

## From the Desk of the Mayor



### We. Are. Proud

Wow! Did we have a fun summer here in Braintree or what? From start to finish, our Town was buzzing with excitement as the Braintree American Little League had their historic run towards a Little League World Series title.

Whether you caught a few innings at a watch party, made the trek to cheer them on in person, or simply 'liked' a few of the many updates (we gained 300 new Facebook followers!), thank you for supporting this unforgettable journey.

While they didn't make it to the final round in Williamsport, they came home as **New England Regional Champions** and **Massachusetts State Champions**—a historic accomplishment we can all celebrate! We're looking forward to honoring them at a **Town-wide celebration on September 14**—stay tuned for more details.

Summer also brought back many of our beloved traditions. A huge thank you to our friends at the Farmers Market, the Nelson Chin Summer Concert Series, and all our wonderful Summer Camp staffers and attendees. We also welcomed, for the first time in Town: **Food Truck Wednesdays**, hosted in collaboration with the South Shore Food Truck Association. These fun evenings near the Blue Playground on South Street will continue until **October 29** — there's still time to stop by if you haven't already!

As we prepare for the **first day of school on September 3rd**, we remind everyone to be extra cautious around school buses and student walkers throughout Town. While many of our schools have upgraded crosswalks with flashing crosswalk signals AND use crossing guards, we encourage you to do your part to make our school zones as safe as possible. Parents, please also be mindful of designated drop-off areas and be respectful of surrounding neighborhoods. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to your school principal or attend a PTO meeting in September!

Keep an eye out for the 'traveling' school committee meetings, as was done in year's past. The School Committee is working to get into the District by hosting a few meetings outside of the Colbert Administration building. I want to thank Superintendent MacDonald and School Committee Chair Lisa Heger for working with the Mayor's office to bring this change to our school community.

I hope you enjoy the last few weeks of summer!

Erin V. Joyce  
Mayor of Braintree

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BRAINTREE IS  
**HIRING**  
JOIN OUR  
TEAM



Town of  
Braintree



Braintree  
Schools

For more information or to apply, scan the QR code or visit: [braintreema.gov/jobs](http://braintreema.gov/jobs) and [braintreeschools.schoolspring.com](http://braintreeschools.schoolspring.com)

# Trash and Recycling

## Yard waste collection

- Weeks of October 20 and 27
- Weeks of November 3, 10, 17, 24 and Dec 1

## Household hazardous waste collection

- September 27

## Compost site drop off

225 Plain Street

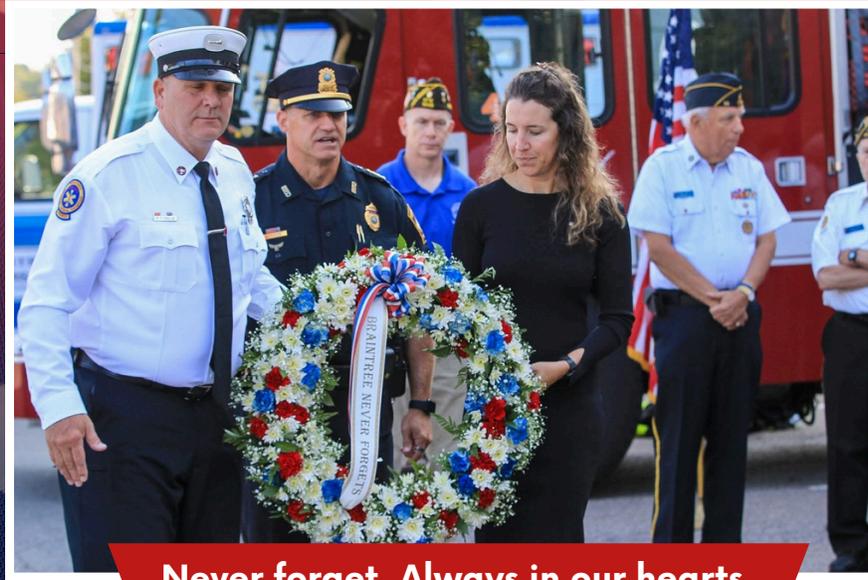
## Household hazardous waste collection

Check website for additional information

## Bulk item pickup

Capitolws.com click "schedule"

# SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> CEREMONY



**Never forget. Always in our hearts.**

September 11, 2025 at 8:30 AM  
Braintree Fire Department Headquarters  
1 Union Place Braintree, MA 02184



**Braintree American Little League Baseball Team**



## Rolling Rally and Ceremony

Sunday, September 14, 2025

Rolling Rally  
Town Hall at 2 PM



Ceremony  
Town Hall at 3 PM

# Braintree Recreation

## Fall Climbing Clinic with Central Rock Gym

September 3 - October 8  
(Ages 7-12)



## Super Soccer Stars Saturday Program

September 6 - November 1  
(Ages 1-6)

## Code Wiz 6 Week Program

September 8 - October 20  
(Ages 7-17)



Learn to draw cartoon figures with Heidi Hurley!

