

Stoughton Town Crier

TOWN OF STOUGHTON UPDATED OCTOBER 31, 2022 ROBERTA HARBACK



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Amended Selectboard Agenda

Tues., November 1, 2022 - 7:30 p.m.

Original agenda posted Friday October 28, 2022 11:47

**Great Hall Town Hall • 10 Pearl Street 3rd floor
and virtually with Google Meets**

In accordance with Governor Baker's declaration of June 16th, 2021 granting certain pandemic-related authorizations related to public board and town meetings and recently extended until March 31, 2023, this meeting will be conducted both in person and virtually via Google Meets.

To Join via Google Meets: <https://meet.google.com/fxr-vbnz-rdw>

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1. 7:30 p.m. **OPEN SESSION - Call to Order
& Pledge of Allegiance**
2. 7:32 p.m. Citizen's Comments
3. 7:35 p.m. Select Board Comments
4. 7:40 p.m. Town Manager Comments
5. 7:45 p.m. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - A. Payroll and Bill Warrants and any other documents to come before the meeting
 - B. Approve Open Session Minutes of October 18, 2022
 - C. Approve One Day Beer & Wine Permit
St. James Parish - 560 Page St. - "Wrap & Chat" 12/15/2022
 - D. Water Application
John Picarski - Gay Street Stoughton, MA

6. 7:50 p.m. **Fire Department Ceremonies**

Promotions:

Jim Brackett - Deputy Chief
George O'Neil - Captain
David Jardin Jr. - Lieutenant

Swearing in new Firefighter:

Joseph Girolomo - Firefighter

7. 8:15 p.m. **Memorial Square Dedication Applicants**

1. Joseph Callanan
2. Rudolph Medeiros
3. Edward B. Podgurski

8. 8:30 p.m. **Change of Manager Application**

Mormax Corporation dba BJ's Wholesale
901 Technology Center Drive
- Brian Studley

9. 8:35 p.m. Update on permanent Town Manager search - votes may be taken

a. Discussion on Town Manager Finalists

1. Thomas Calter
2. Michael McGovern
3. Yvonne Spicer
4. Jonathan Beder

b. Select Board nominations for Town Manager Finalist

c. Select Board Vote on Finalists

d. Authorize Town Counsel to draft a proposed contract for the
New Town Manager



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New



***trash/recycle
schedule
starts
Tuesday
Nov. 1st***

Please have it curbside by 7 A.M.

**Please be patient while our crews
adjust to the new schedules**



Leaf/Brush Disposal

Town of Stoughton Residents Only
Bring your Brush and Leaves
from 8am to 3pm
to 1240 Washington St (Not Gay St.)
open to residents for leaf disposal and chipable brush.



Saturday November 5
Saturday November 12
Saturday November 19
Saturday November 26
Saturday December 3

leaves can be disposed
of all year round at
the Transfer Station.

No Curbside Pickup

The transfer station
is open
every Saturday
8 a.m to 4 p.m.
100 Page St.

Town of Stoughton

Department of Veterans' Services

10 Pearl St, Stoughton, MA 02072 | T: 781-341-1300 x9220 | F: 781-297-2879 | Email: vetagent@stoughton-ma.gov

Veterans Day • Reflagging Graves Saturday, November 5th

On Saturday, November 5th, we will be reflagging the graves of all veterans at the Holy Sepulcher and Evergreen Cemeteries. Many people have found this to be a moving experience and have come away with a genuine sense of accomplishment, pride and contentment. This is a great event to instill these feelings and values in our children and grandchildren; by honoring those who came before us, those who gifted all of us with the still abundant opportunities we all have today in our great Country. If you know which cemetery you wish to go to, please feel free to go directly to either Holy Sepulcher or Evergreen by 10:05AM. The Stoughton Veterans' Graves Officer will be at Holy Sepulcher and the Stoughton Veterans' Officer will be at Evergreen by that time or very shortly thereafter. For everyone else we will be meeting at 10:00AM at VFW Post 1645 at 837 Washington Street. After a brief introduction to the process you may go to either Evergreen or Holy Sepulcher.

Refreshments will be served at the VFW after the completion of the reflagging.

Veterans Day Parade • Friday, Nov. 11th

The Veterans Day Parade will begin forming in the parking area at VFW Post 1645 on Washington Street at 9:30AM. It will begin at 10:00AM sharp. The parade route will proceed through the square to the Stoughton Town Hall via Washington St. and Pearl St. for a ceremony and wreath laying at the Memorial Bell. The parade will then reform on Pearl St. and proceed back through the square to Faxon Veterans' Memorial Park for two memorials. The parade will then proceed down Walnut St. to Washington St. and go back to the VFW. The entire parade will be approximately 1 1/2 hours. At the VFW there will be a collation following the parade. Participants in the parade generally include the VFW Color Guard and Firing Detail, Veterans groups, the Police and Fire Departments, the High School Band, Town and State officials, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts and possibly other groups. The ceremonies at the various sites include opening prayers, playing by the High School Band, the laying of wreaths and various speakers. The parade will end at approximately 11:45AM at which time you are cordially invited to a collation at the VFW at 837 Washington Street.

