remaining. Please reach out to the parks commission for more details.

## **Dog License Late Fee Reminder**

Remember to register your dog **before August 31, 2021** to avoid the \$25 late fee. You can register your dog at the Town Clerk's office on Monday evenings from 7:00 - 9:00 PM or mail the necessary paperwork to the Town Hall, Attention: Town Clerk, 8 Summit Hill Road, Washington, MA 01223.

Necessary paperwork:

- Current rabies paperwork showing rabies expiration
- Proof of spay/neuter
- License fee: \$4 for spayed/neutered dog or \$10 for an unaltered dog (\$24 or \$35 after August 31, 2021)
  - If paying by check, make it payable to Town of Washington

## **Town Clerk Office Hours Update**

The Town Clerk will **not** hold office hours on Monday, August 9. For dog licenses on that date, you will have the ability to complete the license paperwork in the Clerk's office and leave it in an envelope along with the fee. The Town Clerk will process your paperwork upon return to the office and mail you a dog tag. The details and instructions for this process will be available in the Clerk's office.



# JACOB'S PILLOW ON THE ROAD

**FEATURING LADIES OF HIP-HOP  
& KULU MELE AFRICAN DANCE & DRUM ENSEMBLE**

**FREE PILLOW POP-UPS  
ACROSS BERKSHIRE COUNTY**  
Pack a blanket or your favorite outdoor chair, invite your family and friends, and bring a snack to enjoy this 45 minute pop-up performance in a park near you!

**BECKET**  
NORTH BECKET PARK  
JULY 31 & AUG 8  
1PM 5PM

**NORTH ADAMS**  
RIVER GROVE PARK  
AUG 1 & AUG 7  
1PM 5PM

**GREAT BARRINGTON**  
TOWN HALL PARK  
AUG 1 & AUG 8  
5PM 1PM

**PITTSFIELD**  
THE COMMON (JUL 31)  
ROSEMARY & REVEREND WILLARD  
DURANT PARK (AUG 7)  
JULY 31 & AUG 7  
5PM 1PM

SCAN THE  
QR CODE  
TO SHARE  
YOUR INTEREST  
& RECEIVE  
UPDATES ABOUT  
ON THE ROAD.



JACOBSPILOW.ORG

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSOR OF ON THE ROAD:  
**MILLTOWN**  
JACOB'S PILLOW ON THE ROAD IS MADE POSSIBLE IN PART WITH GENEROUS  
SUPPORT FROM THE FEIGENBAUM FOUNDATION AND JOAN B. HUNTER.

THANK YOU TO OUR PARTNERS



BECKET ARTS CENTER

Gala



The Whiskey Treaty Roadshow

**SUNDAY, AUG 29 | 5:00 PM**  
**PAPA BOB'S OUTSIDE**  
**71 CHESTER RD., BECKET**

\$35 / TICKET INCLUDES FOOD  
2021 BAC MEMBERS MAY PURCHASE 2  
TICKETS FOR \$30 EACH

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7 BROOKER HILL RD., BECKET



## MUSIC BRINGS COMMUNITIES TOGETHER

Free Outdoor Concerts  
BECKET ARTS CENTER LAWN  
7 Brooker Hill Rd., Becket  
SATURDAYS, 5-7PM

JULY 31 Elaine Morel &  
Melissa Brinton

AUGUST 7 Laura Cabrera & Latin  
Dance & Berkshire  
Salsa Dance

AUGUST 21 Chantelle McFarland  
& Amanda Cote

Call 413-623-6635 for  
more information or email  
[office@becketartscenter.org](mailto:office@becketartscenter.org)  
[becketartscenter.org](https://becketartscenter.org).



