

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

- PIP Fund Reaches \$750,000 Milestone
- Hobby Lobby Coming to Patriot Place in 2024
- Foxborough Seniors Enjoy '80 For Brady'
- Introducing Season Ticket Member Spotlight
- Gillette Stadium Hosts Nero's Law Training

Quarterly Insight into the Progress and Philanthropy of Kraft Sports + Entertainment

PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM



SUPER SURPRISE

For lifelong Foxborough residents, Juliann and Joseph Abdou haven't spent a ton of time at Gillette Stadium. The twin siblings both followed in the steps of their older brother Chris and enrolled in the military immediately after graduation from Foxborough High School. With Juliann serving in the Air Force and Joseph as a Marine, their time serving our country scattered them all over before they eventually came back home to Foxborough following the completion of their service in Fall 2022. Between everyday life and their military service, the twin siblings have only been to two Patriots games between them: a preseason contest nearly a decade ago and a regular season game in 2017. However, while they haven't always had the chance to be at One Patriot Place in person, they have been there in spirit.

See **SURPRISE**, Page 2

Find Partners in Patriotism on Social Media

Find Partners in Patriotism on Twitter and Instagram by following @PIPFoxboro, and on Facebook by liking "Partners in Patriotism."

These accounts are dedicated to news and information important to the Foxborough community.



MUSIC TO OUR EARS

Record-breaking concert season on deck in Foxborough

As Foxborough slowly begins to thaw with the first signs of spring, we're less than two months away from the start of a record-breaking concert

season at Gillette Stadium. The 2023 Gillette Stadium Concert Series presented by Dunkin' will feature six headlining acts who will take the stage for some of the most anticipated shows of the year beginning in May and continuing

all summer long until coming to a close in September. The 10 total concerts on deck will surpass the venue's previous mark of nine set during the 2016 and 2022 Gillette Stadium Concert Series and is projected to also set a new high-water mark in external events revenue generated for the Town of Foxborough.

Under the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) agreement between Foxborough and the Kraft Group, the town will receive \$3.16 for every ticket sold this summer. The PILOT is paid revenue the town receives for leasing the land Gillette Stadium occupies to the Kraft Group. The revenue per ticket steadily

ticks up on alternating two- and three-year intervals based on the Consumer Price Index. This jam-packed summer featuring 10 concerts, family-favorite

Monster Jam and the Premier Lacrosse League quarterfinals, is projected to generate millions of dollars in revenue for the town. This sizeable sum doesn't take into account additional ticket revenue from Patriots and Revolution games (\$1.82 for each ticket sold), or the millions

in revenue from Gillette Stadium and Patriot Place in real estate, meals and hotel taxes.

After Monster Jam roars into Foxborough on May 6, record-breaking, 12-time GRAMMY winner Taylor Swift will kick off the 2023 Concert Series when her highly anticipated Eras Tour stops in Foxborough for three sold-out shows on May 19, 20 and 21. Next up is Ed Sheeran, as he returns to the first NFL stadium he ever headlined for two shows on June 30 and July 1. Tickets for the June 30 show are still available at Ticketmaster.com.

See **CONCERTS**, Page 2



PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM

SURPRISE: Kraft family gifts residents Super Bowl trip

From **PAGE 1**

In 2021, the siblings were honored as part of the Patriots Salute to Service initiative, displayed on banners hung proudly throughout Patriot Place. So when the Abdou family received an invitation from the Kraft family to attend a reception celebrating the military members who were featured on these banners, they didn't think twice. Since Joseph had an unavoidable work commitment, Juliann and the twins' mother Denise headed to Gillette Stadium on a late January morning. Between Denise battling non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and their father John unexpectedly passing away in 2003, the twins have been through a lot, and have demonstrated an enduring spirit and desire to serve that the Kraft family wanted to recognize. The Abdous got a lot more than they bargained for when Patriots Chairman and CEO Robert Kraft surprised them with the news that the twins were adding one more NFL game to their list: Super Bowl LVII.

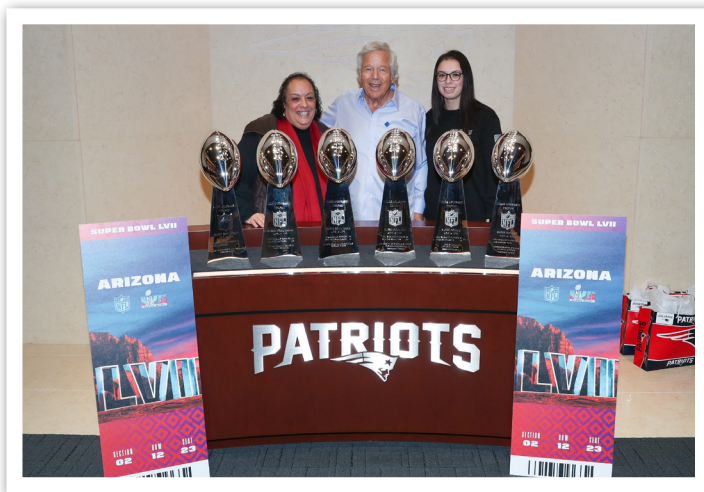
"When Mr. Kraft surprised us, I couldn't believe it," Juliann said. "I was absolutely thrilled and had so much adrenaline going through my body. Never in a million years did I think I'd ever go to the Super Bowl. It means the world that we were chosen for this incredible experience."

