



Pine Echoes



Over 80 Years of Communication
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South Hamilton, Massachusetts

Paint Night with Courtney Reid

Thursday, July 17 at 7:00 PM |
Dining Hall

Join local artist Courtney Reid for a guided mixed media paint night. Open to adults, teens, and preteens (ages 12+), this event is designed for all skill levels—no experience necessary.

Courtney holds a BFA in Painting from Gordon College and has spent the past 28 years as an art instructor. A Virginian by birth, she now lives in Gloucester and teaches painting and drawing in Hamilton. Participants will leave with a beautiful finished painting and maybe a little creative spark, too. All materials are provided.

We hope to see you there!
\$20 per person | Ages 12 and up

Saturday Night Concert: 73 Duster Live at the Tabernacle

Saturday, July 12 at 7:30 PM
Presented by the Recreation Committee

Join us this Saturday evening for a high-energy concert with 73 Duster, a New England-based band known for their genre-spanning style and dynamic performances. Their music blends Handmade American Rock and Roll with influences from rock, blues, jazz, Irish traditional, protest songs, Latin rhythms, and even kids' music—something for everyone in the family to enjoy.



This is not your average cover band. 73 Duster hires top-notch musicians and brings a fresh, engaging sound to every show. Whether you're dancing in the aisle or just tapping your foot from the pew, you're sure to walk away smiling.

Where: The Tabernacle
When: Saturday, July 12 from 7:30 to 10:30 PM
Suggested Donation: \$5 (All ages welcome!)

Don't miss this night of music, rhythm, and community—right here in the Grove. Come early to grab a good seat!

Chalk the Walk: Bible Stories Come to Life

Start planning your artwork for this year's Sidewalk Chalk Contest.

Date: Saturday, July 19th

Time: 10:30am

Theme: My favorite Bible story

Location: Asbury Grove center

Everyone is welcome to come and create. Prizes will be awarded to participating children.

For additional information call Kathy at (978) 998-9749





This Week's Sunday Worship

Children's Church - During the 4:00 pm Vespers service. The activities will be appropriate for ages 5-7, including crafts, music, and Bible stories. Parents are asked to check their children in at the Johnson Youth Center, located at the back of the Vesper Circle, at the beginning of each service.

Contemporary Worship with Buddy Fanjoy

Sunday, July 13 at 7:00 PM | Chapel

Join us this Sunday evening in the Chapel for a special time of music and worship led by Buddy Fanjoy—a gifted Christian singer-songwriter, worship leader, and psalmist.

Buddy's music draws from scripture, the psalms, and the enduring legacy of King David. His worship style is rooted in the presence of the Holy Spirit, blending original songs with familiar praise to create a space of reflection, connection, and spiritual renewal.

Come as you are, and let the music lead you deeper into faith, peace, and community.

Teen Challenge at Sunday Vespers – July 13 at 4:00 PM

Vesper Circle (outdoors, weather permitting)

Don't miss Vespers this Sunday at 4:00 under the pines at the Vesper Circle. Our weekly outdoor worship time will feature music and testimony from Teen Challenge Adult Ministries from Brockton. Back by popular demand, this group will encourage your own faith as you hear their stories. The Worship Committee will be serving them a meal after the service.

About Teen Challenge Adult Ministries (Brockton, MA)

Teen Challenge Adult Ministries in Brockton offers long-term, residential recovery for men seeking freedom from addiction. The program integrates biblical life studies with vocational training, helping participants build structure, discipline, and a renewed sense of purpose grounded in Christian faith.

With room for over 100 residents, the program offers a path to personal transformation and restoration—regardless of financial ability. Their mission centers on replacing addiction with identity in Christ and equipping individuals to live as responsible, spiritually grounded members of their communities.

Worship at the Grove

Sunday

- 8:00 am – Men's Bible Study (Coffee Shop)
- 4:00 pm – Vesper Service (Vesper Circle or Chapel)
- 7:00 pm – Contemporary Worship or Hymn Sing

Tuesday - 7:00 pm – Bible Study (Jesse Lee House)

Wednesday

- 6:30 am – Prayer & Share (Coffee Shop)
- 7:30 pm – Teen Bible Study (Johnson House)

Thursday - 10:00 am – Ladies Prayer & Bible Study
(All is Well)

