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The Monthly Newsletter of Boston Prime Timers
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2012 Board of Directors Elections

At the February Monthly Meeting, the Boston Prime Timers will be electing five board members as the two year terms of Dick Bourbeau, Edmond Moussally, Mitch Drucker, Joe McGrath and Dick Smith, (currently holding Jim Buckley's vacated seat), expire. Dick Bourbeau, Edmond Moussally and Dick Smith have announced their intentions to run again, while Mitch Drucker and Joe McGrath have decided to step down from the Board. See below for bio's for some of the candidates. See the January Prologue for candidates already described.

Please consider running for the Board yourself. Please contact Steve Vorenberg, Ed Rapazzini, Coley Kelley or Carl Krause.

2012 Nominees for the Boston Prime Timers Board

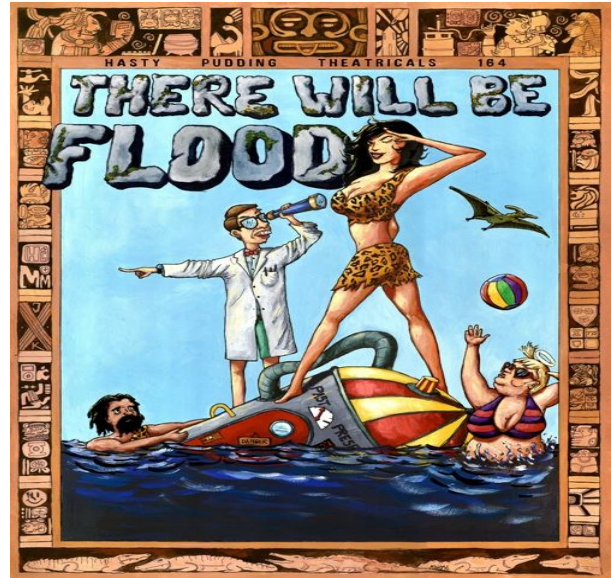
Edmond Moussally

I am running for a second term on the board. It has been a pleasure getting to know the membership and they me. You must remember my background as a



semi-retired professor of music. Also, that I presently teach a vocal class in which I train aspiring vocalists, at Bunker Hill Community College, who give a free concert at the end of each semester. And, that I have been responsible for booking and presenting the speakers for the monthly meetings for the past year. I have discovered that there is a vast difference between

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HASTY PUDDING THEATRICALS

By Dick Bourbeau

As of this writing we have 15 tickets remaining to the Hasty Puddings Theatricals 164th annual production, entitled There Will Be Flood. **We will be attending the 8:00 PM performance on Thursday, 16 February 2012 at the New College Theatre, 12 Holyoke Street, Cambridge, just outside of Harvard Square** (closest T stop is Harvard Square on the Red Line). Tickets are \$21.00 each and we will once again be getting seats front and center, in rows 3-5 (another group got their request in before us).

About this Production: Please refer to the article on the front page of the January Prologue.

This event typically sells out quickly, so get your reservations in early. Seating is assigned on a first come first served basis. **Please complete the attached Tear Sheet and send in your reservation by the postmark date of Tuesday, 7 February 2012.** This will be a most memorable evening that will have you laughing to the point of tears. And don't be surprised if one of the undergrads just happens to end-up in your lap at some point during the evening. See you there!

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 organizing and presenting these kind of events and booking speakers. It has been a new challenge. There have been both successes and disappointments. I have learned some important lessons which will make me more effective with your help.



Harry Fullerton

Hello Gentlemen,
 My name is Harry Fullerton. I am running for a position on the Board. I am a 58 year old self-employed General Contractor. In my 12 year membership, I have met many friends and enjoyed the trips, activities and events

the club has to offer.

During this time, I have enjoyed taking an active role in the club. I have volunteered my time and skills on the Gay Pride float committee. I have organized dances and a Fourth of July cruise as well as served as club D.J. many times.

I ask to continue serving you as an elected member of the board. My goal is to use my energy, skills and knowledge to create a more lively, active and involved membership by organizing events and activities for all members.

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MONTHLY GATHERING

Next Meeting
Saturday, February 18, 2012
At the United South End Settlements
 566 Columbus Ave, Boston, MA 02118-1181
 U.S.E.S. is handicap accessible.

Main doors will open to the Center at 1:30 PM. Members are welcome to enjoy casual conversation in the lobby.

T Stops: Green E line to Symphony. Orange line to Mass. Ave. Station.