Armed with the commemorative Super Bowl tickets in hand, it was up to Juliann to surprise her brother when he returned home from work that evening.

"I was completely blindsided by the news," Joseph said. "When I walked in the door, I was immediately met by my sister running around the corner holding the tickets. When she told me the Patriots were sending us to the Super Bowl, I was shocked and at a loss for words."

A few weeks later, the twins boarded a plane bound for Arizona for an unforgettable weekend. After arriving Friday evening, Juliann and Joseph woke up on Saturday morning ready to experience everything Glendale and the Super Bowl had to offer. They headed to the NFL Experience, enjoying a full day of activities, photo opportunities, music, autographs from players and more, soaking up the atmosphere as they geared up for the big game. The next day, the twins donned their Patriots jerseys and made their way to State Farm Stadium bright and early.

"Only ever watching the Super Bowl on TV, it was absolutely amazing to be there in person," Joseph said. "TV doesn't do it justice: the energy, the excitement, the emotions are everywhere around you and you can't



help but smile and sit there in awe that something millions of people are watching on TV, you are watching unfold in front of you first-hand."

The game was one for the ages, as the Chiefs and Eagles battled for their shot at NFL supremacy, exchanging touchdowns until the Chiefs took home the trophy with a last-minute field goal. While the game (and Rihanna's halftime performance) were certainly memorable, Juliann points to the entire experience, from the initial surprise to the final moments as the confetti fell, as once-in-a-lifetime.

"For Mr. Kraft to recognize us for serving and as residents was unbelievable," Juliann said. "I never thought that anything like this would happen and can't

thank everyone involved enough for this experience."

Joseph echoed his sister in both his gratitude and inability to pick just one moment from the trip as a highlight.

"I've gotten many 'thank-yous' for serving, but this gift from Mr. Kraft and the Patriots organization is something that I will remember for the rest of my life," he said. "I am thankful to be a part of this community and even more thankful to be a fan of an organization that has so much respect, pride and generosity when it comes to not only the fans, but for the members of the armed forces. I can't thank everyone involved enough for this absolutely amazing and unbelievable experience. I will cherish this memory forever."

CONCERTS: Latest announcements set venue-record

From **PAGE 1**

This summer will also mark the Gillette Stadium debut for reigning CMA Entertainer of the Year, Luke Combs. Combs will stop in Foxborough on July 22 as part of his 2023 World Tour after he sold out Gillette Stadium faster than any first-time performer in venue history.

Newly added to the concert lineup, record 32-time GRAMMY

winner Beyoncé will kick off August at Gillette Stadium as she takes the stage on Aug. 1 as part of her Renaissance World Tour. A few weeks later, Bruce Springsteen and The E Street Band will return to Gillette Stadium as part of their 2023 international tour, taking the stage on Aug. 24 and Aug. 26. The shows will mark the Rock & Roll Hall of Famers' return to Foxborough for the first time

since 2016, and sixth and seventh performances at the home of the New England Patriots and Revolution. Tickets are still available for the Aug. 26 show at Ticketmaster.com. Finally, Billy Joel and Stevie Nicks cap off a loaded concert season on Sept. 23. The Rock & Roll Hall of Famers will co-headline an unforgettable night of live music, marking the first time these music legends have

performed on the same stage in New England.

We've got a loaded special events season on the docket (not to mention the historic Army-Navy Game on Dec. 9) and greatly appreciate the continued support of the Town of Foxborough, public safety and each and every resident as we strive to make Gillette Stadium, Patriot Place and Foxborough a year-round destination.

PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM

Foxborough Seniors Enjoy Special Screening of “80 For Brady”

Just days after Tom Brady's retirement announcement, Patriot Place invited 140 senior citizens from Foxborough and neighboring communities to Showcase Cinema de Lux Patriot Place for an exclusive screening of the seven-time Super Bowl winner's new film “80 for Brady.”

Foxborough seniors rolled up to Showcase in style in the Van-Go. The A-List guests then walked the red carpet lined with themed décor and enjoyed photo ops with Pat Patriot, the Patriots cheerleaders and Brady-related memorabilia courtesy of the Patriots Hall of Fame presented by Raytheon Technologies.

Residents Jackie Talbot, Florence Sera, and Mary Flynn Christian have lived in town for over 30 years and were among the excited group in attendance decked out in Pats gear.