## Explorations Lectures Mondays, 7PM



Becket Arts Center  
7 Brooker Hill Rd

**AUGUST 9**

MICHAEL HAMBURG:  
ACROSS THE UNIVERSE,  
THE SEARCH FOR LIFE

**AUGUST 30**

ADAM HINDS:  
THE CHALLENGES AND  
OPPORTUNITIES OF  
REPRESENTING THE LARGEST  
GEOGRAPHIC AREA IN THE  
MASSACHUSETTS LEGISLATURE

**SEPTEMBER 13**

TODD MAISEL:  
PHOTOJOURNALIST AT 9/11

**SEPTEMBER 20**

JO ANN SCHEDLER: MOHICAN  
TRIBE YESTERDAY & TODAY

Free for BAC Members, \$5 for non-members  
413-623-6635  
[OFFICE@BECKETARTSCENTER.ORG](mailto:OFFICE@BECKETARTSCENTER.ORG)

SUPPORTED BY THE FEIGENBAUM FOUNDATION



Friends of the Washington Town Park present

**'Raise the Roof'**  
**FREE**  
**Sunday Concerts**  
**AT THE PARK**  
**5:00 p.m.**

Sponsored by a grant from the  
Washington Cultural Council

**Join in the family-friendly outdoor fun and help  
raise funds to repair the town gazebo roof!**

**Sunday, August 1st - Rev Tor**

*Rock, Jam Band*

**Sunday, August 8th - Krishna Guthrie**

*Rockin' Folkin' Blues*

**Sunday, August 15th - Sky Full of Dippers**

*Top 40'S & Classic Rock*

**Sunday, August 22nd**

**Cliff Brodeur & The Square One Band**

*American Traditional Square*

*Dance*

**Sunday, August 29th - Bobby Sweet**






*Americana*

**Blankets, lawn chairs and picnic baskets welcome.**

**Route 8 just south of the Town Hall.**

**Raindates to be posted on the town website.**

# TOWN OF WASHINGTON AUGUST 2021 CALENDAR

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday
TOWN PARK	1	TOWN HALL	2		3	TOWN HALL	4	TOWN HALL	5	TOWN HALL	6	7
 <p><b>'Raise the Roof' FREE Sunday Concerts AT THE PARK 5:00 p.m.</b> Sponsored by a grant from the Washington Cultural Council</p> <p><b>Rev Tor</b></p>		<p>Select Board Meeting 7:00-9:00PM Assessors Office 6:00-8:00PM Tax Collector 6:00-8:00PM Town Clerk 7:00-9:00PM Police Department 7:00 - 9:00PM Administrative Assistants 10AM-2PM</p>		<p>Yoga with Rima 9AM</p>		<p>Administrative Assistant 10AM-2PM Transfer Station 5PM-8PM Town Planning Steering Committee Meeting 2PM</p>		<p>OSTEOPOROSIS CLASS 10AM</p>		<p>TAI-CHI/QI-GONG CLASS 10AM</p>		Transfer Station 8AM-4PM
TOWN PARK	8	TOWN HALL	9		10	TOWN HALL	11	TOWN HALL	12	TOWN HALL	13	14
 <p><b>'Raise the Roof' FREE Sunday Concerts AT THE PARK 5:00 p.m.</b> Sponsored by a grant from the Washington Cultural Council</p> <p><b>Krishna Guthrie</b></p>		<p>Select Board Meeting 7:00 - 9:00PM Assessors Office 6:00 - 8:00PM Tax Collector 6:00 - 8:00PM Town Clerk 7:00 - 9:00PM Police Department 7:00 - 9:00PM Administrative Assistants 10AM-2PM</p>		<p>Yoga with Rima 9AM Planning Board Meeting 7PM</p>		<p>Administrative Assistant 10AM-2PM Transfer Station 5PM-8PM</p>		<p>OSTEOPOROSIS CLASS 9AM</p>		<p>TAI-CHI/QI-GONG CLASS 10AM</p>		Transfer Station 8AM-4PM
TOWN PARK	15	TOWN HALL	16		17	TOWN HALL	18	TOWN HALL	19	TOWN HALL	20	21
 <p><b>'Raise the Roof' FREE Sunday Concerts AT THE PARK 5:00 p.m.</b> Sponsored by a grant from the Washington Cultural Council</p> <p><b>Sky full of Dippers</b></p>		<p>Select Board Meeting 7:00-9:00PM Assessors Office 6:00-8:00PM Tax Collector 6:00-8:00PM Town Clerk 7:00-9:00PM Police Department 7:00 - 9:00PM Administrative Assistants 10AM-2PM</p>		<p>Yoga with Rima 9AM</p>		<p>Administrative Assistant 10AM-2PM Transfer Station 5PM-8PM</p>		<p>OSTEOPOROSIS CLASS 9AM</p>		<p>TAI-CHI/QI-GONG CLASS 10AM</p>		Transfer Station 8AM-4PM
TOWN PARK	22	TOWN HALL	23		24	TOWN HALL	25	TOWN HALL	26	TOWN HALL	27	28
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TOWN PARK	29	TOWN HALL	30		31							
 <p><b>'Raise the Roof' FREE Sunday Concerts AT THE PARK 5:00 p.m.</b> Sponsored by a grant from the Washington Cultural Council</p> <p><b>Bobby Sweet</b></p>		<p>Select Board Meeting 7:00-9:00PM Assessors Office 6:00-8:00PM Tax Collector 6:00-8:00PM Town Clerk 7:00-9:00PM Police Department 7:00 - 9:00PM Administrative Assistants 10AM-2PM</p>		<p>Yoga with Rima 9AM</p>		<p><b>Sons and Daughters</b> Still hoping that we are able to continue this tradition. Save the date <b>Sept 12</b> Cookies are the baking contest dessert Difficult to predict the future. not knowing what the rules might be in 6 weeks but hoping that we can gather for some food, music and share memories.</p>		<p>OSTEOPOROSIS CLASS 9AM</p>		<p>TAI-CHI/QI-GONG CLASS 10AM</p>		Transfer Station 8AM-4PM