Public parking: lot at 277 Northampton St (between Columbus Ave & Tremont St.) one block from U.S.E.S. Bldg. \$12 for 24 hours, no hourly rate. Other public parking can be found at boston.bestparking.com

Doors will open: 1:30 PM. Although the Center may be open earlier for other U.S.E.S events, please do not arrive earlier.

Support Group with Sam Goldfarb will meet from 1:45 to 2:45PM. Room locations will be posted at reception.

Hospitality will begin in the cafeteria at 2:30 PM until 3:25 PM. If you are contributing to our food table please arrive prior to 2:30 PM.

Meeting will begin at 3:30 PM with no break.

Guest Speaker: Patricia Langeleh, owner and operator of **Magic Brush Pottery, Tewksbury, MA., magicbrushpottery.com** Tricia will give us a hands on demonstration of making fused glass. She will divide the members up into groups and we will create several items that will be subsequently heated in a kiln.



\$2.00 Donation at the door

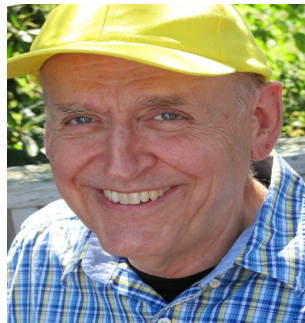


MAGIC BRUSH POTTERY, TEWKSBURY, MA

If you need to make a payment during a monthly meeting, please go to our office on floor 3A yourself. THANK YOU!!

**FROM THE BOARD
THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
By Steve Vorenberg**

Despite the weather, we had a respectable turnout to our January meeting. The program was marvelous! Several of those who came were suggesting we should have a phone number to call to find out if the meeting is canceled. I'm of the opinion that isn't necessary. That's because, so far as I'm concerned, the meeting *won't be canceled*. Whether two or two hundred people show up, that's the right number; they made the effort to come. There could be cases where the speaker is unable to come due to weather or other causes, but that isn't the same issue. Indeed, I've been convinced over the years that socializing is as important as the presentation to many members.



Please mark Sunday, August 12, on your calendar for our 25th Anniversary holiday dinner sunset cruise with live music and dancing! Woody Baldwin has agreed to come, too. Several of us viewed the boat from top to bottom, and it's beautiful. Harry Fullerton is the committee chairman, so you know things will be done right. A sign-up sheet will appear starting in the next Prologue issue. I wanted to let you know that this event will be more expensive than our usual, but keep in mind that it's our 25th, a rather significant event. I

don't have the specific price yet, but think in terms of an evening of theatre and you'll be in the ballpark.

If you want to come to the party, you can. Period. No excuses. And we want to have a big turnout! You're getting lots of advance notice for the party so you can save for it if your finances are tight. We'll even allow payment in installments if that helps you. If you're in a really tight situation, please take advantage of our helping hands fund. There is no shame in this, and it is entirely anonymous except to our treasurer, Kerry Marshall. Even I won't know. Members with a little extra have contributed to our helping hands fund over the years. You should use it if you need it. On the other hand, if you are a member able to contribute to the fund, extra contributions for this event will be most welcome.

We need your commitment earlier than usual. We have space for a maximum of about 120 people on the boat. You can reserve your space by contacting the office. If we don't get enough commitments by the deadline stated in the next issue, we'll advertise it to other gay groups. Don't miss out by procrastinating. I think this will sell out. But I want it to sell out to you and your guests if possible.

SAVE THE DATE:

MAY 11-13 Boston Prime Timers Return to Ogunquit.

JUNE 9th Boston Gay Pride Parade

JUNE 30th North Shore Gay Pride Parade

AUGUST 12th Boston Prime Timers
25th Anniversary Party

Mission Statement

"The mission of the Boston Prime Timers, founded in 1987, is to provide adult gay, bisexual and transgender men and their friends in eastern New England with educational, cultural and social activities that enrich their lives by building and reinforcing safe, supportive connections for both active and isolated members while continuing our history of developing support among the broader aging and general populations for recognition of the specific needs of men like our members".

POTPOURRI

By Dick Smith

(If you would like to sponsor a potpourri but don't know how, feel free to contact Dick, (see roster), sometime after 11AM, who will be happy to be of assistance)

FEBRUARY- WILL YOU BE MY VALENTINE?

(Food, Valentines, and Costumes)

Hosted by Walter Jennings



WHAT: Annual Prime Timers Valentine's Party

WHEN: Sat. February 11th, 6:00 - 10:00 PM

WHERE: Walter Jennings' home in West Newton, (see roster)

COST: \$2.00 for your host at the door. (For paper products, beverages, and condiments.)

