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Quarterly Insight into the Progress and Philanthropy of The Kraft Group

# PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM

## A GIFT INSPIRED BY SAM



From left: Partners in Patriotism Fund Grant Committee member Cindy Venuto, vice chair Mark Powers, Foxborough High School senior Brian DeVellis, Class of 2015 President Kayla Sepe, Grants Committee Chair Jimmy McGowan and member Livia Binks.

### Partners in Patriotism Fund donates \$5K to FHS Class of 2015 for class gift in memory of Sam Berns

As the Foxborough High School Class of 2015 embarks on a new chapter, they will leave behind a lasting memory of their dear friend and classmate, Sam Berns, who passed away from progeria in January 2014.

Needing funds to build a memorial garden and walkway with benches and a plaque at the Sam Berns Community Field, this year's graduating class recently received a \$5,000 grant from the Partners in Patriotism Fund, which will assist in the cost of materials and labor needed to complete the class gift.

"We are very grateful of this donation," said Class of 2015 President Kayla Sepe. "A lot of people have stepped up to help us and the

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## NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Stadium upgrades to bring new business, more town revenue

It is an exciting time around Gillette Stadium and Patriot Place as many of our construction projects begin to take shape around the property.

At Gillette Stadium, the goal of the OPTUM Field Lounge, Cross Insurance Pavilion and Business Center, DraftKings Sports Zone and suite renovations is simple: enhance the guest experience for patrons and season ticket members who attend events at our venue.

The **OPTUM Field Lounge**, located in the south end zone, will be the first field-level lounge at Gillette Stadium. On Patriots game days, the lounge will provide members with a new experience through its unique end zone views, outdoor terrace and climate-controlled indoor space. Eight hundred season ticket members have purchased OPTUM Field Lounge memberships for the 2015 season.

On non-event days, the lounge will be used as function space available for rent to corporate and private parties. This includes anything from an outdoor reception to an indoor dinner or meeting.

On the north end of the stadium will be the **Cross Insurance Pavilion & Business Center**. This facility will further enhance the function space Gillette Stadium has to offer,

especially on non-event days. Events expected to be held at the pavilion and business center include business meetings, trade shows, proms, dinners and cocktail receptions.

On event days, the facility will function as a higher end pre-game hospitality option for groups beginning 2.5 hours before the event. At 30 minutes prior to the event, the space will open to ticketed patrons inside the stadium.

On the southwest corner of the stadium, near the UBid gate, will be **The DraftKings Sports Zone**. This will be an enhanced concession stand geared towards fantasy football players inside the stadium on event day.

"For a 1 p.m. game, we will have every game on TV that's being played at that time," said Jim Nolan,

Patriots senior vice president of operations, finance and administration. "We will also have separate screens dedicated to fantasy stats, so people who are fantasy players, which there are a significant number, can come here and get their real-time fantasy information."

The DraftKings Sports Zone will be open to ticketed patrons and accessed on the main concourse.



A rendering of the view from the outdoor patio of Gillette Stadium's OPTUM Field Lounge - expected to open prior to the start of the 2015 Patriots season.

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# PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM

## IN PATRIOT PLACE



## Arts Come Alive

*Inaugural Foxborough Street Painting Festival at Patriot Place showcases talents of local artists*

The fine arts were alive and well on May 2 as Patriot Place hosted the inaugural Foxborough Street Painting Festival in partnership with the Foxborough Public Schools and Foxboro Dental Associates.

"We had a great time spending the day with so many wonderful artists and enjoyed watching their incredible chalk drawings come to life," said Kelly Arcacha, district visual art department head at Foxborough Public Schools. "What an amazing turnout and show of support from the community. Many thanks to Patriot Place for hosting the event and providing all the wonderful interactive art activities throughout the day and Foxboro Dental Associates for helping us sponsor this celebration of community arts."

Artists of all ages from Foxborough and surrounding communities came together to celebrate the arts through their creative use of pastel chalks to capture the festival's theme, "Where Smiles Come Alive," on 5'x5' cement squares scattered throughout Patriot Place's North Marketplace.

Among the artwork on display was a famous scene from Santorini, Greece outside of Splitsville Luxury Lanes, as Sophia Jaber, Ahlam Antar and Holly Wilbar from Foxborough High School showcased their talents. Their drawing later won second place in the Students Grades 9-12 category.

Around the corner, Joey McCabe from the Ahern Middle School created a smiling Patriots logo with the messages, "Do Your Job" and "Boston Strong." McCabe won first place in the Students Grades 5-8 category.