July & August Vesper Speakers

- July 13 – Teen Challenge Adult Ministries
- July 20 – Rev. Kevin Adams, East Baptist Church
- July 27 – Rev. Kevin Baird, Hamilton Congregational
- August 3 – Camp Meeting Week (10:00 am Vesper Circle Worship)
- August 10 – Pastor Clark Jervois, Calvary Christian Church
- August 17 – Rev. David Enos, Higher Ground, Gloucester
- August 24 – Scott Brennan, Asbury Grove
- August 31 – Rev. Mat Nadworny, Great Rock Church

Camp Meeting Week at Asbury Grove

August 3 – 8, 2025 | Rooted & Established

Asbury Grove | 166th Year

15 Lee Park, South Hamilton, MA 01982

For more info: (978) 468-3731 | office@asburygrove.org

Join us for Camp Meeting Week at Asbury Grove. For over 160 years, this sacred tradition has stood at the core of the Grove's spiritual life—a time of renewal, worship, and fellowship.

Schedule of Events

- Saturday, August 2 - 7:30 PM – Illuminations
Meet at the Water Pump in front of 15 Lee Park
An Asbury Grove tradition of lights, community, and welcome as we begin Camp Meeting Week.
- Sunday, August 3
10:00 AM – Vesper Circle Worship with UMC Pastor Cindie Chae
7:00 PM – Camp Meeting Kickoff with Mark 209
Meet the Speaker & Worship Leaders

Monday–Friday, August 4–8

- 9:00 AM – Prayer (Vesper Circle) with Dan & Gina Blaze
- 10:00 AM – Bible Study (Chapel) with Bible Teacher Nancy Lane
- 6:00 PM – Community Supper (Dining Hall) \$7 per person / \$28 per family
- 7:00 PM – Camp Meeting Worship (Tabernacle)
Speaker: Len Ballenger
Worship Leaders: Dan Blaze & Len Ballenger

Meet the Leadership

- MARK209 – A high-energy country gospel quartet from Nashville, blending humor, harmony, and deep faith rooted in Music City.
- Len Ballenger – A seasoned pastor, speaker, and prophetic voice known for preaching God's Kingdom with boldness and spiritual insight.
- Dan & Gina Blaze – Founders of the New England Prayer Center, they bring over 30 years of ministry experience, helping connect people to God through prayer across cultures and generations.
- Nancy Lane – Christian educator and mentor (MA Theological Studies, GCTS), passionate about spiritual maturity through abiding in Jesus.

July 4th Parade



Old Number -Thirty-Seven

Clickety clack – Clickety clack
As she rambles on down the track
Clickety clack – Clickety clack
Rolling from Boston town and back.

With every stop along the way
Gathering pilgrims that come to pray.
In Asbury Grove for the day.
Clickety clack.

Some twenty cars attached and bound.
Rumbling through each little town
Not an empty seat can be found.
Clickety clack.

As Wenham station comes in sight
The crowd exclaims with pure delight.
We'll all be praising God tonight.
Clickety clack.

From the Red Station on the hill
Passengers leave the train at will.
Looking for a spiritual fill.
Clickety clack.

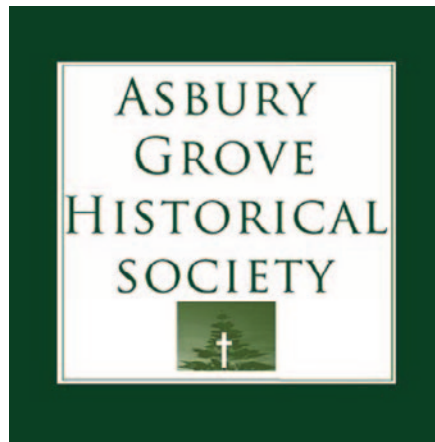
At days end when the sun goes down
And they're on the train homeward bound.
They sing for joy and love they found.
Clickety clack.

The next morning, she rolls again.
With another crowd to descend
That hopes for a similar end.
Clickety clack.

All week-long pilgrims come and go.
As the crowd numbers ebb and flow
With thirty-seven at the tow.
Clickety clack.

Clickety clack – Clickety clack
As she rambles on down the track
Clickety clack – Clickety clack
Rolling from Boston town and back.

By J. William Zoldak



Asbury Grove Historical Society

Join us for the return of a summer favorite:
Ice Cream Social & Historical Presentation –
Saturday, July 19 at 6:30 pm

This year's theme is "Transportation to the Grove Through the Years." Come enjoy a sweet treat and learn something new about the journey that brings so many to this sacred space.

