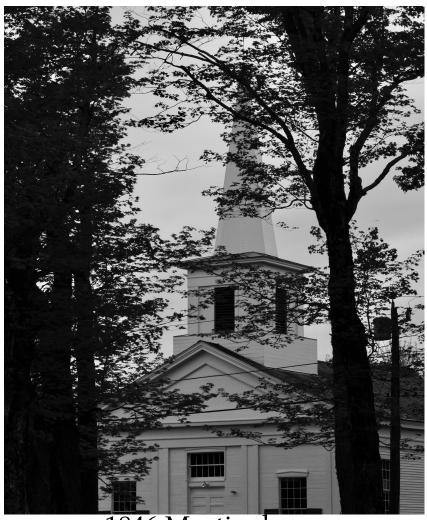
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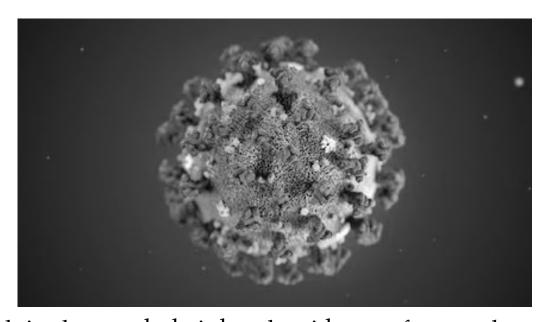
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A Message from the Editor

As I write this, in April, 2020, here in Hawley, across Massachusetts, throughout the United States and the globe, the novel coronavirus, or "Covid-19" as it is being called familiarly (Co- for corona, -vi- for virus, -d- for disease, -19 for 2019), has disrupted normal life to an astonishing degree. People are



advised to wash their hands with soap frequently throughout the day, to keep their hands away from their faces, and to practice "social distancing" by staying at least six feet away from anyone other than people one lives with. Hospitals are coping with unmanageable burdens without the equipment they need. Schools, libraries, museums, and all non-essential businesses are closed; the sports that normally entertain us in springtime -- hockey, basketball, golf, baseball -- have been postponed or cancelled; there was no March Madness, there are no concerts or film festivals, no professional, tech, or

business conventions or seminars; there is no theater or opera. The Boston Marathon is postponed until autumn; cancellations have been announced or are being considered for most political gatherings; the 2020 Summer Olympics will take place in 2021; the stock markets are see-sawing alarmingly.

Every group is trying to protect the health of its members while attempting to avoid aggravating anxieties or instigating panic. But one serious problem that we are dealing with is the dearth of reliable information that could help in the making of decisions. In the United States, we still don't know how many people are infected, or how long the number of new infections can be expected to increase (some models show the current wave of infections and deaths peaking in mid-June, some at the end of June, others earlier). This makes it impossible to know how long the postponement of an event or the closure of a public institution should be. On March 14th, in a Washington Post story about the social and economic effects of the pandemic, we were told, "Authorities now believe the outbreak could fundamentally upend society for months." Medical experts have warned us that it will continue to get worse before it gets better, that the rate of infection will continue to increase exponentially, that the danger will not abate until there is a vaccine available, and, despite intensive efforts to develop and test one, it is not possible to predict when that will be.

After Governor Baker declared Massachusetts to be in an official state of emergency (March 10th), the Board of the Sons and Daughters of Hawley reluctantly cancelled our annual Mud Party, previously scheduled for March 22nd, and decided to hold our Board meetings by e-mail or conference call. In this Spring, 2020 issue of the *Edge*, we are printing the Calendar of Events with question marks beside each event, and describing those scheduled from early June to mid-December with the proviso that these events are what we *wanted* to do this year, but they may have to be cancelled if the coronavirus remains a threat to the health of members and neighbors. We intend to publicize the status of each event, as the year progresses.

We are very lucky to live in Hawley, a place of great physical beauty with a strong historical commitment to community and mutual care. Everyone who speaks about the pandemic mentions that "we are all in this together." This has always been the central tenet of the Sons and Daughters of Hawley, which is dedicated not only to the creation of opportunities to preserve the history of the town and celebrate all that we share, but also to working, living, and caring for one another as a community.

