



# THE ONSET VINE

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## THE ONSET CONGREGATION NEWSLETTER HAS GONE VIRAL AND NOW HAS INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION!!!

It is unbelievable! The October newsletter was such a hit that countless (ok 6) members say they can hardly wait until the November issue. Comments received include:

- Randy Pratt “I laughed, I cried, and I laughed some more.
- Rachael Wow! This email absolutely made my entire day. I just read the entire newsletter out to Keith and we laughed many, many, many times. Love all the photos!
- Bob Keiser “The newsletter is too good to miss. I can hardly wait for the next one.”
- Nick “Enjoyed the vine, its creativity, color and verve. (Hope Verve is a good thing 😊 )
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### NEW ROADS LOOKING GREAT!

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Commonwealth Ave. and Riplah Road are almost done and many thanks go to the members who volunteered hundreds of hours to make sure the roads were affordable and built to be around for our grandchildren’s grandchildren to travel.



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## 4 CORNER'S CORNER

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The most exciting event this month was Baby the Cat sitting and staring at the window with a perplexed look, wondering where all his friends were. Sooo, the question came up how do we write a segment for the empty 4 corners? This was a matter of much concern, but Elaine came up with a brilliant answer, "Fake News". Some of what we will tell you is true though.... One of the many great honors of being a regular at 4 Corners is that Bruce sets up your very own, uniquely toned, cowbell. When the party gets rolling at the corner, Bruce starts smacking each regular's cowbell, so they don't miss a snack delivery or good story. Ray once responded to his bell by sprinting down in his pajamas. He set the all-time response record of 32 seconds. Several spouses have asked Bruce if they could borrow the bells but at this point of time, cowbell usage and ownership is restricted to Bruce. Rumor has it, bribes have been offered but either Bruce is too honest to accept them or, more likely, the bribe amounts have thus far been insufficient. 😊

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## NOVEMBER MEETING CALENDAR

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**Exercise Class:** Mon-Tue-Thur, 10:00 at Winter Chapel

**Bible Study:** 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Wed, 2:00 at Winter Chapel

**Spiritual Fellowship:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed, 6:00 pm at Winter Chapel

**Game Night:** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday, 6:00 pm at Winter Chapel

**Women's Meeting and Crafts:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 1:00 pm at Winter Chapel

**Bag Lunch Preparation:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday, 10:00 at Winter Chapel

**Bag Lunch Delivery:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday

**\*\*\* Sunday Service on Nov. 17 – Church service is hosted at the Warwick branch celebrating their 50th anniversary. (No Sunday service will be held at Onset) . If you would like to attend but need transportation, please speak to Bill Brousseau.**

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## THE GREAT GRAPE RACE – (PROTEST INITIATED)

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It was a photo finish race, but we regret to report that an official protest was submitted by the rules committee alleging that Fake Grapes were “*planted*” on Mr. Fisher’s vine. Said grapes were sent to the lab for analysis and were indeed determined to be high quality counterfeits. Law enforcement officers, assigned to the case, have determined that Mr. Fisher was not involved in the fake grape placement and believe he was the victim of an extensive effort to falsely implicate him in the scandal. An investigation is underway to determine the perpetrators and a reward is being offered for information leading to the

capture. As a result of the investigative findings, the judges have disqualified the counterfeit grapes and issued a determination that Mr. Moulton has won the Great Grape Race event by default. Dates and times are being set for the upcoming celebrative parade as soon as it can be determined if the Duck boats will float in muddy pond cove. (Subsequent development: Last night a bottle of grape juice has appeared on the vine.)

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## APPLE PIE, APPLE PIE, APPLE PIE

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The recent apple pie bake and sale event generated a record amount for our outreach bag lunch program.

Who would have thought you could have so much fun making pies. Bill Brousseau won the worst joke award when Steve took a bite of apple and said, “it is delicious”. Bill immediately responded, no it’s not, it’s a Granny Smith. Bill also was the runner up for the worst joke award. He started reading the apple pie recipe and then tried

convincing the cooks that they missed an ingredient and we would have to open up the pies and put it in. When asked what ingredient was forgotten Bill said, “Pine-cones, we can then call them pineapple pies and sell them for an extra dollar each. Steve won the award for most apples peeled and set a new Onset speed record, albeit with a semi automated apple peeler. Next year we anticipate beating his record when Dale sets up the shop lathe to skin the apples.



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## COSTUME PARTY: A TOTAL DISASTER (ARGHHH!!)