There will be 3 dedications after the collation for :

Rudolph "Rudy" Medeiros on Morton St. at Washington at 1:00 pm

Edward B. Podgurski, on Island St. at Central St. at 1:45 pm

Joseph M. Callanan, on West St. at School St. at 2:30 pm





A Message From
Town Clerk
Stephanie Carrara

**Early Voting for the November 8th
State Election has begun
at the Stoughton Town Hall**

Final Week

Tuesday Nov. 1st - 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Wednesday Nov. 2nd - 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Thursday Nov. 3rd - 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Friday Nov. 4th - 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

**Due Date to Submit an Absentee Ballot Form is
November 1st, 2022**

**Last Day to Register to Vote and Qualify for the
November 8th, 2022 Election
was Saturday October 29th, 2022**

Town Meeting

Hello Town Meeting Member,

We have a

Special Town Meeting

that has been scheduled for

Monday, November 28, 2022.

**The meeting will start at 7:00PM in-person at the
Stoughton High School Auditorium.**

We should be able to complete the meeting in one night if at all possible.

As a backup plan, Wednesday, November 30, 2022, at 7:00PM has also been reserved at the High School Auditorium in case there is a second night of Town Meeting.

As we get closer to the actual start of the Special Town Meeting, please continue to check the Town of Stoughton Website for any updates on the Special Town Meeting. As we did the last several Town Meetings, we will use a Virtual Table for Special Town Meeting documents. The Virtual Table will be created and made available on the Town's website.

If this is not the email address that you want us to use for Town Meeting information, please let me know. As always, any changes to your email address or other relevant information, please keep the Town Clerk (scarrara@stoughton-ma.gov) and the Town Moderator (bmullen@stoughton-ma.gov) informed.

Thank you.

Bob Mullen, Town Moderator



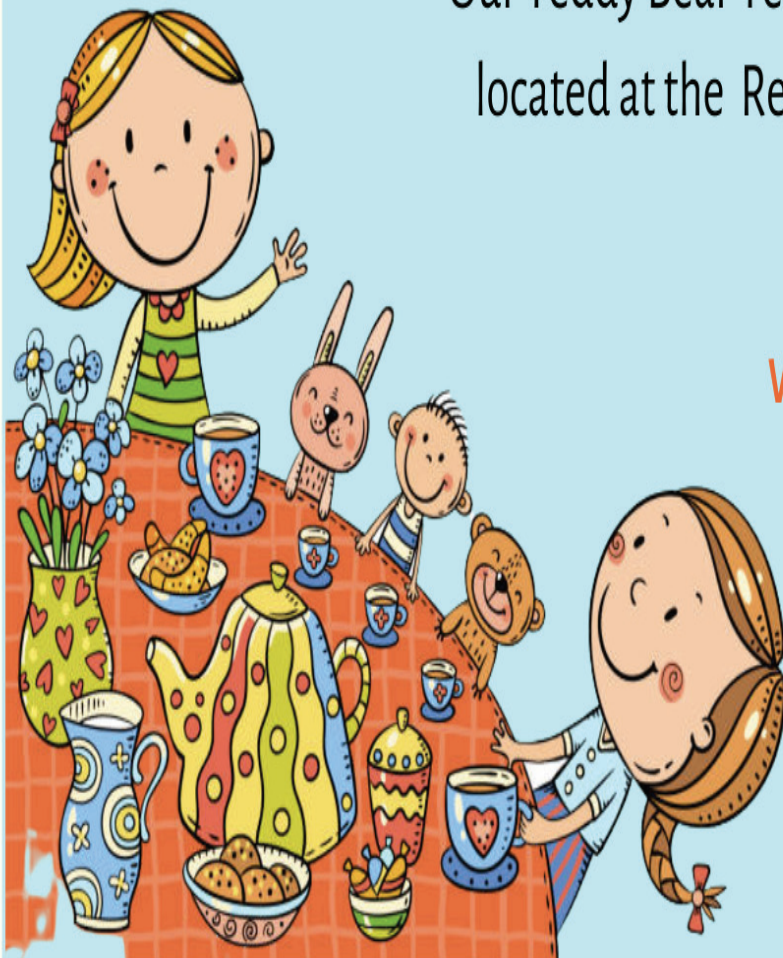
TEDDY BEAR TEA PARTY

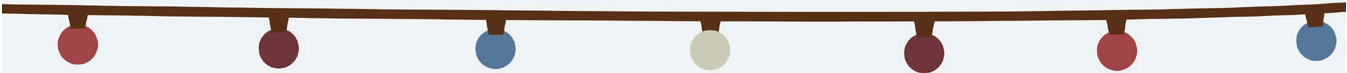
Wednesday November 9th | 10:00-11:30 AM | \$25 res, \$30 non-res

Wear your finest party clothes and create
your own stuffed animal with *Teddy Town!*
Our Teddy Bear Tea Party is for ages 2-4 and is
located at the Rec Building at 15 Pleasant St.

