

St. Luke's Auxiliary awards \$5000 in scholarships to local graduating high school seniors

Southcoast Health announced today that the St. Luke's Hospital Auxiliary awarded five \$1,000 scholarships to area high school seniors entering college in the fall to pursue careers in healthcare.

- Sandra Allen, the auxiliary scholarship chair, presented the awards to:

- Samantha Landry, a graduate from Bishop Stang High School, who will enter the nursing program at Clemson University in Clemson, S.C.

- Courtney Carreiro, a graduate of Greater New Bedford Regional High School, who will enter the nursing program at University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth.

- Erin Tetrault, a graduate from Dartmouth High School, who will attend Lipscomb University in Nashville, T.N., to study Psychology and Behavioral Therapy.

- Isabella Freitas, a graduate from Dartmouth High School, who will enter the Pre-Dental program the University of New England in Biddeford M.E.

- Sharon Jacob, who graduated from Greater New Bedford Regional High School, who will attend Johnson and Wales University in Providence, R.I. entering the fast track Physician's Assistant Program.

"Our applicants were all outstanding, multi-talented students and the selection process was very challenging," said Allen.

“We chose the best of the best!”.

The St. Luke’s Hospital Auxiliary is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to render services to St. Luke’s Hospital, its tax-exempt subsidiaries, and its patients and to assist in promoting health and welfare of the community. Members serve as ambassadors to the community on behalf of the hospital. St. Luke’s Hospital is located in New Bedford and is part of the Southcoast Health hospital system. For more information or to join, please call Anne Porter at 508-982-3130.

About Southcoast Health

Southcoast Health is a not-for-profit, charitable organization and the largest provider of primary and specialty care in the region, serving communities in Rhode Island and across Southeastern Massachusetts. Southcoast Health was named to Newsweek’s World’s Best Hospitals 2019 inaugural list.

Out of the 2,743 considered hospitals in the US, only 250 earned this recognition. Southcoast Hospitals Group ranked 162. With a network of more than 600 physicians, hospitalists and mid-level practitioners, Southcoast Health is comprised of three acute care hospitals – Charlton Memorial Hospital in Fall River, St. Luke’s Hospital in New Bedford, and Tobey Hospital in Wareham, and also provides behavioral health services in partnership with Acadia at Southcoast Behavioral Health in Dartmouth.

Southcoast Health’s seven Urgent Care Centers, two Centers for Cancer Care, visiting nurse association and numerous additional ambulatory facilities offer convenience and access to services for more than 724,000 residents in 33 communities covering over 900 square miles in Southeastern Massachusetts and Rhode Island. With more than 7,500 employees, Southcoast Health is the largest employer in Southeastern Mass., and the 18th largest employer in the Commonwealth according to the

Boston Business Journal. Southcoast Health is proud of our mission of providing high-quality affordable healthcare to our patients and proud of our tradition of eliminating the barriers that prevent access to care. More information is available online at www.southcoast.org.

Connect to Southcoast Health through social media on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn. Southcoast® is a registered trademark of Southcoast Health System.

Friends of Hazelwood Park accepting donations for bowling greens

The Friends of Hazelwood Park, partnering with the Department of Parks, Recreation & Beaches, are excited to announce that an anonymous donor interested in the renovation of the park's bowling greens will match up to \$50,000 received in donations with a 2:1 match – for a total of \$150,000 – to restore the greens.

Many city residents remember the traditional bowling on the lawns at Hazelwood Park. According to Bowls USA, modern lawn bowling is a family-friendly activity suitable to people of all ages and abilities. In New Bedford, Youth Opportunities Unlimited (YOU) has taught lawn bowling and croquet to participants on the greens for the past 15 years. This summer, the Department of Parks, Recreation & Beaches and the Friends of Hazelwood Park, together with Bowls USA and the Marion Croquet Club, will be offering free family clinics on the greens.

Donations to renovate the greens received by December 31, 2019 will be matched in a 2:1 match up to the \$50,000 by the anonymous donor. Those interested in donating should make checks out to the City of New Bedford Department of Parks, Recreation & Beaches, noting the Hazelwood Bowling Greens Fund for the donation.

