



## FROM THE DESK OF THE MAYOR

I cannot believe it is November already! Good-bye to summertime spritz and pink skies—it is officially cozy season. November is a great month to practice gratitude, and I could not be more thankful for all of our Town employees. From ensuring our elections run smoothly to keeping our streets and parks clean and inviting, there are 1,600 employees keeping our Town running on any given day.

I am also especially thankful for residents that continue to give back by running community events that bring moments of service and fun. Thank you to everyone who joined us in celebrating the Navy's 250th birthday, and a special thanks to Patrick Leonard, our resident historian, for sharing his talent in making this event memorable and grand. Our special guest, World War II Navy combat veteran Malcolm Brooks MacLeod, was honored with a proclamation naming Friday, October 10, 2025, *Malcolm Brooks MacLeod Day in Braintree*—just three days after his 101<sup>st</sup> birthday! It was a truly memorable occasion.

Congratulations to the Braintree Catholic Collaborative for kicking off a new monthly community dinner at St. Francis of Assisi Church. Those wishing to volunteer or dine with neighbors are encouraged to attend, and for more information, call 781-843-1332.

Of course, we also are gearing up for the Thanksgiving Turkey Trot at Braintree High School on **Thursday, November 27, at 8 AM**. Make sure you get your tickets to run or just come to watch! The annual Marge Crispin Center Thanksgiving Food Basket Drive is happening—to donate, [click here!](#) So much community gathering and giving back!

In the spirit of community gathering, I'm inviting you to start your November with our *Marine Corps 250th Birthday Celebration* on **Friday, November 7, at 10 AM** at Town Hall. But the celebration doesn't end there—we will be having our *Veterans Day Celebration* on **Tuesday, November 11, at 11 AM** at Town Hall as we honor all who have served. If you are thinking of a family-friendly event where you can pay respect to those who served, please join us!

In the spirit of giving back—if you are able, I'm hoping you will join me in supporting our local food pantries throughout the month of November. I am holding a food drive with the Marge Crispin Center for the month of November. We will be collecting a different item each week: cereal, boxed stuffing, canned cranberry sauce, canned soup, and canned fruit. Check out page 3 for details!

We've been posting a lot more lately, so stay connected with the Town of Braintree! Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [X](#), and [Nextdoor](#), and visit our [new website](#) to stay up to date on all Town news and events. Also, keep an eye out for our insert in the census mailer – you will find information on signing up for our Town-wide alert system, along with information on the Schools Facilities Visioning Plan, which we are kicking off this month.

**Erin V. Joyce**  
Mayor of Braintree

TOWN OF  
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

## Holiday schedule

- November 11 and 27

## Compost site drop off

225 Plain Street

## Household hazardous waste collection

Check website for additional information

## Bulk item pickup

Capitolws.com click "schedule"



# November Food Drive

Drop-off Location  
Braintree Town Hall - 1 JFK Memorial Drive

- Week of 11/3 - cereal
- Week of 11/10 - boxed stuffing and canned cranberry sauce
- Week of 11/17 - canned soup
- Week of 11/24 - canned fruit



# Veterans Services

*Upcoming events*



**U.S. Marine Corps 250 Birthday Celebration**  
November 7 | 10 AM | Cahill Auditorium

**Braintree Elks Annual Veterans Day Ceremony**  
November 8 | 9 AM | Weymouth-Braintree Elks Lodge

**Braintree Post 86 Open House & Recruiting Drive**  
November 8 | 9 AM - 12 PM

**Burial for Private Alfred Thomas Langevin**  
November 10 | 11 AM | Fairmount Cemetery in Weymouth

**Braintree Veterans Brunch**  
November 10 | 10 AM | Elder Affairs

**Braintree Veterans Day Ceremony**  
November 11 | 11 AM | Braintree Town Hall



**Weymouth-Braintree Elks Veterans Potluck Dinner**  
November 12 | 12 PM - 4 PM | Weymouth-Braintree Elks Lodge

**Braintree Rotary Club Veterans Only Lunch**  
November 13 | 12 PM | Braintree Town Hall | Sign-up required  
Call Al Varraso to sign up: 617-347-5267

