

Town of Charlemont November 2026 Newsletter



News From the Town Clerk

Voting for the November 3, 2026 State Election will take place at Hawlemont Regional School, 10 School Street Charlemont from 7am-8pm. Public is welcome to observe any part of the process from the setup before voting begins through the counting after voting is finished.

News From the Transfer Station

The Transfer Station has new Wednesday hours it is now open 12pm-7pm. Saturday hours are still 8am -12pm.

News from the School Committee

HRS & HAY (Hawlemont Agriculture & You) News: November 2026

- Student & Family Sign Ups: Happening now– Basketball (grades 3 - 6), Winter Track grades (K - 8), Musical Theater at Mohawk Trail Regional School (grades 5 - 6), Holiday Giving Tree (families can sign up to receive holiday gifts for children thanks to Mary Lyons Fund, M&T Bank, and Greenfield Savings Bank). ***
- 4-H Clubs: Animal Science, Craft, Pins & Needles (hand sewing), and Weaving Clubs have all begun and there are still some openings.
- Pumpkin Smash 4-H Fundraiser: November 1 from 11 - 2 at Hager's Farm Market on the Mohawk Trail.
- Hobby Horse Bazaar: Saturday December 5, 9-3 at HRS with crafters, vendors, kids' activities and more
- ***Hawlemont School Newsletter: Published online each week with details about events, classroom activities, sign-ups and more. Find it here: [HRS-SMORE](#) or <https://app.smores.com/n/2y3rc>

News From the Board of Health

Medicare insurance is not always easy to understand. There is a program to help: SHINE, or Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone. Counselors are either volunteers or provide the service as part of their job. For Charlemont residents, SHINE counseling is available through LifePath (413 773-5555, ask for SHINE) or with Public Health Nurse Meg Ryan (413 774-3167 x 158). All the information is available on the

Medicare.gov website, but it is often helpful to have a SHINE counselor to help you navigate it, especially during your initial enrollment or the annual Open Enrollment Period. Open Enrollment is when you can make a change to your coverage, and runs from October 15 to December 7 every year. Insurance plans can make annual changes to your coverage (they are required to notify you, so look for the mail!), so it makes sense to check and make sure your medications are still covered, and your doctor will still be part of the provider network in an HMO or PPO plan. Look on Medicare.gov under Health and Drug Plans – find an compare plans, or make an appointment with a SHINE counselor.

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5:30 – 7:00 PM



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Come learn about this new effort to:

- Strengthen social connections between neighbors,
- Build skills that make our community stronger,
- Support resource sharing, and
- Better prepare for emergencies

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WELCOME!



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2026



6:00 - 8:00 PM



HAWLEMONT REGIONAL SCHOOL

Dinner and babysitting provided

QUESTIONS?

Contact Sarah at administrator@townofcharlemont.org
or 413-339-4335 ext. 8





CFCE AT HAWLEMONT

Ready, Set, PLAY!

A FREE ACTIVE PLAYGROUP
For children 0-5 with a caregiver

First and Third Saturdays

9:30-11:00 AM

**Hawlemont
Elementary School**

10 School Street, Charlemont



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