

A recent cookout was held for State Representative Candidate, Bob Dubois, at the home of Joe and Dianne Broderick of Lake Hiawatha in Blackstone. Broderick spoke on how Dubois, as Chairman of the Board of Selectman, spearheaded the efforts to repair the Lake Hiawatha dam. Since the dam is located in the Blackstone section of the lake the town had to appropriate approximately \$65,000 for an engineering study before funds could be received from the State. Former State Rep. Jen Callahan was then able to get approximately \$450,000 to repair the dam. There was a great deal of resistance in the initial stage to submit a warrant article, but Dubois fought hard to get this process started said Broderick.

Dubois spoke about a tape which was called "Along the Blackstone" It was about the Federated Church in Blackstone. It was in need of great repair; they had tried every possible source of funding to get help and then because of insurance issues actually voted to take it down. A resident of the town at the time, Brian Dicks, was on a committee to try to save the 1836 church and he stated "We were within one day of signing the contract to have it demolished when Bob Dubois heard about it and called me. Then he got in touch with Jim Pepper, Executive Director of the National Park Service. They came in and did a full study of the structure, found it was not in such bad shape and funded the restoration and preservation of our beautiful church. We can thank Bob for that."

Dubois who was also instrumental in bringing the ANP Power Plant to Blackstone said what we need is a State Rep that will be visible and accessible which we have not had in quite awhile. Senator Richard Moore could have used help in securing a fully funded bike trail in the Valley, it would have been an economic boom to the area, and especially for small businesses instead we witnessed silence. My opponent in the Oct 21, 2010 forum in Uxbridge instead voiced his opinion to criticize the State for letting Curt Shilling's Studio 38 set up shop in Rhode Island, which cost the taxpayers in Rhode Island 100 Million Dollars. Dubois also stated his displeasure with the recent court decision regarding the Robert Kosilek sex change operation, who is a convicted murder. I can't believe that the taxpayers will have to fund such a ridiculous operation. It's no wonder we have people taking advantage of our prison system. I will support any effort to overturn this decision. These are just a few examples of the proactive approach I have taken in the past, and how I plan to be in the future. I realize we can talk about all the good things we did in the past, but we must now talk about the future. What we need in this district is a full time hard working State Representative, which is what I plan to be if elected and I promise to be there for all the people in all four towns of the newly created 8th Worcester District.