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*Dear Members, Colleagues, Friends and Family of MAPHN,*

*Happy fall and greetings from Denver, CO where the annual APHA conference is in full swing! Leaders in public health practice and academia are gathered en masse (12,000+) to learn, question, explore, and share stories of our challenges and successes in working to create the healthiest nation through ensuring health equity and health for all as a fundamental human right. The Public Health Nursing Section is very well represented and it's truly inspiring to engage with PHN'ing leaders & advocates at the national level. Please visit [www.apha.org](http://www.apha.org) for links to resources, webinars, and live streaming of some events.*

*Thank you to everyone who renewed their membership in MAPHN for 2016-2017 and a very warm welcome to our new members; I look forward to meeting you! Be sure to save the date for our annual conference on **May 3rd & 4th at the Nantasket Beach Resort in Hull**. Also, our next Board of Directors meeting will be held in Milton on December 5th. Members are welcome so please let me know if you'd like to attend. Reports from our last BOD meeting are posted under the [Members Only tab](#) on our website @ [www.maphn.org](http://www.maphn.org).*

*Best wishes to everyone for a safe, happy and healthy Holiday season!*

**Amanda**



**May 3 and 4, 2017**

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Southeast: Third Thursday of every month [mbeechinor@townhall.westwood.ma.us](mailto:mbeechinor@townhall.westwood.ma.us)

Northeast: Second Friday of every month [kwhittaker@winchester.us](mailto:kwhittaker@winchester.us)

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## A Rude Awakening

By Merrily Evdokimoff, PhD RN

Metrowest/Central Chapter, Consultant/Owner at M & J Associates



I was in a deep sleep on Mon 8/22 around 3 AM when I was startled awake by what sounded like an air raid siren—I then realized it was my cell phone with an alert. My first response was to ignore it--not that that is possible! But the last time this happened it was an Amber Alert from New Bedford. Highly unlikely I could be helpful on that, living in the Metro West area! It went off again so I fumbled for my glasses and read the message: “Tornado alert for Marlboro”. My first thought was “alert”--is that more serious than a warning? I was half asleep and trying to figure out how serious it was when it went off again. This time the message was “Tornado Alert for Middlesex County”. Now it seemed to be getting more widespread and I started to think a little more clearly--now being totally awake. As I lay in bed I thought about what am I supposed to do in case of a tornado? I am a public health nurse and educator. I have information daily on my computer regarding actions in hurricanes, tornados and other emergencies, and yet half asleep, little was coming to mind. Then I recalled the recommendation to go to the basement. Fine, I thought, my only basement entrance is outside through a bulkhead. I don’t think going outside would be a recommendation. Growing up in Michigan we often had tornado drills in my elementary school. We hid under our desks! Don’t ask me why--seems useless now but it was the protocol then. Deciding this did not seem like useful advice, I then thought about the bathtub. I remembered hearing that as a recommendation and it is hard on 3 sides. What could I put over me to protect from falling debris? Still no solid ideas coming. I began to listen to the weather outside and looked out the window. Pitch dark and raining like crazy. Hadn’t this been what I was wishing for all month—lots of rain to refill our aquifers and water my garden! Stay tuned.....

Why am I sharing this with you, as public health nurses?

1. I see preparedness literature nearly daily and teach about it, yet when the time came to need it, not only could I not recall specific advice regarding tornados, but I had not devised a personal action plan for myself.
2. I had much of the needed emergency equipment (flashlight, power source for cell phone, battery powered radio, first aid kit) but it was scattered all over my house (and basement).
3. My lack of preparedness as a public health professional must be at least a level or 2 above the general public—where are they in being prepared?
4. This led me to realize what a challenge we have as public health nurses have to prompt people to take action.

I then decided to take steps to change my approach:

1. When I hand out a brochure, ask questions to prompt a discussion about what they personally are doing?
2. Share personal and news stories that can bring the issues closer to home and help motivate people to take action.
3. Continue as we have through health departments, MRC’s and at state level, to push preparedness education and personally take as much training as possible.

To conclude:

The tornado alert was real and it did touchdown in Concord MA, damaging 32 homes but fortunately no one was injured in the homes. Several workers (tree, police and fire) were slightly injured during cleanup. There was also damage but no touchdown in Marlboro, so I knew the tornado had gone over my house prior to touchdown. Whew, I felt very fortunate to have it miss my neighborhood---and provide a wakeup call to me personally.