For more information or to get involved, speak to a Historical Society board member or stop by the Wesley House.



Ask a Local

by Katie Krathwohl, 15 McClintock

Wish you could go to Greece this summer?

Well the next best thing is coming to the Hellenic Center on County Rd (1A) in Ipswich this Sat (12:30-10:30) and Sun (12-6)!

Cost \$5 for BOTH days! Enjoy Greek music, dancing, and amazing food...including souvlaki, gyros, lamp chops, baklava, and even baklava sundaes!

Like Lowell, MA (another mill city worth a visit) the Greeks came to Ipswich in the late 19th and early 20th centuries to work in the Ipswich Hosiery Mills (and also the two heel factories), once the nation's largest stocking mill!

The Greek and Polish millworkers established deep roots and these cultures continue to thrive today!!!

..... Don't think this relates to Hamilton???

Hamilton began as a "hamlet" of Ipswich which was settled in 1638.

Hamilton wasn't incorporated until 1793, when it was named after Alexander Hamilton!

So join your neighbors and bring your appetite and dancing shoes!
Opa!



Want a Preview of 73 Duster? Catch them tonight, July 11 at True North Ale Company in Ipswich from 6:00 to 9:00 PM for a relaxed brewery set before they hit the Tabernacle stage here at the Grove on Saturday night. It's a great chance to hear their blend of rock, blues, jazz, and more in an intimate local venue.



Youth Outreach

Youth Chapel is underway! We kicked off the summer getting our bikes and golf cart decorated for the 4th of July Parade.

Our 2025 theme: *"Come, follow me, and I will make you fishers of men".*

Here is our verse of the week. Why not memorize it with us?

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." - John 14:6

We are always grateful for snack donations - these kids can eat! Please no drinks, we ask kids to bring their own water bottles. We are also in need of magazines or catalogs you no longer need that we can cut up for making collages. If you can donate any of these items please leave them in the black bin outside the Johnson House. Thank you in advance!

Pictured Left: Teen service project - building new benches for Jesse Lee, guided by Richard Langlais.

Snapshot: Things to Do at the Grove

- July 12 (Sat.) 7:30 pm – 73 Duster Concert
- July 17 (Thurs.) 7:00 pm – Paint Night (ages 12+)
- July 19 (Sat.) 6:30 pm – Historical Society Ice Cream Social
- July 26 (Sat.)
 - 8:00 am – Duathlon Road Race
 - 6:00 pm – Chapel Youth Dinner
- August 2 (Sat.) 6:00 pm – International Supper
- August 3 (Sun.) 7:00 pm – Mark 209 Music
- August 9 (Sat.)
 - 6:00 pm – Lobster Bake
 - 7:30 pm – Bingo!
- August 16 (Sat.)
 - 6:30 pm – Pie Social
 - 7:30 pm – Trivia Night
- August 23 (Sat.)
 - 10:00 am – Rainforest Reptiles
 - 7:00 pm – Coffee House
- September 1 (Monday)
 - 12:00 pm – Labor Day Cookout
 - 7:00 pm – Campfire and Sing-Along
- September 6 (Sat.) 6:00 pm – Annual Slide Show & Supper

Coffee Shop

The Asbury Grove Coffee Shop is officially open for the season, and this year's theme—Rooted and Established (Ephesians 3:17)—sets the tone for mornings filled with good food and even better company.

Friday mornings offer a relaxed, counter-service vibe. Stop in between 8:00 and 10:30 am for a lighter menu of muffins, bagels, fruit, yogurt, and your favorite morning drinks. It's a grab-and-go setup, but you're just as welcome to grab a seat and linger. And yes—iced coffee has finally arrived.

On Saturdays, the kitchen heats up for a full breakfast menu. From flapjacks to eggs and everything in between, it's a Grove tradition that brings neighbors together around full plates and full hearts. Doors open at 8:00 am and stay open through 10:30.

Whether you come for the conversation, the coffee, or the community, the Coffee Shop is ready to welcome you back. Come hungry. Come curious. Come often.

Monday Night Race

Results July 7

28 Runners

Hot and Humid Conditions

Thanks to everyone who came out to run, cheer, and hydrate!

