



TOWN OF LANCASTER EVENTS

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EEE Positive Mosquitos found in Shirley, Bolton and Harvard

A EEE Positive mosquito was found on the west side of Harvard during testing this past Saturday. Additionally, mosquitos have been identified in both Shirley and Bolton.

As we await test results for Lancaster, we are asking Residents to avoid outdoor activity near dusk and dawn, use an effective mosquito repellent, wear protective clothing and/or employ the services of mosquito control agents.

If you have been outside and have symptoms consistent with the flu, contact your doctor and mention that EEE has been reported in the local area.

If you've had a recent animal death or sickness related to EEE, Please contact the Board of Health.

Lancaster Board of Health

978-365-3326 ext. 1310

LANCASTER GARDEN CLUB PRESENTS

PETS AND PLANTS



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH, 7PM

LANCASTER COMMUNITY CENTER, 695 Main St Suite 7

(Behind the Library and War Memorials), LANCASTER, MA.

Free for members \$5 for non-members

SPEAKER- April Daley is a Massachusetts Master Gardener and former veterinary nurse. Her credits include 10 years in Emergency and Critical Care and Wildlife Rehabilitator.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE <https://lancastergardenclub.wildapricot.org>

FOR MORE DETAILS,

THIS LECTURE IS RESCHEDULED FROM LAST JANUARY.

**TOWN OF LANCASTER
PLANNING BOARD**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Town of Lancaster Planning Board has petitioned and will hold a public hearing at the Lancaster Town Hall Auditorium, 695 Main Street, Lancaster, MA on **Monday, September 9, 2019 at 7 PM** to hear and act upon the following matters:

1. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by amending Section 220-8.7, the Integrated Planning Overlay District (IPOD), to include a provision that requires multi-family structures within the IPOD to dedicate a certain percentage of proposed units as "Affordable" as defined by M.G.L. Chapter 40B, and 76 C.M.R. 56.00.
2. To See if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by adding a new section for "Inclusionary Zoning" which would provide a requirement for all new residential developments, beginning at 6 proposed units, to provide a certain percentage of the proposed units as "Affordable" as defined by M.G.L. Chapter 40B, and 76 C.M.R. 56.00.

And further that non-substantive changes to the numbering of this bylaw amendment be permitted in order that it be in compliance with the numbering format of the Code of Lancaster, or act otherwise in relation thereto.

A copy of the texts of the proposed Bylaw and Map amendments are on file and available for review at the Community Development and Planning Office, Prescott Building, 701 Main Street, Lancaster, MA, 978-365-3326.

Lancaster Planning Board

C/O Community Development and Planning Department

For publication in The Item on:

Friday, August 23, 2019

Friday, August 30, 2019

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To see if the Town will vote to amend the Official Zoning Map by extending the Neighborhood Business (NB) Zoning District to encompass the entire property located at 114 Main Street (Assessor's Map 41 Lot 259.0), which is currently zoned Residential (R).

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Lancaster 5K Run & Walk Village Church

Contact: Gael Moncoeur
508-654-6466



September 8, 2019
@ 10:00 a.m.

Pricing

Early Bird

5K Runner/Walker - \$20
5K Senior- \$15
Youth (14 & Under) - \$0

Aug 1st

5K Runner/Walker - \$25
5K Senior- \$20
Youth (14 & Under) - \$0

Race Day

5K Runner/Walker - \$30
5K Senior- \$30
Youth (14 & Under) - \$0

One Road, 4 Community

lancaster5k.org

Touchable Tales Story Hour

Presented by EcoTarium

Wednesday
September 18
1:00 p.m.

Thayer Memorial
Library

Registration is Required
Phone Maren
978-368-8928 ext. 5

Recommended for ages
Pre-K through 1st grade



Funding for this series is provided by a grant from the Rosemary Davis Memorial Fund of the Greater Worcester Community





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Visit the Lancaster Cultural Council website www.ci.lancaster.ma.us/cultural-council for more information and to view the 2018 Community Survey report.