How about you—*do you have a personal emergency plan?*

*Carolyn Griffin receiving the Campaniello Award from WSU Professor Robyn Leo.*



Congratulations to **Carolyn Griffin**, the first winner of Worcester State University's Dr. Jean A. and Michael F. Campaniello Award! The award was presented at WSU's Academic Achievement Award Ceremony held on Thursday, April 28, 2016, at Mechanics Hall, Worcester.

Carolyn completed her MSN in the Community Public Health Program/ Nursing Clinical Specialty Track in May. She has demonstrated outstanding leadership in the community by creating and managing the UMass Memorial Medical Multiple Sclerosis Center support group where she leads monthly meetings, writes a newsletter, and organizes speakers to address the group. Carolyn also volunteers for the Auburn Board of Health, at the Convoy of Hope/Day of Hope and at the local veterans' shelter for meal service and managing donations. Her future plans include applying for appointment to the Auburn Board of Health and continuing with her community service. Carolyn is a member of the Metrowest/Central Chapter.

**Stephanie Chalupka** received the Katharine F. Erskine Award at the YWCA's Tribute to Women luncheon on May 3, 2016. Stephanie is an associate dean and professor of nursing at Worcester State University. She also holds an appointment as a visiting scientist in environmental and occupational medicine at the Harvard's T.H. Chan School of Public Health. Her federally funded research addresses environmental health issues arising in regions with concentrated immigrant and refugee populations and older substandard housing. She has worked for almost three decades to reduce and prevent harmful exposures and health risks to children and underserved; disproportionately impacted low-income, minority and tribal communities; and to support community efforts to build healthy, sustainable green neighborhoods. Stephanie is a member of the Metrowest/Central Chapter.



Partnering with Bay State Savings Bank, Worcester State University Nursing Department offered Free Public Health Screenings, AED demonstrations, chronic illness education and information in their branches in Holden and Worcester in April. Pictured on the left is MAPHN student member **Amelia DiDomenico-Houghton**. Amelia is a member of the Northeast Chapter.



2016 LPHI Fellow **Ruth Mori** is presented her award by Associate Dean Harold Cox of Boston University School of Public Health and Leila Mercer, 2015 LPHI Fellow and Natick PHN.

**Ruth Mori** was honored as 2016 Fellow of the Local Public Health Institute (LPHI) of MA at our MAPHN Annual Meeting in April. Ruth, as you know, is our MAPHN Treasurer as well as co-chair of the Outreach, Visibility & Membership Committee and member of the

Metrowest/Central Chapter. She is a student in the Worcester State University MSN Community/Public Health Program.

Fellows of the LPHI of MA are selected for their demonstrated mastery of public health practice concepts, commitment to professional development, and willingness to act as stewards for public health practice in MA. They have shown immense commitment and dedication to their own professional development as well as to the public health mission. All Fellows must have worked for at least five years for a state or local public health agency in MA as staff or governing body member.



**Sandy Collins** was awarded a Certificate of Merit by the National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) for meritorious contributions to environmental health in 2015-2016, at their conference this summer in San Antonio.

Sandy remarked, "I was happy to see that they (NEHA) recognized a nurse for contributions in environmental health--making strides!!"

Congratulations (again!) to Sandy Collins, who was awarded the John D Crowley Award at the October MHOA conference for her "Outstanding Contributions in Public Health"!



Sandy Collins is a Northeast Chapter member and founding organizer of public health nurses in Massachusetts and the first MAPHN President!

The 2016 Adult Immunization Champion Awards were awarded to 2 of our MAPHN members! **Kitty Mahoney**, Framingham Chief PHN and **Leila Mercer**, Natick PHN, received the awards "For innovative work on promoting adult vaccines in her community and increasing adult immunization rates in hard to reach populations." The awards were presented at the MAIC Adult Immunization Conference in April. (Kitty and Leila are

pictured with their respective Health Department Directors, Mike Blanchard and Jim White)

Kitty is our MAPHN Webmaster, member of the Metrowest/Central Chapter, and chairs the Service and By-Laws Committees; Leila is our MAPHN Secretary, president of the Metrowest/Central Chapter, and co-chairs the Outreach, Visibility & Membership Committee.



## ***"PHNs are making substantial contributions to implementation of the ACA"***

*By Joyce Edmonds, PhD MPH RN*

*Northeast Chapter  
Assistant Professor, Boston College*



In 2014, many MAPHN members participated in a national survey about their perceptions and practices under the Affordable Care Act (ACA). In fact, Massachusetts was one of the top ten participating states in our national survey. The results of the survey study are now available for early view in an open-access (free) publication in the journal **Public Health Nursing**. Thank you for your participation! Your feedback is welcome at [joyce.edmonds@bc.edu](mailto:joyce.edmonds@bc.edu).