“I've been a total Patriots fan forever,” Christian said. “I

bumped into Pat Patriot, he gave me a big hug. I'm thrilled, it's a fun day. I've been so excited, it's all I've thought of this week. I'm a busy gal, but it's been number one.”

After their red-carpet moment, the seniors headed to the theatre [number 12 of course] to enjoy their private screening. The movie tells the story of four Patriots superfans and best friends, all over the age of 80, who made the journey from North Attleboro to Houston for Super Bowl LI. The four

women, played by Lily Tomlin, Jane Fonda, Rita Moreno, and Sally Field, witnessed the team's historic 28-3 comeback against the Atlanta Falcons. With so many local ties, it was a natural fit to welcome these seniors for this special screening.

“We knew this movie was coming out and we said, ‘Hey, who would best enjoy being here for this movie?’ It would be the seniors from Foxborough and the surrounding towns, and they were so excited to be here,” said Brian Earley, Vice President and General Manager of Patriot Place. “The seniors were treated like stars coming to a Hollywood premiere and everyone did a really nice job making them feel welcomed.”

Mikayla Medeiros contributed to this story.



FACES OF FOXBOROUGH SHANE DALY

A Foxborough resident since the age of 5, it was only natural that Shane Daly grew up rooting for the Patriots. Flash forward to present day and Daly is now a key member of the Patriots' video department, working for the organization since 2022. Some of his day-to-day responsibilities include filming practices, bringing in game film from throughout the league and helping with setup, in-game film and uploads on game day.

“I like the work environment and all the people I get to work with,” Daly said. “There are so many great people in my department and in all the different departments throughout the organization.”

After graduating from Foxborough High School in 2015, Daly made the decision to buy a house of his own in



Foxborough and continue his time in the community. When he's not assisting with the hometown team's film operations, Daly enjoys exploring the town's wide variety of dining spots.

“I like the community and all the amenities the town has to offer,” Daly said. “There are lots of notable places in town that are great to live near and be able to go to on a regular basis, like Union Straw and some of the local pizza places. The best thing about Foxborough is that even though it's a small town, there's a lot to do.”

Mikayla Medeiros contributed to this story.

PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM

PATRIOT PLACE NEWS

Hobby Lobby Opening Newest Location at Patriot Place in 2024

Earlier this year, Patriot Place announced that Hobby Lobby, the largest privately owned arts-and-crafts retailer in the world, will open their newest store location at Patriot Place in 2024. Hobby Lobby will be built on the vacant pad next to Bed Bath & Beyond in Patriot Place's South Marketplace.

"We could not be more thrilled to announce the addition of Hobby Lobby and officially welcome them to Patriot Place," said Brian Earley, Vice President and General Manager of Patriot Place. "At Patriot Place, we continually strive to deliver a high-level experience to our guests with a wide variety of unparalleled shopping, dining and entertainment destinations. Hobby Lobby will allow us to continue building on that goal and provide our guests with a one-stop shopping experience

for arts-and-crafts, hobbies, home décor, party and event supplies and everything in between."

Hobby Lobby is primarily an arts-and-crafts store, but also offers hobbies, picture framing, jewelry making, fabrics, floral and wedding supplies, cards and partyware, baskets, wearable art, home decor and holiday merchandise.

"We offer a wide and ever-changing variety of craft and home decor products including many exclusive Hobby Lobby brands," stated Kelly Black, Assistant Vice President of Advertising for Hobby Lobby. "First-time shoppers will be pleasantly surprised at the store size and the exceptional service provided by our trained associates."

For more information about Hobby Lobby's new Patriot Place location, visit patriot-place.com/hobby-lobby/.



Axel & Byrne Bringing "Food From the Road" to Patriot Place

Patriot Place is adding another dining destination to its already robust lineup, and this one comes with a side of barbecue sauce. Axel & Byrne, a family-inspired restaurant serving up "food from the road," will bring their modern flavors to the heart of Patriot Place this April.

Owned and operated by restaurateurs Sean and Sue Olson, the concept is the couple's second independent restaurant inspired by culinary ties to their family. With a carefully crafted menu that combines generations of passed-down recipes with honest ingredients and bold flavors, Axel & Byrne will offer sweet and savory traditional barbecue, artisanal sandwiches and accompanying sides, along with full bar service.

"We're thrilled to announce Axel & Byrne as our newest Patriot Place dining destination and can't wait to share their sweet and savory food with our guests," said Brian Earley, Vice President and General Manager of Patriot Place.

"With their combination of honest ingredients, time-tested techniques and bold flavors from across the country, Axel & Byrne promises to be a delicious addition to Patriot Place and we look forward to working with them and their team."

Axel & Byrne will offer dine-in, takeout and catering and will be located in the North Marketplace adjacent to Tavolino, Scorpion Bar and Five Guys. For additional information, including a full menu and hours of operation, visit patriot-place.com/axelandbyrne/.