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Fiction Essentials: Ten-Week Course with Rich Marcello



**Wednesdays, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.
September 11 – November 13, 2019
Couper Room, Reuben Hoar Library
41 Shattuck Street, Littleton, MA**

This ten week, three-hour, introductory class will be divided into two sections. In the first half, we'll explore different aspects of the craft of fiction, as detailed below. In the second half, we'll focus on scenes written by the students and provide positive, constructive feedback on how each author might develop his or her work.

Week One: The Anatomy of a Scene
Week Two: The Fictive Dream
Week Three: Point of View, Voice, and Time
Week Four: Plot, Tension, and Raising the Stakes
Week Five: Characters
Week Six: The First and Last Chapter
Week Seven: Dialogue versus Narrative Summary
Week Eight: How to Build a World
Week Nine: Common Issues
Week Ten: Putting It All Together

Prerequisites: This class is designed for active, beginning writers who want to hone their craft. Students should be prepared to write, share work, and provide feedback for fellow participants. **The fee for the ten-week course is \$15 for each three hour session: \$150.00 total.** Preregistration is required. To enroll please visit sevenbridge.org, or contact us with questions at 7bridgewriterscollaborative@gmail.com. **Deadline to register: September 1, 2019.**

Rich Marcello is a poet, songwriter, musician, and writer. He is author of three novels, *The Color of Home*, *The Big Wide Calm*, and the recently released *The Beauty of the Fall*, all published by Langdon Street Press. Previously, he enjoyed a career as a technology executive, managing several multi-billion dollar businesses for Fortune 500 companies. Faulkner Award winner Mark Spencer praised Rich's latest novel, writing that "Few novels are as intelligent and relevant as *The Beauty of the Fall*. Almost none is as eloquent, compelling, heartbreaking, and ultimately, uplifting." Marcello has partnered with Seven Bridge Writers' Collaborative since 2015.





**Resources For Writers: Getting The Most From Your Library,
with Joe Mulé**



**Saturday, September 21, 2019
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

Thayer Memorial Library, 717 Main Street, Lancaster, Massachusetts

**"The only thing that you absolutely have to know, is the location of the library."
— Albert Einstein**

Research is a must for fiction and non-fiction writers alike, and though most people know the basic functions of a library, few know all that is available or the best way to make use of digital, historical, and special collections. Join SBWC and Thayer Memorial Library Director, Joe Mulé, for a discussion on how to make the most of your local library's extensive print materials, technologies, and on-line resources, essential supports for your creative work. Director Joe Mulé will provide a broad overview of the bibliographic tradition of libraries in America and the challenges of retrieving knowledge in the 21st century.

Joe Mulé has served the residents of Lancaster in his role as Director of the Thayer Memorial Library for almost two decades. As media and methods to access it continue to evolve, Joe strives to integrate the Library's resources and provide patrons access to print and digital content and technologies. In recognition of his dedication to the community in Lancaster, Joe received the Citizen of the Year award from the Perkins School. Joe lives in Lunenburg with his wife and two children.





Evening Creative Writing Group

REGISTRATIONS OPEN JULY 15th, 2019

Wednesdays, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Worcester Public Library, 3 Salem Square, Worcester, Massachusetts

Fall Session: September 11 – November 13
Winter Session: January 8 – March 11
Spring Session: March 25 – May 27

Facilitator: Winona Winkler Wendth

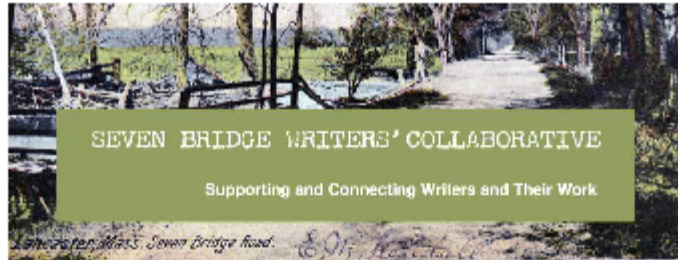


Do you know what you want to say but can't seem to find a way to say it? Or are you looking for effective ways to develop those ideas or sketches in your notebooks or journals? Do you sense that your writing is complete but not "finished"? The Wednesday evening creative writing group is designed for writers who want to develop the tools they need for their own projects. The group produces writing shared in a workshop setting generated by in-group and at-home prompts. Examples of exercises include those that focus on point of view, description, rhythm and texture, voice and dialogue, working with the senses, character description, and exposition. The workshop is open to writers on any level.

