



PROLOGUE



The Monthly Newsletter of Boston Prime Timers
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ANNUAL DUES INCREASE

The Boston Prime Timers Board of Directors voted at the May 18th Board Meeting to increase annual dues from \$25 to \$27 for single members and raise couples dues from \$45 to \$49. The board decided if members renew before September they can pay the older rates, \$25 per person, \$45 per couple, for this upcoming year. In addition, as has been our tradition, new members who join after Pride this year can pay at the \$25 or \$45 price and have their memberships extend to 2012. (The Pride Special). Following is an APPROXIMATE ESTIMATE of our expenses, both in total and per person, **based on 250 memberships** which is, approximately, what we have now.

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24th Annual Anniversary Party

The Boston Prime Timers will celebrate their 24th Anniversary with a party, **Saturday, August 20th, at the Club Café,** 209 Columbus



Ave, Boston. The time of the event is **5:00-9:30PM**. There will be a dinner with a choice of different entrees. The BPT Board has decided to keep the cost at **\$30 per attendee** by paying \$340 of the organization's funds for hors d'oeuvres and the dj. As well as music from the dj, we will have our own, **Jim Buckley**, singing along with member, **Greg Flynn**, on the piano. **Frank LaPiana** will also show photos of past Prime Timers events on several wide screens that the Club Café provides. Several members will be honored that evening. Please see the tear sheet to make your reservation.

SEE INSIDE FOR DETAILS ON :

July Dinner

July and September Potpourris

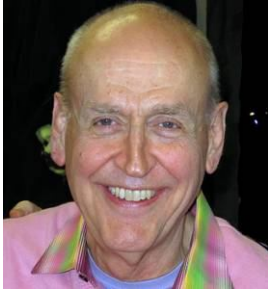
Worldwide Convention

Monday Afternoons at the Pool
July 11-August 29th
1-6 PM



Here's hoping we all have a wonderful summer sitting poolside, contemplating our navels. Starting July 11th Boston Prime Timers are cordially invited on Monday afternoons to the home of Ed Rapazzini, (in Milton), for use of the pool from 1-6PM. The pool will be available every Monday from July 11th to August 29th. No food will be served, so if you want to cook something on the grill, please bring it and prepare it yourself. Please call or email Ed, (See Roster), a few days in advance, to let him know of your decision to attend. Let's enjoy **THIS** summer! (Sorry boys, bathing suits required!)

**FROM THE BOARD
THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**



Thanks to everyone who participated in Pride activities! We'll all hope for a dryer 2012. In response to the February Brain Storming session to have better communication, we've started a Boston Prime Timers group on Yahoo. Its name is BPT_List. I sent an invitation

to every active member with an email address in our database. Not many accepted the invite so far, but I hope you'll get more excited about it when you hear about the possible benefits. I will be sending out another round of invitations soon. You can also request to join by going to http://groups.yahoo.com/group/BPT_List/. If you don't have a Yahoo login, Yahoo asks you to sign up for that first (it's free).

Until now, BPT events have had to be planned months in advance and published in the Prologue. The Yahoo group will make it possible to get together much more spontaneously. Want some friendly company for a movie tonight or tomorrow? Put up a note like "I'm going to see 'Super 8' at the AMC Theater in Burlington tomorrow at 2pm. I'd love to have some company. Please let me know if you're coming so I can wait for you." You could do the same for dinner, a walk, a quick party, sports event, concert, card game, whatever. Let your imagination run wild! Kerry and I used it already to have a small get-together to watch our latest Netflix movie last Saturday.

Note that your activity doesn't have to be in Boston. We have members all over the greater Boston area. Want to do something in Lowell or Milton? There are other members near you. Another example: "Is there anybody out there who'd like to have dinner with me later this week in Beverly? Let me know and we'll work out the details together."

