



Gerry No. 5 VFA

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2023 Scholarship Recipients Announced

The Scholarship Committee is happy to announce the recipients of this year's scholarships. Each recipient has been notified. The Scholarship Committee will hold a reception for the recipients and their families on Sunday, August 6th, to award the scholarships.

John Banks Scholarship – Carter Laramie

Frank H Camada Memorial Vocational Scholarship – William Finnegan

Frank H Camada Memorial Athletic Scholarship – Connor Cronin

Loraine E Camada Scholarship – Caroline Brennan

Ronald Champlin Memorial Scholarship – Christopher Locke

Edgar Snow Doliber Memorial Scholarship – Ciara Espaillat

Thomas Hartnett Scholarship – Samuel Annese

Joseph Homan Scholarship – Lucas Homan

John S. Humphrey Memorial Scholarship – Ciara Graves

Jody E LaLonde Memorial Scholarship – Katherine Bickell

Thomas Roche Scholarship – Nicholas Granata

Robert D Ross Memorial Scholarship – Isabelle Harvey

Richard Tutt Scholarship – Olivia Hoover

Howard "Wardie" Williams Memorial Scholarship – Alba Mehu-Torma

John Stuart "Stu" Curtis Memorial Scholarship – Ian Maude

Our sincere thanks to the Scholarship Committee: Joan Champlin (chair), Tom Voyer, Norm Sherwood, and Peter Cuffe

Community Collaboration at Work

The Gerry No. 5 VFA has always been an important member of the Marblehead and surrounding communities. This has never been more evident than we were contacted by the Festival of the Arts looking for a venue in case of rain for their July 3rd concerts normally held at Crocker Park. When the continued threat of heavy rain and thunderstorms threatened the performances, Brian Wheeler sprang into action and contacted the Gerry. We worked with Brian to quickly transform the Function Hall into a concert hall configuration after the decision was made to move to the Gerry. It was a great collaboration. The entertainers performed, the Hall was full for both performances, and everyone was happy and enjoying the evening in a dry environment.

We also worked with the National Grand Bank, the Fire Department, and others when the decision was made to postpone the Horribles Parade to Sunday, July 9th, due to the same threat of bad weather.

Many of us forget the role we play in the community until times like these but we work with our community entities in a continued partnership year-round. Thank you to all who give up their time and energy to work to make this partnership a success.

Facilities Update

Many of you may have noticed work being done at the Gerry. We have been busy making very necessary repairs and updates to the facility. We purchased two new TVs for the Function Hall and one for the Clubroom, we have implemented a new cash register system, the air conditioning units in the Function Hall were rebuilt and a new unit installed for the kitchen. The kitchen and galley have a new floor and we are current working on repairs to the soffit and fascia on the outside of the building. We have more necessary work to come. The ladies room floor will be replaced with tile matching the kitchen and new floor covering is going in the entryway. We are also in the process of looking for a new awning for the deck.

In a facility such as ours there are always little things being done to keep it in its best working order and comfortable for its members. We will update you from time to time on these activities. We also thank all our members and employees who assist in these efforts. We couldn't do it without you.

Membership Update

The following applicants were voted membership at the July 5th member meeting: Bryan Adams, Jackie Bova, Scott Coughlan, Colin Devlin, Ashley O'Shea, all of Marblehead, and Bruce Whear of Swampscott.

Drew Nelson of Salem was reinstated as a member.

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The following applicants were read and posted for voting at the August 2nd meeting: Polly Tritschper and Debra Weston of Marblehead.

Our current membership with the new members is 776.

June Blood Drive Delivers

The June Blood Drive resulted in 80 pints drawn. The next drive will be on Thursday, October 12th. Appointments may be made on-line at RedCross.org/Donate.

TUESDAY NIGHT GAME NIGHT!

Join us from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday evenings. Hosted by Frank and Lauren Mazzoni. Come up and play games. Have fun with your fellow members and friends! There may be prizes! A great way to spend an evening.



JOIN US FOR K/C² AT THE GERRY KITCHEN!

July 7– 8, 2023

Revised Summer Kitchen Hours :

Fridays: 4-9 Saturdays: 4-9* Sundays: Kitchen CLOSED

Open to the Public! *

Gerry Features

\$.50 wings- (12 minimum)

Choice of sauce:

Lemon pepper

Buffalo

BBQ

Honey mustard

Soy ginger

Pesto

Smokey buffalo

Smash sauce

Scallop plate- \$22

2 way combo- choice of 2- scallops, haddock, shrimp, served with fries and cole slaw- \$28

3 way combo- haddock, shrimp, scallops, served with fries and cole slaw- \$33

Fishermans platter- clams, scallops, haddock, shrimp, served with fries- \$38

Clam plate- \$25

Chicken Caesar salad- \$14

Grilled Shrimp Caesar salad- \$14

Pretzels- served with mustard cheese sauce- \$12

(3) Haddock OR shrimp taco-avocado, lettuce, cheese, onion, lemon aioli- \$18

***PLEASE NOTE:** Our Function Hall is family friendly. If the Function Hall is being used for a private function, food service will take place in the Clubroom only.. Children are **not** allowed in the Clubroom. **ONLY** members and their guests are allowed in the Clubroom. For instance, **the Function Hall will not be available for food service this Saturday due to a private event. Please plan accordingly.**

[Full Menu Also Available](#) - click here or go to the Gerry5.com website under Library.

[K/C2 Regular Menu.](#)

(under Business Documents - K/C2 Menu)



IMPORTANT DATE REMINDERS!

Sunday, July 9th, 10:00 a.m., Horribles Parade

Wednesday, July 19th, Board of Directors Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 2nd, Board of Directors Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

Member Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 16th, Board of Directors Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

PASSAGES

Robert Nauss, long-time **member**, passed on July 1, 2023, at the age of 76. Born in Gloucester, he attended Lynn English, and served in the US Marine Corps. He loved classic cars and has been a member of the National Chevy Nomad Club for as long as anyone can remember. He worked for Bill Woods Towing and the Town of Marblehead. He enjoyed collecting antique cars and was an avid Red Sox fan, Our deepest sympathy to family and friends.

Paul O'Shaughnessy, **Life member**, husband of **Honorary member Kerry O'Shaughnessy** passed on June 23, 2023, at the age of 77. Paul was also a Gerry 5 VFA past president, past vice president, and past Board of Director. Paul and Kerry were high school sweethearts. Paul worked installing window treatments, some for very famous people. He shined when it came to his grandchildren, he took pride in their accomplishments and loved them with all his heart. Our deepest sympathy to family and friends.

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Gerry Gear Inventory Sale



The items listed on the web site and on the flyers at the Club are available for immediate purchase! The prices will never be lower as we revamp our merchandising process. All items must go!

See an item you wish to purchase? Fill out a purchase form and give it to the manager. Payment must be received in full with your order. Once received, the Secretary will notify you when ready for pick-up.

Want something but it isn't available on our list? Hold that thought! We will be publishing our revised merchandise sales policy very soon. We will offer most of the same items but are making changes to the purchase process. An order form will be required with payment up front. Details are coming!

CHECK OUT THE NEW TELEVISIONS IN THE FUNCTION HALL!

We also now have a TV in the Clubroom displaying the Mass Lottery Wheel of Luck game.

Remember there are always things to do at the Gerry. Whether you want to socialize or just relax, we're here for you. Don't forget to check out the games in the Clubroom and the Function Hall (when not in use).

Comments? Questions? Complaints? Please address these to the manager or the Board in writing, via email, or in person. Have an issue while at the Gerry, please report it to the bartender and/or manager.

All issues are reported to the Board.

Thank you for reading!