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Just kidding..... The costume party was such a success that many of the Snow Birds are requesting to return for the Winter so they too can partake in the great fun held year round in Onset. Before return decisions are finalized, full disclosure is required. There was one unfortunate incident at the party. A bean bag, being thrown to the corn-hole target, went to the other side of the room, striking Mr. Fisher a blow that would have knocked out a lesser man. Scott quickly recovered from his injury and assessed a 2 point penalty to the offending thrower. Said offending thrower is reported to have said under his breath, "it was well worth it".



**Barney Fife vs. Jack Sparrow**



**Jackie, Evie & Judy**



**Ginny & Charlotte**

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## THE CRAFTS GROUP PROJECTS

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The Onset crafts group meets on the second Tuesday of every month and they create a wide variety of crafts. The glass etching has been a big hit and makes for some great gifts. The group will be etching a variety of glass items at the November meeting.

**SCARECROW  
CHARLIE IS HER/  
HIS NAME**



Entered  
in Onset  
Village  
Contest



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### ENTRY FOR BEST ONSET SCARECROW CONTEST

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The Crafts Group created Charlie the Scarecrow and placed him on the pole in front of Ace Hardware. Judges will award the best Scarecrow entry next week.

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## RAY'S WILDLIFE REPORT AND CHIPMONK SERVICES

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R.I.P. Chewy

Knowledgeable sources in close proximity to the salt marsh, who wish to remain anonymous (Danny), report that Ray continues running around the marsh demanding the flock of formation flying duck-pigeons identify themselves. As of this point they have yet to be identified by either Ray or our ornithology experts and unfortunately they have become so annoyed that they have flown south. Identification efforts will continue in the Spring. Ray wished to express his sincere gratitude for the many sympathy and remembrance cards he received for the loss of his chipmunk friend "chewy". Ray was touched that so many of us supported him through this difficult period and assured him that Chewy's ultimate demise was not due to Rays tears (even though it was). Ray says it is helpful knowing that Chewy had a rich and rewarding life and brought smiles to so many faces. The funerals service was beautiful and Ray delivered a eulogy which will be remembered by all in attendance (Ray was the only one in attendance). All those remaining in Onset are greatly relieved that the sobbing has finally stopped.

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## SCOTT'S LINE FOR THE VINE

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Pilgrims discovered turkeys galore,  
Added cranberry sauce, stuffing and more;  
Turkeys discovered aggressive Settlers,  
Who were, also, unfortunately, active Kettlers.

Now, as we sit and watch a turkey strut by,  
We are in awe of the purple/brown feathers that fly,  
Awkward on the ground, superb in flights,  
A heavenly creation; very impressive sights.

Let us be thankful for all from above,  
The Turkey, the Chicken, and the Snow-white Dove;  
All make the world beautiful for us,  
November, the month for gratitude plus.

"Those who give thanks for their blessings are twice blessed"

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## UPDATE FROM OUR FAMOUS INTERNATIONAL REPORTERS; RACHAEL AND KEITH

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Lisbon is lovely and sunny and is much like San Francisco; a continuous hill, up and down. The temperature has stayed in the mid 70's since our arrival and reached the mid 80's this past weekend. From the top our Airbnb (88 stairs up) we have a beautiful view of the water and a castle. I better have killer legs by the end of this month! (Hahah) The entire city is covered in beautiful tiles that are all unique and different.

I fly back to KC (*perhaps Kentucky Fried Chicken??*) for one of my best friends' weddings in late October. Keith heads back to Ireland to visit family. We will be apart for 14 days and it's the longest we will have been apart since our engagement, almost 7 years ago. As stupid as that may sound, we live in one another's pockets traveling full time, so it'll be strange not to see his face or hear the tea kettle boiling. You know how much the Irish love their tea. :) We then meet back in Porto, Portugal on October 29th for the next month. That is north of Lisbon. People say it's a beautiful and fantastic place to explore. Looking forward to it! The Portuguese people are SO friendly and kind. Haven't met a grumpy one yet. :) Anyway, I'll stop gabbing. Work is busy but good. No complaints- just miss Onset and everyone as usual. Biggest hugs sent your direction! Rachael

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## **BRANCHES OF THE VINE**

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Tiverton- On October 13, over 30 children and adults enjoyed a Halloween-themed hayride at Patchet Brook Farm in Tiverton. At the end of the ride everyone took home a pumpkin. The weather and fellowship were fantastic!

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## **SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER**

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Vendor quotes continue to be evaluated and selections will occur soon. An architect has been selected and drawings will be finalized.

***PROVERBS 22:9 THE GENEROUS WILL THEMSELVES BE BLESSED, FOR THEY SHARE THEIR FOOD WITH THE POOR.***