The group can be used for more than get-togethers. You can also use it for discussion on any topic you like. Tell other members about a good movie you saw recently, a good book you recommend, or just chat. Because the group is restricted to active Prime Timers, you can express yourself as freely as you might at one of our monthly meetings. My only request is that you keep it civil and be kind to one another.

I'm sure I've only scratched the surface on the possibilities. But this will work well only if we can get you to sign up! Please join us when you receive the invitation.

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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

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".



The Boston Prime Timers 2011 AIDS Walk Team walked Sunday, March 5th. All proceeds aren't in yet but we have already exceeded \$900, raised to support those living with the disease.

DINNER

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 me (See Roster).

July Dinner



**Mt. Vernon Restaurant
14 Broadway
Somerville, MA**

**Tuesday July 19, 2011
6PM Cocktails,
7PM Dinner**

Cost: \$31.00 per person includes salad, entree, coffee, dessert and gratuity.

Choices: (1) Prime Rib (2) Grilled Salmon (3) Stuffed Chicken Breast. All entrees come with a side

Nearest T Stop: Sullivan Square on the Orange Line. When leaving the T station, turn left and walk down about two blocks.

If Driving: Off Route 93. There is free parking behind the restaurant or on street, meter parking. Parking meters are until 8 PM.

There is NO August Dinner as there is **NO AUGUST MEETING** at the USES Bldg. Instead we will have our Anniversary Party.



**STONEWALL COMMUNITIES
LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE**
Explore new interest and ideas with like-minded older LGBT people at Wheelock College, Brookline MA For further information go to:

<http://www.stonewallcommunities.com>

Catalogue contains more Study Groups and workshops and 20 Monday & Tuesday Brown Bag lunch presentations.....Affordable. Sliding scale - no one turned away for lack of funds.

Monthly Gathering
Saturday July 16, 2011

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: Boston Prime Timers Vice President Dick Bourbeau to speak on "The History of the Prime Timers"

\$2.00 Donation at the door

SAM GOLDFARB'S THERAPY GROUP WILL NOT MEET AT THE JULY MEETING. TO RESUME IN SEPTEMBER



**David Mauriello, Ronald Seidle, Fred Vega
Robert Hopkins, David Balchunis, John Bennett,
Jose Berrios, Normand Ste. Marie, Robert Orpren**

Members are welcome to submit articles and information for the monthly Prologue. Please contact Ed Rapazzini (See Roster) by July 15th, for the August issue

POTPOURRI

Jim Buckley

(If you would like to sponsor a potpourri but don't know how, feel free to contact Jim Buckley, (See Roster), who will be happy to be of assistance)

HOT FUN IN THE SUMMERTIME

Hosted by Ed Rapazzini



WHAT: A Potluck Pool Party
WHEN: Saturday, July 30, 2011, Noon to 10PM
Rain Date: Sunday, July 31, 2011
WHERE: Milton, Ed's home (See Roster)
COST: \$2 for host at door for paper goods and supplies
RSVP: to Ed, (See Roster), by July 27th
(MAXIMUM GUESTS=100)
TRANSP. On street parking available if you drive. Taking T, Red Line to North Quincy and call for ride. (See Roster for Ed's phone #).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PICKUPS AT THE T STATION

Or if you need a ride, tell Ed when calling and he will try to give you the names of other attendees near you to see about a lift.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN: Eat, Drink and Be Merry. Guests can use pool and shower afterwards if desired. Bring own towels and sun tanning needs. Bring lawn chair if possible. Please let Ed know what you plan to bring so as to not have too much of one thing. (Sorry boys, bathing suits required.)

VOLUNTEERS WANTED: Set up, service, grill men, clean-up and **DRIVERS for pickup** of guests at T Station.