Please take good care of yourselves and your loved ones,

Suzy Q Groden, Editor, The Edge of Hawley

Sons and Daughters of Hawley 2020 Calendar of Events

Event	Date	Location	Time
Board Meeting	5/21	Conference	
		call	
Sing with	6/7?	Meetinghouse?	3-5 pm?
Alice Parker?			_
Board Meeting	6/18	Conference	5 pm
		call	_
Luncheon and	6/20?	Poudriers'	12-
Talks in the		Garden	3pm?
Garden?		Pond Road?	_
Board Meeting	7/16	Conference	5 pm
		call	
Hawley Day?	8/9?	Grove &	10 am-3
		Meetinghouse?	pm?
No-Bake Bake	September	Online	
Sale		donating	
Harvest	9/13?	Stump	5–7pm?
Dinner?		Sprouts?	_
Board Meeting	9/17	Conference	5 pm
_		call	
Apple Fest?	11/1?	Poudriers'	4-7pm?
		Pond Road?	_
Illumination	12/13?	Meetinghouse?	4-5pm?
Party?			

The Sons & Daughters of Hawley Board does not meet from November through February.

Editor's note: Recently, a number of new features have been introduced in The Edge of Hawley in response to suggestions from readers. These include two occasional topics: "My Favorite Place in Hawley" and "How We Came to Hawley," and, with this issue, "Letters from Our Readers." We have also begun publishing photographs that celebrate the beauty of our town. In previous issues we have had photographs by Rich Cook, Hussain Hamdan, and Pamela Shrimpton. This one has a selection by Peggy Travers. Readers are warmly encouraged to contribute to The Edge of Hawley with their art, photographs, descriptions of favorite spots in town, or the story of how and when they came to live here (which for many, of course, is the very important story of growing up here).



Photo by Peggy Travers

Letters from Our Readers

February 27, 2020

Suzy,

May I introduce myself. I am Bruce Maxwell, and for many years I lived on Middle Road with my brother, my mother, and grandmother, in what is now the Hawley State Forest.

In the article written by Peter Beck about finding our favorite place, he forgot to mention the very prolific downfall of water that happened during the 1936 hurricane. That was when the bridge on Middle Road was first washed out. Its replacement was written about in an issue of THE EDGE OF HAWLEY, last year.

Recognition of receipt of this e-mail would be appreciated.

My best regards to all, A friend to all, Bruce Maxwell

Editor's note: Receipt was acknowledged, along with an invitation to the author to write about the house mentioned and whatever else he could recall about his life as a boy, leaving the place where he grew up, and the beginnings of the State Forest from the perspective of someone whose house was lost to it. There ensued a lively exchange among Bruce Maxwell, his brother, William, and the editor of The Edge, creating the narrative about growing up in Hawley in the 1940s and '50s, which is published below in "Bygone Years in Hawley" (pages 21-29).

Events of the Past Season

Beautifying Hawley's Roads

This was another event that had to be temporarily postponed because of the coronavirus pandemic. Although individuals could have done some gathering of discarded trash along Hawley's roadsides while maintaining the necessary social distance, it seemed too dangerous for us to be handling old soda and beer cans, cigarette butts,

plastic bags, etc. that were discarded by unknown passers-by, some of whom might well have been carrying the virus. So, we have decided to put off the traditional April road clean-up until the danger of contagion is past. We can still, of course, take daily walks along the roadways of Hawley and find joy in the emergence of lovely early spring wildflowers and unfurling ferns.



Upcoming Events

Come and Sing with Alice Parker: Alice Parker has graciously offered to lead us in singing a collection of familiar (and possibly some *not* so familiar) American folk songs. This wonderful event is scheduled to take place at the Meetinghouse on Sunday, June 7th from 3:00 - 5:00 P.M. We will let members know if the event can be held as scheduled, as soon as we know.