The intent of the donor is to encourage as many individuals as possible to become involved with the upgrade, development and use of the bowling pitches and croquet greens. The fund will be administered by the Department of Parks, Recreation & Beaches through the Park Board. Disbursement will be limited to expenses to restore and maintain the bowling pitches at Hazelwood Park. Gift receipts to each donor will be issued by the Department of Parks, Recreation & Beaches as required under IRS code and applicable regulations.

Upcoming events:

A Bowling & Croquet Clinic will be held on Tuesday, July 9, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on the Hazelwood bowling greens. Instruction will be provided by the New York Lawn Bowling Club, Essex Lawn Bowling Club and the Marion Mallett Club. Participants will be from Youth Opportunities Unlimited, Community Boating Center, Council on Aging, and Veterans Transition House. The public is welcome to participate.

The Friends of Hazelwood Park are hosting a New Bedford Sunset Cruise fundraiser on Thursday, July 11, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to benefit the bowling green renovations. Funds raised will qualify for the anonymous donor's match challenge. For more information, contact Parks, Recreation & Beaches at 508-961-3015.

Parks, Recreation & Beaches will be hosting free lawn bowling clinics at Hazelwood Park on Mondays and Fridays from 11 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. during the months of July and August.

For more information on any of these programs contact the

Department of Parks, Recreation & Beaches at 508-961-3015 or at info.prb@newbedford-ma.gov.

For more information on the clinics visit, www.nbprb.com. For more information on making a donation to the renovation of the bowling greens, contact the Parks, Recreation & Beaches office at 508-961-3015.

Wareham Police Department pack “Bags Of Hope” to distribute to area’s hospitalized children

Recently members of the Wareham Police Association gathered at the station to pack “Bags of Hope” for the [Happy Hope Foundation](#).

The bags are given to children who are hospitalized and consist of crayons, cards, bubbles, masks, and toys, in an effort to make the child’s stay more pleasant during a difficult time. Scotlyn Larue, a nurse at Wareham Pediatrics, along with Deb Gonsalves, nursing manager at Tobey Hospital, are coordinating the delivery of the bags to children in need.

Juvenile Detective Karl Baptiste, along with Scotlyn’s husband Officer Calib Larue spearheaded the project for the Police Association.



Acushnet Police Department to hand out “Positive Citations” to area youth

“Will you be cited? Back by popular demand:

The [Acushnet Police Department](#) is proud to continue our partnership with the [Acushnet Creamery](#)!! The Acushnet Creamery has ONCE AGAIN graciously donated “Positive Citations” which will be handed out by members of the APD to youngsters spotted “doing the right thing”!

The "Citation" is good for one "Kiddie" cone ice cream at all three of the Acushnet Creamery locations!! A big thank you to our friends at the Acushnet Creamery!! We can't wait to hand them out! See you out there!!!!!!" – Acushnet Police Department

POSITIVE CITATION



**You've been busted....
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This ticket is good for one FREE kiddy cone of ice cream
at any of Acushnet Creamery's 3 locations!



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South Dartmouth, MA

Acushnet Creamery
264 Main Street
Acushnet, MA

Acushnet Creamery at
Pier 3
New Bedford, MA

The Medeiros Law Firm to serve as Title Sponsor of 2019 JA Golf Championship

Junior Achievement of Southern Massachusetts announces that The Medeiros Law Firm will act as the Title Sponsor for the 22nd Annual JA IRONMAN Golf Championship with a \$10,000 donation to support JA's free financial literacy, career

readiness, and entrepreneurship education programs across Southern Massachusetts.

Ryan M. Medeiros, Esq. – founder and sole owner of The Medeiros Law Firm – is from New Bedford and graduated from New Bedford High School before going on to receive his B.A. in Corporate Systems from Boston College and J.D. from the University of Massachusetts School of Law – Dartmouth.

Attorney Medeiros said, “As a New Bedford-native and an entrepreneur, I’m happy to support Junior Achievement in their efforts to bring financial literacy, career readiness, and entrepreneurship programs to the SouthCoast. I know firsthand how important these skills are in the business world and I’m pleased to be in a position to support our local community through Junior Achievement.”