The Boston Prime Timers are looking for Volunteers for Office Staff, Hospitality, Membership and Program Committees, Help with Parties, Meeting Greeters, New Member Buddies and additional Prologue photographers. Please call (617) 447-2344



THE LAST ROAR OF SUMMER

Hosted by Phil Putnam

WHAT: A Potluck Party
WHEN: September 10- 2pm to whatever
Rain Date: September 11
WHERE: Haverill, Home of Phil Putnam, (See Roster)
COST: \$2 for host at the door
RSVP: By September 6th by phone (See Roster)
MAXIMUM GUESTS: 25
FOOD: In order to avoid too much of the same type of food, when you call Phil, tell him what you would like to bring.
DIRECTIONS: (See August Prologue)
WHAT WILL HAPPEN: A convivial gathering of like-minded men celebrating one of the last weekends of summer.

PLEASE CONSIDER HOSTING A HOLIDAY POTPOURRI IN OCTOBER!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE- OCTOBER 28-30, 2011 THE PRIME TIMERS PLAN TO RETURN TO PROVINCETOWN FOR HALLOWEEN!!

CHECK OUT The Yahoo Group BPT_List for more contact with Boston Prime Timers!!

The BPT Board has decided we need to clean our office and have a better idea as to what is located there. It has been suggested that some of the materials are privately owned and not the property of the BPT. If you know of any materials that are stored there that are not the property of the BPT, please contact Ed Rapazzini, (See Roster). We want to put a good deal of it in storage but need the permission of any owners of such goods.

Thanks

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

NATIONAL NEWS

**The Prime Timers
World Wide Convention
November 2-6, 2011
The Riviera Resort Hotel,
Palm Springs, CA**



**Thursday Night
Mixer/Dance**

Bobby Zee's Band played for the PTOD 2010 New Years Event. He is a composer, performer, arranger, producer, and an accomplished musician on several instruments, including piano and guitar. His smooth, romantic jazz

style appeals to all of the people in love or hoping to fall in love, while his dance music will get you aroused and dancing.

The Follies Friday Matinee, The Fabulous Palm Springs Follies, a world famous, Broadway caliber celebration of the music, dance, and comedy of the 40s, 50s, 60s and 70s with a cast old enough to have lived it!



Venerated guest star John Davidson as the celebrity, and international vaudeville acts, join the Follies' world renowned line of Long Legged Lovelies and Follies Gentlemen.



**Friday & Saturday
Night Cocktails with
Joel Baker at the Piano**

Joel studied piano and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Washington's School of Music. Joel keeps a busy schedule as an entertainer and music

director for several artists and organizations throughout Coachella Valley. He lives with his partner, Don, in Palm Springs.

**Friday Night Dinner
with Entertainment**

Watch for the announcement of the exciting entertainment, still under negotiation, for the Friday Night Banquet. The choices are narrowing.



Whichever of the finalist wins the event; you will certainly be in for a wonderful evening of entertainment.



**Saturday Night Grand
Banquet Dinner with
Entertainment**

Based in Palm Springs, California, Live It Up Productions brings quality Broadway style theatrical entertainment to the Convention. It's

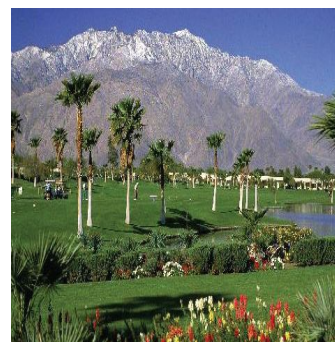
guaranteed to be an event talked about and remembered. One of a kind musical arrangements and medleys mixed together with Broadway caliber staging and choreography. You won't want to miss this night!

**Sunday Breakfast
Followed by the
Pride Parade**

Sunday in Palm Springs is a chance to see and participate in our Pride Parade.



We won't claim to be the largest parade in the world, but it is always one of the best. Leading our group in the parade will be the founder of our organization, **Woody Baldwin**, and **Ralph Sheplow**, who founded our local chapter in 1992.



Other Activities

Bridge and golf schedules will be posted on the Convention notice board. Volunteers will be available to assist choosing among the innumerable activities being organized by our local gay organizations.

There will be so many activities available you won't be able to attend them all. Shuttles will be available to many of the areas gay bars and casinos.

