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Richard 'Dick' Pizzi, 89, built Pizzi Farm into a North Waltham landmark



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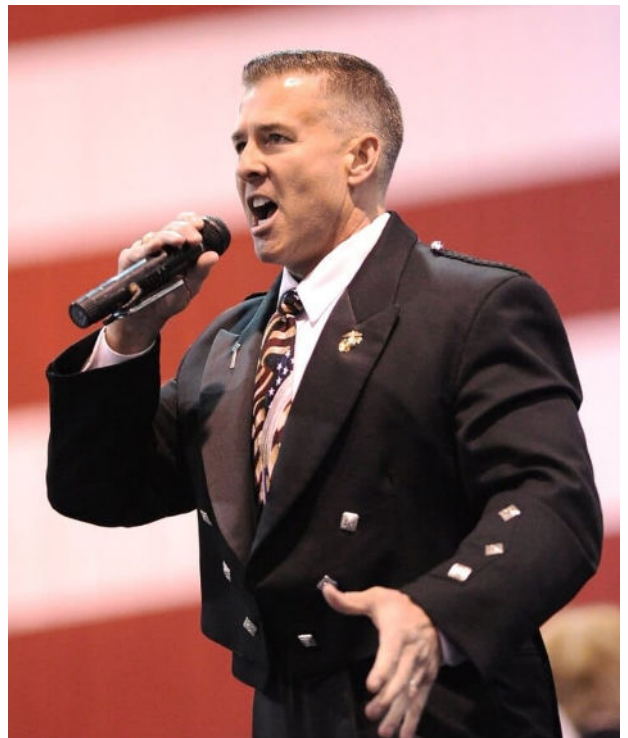


Waltham's Council on Aging operates out of the William F. Stanley Senior Center at 488 Main St. The spacious, well-equipped center offers guidance on senior issues as well as rich programs for exercise, music, classes and socializing. Check out [the center's newsletter \(en Español\)](#) for a full listing. Call 781-314-3499 with questions and to register for programs.

Schedule appointments for 2027 Medicare open enrollment, beginning Tuesday, Sept. 8. The annual Medicare open enrollment period runs from Oct. 15 to Dec. 7. During this time, Medicare beneficiaries can select different coverages for the following year.

Sign-ups for bowling and beginner pickleball open on Tuesday, Sept. 9 at 8:30 a.m. Please register in person only. Bowling lessons are on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Beginning pickleball classes are Fridays 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

The Singing Trooper, Friday, Sept. 11, 1:00 p.m. Daniel Clark will present his heartfelt concert in honor of 9/11. Known for his powerful voice and inspiring performances, Clark brings music that reflects remembrance, unity and pride. Please register. The cost is \$5.00 per person due at sign up.



Singing trooper Sgt. Daniel Clark. Courtesy photo.

Planning ahead

Sages and Seekers Creating Connections. Tuesdays 3 to 4:30 p.m., Sept. 15 to Oct. 27. Sages and Seekers is a seven-week program offering a unique opportunity for seniors to connect and share meaningful conversations with students from Waltham High School. For adults 60 and older who are available for the seven-week program. If you are

interested, please leave your contact information at the Council on Aging at 781-314-3499. A member of the planning committee will contact you.

Flu/COVID shot drop-in clinic, Thursdays, Sept. 24 and Oct. 8, at 1 p.m. Waiver forms are available at the front desk to complete and bring with you.

Did you know?

The COA provides information on legal services, home care, assistance with nursing homes and assisted living facilities, financial assistance, housing options, mental health and substance abuse.

- Volunteers are needed to deliver Meals on Wheels. Home-delivered meals are available Monday- Friday. Subsidized by Springwell or private pay.
- Senior parking permits are available for \$5 per year. Show your driver's license at the COA registration desk.
- Taxi vouchers are available for purchase, six books per month.
- Help with transportation. Medical appointment transportation is available in Waltham only. Grocery shopping routes are on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, call for availability. Limited transportation to the Senior Center is available upon request with advance notice.

Multi-language programs

English as a second language classes. Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Classes given by an experienced ESL teacher. Improve your speaking, listening, reading and writing skills while learning practical English for everyday life. Free but please register.

Hora del Café. Wednesdays at 10:30–11:30 a.m. Spanish-speaking coffee hour.

Ugandan Golden Seniors. Fridays 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lunch program.

Here is the full schedule for this week

Monday, Sept. 7

**Closed in observance of
Labor Day**

Tuesday, Sept. 8

**9:00 Crochet
9:00 Tai Chi- Adv.
9:30 Bridge Lesson
10:00 Tai Chi-Beg.
10:00 ESL
11:00 Mah Jong
11:15 Tai-Yo-Ba
11:30 Ukulele Group
1:00 Bridge Game
1:30 Chair Exercise**

Wednesday, Sept. 9

**9:00 Walking Group Veterans Field
9:00 Blood Pressure
9:00 Quilting
9:30 Exercise Class
10:30 Hora del Café
10:45 Exercise Video
11:00 Meditation
12:00 Lunch: Lemon rosemary
chicken/Egg salad sandwich
1:00 Bingo
1:00 Hand & Foot Game
5:00 Country Line Dance**

Thursday, Sept. 10

**9:00 Walking Group Veterans Field
9:00 Keep It Moving-No Class
9:00 Conv. Spanish
9:30/10:45 Exercise Video
10:00 Conv. English
10:00 Painting
10:00 Mah Jong
10:00 Podiatrist Dr.Cho
10:15 Strength Class
11:00 Mah Jong
11:15 Tai-Yo-Ba
12:30 Cards – Spades
1:00 Cribbage/Canasta**

Friday, Sept. 11

9:00 Ceramics No Teacher

9:30 Poker

11:00 Ugandan Golden Seniors

12:30 Cards – Spades

1:00 Bridge: No Instructor

1:00 The Singing Trooper



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The week ahead: Affordable housing takes center stage at Tuesday's meetings

BY ARTIE KRONENFELD • GOVERNMENT • SEPTEMBER 6, 2026



After Labor Day, boards across the city are kicking into gear for the fall.

On Tuesday, both the Waltham Housing Authority — an organization that manages state and federal affordable housing properties and programs located in Waltham — and the Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund will discuss affordable housing plans around the city.

