

TA Report 7.27.12

HIGHWAY DEPT. PUT IN GUARDRAILS NEAR LEVERETT LINE There are new guardrails near Brown's Pond on Montague Road. These are the metal type to improve the safety along the drop off edge. On West Pelham Rd. old cement posts were removed and are being replaced with wooden posts that are painted white and some have red reflectors attached.



COUNCIL ON AGING (COA) SURVEY Is attached. Please take a minute and fill out the survey. Don't hesitate to write ideas that go beyond the survey. Thank you to those who have already filled out the survey. I encourage everyone to respond, thank you.

SHUTESBURY FARMERS MARKET this SATURDAY, July 28,

Behind town hall from **8:30am to noon-**

blueberries, potatoes, string beans, mustard, kale, herbs, flowers, eggs, composted manure, maple syrup

Shiitake mushrooms

Black berries, patty pan squash, kale, basil and lettuce

Shutesbury nature photography, matted and framed

LIBRARY BOOK TABLE



If you have items to sell at the market please email me at townadmin@shutesbury.org or call 259-1214.

OUR NEW TRASH AND RECYCLING HAULER, ALLIED WASTE, enters town from Rt. 202. Make sure to get your trash and recycling out early. This means that the trucks are coming through earlier than before. The first few weeks they had a pick up truck go back and get late put outs. This will not be continuing. If you do not have your trash out in time it will not be picked up. Thank you-

A FOUR TOWN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PLANNING COMMITTEE met in Leverett this week and had a tour of the Leverett Elementary School. They are currently putting in energy efficient windows in the older part of the building and removing the old glass blocks. The outdoor facilities are wonderful. Two playgrounds including a tiny tike figure eight Daytona 500 track, a green house with corn ready to harvest, climbing and swinging structures, forts and a tether ball in good order. Art, children's art is built into the walls with clay tiles and murals, hangs from the walls and is everywhere. The new school library opens up to the woods with large windows in a curve with sitting cubbies snuggled into the wall for maximum enjoyment. Really a wonderful space.

TWO OLD GARDEN HOSES NEEDED AT TOWN HALL. If you want to get rid of your old hose I can put it to good use here in the basement at town hall. Please let me know. Thank you- Becky

Becky Torres, Shutesbury Town Administrator, townadmin@shutesbury.org 259-1214

COUNCIL ON AGING SURVEY BELOW

document file version is attached so you can type in and return

Council On Aging (COA) Survey

We'd like to hear from you about things you would like to have available in our community and the services and activities you would like to have us offer. Our street list in 2010 tells us we're getting older! 538 people (29%) are listed as being born before 1954. We would like to do more and value your ideas and input. COA members are Muriel Gross, Marilyn Tibbetts, Judy Makepeace, David Dann, and Linda Avis Scott. Please feel free to contact us with any ideas or concerns.

Are you, or someone who lives with you, 55 or older? Yes ___ No ___

1. Communications:

Do you use a computer? Yes ___ No ___ Do you have an email? Yes ___ No ___

Would you be interested in a phone tree? Yes ___ No ___

a. Do you live alone? Yes ___ No ___

b. If yes, would you like a daily call?

c. Would you like a regular COA Newsletter? Yes ___ No ___

d. Would a comfortable COA (Senior Lounge) be of interest to you? Yes ___ No ___

e. If so, what hours work for you? Suggest days and hours _____

f. Would you like to know about available resources and grants available to senior citizens? Yes ___ No ___

2. Activities you'd participate in:

Cards, games, puzzles, other ideas? _____ Yes ___ No ___

Classes in: pottery? Painting? Knitting? Crochet? Sewing? Photography?

Others _____

Book group? Exercise groups? Other activities? _____

Outdoor activities, walking, hikes, swimming, kayaking, etc.

3. Matches. Would you be interested in getting matched with, through a data base of people who volunteer to provide, someone to help with the following?

Outdoor chores: leaf raking, snow shoveling etc.

Driving: rides to shopping, appointments.

Tech support: programming your gadgets, helping with your computer, etc.

Other matches _____

4. Meals :

Would you be interested in a brown bag program? Yes ___ No ___ Monthly Pot Luck Yes ___ No ___

Would you participate in a noon meal? Yes ___ No ___

Would you like a morning coffee hour? Yes ___ No ___ Afternoon tea? Yes ___ No ___

5. Are there Programs/activities you could offer? _____

Thank you for your time and interest. Would you like someone from the COA to contact you about getting involved? If so please write your name and phone number.

Name

Phone number

Please bring or mail to Town Hall. Thank you for your time and interest.