Dream Spa Medical Coming to Patriot Place

No need to pinch yourself, you're not dreaming: Dream Spa Medical is coming to Patriot Place. The high-end, full-service medical spa will offer a wide variety of treatment options in a welcoming and vibrant environment. Located in the North Marketplace near Tavolino, the new addition to Patriot Place will bring a patient-centric approach to the medspa experience, leaving guests feeling comfortable,

relaxed and confident throughout the treatment process and subsequent days. Featuring eight treatment rooms, state-of-the-art equipment and a wellness lounge with the newest and best treatments in the industry, Dream Spa Medical and their experienced staff will help guests reach their goals through an impressive series of non-surgical procedures. The new Patriot Place spa destination will open this summer.



PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM

Gillette Stadium Teams Up With Public Safety to Host Nero's Law Training

Over years of partnership, Kraft Sports + Entertainment and Foxborough Public Safety have teamed up on a wide variety of important initiatives. The latest came when Gillette Stadium partnered with Public Safety and the Cummings School of Veterinarian Medicine at Tufts University to host 400 local first responders for essential training on how to provide lifesaving care and transport for injured K9s. Emergency service personnel from across Massachusetts gathered at Gillette Stadium throughout the day on Jan. 31 to learn K9 basic life support training including CPR, hemorrhage control and shock, and proper muzzle and restraint techniques from Tufts licensed professionals.

This training was one of several taking place across Massachusetts in response to the recent passage of Nero's Law, which allows medical personnel to provide emergency medical treatment and transport of K9 partners, including first aid, CPR and lifesaving interventions. Nero's Law was created after Yarmouth Police Sergeant Sean Gannon was killed in the line of duty and his K9 Nero was critically injured while attempting to arrest an armed suspect five years ago.

"It highlighted the need to have legal transport and treatment for police dogs injured in the line of duty," said Dr. Sean Majoy, a critical care specialist and veterinarian from Tufts, and one of the leaders of the training. "We're giving everyone the basics so if there's a K9 injured in the line of duty, you can stop massive hemorrhage, you can help treat and transport that dog and get him to the next line of care. The goal is that this will help not only expedite the transport but also allow lifesaving treatment at the point of injury."

Thomas Kervin, deputy chief of the Foxborough Fire Department (FFD), was one of the driving forces behind organizing this training at Gillette Stadium, working in close collaboration with his own team at FFD, Tufts, Sharon Fire Department, Mansfield Fire Department, the Massachusetts State Police and KS + E. While this training is a requirement for emergency personnel under the new law, Kervin pointed to hosting it at Gillette Stadium as an added bonus of an iconic setting paired with ample space to bring together first re-



sponders from across the state for "shared resources toward a common purpose."

"We're collaborating with all these different interdisciplinary teams and we're learning from each other," Kervin said. "Hosting it at such an iconic place like Gillette Stadium really adds to the experience and allows us to showcase not only the stadium, but Foxborough as well. It lets us adhere to the standards of our requirements and also innovate, go forth and actually try to make this training fun and attractive, to people who may not be versed [in this type of training]. Not everybody likes dogs, people have allergies, people have fears, but this gives us an environment that's not threatening and is spacious to really showcase the Tufts team."

Dr. Majoy, who has been working on this training for a year and an advocate for Nero's

Law for nearly four years, echoed Kervin in detailing the magnitude of hosting this training at Gillette Stadium.

"It's a perfect size to have this training and when people come to a big event like this and see hundreds of people doing the same thing, they get that appreciation of the importance," Dr. Majoy said. "We're looking at a bunch of EMS personnel who probably thought they'd never have to do this type of training, and to see some of these people turn on that lightbulb and see that excitement as they gravitate towards doing something they might not have ever done is really neat."

Our organization was honored to be a small part of such a great collaboration of agencies across the state and look forward to seeing the positive impact of Nero's Law and this training for years to come.

PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM



Patriots Spread Random Acts of Kindness in Town

Every year, mid-February brings a special holiday. And no, we're not talking about Valentine's Day, but we're still spreading the love. Random Acts of Kindness Week, held annually from Feb. 14 - 20, is a celebration of all the ways we can be a positive influence in each other's lives. Each year, the Patriots Foundation hosts several events throughout the week to spread joy and brighten people's days.

This year's festivities kicked off with a special delivery to Foxborough Public Safety, as Pat Patriot and the Patriots cheerleaders surprised public safety officers with pizza, wings and commemorative Pats throwback cups. Throughout the afternoon, FPD and FFD filed into the McGinty Room to enjoy lunch courtesy of the Patriots.

To close the week, Partners in Patriotism made another special delivery, this time to the Foxborough Public Schools. The group dropped off goodie bags featuring candy and Patriots-themed Alex and Ani bracelets for staff at each of the five public schools. Pat Patriot and the Patriots cheerleaders even joined in on the fun at Ahern Middle School, hand-delivering the bracelets and treats, thanking the staff for all their hard work and wishing students a great February

vacation.