The WHA will discuss setting a fair market rent rate that will come into effect at its properties in November. The Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund's trustees will hear updates on ongoing city housing projects, as well as a new presentation from Dyer's Crescent Suites LLC., the corporation that owns the Crescent Suites Hotel at 287 Crescent St.

Below is a chronological rundown of other city meetings scheduled this week, Sept. 7 through 11.

Housing Authority

Aside from discussing rent prices for the upcoming year, the WHA will hold board elections, discuss the organization's finances and give an update about two accessible state-owned properties on Marguerite Avenue whose WHA leases [have been sitting in organizational limbo.](#)

Its meeting is scheduled for Tuesday at 4:30 p.m, held in person at 110 Pond St. and over Zoom with the password “414300.”

Municipal Affordable Housing Trust

The Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund is a fund that pays for and subsidizes municipal housing projects.

This week, members of the board will hear updates on city housing projects including Cardinal Cottage, the Hardy residences, the former Elks Lodge and 48-50 Mt. Walley Road, recently renamed Mac’s Place and Arrigo’s Place.

It will meet 5 p.m. on Tuesday in the basement conference room of City Hall.

Recreation Board

The Recreation Board is an eight-person board that oversees the city’s public recreational spaces and programming.

This week, it plans to discuss possible candidates for a recreation supervisor position, its staff policy manual, and fall sporting events including the Needham Soccer Day Memorial Tournament, a November tournament from the New England Intercontinental Football Academy and an inclusive athletic event run by the Waltham Police Department.

The board will meet on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. at the Waltham Recreation Department at 510 Moody St.

Library Board of Trustees

The Board of Library Trustees is a five-person board appointed by the mayor and charged with establishing policies for the Waltham Public Library.

The board will hold its monthly meeting at 2 p.m. on Thursday at the Trustees Room of the Waltham Public Library.

Ward 4/5 Neighborhood Meeting

Mayor Jeanette A. McCarthy and Traffic Engineer Mike Garvin are inviting residents to a neighborhood meeting to discuss the future of the intersections where Main Street, Gore Street, Barbara Road and Warren Street meet, which sit on the border between wards 4 and 5.

The Traffic Commission previously approved plans to redesign the intersections [in October 2025](#), and McCarthy has since marked the project [as a priority for the Traffic Department](#).

Although this is a neighborhood meeting, the city website states all are welcome to attend. The meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday in the auditorium of the Clark Government Center.

Conservation Commission

The Conservation Commission is a volunteer board charged with overseeing environmental planning in Waltham. The commission reviews certain types of construction on or around wetlands to ensure they comply with the Wetlands Protection Act and the Department of Environmental Protection stormwater standards.

This week, the commission will discuss a handful of construction projects, including repaving a parking lot at 231 Second Ave., redesigning the entrance of an office building at 404 Wyman St., a private home renovation on Kingston Road, and plans to reconstruct the driveways of [a](#)

[gas station at 962 Main St.](#) that has been ping-ponging around city committees since January 2025. It will also hear McCarthy's response to its questions about [an overdue conservation restriction](#) on Fernald property land.

It will hold its meeting [over Zoom](#) at 7 p.m. Thursday, with the password "Waltham."

9/11 Remembrance Services

The Veterans' Services department plans to hold its annual 9/11 Remembrance Day dedication at the Circle of Remembrance on the Waltham Common at 10 a.m. on Friday.



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Trades union contract ratified as other school unions renew pleas to School Committee

BY LEA ZAHARONI • EDUCATION • SEPTEMBER 6, 2026



The School Committee voted at their Sept. 2 meeting to ratify a long-awaited contract with the building trades union, even as members of several other unions [pressed the committee for a resolution](#) after 14 months without a contract.

The agreement with the Massachusetts Laborers' District Council Local 272, which represents electricians, plumbers, HVAC technicians, carpenters, painters and locksmiths across the district, locks in retroactive and future wage increases.

Employees will receive back pay amounting to a 2.5% raise effective July 1, 2025, when their last contract expired, and another 2.5% effective July 1, 2026. An additional 2.5% increase is set to kick in on July 1, 2027.

The new contract creates two wage steps above the previous highest one, and a pay differential of \$1,000 for employees holding a master's license in their trade. It also gives extra vacation days to longer tenured employees.

Five unions remain unsettled

During the public input section, representatives from the Waltham School Secretaries Association and the Waltham School Administrators Association expressed their fatigue and confusion about their own ongoing contract negotiations.

Valerie Alfeo, the district's math director and a member of the administrators' union, noted that in the past three negotiation cycles she's been a part of, other unions have settled shortly after the Waltham Educators Association. This time, it's been nearly nine months with no end in sight.

When the WEA reached their agreement in January, Alfeo said other unions expected quick resolutions. "The remaining months of the school year left us still without a contract, but at least we were meeting," she said. "So that brings us to summer, where one would also assume that there would be plenty of time to meet, given a slower-demanding schedule. But no, not one union engaged in negotiations."

Kristine Scheufele, president of the secretaries' union and a 15-year employee, pointed out that her members have gone 428 days without a contract. She floated a proposal: withhold individually contracted employees' pay, including Superintendent Marisa Mendonsa's, until union contracts are settled.

"We are the backbone of the schools," Scheufele said. Addressing School Committee members, she stated, "We held signs for you. We're one Waltham, right?"

Bobby Lyons, an assistant principal at Waltham High School and 2029 class dean, described leaving a well-paid and tenured position in another district to return to his hometown. He said the city's recent treatment of unions "stood in sharp contrast" to the welcome he said he'd otherwise received from the community when he came back.

Derek Vandegrift, president of the administrators' union, agreed that it's normal for staff to be recognized for years of service and loyalty to Waltham. "Unfortunately, this same message has been absent from our contract negotiations."

He said it took months to receive a response to the union's request just to open bargaining back in 2025, and more months after that to receive any substantive financial proposals from the city. Counters from the union

often received “flat no’s,” and the city hasn’t shown any willingness to compromise, he said.

“What has been communicated during this process, intentionally or otherwise, is that our experience is not valued, our institutional knowledge is not considered an asset, and our service, dedication and loyalty to Waltham does not matter,” Vandegrift said.

All the speakers noted that Sept. 2 was the first day of the school year. They called the day long, glorious, chaotic and wonderful, and were ultimately saddened that they had to end it addressing the School Committee in this way.

Scheufele implored committee members to take action. “I ask the members of the school committee to do the right thing, to do the Waltham thing, and to demonstrate their commitment to my colleagues and to our schools by offering us a fair contract.”