President of Junior Achievement of Southern Massachusetts Jeffrey Pelletier said, “We are deeply grateful for Ryan Medeiros and The Medeiros Law Firm’s support which will help us bring JA’s life-changing programs to thousands of students across the region again this year. Ryan is a great example of a local entrepreneur who is committed to his community and his generosity will go far for our local students. ”

The IRONMAN Golf Championship is Junior Achievement of Southern Massachusetts’ largest fundraising event each year. To be held on Monday, June 3rd at the prestigious Bay Club in Mattapoisett, this year’s event will include 36 holes of championship golf; breakfast, lunch, and an awards dinner; and great prizes for performance in golf and fundraising. If you would like to learn more about supporting JA through this great event as an individual golfer or corporate sponsor, please contact Junior Achievement of Southern Massachusetts’ Events and Development Manager, Nicole Nault at Nicole.Nault@ja.org.



The Medeiros Law Firm (TMLF) is a solo-practice, business law firm providing individuals, small businesses, nonprofits, and other entrepreneurs with legal services related to entity startups, asset protection, and other transactional matters. The firm utilizes advanced law practice software and technology to help facilitate collaboration and correspondences between Attorney Medeiros and his clients. As a result, TMLF can better provide clients with efficient legal services and a more personalized overall experience. TMLF proudly serves the greater Boston area, including the South

Shore and South Coast. To learn more, please visit www.themedeiroslawfirm.com or call (617) 302-2690.

Junior Achievement of Southern Massachusetts is a nonprofit organization dedicated to giving young people the knowledge and skills they need to own their economic success, plan for their futures, and make smart academic and economic choices. JA inspires and prepares young people to succeed in a global economy through their free K-12 education programs which focus on the key content areas of financial literacy, career readiness, and entrepreneurship. This year Junior Achievement of Southern Massachusetts will impact nearly 7,000 local students. To learn more, please visit www.jasouthernma.org.

For more information or to sign up, please contact Nicole at nicole.nault@ja.org or 508-997-6536. You can also sign up now by downloading the [registration form](#) or [submitting the online form](#).



WHEN:

Monday, June 3, 2019 at 7:30AM–7:00PM

WHERE:

The Bay Club at Mattapoisett

63 County Rd.

Mattapoisett, Massachusetts 02739

Junior Achievement of Southern Massachusetts

128 Union Street, Suite 304

New Bedford, MA 02740

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Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/JA.SouthernMA/>

Facebook Event Page: [facebook.com/events/409827226250301](https://www.facebook.com/events/409827226250301)

Orphaned Barn Owl rescued this winter is released back into the wild

“In November of 2018, a fledgling Barn Owl from Nantucket was admitted to the Cape Wildlife Center in Barnstable. The fledgling was in poor condition and suspected to be an orphan. The owl received supportive care until he was strong enough to spend time in an outdoor flight barn learning how to fly.

Barn Owls are a species of special concern in Massachusetts because of their small population size. As a young bird, his chances of surviving his first winter without his parents were concerning, so the decision was made to overwinter him and release him in the spring.

This weekend, a Massachusetts Environmental Police Lieutenant, with the assistance of the Nantucket Department of Natural Resources, transported the Barn Owl from the Wildlife Center to Nantucket Conservation Foundation property and released him

back into the wild.” – Massachusetts Environmental Police.





The 3rd Annual “Run to End Addiction” 5K to feature “Kid’s Zone,” face-painting, live music, games, food,

bounce house and more!

Join thousands of Teen Challenge supporters on the beautiful campus of Bridgewater State University for a day filled with entertainment, food, fellowship, prizes, and so much more!

Individuals, teams, churches, schools, and corporations from around the state will join together in support of our efforts to End Addiction. You can help make this campaign a success; people from all walks of life are welcome. Your time and enthusiasm are greatly appreciated!

There will have live music, a Kid Zone with face painting, games and bounce houses, and FREE food! The goal is to create an environment where the community can join together in raising awareness and hope for those in our midst who suffer from substance use disorder.

Money raised will go towards supporting sponsorships to [Teen Challenge Massachusetts](#). Teen Challenge Massachusetts provides adults, teens and families with an effective and comprehensive Christian faith-based solution, clinical counseling, and life-coaching for drugs, alcohol, and other life-controlling problems in order to become productive members of society. **Register Online:** racewire.com/register.php

5K Run/Walk

Bridgewater State University,
131 Summer Street,
Bridgewater, MA

Saturday, June 1, 2019, *rain or shine*

Registration opens at 7:30am; Race begins at 9:00am; Walk begins at 9:05am

Parking is at the Bridgewater State Parking Garage, 451 Great Hill Drive, Bridgewater.

