

## **TA Report 4.2.10**

**28 DAYS until ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

### **CENSUS NOTICE**

CENSUS FORMS WERE NOT DELIVERED TO POST OFFICE BOX ADDRESSES. CENSUS FORMS HAVE BAR CODES THAT MUST MATCH MAP LOCATIONS AND HAVE TO BE DELIVERED TO CORRECT LOCATIONS. Today I spoke with the Regional Director in Pittsfield, Brad Spear. He has requested we follow these directions for the best result.

If you live in Shutesbury and did not receive a form to fill in and return, **call the Regional Census office in Pittsfield at 413-553-2320 and ask for Beth**. Tell Beth you are from Shutesbury. She will take your post office box number and your street address to report to Boston's Regional Census office. Hopefully the Boston office will send you a CENSUS form. FILL IT IN AND RETURN ASAP. If you do not receive a form or don't send it in the CENSUS takers will come to your door between May 1 and July. Thank you for your help. Please call town hall if you have further questions, 413-259-1214.

**HOUSING REHAB MONEY IS AVAILABLE** The Franklin County Regional Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) is pleased to announce that there is currently funding available for Shutesbury homeowners. "Income eligible applicants" who qualify for the full deferred payment loan will be able to borrow up to \$30,000 at 0% interest, deferred payment loan, secured by a lien placed on your property, and the loan is due when you sell or transfer the property. Homeowners must have annual gross income equal to or less than, 1 household member-\$43,450, 2 household members-\$49,700, 3 household members-\$55,900, etc. Please call Charity Day at 413-863-9781 ext. 132 or email at [cday@fchra.org](mailto:cday@fchra.org).

**FIRE STATION GASOLINE LEAK** – This week was a wash out. The backhoe would have been mired in mud if we proceeded with digging the test pits behind the fire station. We are trying again for next Thursday, April 8. Air quality tests are not back yet.

**LIBRARY FEASIBILITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE** This week the LFNAC Committee met with the architects and their cost estimator to review the preliminary estimate for the proposed new library building. The Committee will be coming to Annual Town Meeting to ask for approval of the project. This is a necessary step in putting in their state grant application. The last grant round was three years ago and there is not another in the foreseeable future is it is a very important opportunity. The Selectboard, Finance Committee, Library Trustees, Friends of the Library and LFNAC are meeting with the architects this Tuesday night to get an update on the project.

**SHUTESBURY/FARMERS MARKET will begin May 22, 2010.** The hours are, **Saturdays, 8:30am until noon**. If you would like to participate in the market as a craft person or farmer/grower, please contact market manager, Becky Torres, 259-1214. The market welcomes musicians and entertainers who would like to get public exposure, without compensation. Please let me if you are interested. **MORE EGGS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE MARKET THIS SEASON!!**

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