**Thanksgiving Dinner**  
November 14 | 3 PM | Crossroads Pub | Sign-up required  
Contact DAV Commander Ed Melecio to sign-up: 617-775-6252  
or esmelecio@msn.com

**Pearl Harbor Ceremony**  
December 7 | 10 AM | USS SALEM in Quincy

## Contact Information

**George Andes**  
Veterans Service Officer  
781-794-8217

**Paul Marshall**  
Clerical Assistant  
781-794-8218

**Hours**  
Mon-Thu: 8 AM-4 PM  
Fri: 8 AM-1 PM

**Address**  
30 Foster Road  
Braintree, MA 02184

## Celebrate history with Braintree Cub Scout Pack 22!

Join Club Scout Pack 22 for a short ceremony commemorating the 242nd Anniversary of the Treaty of Paris from 1783, co-authored by Braintree's own John Adams.

The ceremony will take place Sunday, November 9 at 11 AM at Braintree Town Hall. Support the Scouts as they commemorate the end of the American Revolutionary War and the start of our Nation.





### **Voluntary Pilot Program**

The Town of Braintree will cover the setup fee (\$37) for the first 104 participants. Preregistration is required, and the program will begin once 104 residents have enrolled.



**COMPOST. GROW.  
EAT. REPEAT**

Sustainable Food  
Scrap Collection  
and Composting

### **Pricing for curbside pick-up**

- Weekly service \$230 per year, billed monthly or annually by Black Earth Compost. Costs will decrease as more residents sign up.
- Biweekly service \$180 per year, billed quarterly by Black Earth Compost

Additional pickup services available to Black Earth compost customers include: electronics, textiles, plastic film, and more!

### **For more information on Black Earth Compost**

[blackearthcompost.com](http://blackearthcompost.com)   [municipal@blackearthcompost.com](mailto:municipal@blackearthcompost.com)   [Sign Up](#)



## ABOUT THE BRAINTREE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

The Braintree Community Partnership is committed to working alongside our community to prevent and reduce youth substance use, support individuals and families, and foster a safe, healthy Braintree.

## WHAT WE DO

The Braintree Community Partnership organizes various prevention initiatives to change attitudes around risky behaviors. Prevention focuses on fostering a community where safe, healthy choices are encouraged and expected. Programs like the Sticker Shock Campaign educate the public and enhance community support.

## WHAT IS THE STICKER SHOCK CAMPAIGN?

The Sticker Shock Campaign is a bi-annual awareness event conducted when alcohol sales and related incidents are at their peak. Local youth and adult chaperones visit restaurants and package stores to disseminate information about providing alcohol to minors and raise awareness of the minimum drinking age law.



## HOW IT WORKS:

- We offer complimentary stickers and posters featuring prevention messages, similar to the one shown on the left.
- Youth and adult chaperones will visit your business for 30-45 minutes to apply stickers on pizza boxes and takeout packaging.
- Laminated posters can be positioned at strategic locations such as checkout counters, doors, or refrigerator cases.

**Looking for a more private solution?  
Inquire about our "Do It Yourself" Kit.**

**Scan the QR  
code to learn  
more about us.**



**Contact:**

**Stormy Leung**

 **781-794-8145**

 **sleung@braintreema.gov**



# BRAINTREE YOUTH AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

## Building Resilience, Finding Balance

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Lead peer-driven wellness initiatives in your school!  
Plan mini-projects, host lunch activities, and help  
other youth build coping skills and resilience.  
Ambassadors will also lead a workshop at the Youth  
Power Summit with 100+ youth statewide.