Facebook: [facebook.com/TeenChallengeBrockton/](https://www.facebook.com/TeenChallengeBrockton/)

"My name is Teddy Conseillant. I grew up in a very violent neighborhood in Brooklyn, New York. My mother was a single parent and a prayer warrior. I remember being forced to go to church but I didn't want anything to do with God. At age 13, I joined any gang and ran the streets for years. Gang banging was my life and but I didn't do drugs because I was paranoid. When I was 19, a very close friend got shot twice in the chest right in front of me. He died in my arms. His death affected me greatly and I stopped caring about anything. My behavior became out of control.

My biological father was not a part of my life, but I always had a father. His name was Pastor Barry. I met him when I was ten years old. We became very close and he became my Pops. He adopted me into his family. He always tried to get me in church but it never worked. By the age of 22, I had three beautiful daughters and a very bad drinking habit. I chose the bottle over my daughters. I couldn't stop drinking. My life was quickly becoming a mess. I didn't know what to do.

I called Pops and told him that if I stayed on the streets I would die. He told me to come to Teen Challenge. Teen Challenge opened my eyes to the truth. Learning how to submit was a major part in my change and I quickly fell in love with Christ.

I had come into Teen Challenge a high school dropout, but I was able to get my high school diploma in Teen Challenge. Last January I started college at North Point Bible College. I couldn't have done any this without Christ!" – Teddy

Here's how to participate:

1. Complete your registration by going to racewire.com/register.php.
2. Start a Crowdrise fundraiser at crowdrise.com/RunToEndAddiction2019 and ask people to sponsor you. Spread the word to your friends, family, co-workers, everyone!
3. Show up on race day! Come to run, walk or just spend your morning with us as we gather together as a community.

Additional Details: This year's event is chip timed. Everyone that registers on or before May 19th will be receiving a premium quality custom Run to End Addiction t-shirt. Custom finisher medals will be given to everyone that crosses the finish line and there will also be great prizes for First, Second and Third place winners for Men & Women.

We encourage both runners and walkers of all ages to sign up! There will be music, kid-friendly games, light refreshments and informational booths for those attending.

Please contact Run to End Addiction 5K Committee Chair John at progdev@tcmassachusetts.org or (508) 326-7365 with any questions or concerns.

Please note that you will receive a tax-deductible receipt for all donations.

You can also donate to Teen Challenge directly by starting a Facebook fundraiser, a Crowdrise fundraiser, or by simply joining or donating to another already existing fundraiser.



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JUNE 1, 2019 | 9:00AM START TIME
BRIDGEWATER STATE UNIVERSITY

Register at www.RunToEndAddiction.com



27th annual Greater New Bedford Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger" Food Drive, May 11th

Join the fight against hunger in Greater New Bedford by simply walking to your mailbox on Saturday, May 11th! Join the National Association of Letter Carriers SE MA Merged Branch 18, the US Postal Service and United Way of Greater New Bedford for the 27th annual Letter Carriers' Food Drive and help us Stamp Out Hunger!

"Last year, Stamp Out Hunger collected 21,000 lbs of food in just one day in Greater New Bedford," said Victoria Grasela, Director of Marketing & Community Relations United Way of Greater New Bedford. "We're hoping to surpass this number on May 11th. United Way is a proud supporter of these efforts and encourage everyone to do what they can to help stock the shelves of local pantries."

To participate in Stamp Out Hunger, leave a non-perishable food item or bag of items (every little bit helps!) by your mailbox or on your porch. Food will be collected by your letter carrier during your normal mail delivery. Non-perishable food may include: cereals, beans, rice, canned meats, tuna, soups, vegetables, peanut butter, jellies or jams, pasta, tomato sauces, pancake mix or juices. For safety reasons, we ask that no glass containers be donated to avoid breakage and that food has not expired.