Kerryn Frazier, who's been principal at the Ahern for four years and worked for Foxborough Public Schools for 18 years, pointed to the surprise as a treat for both students and staff and an unforgettable way to spend the Friday before February break.

"Pat Patriot and the cheerleaders brought such a fun energy during their visit. It was a wonderful surprise for students and staff alike," Frazier said. "We are grateful for the kindness of the Patriots and the Kraft Group and feel fortunate to be in the Foxborough community, where we have such a special relationship and collaboration that provides us with opportunities and events like this."



SHINING

Kicking off our new quarterly STM Spotlight initiative with original STM Rose Clasby

As part of our continued efforts to collaborate with our Foxborough Patriots Season Ticket Members (STM), we are excited to announce our new Season Ticket Member Spotlight! Each quarter, a Foxborough STM will be featured right here in the pages of the PIP Newsletter and on PIP social, sharing their story as both a Foxborough resident and Patriots STM. To add to the fun, the Kraft family will also gift this spotlighted STM pregame field passes for a mutually agreed upon Patriots game!

Our very first STM Spotlight honoree is Rose Clasby, a Foxborough resident since 1963 and Season Ticket Member since the Patriots moved to town in 1971. In fact, Rose's late husband Daniel actually played a direct role in bringing the Patriots to Foxborough, working with his close friend Jerry Rodman to go door to door, collecting enough signatures and support from residents to approve the building of the stadium.

"He was a great football fan and when Jerry Rodman and all of them were working to get the stadium built in Foxborough, he went around to all the houses to get people to support it," she said. "I supported him and the stadium coming here totally. When they went to the school to do the vote, my goodness, 98 percent of the people raised their hands in support. It was very welcomed."

Following the nearly unanimous approval of the stadium, Rose and Daniel were first in line to get season tickets that have been in their family ever since. Rose estimates she's attended hundreds of games since that fateful day, including nearly every one alongside her husband in their first 30 years as STMs before he passed away in 2002. Now 50-plus years and two stadiums later, the pair of tickets that started out as a tradition between Rose and her husband have been enjoyed by every member of the family, as they've witnessed hundreds of wins, eight AFC Championship Games and made countless memories together from Section 132, right at the 50-yardline. Her relationship with the Patriots extends beyond the football field. As a longtime

PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM

ING A SPOTLIGHT

teacher at Taylor Elementary, she had dozens of players' children make their way into her classroom over the years.

"Being a Season Ticket Member means a lot because my husband was so involved, and he loved football, he loved the Patriots," Rose said. "He got me and my three daughters to love it too and we kept it going. He would be proud."

Sharon Chandler, Rose's daughter, is one of those family members who inherited a love of the Patriots from her parents, attending countless games over the years. Her relationship with the team extended from being at games as a fan to working at the concession stands as her first job, all the way up to working games as a member of the Foxborough Police Department. She even bought the family's original seats from Foxboro Stadium, gifting them to her father as a special surprise one Father's Day.

"If it wasn't mom at the game, it was one of us girls, usually me," Chandler said. "At first, the team wasn't that good, so you had to love football, which we did. Every memorable game they ever had, one of us was there with my dad. I can remember the Snow Bowl like it was yesterday, everybody throwing snowballs across the field. I have so many memories of all the good, fun games over the years."

Rose said she also has great memories of games over the years, with too many for her to single out just one. Now her fandom burns just as bright even if she can't catch as many games in person, faithfully tuning in each week to cheer on the team through thick and thin.

"I love everything about it [being a Foxborough Season Ticket Member]," Rose said. "I love living in this town and I'm so glad the stadium came here, it's just been wonderful. I have so many fond memories of going to the games and I still watch every game. The Kraft family are very special people."



Rose Clasby and her daughter Sharon Chandler pose in front of the Super Bowl trophies at a STM Forum.



Rose and her late husband Daniel purchased season tickets in 1971 and they've been in their family ever since.

PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM

PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM FUND

PIP Fund Surpasses \$750K in Donations

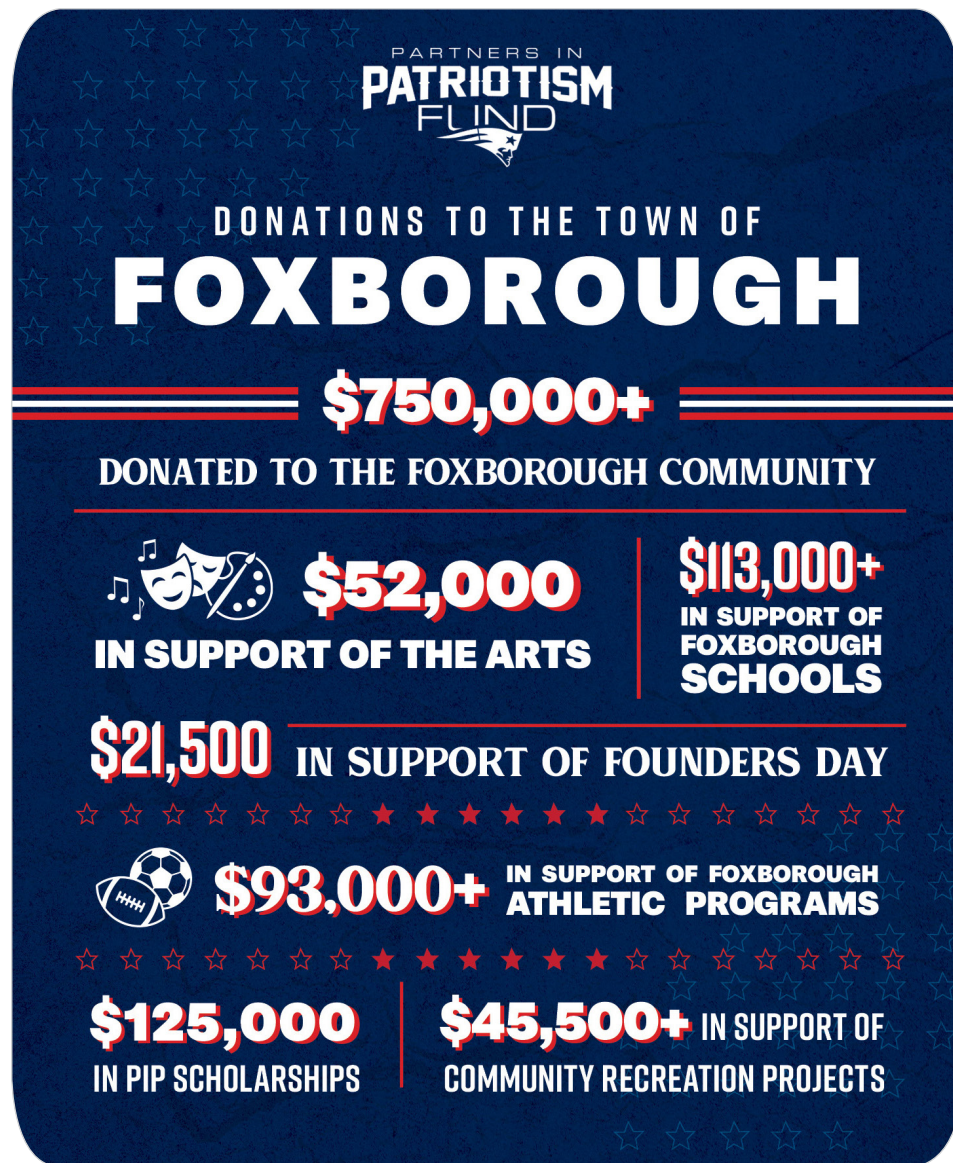
As the Partners in Patriotism (PIP) Fund closes in on a decade as a registered non-profit organization, the Foxborough-based fund has already soared past another significant milestone.

The Kraft family founded the PIP Fund in 2014 and since then, the nonprofit has awarded more than \$750,000 to Foxborough-based groups, organizations, individuals and community initiatives dedicated to providing a lasting positive impact in the 02035. This milestone is indicative of so much more than a dollar figure, reaching thousands of residents over the years.

Of the three-quarters of a million dollars in donations, more than \$113,000 has been awarded in support of Foxborough schools, more than \$93,000 has supported town-wide athletes and athletic programs, \$52,000 has supported the arts, \$45,500 has gone toward community recreation projects, \$21,500 has gone toward Founders Day and more than \$125,000 has supported the Scouts. While these community causes run the gamut from sports teams to Fox-In-The-Boro, the new Deb Giardino Pavilion and everything in between, they all share a common thread of community, each benefitting or improving the quality of life in Foxborough in their own unique way.

Additionally, the PIP Fund serves as a means of financial assistance to Foxborough residents who experience an unexpected emergency or sudden loss. Since its inception, the PIP Fund has donated more than \$200,000 to residents to make a lasting impact and help them in their time of need. In recent years, these grants have included helping Wendy Powell purchase a new vehicle after a fire totaled her car and assisting the Bartel family in purchasing a new lift for their paralyzed daughter Bella.

In addition to annual community and personal assistance grants, in 2018 the PIP Fund began awarding up to five, \$5,000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors who reside in Foxborough



and will pursue a postsecondary education. These recipients are chosen annually from a deep application pool for demonstrating a dedication to community service and exemplifying good character, high integrity and respect for others. To date, the PIP Fund has awarded a total of \$125,000 through the PIP Scholarship to some of Foxborough's brightest graduates, with the next round of deserving recipients to be chosen and announced later this spring.