RSVP: See roster for phone number, last date to RSVP is Feb. 8th

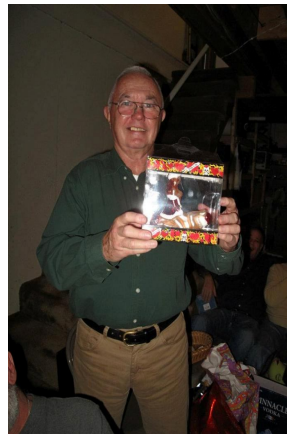
MAXIMUM GUESTS: 20

TRANSPORTATION: Plenty of on-street parking available if you drive or take the Green line D-Train outbound to the **Woodland** stop. His home is 3 miles from the T-Stop. Ask for a ride when you reserve a place for yourself. A car will be sent for you.

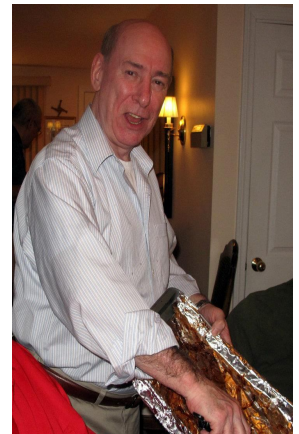
WHAT WILL HAPPEN: When you call in, you will agree on a dish to bring and pass. The event is a **POTLUCK DINNER**. You are also asked to bring a humorous/slightly risqué valentine to be placed, when you enter, in the "**Malebox**" (it was so beautiful at the last party, someone wanted to take it home). That's a definite NO-NO. The Valentine Police will be watching you. Valentines will be distributed after dinner. (If you don't bring one, you won't get one.) The second requirement is for you to wear some (outerwear or underwear) article of RED clothing. The Valentine Police will be inspecting you as you enter. More creative members come in full costume

portraying their favorite character from stage, screen or television. The object of the evening will be to "Wear Your Heart On Your Sleeve" and have as much fun as possible. Start planning your "evening out" early. You wouldn't want to miss this good time. The person who has the most fun will be awarded the annual "PLAYS WELL WITH OTHERS" award. Y'all come ya heah?

DAVE AND COLEY'S YANKEE SWAPS



Dave Evans



Coley Kelly



Howard, Jim and Phil



Jim, Norm, Coley, George, Jerry and Eddie

NATIONAL NEWS

A mid-winter gathering and two regional gatherings are well in the planning stages. The Central Oklahoma Prime Timers are finishing plans for a Mid-Winter Rendezvous over President's Day Weekend in February (Feb 17-20, 2012), (Oklahoma City) and inviting all members of Prime Timers to join them.



The Habana Inn is offering a special king or double room rate of \$49.95 (plus tax) per night for a three night minimum stay. The price for the event is expected to be below \$100, and will be finalized before a letter is sent. Email ptlaborday@aol.com if you want to be added to the mail list.

The Colorado Prime Timers are having their second Rocky Mountain Regional Gathering July 19 through 22, 2012. The three day event includes a performance of the Gray Stocking Review, a walking tour of Historic Downtown Denver, a banquet with entertainment, and an open bar two nights, as well as a mixer on Friday evening at Denver's Capitol Hill Mansion. There are two packages available, currently priced at \$90 and \$150, as well as a la carte selections.



The event headquarters is the Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown Denver where the room rate for the gathering is \$119 plus tax, single or double occupancy. Third and fourth person in the room is available for a supplement. The hotel is not included in the price of the gathering. Reservations can be made at 303-573-1450, be sure you mention Colorado Prime Timers.

For additional info, a brochure, and registration form, go to www.coloradoprime timers.com, or call them at 303-331-2458 and leave a voicemail or by email at info@coloradoprime timers.com.

The Las Vegas Prime Timers 5th Annual Western Regional Gathering is May 6th-10th, 2012 at the

Alexis Park Resort Hotel. See website: <http://www.LasVegasPrimeTimers.com>. Click on 2012 Western Regional Gathering for registration form and info.



Stay in touch with activities within **Prime Timers World Wide** by visiting their website,

www.primetimersww.org. You can read it as well by going to our web site www.bostonprimetimers.org and clicking on RELATED LINKS. There you can read their latest edition of Prime Times and earlier ones as well; if you are planning a trip you can check to see if there is an organized chapter there and even link to their website to determine if there are activities you may attend. They may even have host members who may put you up.

