

REALTOR® Association brings in food donations for Net of Compassion

WORCESTER — The REALTOR® Association of Central Massachusetts (RACM) held a food drive for the nonprofit Net of Compassion in Worcester. The drive, led by RACM's Community Action Committee, collected over a thousand non-perishable food items. The items included: bagged rice, canned beans, chicken broth, canned vegetables, cereals, juice, pasta, and soups.

The REALTOR® Association of Central Massachusetts is proud to support two housing-related charities each year. This year, the Community Action Committee is working with Abby's House in Worcester, and Net of Compassion in Worcester. For more information on future drives to support our 2021 Charities of Choice, visit our Facebook: www.facebook.com/RealtorAssociationofCentralMass/

Net of Compassion is a faith-based collaborative effort providing essential support services to people in need. Every week Net of Compassion brings a hot meal, clothing, recovery supports, and an encouraging word to hundreds of people struggling with addiction and homelessness. To learn more about the nonprofit, please visit their website at www.netofcompassion.org. You can also find their Amazon Wish list here: www.netofcompassion.org/wish-list.html.

Right now, Net of Compassion is



in search of a propane source. A portable shower was recently donated to the organization, and they need the propane to produce hot water for the showers to be used by people in need. Please reach out to Net of Compassion if you can help.

The REALTOR® Association of Central Massachusetts has been proudly serving its members of the Greater Worcester and Central Massachusetts areas since 1923. The Association assists more than 1,800 real estate professionals, providing the services and resources neces-

sary for a successful career as a REALTOR®. Association members are involved in residential and commercial real estate as brokers, salespeople, property managers, appraisers, counselors and others engaged in all aspects of the real estate industry.

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Worcester Chamber Music Society offers free tickets for seniors

WORCESTER — Worcester Chamber Music Society (WCMS) is pleased to announce that generous support from the Local Cultural Councils in Auburn, Gardner, Lunenburg, and Shrewsbury has allowed them to make available a limited number of free tickets to seniors in those towns for their upcoming "Horizons" concert. The performance premieres April 25 at 4 p.m., and includes a virtual reception with the musicians after the concert. The concert will be available to stream through June 30.

Streaming Premiere: Sunday, April 25 at 4 p.m.

Virtual reception with the musicians to follow

Recorded at Mechanics Hall

On-Demand April 26-June 30

With guest Aaron Engebret, baritone



Samuel Barber Dover Beach
Hilary Tann Llef Ludwig van Beethoven Piano Trio, Op. 97 "Archduke"

The program includes Samuel Barber's incomparable setting of Matthew Arnold's poem Dover Beach, for which baritone Aaron Engebret joins the ensemble.

Engebret is a much sought-after soloist and recording artist, whose performances of early music, contemporary premieres, and everything in between, have earned him critical acclaim. Also featured is Hilary Tann's evocative Llef, for flute and cello, and the performance concludes

with Beethoven's Archduke piano trio, op. 97, in celebration of the composer's 250th birthday. The title of the concert - "Horizons" - came about because each piece on the program reflects a change in time or place. Barber set Dover Beach to music in 1931, between the two

World Wars. Composed in the foothills of the Adirondack Mountains where she lives, Hilary Tann's piece evokes her childhood home in Wales from the distance of both age and place. Beethoven played the Archduke piano trio - his last and arguably his best - in his final performance, after which his deafness precluded further public appearances.

Tickets for this concert, either the free senior tickets (use discount code HORIZONS) or regular price, are available on the ensemble's website, www.worcesterchambermusic.org, or by calling the office at (508) 926-8624.

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QCC anticipates reopening of Early Childhood Education Lab School

WORCESTER — Quinsigamond Community College President Luis G. Pedraja, Ph.D. has announced the anticipated reopening of the Early Childhood Education Lab School during the Fall 2021 semester. The Lab School serves as a lab/training site for students in QCC's Early Childhood Education program.

At the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Lab School closed when the College transitioned to remote instruction; however, QCC's Early Childhood Education students continued their education through remote instruction. During remote operations, President Pedraja and the QCC Board of Trustees supported a program review, which examined and renewed the College's commitment to the Lab School.

"This renewed commitment directly responds to the needs of the Early Childhood Education program, and is in accordance with QCC's strategic plan and equity initiative," President Pedraja said. "The Lab School will have a phased reopening that is in accordance with licensure, health, and safety protocols, as is consistent with the reopening plans of the College."

Last month QCC released its plans to resume in-person services for the Fall 2021 semester following all health and safety protocols, while continuing to maintain strong online course offerings and student support services.

For more information about QCC, contact Josh Martin, Director of Institutional Communications at 508-854-7513 or jmartin@qcc.mass.edu.

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Applications are available online at <https://www.sturbridge.gov/your-government/pages/job-opportunities> and will be accepted until position is filled.

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