

Women's Club Rummage Sale

WILBRAHAM - The Saint Cecilia Women's Club is holding its annual Rummage Sale on Friday, Nov. 1, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 2, 8:30 a.m. to Noon in the Parish Center, 42 Main St., Wilbraham.

Adult and children's clothing, jewelry, purses, household items, toys, games, puzzle, linens, holiday items, and pictures are sold at very reasonable prices. Saturday is Bag Day.

Fill a bag for a minimum price. Bags are provided.

Don't miss out on wonderful bargains!

Wilb. Women's Club Wreaths with a Reason

WILBRAHAM - Please come and join the Wilbraham Women's Club on Thursday November 14, 2024 Mary Ann Dietschler will speak about the growing problem of sex trafficking and what she is doing to help bring this to the attention to all. We are located at St. Cecilia's Parish Hall, on Main Street in Wilbraham.. Lunch served at 12 o'clock noon. Our soup and sandwich luncheon will be catered by the Village Store in Wilbraham.

Cost is \$12.00
For reservations please call Natalie 413-596 8794. Deadline is November 8, 2024 .

Our presentation, will begin at approximately 1:15. Mary Ann will have wreaths available for sale.

We will also be collecting miscellaneous items and cash donations for our Veterans at this meeting.



Speakers at the opening ceremony were Brian Hoar, chair of the Wilbraham Playground and Recreation Commission; P.J. Cambo, member of the Playground and Recreation Commission; Bryan Litz, Wilbraham Parks and Recreation director; and Mark Manolakis, chair of the Wilbraham Friends of Recreation.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Division
Docket No. HD24P2002EA
Estate of:

DALE E. BARRETT
Date of Death:
March 13, 2024
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner BEVERLY L. BARRETT of HAMPDEN, MA

a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

BEVERLY L. BARRETT of HAMPDEN, 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.

10/24/2024

TOWN OF WILBRAHAM
Notice of Invitation for Bids
Sawmill Pond All Persons
Woodland Trail

The Town of Wilbraham issues this Invitation For Bids (IFB/IFB's) for the design and construction of the Sawmill Pond All Persons Woodland Trail. This trail shall be designed and constructed to be navigable by all visitors including those with mobility, vision, or other physical limitations and will be approximately three quarters of a mile. Invitation for Bid packages will be available beginning at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 23, 2024, at the Office of the Land Management Division, Conservation Commission, Town Hall, 240 Springfield Street, Wilbraham, MA 01095, or by calling 413-596-2800, Ext. 204. The IFB is

also available on the Town's website at: <https://www.wilbraham-ma.gov/Bids.aspx?CatID=19> and on

COMMBUYS at: <https://www.commbuys.com/bso/>

Sealed bids will be received at the above address until **Thursday, November 14, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.** at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. All bids must be enclosed in a sealed, opaque envelope, plainly marked "**Sawmill Pond All Persons Woodland Trail Project**". Bids must be made in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and Town laws, by-laws, and regulations and must comply in all respects with the instructions, conditions, specifications and other requirements in the Invitation for Bid package. All bids must be submitted on the official <https://www.commbuys.com/bso/> Town bid form - no exceptions. Each bid must be secured by an accompanying deposit of five percent (5%) of the total bid amount.

The Select Board for the Town of Wilbraham will award the contract no later than December 30, 2024. No Bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of forty-five days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays, after the actual date of opening of the bids. The successful Bidder must also furnish a Payment Bond of an amount equal to Fifty Percent (50%) Percent of the total Contract Price, issued by a Surety Company, satisfactory to the Town of Wilbraham.

Attention of the Bidders is particularly called to the requirements of the conditions of employment to be observed and the prevailing wage rates to be paid on this project, as determined by the State Department of Labor Division of Occupational Safety.

Note: Bidders must also comply with Certification of Compliance G.L. C. 30 & 39S Public Construction More Than \$10,000.00.

The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive minor informalities or irregularities in any bid, and to make an award in any manner consistent with the law and deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.

Melissa A. Graves
Land Management
Coordinator
Conservation Commission
Administrator

10/24/2024

TOWN OF WILBRAHAM
PUBLIC HEARING:
TAX CLASSIFICATION
(Posted October 17, 2024)

The hearing will begin at 7:10 PM, November 4, 2024

The Wilbraham Select Board will hold a public hearing on **Monday, November 4, 2024, at 7:10 P.M.** in the **Town Office Building, Select Board's Meeting Room, 240 Springfield Street**, for the purpose of explaining, and soliciting comments relevant to, the establishment of the property tax rate for fiscal year 2025. The hearing will be conducted in accordance with the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30A, Sections 18-25. Residents may comment relative to the adoption of the tax levy percentages required by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 56, as amended. Anyone wishing to testify or comment should participate, virtually or in person, at the hearing at the time and date noted above.

WILBRAHAM SELECT BOARD
10/24, 10/31/2024

WILBRAHAM WATER DEPARTMENT PUBLIC HEARING

The Wilbraham Board of Water Commissioners will hold an Open Public Hearing on **Friday, November 8, 2024, at 8:45 a.m.** in the Town Office Building, 240 Springfield Street, Wilbraham, MA to amend the existing water regulations including, but not limited to, definitions, water permitting and applications, water capacity to new and existing users.

Copies of the proposed updated regulations are available at the Engineering Office at the Town Office Building, 240 Springfield Street, Wilbraham, MA or on the town website at <https://www.wilbraham-ma.gov/194/Water>.

Board of Water Commissioners
10/17, 10/24/2024

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.



Jerry Gagliarducci made the ceremonial first serve on courts built by his construction company.



Elveer Kovarik of Wilbraham covers the baseline at the new courts.



Wilbraham pickleballers get ready to take to the courts. Turley photos by Patricia Sullivan

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funded the remaining \$76,000.

Gagliarducci Construction of Springfield was the project's contractor.

P.J. Cambo, member of the Playground and Recreation Commission, praised Gagliarducci Construction's attention to detail.

"It was done right," Cambo said. "The courts are another jewel in the crown of Wilbraham's recreation facilities."

Cambo lauded the "dogged work" done by Litz to see the project through and noted that the site can accommodate lights, seating and a pavilion in the future.

Pickleball is booming across the country. With the support of the Recreation Department, Elveer Kovarik of Wilbraham started an indoor pickleball group at Memorial School in February 2022 with just a few players. Today that group has nearly 450 members.

The new courts are gorgeous, Kovarik said, and will bring the community together.

"Pickleball is not just about physi-

cal exercise," Kovarik said. "it's social time."

Wilbraham-based pickleball instructor Dennis Windoloski admired the court's construction. "The colors are great and there's plenty of room to move," Windoloski said. "They are in a nice, secluded spot."

Windoloski believes that access to outdoor courts will likely bring younger players to the sport. "The 35-and-under demographic is the fastest growing group in pickleball," Windoloski noted.

The courts are free to use and will be open to the public until winter weather sets in. Open play at Memorial School's two indoor courts will continue until spring.

Daily indoor pickleball passes, available at the Parks and Recreation office, are \$3 for Wilbraham residents and \$4 for non-residents.

As 24 enthusiastic players swung their paddles on the six new bright-blue courts, Brian Hoar, chair of the Playground and Recreation Commission, predicted: "These courts are going to stay full."