You can read the full text article here:

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/phn.12286/abstract>

The citation for the article: *Edmonds, J. K., Campbell, L. A. and Gilder, R. E. (2016), Public Health Nursing Practice in the Affordable Care Act Era: A National Survey. Public Health Nursing. doi: 10.1111/phn.12286*

**Deirdre Arvidson**, Cape & Islands Chapter President, is featured in this July 6, 2016 **Cape Cod Chronicle** article.

## Chatham and Harwich to Receive New Sunscreen Dispensers

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*Sunscreen dispensers like this one will soon be installed in Chatham, Harwich, Orleans and Brewster. MFNE PHOTO*

First, the bad news. Melanoma, the deadliest form of skin cancer, is being diagnosed at a rate faster than any other cancer, and one person dies from the disease every 50 minutes. Of all the counties in Massachusetts, Barnstable County has the second highest number of melanoma diagnoses.

The good news is that, with daily sunscreen protection, melanoma is largely preventable. And thanks to a grant through the Melanoma Foundation of New England, free sunscreen dispensers will soon be installed at some of the area's most popular beaches.

“Skin cancers are definitely on the rise, and out here on the Cape, people come out, it's a vacation, and they don't realize the intensity of the sun they're exposed to,” Barnstable County Public Health Nurse Deirdre Arvidson said. Arvidson applied for a grant from the Melanoma Foundation and won 16 of the dispensers for Cape towns.

Two dispensers are going to Harwich, and Health Director Paula Champagne said they will be put up shortly at Red River Beach. Each dispenser holds around 2,700 pumps of sunscreen.

“It's kind of a cool thing,” she said. While the dispenser comes filled with sunscreen lotion, the town will continue to seek grant funding to keep it filled, Champagne said.

In Chatham, town officials are still deciding where best to place the two dispensers. One will be placed at the first lot at Harding's Beach, Parks and Recreation Director Dan Tobin said, and the second will either be installed at the second lot at Harding's or at Ridgevale Beach.

“It's good for folks who run out of sunscreen or forget it at home,” Tobin said. “Certainly sun safety is something we want to be proactive about.”

Additional dispensers will be installed at beaches in Orleans and Brewster.

It's not enough to merely put on sunscreen before a day at the beach, Arvidson said.

“People often forget that sunscreen has to be reapplied every two hours in order to stay effective, because the rays degrade the sunscreen,” she said. On the beach, those rays aren't just coming from above, but also in reflected form from the surface of the water and even from the sand.

Funds for the dispensers come through the Melanoma Foundation, which received a \$25,000 gift from the Arbella Insurance Foundation for this purpose through its “Practice Safe Skin” program.

“We love the idea of placing sunscreen dispensers in public areas,” Arbella President Beverly Tangvik wrote in a news release. “We're proud to help support the fight against skin cancer.”

Aside from the obvious benefit of providing people with sunscreen, the dispensers serve another important purpose, Melanoma Foundation Executive Director Deb Girard wrote.

“These dispensers act as a reminder to use sunscreen. One day, we hope they will be as commonplace as hand sanitizer,” she wrote.

The sunscreen in the dispensers is an all-natural blend of zinc and titanium, providing protection at SPF-30. The product is designed to be safe for use on adults and youngsters as young as six months of age.