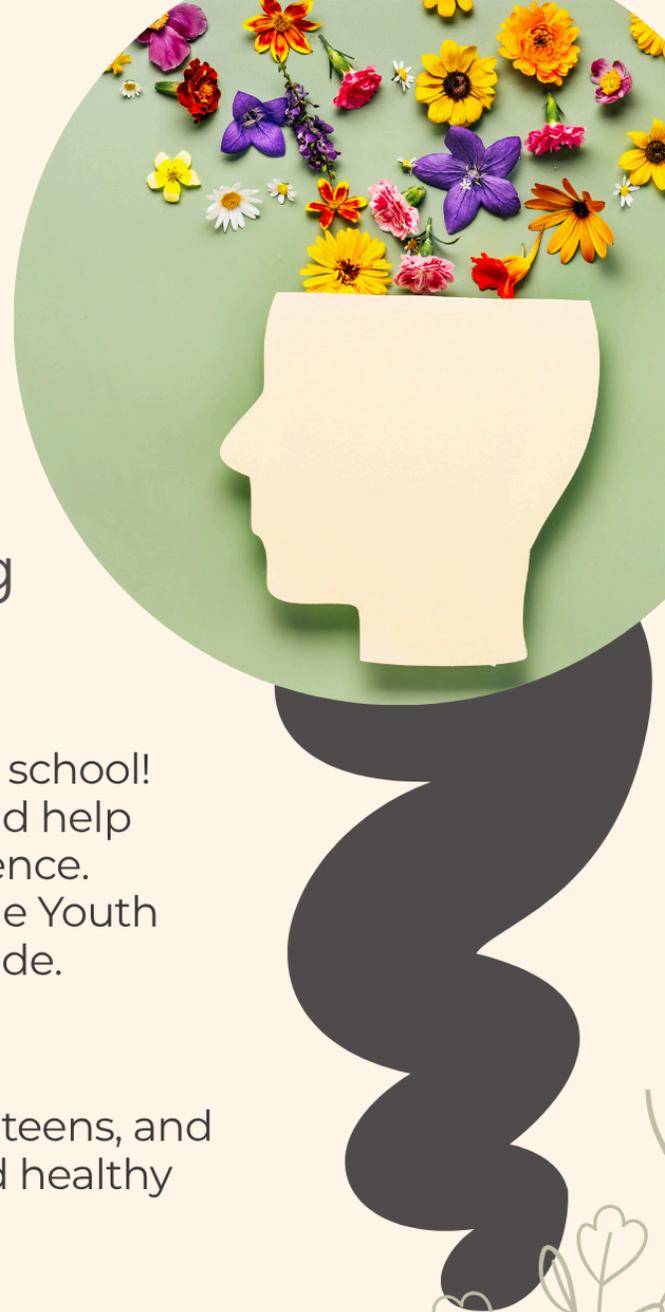
### What Ambassadors Do

Lead peer-centered projects, motivate fellow teens, and  
contribute to the creation of a supportive and healthy  
community in Braintree!

### In return, you'll gain opportunities to

- engage with legislators and community leaders.
- Network and gain recognition from local leaders.
- Connect and collaborate with youth throughout Braintree.
- Acquire leadership certificates, resume-enhancing experiences, and service hours.
- enhance your resume
- enjoy exclusive access to events, trips, and peer-focused activities.

 **Earn \$500 & Make an Impact!**



# RECREATION

## Upcoming Events

### Boston Celtics vs Washington Wizards

November 5 | 6 PM | TD Garden

### Kids Test Kitchen

November 5 | BCAC | Grades K-4

### Mindfulness with Jennifer Lynn

November 20 Half-day | BCAC | Grades 5-8

### Open Gym

November 20 Half-day | Daughraty Gym | Grades 2-4

### Kids Art Night Out

December 5 | registration opens November 10

### Boston Bruins Vs New Jersey Devils

December 6 | 7 PM | TD Garden

### Amazing Athletes

Saturdays starting December 6 | Ages 3-5

### Super Soccer Stars

Saturdays starting December 6 | Ages 2-6

Fills within 2 days!