Behind the Brigham and Women's / Mass General Health Care Center was Igo Elementary School student Emma O'Sullivan creating a heart-warming scene of a mother embracing her daughter. O'Sullivan's drawing won third place for the Best Representation of Theme, "Where Smiles Come Alive" and a \$50 prize.

"This is awesome," O'Sullivan said. "This is my first trophy ever!"

## BY THE NUMBERS

# 66,660,000

Number of steps taken by runners in the annual Finish at the 50 road races



# 7,500

Number of tons of dirt needed to cover Gillette Stadium for Monster Jam Path of Destruction.



# 1,500

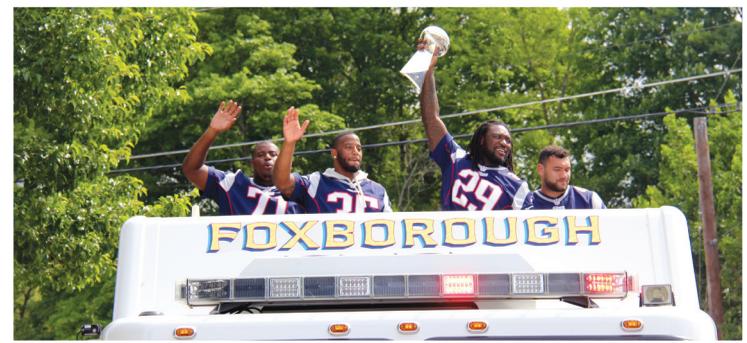
Average number of classic and custom cars on display at Mass Cruisers Auto Show at Patriot Place



# 692

Number of music awards won by the 2015 summer concert series artists performing at Gillette Stadium.

## IN THE COMMUNITY



## Pats Celebrate FOUNDERS DAY

Several members of the Super Bowl XLIX Champion New England Patriots surprised the Founders Day crowd with the Lombardi Trophy during the annual parade on June 13.

Pats running backs LeGarrette Blount (#29) and Jonas Gray (#35), tight end Michael Hoomanawanui (#47), defensive lineman Zach Moore (#90) and offensive lineman Cameron Fleming (#71) rolled through Foxborough on Fire Engine 22.



## LETTERS & ASK PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM What's On Your Mind? Let Us Know!

Share your letters, questions and feedback with Partners in Patriotism and have your submissions published and questions answered in an upcoming issue, as we provide this forum for open dialogue between residents and the Kraft organization. Email your questions or letters to [FoxboroResidents@GilletteStadium.com](mailto:FoxboroResidents@GilletteStadium.com), or mail them to Gillette Stadium, One Patriot Place, Foxborough, MA 02035, Attention: Jeremie Smith. Please include your name.

# PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM

## Development: Patriot Place Additions

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Once completed, these projects are expected to generate new business through a variety of functions and events, especially on non-event days, which should result in additional meals tax and hotel occupancy tax revenue for the town.

"We are excited to bring these projects onboard because I think it gives all of our fans more reasons to continue to come to Gillette Stadium beyond the product on the field," Nolan said. "The more successful events we can bring to Gillette Stadium, the more revenue the town will realize."

At Patriot Place, construction will be starting soon on a new hotel in the North Marketplace adjacent to the Renaissance Boston Patriot Place Hotel. Expected to be completed in 2016, the new hotel will be a Hilton Garden Inn and feature 136 rooms.

To make room for the Hilton Garden Inn, Red Robin and Capriotti's Sandwich Shop have relocated elsewhere within the North Marketplace. Red Robin will be re-opening across from CBS Scene and 5 Wits later this summer and Capriotti's has opened its new location next to Five Guys Burgers and Fries.

Next to Capriotti's new location will be another new food option for Patriot Place guests, as Moe's Southwest Grill is expected to open this summer. Elsewhere, Olympia Sports is expected to complete its renovations and re-open later this summer.

Over at The Hall at Patriot Place presented by Raytheon, construction is underway on a new exhibit designed to highlight

the New England Patriots' four Super Bowl championships and enhance the guest experience.

The exhibit, "The Super Bowl Experience," is expected to be completed this summer and will expand the current Super Bowl exhibit into what is currently The Fan Zone gallery.

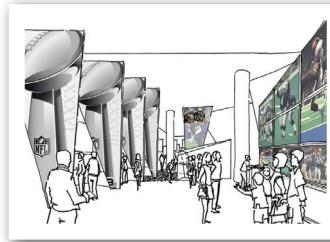
The exhibit will feature areas dedicated to each Super Bowl championship season, a large projection screen that will show great content and Super Bowl stories from the players and an area that highlights one of the greatest defensive plays in Super Bowl history.