Questions: Contact Wayne Patterson (760) 904-5361 or E-mail: president@ptod-ps.org or AWayne1940@aol.com

November 2nd, Wednesday | Registration: 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Registration [with shirt and package extras]

November 3rd, Thursday | Registration: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Convention Headquarters - The Riviera Resort
Mixer/Dance [no host bar] w/4 piece band: 4:30 pm – 7:30 pm

November 4th, Friday | Registration: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Convention Headquarters - The Riviera Resort
“The Palm Springs Follies” [Nov. 4th, 1:30 pm Matinee]

Cocktails [no host bar]: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Dinner w/Entertainment: 7:00 pm

November 5th, Saturday | Registration: 9:00 am– Noon

Convention Headquarters - The Riviera Resort

Workshops: 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Cocktails [no host bar]: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Dinner w/Entertainment: 7:00 pm

November 6th, Sunday |

Sunday Buffet Breakfast at the Riviera

Pride Parade in downtown Palm Springs

Shirts are only available with advance registrations.

Shirt availability ends October 20, 2011.

The Pride Parade — Sunday November 6th, 7:00 am - 9:00 am Staging and Parade starts at 10:00 am. We hope to be positioned at the start of the Parade so the wait will be lessened. Our planning committee hopes to have a large flat bed truck/float with seating capacity for those who prefer not to walk. Details to follow. Prime Timers members are encouraged to attend the full Convention.

If you want to register only for individual items our registration form will allow that. The Thursday Mixer/Dance is available as pay at the door. All other events MUST pre-register by October 20, 2011.

Hotel Reservations are not included in the Convention price. Contact the Riviera Resort directly for reservations. Ask for Prime Timers of the Desert rate for the discount. The room rate is \$129.00 plus tax with up to four(4) people in the room. It may not be available online. Rooms are going fast — so call and make your reservations now.

**Riviera Palm Springs,
1600 N Indian Canyon Dr.,
Palm Springs, CA, 92262
Hotel Direct: 760-327-8311
866-588-8311**

Reservation deadline for cancellations and/or refunds is July 15, 2011

For reservations go to our website at:

<http://www.ptod-ps.org/Convention.pdf>

Make check to “Desert Prime Timers” and mail to Prime Timers of the Desert, PO Box 4508, Palm Springs, CA 92263

Refund Policy: We make a full refund on or before July 15, 2011. We deduct \$75 after that. We do make exceptions for sudden illness, death of a partner, death of the registrant, etc, on a case by case basis.



We are planning to be joined this year by the founder of Prime Timers, Woody Baldwin. At 91 years of age he remains vitally active and as charming as ever. If you have never met this extraordinary fellow; the chance to meet him would be worth the time and effort of attendance at the Convention. You can learn more about Woody Baldwin, and the organization he founded, at the honorary web site: www.woodybaldwin.com

Please see the June issue of the World Wide Prime Timers newsletter, “Prime Times”, at www.primetimersww.org. You can read it as well by going to our web site www.bostonprimetimers.org and clicking on RELATED LINKS.

Annual Dues Increase (cont'd from page 1)

	Annual Total Cost	Per member cost
USES Rent+Receptionist	\$3800	\$15.20
National Dues	500	2.00
Food at Monthly Meetings+		
Supplies and Equip.	935	3.74
Printing Costs	1431	5.72
Postage Charges	707	2.83
Other Expenses	186	.74
Total	\$7559	\$30.23

On the income side of things, dues membership has raised just shy of \$5900. (Remember that many members pay just \$22.50 per year if part of a couple). Members for half a year or less pay half price.

Fund Raising, Interest and Misc. Income has been about \$912 totally, annually. Donations have been approximately \$2527.

What we see here is that the Board has kept the dues VERY low and used the donations made to the organization, to keep it that way. This analysis is based predominantly on the income and expenses of the last 8 months. Remember, it is an **approximation**.