Here's how our Grove runners did on Monday night:

5 & Under

- Cam P. – 1:24
- Sienna P. – 1:59

8 & Under

- Luke K. – 2:53

12 & Under

- Luke K. – 4:17
- Mallory Y. – 5:37

One-Mile Run

- Mike Perham - 7:01 (pushing Cam and Sienna in a carriage)

Way to go, runners! See you next Monday for another lap around the Grove.



Library News

The Asbury Grove Library is open for the season. Come browse the shelves, borrow a book, or cool off with a quiet read. All are welcome.

Summer Hours:

- Tuesday – 6:00 to 7:30 pm
- Thursday – 6:30 to 8:30 pm
- Saturday – 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Hours may adjust slightly as the season settles in, so check for updates posted at the Library door.



Thrift Barn News

Open Friday & Saturday from
9:30 AM to 1:00 PM

Looking for a good deal or a little nostalgia? Stop by the Thrift Barn for weekly bargains and one-of-a-kind finds.

This week's featured item:
Vintage glassware – just \$1 each
Perfect for your cottage, your collection, or your next iced coffee on the porch.

Youth Chapel 4th of July Parade



Coyote Sighting Near Lee Park – What to Know

A coyote was seen this month near 14 Lee Park, approaching from the library side before moving off toward the Tabernacle. While the encounter was startling, it's important to remember that eastern coyotes are a natural part of our local ecosystem and can be found throughout Massachusetts, including in suburban and semi-urban areas like ours.

What Do Coyotes Do?

Coyotes play a vital ecological role by helping to control populations of rodents, rabbits, insects, and even some invasive species. They are opportunistic feeders, meaning they will eat whatever is most available, including small mammals, fruits, birds, and unfortunately, sometimes unsecured garbage or pet food.

Are They Dangerous?

Coyotes are generally shy and elusive, and it is not unusual or unhealthy for them to be active during daylight hours, especially in areas where food sources are present. This does not mean the animal is sick or aggressive.

Breeding season peaks in mid-February, with pups typically born in April or May, so family groups are often still active during summer months. Pups may be learning to hunt, which can result in more movement or sightings during this time.

What You Can Do:

- Keep small pets close and do not leave them outside unattended, especially around dawn or dusk.
- Remove outdoor food sources, including pet food, birdseed, compost, and accessible trash.
- Do not approach or feed coyotes. If one approaches, make noise, wave your arms, and assert your presence.

For more detailed guidance, visit the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife page on coyotes: mass.gov/info-details/learn-about-coyotes

Thank you to Cate Faddis for reporting the recent sighting. Community awareness helps us all stay safe and informed.

2025 Egg Toss Winners
Dan Meir (L) and Tyler Zawatski (R)



July 4th Around The Grove





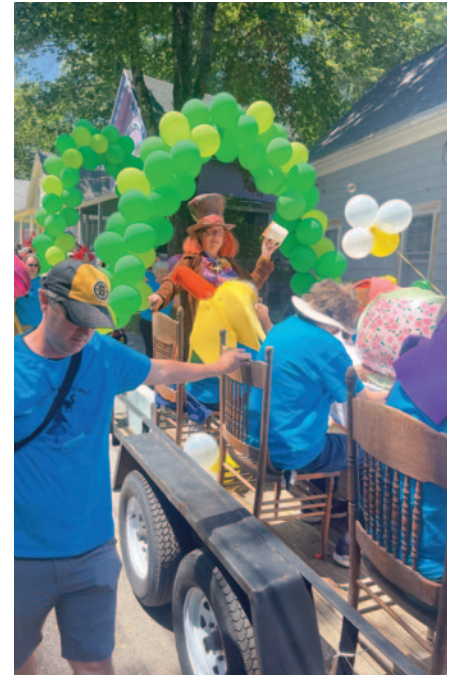


July 4th Parade



Watchful Eye

Golf Cart owners – Please drive responsible. You need to have a car permit to drive one. Children should be seated at all times. Do not allow them to jump on and off. There are on average 15,000 golf cart injuries in the United States each year.



Submitting to the Pine Echoes

The Pine Echoes will go out each week that we receive enough content to fill an issue. If you have something to submit, please plan ahead. The deadline is Monday evenings—before you hit the hay.

All submissions must be complete and free of typos. Each entry must include:

- The full address of the event location (not just a building name)
 - The date and time, including setup and start/end times
 - The name of the person or group running the event or benefiting from donations
 - A brief description of the event
 - What participants should bring or expect
- Entries missing key information may not be included.

Submit to:

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Have a question? 978-312-2324 (text preferred)