Additionally, The Hall will be making changes to its Hall of Fame displays. The pylons that currently display the names of the Hall of Famers will be replaced by high-resolution LED displays.

Speaking of The Hall, the Patriots will celebrate its 2015 Hall of Fame inductees, Willie McGinest and Houston Antwine, at a free ceremony open to the public on NRG Plaza on Wednesday, Aug. 5, at 5 p.m. Following the induction ceremony, the Patriots will hold its annual in-stadium practice open to season ticket members and Foxborough residents. We look forward to seeing you all at this event as the team prepares to defend its Super Bowl title!

In the community, we enjoyed a very active second quarter and saw many of our players out at Foxborough events, including Rob Gronkowski's impromptu tour through the Foxborough Public Schools with our fourth Lombardi Trophy! More on the Tour de Gronk can be found on Page 4.

As we begin the third quarter,



The Hall at Patriot Place presented by Raytheon will be opening "The Super Bowl Experience" exhibit later this summer.

we look forward to kicking off our 2015 special event season with the CONCACAF Gold Cup on July 10, followed by a star-

studded concert lineup that will produce the most shows ever held at Gillette Stadium in one season. Performances by Taylor Swift (July 24-25), AC/DC (Aug. 22), Kenny Chesney and Jason Aldean (Aug. 28-29), One Direction (Sept. 12) and Ed Sheeran (Sept. 25) will generate nearly \$1 million in tax revenue to the town.

We look forward to another busy and successful summer at Gillette Stadium and thank the town for their continued support.



### FACES OF FOXBOROUGH ANDREW LEHRER

Foxborough resident Andrew Lehrer joined the Kraft Group in 2012 and currently serves as

Associate Legal Counsel, where he is responsible for managing risk across all of the company's entities and drafting and negotiating agreements.

"I enjoy the variety of issues that I get to work on at the Kraft Group - every day is completely different," said Lehrer. "I also get to work with a lot of really smart and interesting people."

Andrew enjoys going for runs through the town's neighborhoods and just completed his first Boston Marathon this past April as a member of the Patriots Marathon Team, which raised more than \$200,000 to support volunteer organizations in honor of Myra Kraft.

When he's not running, he's enjoying some of the town's many restaurants with his wife.

"Asian Ginger is the best," he said.

Andrew also serves as a Board of Director member on the Partners in Patriotism Fund, where he has had the opportunity to work with fellow Foxborough residents.

"It's been exciting to see the impact the Partners in Patriotism Fund's grants have made for people in Foxborough," Andrew said. "I've also enjoyed getting to know other residents and am really impressed with everyone's



Andrew Lehrer runs his first Boston Marathon this past April.

passion for making things better in the community."



# PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM

## IN THE SCHOOLS



# Tour de Gronk

Rob Gronkowski brings Patriots' fourth Lombardi Trophy on surprise tour through Foxborough

In what started as a typical Tuesday for Foxborough students and faculty quickly turned into a day full of surprises, spike contests and dance-offs.

Patriots tight end Rob Gronkowski spent Tuesday, June 2, touring each of Foxborough's public schools with the team's most recent Lombardi Trophy.

Each visit was a surprise for the students and faculty, who gathered at assemblies where Foxborough Schools Superintendent Deb Spinelli introduced the mystery guest to huge cheers from the crowds.

The Super Bowl XLIX champion took time to talk to students at each school, answer questions and pose for photos. And, in true Gronk fashion, the big tight end participated in football spike contests and dance-offs with students. Gronkowski judged the competitions and awarded the winners with a signed Patriots football.

Tour de Gronk kicked off at Foxborough High School, where the Patriots star surprised the senior class as they were rehearsing for graduation. Gronkowski shared advice about the value of hard work and following dreams



**ABOVE:** Patriots TE Rob Gronkowski is swarmed by Taylor Elementary School students for a quick photo with the Lombardi Trophy. **BOTTOM LEFT:** An Ahern Middle School student grabs a selfie with the Pats star. **BOTTOM RIGHT:** Gronkowski shows off his dance moves at Foxborough High School.

visited each of the town's three elementary schools and the Ahern Middle School, where he challenged the teachers to a dance-off after the students' competition ended.

As the tour wrapped up at Igo Elementary School, Spinelli called the experience "a special day" for Foxborough Public Schools.

