



Independent and Assisted Living in Woburn, MA



NEW RESIDENT

Eileen Shireman, Suite 382, joins her brother, resident **Frank Okerholm**, at New Horizons. Eileen attended parochial school in Malden and South Boston through grade 12 and graduated from Salem State College. She then joined the Peace Corps, spending time in the Philippines and Hawaii. A former teacher with a love for travel, she spent her career at schools in Washington, DC, Virginia, California, Indiana, and Texas—where she met her husband, **Henry**. Eileen once played guitar in a folk band, and enjoys many types of music, including songs from the 70s, show tunes, and classical music. We wish Eileen all the best in her new home.



INDEPENDENCE DAY Monday, July 4

Did you know? The night before the Fourth was once the focal point of celebrations, marked by raucous gatherings that often incorporated a bonfire as the centerpiece. In New England, towns competed, building towering pyramids assembled from barrels and casks, which were lit at nightfall to usher in the celebration. The tallest recorded bonfires were in Salem, MA, sparked from pyramids composed of as many as 40 tiers of barrels. This custom flourished in the 19th and 20th centuries, and is still practiced in some New England towns.



Resident Photo Album



Residents enjoy beautiful weather along with the music of **Brian Kane**. Clockwise, from top left: residents **Hope Verras** and **Claire Scully**, **Brian Kane**, and residents **Pat Lavelle**, **Imelda Geoghegan**, **Toulia Wouralis**, and **Tricia Kane**.



COMMUNITY GIVING: Across greater Boston, 140 organizations recently opened packages to find a message proclaiming "You got it!" Through multi-year grants of \$100,000 to \$500,000 each, the **Cummings \$25 Million Grant Program** seeks to support local charities working to improve local lives through education, human services, and social justice programs. A complete list of the 2022 grant winners, including four from Woburn, is now available on [the Cummings Foundation website](#).

To date, Cummings Foundation has awarded more than \$375 million to greater Boston nonprofits.



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