Mendonsa and human resources director Kate Peretz did not respond to requests for comment.



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Lea Zaharoni is a recent graduate of Brandeis University, where she majored in American Studies and Journalism. She spent most of her time at school working as General Manager of the student radio station WBRS 100.1, which broadcasts live 24/7 on Waltham FM radio. She’s also written for Brandeis’ student newspaper, the Justice, as well as the Irish Independent in Dublin and Dig Boston. Lea loves exploring new places in town and returning to old favorites, and counts herself very lucky to be a part of the Waltham community.

‘That’s my quilt story’: Two Waltham quilters give a sneak peek ahead of local quilt show

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“Divorce Quilt.” Designed and quilted by Susan McKinney.



Two Waltham quilters will be featured in an upcoming multi-day quilt show in Needham hosted by the Boston Modern Quilt Guild. Founded in 2013, the group consists of quilters of all ability levels.

“Joining the guild has been a fantastic experience,” said guild member and Waltham resident Susan McKinney, who joined in 2015. “I’ve found my people. I didn’t realize there were other people out there doing what I was doing. I’ve made some great friends.”

At meetings, members share their works in progress, plan events and retreats and help each other through creative conundrums. They’ve made “group quilts” where each member makes a portion of a larger quilt based on a theme. The group also participates in challenges, such as their “Denim Challenge,” where members made quilts with at least 50% recycled denim.

As part of its mission, the guild makes a point of displaying members’ work in the community. A challenge based on the Dewey Decimal System produced quilts that hung in numerous libraries in the Metro West area. The group also has an exhibit at the New England Quilt Museum, where the quilts will be on display until Sept. 19.

Waltham resident Emily Barr, a guild member since 2023, has a quilt in the museum exhibit called “Engaged, Enraged and Finding Center,” born out of a “How Do You Really Feel?” challenge to make a quilt based on how you were “really feeling” about the state of the world. “That quilt came out of the ‘what-if.’ I was really being inspired by the fabric and how it made me feel,” she explained.

Barr’s “Engaged, Enraged and Finding Center” will join another quilt of hers titled “Figuring It Out” in the guild’s upcoming “Quilts for Today” show in Needham Town Hall. The show will feature 31 quilts from the guild as well as a raffle for a quilt and a sale of quilter’s notions. Half of the raffle proceeds will go to Project Bread. Each quilt will be accompanied by a “quilt story” or artist’s statement explaining the inspiration and process behind the quilt.

McKinney will have two quilts in the show. The first, called “Side-Eye,” is a sewn optical illusion. “I’ve been playing lately with visual things in quilts,

like fluorescents and reflections. The center squares [in the quilt blocks] are reflective fabric,” McKinney said of the quilt.

The second quilt is McKinney’s “Divorce Quilt.” During her recent divorce, McKinney used the quilt as an emotional outlet. From far away, viewers can see the words “I am free” emerge from the pieces of fabric. “It ended up being my feelings quilt,” McKinney said, referencing the “How Do You Really Feel?” challenge. “I finished piecing it on the day of my final hearing. That’s my quilt story.”

Barr and McKinney’s works are on display, along with quilts from the rest of the Boston Modern Quilt Guild, at the [“Quilts for Today”](#) show in Powers Hall at Needham Town Hall on Sept. 26 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sept. 27 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$10.



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Public safety report: Police respond to two unrelated Dunkin' incidents

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Police were called to two unrelated incidents at Dunkin' locations in Waltham this week.

On Aug. 31 at 7:27 a.m., police responded to the Dunkin' location on 859 Main St. Multiple witnesses called to report a fight between two men in the parking lot. One of the men left in a car and the other man on a bicycle. Police were able to catch up to the man on the bicycle who said he bumped the other man's car. An argument ensued and the man with the car punched the man on the bicycle. The man on the bicycle left the area before the police could gather more information.



Dunkin' at 859 Main St. Waltham. Google Street View.

On Sept. 1 at 5:52 a.m., police responded to the space behind the Dunkin Donuts at 53 Linden St. The caller reported an argument between a person and the driver of a tractor trailer that was blocking the sidewalk. The argument was resolved and both parties were instructed to call police in lieu of handling future similar situations by themselves.

Additional police department activity from Aug. 31 and Sept. 1 are as follows:

On Aug. 31 at 9:11 a.m., police responded to the Embassy Suites Hotel on Winter Street where a caller reported having license plates stolen off of his rental car that was parked overnight at the hotel. Police are investigating the incident.

On Aug. 31 at 3:27 p.m., police responded to a report of stolen jewelry from a residence on Pigeon Lane. The caller reported a chain and a pendant missing from the home. Police are investigating the incident.

On Aug. 31 at 3:53 p.m., police responded to a report of shoplifting at Marshall's on Market Place Drive. The store reported seeing a man walk into the store, pick up a package of bedding and walk out without paying. The man, identified as Parabir Batra, 45, of Boston, had been trespassed on the property before. Batra was arrested and charged with shoplifting by asportation third offense, trespassing and being a common and notorious thief.

On Aug. 31 at 7:20 p.m., police responded to the Peter Gilmore Playground on Hall Street. A caller said that a group of kids were throwing water at each other and expressed concern that it was going to escalate. Officers spoke to the group and were able to clarify that the kids were just playing and cooling off.

On Sept. 1 at 12:47 p.m., police responded to Lionel Avenue where a caller said that she believed a neighbor was looking into her house. Officers were able to speak to the neighbor in question who said that she just moved to the area and was pointing out different features of the neighborhood to her family.



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Brothers excited to start school

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Waltham Public Schools started the fall semester on Sept. 2, 2026. Elias, 11, Kennedy Middle School, and Casey, 7, MacArthur Elementary School proudly show off on their first day in a new grade. Photo by Kristina Markos.

Child struck by vehicle on South Street

BY JOSEPH SHARKEY • PUBLIC SAFETY • SEPTEMBER 4, 2026



Emergency crews responded around 6:20 p.m. to the area of 567 South Street on Thursday, Sept. 3, after an 11 year old child was reportedly struck by a vehicle.

The child was transported by ambulance to Boston Children's Hospital. Their condition was not immediately available.

The circumstances surrounding the incident remain under investigation.



An 11-year-old child was struck by a vehicle on Thursday. Photo by Joseph Sharkey.



