

What's Happening

at Hubbard Memorial Library

To register for programs or find out more information, visit ludlow.cwmars.org, or call (413) 583-3408. Weather-related announcements for outdoor events will be made on the library's Facebook page the morning of the program.

Library Hours: M, W, F 9-5, TU, TH, 9-8, S 10-2. Closed Saturdays during the summer, Sundays and holidays.

The library will be resuming regular operating hours on September 1. Please note a change in Saturday operating hours of 10-2 rather than 9-1.

FOR ALL AGES

Social Services Drop-In, Wednesday September 3, 11:00 a.m. Come meet with our Social Worker for assistance with getting connected to food pantries and applying for food stamps, health insurance questions, referrals to treatment and support groups, supporting those with mental health concerns, free fentanyl test strips and condoms AND MORE! This program is made possible through the Mill Town Public Health Coalition.

Friends of the Hubbard Memorial Library, third Thursday of the month, 6:00 p.m. Get involved! Join the Friends of the Library for their monthly meeting and learn how you can help support the library.

FOR ADULTS

Mediumship Talk Thursday, September 25 at 6:30 PM.

Jacqueline Engel, a local writer, author, and spiritual medium will give a talk on what mediumship is, differentiate between other psychic abilities, and explain how a medium communicates with the spirit world. Please register on our website.

Mass Center for the Book Monthly Reading Challenge Each month, you'll be challenged to read a book based on a chosen theme. Those who participate will be entered to win a free book! For more information and to sign up, please visit mass-book.org/readingchallenge.

Chair Volleyball for Seniors, every Thursday, 1:30 p.m. Have some fun and join us for chair volleyball! No running or jumping required. Please sign up on our website or by calling the circulation desk at 413-583-3408. Walk-ins are welcome.

Who picked this book? Book Club Meeting, first Thursday of the month, 3:30 p.m. Join us for this month's Who picked this book? Book Club meeting! You can pick up a copy of the book at the circulation desk.

Happy Hour Book Club Meeting, last Thursday of the month, 6:30 p.m. Join us for this month's Happy Hour Book Club meeting! You can pick up a copy of the book at the circulation desk.

FOR TEENS

Nintendo Switch Night for YAs, Tuesday, October

14, 6:00 - 8:00pm. For middle & high schoolers. Meet once a month to play Mario Kart, Smash Bros, or other Switch games, while munching on free pizza & drinks! 16 person limit. Please register. Generously sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Read Between the Lines High School Book Discussion Group, October 24, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. For ages 14 -18. Fun, relaxed book discussion for high schoolers. This month's book, Stalking Jack the Ripper by Kerri Maniscalco, is available in the Youth Room. Please register.

Melted Crayon Pumpkin Decorating for YAs, Tuesday, October 28, 4:00 p.m. For middle and high school age. Melted crayons and white pumpkins donated by Randall's Farm make a unique, no-carving variation on pumpkin decorating. Please register.

FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS

Spooky Candle Making for Kids, Thursday, October 9, 4:30pm. Ages 5 & up. Make "candle corn" or spooky-themed candles, without hot wax or fumes! Please register.

Pokemon Club, every other Wednesday, October 15, 3:30 - 4:45 p.m. For ages 9-14. Bring your cards, Nintendo Switch, phone, or tablet for Pokemon Go, handheld gaming, and trading. All trades supervised by staff and trades must be of equal market value. Please register.

Youth Chess Club, every other Monday, October 20, 3:30 p.m. For ages 9-17. All experience levels welcome; some instruction provided. Bring your chess set if you have one. Please register.

Youth Crochet Club, every other Tuesday, October 23, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. For ages 10-17. For beginner to experienced crocheters; supplies provided or bring your own. Registration recommended.

Tween Graphic Novel Book Group, Thursday, October 23, 5:00 to 5:45 p.m. Ages 9-13. Discuss graphic novels, play games, and make crafts. This month's graphic novel is available in the Youth Room. There will be snacks! Please register.

Lego Build Challenge, every Wednesday, 12:00 to 5:00 p.m. Pull a Lego Build Challenge Card and try to build it with the library's Legos, or free build just for fun. All creations will be put on display in the Youth Room for the week. Drop-in.

Friday Online Club, every Friday, 3:00 to 4:45 p.m. For grades 3-8. Play Roblox, Minecraft or other online group games at the library. Meet new friends or play with old ones. Feel free to use one of the library Minecraft accounts: please sign up for your own Roblox or other accounts. Please register.

Saturday Online Club, every Saturday, noon to 1:50 p.m. For grades 3-8. See description above. Please register.

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OBITUARIES

Mary (Mae) S. Macdonald Dubois

Mary (Mae) S. Macdonald Dubois, 100, of Ludlow passed away peacefully at her home of 74 years on Sept. 29, 2025 surrounded by her loving family.