## *SOCK HOP for Stand Down!*

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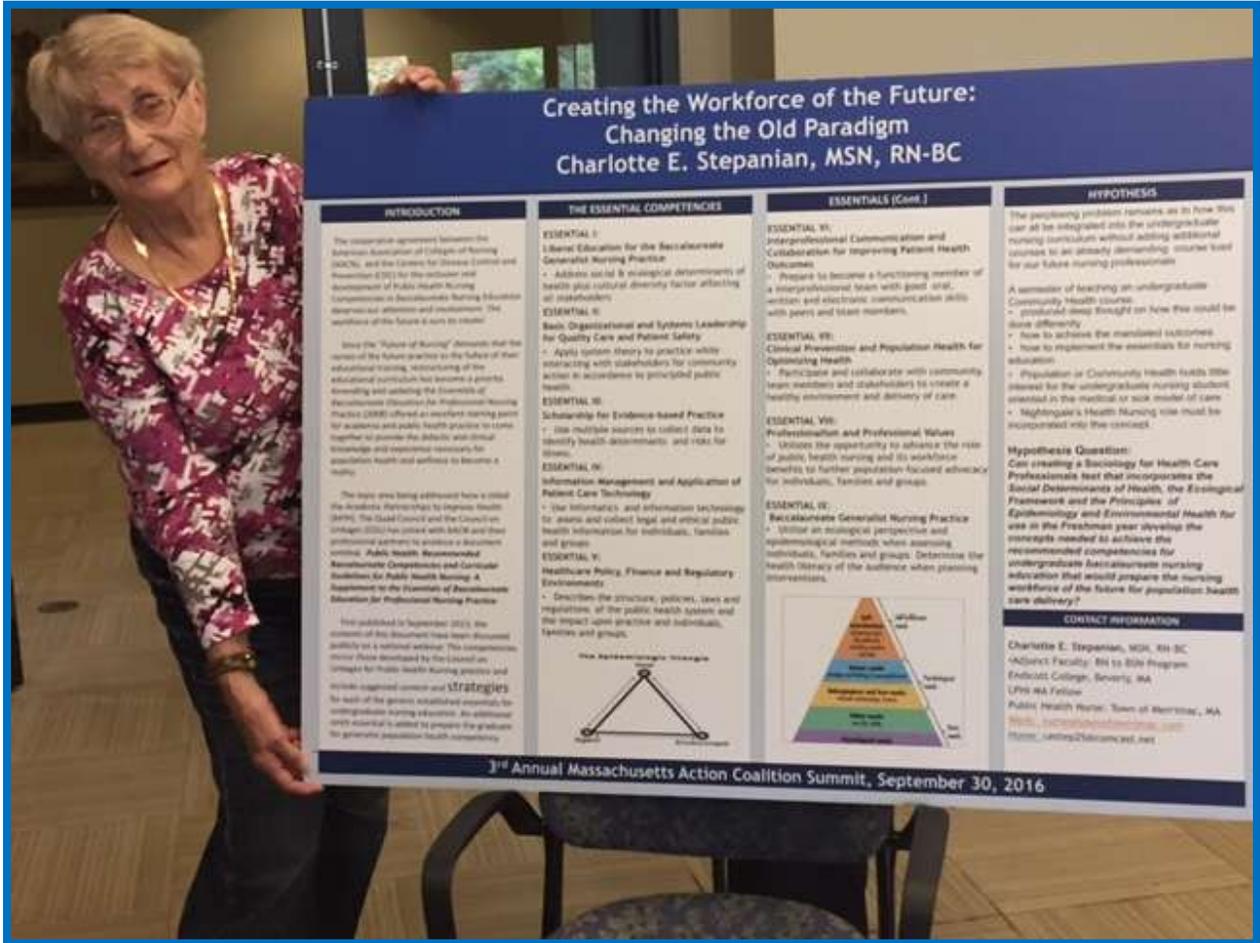
On Friday night, August 5th, those attending the Concert on the Green in Framingham were asked to bring new white socks to the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual “Sock Hop”. Framingham Veterans Services and the Framingham Medical Reserve Corps, under the direction of Framingham Board of

Health’s Chief Public Health Nurse Kitty Mahoney, collected socks for distribution to homeless veterans at Operation Stand Down . On September 30, volunteers from MAPHN, MRC, MSPHS & WSU students provided foot care to at risk and homeless veterans at Stand Down in Dorchester. For more information on Stand Down visit [www.maphn.org/standdown](http://www.maphn.org/standdown)

Charlotte Stepanian, Merrimac PHN and Adjunct Faculty at Endicott College presented her poster, **Creating the Workforce of the Future: Changing the Old Paradigm**, at the 3rd Annual Health Care Workforce Summit on September 30 in Devens. The Summit theme was *A Culture of Health: Building Healthier Communities Together*.



Charlotte is a Northeast Chapter member, former MAPHN President and current chair of MAPHN's Education, Practice, Research and Informatics Committee.