JOSEPH SHARKEY

Joseph Sharkey is an independent news photographer based in Waltham. He grew up in the city and has had a strong interest in public safety and first responders. That passion led him to covering breaking news, focusing on incidents like fires, accidents and major public safety events. His work has been featured on WCVB, WHDH, NBC10 Boston and other local news outlets.

Democratic incumbents secure primary victories

BY CHARLIE JOHNSON & CYD ABNET • ELECTIONS • SEPTEMBER 4, 2026



By Charlie Johnson and Cyd Abnet

Most voters in the state primary voted for Democratic incumbent candidates in the Sept. 1 primary. Waltham announced the [unofficial election results](#) approximately two hours after polls closed. Official results for the full county, district or statewide constituency in each race will be finalized within four days. Compared with neighboring communities, Waltham had a low voter turnout at 25%. Lexington had a 30% voter turnout, while Arlington's reached 37%. Still, Waltham's turnout was an increase from the 2024 state primary.

Final Primary Results

U.S. Senate

- Democratic: [Edward J. Markey](#) (incumbent) – 64.8%
- Democratic: [Seth Moulton](#) – 35.2%
- Republican: [John Deaton](#) – uncontested

Governor

- Democratic: Maura Healey (incumbent) – uncontested
- Republican: Michael Roger Minogue – 75.8%
- Republican: Brian Shortsleeve – 24.2%

Lieutenant Governor

While there are separate primaries for governor and lieutenant governor, the nominees run together as a ticket in the general election. For example, in the 2022 Democratic primary, Maura Healey defeated Sonia Rose Chang-Diaz in the governor's race, while Kimberley Driscoll defeated Eric Lesser and Tami Gouveia

in the lieutenant governor's race. After they both won their primary races, Healey and Driscoll joined together on the Democratic ticket for the general election, as is customary.

- **Democratic: Kimberley Driscoll (incumbent) – Uncontested**
- **Republican: Shawn Oliver – Uncontested**

Attorney General

- **Democratic: Andrea Joy Campbell (incumbent) – Uncontested**
- **Republican: Michael C. Walsh – Uncontested**

Secretary of State

- **Democratic: William Francis Galvin (incumbent) – Uncontested**
- **Republican: No candidate**

Treasurer

- **Democratic: Deborah B. Goldberg (incumbent) – Uncontested**
- **Republican: Elizabeth Dionne – Uncontested**

Auditor

- **Democratic: [Diana DiZoglio](#) (incumbent) – Uncontested**
- **Republican: No candidate**

U.S. Representative — 5th Congressional District

- **Democratic: [Katherine M. Clark](#) (incumbent) – 73.8%**
- **Democratic: [Jonathan Paz](#) – 19.7%**
- **Democratic: Tarik Samman – 6.6%**
- **Republican: No candidate**

Governor's Council — 3rd District

- Democratic: [Mara Dolan](#) (incumbent) – 74.9%
- Democratic: [Margie Palladino](#) – 25.1%
- Republican: No candidate

State Senate — 3rd Middlesex District

- Democratic: Michael J. Barrett (incumbent) – Uncontested
- Republican: No candidate

District Attorney — Northern District

- Democratic: [Marian Ryan](#) (incumbent) – Won
- Democratic: [David Marc Solet](#) – Conceded
- Republican: No candidate

Register of Probate — Middlesex County

- Democratic: [Tara E. DeCristofaro](#) (incumbent) – Uncontested
- Republican: No candidate

The general election will be held Nov. 3.

Eight cases arraigned at Waltham District Court

BY CYD ABNET • PUBLIC SAFETY • SEPTEMBER 3, 2026



The Waltham District Court between Aug. 26 and Sept. 1 arraigned eight cases involving arrests made by the Waltham Police Department.

A summary of those cases is as follows:

Damaree C. Caruthers-Grant, 23, of Dorchester, pleaded not guilty on Aug. 31 to one count of assault and battery on a family or household member and one count of malicious destruction of property valued at less than \$1,200. The charges stem from an incident at a restaurant on Totten Pond Road. Caruthers-Grant will face a hearing to review the status of his case on Sept. 8.

Ryan E. Donohue, 31, of Natick, pleaded not guilty on Aug. 31 to a charge of assault and battery that police said occurred at a Waltham residence. Donohue was released on personal recognizance by Judge Ellen M. Caulo and will face a pretrial hearing on Oct. 14.

Michael Gray, 43, of Waltham, pleaded not guilty on Aug. 31 to a charge of possession of a class B drug. The charge relates to an incident at the Waltham Public Library. Gray was released on personal recognizance by Caulo and will face a pretrial hearing on Oct. 27.

Wynter A. Mcphail, 43, of Waltham, pleaded not guilty on Aug. 31 to a charge of possession of a class B drug. She was arrested at the Waltham Public Library at the same time as Gray. Mcphail was released on personal recognizance by Caulo and will face a pretrial hearing on Oct. 27.

Bryan Kim, 21, of Hoboken, N.J., pleaded not guilty on Aug. 28 to one count of trespassing and one count of assault and battery on a family or household member. The charges relate to an incident at Brandeis University. Kim was released on personal recognizance by Judge Sarah Kennedy and will face a pretrial hearing on Oct. 8.

Lucio Marino, 53, of Waltham, pleaded not guilty on Aug. 31 to one count of assault and battery on a family or household member and one count of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon. The charges relate to an incident that occurred at a Waltham residence. Marino was released on personal recognizance by Caulo and will face a pretrial hearing on Oct. 8.

Nicholas S. Maviri, 34, of Waltham, pleaded not guilty on Aug. 31 to one count of assault and battery, one count of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon and one count of possession of a class C drug. The charges relate to an incident at a Waltham residence. Maviri was released on personal recognizance by Caulo and will face a hearing to review status on Sept. 8.

Rakoyan S. Williams Singleton, 27, of Waltham, pleaded not guilty on Aug. 31 to one count of assault and battery on a family or household member, one count of assault and battery on a pregnant victim, one count of reckless endangerment of a child, one count of possession of ammunition without an FID card and one count of threatening to commit a crime. The charges stem from an incident at a Waltham residence. Williams Singleton will face a hearing to review his status on Sept. 4.