Registration open now!

www.StoughtonRec.org





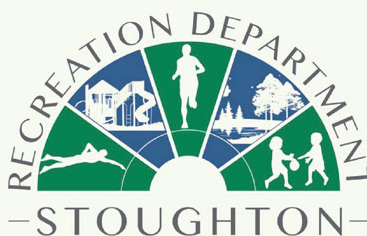
Holiday Parade of Lights 2022

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10TH

***CALLING ALL STOUGHTON COMMUNITY
GROUPS AND BUSINESSES***

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Is your business or organization interested in creating a float for the Holiday Parade of Lights? Join us and help spread the holiday spirit this year!

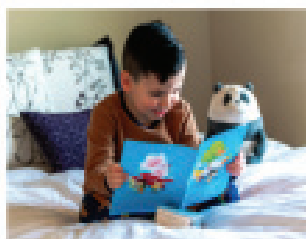


Sign up at

www.StoughtonRec.org

FALL EVENTS | FOR KIDS

November Programs



Virtual Pajama Storytime

Join Ms. Amy for bedtime stories and songs! Wear your pajamas and get ready for a fun and relaxing storytime! This event is geared towards ages 2-6 but all are welcome. This is a Zoom event and the link will be sent one hour prior to the event.

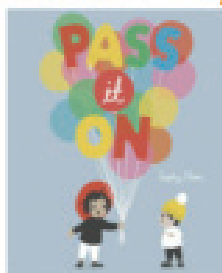
**Tuesday, November 1st
at 6:30 pm.**



Little Lego Club For ages 2-6

Join us for free-play lego fun with an assortment of duplos and bristle blocks perfect for smaller hands.
Registration required.

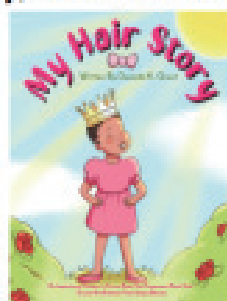
**Monday, November 7th
at 10:00 am.**



Storywalk at the Bradley Lessa Playground

Join Ms. Amy & Ms. Stacey as they read Pass it on by Sophy Henn on the Storywalk nature trail located at 1258 West St. in Stoughton.
A snack after the walk will be provided.
Registration required. Story is geared towards ages 2-6.

Thursday, November 3rd at 10:30 am.



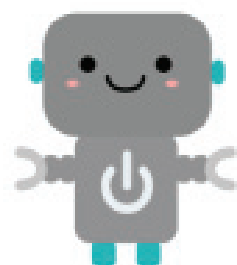
Author Visit My Hair Story by Danielle K. Grant

Join us with local author Danielle Grant for a reading of her book, My Hair Story, an Inspirational Children's Picture Book that empowers black girls to love and embrace their unique beauty. Danielle will also discuss how her book came about, answer questions and sign copies of her book for sale. Registration required. This event is geared towards ages 3-7.

**Saturday, November 19th
at 2:00 pm.**

Registration is required for programs.

For virtual programs an email will be sent one hour prior to the event with the Zoom link.



Dash Robots for ages 7-12

Join FrankenS.T.E.A.M and the SPL to learn about coding with Dash robots!

This event is for ages 7-12.
Registration is required and space is limited.

**Thursday, November 3rd
at 3:30 pm.**



Lego Club for ages 5-12

Join us for free-play Lego fun with an assortment of Lego blocks and our Lego table!
Registration required.

**Monday, November 28th
at 3:30 pm.**



Book Club

Adults • Open to everyone 18+

These are live Zoom events and registration is required.
The Zoom link will be emailed to the address provided one day prior to the program.

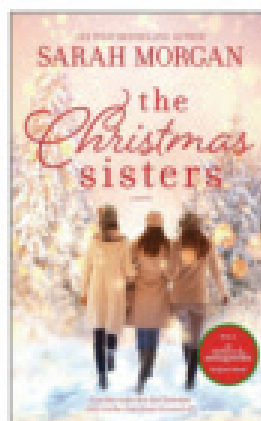
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Wednesday, November 9th
7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

November's selection is *Our Darkest Night* by Jennifer Robson. The book is available at the library as well as through the Old Colony Library Network as well as electronically on the library's free Hoopla and Libby Apps. It is also on the library's circulating Kindles that are available for check out.

