

# Participants wanted for Ware's June 8 Town Wide Tag Sale

WARE – The Town Wide Tag Sale to benefit the Ware Center Meeting House, a 1799 historic building in the first center of Ware, will be held Saturday, June 8 from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. The proprietors of the Meeting House have been working on the restoration of this building for over 25 years. It's open to the public on alternate Sundays in the summer, during an educational day for third graders, and during special events. Sign up at [warecentermeeting-house.org](http://warecentermeeting-house.org) or send a check for \$15 to

Ware Center Meeting House P.O. Box 1401, Ware, MA 01082. Payment must be delivered by June 1. Once registered, put your number on your house for shoppers to find you. Those shopping the tag sale can come pick up a list of streets having tag sales at the Ware Center Meeting House after 8 a.m. on June 8 and have fun shopping. This is a rain or shine event. For more information or questions, email [janicehills110@gmail.com](mailto:janicehills110@gmail.com).

# Grange hosts next gardening workshop

WARE – Ware Grange's next gardening workshop, "Equip Yourself for Success," will be held on Thursday, May 23 at 7 p.m. at the Grange Hall at 297 Belchertown Road. Our presenter will be Roberta McQuaid, author of the weekly "In the Garden" column for Turley Publications. In this workshop participants will

discuss some gardening tools to help improve garden success, including the scuffle hoe, circular weeder, black plastic, mulch, and insect netting. Bring your favorite tool, plant or other garden item to talk about with the group. Visit us on Facebook or at [ware-grange.org](http://ware-grange.org) for more information.

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ing critical shortages in pre-K-12 education, while also making nursing programs at community colleges free for students to pursue.

Most recently, the Senate included universal tuition-free community college access in its budget proposals. However, these efforts should be just the beginning.

Enrollment at community colleges has surged for the first time in over a decade, underscoring the impact of addressing college affordability. Which is why the proposal to make community college universally cost-free for Massachusetts residents is the next and most vital step in ensuring equitable access to higher education and a future of entirely debt-free public higher education.

When doing so, we also must consider the true cost of college, which extends beyond tuition and encompasses essential living expenses like housing, food, childcare and transportation. For many working-class and minority students, the harsh reality is that the dream of higher education remains out of reach, regardless of their qualifications.

Working-class students and students of color are forced to make the realistic calculation that they simply cannot afford college, despite possessing outstanding qualifications.

This struggle to balance full-time employment with academic pursuits was the harsh reality for the over 700,000 Massachusetts residents who have started college but never finished. Economic pressures beyond tuition and fees often prove insurmountable barriers to success.

In addition to making community college universally accessible, it is imperative that we prioritize the establishment of comprehensive student support services. While eliminating tuition fees is a critical step toward increasing accessibility, it is equally important to address the many challenges that students face outside the classroom.

For many aspiring students, particularly those from underserved communities, the journey to achieving a higher education is impeded by obstacles beyond financial constraints. From navigating the complex application processes to balancing academic responsibilities with familial and professional commitments, the path to a degree is riddled with potential pitfalls.

Without adequate support systems in place, even the most determined students may find themselves overwhelmed and at risk of dropping out.

Student support services play a pivotal role in addressing these challenges and ensuring student success.

By providing comprehensive guidance and assistance, we can ensure students have the resources they need to navigate the complexities of college life and overcome barriers to achievement. Whether through academic advising, career counseling, mental health resources or financial aid assistance, these services are indispensable in fostering a supportive and inclusive learning environment.

Investing in student support services and addressing basic living expenses is not just a moral imperative but an economic necessity. Massachusetts can only cultivate a highly educated, highly skilled workforce essential for economic prosperity by ensuring students can complete their degrees without the burden of financial strain.

The economic returns on investment in public higher education are undeniable. Over 80% of community college graduates choose to stay and work in Massachusetts, contributing to a vibrant economy and thriving communities.

However, critical areas demand immediate attention beyond supporting students to sustain this momentum.

Faculty and staff salaries must be competitive to attract and retain a diverse and exceptional workforce. To accomplish this, salary levels need to reflect the high cost of living in Massachusetts.