MAPHN and our Stand Down project was featured in the Campaign for Action's website newsletter on October 15. Read about it here: [http://campaignforaction.org/examples-innovations-build-healthy-communities/#disqus\\_thread](http://campaignforaction.org/examples-innovations-build-healthy-communities/#disqus_thread)

## The PHN: Necessary Partner for the Future of Healthy Communities: A Position Paper of the APHN



The 2016 ACHNE/APHN Conference was held June 2-4, 2016 in Indianapolis. **Debbie Chaulk**, MS, RN, PHCNS-BS, CPHQ of the Metrowest/Central Chapter, and **Glynnis LaRosa**, MPH, MSN, RN, APHN-BC, CPHQ of the Western Chapter, were able to attend this every 3 year joint event. At the conference, APHN released its latest position paper, ***The Public Health Nurse: Necessary Partner for the Future of Healthy Communities: A Position Paper of the Association of Public Health Nurses***. It was developed as part of a metric on the APHN Strategic Map, *Pillar 1: Provide the Voice for Public Health Nursing Practice*.

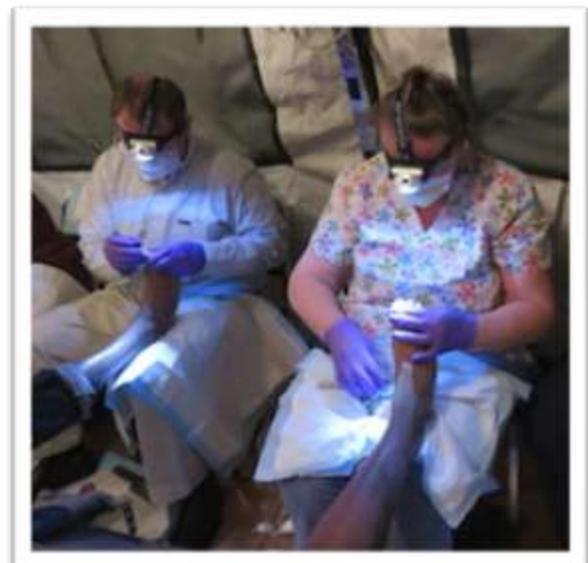
The position paper was created because of the many requests by APHN membership and partners for “something to help me convey why we need PHNs - - from APHN!” The writing team worked on developing the paper from January - April of 2016, and the writing team included MAPHN member Charlotte E. Stepanian, MSN, RN-BC.

You can read the position paper in its entirety here: [http://www.phnurse.org/resources/Documents/APHN-PHN%20Value-Position%20P\\_APPROVED%205.30.2016.pdf](http://www.phnurse.org/resources/Documents/APHN-PHN%20Value-Position%20P_APPROVED%205.30.2016.pdf)

### “FOOT SOLDIERS” FOR HOMELESS VETERANS

*Massachusetts Association of Public Health Nurses*

Public health nurses may be best known for home care visits or for screenings in community settings. But over the past decade, the [MA Association of Public Health Nurses \(MAPHN\)](#) has also become known for its nurse-managed foot care clinics for homeless veterans.



The MAPHN community works through the year to collect supplies needed for its largest clinic at the annual [Stand Down](#), a one-day event that provides immediate comprehensive and coordinated services to veterans in Massachusetts.

This year more than 100 nurses and nursing students provided foot care to hundreds of veterans, reports Charlotte Stepanian, MSN, RN-BC, Past President of the MAPHN. In addition to providing foot care, MAPHN nurses partner with the Occupational Health Nurse Association to conduct health assessments and provide vaccinations to veterans.

## *Northeast Chapter News*

*By Kathy Whittaker*

*Northeast Chapter President*

**Maryellen Maguire Eisen MSN, RN**, from the Children's Melanoma Prevention Foundation spoke on the signs and symptoms, and prevention methods of melanoma. Statistics for melanoma in each member's community were provided. She was accompanied by her SunAWARE Educator and Advocacy Coordinator, **Maura Flynn**, and her summer intern,



**Kelly Murphy.**

**Jan Obermann**, Director of Care Services from the Massachusetts A.L.S. Association, spoke on A.L.S. She discussed symptoms, life expectancy, and what services the organization is able to offer to both those afflicted and their families.



## *Southeast Chapter News*



On May 19<sup>th</sup>, the Southeast Chapter enjoyed an educational presentation by **Tarah Somers** (pictured 5th from left. Tarah is a regional director for

the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR). Thanks to SE Chapter President **Mary Beechinor** for organizing this opportunity to earn CEU's.

*Know someone who would like to join MAPHN? Share our newsletter and this link for new members!*

*<http://www.maphn.org/join>*

## Tickborne Disease: Not just Lyme Disease!

**By Connie Dolan, RN**

### **Southeast Chapter**

We have covered Lyme Disease and other tickborne diseases in the past. However, as the Public Health Nurse for several towns in Southeastern Massachusetts, I have noticed an increase in tickborne diseases in addition to Lyme Disease. This is possibly the result of an increase in diagnosis and reporting. In any case, the symptoms, epidemiology and treatment vary for each disease. Often times, co-infection exists. This means that a person may have Lyme Disease and another tickborne disease at the same time. It is important to be treated for each disease!