Luncheon and Talks in the Garden: This year, the Sons and Daughters of Hawley planned to hold a luncheon on the lawn in the Poudriers' lovely garden, accompanied by talks and a Q and A session on landscaping and gardening by local experts. It is

scheduled to take place on Saturday, June 20th, from noon to 3:00 P.M. We will let members if the event can be held as scheduled as soon as we know.



Hawley Day: The annual meeting of the Sons and Daughters of Hawley brings people who have connections to the town – present and past – together to socialize and conduct the official business of the society. It is planned, as always, on the second Sunday of August (August 9, 2020). If it can be held, the event will start at 10:00 A.M. with coffee, pastries, and conversation outside the Meetinghouse, then move inside at 11:00 for the formal meeting of the society, followed by lunch out on the lawn in front of the Hawley Grove. The Board of the S&DH always provides the morning coffee and pastries, lunch

salads, assorted side dishes, drinks, and desserts, and suggests that you bring anything else you'd like to eat or drink.



During and after lunch, this year, we have planned to begin recording a new round of interviews with some of our older members, who can provide us with a living history of the town, describing their experiences growing up in Hawley, recalling the people they knew and the changes they have seen over the decades. The first set of such interviews was conducted in 1987 and another was done during the bicentennial celebrations in 1992. Now, many of those who were involved in creating those earlier records are, themselves, our elders, whose memories are priceless and must be recorded and preserved.

We hope that it will be possible to hold the annual Hawley Day gathering this year, as it is always an occasion for great happiness, when people from near and far get together with friends, family,

and neighbors. We will let members know if the event can be held as scheduled as soon as we know.

No-Bake Bake Sale: Throughout September, members of the S&DH will be making donations by email and post, to support the activities of the society.

There is a long-standing tradition for members to share old family recipes and poems in conjunction with their donations. In keeping with this tradition, we publish here a bit of "haiku-like poetry" that was enclosed with a No-Bake Bake Sale check last year.

Mother used to bake
Lots of pies and lots of cakes
Good old days! Long gone!
(But ...) we do love Hawley
Reminds us where we come from
How blessed we have been.

-- Bill and Joy Thwing

In our last issue, we published a recipe for pimento cheese, contributed by Jody Stewart, of Tregelly's Fiber Farm. After it came out, Jody pointed out an error we'd made in our printing of the recipe, and so, with apologies, we offer it again, this time -- we hope -- without any errors ...

Pimento Cheese (1/2 recipe)

4 oz. each of sharp yellow and white cheddar, grated ½ of a 2-oz. jar of pimentos, chopped

1 Tbsp of the pimento juice

2 dashes of Lea & Perrins Worcestershire Sauce

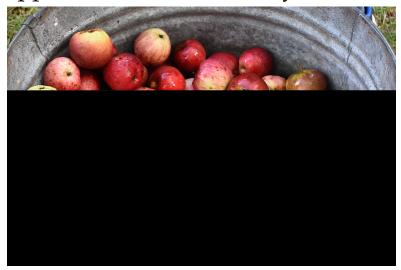
3 Tbsps of Duke's mayonnaise

Salt and pepper to taste

Harvest Dinner: The Harvest Dinner is scheduled for Sunday, September 13th, at Stump Sprouts, on West Hill Road, at 5:00 P.M. In addition to the always remarkable meal, composed of locally grown food and prepared expertly by Suzanne and Lloyd Crawford, we will have an after-dinner presentation by Joan Deely, an expert on the relationship between invasive and native plants. We will let members know if the event can be held as planned as soon as we know.



Apple Fest: This annual potluck dinner celebrates the apple harvest, and is always scheduled to coincide



with the conclusion of Cider Days, our region-wide festival of apples and cider (this year, the date is November 1st).

If we can hold it, the event will take place between 4:00 and 7:00 P.M., at the home of Ray and Melanie Poudrier. They will provide the main dish and everyone will bring an apple-themed dish: appetizer, side dish, salad, or dessert. We will let members know by if the event can be held as scheduled as soon as we know.