Our public universities, especially our community colleges, have filled many teaching jobs with adjunct faculty. That is not a sustainable system and does not prioritize student success.

Adjunct faculty are highly qualified to teach but can only teach, meaning they cannot fulfill other roles, particularly advisory ones, that are critical for student success.

Many adjunct faculty members work at multiple campuses and sometimes have no established offices or meeting places. This can be a challenge for students looking for help outside of regular class time when most of their instructors are adjuncts.

When full-time faculty have overwhelming advisory caseloads, students are deprived of sufficient time with their advisors.

The quality of academic infrastructure must also be addressed.

In some cases, years of neglect have left buildings and facilities crumbling, hindering the ability of institutions to meet the needs of a growing student population. Faculty, staff and students deserve modern learning environments.

Years - if not decades - of deferred maintenance projects must be addressed to meet the needs of more community college students.

A 2022 study estimated that the community college system has accrued more than \$1 billion in deferred maintenance projects. The study noted that most community college buildings were constructed between 1950 and 1990 and described the backlog of deferred maintenance as proportionally greater than that of peer institutions nationally.

At our public universities and UMass campuses, institutions have amassed billions of dollars in debt to construct, repair and maintain buildings. This debt contributes to rising college costs and ultimately pushes more students into deeper debt.

For our public colleges and universities to be catalysts for the economy and transformative for students - and their families - Massachusetts must think broadly and comprehensively about its overall investment in public higher education. The state must address the pressing need for modern learning environments and tackle the staggering backlog of deferred maintenance projects plaguing our 29 public colleges and universities.

The fate of the Massachusetts public higher education system hangs in the balance.

To uphold the promise of the American dream and ensure a brighter future for all residents, the Commonwealth must prioritize comprehensive investments in higher education like never before. By doing so, Massachusetts can cement its status as a leader in educational excellence and economic prosperity and continue to see our state and its residents thrive.

Massachusetts must continue its robust support for public higher education and to look broadly as well as deeply in improving the quality of residents' lives with access to higher education and ensuring the Commonwealth is equitable for all.

*Betty Francisco is the CEO of Boston Impact Initiative, a nonprofit impact investing fund focused on economic and racial justice. She is the co-founder of Amplify Latinx and the former General Counsel at Compass Working Capital. She serves on the Board of Trustees of Roxbury Community College.*

*State Sen. Jake Oliveira represents the Hampden, Hampshire and Worcester District*

## Notice of Public Hearing Planning Board LEGAL NOTICE SP-2024-08

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ware Planning Board, acting as the Special Permit Granting Authority, will hold a Public Hearing on **THURSDAY, June 6, 2024 at 7:05 PM** on the application of Johnny Medeiros for a Special Permit (SP-2024-08) for the use of Residence for a Customary Home Occupation for the online sale of automobiles under section 4.4.F.2, of the Zoning Bylaw, 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 Selectmen's Meeting Room, 126 Main Street, Town Hall, 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 the 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: 146 West Main St, Ware MA.** Said premises being further described in deeds recorded in the Hampshire County Registry of Deeds, Book 14776, Page 112. Property is also identified as Assessor's Parcel # 55-0-29. 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  
Kenneth Crosby,  
Chairman  
05/16, 05/23/2024

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Hampshire Probate and Family Court 15 Atwood Drive Northampton MA, 01060 Docket No. HS20P0360PM**

**In the matter of: Patricia Lois Ouimette of Ware, MA Protected Person/ Disabled Person/ Respondent CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF CONSERVATOR'S ACCOUNT**

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, you are hereby notified pursuant to Rule 72 of the Supplemental Rules of the Probate & Family Court, that the **Second, Third and Final** account(s) of **Susan A. McCoy** of Springfield, MA as Conservator of the property of said Respondent has or have been presented to the Court for allowance.

**You have the right to object to the account(s).** If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court on or before 10:00 a.m. on the return date of **05/30/2024**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to object to the account(s). If you fail to file the written appearance and objection by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you, including the allowance of the account(s).

Additionally, within thirty days after said return day (or within

such other time as the Court upon motion may order), you must file a written affidavit of objections stating the specific facts and grounds upon which each objection is based and a copy shall be served upon the Conservator pursuant to Rule 3 of the Supplemental Rules of the Probate & Family Court.