Registration is now live!

## Contact Info

Phone: 781-794-8946

Email: recreation@braintree.ma.gov

Address: 74 Pond Street

## Hours

Mon, Wed, Thu: 8:30 AM-4:30 PM

Tue: 8:30 AM-7 PM

Friday: 8:30 AM-4:30 PM



# ELDER AFFAIRS

### Low Vision Support Group

November 4 | 10 AM

### Mobile Shredding

November 7 | 10 AM - 1 PM

### Therapy Gardens Fall Soups Presentation

November 7 | 1 PM

### Ornament Workshop

November 10 | 1 PM

### Veterans Day Celebration

November 10 | 11 AM

### Old Colony Hospice and Palliative Care Presents:

### Spouse and Partner Loss Grief Support Group

November 13 - December 18 | 11 AM

### Spa Day

November 14

### Alzheimer's Support Group

November 18 | 4 PM

### Rotary Thanksgiving Lunch

November 20 | 12 PM | Town Hall

### Book Club

November 21 | 10:30 AM

### Holiday Wreaths

November 24 | 1 PM

### Conversations with Mayor Joyce

November 24 | 1 PM

### Television Theme Song Trivia

November 25 | 1 PM

### Plainridge Park Casino

December 10 | 10 AM |

Registration opens November 5

## CONTACT INFO

Phone: 781-848-1963

Address: 71 Cleveland Avenue

# Thayer Library

## Children

### **Mall Storytime for Children**

November 3 | 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM | Food Court's Play Area

### **Happy Snail Craft**

November 4 | 10 AM - 7 PM | Children's Room

### **"Bad Guys" Watch Party**

November 4 | 11 AM - 12 PM | Logan Auditorium

### **Storytime for Children**

November 15 | 10 AM | 10:45 AM | Children's Room | Best for ages 2 ½ - 4

### **Comics-Making Club**

November 18 | 3:45 PM - 4:45 PM | Children's Room

## Teen

### **Teen Craft and Chat**

November 18 | 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM | Teen Room | Ages 12 +

### **"Wicked" Watch Party**

November 20 | 1 PM - 4 PM | Logan Auditorium

### **Wicked Themed Party**

November 20 | 4 PM - 5 PM | Logan Auditorium

## Adult

### **Board Game Night**

November 3 | 7 PM - 8 PM | Reading Room

### **Local Author Book Fair**

November 8 | 10:30 AM - 12 PM

## Weekly

### **Mah Jongg Open Play**

Mondays | 10 AM - 12:30 PM | Reading Room

### **Drop-in Play**

Fridays | 10 AM - Noon | Through age of 5 | Children's Room

### **Family Movement & Mindfulness**

Wednesdays | 10:15 AM - 10:45 AM | Children's Room

### **English Conversation Circle**

Saturdays 3 PM - 4 PM | Conference Room A

## Virtual

### **Quakes, Volcanoes, and Tsunamis with Bill Thierfelder**

November 4 | 7 PM - 8:30 PM | ZOOM

## More Info

### **Contact**

Phone: 781-848-0405

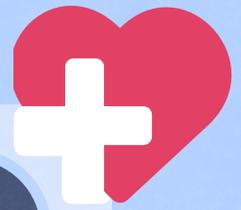
Address: 798 Washington Street

### **Hours**

Mon-Thur: 9 AM - 9 PM

Fri-Sat: 9 AM - 5 PM

Sunday: Closed



IN REMEMBRANCE OF

## Dr. Philip B. Nedelman

*Town Doctor*

It is with great sadness that the Town of Braintree acknowledges the passing of Dr. Philip B. Nedelman on October 9, 2025.