Entity	Contact	Number	Entity	Contact	Number
Assessors	Karen Avalle	717-7216	Police Chief	Nicole Miller	446-4294
Board of Health	Janice Paxton	655-8668	Selectmen	Kent Lew	623-0202
Building Inspector	Paul Greene	446-0964	Tax Collector	Gina Campbell	623-0146
Chapel Commission	Rose Borgnis	394-0003	Transfer Station	Michelle Lampro	464-2388
Clerk	Allison Mikaniewicz	623-2185	Veterans Agent	John Herrera	499-9433



Dear Washington Friends & Neighbors:

August 2021

Two storms took a real toll on our Town this past month. The 6/30 microburst caused tremendous tree damage and power outages. The 7/18 flash flood damaged several roads throughout Town, especially those crossing Depot Brook. Repair and restoration work may take several more weeks still.

Route 8 was flooded twice. The second time, significant debris was strewn across the Town Park, and a major portion of the Eden Glen Dam bank was completely washed away. We have begun discussions with MEMA about mitigation strategies to address future storm vulnerability.

Yet another meeting is planned with FEMA to try to finally secure funding to replace the collapsed Frost Rd culvert. Meanwhile, the Select Board will be contacting our U.S. Representative Richard Neal to complain about the excessive federal delays and red tape.

The Highway Dept. is seeking a new truck driver/equipment operator to fill a vacancy left by Andrew's departure. If you or anyone you know is interested in joining our crew, or to find out more information, contact Tom at 623-8383 or [washingtondpw@gmail.com](mailto:washingtondpw@gmail.com).

At the July STM, voters approved funding to proceed with demolition of Woody's if necessary, giving the Select Board the final tool needed. However, the situation remains complicated, as a transfer of ownership is pending. It will be in the Town's best financial interest if a new owner takes responsibility to demolish the building quickly. If not, however, or if the sale falls through, the Board will act to remove the structure and sue the owner to recoup the costs. One way or another, we are intent on resolving this long-standing frustration before winter descends.

Thanks to everyone who showed up for last month's bloodmobile at Town Hall. Washington turnout was reported to be above average, which is something to be proud of.

Don't forget to attend the free Sunday concerts all this month at the Town Park. These will be a fundraiser to help fix the gazebo roof. Some great acts have been booked, so don't miss them!

But with all the storm debris, the Parks Commission is going to need extra volunteers to clean up in time. So this is another chance to pitch in and give back to your community. If you're able to help out, please contact Dom Sinopoli at 413-207-5044 or [dominic.sinopoli@gmail.com](mailto:dominic.sinopoli@gmail.com).

It is with somber hearts that we mark the sudden passing of fellow Board member Richard Grillon on July 22. Dick played an outsized role not just in Washington but throughout the Berkshires during his many decades of public service. He will be missed, and our condolences go out to his family and friends.

Kent Lew, Select Board chair

Tricia Drugmand, Select Board clerk



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