

The Weekly Wrap-up

A Report from Town Administrator Lisa Wong

“Welcome Home”



Thanks to the South Hadley American Legion Post 260, South Hadley Sons of the American Legion, South Hadley VFW Post 3104 & the Western MA Combat Wounded Veterans for hosting the National Vietnam War Veterans Day Commemoration at the Public Library on March 29.

PUBLIC HEALTH NEWS

There are 25 New Confirmed Cases this week, up from last week’s 16 figure.

Residents can order more free at-home COVID test kits at the website:

COVIDtests.gov.

Each household can order a total of 8 tests. If 4 were already received during the first round, then only four more can be ordered. More than half of households ordered tests during the first round. The administration is also saying that the tests should arrive more quickly this round than in the previous round.

Selectboard

The next meetings will be Tuesdays, April 5 and April 19 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Agenda and link will be posted on the town website:
www.southhadley.org/agendacenter

Coffee & Conversation

Fridays at 9am at the Senior Center. This month will feature several town departments as well as Artist Ann Mueller (on April 8). Also aired on SHTV 15.

Arbor Day

The annual Arbor Day celebration will take place on Friday, April 29 from 9:30 to 10:30am at the Hahn-Warner Arboretum, on the hillside behind the Michael E. Smith Middle School (rain location: middle school library)

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

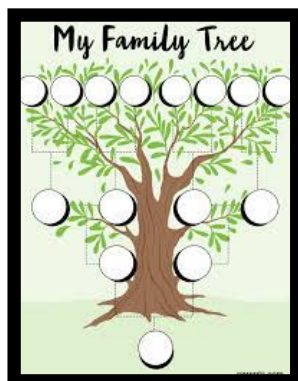


KEEP UP WITH SOUTH HADLEY'S LATEST NEWS



Starting April 1st, 2022, the Council on Aging (COA) is offering FREE transportation to South Hadley residents aged 60 and above for rides to and from the Senior Center for lunch and other activities such as grocery shopping, banking and routine medical appointments. Call to schedule a ride at (413) 538-5030 or email coa@southhadleyma.gov. Masks must be worn at all times while riding in COA vehicles.

The MA House of Representatives voted unanimously for a Chapter 90 bond bill for the upcoming Fiscal Year 2023 in the amount of \$200 million. Unfortunately, Chapter 90 funding that is used for local road and bridges, has been at the \$200 million level since Fiscal Year 2012. The Massachusetts Municipal Association had been advocating for a \$100 million increase to adjust for inflation, calculating that the \$200 million allotment has lost \$83 million in purchasing power. There is 30,000 miles of local road in the state. The MA Senate will consider the bond bill next.



The South Hadley Library has a number of helpful Genealogy resources for researching ancestors and family history. The links (some of which can only be accessed in the library) can be found online at <https://shadleylib.org/Pages/Index/173/genealogy?msckid=144c4cd2b06611ec82ab86b7d474de43>