## AC & DC Family Crafting

### Make your own Charcuterie Board

September 22 and September 30

## Half-day Art Program

September 25

## F.A.S.T. Athletics Fall Program

September 25 - October 23

- Mini Sports (ages 3-6)
- Pre-K Soccer (ages 3-6)
- Flag Football and Games (ages 7-12)



## Amazing Athletes Demo Class (free trial class prior to fall program)

September 28 - November 2  
(Ages 3-5)

## Contact Information

[recreation@braintreema.gov](mailto:recreation@braintreema.gov) | 781-794-8946



# THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY



## BOOK SALE

The Friends of Thayer Public Library are hosting a Book Sale of just Children's Books on **Saturday, September 13th from 9:00 AM to noon in Logan Auditorium.**

They have collected a large selection of gently used children's books for this special sale. Find titles for all ages from infants to teens!

## NEW MUSEUM PASS

We are now offering a museum pass for the Children's Museum in Easton. The pass, which needs to be picked up at the Reference Desk, is redeemable for **50% off** the regular admission price for **up to two people.** There is **one pass available per day.**



## BOOKS ARRIVING THIS SEPTEMBER...

Eight years after *If We Were Villains*, **M.L. Rio** returns with **Hot Wax**, a rock 'n' roll odyssey into one woman's haunted past. Meanwhile, **Mariah Fredericks** takes us back to the Roaring '20s with **The Girl in the Green Dress**, a mystery featuring Zelda Fitzgerald.



## RANDY CLOUTIER JAZZ TRIO

As a part of Thayer Public Library's Fall Concert Series, Randy Cloutier Jazz Trio will be performing **Saturday, September 27 at 3 PM.** They blend decades of experience and dynamic talent to deliver fresh, captivating jazz performances across New England.



## FALL HOURS

**Monday - Thursday:** 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM  
**Friday & Saturday:** 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM  
**Closed on Sunday**

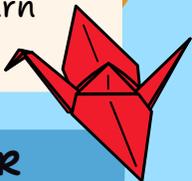


## INTERNATIONAL PEACE DAY

Join Thayer Public Library in our community engagement initiative to create 1,000 paper cranes by **Sunday, September 21st**, in honor of International Day of Peace.



Stop by the Main Level to learn how to fold paper cranes!



## BEST SELLING AUTHOR

Join author Janis Robinson Daly on **September 6 at 10 AM** for tips on publishing paths beyond finishing a manuscript. Explore traditional, indie, hybrid, and self-publishing. Virtual registration required; in-person requested.

# ELDER AFFAIRS



## Reoccurring Events

### Daily

There are pastries and coffee served all day, everyday. We offer exercise classes and games five days a week to help you stay active and engaged. In addition to our regular offerings, we also host a variety of special programs each month, providing something new and exciting for all to enjoy!

### Monday Morning Bocce

This fun and social event will continue every **Monday at 10 AM**, weather permitting, until it gets too cold to play. The bocce games are open to older adults only, so come out, get active, and enjoy the company of friends each week!



### Billiards

Learn how to play pool With Kathy & Bob on the **1st and 3rd Thursday of every month at 12:30 PM** (unless otherwise noted on the calendar).

## September

### Braintree Yacht Club

The Braintree Yacht Club is offering our patrons to enjoy a nautical experience on the water on **September 6 at 10 AM**. They are inviting you to socialize, have a bite to eat and then set sail. It will be a day of fun! **Seats are limited. Call to sign up!**

### Paul Revere

Come and learn about Paul Revere on **September 15 at 1 PM**. From his birth, his family, his country, to the midnight ride and the American Revolution. This is a prelude to the **upcoming celebration of the nation's 250th birthday**.



## October

### Walk For Health & Fitness

Join us **Monday, October 7, 10 AM-12 PM** at **Pond Meadow Park (Weymouth side)** for a fun, festive walk at your own pace! Enjoy music, local vendors, free giveaways, t-shirts & more. Rain date: Oct. 14. Come connect, celebrate, and enjoy the outdoors!