CONSIDER RUNNING FOR THE BOSTON PRIME TIMERS BOARD OF DIRECTORS!! ELECTIONS IN FEBRUARY



Plan Your Winter Vacation Now

Stay with member **Bill Kelloway** in his condo. in sunny **Fort Lauderdale FL** Two bedrooms, 2 baths **\$150 per week person-shared space**. Near many gay spots and fun things to do. Call Bill to reserve space 978-314-5652

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VACATION GUEST SUITE

\$600 per week – Private Bath
Fort Lauderdale – off street parking
Breakfasts and Concierge-style services
Contact Ron (owner) (508) 843-7888

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ROOM FOR RENT - private bath

Lovely, privately owned condominium.
Located on Salem St., Wilmington, MA
\$575 per month including utilities & parking
Individual must be a non-smoker & drug free.
Contact Dick (Owner) 978-657-7007

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DINNER

By Lewis Pedi and Steve Vorenberg

NOTE; Because of the need to inform the restaurant(s) how many guests to expect, both for space reasons and preparation of food, WALK-INS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED. I would appreciate any helpful comments or suggestions. Please email Lewis Pedi (see roster).

February Dinner

Club Cafe
209 Columbus Ave.
Boston, MA



Tuesday, February 21
Cocktails-6PM
Dinner-7PM

Cost: \$25.00 inclusive of entrée, coffee/tea, dessert, gratuity and Greek Salad or Clam Chowder.

Choices: (1) Stuffed Chicken Breast with side
 (2) Roasted Pork with side (3) Lobster Macaroni and Cheese (4) Fillet of Sole with side

Nearest T Stop: Back Bay Station on the Orange Line or **Arlington Street Station** on the Green Line.

March Dinner



Mt. Vernon Restaurant
14 Broadway
Somerville, MA

Tuesday, March 20
Cocktails-6PM
Dinner-7PM

Cost: \$35.25 per person

includes salad, entree, potato and vegetable, dessert, coffee and gratuity.

Choices: (1) Prime Rib Dinner (2) Broiled Salmon Rockefeller (3) Mount Vernon Chicken Saute.

Nearest T Stop: Sullivan Square on the Orange Line. Turn left out of the station and walk down about two blocks. **For those driving** there is **free parking** directly behind the restaurant. There is also on street meter parking. Parking meters are in effect until 8PM.

Members are welcome to submit articles and information for the monthly Prologue. Please contact Ed Rapazzini (see roster), by February 15th, for the March issue.

Boston Area Elder LGBT News

Mystic Valley Elder Service, caring to Everett, Malden, Medford, Melrose, Stoneham, Wakefield, Reading, North Reading area is gearing up to start serving the aging LGBT community with their first event. MVES also plans on starting up an LGBT meal program such as Cafe Emmanuel's. Support is needed to get this off the ground

GEN SILENT

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21 at 7pm
at the Granoff Music Center
on the Tufts University campus
20 Talbot Ave. Medford, MA 02155



Join us for a very special community event.

Mystic Valley Elder Services presents Gen Silent, an award-winning documentary about lesbian, bisexual, gay, and transgender elders in Massachusetts and the very specific challenges they face. The film will be followed by a panel discussion. **Tickets are \$7 through March 1 and \$10 thereafter and may be purchased at www.mves.org or 781-324-7705. Group sales available. Seating is limited.** Presented by Mystic Valley Elder Services

Photos from the Holiday Party!!



Jack and Jim



Dick, Gigi and Dick

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ONGOING EVENTS

COMMUNITY MEALS

Boston/Back Bay:

Cafe Emmanuel: "The Original LGBT Meal Site!"

When: Every Thursday 11am to 1:00pm

Where: Emmanuel Church,
15 Newbury Street Boston, MA

RSVP: to blinscott@lgbtagingproject.org
Or call Bob at (617) 477-6610

Sponsored by: Ethos & the LGBT Aging Project

Somerville/Cambridge:

Cadbury Cafe: Somerville & Cambridge's
First LGBT Monthly Dining Program

When: 4th Wednesday of
Every Month,

6:00pm to 8:00pm

Where: Cadbury Commons,
66 Sherman Street, Cambridge, Ma.

RSVP: by calling SCES (617) 628-2601 ext. 605 or
email lgbtcafe@eldercare.org

Sponsored by: Somerville Cambridge Elder Services,
Cambridge Council on Aging and Cadbury Commons.



