

the Goddard Times



GODDARD HOUSE

UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

Men's Lunch to The Stockyard departs at 11:45 A.M. Sign up at the front desk.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

Our "Grab Your Passport! Destination: Fiji" celebration will feature Polynesian Dancers at 2:15 P.M. on our Backyard Patio



COOKIN' UP JAZZ CONCERT SERIES

August 1 • The Winiker Brothers

August 8 • The Swing Legacy

August 15 • The Wolverine
Jazz Band

All concerts are 6:00-8:00 P.M. at Goddard House. Light appetizers and refreshments will be served.

RSVP to 617-731-8500 as seating is limited.

RESIDENT PROFILE



Dian Lerman moved to Goddard House in August of 2015. She is originally from New York, born in Brooklyn and raised in Forest Hills, Queens. She has had quite the life of occupations and travels.

Dian started her career as a preschool teacher. For many years she worked with young children in Braintree, Brookline and South Boston. She earned her degree from Syracuse University. When she mentioned her school she broke out into a Syracuse chant. You better believe she loved her time in school!

In the middle of her life she changed careers and became a Social Worker, working most of her time for Catholic Charities in South Boston. Dian reflected on how long and hard it was to feel accepted into the South Boston community because she wasn't a townie, like everyone else.

Dian was married to her husband Marty for 30 years and they had two children together Katrina and Carlos. Carlos was adopted from Paraguay and is now living in Watertown, where Dian and Marty raised their children. Carlos has two children Charlotte (7) and Martin (2 1/2).

As a resident of Goddard House, Dian says her favorite thing to do is sing! Naturally Karaoke is her favorite program here!

-EnrichedLIFE Director Erica Curcio

We've Been Cookin' Up Jazz for Six Years Now

by Assistant Executive Director **Lance Chapman**

Every August, for the last six years, Goddard House residents have been entertained each Thursday evening by some of Boston's best jazz artists, right in our own garden patio. Crowds usually reach over 100 people and delicious apps and wine are served up to complement the great music. This established tradition of hosting great music all year long is one of those special elements our residents benefit from.

The Cookin' Up Jazz concerts have also become wonderful ways of growing our community partnerships and neighborhood connections. We invite local neighbors, family members and community leaders to come relax at Goddard House on warm summer evenings with us.

For our 2019 performance line up please come enjoy the following local Boston Jazz artists:

August 1: The Winiker Brothers

August 8: The Swing Legacy

August 15: The Wolverine Jazz Band

Concerts will all begin at 6:00 P.M. and finish up at 8:00 P.M. Please call Goddard House at 617-731-8500 to reserve your seat. Due to limited space, the maximum group size will be a party of 4. 🏡

Remember the White Party?

In celebration of PRIDE month, we had a fantastic party with local drag queens **Kris Knievil** and **Melinda Wilson!**



Clockwise, from top left: **Clementine B.** and **Linda B.**; **Kris and Melinda** visiting with **EnrichedLIFE** Director **Erica Curcio**; **Olmsted Nurse Manager Alla Rummyantseva** and **Director of Business Administration Josephine Hoey**; and **Joy R.** and **Theresa C.**

TRIP TO THE ICA



Goddard residents (including **Ethel G.**, center) enjoyed a peek at the contemporary art!



Goddard House Celebrates Doane Scholars

by Chief Executive Officer **Candace Cramer** and Director of Resident Support Services **Marie Curcio**

For the past four years, the Board of Trustees of Goddard House has had the pleasure of funding scholarships for UMass Boston nursing students. Candidates for the Goddard House Doane Scholarships must have worked in the City of Boston for at least ten years as a CNA, LPN or RN. Students are recruited and screened for the scholarships by the College of Nursing and Health Sciences. Funding for the scholarships, and the specific eligibility requirements, were established by an 1851 bequest to Goddard House.

Each year, Goddard House hosts a reception to give the scholarship recipients, UMass Boston faculty, Goddard House Board members and CEO, and our associates, the opportunity to meet each other. Students share their stories, courses of study, and what it means to receive a Goddard House Doane Scholarship. This year the scholarship recipients were honored to meet James Doane and his wife, Elizabeth Perry, from the Doane Family Association.

Meeting the 2018-2019 scholars and learning about their scholastic journeys—juggling family, full time jobs and academic studies—was truly inspiring. Each student shared how important the scholarship has been to the continuation of their individual professional aspirations. Their current careers are impressive; their hopes for professional growth and future impact are remarkable.



One recipient, Kim, will complete her Doctorate in Nursing Practice in 2021. Clearly passionate about nursing, Kim hopes to be a leader in her field. Growing up in a single parent household and being the first in her family to attend college, Kim shared that she has incurred substantial student loan debt over time. She appreciates the assistance the Goddard House Doane Scholarship brings in helping to offset the cost of her degree and the opportunity it affords her to continue her studies.

Much to the surprise of all, Kim told the gathering that years ago she worked at the Goddard House Skilled Nursing Center in Jamaica Plain! She described feeling as though she had come “full circle.” Kim hopes to continue caring for vulnerable populations after she obtains her DNP degree. We have no doubt that Kim will be a leader in the nursing profession.

We are honored to be a part of Kim’s journey, and that of all of the other scholarship winners, as they strive to achieve the highest level of excellence in their fields. Congratulations to all! 🏔️



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HAS RECEIVED
THE 2019 SILVER
REGIONAL
READERS CHOICE
AWARD FOR BEST
ASSISTED

LIVING COMMUNITY, AS WELL AS #1
ASSISTED LIVING COMMUNITY IN
BROOKLINE!





Associate Appreciation!

ASSOCIATE PROFILE



Some of you might recognize **Tess McBrearty** as being a Resident Care Associate from Olmsted

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so happy to have her

as an Olmsted Program Assistant! She always has a smile on her face and a positive attitude and brings so much to the programming department.

Tess was born and raised in Milton, and spent her childhood playing soccer for the town. While she no longer plays soccer, she enjoys keeping herself and the residents active by running balloon volleyball and bowling groups. Outside of work, Tess enjoys spending time reading with her two-year-old daughter. She mentioned how she loves being able to show her daughter how to use her imagination through the books they read.

Even though she has only been working at Goddard House for six months, Tess already feels like this is a second family. "Sometimes when I'm here I don't even feel like I'm at work. I feel like I'm spending time with the people I care about," she says. We are so lucky to have someone who is so dedicated to our residents as part of the Goddard House Team!

-Olmsted Program Director *Kristen Cipriano*



*Above: Resident Care Director **Barbara Flynn** with Resident Care Associate **Oxane Leveque** (top) and Olmsted Assistant Nurse Manager **Mia St. Jean** and Wellness Nurse **Nicole Hudson** (bottom). Right: RCA **Kenel Mirtyl**, Dining Associate*



*Congratulations to Cook **Kenny Rivera**, our Associate of the Quarter! Kenny won \$100, his name on the community plaque, and a prime-time parking spot.*



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