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Honor Society and Quabbin Regional High School's NJROTC.

"We are here to raise money for the community garden," Ware Grange's John Carter said.

Carter explained the history of the Grange, and how the organization became involved with the effort to build a community garden on the grounds of Trinity Episcopal Church's Jubilee Ministries at 80 Pleasant St.

"We work to support agriculture," he said. "This is what the Grange does...we're here to support the community and help people who are interested in becoming a farmer and starting their own gardens."

Carter said the Ware Grange secured a grant that will also be used to support the Ware Community Garden.

The Ware Grange is also hosting a series of gardening workshops for adults and children. The first adult workshop will be led by Turley Publication's "In the Garden" columnist and expert grower, Roberta McQuaid on May 1 at 7 p.m. The first in the Kids' Corner Workshops with Jen McNally will be held on May 9 at 10 a.m.

More information about Ware Grange and its programs are available at www.waregrange.org and on their Facebook page. People can also email waregrange164@gmail.com.

The Ware Community Garden was developed by a task force of Quaboag Valley Food Policy Council members, under the umbrella of Healthy Quaboag.

Healthy Quaboag's pri-

mary objective is to address health disparities and enhance the well-being of the region's residents, striving to improve the overall health of the community by implementing impactful prevention strategies and health initiatives.

A recent Community Food Access Assessment showed a great need for accessible and affordable spaces for residents to garden, and the task force got to work to partner with the town of Ware, Trinity Episcopal Church, the Ware Grange, and several other organizations and businesses, including the East Quabbin Land Trust, Workshop13 and the Hardwick Farmers Co-Op. These key partnerships have secured enough space to provide 10 foot by 10 foot gardening plots that will be available to residents on a first come, first serve basis.

Sawyer Blake, Project Coordinator for Community Health at Healthy Quaboag, thanked the Ware Grange and the Ware Senior Center for hosting the fundraiser supper, and for supporting the community garden.

"This event truly means so much to me," Blake said.

Blake explained the role of Healthy Quaboag, and the food policy council.

"The food policy council is a subsection of Healthy Quaboag," they said. "It is a group of people who want to make healthy food sustainable."

Blake said creating a community garden was a "top priority" for the council's members.

Not only will the community garden be a space for residents to grow food, but



Members of Ware Jr./Sr. High School's National Honor Society and Quabbin Regional High School's NJROTC were the servers for the supper.

Turley Publications Photos by Paula Quimette



John Carter of Ware Grange #164 spoke about the role of the Grange and its support of agriculture.



State Sen. Peter Durant attended the supper and spoke in support of the community garden.

it will also be a space where they can connect with others.

Blake said one major goal is to make the community garden affordable to everyone, and fundraisers such as that evening's supper and raffle, helped to do that.

Blake said the community

garden is expected to open at the beginning of June, and they encouraged anyone interested in getting involved or securing a plot, to reach out by emailing sblake@townofware.com or calling 413-807-0901.

About QVFPC

The Quaboag Valley Food Policy Council is overseen by Healthy Quaboag, and is funded through a grant received by the Town of Ware in partnership with Quaboag Valley Community Development Corporation, covering the towns of Ware, Belchertown, Palmer, Monson, Wales, Holland, Brimfield, Warren, Brookfield, West Brookfield, North Brookfield and East Brookfield.

The council is open to all, and everyone is welcome to join in the discussion.

The full results of the Community Food Access Assessment are available online. To view the comprehensive report and learn more about the findings, visit healthyquaboag.org/food-policycouncil.

Death notice

Elizabeth E. Boudreau, 82

MONSON – Elizabeth Ellen Boudreau passed away March 24, 2026 at the age of 82. Visitation will be held on Monday, April 6, 2026 from 10 a.m.-noon at the Beers & Story Palmer Funeral Home. Burial will immediately follow in Oak Knoll Cemetery.

Applications available for Michael H. Deslauriers Scholarship

WARE – Applications for the Michael H. Deslauriers Scholarship are now available at your high school's guidance office.

The committee will award the Michael H. Deslauriers Scholarship to a graduating senior residing in the town of Ware, regardless of the school district they attend.

To apply for this scholarship, a copy of your school transcript and a completed application, which is available at your school's guidance office, must be submitted by May 1.

Please mail to Ware AMVETS Post 2577, c/o Richard Rucki, 8 First Avenue, Ware, MA 01082.

public notices

Ware Conservation Commission Notice of Public Hearing

The Ware Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, April 8, 2026, at 6:30 PM** pursuant to the Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. 131 c.40. The hearing will include consideration of a (RDA) by Andrew Bonilla for the construction of two wooden exercise stations within the Buffer Zone of nearby wetlands at Grenville Park, 73 Church Street, Ware. Said hearing will be held in the Selectmen's Meeting Room, Town Hall, 126 Main Street, Ware, MA 01082. To view application and related plans, contact the Conservation office at 413.967.9648. Pursuant to MGL Chapter 4, Section 13, a copy of this legal notice can also be found on the Massachusetts Newspaper Publishers Association's (MNPA) website: <http://masspublicnotices.org>. 04/02/2026

such operations.