"Rob Gronkowski could not have been more generous with his time, attention, energy, enthusiasm, special sense of fun and his obvious love for children," Spinelli said. "To have a megatalented athlete and amazing role model like Rob Gronkowski visit each of our five schools as part of this special Super Bowl Trophy Tour was, simply put, a once in a lifetime event.

"He helped us celebrate our students' hard work and our own professional teamwork in the most unique way. Throw in a little spike contest and a supercharged dance-off contest? Priceless! Thanks to the terrific team from the New England Patriots organization for making today possible, and most especially to Rob Gronkowski, our hometown hero, for the sweet, sweet memories."



before wishing the Class of 2015 well as they graduate and pursue their career goals.

From there, Gronkowski walked down the hallway to the auditorium, trophy in hand, to surprise the high school's underclassmen.

After visiting FHS, Gronkowski

# PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM

## IN PATRIOT PLACE

### Join the Celebration at Finish at the 50

Enjoy Road Races, Neighborhood Cheering Contest, Fireworks Spectacular and More!

Celebrate your health, happiness and independence by starting your Fourth of July weekend early at Patriot Place's sixth annual Harvard Pilgrim Finish at the 50.

The three-day event begins on Wednesday, July 1, with a Health and Wellness Expo and free family activities throughout Patriot Place. The fun continues on Friday, July 3, with all-day exhibits, free family activities and a Kids Fun Run inside Gillette Stadium at 3 p.m.

Following the fun run, the 5K road race begins at 6 p.m. followed by the 10K at 7 p.m. The 10K will once again run along Route 1 to North Street, Beach Street, Edwards Road and Young Road before returning to Gillette Stadium via the Putnam Parkway.

Residents who live along the 10K course route will have the opportunity to join in on the race day fun with the second annual "Show



Us Your Patriotism" neighborhood cheering contest. Residents along the route are encouraged to show off their patriotism by decking out their homes and cheering sections in their best red, white and blue for runners to see as they pass by on July 3. The residence along the course route with the best show of patriotism will win a prize!

Last year, Foxborough resident Ruth Jackson won the inaugural contest for her

festive decorations around her Young Road home and received a grill from Bass Pro Shops and a gift card to Trader Joe's.

After the road races, everyone is invited to enjoy a spectacular fireworks display beginning at 9 p.m. The fireworks show will last more than 20 minutes, the same length as Boston's annual July 4 fireworks, and will be accompanied by a musical score available by tuning into



Dean College Radio, Power 88 FM, or streaming online at [www.power883.org](http://www.power883.org). Families can watch the fireworks show from inside Patriot Place's North Marketplace or from the parking lots around Patriot Place.

For more information, or to register for the Kids Run, 5K or 10K races, visit [www.finishatthe50.com](http://www.finishatthe50.com). A portion of the proceeds from each race entry will again be donated to Finish at the 50's race beneficiary, the Kraft Center for Community Health. These funds will assist the health center in improving high-quality health care in our communities.

## IN THE COMMUNITY

### Ready, Set, DODGE!

For the fifth year, Foxboro Recreation transformed Gillette Stadium arena, as mothers and sons did their best to dodge, duck, dip, dive and dodge in an effort to out-

last the competition.

The event was hosted by the Kraft family and brought nearly 500 mothers and sons out to the friendly tournament, with the Beast Mode Dodgers emerging as the winners.



"Thank you Mr. Kraft for letting us play once again on the home turf of the New England Patriots," said Foxboro Recreation Director Debbie Giardino. "It was a fantastic night!"