Illumination Party: This is the last S&DH event of the year. It is scheduled for Sunday afternoon, December 13th, from 4:00 to 5:00 P.M. We gather in the Meetinghouse, drink hot cider, munch cookies, and watch as the beautiful glass globes of the central candelabra are carefully removed, filled with gas, replaced, and lit. The globes give off a warm golden light, and we celebrate this annual ritual by singing seasonal carols. We will let members know if the event can be held as scheduled as soon as we know.

Community and Town Business

On Monday, March 30, 2020, a special town meeting was held for the purpose of getting approval for the purchase of a used fire truck from South Plattsburg, New York, to replace Hawley's aging 1981 pumper. The select board and fire chief were in favor of this purchase, and needed the citizens of the town to approve it. In light of the risks posed by the coronavirus, the meeting was held outside in the parking lot. Those attending were required to stand at least six feet away from one another.



The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by the town moderator, Lark Thwing. Pamela Shrimpton, the town clerk, read the warrant aloud. A motion to authorize the transfer of up to \$40,000 from the Fire Equipment Stabilization Fund for the purchase of a 1996 pumper and related equipment was made and seconded. The vote was 15-1 in favor, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 P.M.



Our Favorite Place in Hawley

By Sarah Ohmann

Hawks Brook Wildlife Management Area

Even though my family has been going here for years, I confess I had to look up the name of this parcel. There is no sign naming it, or any signs at all, for that matter, other than the yellow tags marking the boundaries. We still remember it as Goodnow's field, when it was home in the 60's and 70's to a herd of cows, some of which would occasionally wander into our yard, or even, on one unfortunate occasion, into our pool (the cow survived, the pool not so much).



Photo by Rich Cook

The parcel was eventually sold to the state and is now managed for wildlife habitat, and makes a nice place for a hike, snowshoe or ski across the fields with possible connections to the snowmobile trail and old abandoned but still passable roads. The land is kept as a mix of open field and forest, and the walk around the perimeter of the cleared area is easy going since it is kept mowed.

Whenever we have enough snow, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing are my favorite ways to visit the place; it's the easiest time of year to see what critters are out and about by practicing your tracking skills. Be sure to dress warmly though, it's a windy place in January!

If you are looking for a quiet place, this will definitely fit the bill, as other people rarely visit. The only exception to this is pheasant hunting season; the birds are stocked by the state fairly frequently, and it's a popular spot for hunters.

We have only seen pheasant rarely. The usual visitors include fox, turkey, deer, and bear with the very occasional moose.

Hawks Brook WMA is located on LaBelle Road, not far from Sidehill Farm, but in winter access is from Clesson Brook Road only, as East Mountain Road is closed.



Photo by Rich Cook

Bygone Years of Hawley

Bruce and William Maxwell Remember Their House on Middle Road



Bruce Maxwell recalls the house on Middle Road & his family's life there.

The house that we lived in -- Grandmother's house -- was located on Middle Road, about 2 miles from where the town hall was* and about 2 miles from a fork in the road that leads to Plainfield. It was a 2-story house with 4 bedrooms upstairs and 2 downstairs. Attached to the kitchen, on the left, was a wood shed and then a barn. Beyond that was a garage and workshop where Mom kept her car. Mom was the wage earner of the family and she traveled back

Ed.'s note: This is now Alice Parker's home.

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and forth to Sprague Electric, in North Adams, every night, working the 7 to 11 P.M. shift.

At the time, there were three large fields near us. A river ran behind the house and just beyond that was a field that I once went sliding on. There were many maple trees around the fields that Bill and I would tap and make maple syrup. There was a farmer that wanted to harvest the hay from those fields and he convinced Bill to get the Cramers, who owned them, to let him. When Bill succeeded, he was given a calf.

As it turned out, the calf was premature, but Bill nursed her to good health. He named her "Willy." Willy the heifer was named after our mother, as that was her nickname. Bill went out in the woods and got

the wood needed to make Willy her first yoke, which she wore around her neck so that we could train her to pull the tub on skids to collect sap.



William Maxwell adds to these recollections.

We got along with no electricity and no telephone until Mom and Mr. Cramer paid to have telephone poles put up from the Town Hall to our houses. We got a party line in 1949. We never had

line-supplied electricity. In 1951, Mom found and bought a 32-volt Delco Remy power system. It was worn beyond its service life, but I was able to rebuild it and set it up and put a light bulb into every room and a couple in the barn for the Holstein heifer calf, Willy.