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Paz thanks supporters, Leary calls Lawn: primary night in Waltham

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SENATOR IN CONGRESS (DEM) (1)	
EDWARD J. MARKEY:	261
SETH MOULTON:	61
Write-in:	0
Total Votes:	322
Number of Blank Votes:	6

GOVERNOR (DEM) (1)	
MAURA HEALEY:	282
Write-in:	2
Total Votes:	284
Number of Blank Votes:	44

GOVERNOR (DEM) (1)	
MAURA HEALEY:	324
Write-in:	6
Total Votes:	330
Number of Blank Votes:	41

GOVERNOR (DEM) (1)	
MAURA HEALEY:	318
Write-in:	0
Total Votes:	318
Number of Blank Votes:	0

Election tally receipts, split up by precinct, at the Jonathan Bright School in Waltham. Photo by Cyd Abnet.

Democratic incumbents, including Rep. Katherine Clark and State Rep. John Lawn, maintained their nominations against their challengers on Tuesday.

The state's 5th Congressional District Democratic primary, which includes towns such as Waltham, Framingham, Malden and Melrose, was called by the Associated Press in favor of incumbent Rep. Katherine Clark at 9:27 p.m.

In Waltham, Jonathan Paz's campaign supporters joined him as they watched election results stream in for an election day watch party at the Mighty Squirrel in Watertown. After the race was called, Paz gave a speech to his supporters, thanking them for their support and promising to continue advocating for the working class, condemning the actions of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and calling for an end to the Israel-Hamas conflict.

Paz did not respond to a request for comment.

Malden resident and watch party attendee Lara Jiermanus said Paz's campaign was part of a broader movement to signal to the Democratic Party that it is disconnected from Democratic voters.

"Unfortunately, the message was not heard as widely across the district as we had hoped," Jiermanus said. "It's very simple. People need to be able to live, to have time to spend with their families and not to be scrambling to make ends meet, but you have big money politicians like Katherine Clark, rolling in cash herself, and are completely out of touch with the electorate."

Incumbent state Rep. John Lawn won against challenger Newton City Councilor Alison Leary, renewing his post since 2011 as representative for the 10th Middlesex District, which represents parts of Newton, Waltham and Watertown.

"Challenging an incumbent is always a high-stakes endeavor, but our time, effort and dedication were not in vain," Leary wrote in an email to The Waltham Times on Sept. 2.

Leary wrote that her campaign pushed for "a more inclusive and accessible State House," promoted access to healthcare and affordable housing, sought climate goals and advocated for civil liberties.

On Wednesday morning, Leary called Lawn to congratulate him.

"We agreed to work together and partner on the critical issues facing our community moving forward," Leary wrote.

State Rep. Tom Stanley, running unopposed, won his spot on the November ballot for the 9th Middlesex District.

"It's an incredible honor to represent my community and to be entrusted with making decisions that affect the lives of everyone," Stanley said.

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Brandeis raises record \$138 million as it bets on ‘reinventing’ the liberal arts

BY NEWSROOM • EDUCATION • SEPTEMBER 3, 2026



Brandeis University raised \$138 million in the fiscal year that ended June 30, the largest single-year fundraising total in its 78-year history, the university announced Wednesday.

The haul was powered by a \$25 million gift from trustee Karen Richards Sachs '83 and her husband, David A. Sachs — the biggest single alumni gift Brandeis has ever received — and by 25 separate gifts of \$1 million or more, including four of at least \$10 million. The university said that is the most “transformational” gifts it has recorded in a single year.



Brandeis University sign

The announcement lands as Brandeis opens the school year under the Brandeis Plan to Reinvent the Liberal Arts, President Arthur Levine’s sweeping overhaul of the curriculum and academic structure, and as the university prepares to publicly launch a fundraising campaign in October called The Brandeis Promise: From the Classroom to the Street.

“This remarkable success reflects our community’s confidence in the Brandeis mission and its innovative plan to reinvent the liberal arts,” said Ronald Ratner '69, a trustee serving as campaign co-chair during the campaign’s leadership phase.

Ratner said donors had stepped forward to support a model that aims “to educate our students with one foot in the classroom and one foot in the street.”

What the money will do

Brandeis said \$80 million of the total supports programs and initiatives across the university as current-use funds — money that can be spent immediately rather than held in the endowment. Another \$20 million is directed at the campus community, and \$13.5 million in flexible cash gifts will flow through the Brandeis Fund to support access, opportunity and innovation.

The Sachs gift, announced over commencement weekend in May, honors Sachs' mother, Dorothy "Dot" Richards, P'83, and will pay for the Dorothy Richards Campus Commons — already nicknamed "The Dot" — a student hub next to the residence hall complex now under construction on the South Street campus. The university describes it as an open, shared destination intended to draw the whole student body together, paired with expanded student programming.

A second major commitment came from Marc Better, Ph.D. '82, and his partner, Thomas Baker, who gave \$10 million with no restrictions on its use, leaving the university free to spend it where officials judge the need is greatest.

Donors across the community

Brandeis said the giving came from a broad base: nearly 5,000 alumni, 1,000 families, 5,000 members of the Brandeis National Committee and more than 3,000 friends of the university.

Faculty and students described the practical effect of that support. Flora Cassen, the inaugural Lavine Family Director of the Brandeis Center for Jewish Studies and director of the Sarnat Center for the Study of Anti-Jewishness, said philanthropy paid for her graduate education and research and endowed her position, and that a gift from the Korman family this year is helping train doctoral students to teach Jewish studies at universities nationwide.

"An investment in one scholar can ultimately shape the education of thousands of students," Cassen said.

Nataly Dubovskaya '26 credited a donor-funded scholarship with making her degree possible. "Knowing that someone believed in and supported my academic journey has been incredibly motivating," she said.

Fundraising against financial headwinds

The record year comes after a stretch of financial strain at Waltham's largest private university. Brandeis cut about 60 positions in May 2024 amid enrollment declines and budget deficits, and faculty in March 2025 approved Levine's plan to merge the professional schools with arts and sciences programs into four new academic units, a restructuring aimed partly at drawing more undergraduates and more tuition revenue.

The university has been discounting more than 60% of its sticker price — north of \$90,000 a year with room and board — to fill its seats, Levine told GBH News last

December.

The comprehensive campaign that goes public in October is Brandeis' first in 16 years. Administrators told faculty last fall that the campaign had raised \$365 million toward a goal of at least \$750 million, according to The Justice, the student newspaper.