To update your Interest and Personal Profile, please see the membership form on the web site or call the office for a paper copy. Forward any changes to our office at 566 Columbus Ave, Boston, MA 02118

Reach Out & Touch by Dick Bourbeau

From time to time we learn of a member that is under the weather and looking for some form of human contact. Currently we have two members who fit the bill, Ralph A. Horne and Don McMullen. Because of his health Ralph has not been that active with the club. He is an author and until recently, owned a single family home that he maintained as a museum-loaded with artifacts. Many years ago he opened his home to our members. Those who attended were truly treated to a special experience. For those who missed, it you could have had the experience by visiting the exhibit at the Krakow Gallery as suggested in Prologue a few months ago. If you missed that too, you can experience it in cyberspace by simply following this link: <http://www.barbarakrakowgallery.com/shellburne-thurber>.

You will remember Don McMullen as a receptionist at our member meetings. He has spent all too much of this past year in the hospital but fortunately went home last Sunday!

What we want you to do is provide these members with a human touch by either, calling them on

the phone, sending them a card or paying them a visit if you are able. The contact info for Ralph and Don is available on our Roster, within the Member Area of our website, www.bostonprimetimers.org. For those without internet access, you will see their info on the printed version sent to you by the office. (Ralph has a caretaker, Jackson, who screens his calls. Tell him you are calling from the Prime Timers and would like to say hello.) Thanks for taking the time to brighten a member's day!

BIRTHDAYS



KELLOWAY William E	7/1
ADAMS Payson S III	7/3
MAURER, Glenn R	7/5
HEPNER, Kevin Lee	7/5
WALLACE, John A	7/9
REARDON, George J	7/11
FUESSLER Rolf	7/13
LANGLEY, Richard K	7/14
MULFORD, Roger	7/18
EVERETT, William D	7/20
MCMULLEN, Donald M	7/26
REID, Charles A	7/26
OLSON, Lewis Vincent	7/29
LEONARD, N. Jerry	8/1
GIRARD, Francis	8/1
BOURQUE, Camille	8/2
GOSELIN James E	8/4
BONAIUTO, Anthony	8/4
HORTON, Robert K	8/4
SZYMANSKI, Joseph F	8/5
DEAN, C. Frederick	8/7
NEGRON, Noel	8/9
BOURBEAU, Richard R	8/11
FLAHERTY, Bryan	8/12
VARGAS, Robert L	8/15
NELSON, Robert J	8/16
DASILVA, John C	8/20
PAPPAS, John A	8/21
COHEN, Ronald H	8/22
TEAS, Ron	8/23
MAZYCK, Frederick L	8/24
MONTGOMERY, John E	8/26
TESTA, Ron	8/26
CONNOLLY, Michael A	8/31
WHITE, Ron	8/31

ONGOING EVENTS

Boston/Back Bay:

Cafe Emmanuel: "The Original LGBT Meal Site!"

When: Every Thursday 11 am to 1:00pm

Where: Emmanuel Church,
15 Newbury Street Boston, MA

RSVP: to blinsscott@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

Especially for our South Shore members, But Everyone is Welcome

**The Wednesday Night Supper Club
The Randolph Country Club**

44 Mazzeo Drive, Randolph, MA 02368
Buffet Supper every Wednesday night
Starting around 6:15pm

The cost is \$8.00 payable at the bar
Several members are currently going and it's a somewhat older crowd.

Say hi to the bartender, Michael

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

ADVERTISING: We're offering business card ads for members in 12 editions for \$72. For ads by the month the charge is \$10 per issue. For non-member business card ads in 12 editions \$150, by the month \$20.00 per issue. Our newsletter not only goes out to other chapters by an e-mail notification but is available at our own web site [Boston Prime Timers.org](http://BostonPrimeTimers.org). If you would like to run an ad or learn more about advertising in Prologue, please call Kerry Marshall at 617-447-2344

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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MORE PICS OF PRIDE WEEK