### Contact Info

**Phone:** 781-848-1963

**Address:** 71 Cleveland Ave  
Braintree, MA 02184

**Please note: All events are exclusively for Braintree's older adult residents, and RSVP is required to attend. Please call to confirm your attendance.**



# Braintree Community Partnership

Community-Driven Support for a Healthier Tomorrow



## WHO ARE WE?

The Braintree Community Partnership (BCP) is dedicated to promoting a substance-free environment and building a healthier future for our community. Our ultimate goal is to create a safe, healthy community free from the impacts of alcohol and drugs.



## WHAT DO WE DO?

We work to:

- Raise awareness of substance use trends
- Reduce youth access to drugs and alcohol
- Implement evidence-based prevention strategies
- Support individuals and families affected by addiction

## INITIATIVES

- **Red Ribbon Week** – celebrating healthy choices and prevention awareness
- **Sticker Shock Campaigns** – reminding adults not to provide alcohol to youth during peak sales seasons
- **International Overdose Awareness Day** – honoring lives lost and supporting families through community remembrance
- **Youth Leadership Programs** – building advocacy skills and empowering young voices
- **Educational Speakers & Presentations** – bringing timely information and prevention resources to the community

Together, we believe prevention works, families matter, and community support makes the difference.



## CONTACT US



Partnership@braintreema.gov



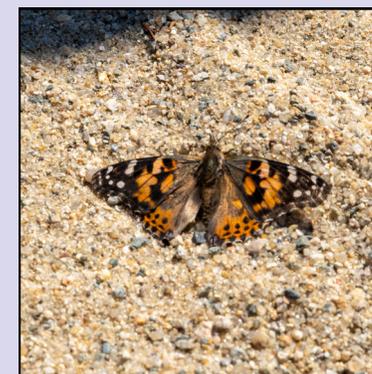
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## EVERY LIFE REMEMBERED - INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY



On Saturday, August 23, the Braintree community came together at Sunset Lake for a moving ceremony in recognition of International Overdose Awareness Day (IOAD). Hosted in partnership with The Sun Will Rise Foundation, the morning created a space for reflection, remembrance, and solidarity for all those impacted by overdose loss.

The event featured speakers sharing their stories losing a loved one followed by a live performance by Sarah Blacker, offering a heartfelt tribute to those we have lost.

A centerpiece of the ceremony was the unveiling of a butterfly mural—a vibrant work of art symbolizing both remembrance and the enduring presence of those who are no longer with us. This mural serves as a public tribute, reminding families and friends that their loved ones are never forgotten.

Each year, International Overdose Awareness Day asks us to reflect on the staggering toll of overdose deaths. From July 2023 to July 2024, there were an estimated 1,598 opioid-related overdose deaths in Massachusetts. Behind each number is a name, a face, and a family forever changed.



# UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Town Council Meeting**  
September 2, 2025, 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM  
@Cahill Auditorium

**Town Council Meeting**  
September 16, 2025, 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM  
@Cahill Auditorium

**Conservation Commission**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
September 4, 2025, 7:00 PM  
@Johnson Chambers

**Community Preservation**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
September 29, 2025, 5:00 PM  
@Zoom

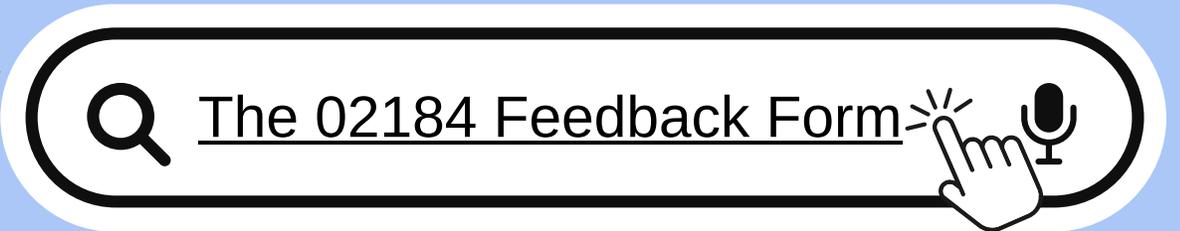
**Historical Commission**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
September 8, 2025, 5:30 PM  
Check meeting notes for location

**Zoning Board of Appeals**  
**Regular Meeting**  
September 29, 2025, 7:00 PM  
@Johnson Chambers

**Planning Board**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
September 9, 2025, 7:00 PM  
@Cahill Auditorium



We are looking for feedback on The 02184 Newsletter.  
Click the link below to let us know how it can be improved!



## Braintree Town Hall

1 John F. Kennedy Memorial Drive  
Braintree, MA 02184  
781-794-8000  
www.braintreema.gov

**Town Hall Hours**  
Mon, Wed, Thur: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM  
Tue: 8:30 AM - 7:00 PM  
Fri: 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM