

Meet Our Committee Member: *Mary McGoldrick*

Let us be grateful to people who make us happy, they are the charming gardeners who make our souls blossom. – Marcel Proust

We are fortunate that Mary is a member of our committee, and we have our Campaign Chair Jody Nash to thank for that. "If it wasn't for my friend Jody, I may never have had the chance to get involved with Cushing," Mary says, as she was unfamiliar with Cushing until Jody brought the organization to her attention. After learning that Jody's daughter Sophie attended Cushing, Mary wanted to become more involved and decided to volunteer in our Hanover community.

As an avid gardener, Mary was able to bring her skill set to Cushing to help complete a number of beautification projects, including landscaping the grounds surrounding the Sisters Inn. "It was great to be able to do something I love and quite literally dig into this volunteer role. Derek Nelson, the instructor at the Greenhouse, made me feel so welcome. When we were finished, I knew I wanted to continue being involved at Cushing in any way possible."

Shortly after, Mary joined art instructor Randy Wiskow in his classroom. "Seeing what the students are capable of, and getting to know them better, is truly inspiring. Getting the chance to work alongside Sophie is an added bonus!"

In addition to continuing her volunteer work, Mary decided to make an impact at Cushing by serving on the Capital Campaign committee as well as joining Cushing's Board of Directors. "I have seen first-hand the positive impact Cardinal Cushing Centers has had on Sophie and all of the students. I want to make sure that the extraordinary vision of the organization is able to continue for years to come, and am honored to do my part to help."



Meet Who We Support: **Matthew Cosentino**

Matthew Cosentino is a young man of many talents: assistant fireman, marathoner, ATV driver, and actor to name just a few.

Originally from Medfield, MA, Matt joined the Cushing community in the summer of 2016 as a residential student. Since his arrival he has wowed crowds as the preacher in *Shrek the Musical*, worked at the Cardinal Cushing Thrift Store, and he joined the crew at Montilio's Bakery, greasing baking pans and assembling bakery boxes. Always keeping busy, Matt is also scheduled to start working again at the Sharon Fire Department.

When he's not hard at work, you might find Matt participating in any number of endurance races with his duo teammate, David Lusignan. The duo most recently crossed the finish line at the Marine Corps marathon this past October in just 3 hours and 49 minutes! Matthew, whose mitochondrial disease can result in high levels of fatigue, was able to complete the Tunnel to Towers 5K walk all on his own this past fall. This run/walk series was created to retrace the final steps of Stephen Siller, a New York City firefighter (FDNY) who lost his life on September 11, 2001 after strapping on his gear and running through the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel to the Twin Towers. It was truly a special race and an extra special moment for Matt. Since Matt's arrival at Cushing, he's made great progress towards his employment goals and is enjoying hanging out with his new friends. At home, he loves cooking on the grill and making chili for tailgate parties. He's started cooking for his friends here at Cushing too, inviting them over to his place to watch sports.



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A Message from our Campaign Chair, Jody Nash

Dear Friends,
Before we get wrapped up in the holiday season, I wanted to share with you exciting updates regarding the campaign. There have been significant contributions since our last update, and I am so glad to be able to share them with you during this joyous time of year.



Recently we received support from several major foundations, including a very generous gift from the Yawkey Foundation. Support from the Yawkey Foundation has come at a crucial time in the campaign and brings us even closer to our goal. Members of the Yawkey Foundation recently visited our Hanover neighborhood in order to feature us in their annual report, which is read by other donors and foundations. This report will provide us with even more exposure for the campaign, and I look forward to sharing it with you upon its release.

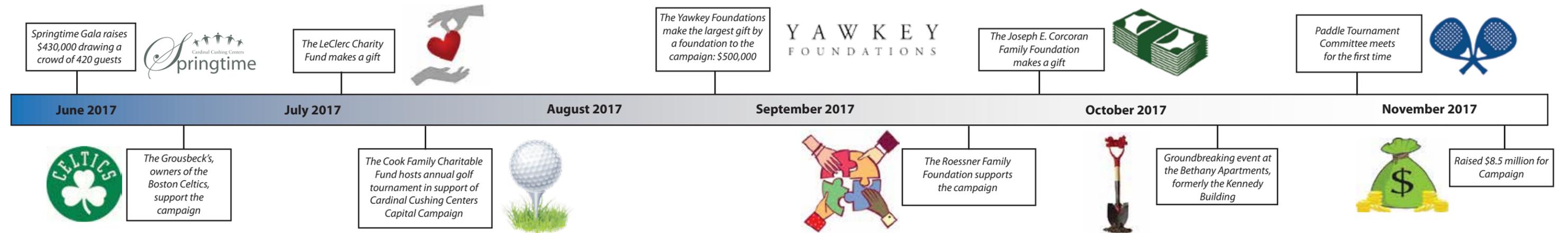
In addition, this past July the Cook Family Foundation was gracious enough to donate funds raised from their annual golf tournament towards the capital campaign and we received significant gifts from the Grousbecks and Roessner Family Foundation.

Cushing's vision to create an integrated neighborhood where people with and without disabilities live, work, learn, shop and socialize together as one community is becoming a reality. We recently hosted a groundbreaking ceremony in October for the newly named Bethany Apartments, formerly the Kennedy Building where we were joined by Cardinal Seán P. O'Malley O.F.M. Cap., Lt. Governor Karyn Polito and Lisa Alberghini, President of the Planning Office for Urban Affairs of the Archdiocese. Bethany Apartments will provide 37 units of workforce housing, as well as 4 units for adults with disabilities, and construction should be complete by Spring of 2018.

I look forward to sharing more success stories with you in the New Year. We are excited to be hosting a paddle tournament, "Paddle for a Purpose," in early spring to raise more funds for the new MarketPlace Building. I will share more information on this exciting new event in the near future.

I am so grateful for all of your support! From our family to yours, we wish you a happy and healthy holiday season.

Timeline to Success



We believe that barriers to integration in the community should be removed and opportunities for meaningful employment should be plentiful for people of all abilities. The new Cardinal Cushing Centers MarketPlace Building moves us closer to realizing that vision. Estimated to cost \$9 million, to date we have raised \$8 million. Thank you for your generous support!

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Make a pledge if you haven't already!
- Support the endowment through a planned gift
- Join the Campaign Committee
- Help us broaden our circles through introductions
- See if your employer has a foundation or giving program
- Take a tour to learn more about us

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Meet Our Supporters: Jeffrey and Arlene Tannenbaum



It's been a little over ten years since Ari (pictured far right) started his journey at Cardinal Cushing Centers as a residential student. His family's support of our organization dates back just as far, and it is an honor to recognize Jeffrey and Arlene Tannenbaum as both long-time supporters of our organization and donors to our Capital Campaign.

In 2011 Ari walked across the stage at graduation and made the transition into our programs for adults with disabilities. Ari has a job he enjoys at Petco in Hanover. He has 3 roommates who he also calls his friends. It's not unusual to see the guys taking a walk to Mary Lou's for a coffee break, or playing a game of outdoor volleyball when the weather is nice and warm.

Jeffrey and Arlene (pictured above with their family) are so pleased that Ari has found a place where he can grow and thrive, and over the years they have never missed the opportunity to say thank you by giving to our annual appeal, our Springtime gala, or our Boston Marathon team. And in the true spirit of family giving, we would be remiss if we did not mention Ari's grandmother, Judith, who has also consistently supported our mission over the years, as well as our vision for the future.

We are honored to recognize the Tannenbaum Family as donors to the Capital Campaign. Their gifts are valuable representations of their commitment to helping us create an integrated neighborhood where people with and without disabilities live, learn, work and socialize together in the same space. And we couldn't be more grateful for their support.