Under the Brandeis Plan, students entering this fall receive both an academic and a career adviser, are required to complete an internship or apprenticeship, and will graduate with a second, competency-based transcript documenting skills employers value. A \$1 million Carnegie Corp. of New York grant in February is funding the pilot of that transcript.

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Public health report: Health department identifies violations in some restaurant inspections, issues Hardy Pond advisory

BY ARTIE KRONENFELD • NEWS • SEPTEMBER 3, 2026



Waltham's July Health Department inspections turned up code violations in eight food preparation businesses, all of which were promptly corrected by the department-set deadline.

The one critical violation inspectors identified, a broken hot water tap, was repaired within 24 hours.

Between June 24 and July 31, inspectors inspected 49 food preparation locations around the city, including 38 restaurants. Waltham's Health Department regularly inspects locations around the city that sell and handle food and tobacco to ensure they comply with the city's safety regulations. It's common for establishments to have minor violations during inspections, and when the department finds any violations, it gives business owners a deadline to correct them.

Health Department Inspector Ivan Colon said that if the Health Department finds a violation that causes immediate and severe health concerns, or finds three or more health violations it deems "critical," it will close the location until it determines the business is safe for patrons.

Its inspectors also investigate complaints about pests, trash management on private properties and other environmental hazards. As of publication, the Health Department had not provided information about its July health complaint investigations. Colon wrote that the department is currently "limited in staffing," and still in the process of [hiring a full-time administrator](#).

Colon also warned residents of a [cyanobacteria advisory](#) at Hardy Pond; the city has warned residents not to swim in, enter or drink from the pond while the advisory is in effect.



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Waltham Block Party lights up the sky with lasers

BY NEWSROOM • AROUND TOWN • SEPTEMBER 3, 2026



Lasers lit up the sky over Waltham on Saturday evening, Aug. 29, to the delight of hundreds of residents who filled the common for four hours of free music and childrens' entertainments capped by a spectacular laser display.



The laser show begins. Photo by Tim Lok.



Lasers projected colorful images onto the bandstand roof.
Photo by Tim Lok.

Richard ‘Dick’ Pizzi, 89, built Pizzi Farm into a North Waltham landmark

BY JEFF SEIDEMAN • NEWS • SEPTEMBER 2, 2026



Richard “Dick” Pizzi

Richard “Dick” Pizzi, owner of the popular Pizzi Farm Market & Ice Cream, died from Alzheimer’s disease on Sunday, August 30, 2026. He was 89 and had been living at the Hospice House in Lincoln.

Located at the intersection of Lake and Lincoln streets in North Waltham, Pizzi Farm Market is best known for its ice cream, attracting long lines of customers to its outdoor shop in warmer weather. The building also houses a bakery, deli and garden center.

Pizzi owned the original Pizzi Farm until 1986, when he subdivided it into Briar Glen Village apartments and Pizzi Farms Condominiums.

His grandfather had purchased the 35-acre farm, featuring apple and peach orchards, in 1933. Over the years, the farm added additional fruits and vegetables.

The current Pizzi Farm Market was built in 1963. Pizzi’s son, Richard Jr., and daughter Cheryl are currently in the permitting process of selling the Pizzi Farm Market property to developers to build six two-family homes and one single-family home.

Born in Waltham on March 25, 1937, Pizzi was the son of Domenico and Angela Pizzi and is survived by his wife of 62 years, Alba (Leone) Pizzi. He held an associate’s degree in business from Curry College.

Pizzi belonged to several social and industry organizations, including the New England Vegetable Growers Association and the Massachusetts Flower Growers Association. He was a past president of both the Waltham Lions Club and Opportunities for Inclusion. He served on the board of the Waltham Chapter of the American Cancer Society.

Family and friends are invited to gather in remembrance of Pizzi on Friday, Sept. 4, 2026, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Mary Catherine Chapel of the Brasco Family Funeral Home, 773 Moody St. A memorial service will follow at 1 p.m. in the chapel. Pizzi will then be laid to rest at Newton Cemetery, 791 Walnut St., Newton.

In lieu of flowers, his family asks that donations in his name be made to the Waltham Lions Club, 549 Lincoln St., Waltham, MA 02451

Robots, sparks and sportsmanship fill Waltham museum

BY TIMOTHY LOK • COMMUNITY • SEPTEMBER 1, 2026



Money Shot, designed by Craig, generating sparks.



Engineering met creativity in the ring Saturday as the sixth MassDestruction robot combat event drew nearly 400 builders and spectators — including 122 children and youth — to the Charles River Museum of Industry & Innovation in Waltham.

Competitors faced off in one-on-one matches that ran morning through afternoon, fueled by the spirit of competition, steady good sportsmanship and the occasional battery fire.

The builders came in every configuration. Craig, a solo designer, ran his bot Money Shot. Martin and Martin, a father-and-son duo, competed as Team Tri-Harder. Peter and Jonathan, friends since college, fielded Team Huge. Aaron and Jamison, who met more recently, brought a bot called HAMshake.

Their paths into robot combat varied just as widely — some through college engineering clubs, others from old VHS tapes of television shows such as “BattleBots.” All of them, they said, build for the love of the game.

Energy ran high from both sides of the glass — the crowd and the engineers alike. The museum set up a live stream in a separate section for anyone who wanted a quieter view.

A community where people step up to help

BY EMILY SZCZYPEK • AROUND TOWN • SEPTEMBER 1, 2026



Cyclists from Bike Together Waltham wave to Waltham Land Trust steward Eliza Brown as she picked up litter at the Moody Street entrance of the Charles River Bike Path. Photo by Emily Szczypek.

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EMILY SZCZYPEK

Szczypek got the interest in photography from her dad and in nature from her mom. She chronicles nature, family, events, sometimes meaningful sometimes random. She has lived in Waltham for 29 years. “I love visiting the countryside but love living right in the city,” she says. “I love having a choice where I can walk, bicycle or drive to the supermarket and other places if so desired.” She serves as a steward for the Waltham Land Trust.

Unions describe stalled, strained negotiations with school district

BY LEA ZAHARONI • EDUCATION • SEPTEMBER 1, 2026



Leaders of six Waltham Public Schools employee unions said the bargaining process has ground to a halt, as they enter a second school year with expired contracts.

They described a pattern of canceled meetings, months of silence, with no end in sight for five of the units. Several union leaders said disrespectful treatment from the school district has permeated negotiations.

The Waltham Educators Association, the district's largest bargaining unit with more than 800 members — including teachers, counselors and therapists — settled its contract in January after 13 months of negotiations.