This workshop meets 2 hours weekly for ten weeks in the fall, winter and spring. Class size is limited.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED: <https://sevenbridge.org/seven-bridge-sessions/groups/writing-groups/writing-group-registration/>

Winona Winkler Wendth holds an MFA in literature and writing with an emphasis on creative non-fiction from the Bennington Writing Seminars. She teaches writing, literature, and other humanities courses at Quinsigamond Community College. Wendth has been a workshop leader in Lancaster since 2011 and a writing mentor since 2009. Her work appears frequently in print and online literary journals and was listed in Best American Essays/2010. She writes both fiction and creative non-fiction and is working on a collection of memoiristic essays as well as a short novel.



Evening Creative Writing Group

REGISTRATIONS OPEN JULY 15th, 2019

Mondays, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Reuben Hoar Library, 41 Shattuck Street, Littleton, MA

Fall Session: September 9 – November 25 (don't meet the 10/14 and 11/11 holidays)

Winter Session: January 6 – March 16 (don't meet the 2/17 holiday)

Spring Session: March 23 – June 8 (don't meet the 4/20 and 5/25 holidays)

Facilitator: Paula Castner



In the Monday morning creative writing group, writers are given 20 minutes for spontaneous writing, in response to a mini craft prompt, followed by an opportunity to read their work and receive positive reinforcement and encouragement. The facilitator writes and reads aloud, along with the other participants. All work produced in the writing workshop is treated as fiction to minimize the personal vulnerability of the writer. The group follows the Amherst Method as described by founder Pat Schneider's book, *Writing Alone and With Others*, Oxford University Press, 2003. The Amherst Method is based on the belief that every person is a writer and strives to provide a safe environment where writers of all experience can experiment, learn, and develop craft. As the weeks progress, elements of craft such as point of view, description, voice, and dialogue are addressed by the weekly prompts to provide practice and to facilitate growth in both the specific craft elements and the general craft of writing.

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Paula Castner is the Chief Operating Officer for Seven Bridge Writers Collaborative as well as a freelance writer, playwright, and writing workshop facilitator. Her pieces have been published in a variety of venues, from parenting magazines, to newspapers, to online magazines, and have claimed first prize in several writing contests. Her play, *A Fairy Tale Life? A Musical*, with music by Canadian folk artist, Nancy Beaudette, was performed in Lancaster, Massachusetts. She is currently working on her second musical, *Museum Follies*, set in an art museum. Her long-term writing project is a fictionalized account of a historical court case about a slave girl from Holden, MA.

THE 2020 CENSUS OPERATIONAL OVERVIEW

COUNT EVERYONE ONCE, ONLY ONCE, AND IN
THE RIGHT PLACE.



Establish Where To Count IDENTIFY ALL ADDRESSES WHERE PEOPLE COULD LIVE.

- Conduct a 100-percent review and update of the Census Bureau's address list.
- Use multiple data sources to identify areas with address changes.
- Receive local government input.
- Conduct In-Field Address Canvassing.

Motivate People To Respond

CONDUCT A NATIONWIDE COMMUNICATIONS AND PARTNERSHIP CAMPAIGN.



- Work with trusted sources to increase participation.
- Maximize outreach using traditional and new media.
- Target advertisements to specific audiences.



Count The Population COLLECT DATA FROM ALL HOUSEHOLDS, INCLUDING GROUP AND UNIQUE LIVING ARRANGEMENTS.

- Make it easy for people to respond anytime, anywhere.
- Encourage people to use the Online response option.
- Use the most cost-effective strategy to contact and count nonrespondents.
- Streamline in-field census taking.
- Knock on doors.

Release Census Results PROCESS AND PROVIDE CENSUS DATA.



- Deliver apportionment counts to the President by December 31, 2020.
- Release counts for redistricting by April 1, 2021.
- Make it easier for the public to get information

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

When will Census Bureau employees be in my neighborhood?

- Census Bureau employees will be in your neighborhoods knocking on doors from early August through mid-October.

How do I know the person at my door works for the Census Bureau?

