BAY TO SOUND NEIGHBORS



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Treat bags delivered in May



Remembering Ellen Dugan

In May, Bay to Sound Neighbors lost one of our own. Ellen Dugan was part of the organizing group who formed B2SN. She was our first board vice president, worked on the volunteer committee, interviewed new members, worked as a service coordinator and provided services to members. We will miss her spirit of giving.

Since her passing, B2SN has established the **Ellen Dugan Memorial Scholarship Fund** which will help pay memberships for reduced income seniors.

If you would like to donate to this fund, you may donate online on our website or send your check to Ellen Dugan Memorial Scholarship Fund, PO Box 1505, S. Dennis, MA, 02660.



PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Summer greetings to all,

As many on Cape Cod have been getting ready for the onslaught of summer



visitors, we have been working to prepare for our reopening this month. Our goal is to deliver safe service to our members. The good news is that Barnstable County has the highest number of vaccinated adults, especially seniors. So, in order to have a greater degree of confidence about our

readiness to reopen, we recently checked in with members and volunteers to determine their vaccination status. We feel very fortunate that every volunteer who will be offering services at this time is fully vaccinated. A very few volunteers are taking a wait and see approach. All but a very few members have also been vaccinated. Of these, a few have medical reasons for not being vaccinated, and we have asked them to travel in the back seat and wear a mask. So given these findings, our board decided that by June 15, we are ready to be back in business.

In other news, our annual meeting was held at the end of May and I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the newly elected board members and their positions: Barry Barrows–Treasurer, Susan Feinberg–Volunteer Coordinator, Maggie MacDonald–Vice President, and yours truly as President.

Over Memorial Day weekend, the Social Committee prepared a special delivery for members consisting of colorful potted plants and treat bags with goodies. So many were happy to see the delivery volunteers smiling faces!

As the new president of B2SN, I look forward to continuing our mission – helping seniors who really need a bit more help with the tasks required to live independently *and* providing a sense of being part of the community. Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

Carol Donohue, President

MEET B2SN'S NEW VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Bay to Sound Neighbors' Board of Directors recently elected Susan Feinberg as board member and Volunteer Coordinator. Susan had been volunteering for Bay to Sound Neighbors as a service coordinator. She has been a resident of Dennis since 2006.



Are you newly retired? Do you want to make meaningful connections in your community and even change a life?

Visit our website and fill out an application at baytosoundneighbors.org or call 508-470-0585 to learn more.

Alzheimer's Family Support Center News



Join the 2021 Walk & Give for Alzheimer's! Learn more at <u>alzheimerscapecod.org</u>

In Remembrance

Remembering those members and volunteers we have sadly lost

Ellen Dugan – May 2021 Charlotte Hollis – May 2021 Lita Isabelle – January 2021 Prior to her retirement, Susan's career was in banking technology. Susan was lucky enough to travel the world because of her work and she still marvels at the time she was on a transport from an international airport listening to countless conversations in many different languages.

Susan takes over the volunteer committee after what has been a



turbulent year for everyone. As you might imagine, the status of many volunteers has changed during the pandemic, so rebuilding is needed to insure we can continue to deliver for our members.

Many volunteers say that just helping seniors to age in place is reward enough for giving their time, and Susan also wants to make sure that all volunteers feel part of the team and find their contributions to be both rewarding and impactful. Prior to the pandemic, a volunteer appreciation event had been planned for Spring 2020 but had to be postponed. Susan and team have already begun to make plans to get that event back on the calendar this autumn and a save-the-date notice will be sent out soon. As a new board member and Volunteer Committee Coordinator, she is excited to help us with this effort.

Independence Day Trivia

Test your knowledge!

- 1. Which two U.S. presidents died on Independence Day July 4, 1826?
- 2. In which U.S. city was the first Independence Day celebrated?
- 3. Where can the actual Declaration of Independence be viewed?
- 4. Which two Presidents signed the Declaration of Independence?
- 5. How many stars and stripes were on the first flag of the U.S.?

Answers at the bottom of the page.

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Answers to Trivia: 1. John Adams, Thomas Jefferson 2. Philadelphia 3. National Archives, Washington, D.C. 4. John Adams, Thomas Jefferson 5. 13 and 13.