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# Goddard Times

## GODDARD HOUSE

### UPCOMING EVENTS

All visitors must first **check in** at the front desk for contact tracing purposes and **wear a mask** for your entire visit.

## GODDARD SUPPORT GROUPS

### Transitions Group

For Goddard House family members who are coping with the death of a loved one. Meets monthly on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday.

### Caregiver Education and Support Group

This group welcomes Goddard House family members. Meets monthly on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday.

The above groups meet with Barbara Moscovitz, MSW virtually via Zoom from 7:00–8:30 P.M. Please contact Director of Social Services Becca Mayfield at 617-731-8500, or [rmayfield@goddardhouse.org](mailto:rmayfield@goddardhouse.org) for more info.

### Olmsted Family Caregiver Group

This group welcomes Goddard House family members. Meets monthly on the first Tuesday from 6:30–7:30 P.M. on Zoom. Please contact Olmsted Program Director Kristen Cipriano at [kcipriano@goddardhouse.org](mailto:kcipriano@goddardhouse.org) for more info.

## RESIDENT PROFILE



**June Lewin** has become a beloved resident of Olmsted ever since moving into Goddard House last summer. June first visited the Boston area when she took music and theater classes at Boston University. Her husband, David, worked as a music theorist and together they traveled all around the country for his work. During this

time, June was also working as an actress and performed in the local theater scene. Her first big role was in a stage production of *Paint Your Wagon*. June explained that she was very nervous before the show started, but once she stepped on stage her worries faded away and she loved every minute of it. June continued to act in performances for many years and even spent some of her time teaching acting to high school students; however she preferred to be on stage.

June's love of music and the arts has continued since she moved to Goddard House. June is often singing along to show tunes during Name That Tune and shares stories of different theater productions with the other residents and staff. We are so lucky to have such a talented and sweet person here with us at Goddard House.



*June in her first lead role in Paint Your Wagon*

-Olmsted Program Director Kristen Cipriano

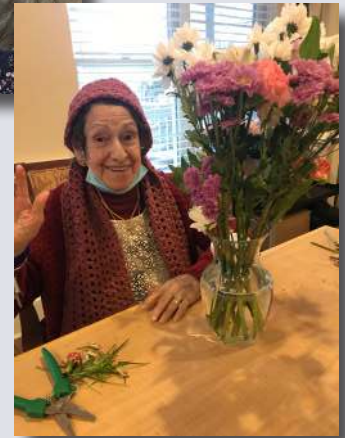
# The Country Kitchen

by *EnrichedLIFE* Director **Rebecca Margolin**

Stop by Goddard House at any given time and you'll surely notice a buzz of energy coming from the Country Kitchen. This multi-purpose space often feels like the heart of the Traditional neighborhood of Goddard House. Residents gather here daily, whether it's for an organized art group or an informal chat. This year, the spot has become home to the weekly Knitting Group, founded by resident **Musia Watkin**. On Saturday mornings, five or six residents gather to enjoy tea and cookies, conversation, and most importantly to knit scarves. The goal is to donate the scarves to a local charity. Stop by in the afternoon and you're sure to run into the Goddard Puzzlers, a small group of residents devoted to—you guessed it—doing puzzles! They do puzzles ranging from 300 to 1,000 pieces and their dedication is admirable. Staff, volunteers, and family members often stop by to contribute! The Country Kitchen is also the home to many weekly hands-on programs, including Flower Arranging, Jewelry Making, and a slew of art groups led by Art Therapist **Meredith Griffiths** and the amazing team of Lesley interns.



Left: **Heidi F.** and Intern **Rachel Rogalski** in an Art Group



Left: Goddard Puzzlers **Shirley U.** and **Nancy K.**  
Above: **Nilda A.** doing Flower Arranging

Right: Chef **Lakeisha Brown**, Dining Associate **AnnMarie Boswell**, and **Jewel B.** making valentines



Above: **Anne G.**, **Jewel B.**, **Arlene W.**, **Musia W.**, and **Barbie B.** at weekly Knitting Group



Left: **Roses S.**, **Arlene W.**, and **Jewel B.** at Jewelry Making

# Celebrations!



## My Room

by Resident Musia Watkin

My room is mine alone  
Although made of stone  
It is my comfort zone.  
My room is friendly, calms me  
and is always welcoming.  
My room envelops me with its  
cheerfulness  
Its coziness and its warmth.  
My room knows me  
Knows what I feel  
Knows when I am miserable and  
when I am happy.  
My room is my confidant, my  
friend and is always there for me.  
And when I leave my room for any  
length of time,  
My friend  
My mate  
Is waiting to welcome me once  
again

*Photos, clockwise, from top left: Assistant Director of Building & Grounds **Marvin Gomez** during our Staff Appreciation; **Ilga K.** and **Sheila B.** celebrate birthdays; on a City Tour to Malcolm X House for Black History Month are **Drew R.**, **Preston M.**, **Helen W.**, **Grace M.**, **Carolin C.**, **Joel K.**, and **Luise B.**; and **Helen W.**, **Kit W.**, **Marie S.**, **Peggy M.**, and **Veronica D.**; our Olmsted display for Black History Month*





# Visit With Wally!



*Clockwise, from top left: Linda S., Joan B., Theresa C., Jay S., a group of associates, Nilda A., and Theresa C. visit with Wally the Green Monster! Photos Courtesy of Boston Red Sox.*

## ASSOCIATE PROFILE



Programming Assistant Marie Jeanty joined the Goddard team in October of 2020. Her favorite part about working here is listening

to the residents and finding out about their different stories and experiences. Marie loves to bond and build relationships with people, and is always happy to spend time chatting with the residents. Hearing about the residents' travels has inspired her to travel more herself, something she used to do more of with her family. One of Marie's favorite programs to lead is Jewelry Making, a group she has grown over the past few months. She even likes to make jewelry at home with her mother! Another hobby of Marie's is cooking. She is learning to cook Haitian food, and hopes to one day open a food truck serving traditional Haitian dishes. Marie also loves to watch movies, and will sometimes set up her own marathon of old movies. Marie brings her friendly attitude, enthusiasm and compassion every day she comes to Goddard. Marie, we are so happy to have you here!

*-EnrichedLIFE Director Rebecca Margolin*

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