The PIP Fund is by Foxborough, for Foxborough. The Grants Committee, made up of six Foxborough residents, and the Fund's Board of Directors, comprised of five members of the Kraft Group (including another four Foxborough residents), meet each month to review grant applications and determine where and how these funds should be donated in town. Additional information and the grant application can be found on page 9 and GilletteStadium.com/Partners-in-Patriotism.



Request for Donation

Partners in Patriotism Fund

The Partners in Patriotism (PIP) Fund is a registered nonprofit organization committed to supporting Foxborough-based groups and organizations that make a positive, lasting impact in the Town of Foxborough. The PIP Fund assists groups, organizations, individuals and philanthropic projects that benefit or improve the quality of life in the Town of Foxborough. The PIP Fund Grants Committee meets monthly to review grant applications in the order they are received.

Our community grants are intended to support philanthropic, charitable and humanitarian efforts of Foxborough nonprofits, organizations, civic and community groups that directly benefit the Town of Foxborough. The Fund does not fulfill sponsorship requests or projects, programs and events that do not have a direct benefit to the Town of Foxborough.

A portion of our funds also serve as a means of financial assistance to Foxborough residents who experience an unexpected emergency or loss. These personal assistance grants are intended to provide recipients with permanent financial solutions following an unexpected loss or sudden emergency that has drastically impacted the applicant's financial situation.

Every line of this form must be completed accurately and your need for funding must be stated clearly in order to be considered for review. Please attach support documentation and additional typed pages to this application as needed. For more information, visit www.GilletteStadium.com/Partners-in-Patriotism

CONTACT INFORMATION

CONTACT NAME (REQUIRED): _____

NAME OF ORGANIZATION OR INDIVIDUAL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ **EMAIL:** _____

AMOUNT OF REQUEST: _____ **DATE FUNDING IS NEEDED (Be specific):** _____

REQUEST INFORMATION

Please provide a detailed summary of your request, including the need for funding and a breakdown of estimated expenses. Please feel free to also attach supporting documents and additional pages to the application that will share your story and assist the Grants Committee in assessing your request.

If this request is approved, are you willing to share this news publicly via local media? Note, your response has no bearing on whether this application is approved.

Yes _____ No _____

By submitting this form to the Partners in Patriotism Fund, you acknowledge that the Fund may request to review and verify certain information, including financial information, with regards to your request.

Mailing address: Partners in Patriotism Fund, One Patriot Place, Foxborough MA 02035

Or scan and email to: PIPFund@Patriots.com

PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM

Thanking Our Noteworthy Neighbors

Each week we highlight a #NoteworthyNeighbor, a Foxborough resident who consistently exhibits kindness, compassion and excellence. With their contributions, these individuals help our community flourish. Noteworthy Neighbors recognized during the past quarter* include:

- **Aaron Bush**, a national semifinalist for the 2023 Music Educator Award for his work as band director at FHS;
- **Brian Fahey**, store captain at Trader Joe's Patriot Place location, who received the "Above and Beyond" award from the Foxborough Commission on Disability;
- **Krisanthi Pappas**, who plays a keyboard player in the Whitney Houston biopic "I Wanna Dance with Somebody";
- **The FHS Unified Basketball Team**, who promoted inclusivity, representation and teamwork during their inaugural season;
- **Jared Craig**, an actor who has performed internationally and appeared in the Foxboro Cable Access programs "Around Foxborough" and "Legalese;"
- **Ellen Pillsbury**, a career specialist at FHS who retired after 24 years of helping students to find their passions;



- **The FHS Community Warriors and Fashion Clubs**, who made 50 bags for Mikey's Brave Bags, a charity that delivers comfort items to children staying in the hospital;



- **Mark Small**, a successful journalist and guitarist who has interviewed numerous famous musicians;

- **The children of Butterfly Landing Family Child Care**, who handmade Valentines for local senior citizens and patrons of the Meals on Wheels program;



- **Lindsey Cuniff**, who has run three Boston Marathons, raising more than \$50,000 for the American Liver Foundation;

- **The H2T Skin and Laser Center staff**, who gifted facial treatments to teachers

as for Teacher Appreciation Week; and

- **The FHS Girls Basketball team**, who won the D2 State Championship.

If you would like to nominate a future #NoteworthyNeighbor, email us at FoxboroResidents@GilletteStadium.com, and check out @PIPFoxboro on Twitter and Partners in Patriotism on Facebook every Friday to see the latest honoree.

Mikayla Medeiros contributed to this story.

*As of production date March 30, 2023

PIP Fund Grants \$6,300 to Community

PIP FUND GRANTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION \$1,500 FOR NEW VETERAN MARKERS

From memorials on the Common to annual events on Veterans Day and Memorial Day, Foxborough has an enduring commitment to never forget our veterans and their sacrifices in support of our country.

