

## Göddard Times

# GODDARD HOUSE

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 16

Join us for Father's Day Lunch from 11:30 A.M.–1:30 P.M. and stay for the entertainment at 3:30 P.M. by the Strawberry Jazz Ensemble!

#### **TUESDAY, JUNE 18**

We wish good luck to our six nominees for the Senior Living Residences STAR Awards! Exemplifying the SLR Right Values are Eugene Mbukanma (Valuing Associates), Rebecca Margolin (Spirit of Innovation), Sandra Appiah (Resident Quality of Life), Luce Chery (Integrity), Viola Baker (Discovery), and John Kaufman (Resident Spirit)!

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 20

Enjoy the sounds of the dynamic acoustic trio Zulu Time, playing classical, jazz, tango, klezmer, folk and more! Reception at 6:30 P.M. followed by the concert at 7:00 P.M. *Public is welcome! RSVP to pbarrows@goddardhouse.org or* 617-731-8500. Limited seats remaining.

#### RESIDENT PROFILE

The sun shone brightly through the clouds on an otherwise rainy late April day in Brookline—just in time to kick off an awards luncheon held at Goddard House honoring **Dr. Angelo "Tony" Scordato**. A much-admired former faculty member of St. Pius X Preparatory Seminary in New York, our dear friend, Tony, was the guest of honor at this special event arranged by the

Alumni Association of Cathedral Preparatory School and Seminary. Tony was presented with the school's prestigious Immaculata Award, which is given each year to alumni and school supporters who possess the values and ideals of Cathedral Preparatory School.

Dr. Scordato received his doctorate and professional diploma from the University of Wyoming and earned both a bachelor's and master's from the State University of Albany. A professor emeritus of mathematics and computer science at Nassau Community College, he also taught at Queensborough Community College, SUNY Long Island Agricultural and Technical Institute at Farmingdale, and Adelphi University.

Affectionately known as "Doc" to his students, many alumni attribute their successes in college and beyond to Tony's mentoring and leadership. His former students fondly thanked him for sharing his knowledge, enthusiasm and, above all, his patience. Dr. Scordato was described as "someone fully dedicated to his vocational calling."

Tony's friends at Goddard House agree that he is indeed a very special person with a great sense of compassion and humor. We are proud to call him friend and congratulate him on this well-deserved honor!

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-Director of Resident Support Services Marie Curcio

### Goddard House Observes Pride Month

#### by Assistant Executive Director Lance Chapman

The staff of Goddard House is excited to be L accredited as the very first LGBT Friendly Assisted Living community in Massachusetts. SAGECare, a national accreditation organization, oversees the training and workshops our organization went through to carry this important label. SAGECare recognized the work being put in place to ensure that Goddard House is a safe space for all. Being a senior living community that is committed to inclusivity, understanding, and pride in diversity gives us a special distinction. Being the first assisted living community to fly the Rainbow Pride Flag also gives us a special responsibility to be sure those who choose to make this their home experience a truly welcoming culture. To celebrate our new designation, and our pride in being the first assisted living community to make this commitment, we held a ceremonial flag raising on Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at the flagpole in front of Goddard House, where



The Goddard House Leadership Team engaged in training with SAGECare

we invited residents of Brookline and several local speakers. We are excited to be planning future events as well, starting with a celebratory summer barbecue on

Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup> with all the members of our OUT to Brunch group which we co-sponsor with ETHOS. We're culminating Pride Month on Thursday evening June 27<sup>th</sup> with a White Party in the garden here at Goddard House. Be sure to wear your best white and join the party! If you need white clothing, we will be taking several shopping trips for this purpose.



PRIDE EVENTS IN JUNE at Goddard House

LGBT Out to Barbecue Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup> 11:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.

Goddard House White Party in the Backyard Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup> 6:00–8:00 P.M.

**LGBT Movie Festival** throughout the month of June



Left to right: Michael S., Assistant Executive Director Lance Chapman, and Laura R. at our flag raising

Compassion - Respect - Collaboration - Responsiveness

#### Volunteer Appreciation by EnrichedLIFE Director Erica Curcio

n April 29<sup>th</sup> we had a special event at Goddard House, one that we hope is the first of many. It was our Volunteer Appreciation Dinner! Eighteen volunteers attended, with another 15 volunteers who could not attend. Can you believe that we have almost 40 volunteers that give their time to Goddard House on a routine basis? Volunteers included clergy, petpals and resident group leaders!

The evening started with a wonderful cocktail hour with a live string duet. Volunteers mingled with



managers and other volunteers until we headed to the library for dinner. Director of Dining Experience Andrew Santalucia made a fantastic Italian dinner

for everyone! All the volunteers were presented with gifts and certificates acknowledging their role in our community.

Volunteers are so special and we are beyond lucky to have the volunteers we do! They are all consistent and dedicated to being of service to our community. Thank you, volunteers! We so appreciate you!

### Around Goddard



Clockwise, from top left: Carol A. and Paul W. enjoying avocado toast; Susan F. and Evie P. make bouquets on Flower Friday with OMA Volunteer Marge David; lunch outings enjoyed by Karen W., Olmsted Program Director Kristen Cipriano, Maria F., Joan C., Susan F., and Trish M.; and Mimi H., EnrichedLIFE Assistant Rebecca Margolin, Driver Kevin Nesti, Doris G., Ann S., Susan F., Joan C., and Olmsted Program Assistant Fio Russo

#### WE VOTED!









These are some of our residents and associates who proudly performed their civic duty by

voting in Brookline's Annual Town Election on May 7<sup>th</sup>.



*Left to right:* Driver Kevin Nesti and Michael S.; Kitty S.; Clementine B.: Linda B.: and Harvey L.

Excellence





For our "Grab Your Passport! Destination: Amsterdam" celebration, we enjoyed Dutch waffles, delicious Gouda cheese, and a presentation by two natives of the Netherlands!











Clockwise, from top left: Tony S. mixes up waffle batter as Shirley K. looks on; John K. fills the griddle; Sander de la Rambelje and

*Gabriela Dobrescu* talk about their native Amsterdam; Lynn L. enjoys Dutch waffles; Milton B. speaks with Gabriela about his experiences serving in Holland during WWII; Shirley B. and Kitty N. taste some Gouda.

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#### ASSOCIATE PROFILE



Wellness Nurse Nicole Husdon has become a familiar face here at Goddard despite being part of our team for only two months. She is

always there to help residents and put smiles on their faces!

Nicole was born and raised in Dorchester and attended Quincy College. When asked why she decided to stay in Boston she responded that she is a huge Boston sports fan. Her favorite team is the New England Patriots and she never misses a game. In her free time she loves to travel, whether that be to Maine or even Miami for the weekend! She is also a big international traveler, having spent time in Amsterdam and Ireland. She also loves spending time with her friends and family.

One of Nicole's favorite parts of working at Goddard is being able to create connections with the residents. She is often seen chatting and laughing with anyone that stops by the Nursing office.

Nicole, we are so lucky to have you here at Goddard! You are such a compassionate and intelligent nurse! Be sure to say hello to Nicole the next time you see her, and wish her a Happy Birthday on June 13<sup>th</sup>!

-Olmsted Program Director Kristen Cipriano