# UPCOMING EVENTS AT *Gillette STADIUM*™

<p><b>JUNE 20</b></p>	<p><b>MONSTER JAM: PATH OF DESTRUCTION</b>  <b>Date:</b> Saturday, June 20, 7 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> Monster Jam, starring the biggest performers on four wheels, returns to Gillette Stadium Father's Day weekend.</p> 	<p><b>AUG 5</b></p>	<p><b>PATRIOTS IN-STADIUM PRACTICE</b>  <b>Date:</b> Wednesday, Aug. 5  <b>Details:</b> Following the Patriots Hall of Fame induction ceremony, Patriots season ticket members and Foxborough residents can watch the team practice inside Gillette Stadium.</p> 
<p><b>JUNE 27</b></p>	<p><b>REVOLUTION VS. VANCOUVER WHITECAPS FC</b>  <b>Date:</b> Saturday, June 27, 7:30 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> MLS regular season match.</p> 	<p><b>AUG 13</b></p>	<p><b>PRESEASON: PATRIOTS VS. GREEN BAY</b>  <b>Date:</b> Thursday, Aug. 13, 7:30 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> NFL preseason game</p> 
<p><b>JUNE 28</b></p>	<p><b>CANNONS VS. CHESAPEAKE BAYHAWKS</b>  <b>Date:</b> Sunday, June 28, 4 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> Major League Lacrosse's Boston Cannons host the Bayhawks in a regular season game at Gillette Stadium.</p> 	<p><b>AUG 22</b></p>	<p><b>AC/DC'S ROCK OR BUST WORLD TOUR</b>  <b>Date:</b> Saturday, Aug. 22  <b>Details:</b> AC/DC to rock Gillette Stadium.</p> 
<p><b>JULY 2</b></p>	<p><b>DRUM CORP INTERNATIONAL</b>  <b>Date:</b> Thursday, July 2  <b>Details:</b> Make plans now to join the Boston Crusaders at Gillette Stadium for their 75th Anniversary Gala.</p> 	<p><b>AUG 28</b></p>	<p><b>KENNY CHESNEY &amp; JASON ALDEAN</b>  <b>Date:</b> Friday, Aug. 28, 5 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> Kenny Chesney and Jason Aldean come together for an unforgettable summer concert</p> 
<p><b>JULY 10</b></p>	<p><b>CONCACAF GOLD CUP</b>  <b>Date:</b> Friday, July 10, 6 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> Gillette Stadium will host the U.S. Men's National Soccer Team on July 10 as part of a doubleheader in the group stage of the 2015 CONCACAF Gold Cup.</p> 	<p><b>AUG 29</b></p>	<p><b>KENNY CHESNEY &amp; JASON ALDEAN</b>  <b>Date:</b> Saturday, Aug. 29, 5 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> Kenny Chesney and Jason Aldean come together for an unforgettable summer concert</p> 
<p><b>JULY 11</b></p>	<p><b>CANNONS VS. OHIO MACHINE</b>  <b>Date:</b> Sunday, July 11, 6 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> Major League Lacrosse's Boston Cannons host the Machine in a regular season game at Gillette Stadium.</p> 	<p><b>SEPT 3</b></p>	<p><b>PRESEASON: PATRIOTS VS. NY GIANTS</b>  <b>Date:</b> Thursday, Sept. 3, 7:30 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> NFL preseason game</p> 
<p><b>JULY 18</b></p>	<p><b>REVOLUTION VS. NYCFC</b>  <b>Date:</b> Saturday, July 18, 7:30 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> MLS regular season match.</p> 	<p><b>SEPT 5</b></p>	<p><b>REVOLUTION VS. ORLANDO CITY SC</b>  <b>Date:</b> Saturday, Sept. 5, 7:30 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> MLS regular season match</p> 
<p><b>JULY 24</b></p>	<p><b>TAYLOR SWIFT: THE 1989 WORLD TOUR</b>  <b>Date:</b> Friday, July 24  <b>Details:</b> Taylor Swift brings her 1989 World Tour to Gillette Stadium</p> 	<p><b>SEPT 10</b></p>	<p><b>PATRIOTS VS. PITTSBURGH</b>  <b>Date:</b> Thursday, Sept. 10, 8:30 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> The Patriots kick off the 2015 NFL regular season against the Pittsburgh Steelers.</p> 
<p><b>JULY 25</b></p>	<p><b>TAYLOR SWIFT: THE 1989 WORLD TOUR</b>  <b>Date:</b> Saturday, July 25  <b>Details:</b> Taylor Swift brings her 1989 World Tour to Gillette Stadium.</p> 	<p><b>SEPT 12</b></p>	<p><b>ONE DIRECTION: ON THE ROAD AGAIN</b>  <b>Date:</b> Saturday, Sept. 12, 7 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> One Direction returns to Gillette Stadium.</p> 
<p><b>AUG 1</b></p>	<p><b>REVOLUTION VS. TORONTO FC</b>  <b>Date:</b> Saturday, Aug. 1, 7:30 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> MLS regular season match</p> 	<p><b>SEPT 16</b></p>	<p><b>REVOLUTION VS. N.Y. RED BULLS</b>  <b>Date:</b> Wednesday, Sept. 16, 7:30 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> MLS regular season match</p> 
<p><b>AUG 5</b></p>	<p><b>PATRIOTS HALL OF FAME INDUCTION</b>  <b>Date:</b> Wednesday, Aug. 5, 5 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> The Patriots will induct Willie McGinest and Houston Antwine into the team's Hall of Fame with a free ceremony on NRG Plaza outside The Hall.</p> 	<p><b>SEPT 25</b></p>	<p><b>ED SHEERAN</b>  <b>Date:</b> Friday, Sept. 25  <b>Details:</b> Ed Sheeran headlines his first NFL stadium when he plays at Gillette Stadium.</p> 

