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250 SHUTESBURY Always cooler

SHUTESBURY 250th MOONLIGHT BALL on the BEACH, 7pm to Midnight, September 10, 2011. Mark your calendars! Time to put on your dancing shoes and dress up

New Library Hours: M &W 11-1 & 3-7:30, T & Th 3-7:30, Sat. 10-1 and Sunday 3-6pm.

SHUTESBURY MARKET SATURDAY

THE LIBRARY WILL BE AT THE MARKET WITH USED BOOKS AND BAKED GOODS. 250th COMMITTEE WITH MEMORABILIA



Better hurry! The blueberries go fast.

Farm fresh vegetables and organic eggs, baskets, jewelry, maple syrup, blue berries, raspberries, kale and more.

FLOOD INSURANCE INFORAMTIONAL MEETING COMING UP

Shutesbury is not currently a National Flood Insurance program participating member. Only four towns in Franklin County do not belong. We are working with Franklin Council of Governments planner, Pat Smith, to review the issue. The Planning Board will be holding public informational sessions to review Mandatory Purchase of Flood Insurance Guidelines, answer questions and get feed back from the public. Some properties around Lake Wyola and Browns Pond are marked A zone for high hazard.

We will bring in a couple of knowledgeable people to help us all understand this issue better as well as flood maps with plot plan overlays to help us understand what properties are potentially impacted by this decision. We hope to have the meeting by September 17, 2011. Meeting date TBD

RED CROSS THANKS SHUTESBURY FOR GOOD TURNOUT AT BLOOD DRIVE

On July 13, the Red Cross Blood Mobile came to Shutesbury. Twenty-two donors presented and twenty one units were collected. Each pint is separated into 3 parts, red blood cells, platelets and plasma. They estimate the blood collected will help save

the lives of up to 63 patients. They send great appreciation to all those who turned out.

TOWN COMMITTEE AND BOARD OPENINGS:

- Lots of room on the Recreation Committee
- 1 on Personnel Board
- 1 on Conservation Commission. Barry Field was appointed last Tuesday to the Conservation Commission and came to his first official meeting this week. Welcome Barry!
- Lots of room on New Shutesbury Library Fundraising Sub Committees!

SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION PILOT TEST ENDS AT THE FIRE STATION John Henry, from O'Reilly Talbot and Okun, was able to get the test system to sustain a vacuum to extract contaminated vapors. The level of contaminated vapor was much lower than what was found at deeper levels last summer. The persisting rains limited the area of contamination subject to the pilot test. A written report will be coming out next week.

NEW KNOT WEED BRIGADE

Another big thank you to Robin Furumoto for continued work on Pelham Hill Rd. Each week another pile of black bags shows up. Don't hesitate to join if you see her working away on Pelham Hill Rd. I have black bags available at town hall if you need them. The Lacy crew returning from vacation will be back at it this week. I am bogged down at town hall so don't hesitate to keep me inspired by mentioning there is more work to do!

HIGHWAY PROJECTS On Monday the highway crew brought in paving equipment and crews to pave a section of road from the school to the top of West Pelham Rd. On Tuesday they paved from Old Orchard Way to near Randall Rd. These areas were riddled with pot holes so it is a wonderful improvement. In the coming weeks two failing culverts will be replaced. One is on Baker Rd., and the other on Cushman Rd. Highway Superintendent, Tim Hunting met with the Conservation Commission. They approved the projects after going through a Request for Determination Department of Environmental Protection process. The Cushman Rd. project will take one day. The road will be closed for part of that day.

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Henry has 16 years of experience in Cheng Man-Ching style tai chi short form, push hands and sword. He has taught classes in Mexico and the U.S. for beginners and advanced students.

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