As part of these efforts, Foxborough features 29 town square markers honoring veterans who served from World War I through current military engagements and made the ultimate sacrifice. These markers are located on street corners near these heroes' homes and are another affirmation of the town's promise to never forget them and what they did for our country. The first of these markers was built in 1923 following World War I, and over the century since, the elements have inevitably taken their toll, necessitating

their replacement. The Foxborough Historical Commission is working on replacing these markers, selecting a newly designed sign featuring the applicable war and branch of service for each veteran and working with the community to raise the requisite funds to replace these markers. The PIP Fund is proud to be a part of these important efforts, granting the Historical Commission \$1,500 to help offset the cost of these new town square markers. With this grant and contributions from the Foxborough community, the Historical Commission recently raised the requisite funds to replace all 29 markers. The first 10 markers have already been received and are in the process of being replaced. The remaining replacement markers have also been ordered, with the goal to have all the new markers in place by Memorial Day.



The first set of these new veteran markers have already been installed around town.

FHS FIELD HOCKEY GRANTED \$4,800 FOR JACKETS

The PIP Fund granted the Foxborough High School field hockey team \$4,800 to cover the cost of 40 reusable, all-weather jackets for the entire program. With the elements often proving to be challenging through unpredictable New England falls, these new jackets will keep the team warm and dry, allowing them to compete at their highest level through all conditions. These jackets will be returned by players at the end of each season so they can continue to be used in subsequent seasons and benefit the team for years to come.

PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM

Pat Patriot and Cheerleaders Join High-Five Friday Fun

Fridays are already the best day of the work and school week as the last hurdle before the weekend, full of untapped potential. But, if you thought Fridays couldn't get any better, you thought wrong.

For several years, the Foxborough Police Department have hosted High-Five Friday, greeting students at Foxborough elementary schools with a high five and a smile as they head into school for the day. This fun-filled activity

is part of FPD's continued community policing efforts in town.

Pat Patriot and the Patriots Cheerleaders just had to get in on the fun, joining FPD for four Fridays through February and March. Each week, the group rolled up to a different elementary school in town (Burrell, Igo, Taylor and Foxborough Regional Charter School) to greet students, dish out high fives, take photos, sign autographs and spread joy.



Community Partnership: Aflac Event at Stadium Collects 1,000 Items for Discretionary Fund

Throughout the year, Gillette Stadium hosts several corporate and social functions as a major part of the venue's year-round operation. One of these recent events was welcoming our partner Aflac for their 2023 kickoff. In the spirit of giving, Aflac decided to anchor a food drive with this event to support the local community in which they live, work and were hosting this very event.

When they turned to us for assistance in identifying a local food pantry to receive these donations, we immediately thought of our neighbors in town and the Foxborough Food Pantry/Discretionary Fund. Aflac's food drive was an overwhelming success, as attendees donated more than 1,000 essential items including nonperishable food, toiletries and more. In all, the donations filled four huge bins to the brim, with enough essential items to help our neighbors in Foxborough and the surrounding community all winter long.

"The Foxborough Food Pantry/Discretionary Fund was so grateful to be chosen as the recipient of this donation," said Sue Blake, a 28-year resident and volunteer with the organization for more than a decade. "Our shelves are currently well-stocked, thanks to food drives such as this one. We are truly fortunate to be part of this special Foxborough community. Local businesses and organizations, schools, places of worship, and many individual contributors continuously demonstrate kindness of assisting our neighbors who may need a little help from time to time."

The Foxborough Food Pantry is located at the Bethany Congregational Church and open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m.



PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM

RESIDENT PLAYBOOK

WIN TICKETS TO ED SHEERAN'S RETURN TO GILLETTE STADIUM!

There's one important addition to Ed Sheeran's + - = ÷ x Tour: You! Kraft Sports + Entertainment is giving one Foxborough resident four (4) tickets and VIP parking to Sheeran's June 30 show at the home of the New England Patriots and Revolution. Sheeran will return to Gillette Stadium, the first NFL stadium he ever headlined, for the first time since 2018 when he takes the stage on June 30 & July 1. Don't want to wait? Tickets are available for the June 30 show at [Ticketmaster.com](https://www.ticketmaster.com).

Details on how to enter this exclusive resident offer can be found in the photo caption. No purchase necessary to enter or win. Void where prohibited or restricted by law. Must be age of maturity in jurisdiction of residence to enter.

HOW TO WIN



To enter to win this Foxborough resident sweepstakes, please fill out the form located within the "Resident Playbook" section online at GilletteStadium.com/Partners-in-Patriotism. One winner will be chosen at random and notified via email. Deadline to enter sweepstakes is **May 22, 2023 at 11:59 p.m.** For rules and regulations, visit GilletteStadium.com/Partners-in-Patriotism.

PRESORTED
STANDARD
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
N. READING, MA
PERMIT NO. 211

Gillette Stadium
One Patriot Place
Foxborough, MA 02035