# UPCOMING EVENTS AT Patriot PLACE

<b>JUNE 26</b>	<p><b>THE COMEDY SCENE GRAND OPENING</b></p> <p><b>Date:</b> Friday, June 26, 8:30 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> CBS Scene Restaurant &amp; Bar introduces, The Comedy Scene, featuring comedians Jim Colliton and Sean Sullivan hosted by Wes Hazard. The comedy show is located on Level One in CBS Scene. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. To buy tickets visit <a href="http://www.eventbrite.com/e/jim-colliton-live-at-the-comedy-scene-tickets-17075763067">www.eventbrite.com/e/jim-colliton-live-at-the-comedy-scene-tickets-17075763067</a>.</p> 
<b>JULY 1-3</b>	<p><b>HARVARD PILGRIM FINISH AT THE 50</b></p> <p><b>Date:</b> Wednesday, July 1, Thursday, July 2, and Friday 3  <b>Details:</b> Start your holiday weekend early and celebrate your independence at the sixth annual Harvard Pilgrim Finish at the 50 5K and 10K road races and Fireworks Spectacular! For more information, visit <a href="http://www.finishatthe50.com">www.finishatthe50.com</a>.</p> 
<b>JULY 9</b>	<p><b>MASS CRUISERS AUTO SHOW</b></p> <p><b>Date:</b> Every other Thursday (now through Oct. 15) 4 to 8:30 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> Located right outside of Bass Pro Shops and Patriot Place, the 2015 Mass Cruisers Auto Show offers exciting cruise nights every other Thursday now through Oct. 15. The free event features classic, custom, antique, muscle cars and hot rods. For more information, including scheduling changes, visit <a href="http://www.patriot-place.com/masscruisers">www.patriot-place.com/masscruisers</a>.</p> 
<b>JULY 17</b>	<p><b>SOUNDS OF SUMMER FEATURING TIMMY BROWN</b></p> <p><b>Date:</b> Friday, July 17, 4 p.m.  <b>Details:</b> Timmy Brown is an up and coming country/pop artist. He has performed at many local events, including singing the national anthem at Pawtucket Red Sox games and New England Revolution matches. Influences are: Luke Bryan, Jason Aldean, Blake Shelton, Brad Paisley and Rascal Flatts. Join Brown and the Country 102.5 Street Team for live music, swag, giveaways and more.</p> 
<b>AUG 1</b>	<p><b>2015 WIPEOUT RUN</b></p> <p><b>Date:</b> Saturday, Aug. 1, 10 a.m.  <b>Details:</b> Crash, smash and splash your way through a 5K course with larger-than-life obstacles inspired by the hit TV show, "Wipeout!"</p> 

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# PARTNERS IN PATRIOTISM

## FUND: Grants Awarded to Founders Day, Foxboro Rec and More

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and the Partners in Patriotism Fund's generosity will help us do so much with the landscaping and maintenance needed for the garden. I'm very grateful for their support."

Foxborough High School senior Brian DeVellis, who spearheaded the class gift with Sepe, class adviser Kristen D'Errico and class officers, Meggie Maguire (vice president), Lauren Sampson (secretary) and Timothy O'Toole (treasurer), said these funds will help the class enhance the project.

"Almost half of the money we raised came from the Partners in Patriotism Fund, so we can use the funds to build the garden, benches and maybe add a flag pole and bird bath," DeVellis said. "We can make this project go from good to great."

After learning of the project, members of the Fund's Grants Committee were thrilled to support the Class of 2015's efforts.

"When we heard about this project, we knew it was going to be something very special to the Class of 2015 and a very nice gift for the community," said Jimmy McGowan, chair of the Fund's Grants Committee. "Sam inspired and influenced so many of us and it's touching to see his classmates want to further his legacy and positive outlook on life through this memorial garden. We are thankful to the Kraft family for giving us the funds to contribute to this project."