Copies of the proposed regulations are available for public review at the Board of Health Office, 48 High St. Warren MA 01083, during regular business hours Monday – Wednesday 8:30-4pm, and may also be accessed at <https://www.warren-ma.gov>

Any person interested or wishing to be heard on the proposed regulations should appear at the time and place designated above or submit written comments prior to the hearing to: Jessica Clarke, Board of Health Administrator, PO Box 478, Warren MA 01083 or boh@warren-ma.gov

The Board of Health reserves the right to amend or revise the proposed regulations as a result of comments received at the hearing.
Daniel Thibodeau, Chair
Board of Health
Town of Warren
04/02, 04/09/2026

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE BOARD OF HEALTH TOWN OF WARREN MASSACHUSETTS

The Town of Warren Board of Health will hold a public hearing in person on **Wednesday, April 29th, 2026, 3 PM** located at **2252 Main St. West Warren MA 01092** to consider the adoption of the following regulations pursuant to its authority under M.G.L. c.111, s.31:

Body Art Regulations – to regulate the permitting and operation of body art establishments, including tattooing, piercing, and related practices, and to establish health and safety standards for

(SEAL)
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT Docket No. 26 SM 000895 ORDER OF NOTICE

TO: **Kimberly M. Lacroix** and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq):

MCLP Asset Company, Inc., claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in **Ware, numbered 286 Os-**

borne Road, given by Michael J. Lacroix and Kimberly M. Lacroix to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Merrimack Mortgage Company, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated February 11, 2014, and recorded in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds in Book 11583, Page 212, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at **Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108** on or before **05/04/2026** or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of non-compliance with the Act.

Witness, GORDON H. PIPER Chief Justice of this Court on 3/17/2026.

Attest:
Deborah J. Patterson,
Recorder
04/02/2026

Town of Hardwick PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Under the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 166, and any additions or amendments thereto; please be advised that at their meeting on

Monday, April 13, 2026, at 6:30 p.m., at the Municipal Office Building, 307 Main Street, Gilbertville, MA 01031, the Hardwick Select Board will consider a request to give permission to Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a National Grid and Verizon New England, Inc, to locate poles, wires, and fixtures, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, along and across the following public way:

Pine Street- National Grid to install 1 JO pole beginning at a point approximately 28 feet west of the centerline of the intersection of School Street.
04/02/2026

STORAGE AUCTION

The contents of Daniel Fournier will be auctioned off at Secure Storage, 31 Southbridge Rd., Warren, MA on **4/18/26 at 9:00 a.m.**

The contents of Jose Sanchez, Jessalyn Hughes, Amanda Harris and Zachary Freeman will be auctioned off at Secure Storage, 167 West St., Ware, MA on **4/18/26 at 9:45 a.m.**

Any questions or inquiries call 413-800-6278.
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Notice of Public Hearing Planning Board LEGAL NOTICE SP-2026-02

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ware Planning Board, acting as the Special Permit Granting and Site Plan Review Authority, will hold a Public Hearing during the scheduled meeting on **THURSDAY, April 16th, 2026**

at **7:00pm**, on the application of Daniel Strum, for a common driveway, under Zoning Bylaw Section 6.6.2, and pursuant to MGL Chapter 40A. Pursuant to Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022, this hearing will be conducted in person and via remote means, in accordance with applicable law. This means that members of the Planning Board as well as members of the public may access this meeting in person, or via virtual means. In person attendance will be held in the Board of Selectman's Meeting Room, 126 Main Street, Ware, MA. It is possible that any or all members of the public body may attend remotely, with in-person attendance consisting of members of public. The meeting may be accessed remotely via zoom. Go to <https://zoom.us/join> or join by phone. Phone Number: 929-205-6099; Meeting ID: 784 604 1861; Password: 01082.

SITE LOCATION: Corner of West Main Street & Gould Rd.

Said premises being further described in deeds recorded in the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds, Book 13647 Page 246. Properties are also identified as Assessor's Parcels 55-54-2 & 55-54-3. Zoned: Suburban Residential (SR).

A complete copy of the application can be found at the Town Clerk's office and on the Planning & Community Development Department website under Recent Filings. Anyone interested or wishing to be heard on the application should appear at the time and place designated.

WARE PLANNING BOARD
04/02, 04/09/2026

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Well Regulations – to regulate the construction, location, use, maintenance, and decommissioning of private wells within the Town of Warren for the protection of public health and safety.

Copies of the proposed regulations are available for public review at the Board of Health Office, 48 High St. Warren MA 01083, during regular business hours Monday–Wednesday 8:30-4pm, and may also be accessed at <https://www.warren-ma.gov>

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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. The other is a **Paid Obituary**, costing \$275, which allows families to publish extended death notice information of their own choice (with a word limit of up to 500 words) and may include a photograph. **Death Notices & Paid Obituaries** should be submitted through a funeral home to: obits@turley.com.

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



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