But members of the administrators, secretaries, trades workers, food service staff, IT technicians and custodians unions have all been working without a ratified contract since July 1, 2025.

As a result, they are entering a second school year without wage and benefit increases to keep pace with inflation. Employees' current salaries and benefits packages were agreed upon in 2022 and cannot fund their livelihoods in 2026, union representatives said.

"We're now into year two with no salary increase, but the cost of living has skyrocketed and the cost of insurance went up exponentially," said Kristine Scheufele, president of the Waltham School Secretaries' Association.

Representatives said the proposals they bring to the table are economically fair, with requested salary increases that fall below the rate of inflation. "This is not a bunch of greedy employees that are trying to outpace inflation and make a windfall. ... It's employees that are trying to keep members in some ballpark of the standard of living," said Derek Vandegrift, president of the Waltham School Administrators Association.

Lack of progress

As the cost of living goes up, the need for updated wages becomes more urgent, but union reps said the city's School Department doesn't recognize that urgency. In fact, they said they've observed the opposite.

Three union leaders independently described a similar pattern: They present proposals and are left hanging for weeks or months waiting for a response from the city. Meetings are scheduled and canceled frequently.

“There’s been an expectation that our unit come with proposals that we will not receive responses to at a meeting,” Vandegrift said.

Scheufele said her union has met with the district only a handful of times in the last 18 months and has heard nothing back since April. “It gets exasperating after a while when you are not making any forward progress,” she said. “We feel like we’ve been willing to make some compromises, but we feel that they have not.”

Edward Keefe, president of the Waltham School Building Trades union, said his unit had actually agreed to a deal with the district in June but is still waiting for a final sign-off. “You would think after a year they would want to tie it up,” he said.

According to its agenda, the School Committee plans to ratify the trades workers’ contract during its Sep. 2 meeting, three months after receiving the union’s agreement. Keefe said that wait time is a first in his 18 years as the unit’s president.

The delay is reflective of several unions’ experience. They all described the tenor of negotiations as noticeably more distant than in past contract cycles. Vandegrift, who has been a part of several negotiations teams during his 26 years in the district, called this the longest and most strained process he has seen.

Scheufele agreed. “When you’re on your phone ... it doesn’t tell me that you’re really interested in coming to a resolution.” She also recalled eye-rolling and muttering from district officials during meetings. “I don’t think that’s respectful behavior,” she said.

Keefe said it was uncommon to get eye contact from Superintendent Marisa Mendonsa, human resources Director Kate Peretz or present School Committee members, whose gazes rarely left their laptop screens.

Scheufele pointed out that the meetings are more than just a waste of time; they also cost the unions substantial money in attorney fees.

The city’s attorney, Jonathan Atwater, Peretz and Mendonsa did not respond to requests for comment.

Union cites wage crisis

Keefe and Scheufele said the dispute isn’t just about pay. They see problems in how veteran employees are treated compared to new hires.

Scheufele described a “wage compression crisis.” Under the expired contract, the district had discretion to place new hires several rungs up the salary scale, while longer-serving employees started at the bottom and worked their way up.

“There are people that started two years ago that make the same money as me after 15 years,” Scheufele said, adding that the union has asked for a market adjustment to correct the gap, to which the district “flat out said no.”

Keefe depicted a similar dynamic for trades workers. “It’s created some animosity among some members here,” he said. He said he raised the issue with human resources in writing and never received a response.

Scheufele agreed that the practice creates an uncomfortable work environment, undermining the perceived benefit for new hires.

Hope that mayor ‘gets things moving’

Keefe, Vandegrift and Scheufele all said they hope Mayor Jeannette A. McCarthy will step into the process, as they said she has in past disputes.

Keefe recalled a prior negotiation cycle in which his unit was prepared to sign an offer, when word came down from McCarthy not to, because she had intervened to offer a larger increase to all city unions.

Vandegrift said he hoped McCarthy might “insert some sanity into what’s happening right now and get things moving again,” whether by attending sessions directly or working through the city’s attorney.

McCarthy said in a communication with The Waltham Times that she was present for the School Committee’s Aug. 12 executive session to discuss negotiation strategy and would continue to go to those executive sessions.

Scheufele said she had hoped to see movement after she and Vandegrift read petitions at the School Committee’s [June 17 meeting](#), which McCarthy attended.

“I think she was surprised by some of it,” she said. “I was really hoping that she would step in and help negotiate a closure for us. ... But we haven’t heard anything from her yet.”

‘Confusing, frustrating and disheartening’ process

Union leaders said one of their biggest concerns is whether the district can attract and keep staff if the stalemate continues.

Vandegrift said Waltham has already lost administrators and worried that newer staff may be quicker to leave amid ongoing uncertainty. Scheufele said the district declines staff requests that cost nothing, resulting in staff feeling devalued.

Most of the union leaders said the process is stalled with no scheduled meeting dates. The trades union is the exception, with a long-awaited ratification likely coming Wednesday night.

Keefe, Scheufele and Vandegrift have all been in the district for 15 years or more, and have each negotiated several times before. All said this cycle was not reflective of what they'd come to expect from the district.

Vandegrift called the experience a blight on a fruitful and happy career in Waltham. "I love the community, I love the kids ... and this is absolutely not representing my experience. And that is one of the things that makes this more confusing, frustrating and disheartening."



LEA ZAHARONI

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LINDA HANLEY • SEPTEMBER 3, 2026 AT 9:02 AM

This is an excellent, comprehensive article. As a retired Waltham teacher, and having been through this process, I am so disturbed by the lack of respect that seasoned, dedicated staff are currently experiencing. This lack of respect and condescension is not usually tolerated by the mayor. Mayor McCarthy knows who is the heart of this city. She has stepped up and stepped in for common sense and decency in the past; I hope she will now. It is in vogue now to divide and conquer; yet we have a history of our experienced people mentoring and welcoming the new. Please respect the people who make Waltham the place administration claims it wants. People who truly care will endure much for the students they serve, but morale will only improve when they are shown the respect and given the compensation they deserve. Go Hawks.

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Portable phone charger fire extinguished by WFD

BY CYD ABNET • NEWS • AUGUST 31, 2026



The Waltham Fire Department successfully extinguished a fire in a multi-family house last week.