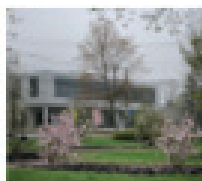


For those who like to plan ahead, here's what's coming up:



Wednesday, December 7th
7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

The December selection is *The Christmas Sisters* by Sarah Morgan. The book is available at the library, through the Old Colony Library Network as well as electronically on the library's free Libby and Hoopla Apps. It is also on the library's circulating Kindles that are available for check out.



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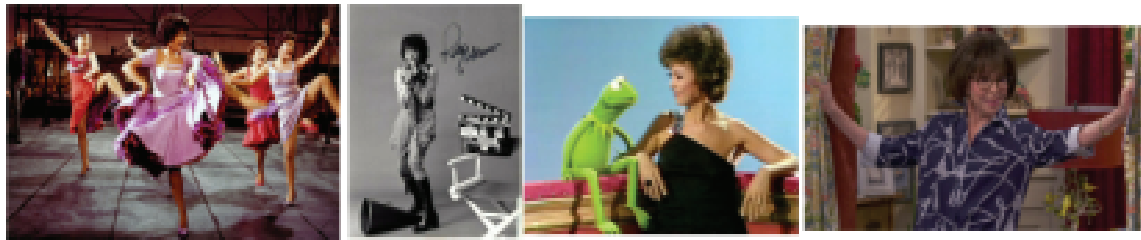
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Fan Favorites of Film

Join Stoughton film historian Frank Mandosa on Zoom.

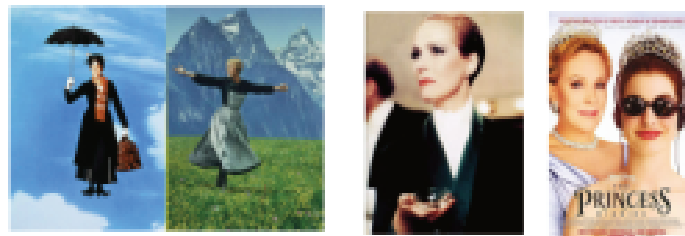
Thursday, November 3rd: 6:30pm

Rita Moreno: A Fiery Ambition



Thursday, December 1st: 6:30pm

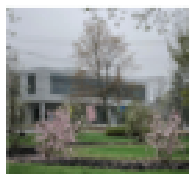
Julie Andrews: Our Drop of Golden Sun



**Please visit www.stoughton.org/library & click on Event Calendar to register.
REGISTRANTS WILL RECEIVE A ZOOM LINK 1 DAY PRIOR TO THE PROGRAM.**



A lifelong lover of cinema, Frank Mandosa hosts talks and podcasts on a wide variety of film topics. A high school English and Film teacher, he also co-hosts Reel Life for Stoughton Media Access Center (SMAC). Facebook movie page: "Silver Screeners" www.frankmandosa.weebly.com



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Google Suite Classes with Rob

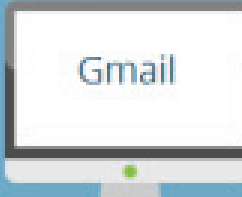
Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:00pm

GOOGLE APPLICATIONS CLASSES | NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2022



Google
Account

November 2 @ 6:30pm
The basics: setup, privacy, security & more.



Gmail

November 9 @ 6:30pm
Setting up, sending, responding, deleting, managing.



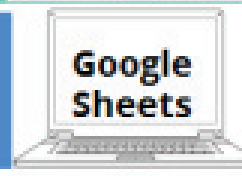
Google
Drive

November 16 @ 6:30pm
Storage in cloud basics, sharing, permissions.



Google
Docs

November 30 @ 6:30pm
Word processing basics.



Google
Sheets

December 7 @ 6:30pm
Spreadsheet basics.



TBD

December 14 @ 6:30pm
To be determined-slides, maps, extra help?

Use a library Chromebook or bring your own device.

Registration is required. Visit our Event Calendar at www.stoughton.org/library



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A message from our Interim Town Manager Marc Tisdale

Hello Everyone,

As you may be aware, Robin Grimm has taken another job in Sturbridge. We wish her the best and she will be greatly missed!

My name is Marc Tisdelle and I am the Interim Town Manager.

I would like to thank the Select Board, the community and my fellow colleagues for all your support of me to take this task on.

I have worked in Stoughton for the last 11 years as primarily the Town Engineer and the Director of Development Services but I was also the Interim Town Manager for about a year before we hired Robin Grimm.

I take this position very seriously and I will do the best that I can to keep the Town moving forward until a permanent Town Manager is in place. I will do my best to inform the public through Facebook of important events. Robin was very active on Facebook and I will eventually try to get to that point but as you can imagine I will be extremely busy getting up to speed on everything while also completing my other job.

Office hours for the public will continue from 4:30-6pm on Thursday evenings. I also will make appointments with you if needed. Thank you all for the support!