Sepe said she hopes



*The Foxborough High School Class of 2015 poses for a photo at Patriot Place while wearing Patriots knit hats given to them as a gift during the All Night Graduation Party at Showcase Live. The Partners in Patriotism Fund awarded funds to the All Night Graduation Party planning committee to purchase these hats.*



*Partners in Patriotism Fund Grants Committee members Tom Murphy (far left), Margaret Chaisson (center) and chair Jimmy McGowan (far right) present a \$2,000 check to the Foxborough Founders Day Committee. The funds assisted in covering costs for the Founders Day fireworks.*

the project will help tell visitors what Berns meant to Foxborough.

"The main goal is when people walk into the entrance of the field, they get a sense of Sam and who he was," said Sepe. "I think having a plaque and a garden at the field named after him, and adjacent to the school where he left his legacy, this is a nice way to do that."

For DeVellis, the project establishes a lasting legacy of Berns with meaningful input from his classmates and friends on how it should be done.

"Sam was a member of our class and we all grew up with him for so many years," DeVellis said. "But 10 years from now, 20 years from now, people might see the name on the scoreboard, but we were the ones that really knew him and have a true understanding of who he was and what he stood for. We thought this gift was perfect for our class to give to this community."

In addition to this grant, the Partners in Patriotism Fund, established by the Kraft family in 2014,

has awarded more than \$40,000 in grants to a variety of Foxborough-based organizations and community initiatives. The Fund's Grants Committee, comprised of Foxborough residents, meets on a monthly basis at Gillette Stadium to review and vote on grant applications it has received. Other grants recently awarded include:

- \$5,000 to the Foxboro Recreation Department to assist in funding the construction of dugouts at the Payson Road athletic complex
- \$2,000 to the Foxborough Founders Day Committee to assist in funding the cost of the Founders Day Fireworks
- \$2,000 to the Friends of the Boyden Library to assist in funding the town-wide Children's Foxborough Reads program based on the children's book, "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe," by

C.S. Lewis.

- \$2,000 to the Foxborough Public Schools to send three Ahern Middle School students to the program, "Envision the Future - a STEM Program" offered at Bridgewater State University from July 20-24.
- \$660 to the Foxborough All Night Graduation Party Committee to assist in the cost of gifts purchased for the Class of 2015

Additionally, the Grants Committee has awarded nearly \$11,000 in personal assistance grants.

Serving on the Grants Committee in 2015 are Binks, Chaisson, Arthur Jewett, Charles Liftman, McGowan (chair), Thomas Murphy, Mark Powers (vice chair), Carolyn Rehill, Mike Stewart, Jenna Strickland (secretary) and Cindy Venuto.

For grant applications, see Page 9 or visit [www.GilletteStadium.com/Partners-in-Patriotism](http://www.GilletteStadium.com/Partners-in-Patriotism).

DATE OF APPLICATION: \_\_\_\_\_



## Request for Donation

### Partners in Patriotism Fund

The Partners in Patriotism (PIP) Fund is a registered nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting Foxborough-based philanthropic and community efforts through monetary donations. The PIP Fund will assist residents of Foxborough through the support of charitable endeavors, as well as through personal financial assistance.

**Every line on this form must be completed accurately in order to be eligible for review. Please provide supporting documentation, where appropriate.**

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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AMOUNT OF REQUEST: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE FUNDING IS NEEDED: \_\_\_\_\_

### REQUEST INFORMATION

Please provide a detailed summary of your request, including estimated expenses (attach additional pages to application if needed): \_\_\_\_\_

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*If this donation request is approved, would you be willing to share the news with the local media (e.g. newspaper, online news sites, etc.)? Note, this question has no bearing on whether a donation application is approved.*

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Mailing address:** Partners in Patriotism Fund Attn: Jess Enos, Gillette Stadium, One Patriot Place, Foxborough MA 02035  
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# PARTNERS IN

## PATRIOTS IN THE COMMUNITY



*Patriots offensive lineman Cameron Fleming reads to families participating in Foxborough Regional Charter School's reading program on April 15.*

## 'Let's Go, Patriots!'

### Patriots Read to Children at Foxborough Regional Charter School

Approximately 20 families welcomed New England Patriots offensive lineman Cameron Fleming to Foxborough Regional Charter School with wild cheers, as he helped the school celebrate the conclusion of its family reading program on April 15.

Fleming, who majored in aeronautics and astronautics at Stanford University, playfully engaged in a Q&A with students from kindergarten through third grade before reading two children's books, "A Chair for My Mother" and "Let's Go, Patriots!"

"This event was an awesome experience," Fleming said. "It's awesome that people are getting kids to read at such a young age."

Fleming added that his favorite part of the event was the

excitement the children brought.

"The kids have so much energy, which makes it a lot of fun to be a part of," Fleming said. "Every time I raised my hand to let them know it was time to cheer, they yelled, 'Let's go, Patriots!' with all of their hearts. It was really cool."

Following the reading, Fleming signed autographs and helped the FRCS staff present certificates to the families for completing the eight-week reading program.

"I hope these kids go home and have a genuine excitement for reading because that's something you can't replace," Fleming said. "When you have a genuine excitement for reading, it does so much for you academically and helps you succeed."



*Photo courtesy of Hockomock Area YMCA*

*Leaders Club teens Casey Cotter, Adam Heilweil, Keith Pham, Peter Cabao-an with YMCA Teen Director Danny DeMars (second from left) and Patriots offensive lineman Nate Solder (third from right) at the Invensys Foxboro Branch's second annual Prom Fashion Show on April 4.*

## STRIKE A POSE FOR PROM!



*Photo courtesy of Hockomock Area YMCA*

*Patriots offensive lineman Nate Solder (right) escorts Leaders Club teen Callie Desmarais on the runway.*

Prom is a special time for many and to help make the occasion more enjoyable, and affordable, the Foxboro Leaders Club of the Hockomock Area YMCA's Invensys Foxboro Branch held its second annual Prom Fashion Show on Saturday, April 4. Joining the fun for this year's event was Patriots offensive lineman and the Y's 2014 Legends Award Honoree, Nate Solder.

Solder posed for photos, interacted with the teens and even walked the runway with Leaders Club teen Callie Desmarais.

The event aims to provide local high school students with a chance to cut down on their prom spending by giving them chances to win raffle prizes that help them get ready for prom. Teens

also get a chance to have fun dressing in formal prom wear.

# PATRIOTISM



## PATS PLAY 360 WITH LOCAL TEENS

The New England Patriots Charitable Foundation and Patriots defensive back Devin McCourty visited the Kraft Family Center at the Invensys Foxboro branch of the Hockomock Area YMCA on May 11 to present Xbox 360 units with Kinect sensors and games for use at the Y's teen centers in Foxborough, North Attleboro and Franklin.

McCourty, who spoke to teens about the importance of staying academically and physically active during the summer months, joined in on the fun the teens were having with the interactive console.

"This event was great," McCourty said. "Playing Xbox 360 with the kids, there's a lot of moving around in that game, so it was cool to be able to incorporate the Play 60 message with a video game. I had a lot of fun with these guys."

YMCA Teen Director Danny DeMars, of Foxborough, was excited for the kids to spend some time with McCourty.



*Patriots defensive back Devin McCourty plays Xbox 360 with Kinect at the YMCA's teen center in Foxborough.*

"This is an awesome donation by the Patriots to our teen center and I'm very thankful

that Devin was here to play the console with the kids," DeMars said.

McCourty also posed for photos and signed autographs for the teens.

## Moore Clean Up in Foxboro

More than 400 volunteers rolled up their sleeves and fanned out across more than 40 routes to pick up trash during the third annual Clean Up Foxboro Day on May 2.

Joining the volunteers this year was Patriots defensive lineman Zach Moore, who along with a team of Kraft Group

employees participated in the clean-up effort.

Following the clean up, Moore interacted with many of the volunteers, posing for photos and signing autographs.

"It's great to see so many people who care about their community and want to make it a cleaner place," Moore said. "This



is a fun event and I'm happy I was able to be a part of it and meet so many of the volunteers."

Moore also chose the winner in the event's raffle. Foxborough



resident Maddie Flynn won the top prize donated by the Kraft Group - two Patriots tickets and pregame passes to the tailgate party and sideline visit.



## FOXBOROUGH RESIDENT PLAYBOOK

# Win an Ed Sheeran Concert Package!

On Friday, Sept. 25, six-time GRAMMY nominee Ed Sheeran will headline his first NFL stadium at Gillette Stadium and you can be there to experience an amazing night of music!

To help celebrate Sheeran's milestone, Gillette Stadium is giving one lucky Foxborough resident a concert package that includes tickets to watch Sheeran perform from a Gillette Stadium suite and complimentary food and non-alcoholic beverages. The suite will accommodate 12 guests, so invite your friends and family! Blending soulful vocals with organic folk introspection and irresistible hip-hop hooks, Sheeran made his Gillette Stadium debut in July 2013 as a main supporting act on Taylor Swift's massively successful RED Tour, which sold out two nights in Foxborough.

Details on how to enter this exclusive resident offer can be found to the right of this page.

### HOW TO WIN



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