North Shore:

Over The Rainbow Supper Club

When: 2nd Tuesday of every month,
6:00pm to 8:00pm

Where: House of Seven Gables,
115 Derby Street, Salem MA

RSVP: (978) 624-2261 ext 261

Sponsored by: The Old and Bold
Coalition,

North Shore Elder Services' outreach to the
LGBT Community on the North Shore

Join Meetup groups and sign up for dinners at the
House of The Seven Gables

<http://www.meetup.com/OVER-THE-RAINBOW/>



South Shore:

Monthly Brunch for LGBT Seniors & Friends

When: Last Saturday of Every Month, 10am to 12pm

Where: All Souls Unitarian Church,
196 Elm Street, Braintree, MA

RSVP: Maryanne Ryan 781-848-3939 x 325 or email
lgbtseniors@sselder.org for more information.

Sponsored by: South Shore Elder Services

Metro East:Sharon:**Lakeside Café “for LGBT Seniors, Friends and Allies”****When:** Monday, February 13th, 11am-1:00 pm**Where:** Sharon Adult Center, 219 Massapoag Ave, Sharon, MA**RSVP:** to Jayne Davis, HESSCO (781) 784-4944**Sponsored by:** HESSCO Elder Services and Sharon Adult Center**Transportation:** Call Nancy Weiner, Sharon Adult Center (781)784-8000. Free transportation to and from the Sharon Commuter Rail is available.**EDUCATION
EVENTS AT USES****Classes at the Harriet Tubman House**

If you are 60+ you can take classes in the Seniors Program for free. www.uses.org. Call the center at 617 536-8610

LIFE LONG LEARNING CENTERS

**Rainbow Lifelong Learning Institute
First Parish Unitarian Universalist Church
630 Massachusetts Ave., Arlington, MA**

2012 Spring Semester PreviewMarch 13-April 10 (5 weeks)

10:30-12:00noon “The Banquet Years-Rise of the French Avant Garde, 1885-WW1” Michael Connolly, Facilitator

1:30-3:00 “Selected Lesbian and Gay American Writers of African Descent” Marilyn Monteiro, Facilitator

April 24-May 22 (5 weeks)

10:30-12:00noon “Court Favorites: Famous Gay Monarchs and Their Strange Bedfellows” Trevor Johnson, Facilitator

1:30-3:00 “The Supreme Court: Landmark Decisions” Jane Scarborough, Facilitator

For more information, please contact Bill Himelhoch at billhimelhoch@verizon.net or rainbowliboston@gmail.com

Stonewall Communities**Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI)****UMASS(BOSTON)****Dorchester, MA****For more info: www.OLLI.umb.edu**

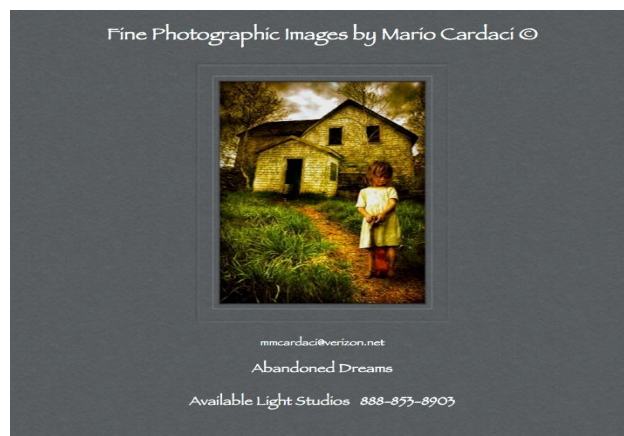
Are you missing an event because you can't afford it? Contact Kerry Marshall by phone or email to discuss options with him. Office Phone # 617-447-2344

SUPPORT GROUPS**LGBT Caregiver Support Group:**

Open to anyone providing care for a loved one. First Monday of every month, 6:00pm to 7:30pm in Jamaica Plain. Free. Contact Joanne Peskowitz, LICSW for more information: (617) 271-4182. Sponsored by Caregiver Alliance of Suffolk County and the LGBT Aging Project.

LGBT Bereavement Groups:

For LGBT people of all ages, coping with the loss of a loved one. Free six-week support group. To find a group **in your area** contact Bob Linscott (617) 522-1292. Sponsored by Ethos & the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and facilitated by the LGBT Aging Project.

**Mario Cardaci, Photography Call 888-853-8903****Computer Grief?**

Is your home computer slow?
Infected with you're not sure what?
Need additional storage or memory?
Call me for tune-ups, clean-ups, hardware and software upgrades

Steve Lord 617-492-1486

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