Census employees will have:

- Badges with photo IDs
- Black canvas bags and laptops with 2020 Census Logos

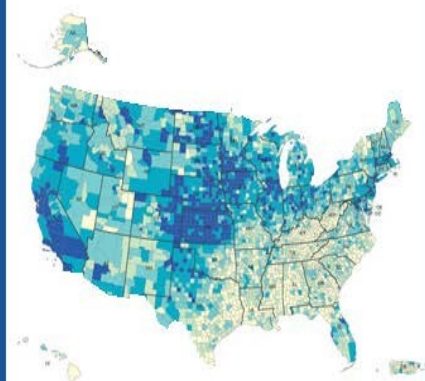
How is the Census Bureau informing the public of the Address Canvassing operation?

The Census Bureau will work with local authorities to inform the public about when Census Bureau workers will be in your area.

Who can I contact to find more about Address Canvassing?

- **New York Region** (CT, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, RI, VT, PR): 212-882-7100
NewYork.rcc.partnership@2020census.gov
- **Philadelphia Region** (DE, DC, KY, MD, OH, PA, TN, VA, WV): 267-780-2600
Philadelphia.rcc.partnership@2020census.gov
- **Atlanta Region** (AL, FL, GA, LA, MS, NC, SC): 470-889-6800
Atlanta.rcc.partnership@2020census.gov
- **Chicago Region** (AR, IL, IN, IA, MI, MN, MO, WI): 312-579-1500
Chicago.rcc.partnership@2020census.gov
- **Dallas Region** (AZ, CO, KS, MT, NE, NM, ND, SD, OK, TX, UT, WY): 972-510-1800
Dallas.rcc.partnership@2020census.gov
- **Los Angeles Region** (AK, CA, HI, ID, NV, OR, WA): 213-314-6500
LosAngeles.rcc.partnership@2020census.gov

For more information on Address Canvassing, please visit [Census.gov](https://www.census.gov)



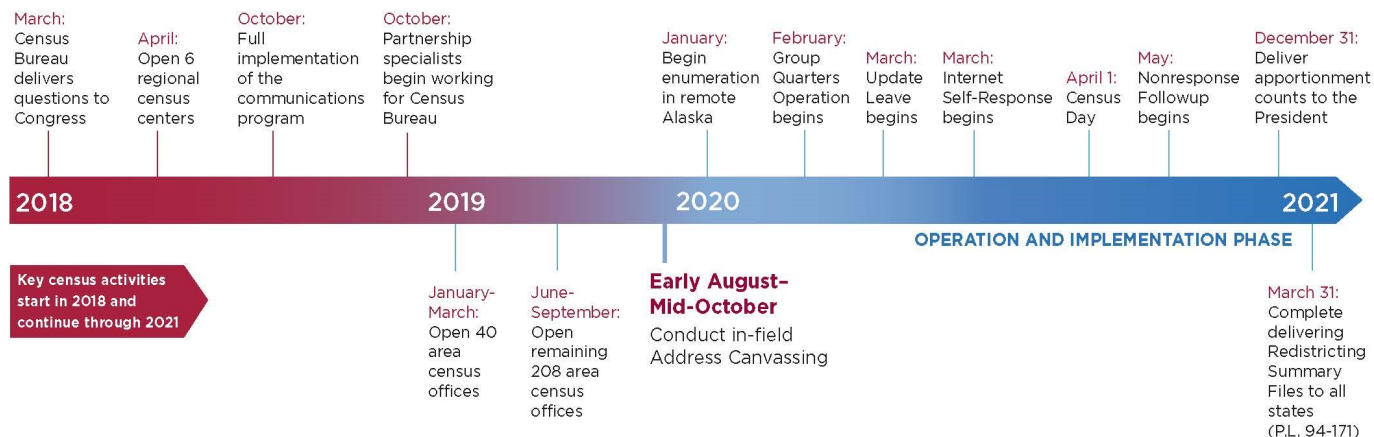
2020 CENSUS FIELD OPERATIONS

Address Canvassing

Shape
your future
START HERE >

United States
Census
2020

2020 Census Operational Timeline



PURPOSE OF ADDRESS CANVASSING

The Address Canvassing Operation serves two purposes:

- Deliver a complete and accurate address list and spatial database for enumeration.
- Determine the type and address characteristics for each living quarter.