# A Lifetime of Dedication to Medicine and Community

After retiring from the United States Navy as a Lieutenant Commander serving as a flight surgeon, Dr. Nedelman settled in Braintree, where he remained a long-standing resident and family physician until his recent passing. In 1968, he opened his own medical practice in Braintree, known as Braintree Family Physicians, which eventually located on Grove Street. By many of his patients, he was affectionately known as “Doc” or “Doctor Ned,” with countless numbers of them also being Braintree residents themselves. Nowadays, he would be described as “an old school physician” for providing his medical services not only in his office practice but also making routine medical house calls over the years to care for his patients. He was also the longest-serving physician on staff at South Shore Hospital, with his tenure there beginning in February of 1964 and spanning over five decades. His passion and dedication for the practice of medicine and helping others continued up until his death, as he worked in telemedicine. Dr. Nedelman was said to admit that he would never retire from practicing medicine, and he absolutely fulfilled that objective.

The Town of Braintree and the Braintree community were also very fortunate to have Dr. Nedelman serve as a member of the Board of Health for twenty-seven and a half years from April 8, 1998, until his death; as the Town Physician and School Physician; as the Braintree High School football team physician, which earned him induction into their Athletic Hall of Fame in 2016; and on numerous occasions over the years as the Town’s Santa Claus during holiday celebrations.

His steadfast commitment to medicine, public health, and service to the community are immeasurable, and the Town of Braintree, the community, and so many more have been the lucky recipients of his devotion. Dr. Nedelman will be immensely missed but will certainly never be forgotten.

We extend our deepest condolences to Dr. Nedelman’s family and to the Braintree community.

# Braintree Fire Department



Welcome the Braintree Fire Department's newest recruits! Over the course of ten weeks, the recruits completed intensive practical and classroom instruction covering all aspects of fire suppression, hazardous materials, and rescue tactics, ultimately earning certification as Massachusetts Firefighters. We are excited to see these new members bring their skills to the field.



On October 10, 2025, Fire Chief Frederick Viola proudly attended the graduation ceremony at the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy in Springfield, MA.

Thanks to the continued support of Mayor Joyce, the Town Council, and the residents of Braintree, these additions will help strengthen departmental staffing and enhance operational efficiency.

These openings were created as a result of recent retirements. Although new to the department, the recruits bring prior experience in the military, law enforcement, and emergency medical dispatch. All are now assigned to shifts and are certified Nationally Registered Emergency Medical Technicians.

# UPCOMING MEETINGS



**Zoning Board of Appeals Special Meeting**  
November 5, 2025, 6:00 PM  
@Johnson Chambers

**Town Council Meeting (including ways & Means)**  
November 5, 2025, 6:30 PM  
@Johnson Chambers

**Committee of Ways & Means**  
November 5, 2025, 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM  
@Johnson Chambers

**Town Council Meeting**  
November 5, 2025, 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM  
@Cahill Auditorium

**Conservation Commission**  
November 6, 2025, 7:00 PM  
@Johnson Chambers

**Community Preservation**  
November 10, 2025, 5:00 PM  
@Zoom

**Planning Board**  
November 12, 2025, 7:00 PM  
@Cahill Auditorium

**Administrative Site Plan Review**  
November 13, 2025, 1:00 PM  
@Fletcher Conference Room

**Public Shade Tree Hearing**  
November 13, 2025, 1:00 PM  
@85 Quincy Ave

**Committee of Ways & Means**  
November 13, 2025, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM  
@Johnson Chambers

**BSC Finance & Operations Subcommittee**  
November 17, 2025, 5:30 PM  
@Colbert Administrative Building

**Committee of Ways & Means**  
November 18, 2025, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM  
@Johnson Chambers

**School Advisory Board**  
November 18, 2025, 6:30 PM  
@Colbert Administrative Building

**Town Council Meeting**  
November 18, 2025, 7:30 PM - 9:00 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!



[The 02184 Feedback Form](#)



## Braintree Town Hall

1 John F. Kennedy Memorial Drive  
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www.braintreema.gov

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