Mae was born in Dundee, Scotland in 1925 to Charles and Margaret (Petrie) Macdonald. Mae, her mother, and her sister, Greta, joined her father in the United States in 1932, settling in West Orange, New Jersey. She graduated from Kearny High School, where she lettered in basketball and was on the honor society. After graduation, Mae began working at an insurance company in Newark, New Jersey.

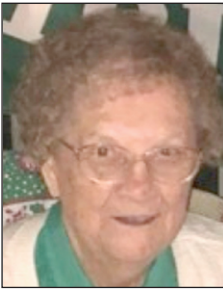
While visiting family in Ludlow, Massachusetts, Mae became friends with Lauretta (Dubois) Raymond. With Lauretta's encouragement, Mae started writing letters to her brother, Homer R. Dubois, who was stationed on the U.S.S. Sigourney in World War II. This happenstance correspondence was the start of a life-long commitment. Mae and Homer were married on July 30, 1949 in Arlington, New Jersey and moved into the house Homer built for them in Ludlow in 1951. They raised three children there, Nancy Fernandes of Ludlow, Suzanne Parker of Springfield, and Rene Dubois of Monson. Along with raising their children, Mae acted as the secretary to her husband,

the Fire Chief of Ludlow, for many years. Before Ludlow had a permanent fire station, Mae was responsible for sounding the town-wide alarm for the fire department from their home. Years later, she also worked at the Treasury Department for the Town of Ludlow.

Mae loved spending time with her family, and the dinner table during holidays, birthdays and picnics, was always a place of laughter and love. She was blessed with six grandchildren: Amanda Mistalski (Gary) of Wilbraham, Andrew Fernandes (Chrissy) of Ludlow, Christopher Fernandes of Springfield, Mary Fernandes (Aaron) of Ludlow, Ethan Dubois (Maggie) of Monson, and Avery Dubois (Frankie) of Monson; and eight great-grandchildren: Kylie & Kenzie Plasse, and Jameson Houle of Ludlow, Gray & Adaline Mistalski of Wilbraham, Madilynn Fernandes of Ludlow, and Rene & Dominic Dubois of Monson. She is survived by three nieces.

Mae and Homer were married for 71 years before his passing in 2021. She missed her husband, Homer, every day in her own way. After his passing, she lived independently in their home, insisting on cooking for her-

self, doing her laundry and cleaning the house all on her own. Despite using a walker during her last few years, family would often stop over to visit and find the furniture in the house rearranged! Mae became an avid texter



in her late 80's, using it to stay in touch with family, and even sending a selfie once or twice. She was infamous for her chalkboard messages that greeted you at her door, where she would share her thoughts and poetry that she had written. Her family is thankful for all of the years that they had with Mae and the rare blessing that she was able to meet eight of her great-grandchildren. Mae will be missed every day, but her family finds solace in knowing that she has been reunited with her husband and her mother for all of eternity.

Visiting hours were held at Ludlow Funeral Home on Sunday, Oct. 5. Committal services were at Ludlow Funeral Home on Monday, Oct. 6 at 10:15 a.m. with a service at 11 a.m., followed by burial at Island Pond Cemetery. The family invited everyone to a reception at Tony and Penny's Restaurant, 18 Canterbury St in Ludlow, immediately following the burial services.

DEATH NOTICES

Mary (Mae) S. Macdonald Dubois
Died Sept. 29, 2025
Ludlow Funeral Home

The Ludlow Register OBITUARY POLICY

Turley Publications offers two types of obituaries.

One is a free, brief **Death Notice** listing the name of deceased, date of death and funeral date and place.

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Exceptions will be made only when the family provides a death certificate and must be pre-paid.

LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE SPECIAL PERMIT HOME OCCUPATION

The Ludlow Planning Board will hold a public hearing in Ludlow Town Hall, Selectmen's Conference Room on **Thursday, October 23, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.** on the application of Joshua Edward Picard of **23 Adams Street Ludlow, MA (Assessors' Map 16A, Parcel 24)** for: **online book sales**.

If for any reason this hearing is cancelled, it will be rescheduled to Thursday, November 13, 2025.

Raymond Phoenix, Chairman
10/08, 10/15/2025

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD24P2217EA
Estate of:
William Herman Leab, Jr.
Date of Death: 09/07/2024**

CITATION ON PETITION FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE BY A PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Sale of Real Estate has been filed by: **Jeannine Bourdeau of Belchertown, MA** requesting that the court authorize the Personal Representative to sell the decedent's real estate at a private sale.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/28/2025.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be

taken without further notice to you.

Witness, **Barbara M Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.

Date: September 23, 2025
Rosemary A Saccomani,
Register of Probate
10/08/2025

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Division
Docket No. HD25P1779EA
Estate of:**

**Anthony R. Malfino
Date of Death: 06/26/2025
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Laura Malfino of Ludlow, MA.**

Laura Malfino of Ludlow, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure

by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
10/08/2025



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