Bruce Maxwell's memories of life in Hawley in the 1940s.

WWII was going on at that time, and we had a few uncles that served in that war. During the summer we had neighbors that had a house close by. They were a great family that had escaped from the Nazis in Germany. Both the mom and dad were professors of American history at Amherst College. We still keep in touch.

Mom came home one night from work with a little ball of fur in her pocket. That turned out to be a puppy that we named "Duke," because Gram said that she was black and so was Duke Ellington. Duke was a smart dog. She would scratch on the window when she wished to go out or come in. If she wished to go in the kitchen, she would jump on the door to open it and when we told her to close it, she would jump on it to close it. Duke was a wonderful dog indeed. She would help us round up the cows before milking and helped me keep the pig out of the chicken feed. In the summer mornings she would go down to the garden and pull up a carrot. On her way

back to the house, she would drag it through the wet grass to clean it. Then she would eat it like a bone.



I raised chickens from chicks. When they got to pullet size, I put them out in the chicken house beyond the barn. I sold eggs and butchered a few, once in a while.

One time our mother discovered a John Deere 4-wheel tractor for sale in Pownal, Vt. I do not remember how she got it home to Hawley, but sure enough, there it was. Brother Bill took the motor out and cleaned it up, installed new parts, and it ran like new. Willy got a little break, thanks to that tractor, and so she didn't have to help as much.

Every year Mom would call up Mr. Phillips from East Hawley and he would show up with his John Deere tractor to plow our garden. I would follow him down every furrow with my tin can, picking up

worms and once in a while a night crawler. I did a lot of fishing. After getting my license and car, I went to other places to fish such as Plainfield Pond and the beaver pond above the house by the fork in the road.

Bruce Maxwell writes about school.

My brother Bill and I went to school in a one-room school house that was across the road from a farm and next to the Harrisons. Mrs. Harrison was my sitter until Bill got out of school so that we both could return home with Mrs. Atkins. She was hired by the town to transport us to school and home. Our school was the Pudding Hollow School, which has since been converted into the town office building. The size has been doubled, with an addition on the back. It has been modernized with propane heat, running water and a bathroom where the wood shed section had been in the front corner.

When I was 12 and in the 5th grade the town of Hawley hired me to be the janitor of Pudding Hollow School. The responsibilities of the job included sweeping all of the floors, cleaning all the blackboards, clapping the blackboard erasers, cleaning both outhouses in the rear, lighting the fire in the stove in the morning and keeping it going all day, and piling wood in the woodshed when it needed to be resupplied. The layout of the school was basically a large room, but the front portion, just inside the front door, was an area to hang coats and it served as the woodshed. I was paid a reasonable

amount for the time, about \$48.00. In today's money, that's a lot. I did this for 3 years, till graduation. Later, I found out that my brother Bill had done the same job before his graduation. We both attended Charlemont High School before going off to college. Bill made it out of school three years before I did, as he was a year and 10 months my senior. He became an engineer after graduating from Northeastern in Boston, and I finally graduated from Fitchburg State and became a teacher.

William Maxwell adds some memories of Pudding Hollow School.

In first grade, and when I graduated, I had no classmates. In Pudding Hollow School, the class year you were in was not a big deal. The teacher would often group students together for instruction without a lot of concern about their class year. Better students often sat with students in other class years to help out.

William Maxwell writes an account of their family in a letter to his brother Bruce.

Grandmother's maiden name was Ellen Temple. She married Erwin Clarence Gould (who went by the name of Clarence) on March 11, 1912, and they had eleven children, eight of whom survived to adulthood. Our mother, Arvilla May Gould, was the third oldest. They lived by the Deerfield River in East Charlemont. Her father was a steam engineer for the

railroad, and she told of how he would wave with a lantern from the train as it went by the house across the river. The river annually threatened the integrity of the road so the state required them to sell the house so that the road could be relocated higher and further away from the river bank. That was when they moved to the Warriner Place in Hawley (Site No. 20 in the 1989 Guide to Historical Sites in the Hawley State Forest). In November, 1930, the family moved to the house we remember, Grandfather Clarence Gould's house on Middle Road (Site No. 28 in the 1989 Guide). We remember the Warriner house as a derelict place being destroyed by porcupines, time, and weather.

