

Kathryn A. Toomey **Register of Deeds**

C o I thought I would like to \mathbf{J} end the summer writing about ice cream. No sooner did I come up with this topic when my smart phone (I swear it listens to my thoughts) displayed that the Healey-Driscoll Administration launched the new Massachusetts Ice Cream Trail. They are boosting local dairy farm tourism and celebrating the hard-working farmers and cows of our state's dairy industry. I believe their goal is noble. My reason is more personal.

On April 18, 1990, one day after my 16th Birthday, my mom drove me to several shops to "get a job". I went to two (2) ice cream businesses that day, Meola's Dairy and Pinecroft Dairy, both in West Boylston. A couple of days later our home phone rang, it was Dorothy "Ralph" L'Ecuyer (f/k/a/ Meola), looking to have me come back for an interview.

I met with Ralph the next day. When I arrived she looked me up and down and said,

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www.visitma.com/ice-cream-trail

"you are not who I called". I answered that we had spoken on the phone, She replied, "oh well let's give you a try". I worked at Meola's Dairy in West Boylston for 8 summers. In total I worked my final 2 years of high school, Wachusett Regional, my 4.5 years of college, UMass Amherst and into my first year of law school, Suffolk University. Working those summers gave me confidence and a strong right wrist. Now in my 5th decade. Today I worry

about localized arthritis but I would not give those summers back for anything.

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Rota Spring Farm 117 Chace Hill Road,

Sterling, MA

Rota Spring Farm's homemade ice cream is crafted with the freshest cream and ingredients to give their ice cream the perfect taste. With exotic flavors coming out every season, plus all your traditional flavors, you're bound to leave satisfied.

Kimball Farms

1543 Lunenburg Road (Rt. 70), Lancaster, MA 01523

With at least fifty ice cream flavors from Chocolate Raspberry to Salty Caramel Pretzel, Kimball Farms has a unique flavor for everyone. The sizes run big so carefully consider getting a small. And, of course, you can't forget to check out the incredible Grill Shack and their famous Country Store!

Meola's Wayside Ice Cream

165 West Boylston St. (Rt.12), West Boylston, MA 01583

Family run for 100 years, Meola's Wayside Ice Cream is now run by third generation Meolas dedicated to high-quality ice cream. Since their start, they have expanded to hold 65 flavors including Bear Claw, Blue Crunch-A-Saurus, and Totally Turtle, plus the more comprehensible German Chocolate Cake, Strawberry Cheesecake, and Maple Walnut Pistachio.

Uhlman's Ice Cream

232 East Main Street, Westborough, MA

Have you ever felt like you got cheated on the amount of ice cream in your cone? I can guarantee that won't be the case at Uhlman's. With all the classics and more, not to mention allergy friendly, sugar-free, and frozen yogurt, you'll never be left wanting.

Spotlight

Ice Cream Trail

Swirls & Scoops

68 Worcester St, Grafton, MA

Classic New England window ice cream shop, Swirls & Scoops is a largely favored and popular Ice Cream shop in central Mass. With a great selection of flavors and large portions, they are bound to satisfy your sweet tooth.

West End Creamery

481 Purgatory Road, Whitinsville, MA 01588

Indulge in in the silky smoothness of West End Creamery ice cream, take a stab at mini golf, or lose yourself in a six-acre corn maze. What could make for a better day? 65 flavors with seasonal changes year round such as fall's Witches Brew and Pumpkin, West End Creamery keeps your family experience fresh and exciting.

Christopher's Homemade Ice Cream

Millbury

Above average portions and high-quality homemade production, you can't go wrong no matter what flavor you choose. The ice cream is natural with no artificial colorings and they certainly don't skimp on the chips in the ice cream. If you can't get enough, don't bother getting a cone, take home a quart!

Howard's Drive-In

121 E Main St. West Brookfield, MA 01585

I'm sorry, did you order a small? Are three scoops almost falling off the cone enough? With rich and flavorful ice cream in huge portions, you'll be set for the day. And make sure to check out their lunch and dinner foods as they're served hot, fresh, and delicious in... you guessed it, huge portions.

Desserts Word Search

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Pinecroft Dairy and Restaurant

539 Prospect Street, West Boylston, MA 01583

With award-winning service and the "Best Ice Cream Since 1951", Pinecroft Dairy's pristine atmosphere will draw you in year-round. Visit the high-quality restaurant during any season and indulge in the creamy goodness of their summer ice cream stand. Don't miss their astounding summer-long concert series!

Madulka's Ice Cream

193 Lake Ave Worcester MA 01604

Located beside the glassy surface of Lake Quinsigamond, Madulka's ice cream is as scenic as it is delicious. Boat into the dock parking or stop in by car to enjoy so Heavenly Hash or Kahlua Fudge Brownie ice cream. With a flavor for everyone and a view to die for, you just can't say no!

The Haywagon Restaurant

5 Depot Street, Hopedale, MA

The Haywagon Restaurant is known for having the best ice cream in town. From a banana split to the classic ice cream cone it's the perfect place to stop around town. Not to mention their delicious make your own sandwich option to ensure you get what you want.

Gibson's Dairy

50 Sunderland Rd. Worcester, MA 01604

No one makes ice cream better than family. For 75 years, Gibson family recipes have been bringing back customers begging for more. With a seemingly infinite number of toppings from fresh strawberries to gooey homemade brownie bites, you can mix and match until your ice cream is torture. Also, there are over 20 flavors of non-fat yogurt.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, September 11, 2024 2:00pm Upton Senior Center 9 Milford Street, Upton, MA 01568

Wednesday, September 18, 2024 12:30pm North Brookfield Senior Center 29 Forest Street, North Brookfield, MA 01535

Thursday, September 19, 2024 11am - 12pm Worcester Public Library 3 Salem Street, Worcester, MA 01608

Wednesday, September 25, 2024 10:00am - 1:00pm Paxton Senior Center 19 West Street, Paxton, MA 01612

Wednesday, September 25, 2024 2:00pm Shrewsbury Senior Center 98 Maple Ave., Shrewsbury, MA 01545

Thursday, September 26, 2024 9:30am Sterling Senior Center 36 Muddy Pond Road, Sterling, MA 01564 **Tuesday, October 8, 2024 10:00am** Bolton Senior Center 600 Main Street, Bolton, MA 01740

Thursday, October 10, 2024 12:30pm West Brookfield Senior Center 73 Central Street, West Brookfield, MA 01585

Tuesday, October 15, 2024 12:30pm Oxford Senior Center 323 Main Street, Oxford, MA 01540

Wednesday, October 16, 2024 1:30pm Northborough Senior Center

119 Bearfoot Road, Northborough, MA 01532

Wednesday, October 23, 2024 11:00am Lancaster Senior Center 39 Harvard Road, Lancaster, MA 01523

To schedule an event with Register Toomey call Peg Freeman at (508) 368-7005 or email margaret.freeman@sec.state.ma.us