The table below compares the 3 most common tickborne illnesses in Southeastern Massachusetts. The data from this chart was obtained on the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Communicable Disease Control website.

	<b>Lyme Disease</b>	<b>Babesiosis</b>	<b>Human Granulocytic Anaplasmosis/Ehrlichiosis</b>
<b>Organism</b>	<i>Borrelia burgdorferi</i>	<i>Babesia microta</i>	<i>Anaplasma phagocytophilum</i> (formerly <i>Ehrlichia phagocytophila</i> ), <i>Ehrlichia chaffeensis</i>
<b>Vector</b>	deer tick	deer tick	deer tick, lone star tick
<b>Incubation</b>	3-32 days	1-8 weeks	7-14 days
<b>Symptoms</b>	Fever, muscle aches, headache, swollen lymph glands, fatigue, neck stiffness, joint pain, rash (80%).	Malaria-like symptoms, loss of appetite, fatigue, fever, chills, sweats, muscle aches, joint pain, nausea, destruction of red blood cells, anemia, jaundice, swollen liver, enlarged spleen.	Sudden illness, low white blood cells count, fever, Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever-like symptoms, headache, malaise, chills, muscle and joint aches, nausea, vomiting, loss of appetite, complications affecting lungs, bone marrow, brain, meninges, kidneys and blood.
<b>Most Common Treatment</b>	Antibiotics: doxycycline, ceftriaxone, cefuroxime, amoxicillin.	Antibiotics plus malaria drugs: Atovaquone and azithromycin, clindamycin and quinine.	Antibiotics: doxycycline, rifampin.
<b>Tests</b>	blood test	blood test	blood test
<b>Areas</b>	Cape Cod, Southeastern MA, Nantucket, Martha's Vineyard, north of Boston, Quabbin Reservoir Watershed, CT River Valley, Berkshire	Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York. Most MA cases in Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket.	Connecticut, Rhode Island, Cape Cod, Southeastern Massachusetts, Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket.

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If you become sick with flu-like symptom, including a fever, during the summer months, contact your primary care provider to be seen. Early treatment will help to ensure a full recovery.

**Personal Preventative Measures (MA DPH):**

- **Daily tick checks**
- **Stick to main pathways and centers of hiking trails**
- **Long sleeved, light color shirts and pants**
- **Protect pets and livestock**
- **Use repellents containing DEET**
- **Keep grass cut short, remove leaf litter, prune low lying brush, let it more sunlight.**
- **Treat clothing with permethrin containing products which kill ticks and mosquitos on contact (do not apply to skin).**



**Southeast Chapter**

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Judith Ryan, Danvers BOH

## *Metrowest/Central Chapter News*



The Metrowest/Central Chapter held their Annual Beach Retreat Meeting in July in Marshfield. In addition to completing some strategic planning, we enjoyed beach walks, dinner, and some shopping the next day. Among members who attended were (L-R): **Joyce Cheng** (former MWC, now NE member), **Leila Mercer**, **Ruth Mori**, **Charlotte Trubiani**, **Pat Gallier**, **Leslie Chamberlin**, and **Karen D'Angelo**.

## *Public Health Nurse of the Year Award Debra Mulvenna*



*Debra Mulvenna with President Amanda Stone*

## ***Presidential Award Kitty Mahoney***



***Kitty Mahoney with President Amanda Stone***

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Purpose:

Foster communication between members

Increase visibility of the role of the PHN and MAPHN

Recruit new and support existing members

Chairs: Leila Mercer, [lmercer@natickma.org](mailto:lmercer@natickma.org); Ruth Mori, [rmori@wayland.ma.us](mailto:rmori@wayland.ma.us)

### **Education, Professional Practice, Research & Informatics**

Purpose:

Provide guidance to the membership to enhance evidence based educational opportunities

Conduct and support research activities for MAPHN

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Purpose: Maintain MAPHN organizational foundation.

Chair: Kitty Mahoney, [kittymahoney@maphn.org](mailto:kittymahoney@maphn.org)

### **Nominations and Elections**

Purpose: Oversee the process to elect officers and directors.

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Purpose: Organize MAPHN's Annual Conference.

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### **Service Committee**

Purpose: Assist the growing developments of organizational participation in community service projects.

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