You and I were 2 and 4 respectively, in 1942, when our father, Edwin Maxwell, left the family. He was a heavy equipment operator, probably learned his basic skills while at the Hawley CCC camp, not far from our house. His work took him to construction sites and, as each job finished, he would have to move on to the next. During the war, he worked at the Bath Iron Works, where they made "victory ships" and I remember seeing one launched (sideways) into the river. Later, he worked operating a crane to build the Saint Lawrence Seaway. The last I knew of him, after our first son was born in 1966, he was working somewhere around Fitchburg as a guard or "rent-acop." Before her death, Aunt Doris (his half-sister) told me that he had left us for another woman. He

fathered another son, Donald, who has since passed away.

Mom's brothers [Alfred, Earl, Mark, Richard, Erwin, Claud, and Elbert] left Hawley to marry or join

the military, and after 1947 there was only Grandma, Mom, you (9) and me (11) living in the house on Middle Road. Mom left in 1955, and built a house in Townsend to live



with her second husband Veijo Agustus Kokko (whom we knew as "Gus"), near where he had a job in Fitchburg. That left the three of us; by that time, I had a car, so we could get around, and I could take Grandma to see the doctor when she needed.

In the fall of 1956, I left to go to Northeastern University in Boston, and after Thanksgiving of that year Grandma moved to Townsend to live with Mom and Kokko. He was back from Helsinki five years after being deported for overstaying his seaman's visa when they returned from a honeymoon in Canada. I think you moved in with Uncle Elbert and Aunt Marie in West Hawley to finish school in Charlemont.

When I left, keeping the homestead would have been impossible with just you at 17 and Grandma.

Uncle Elbert worked in Greenfield and Aunt Marie was diabetic.

I think Elbert managed to send the cow to auction in Northampton and probably harvested the chickens. We did not raise a pig that year. I never heard what happened to the John Deere Model L nor the Delco Remy kerosene fueled 32V generator. Everything there [at the now abandoned Middle Road house] was available for thievery or vandalism. Probably some of the "old" things we had and still used would now be considered valuable antiques. We never locked the house when we left and Grandma always insisted that the house be open to everyone, in case they were in trouble and needed shelter, heat, or food. Grandma died in April the next spring, and was buried in a family plot in East Charlemont.

As you know, since then the state bought the property along with about 168 acres around the Warriner place and someone burned the house down. Someone burned the Cramer house, also. The state could have burned ours since they owned it but the Cramer family still owns their property although it is surrounded by the state forest. Their family also owns empty plots in the South Cemetery where the Dad and Mom, Fredrick and Elizabeth, are buried.



Photo by Peggy Travers

Births

Levi Walter Gerry, born on February 28, 2020 at home, 104 East Hawley Road, Hawley, to Tylor Jean Gosselin and Cody Gerry. 7 lbs.

Amelie Marie Peters, born on March 12, 2020 to Sonja Marie Peters and Casey Michael Peters, of 124 East Hawley Road, Hawley.

Obituaries



Frances Mary Anderson Avery, of Charlemont, MA, died February 27, 2020 at the age of 99. She was born in Southwick, MA, April 18, 1920, the daughter of Carl A. and Cederia Anderson. She attended the Mooretown one room school house, Southwick

Consolidated School, and graduated from Westfield High School in 1936. She earned a certificate from the Fashion Academy in New York City, then returned to her parent's home from which she was employed by Forbes and Wallace of Springfield and where she met her husband.

She married Henry L. Avery Jr. on April 16, 1941. They had 53 wonderful years together until his death on February 2, 1995. They lived in Charlemont for all but their first two years of marriage.