Food collected by letter carriers throughout the day will be brought to local post offices where it is sorted and packed for food pantries to take back to stock their shelves. Pantries benefiting from Stamp Out Hunger locally include

Catholic Social Services, The Family Pantry- Damien's Place, M.O. Life Food Pantry, PACE, The Salvation Army, and Shepherd's Pantry.

Since the beginning of the drive, nearly 1.3 billion pounds of food has been collected, 70 million pounds of that collected locally! Each year the drive collects between 40,000- 70,000 pounds of food for local pantries.

Through its Hunger Commission Network and partnership with the local postal workers union, United Way serves as a local convener for this effort.

Anyone interested in volunteering to assist letter carriers in collecting the food on their routes throughout Greater New Bedford during the course of the day may arrange to do so by calling Richard Drolet at 508-801-2881 by Thursday evening, May 9th.

Be sure to join us Saturday, May 11th, and leave a non-perishable item or bag of items by your mailbox or on your porch and help us Stamp Out Hunger in Greater New Bedford!

Winslow Elementary students spread kindness at school and in the community

A team of students at Betsey B. Winslow Elementary School has earned praise for its community service activities, including a recent effort to organize donations for the homeless in New Bedford.

"We have a strong team of staff, students and parents at our

school,” said Kristen Nightingale, a special education teacher and the school’s PBIS coach. “Our student team is called the PBIS Ambassadors of Kindness and they work hard to spread kindness in school and in the community.”

“Recently, one of our fourth graders, Cameron, wanted to start a collection for the homeless people in New Bedford,” she continued. “Through many generous donations of our Winslow families we were able to make 42 care packages for the homeless.”

“I got this idea from watching YouTube videos about people helping the homeless,” said Cameron. “I realized I could make a difference, too. I asked my friends and teachers to help me make my dream come true.”

“Homeless people should be respected,” he continued. “I hope me and the PBIS team can keep making a difference.”

Members of Grace Church distributed the PBIS team’s care packages to the homeless at their Sunday morning community breakfast on April 14.

“To watch this young group of students accomplish so many wonderful acts of kindness is truly amazing,” said principal Carolyn Pontes. “This project is only one of many caring endeavors that they come up with on their own and always follow through with.”



“The kindness ambassadors spend many hours after school planning opportunities to help others and organizing monthly pep rallies to foster high student morale,” she continued. “Ms. Nightingale, the Winslow PBIS team, and the kindness ambassadors have taken the initiative to another level by forming many partnerships with community organizations. I am extremely proud of our ambassadors and grateful to the Grace Church for their help with this project,” said Principal Ponte.

“Drive 4UR School” Fundraiser

at Fairhaven High School, Sat. May 4th

Between 9:00am and 4:00pm on Saturday, May 4th, the team at Empire Ford of New Bedford is proud to host the annual Drive4UrSchool Event, located in the back parking lot of Fairhaven High School on 12 Huttleson Ave in Fairhaven, MA. This is a **rain-or-shine event**, and we look forward to detailing this event and what the proceeds will go towards!

What is the Drive4UrSchool Event?

Empire Ford and Ford Motor Co. pledge to donate \$20 towards the FHS junior and senior classes with every test drive of a new Ford model as part of this event. From the award-winning F-150 to best-selling SUVs in the Escape, Explorer and Expedition, you can preview vehicles that will make a difference for daily travel experiences, all while benefitting a good cause!

Who Does this Event Benefit?

With a goal to raise \$6,000 for the junior and senior classes of Fairhaven High School, a scheduled test drive can go a long way towards supporting the future development and college aspirations of these students! From new Ford sedans, to trucks, a range of different body styles are readily available to review from behind the wheel during this test drive event. And knowing that the proceeds will go towards an education cause you care about provides extra incentive to join Empire Ford of New Bedford on Saturday, May 4th!

How Can I Learn More?

For more information on the upcoming Empire Ford Annual Drive4UrSchool Event, contact Linda Ferreira at 888-693-0925 extension 6118 or visit [facebook.com/events/332917504000871/](https://www.facebook.com/events/332917504000871/).

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*For more information, contact Linda Ferreira 508-996-5611, ext. 6118
or on-line @ EmpireFordofNewBedford.com/drive-4-ur-school.htm*

Must be 18 years of age or older with a valid driver's license. One eligible driver