Specifically, this operation implements both in-office and in-field methods to maintain and update the United States Census Bureau's address list in advance of the 2020 Census enumeration. The Census Bureau needs the address and physical location of each living quarter in the United States and Puerto Rico to conduct and tabulate the census. An accurate list ensures that residents will be invited to participate in the census and that the census counts residents in the correct location.

RE-ENGINEERED ADDRESS CANVASSING WITH IN-OFFICE ADDRESS CANVASSING

In Interactive Review, clerical staff use a customized application to:

- Compare housing units that existed in 2009 baseline images to what exists in current imagery to identify change on the ground.
- Compare counts of housing units in the Master Address File to housing units shown in current imagery to identify coverage or geocoding issues.
- Assess current imagery for signs of stability or future change.
- Imagery is a critical component of In-Office Address Canvassing: we have the ability to canvass blocks from an office location without having to go out and do so in the field.

MAINTAINING AN ACCURATE ADDRESS LIST

On-going Maintenance and Update

- U.S. Postal Service's Delivery Sequence File
- Tribal, state, and local government address lists
- Continuous identification of stability and change

Local Update of Census Addresses

- Opportunity for tribal, state, and local governments to review and update the Census Bureau's address list for their respective jurisdictions ([Feb-April 2018](#))

Address Canvassing

- Nationwide In-Office Address Canvassing
- Annual In-field data collection, checks, and tests
- In-Field Address Canvassing

Sterling-Lancaster Community TV
Broadcast Schedule August 31 - September 06 2019
Comcast Channel 8

Saturday	Genre
12:00 AM The Hitchhiker	Entertainment
4:00 AM The Hitchhiker	Entertainment
6:30 AM Barbara and You	Interview
8:00 AM Village Church Service	Religion
10:00 AM College Church Service	Religion
12:00 PM Channel 8 Community Updates	News
12:30 PM SLCT News Bits	News
1:00 PM Focus on Europe - Emergency Workers in Germany	Documentaries
2:00 PM Channel 8 Community Updates	News
2:30 PM SLCT News Bits	News
3:00 PM Fork in the Road - il Camino	Cooking
4:00 PM The Boink Show - Emotions	Children
5:00 PM Lancaster Concert - Tootie Pa & His Big Fine Thang	Local Music
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9:00 PM Out and About - Museum Mysteries P1	Hobby
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4:00 AM All the Kind Strangers	Entertainment
7:30 AM Barbara and You	Interview
9:00 AM Tina Cooks - Spaghetti Squash & Stuffed Peppers	Cooking
10:00 AM In Good Shape - Vitamins	Health
11:00 AM Signals Art Show - Sprinkler Factory Worcester	Hobby
12:00 PM Bolton Forestry Tax Reduction Plan	Local
1:00 PM Tomorrow Today - Alexander von Humboldt	Documentaries
2:00 PM Church Services	Religion
4:00 PM The Monkey and the Mermaid Play	Children
5:00 PM Lancaster Concert - Knock on Wood	Local Music
7:00 PM Tomorrow Today - Alexander von Humboldt	Documentaries
8:00 PM Bolton Forestry Tax Reduction Plan	News
9:00 PM Signals Art Show - Sprinkler Factory Worcester	Hobby
10:00 PM Barbara and You	Interview

Please note this schedule is subject to change.
Refer to www.slctv.us for any updates.

Sterling-Lancaster Community TV
Broadcast Schedule September 07 - September 13, 2019
Comcast Channel 8

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7:30 AM Barbara and You	Interview
9:00 AM Wicked Good Food - Rooting for Root Veggies	Cooking
10:00 AM Talk Me Healthy - Making Reading Accessible	Health
11:00 AM Out and About - Yummy Sweets Expo	Hobby
11:30 AM Out and About - World Dog Day	Hobby
12:00 PM Channel 8 Community Updates	News
12:30 PM Pawdoption	Animals
1:00 PM Euromaxx - Garden Gnomes	Documentaries
2:00 PM Church Services	Religion
4:00 PM The Little Princess Play	Children
5:00 PM Sterling Concert - Crossroads	Local Music
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