She enjoyed knitting, sewing, quilting, gardening, playing the piano, golfing, snowmobiling, and square dancing. She had oil painting lessons with the late Stephen Maniatty and created and sold oil

paintings of hill town scenes. She was a member of the Deerfield Art Association and the Shelburne Falls Bridge of Flowers Art Association.

Using basic models made by her son Dennis, she finished and furnished models of the John Wright Mansion of Bellevue, Ohio (her mother-in-law Helen Wright's family home) and the A. L. Avery & Son family store of Charlemont. She also built and decorated two dollhouses and a country bandstand in about 1/16 scale.

She was a member of the National Bell Association and had an extensive collection. She made a study of the bells' origins and construction and gave programs and family sing-a-longs.

She and Henry were long time members of the Federated Church. She was active in the Ladies Aid and for eighteen years was a Sunday School teacher and superintendent. She sang in the adult choir, played the organ and directed a youth choir.

She is survived by three sons; H. Bryant and wife Sze Ching of Surrey, B.C, Canada; Randall N. and wife Martha of Waynesville, NC; Dennis C. and wife Karen Hogness of Charlemont, MA; one daughter, Margaret (Peggy) Stetzel and husband John of Guilford, VT; one sister Eleanor Hamlin of Ware, MA; four grandsons, Carl Avery, Jeffery Taylor, Luke Avery and Todd Avery; and four granddaughters, Brianna Avery Raab, Amy Taylor Legere, Laura Avery Cheek and Tessa Avery Anders; and numerous great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a brother Theodore Anderson and a sister Cederia Elizabeth Anderson.

Funeral services and a reception were held at the Federated Church in Charlemont on Thursday, March 5th, 2020.



Sadie Grace Hicks, a beautiful ninemonth old baby girl, died unexpectedly on Saturday, March 14, 2020. Sadie was born along with her twin sister Olivia Lynn on May 31, 2019, in Boaz, Alabama, the daughters of Mark Hicks and Megan Donovan, and the granddaughter of

Christine Hicks, of Hawley.

Sadie Grace loved everyone she met, and could brighten anyone's day with her sweet welcoming smile. She will forever be missed. She was our spunky little crazy girl, and loved hearing her own voice. She was taken too soon but overfilled our hearts with love since the day she was born. "Even those that don't fully blossom bring beauty to the world." Rest easy sweet beautiful baby.

Sadie's broken-hearted family includes her mother of Greenfield, her father of Colrain, her twin Olivia and sister Lilliana, her maternal grandparents Merle and Sandra Donovan of Colrain, Nancy Harriman of Greenfield, paternal grandmother Christine Hicks of Hawley, maternal great grandmother Pamela McCloud of Greenfield, maternal great grandfather Merle Donovan, Sr. of California, maternal great-great grandparents Paula and Charlie King of Plainfield, maternal great-great grandmother Geraldine Wheeler of Shelburne Falls, aunt Lauren Donovan, uncle Shawn Donovan

and many extended family members.

Richard Falwell, of 74 West Hawley Road, Hawley, born December 2, 1944, passed away on March 17, 2020.

Editor's note: If we missed a birth, marriage, passing, or transfer of property in Hawley, please let us know so that we can publish a notice in our next issue.

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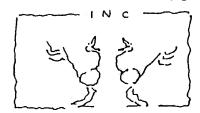
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Hawley's own LaTinque is a food writer, historian, and occasional television star. Her new cookbook, *Love, Laughter, and Rhubarb*, has just been published. Tinky is also the author of *The Pudding Hollow Cookbook* and *Pulling Taffy*.

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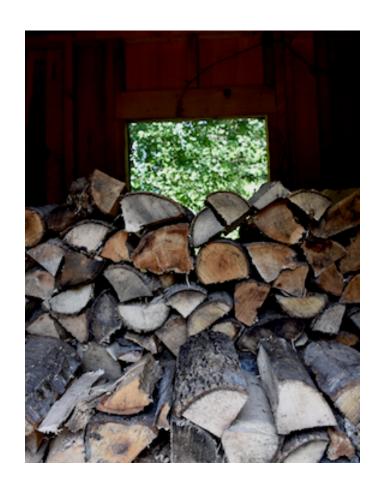
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