You have the right to send to the Conservator, by registered or certified mail, a written request to receive a copy of the account(s) at no cost to you.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
**The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.**

Witness, Hon. **Diana S. Velez Harris**, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: May 02, 2024

**Mark S. Ames**  
Register of Probate  
05/16/2024

## LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts General Law 105A, in order to satisfy past due rents and other expenses, the contents of the following storage units will be auctioned.

The contents of Denise Ellithorpe and Carrie Lavallie will be auctioned off at Secure Storage 167 West St., Ware, MA at **9:00 a.m. June 1, 2024.**

Any questions or inquiries call 413-800-6278.  
05/09, 05/16/2024

## Town of Warren Public Hearing Notice FY25 Sewer Rate Hearing

The Warren Board of Sewer Commissioners will be having a public hearing on **Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.** on the matter of setting Fiscal Year 2025 Sewer Rates for both residential and commercial users. The purpose of this hearing is to allow residents the opportunity to discuss the proposed FY25 Sewer Rates. The location of the hearing will be the Selectmen's Meeting Room, first floor, in the Charles E. Shepard Municipal Building at 48 High Street in Warren. If there are any questions about the hearing, please contact the Sewer Department at 413-436-7438.

Warren Board of Sewer Commissioners  
05/09, 05/16/2024

## Town of Warren Tree Warden NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 87, Public Shade Tree Law, Section 4 (Cutting of public shade trees; public hearing; damages to fee owner), the Town of Warren Tree Warden will hold a public hearing regarding an application from the Town of Warren to remove fifteen (15) public shade trees located on Cronin Road. The hearing will be held **Thursday May 30, 2024 at 4:00 pm** in the Selectmen's meeting room 48 High Street, Warren, MA. Any person interested or wishing to be heard on this matter should appear at the time and place designated, or may submit a letter to the Tree Warden before the hearing so that it may be read into the hearing record. Correspondence should be sent to Tree Warden at PO Box 628, Warren, MA, 01083. Or join the meeting via zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81180785980?pwd=NjNLaUZEYkdSbEZhWXBUMFAxb0gOUT09> Meeting ID: 811 8078 5980

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The list of town trees designated for removal are as follows: located on Cronin Road located between National Grid utility poles numbered 7 & 8, a 14 inch oak and a 32 inch oak; located between National Grid utility poles numbered 10 & 10-5, a 17 inch oak and a 12 inch birch; located across from National Grid utility pole 17, a 20" locust; located between National Grid utility poles numbered 18 & 19, a 14 inch maple; located between National Grid utility poles numbered 19 & 20, two 8 inch cherry and a 30 inch maple; located between National Grid utility poles numbered 20 & 21, a 12 inch oak and an 8 inch maple; located between National Grid utility poles numbered 21 & 22, two 36

inch maple; located between National Grid utility poles numbered 22-5 & 23, a 40+ inch oak and a 14 inch pine.

Jeremy Olson,  
Tree Warden  
05/09, 05/16/2024

## Town of Warren Board of Selectmen NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 87, Sections 3 and 4, a public hearing will be held on Thursday, June 6, 2024, at 6:00 pm regarding an application from National Grid to remove fifteen (15) public shade trees located on Cronin Road.

The hearing will be held Thursday, June 6, 2024, at 6:00 pm in the Selectmen's meeting room 48 High Street, Warren, MA. Any person interested or wishing to be heard on this matter should appear at the time and place designated or may submit a letter to the Board of Selectmen before the hearing so that it may be read into the hearing record. Correspondence should be sent to the Board of Selectmen at PO Box 609, Warren, MA, 01083.

Or join the meeting via Zoom at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81180785980?pwd=NjNLaUZEYkdSbEZhWXBUMFAxb0gOUT09> Meeting ID: 811 8078 5980

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05/16, 05/23/2024

**Please check the accuracy of your legal notice prior to submission (i.e., date, time, spelling). Also, be sure the requested publication date coincides with the purpose of the notice, or as the law demands. Thank you.**

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