

Connecting Staff, Residents, Families, and Friends

Organizational Updates

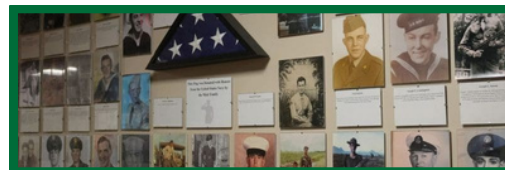
Residents and Staff Celebrate Halloween

Fun was the focus. Staff, residents and family enjoyed parties, treats and lots of costumes for Halloween.



German Centre's 2025 Veterans Day Celebration

Our annual event was very well attended and featured guest speakers from the community and keynote speakers from several branches of the military. Our Honor Walls grow each year, along with the number of veterans involved in our programs.



Employee of the Month



Lauren Connolly was unanimously voted employee of the month by voters on her leadership team and by several family members of our residents. Lauren truly exemplifies the goals of German Centre's mission. Her recognition is long overdue. Lauren is the go-to person on campus for almost everything, and especially on the TCU. 'She does it all' was the sentiment of several voters, citing IT, social services, maintenance, housekeeping, meal assistance, nursing, phones calls, even fixing Kindles for folks. Another sentiment was 'She does the work of ten people.' Lauren always displays expertise, patience, kindness, compassion and her significant skills. Please join us in recognizing Lauren as an exceptional employee.

Sharing Time & Art

Roxbury Latin students visit Edelweiss Village residents to decorate pumpkins together.



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Deutsches Altenheim Foundation

Your Impact, Our Gratitude Celebrating Generosity

Something special is on the way. Soon, Deutsches Altenheim Foundation will publish its two-year **Impact Report**—a celebration of generosity, compassion, and community that have shaped life at German Centre over the past two years.

Spanning July 2023 through June 2025, the report is filled with stories that inspire and uplift. You will read how philanthropy brought music and joy back through the revival of our **Music Therapy Program**, how a generous **matching gift challenge** expanded **memory care at Edelweiss Village**, and how students from **The Roxbury Latin School** stepped up for our seniors, turning friendship into meaningful action. You will also learn about the launch of our **1914 Heritage Society**, created to honor those whose legacy gifts will help ensure the future of compassionate care for generations to come.

More than a report, it is a reflection of you—our donors, families, and friends—whose generosity makes this impact possible. Your support has strengthened programs, enriched daily life for residents and participants, and built a foundation for the future.

As we enter the season of giving, we invite you to continue this momentum. If you are moved by these stories, please consider making an **end-of-year gift** to help us bring even more comfort, connection, and care to the seniors who call German Centre home.

Thank you for being part of our story, and for helping us write the next chapter. Keep an eye out for the full Impact Report, coming soon.

Ways to Give

- **Online:** dafboston.org/donate
- **Mobile:** Scan the QR Code
- **Phone:** Call us at 617-390-3217



Thank You for Your Support!

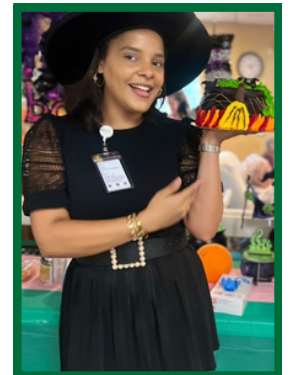
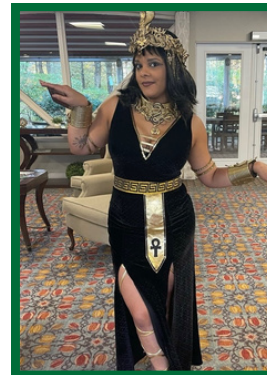
Staff Spotlight

Carol Kelly's Retirement Party

We celebrated Carol Kelly and her retirement on October 24th. Carol and family, friends, local VIPs, German Centre staff and residents all came together to enjoy Carol and an afternoon party. Carol received citations from city and state representatives recognizing her dedication to our veterans, our residents and our community members. She created lasting programs we still honor and host. Her loving staff decorated our Holtzer Auditorium for the party. Carol will be greatly missed by all.



Juleissy Marcano & Her Many Amazing Holiday Costumes



In Loving Memory

- Susan Ballem, Schrafft Pavilion**
- Filomena DiVirgilio, Schrafft Pavilion**
- Bridget Powers, TCU**
- Joseph Shagoury, TCU**
- Mary Shagoury, TCU**
- Charles Tyler, TCU**

The German Centre family extends deepest condolences to the families and friends of these wonderful people.