On Aug. 23 at 12:41 a.m., fire crews responded to reports of a fire at a Washington Street residence. Upon investigation, a resident had already extinguished a fire caused by a portable phone charger before crews arrived. Firefighters checked the area with thermal imaging cameras to ensure no hidden extension of the fire existed. No injuries were reported.

Additional fire department activity from Aug. 19 to Aug. 23 is as follows:

On Aug. 19 at 5:05 p.m., a fire crew responded to reports of a fire outside the Epstein Building at Brandeis University. Upon arrival, the crew discovered a small patch of smoldering mulch, which they wet down and extinguished.

On Aug. 19 at 5:10 p.m., both police and fire crews responded to Crumbl Cookie on Lexington Street for a small mulch fire. The fire crew wet down the patch of mulch and cleared the area.

On Aug. 20 at 10:26 a.m., fire crews were on the scene of a vehicle accident when they were alerted to a mulch fire in the CVS parking lot on Harvard Street. Crews wet down the area and extinguished the fire.

On Aug. 23 at 11:10 a.m., fire crews responded to a report of a building fire on Gordon Street. Upon arrival, crews found a car on fire in the driveway near the building. Fire crews extinguished the fire, and no one was injured.

Waltham Police Department did not respond to a request for comment by this week's deadline.

All information was obtained from spokespeople with the Waltham Fire Department, [the publicly available police blotter](#) and police reports available at Waltham District Court.



A smoldering pile of mulch. The fire department responded to several mulch fires in recent weeks. The state's Department of Fire Services explains [how to prevent mulch fires](#). Canva stock image.

Waltham home sales, Aug. 24–28, 2026

	Sale Date	Address	Sale Price	BR/Baths	Size	Type
	8/24/2026	764 Lexington St	\$425,000	3/2	1536 sf	1-fam
	8/24/2026	72-74 Parmenter Rd Unit 2	\$637,000	3/1	1485 sf	condo
	8/25/2026	31 Smith St	\$931,000	3/2.75	2815 sf	1-fam
	8/25/2026	87 Clocktower Dr Unit 203	\$769,900	2/2	1490 sf	condo
	8/26/2026	27 Cedarcroft Ln	\$900,000	4/1.5	1680 sf	1-fam
	8/26/2026	138 Myrtle St Unit 2	\$1,140,000	4/3.5	3962 sf	condo
	8/26/2026	99 Princeton Ave	\$1,037,500	4/2.5	2316 sf	1-fam
	8/27/2026	128 Church St Unit 2	\$1,290,000	3/2.5	4531 sf	condo
	8/27/2026	29 Ash St	\$830,000	3/1	1209 sf	1-fam
	8/27/2026	4 Abbott Rd	\$827,000	3/1.5	1931 sf	1-fam

	8/28/2026	26 Cross St	\$530,000	1/1	702 sf	1-fam
	8/28/2026	19 Cunningham Cir	\$935,000	2/3	2096 sf	1-fam
	8/28/2026	45 Gentlemans Way	\$1,399,000	3/3	3484 sf	1-fam
	8/28/2026	16 Winter St Unit 48A	\$490,000	0/1.75	1178 sf	condo
	8/28/2026	3 Mount Walley Rd	\$710,000	3/1.5	1200 sf	1-fam
	8/28/2026	57 Lawrence St	\$1,145,000	4/3	3717 sf	2-fam
	8/27/2026	59 Farnum Rd	\$605,000	4/1.5	2050 sf	1-fam

Waltham home sales, Aug. 31–Sept. 4, 2026

	Sale Date	Address	Sale Price	BR/Baths	Size	Type
	8/31/2026	71 Milner St	\$725,000	3/1.5	1040 sf	1-fam
	8/31/2026	32 Cherry St	\$935,000	3/2	2106 sf	1-fam
	8/31/2026	268 Newton St	\$723,000	4/2	1932 sf	1-fam
	9/2/2026	44 Lakeview Ter	\$1,185,000	2/1	768 sf	1-fam
	9/2/2026	12 Mountain Rd	\$1,250,000	4/2.5	2444 sf	1-fam
	9/3/2026	600 Trapelo Rd Unit 8 Bldg 3	\$800,000	2/3.5	1344 sf	condo
	9/4/2026	32-34 Dartmouth St	\$900,000	2/2	3113 sf	2-fam
	9/1/2026	1105 Lexington St Unit 4-1	\$405,000	1/1	700 sf	condo

Events Calendar

September 6-October 3

For the latest and complete listings, see WalthamTimes.org/events.

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13 Rosh Hashanah a... 11:00 am - 1:00 pm ¡Haz nuevos amigos explorando Tita's Kitchen juntos! 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm ☞ Second Sunday open house tours at the Golden Ball Tavern Museum	14 10:00 am - 11:00 am ☞ Babywearing tour of Gore Place 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm ☞ Historical Commission meeting 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm ☞ Waltham City Council meeting	15 10:00 am - 4:30 pm ☞ Waltham Clothing Exchange fall season 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm ☞ Waltham Fields Community Farm: Mobile Outreach Market (Mercado de Verduras) 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm ☞ Come sing with the Lexington Pops	16 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm ☞ Waltham Rotary Club lunch meeting 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm ☞ Board of Health meeting 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Waltham Cares dinner to benefit our unhoused neighbors	17 10:00 am - 4:00 pm ☞ Thursday Tours of the Golden Ball Tavern Museum 10:00 am - 11:00 am ☞ Traffic Commission meeting 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm ☞ Minutemen Toastmasters of Waltham	18 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm ☞ Auditions for 'SpongeBob: The Musical' 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Boston-built furniture tour of the Gore Mansion	19 9:30 am - 2:00 pm ☞ Waltham Farmers' Market 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Volunteer event at Prospect Hill Park 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Waltham Open Mic
20 Yom Kippur at Temple Beth Israel 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Waltham Lions Club annual car show 9:00 am - 10:30 am Café Meet and Mingle: Bi+ community edition 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm ☞ Auditions for 'SpongeBob: The Musical'	21 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Teen watercolors 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm ☞ Watch City Ukers Every Month at the Waltham Museum 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm ☞ Waltham City Council committee meetings	22 10:00 am - 4:30 pm ☞ Waltham Clothing Exchange fall season 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm ☞ Waltham Fields Community Farm: Mobile Outreach Market (Mercado de Verduras) 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm ☞ Community Preservation Committee meeting	23 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Super Smash Bros teen tournament 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm ☞ License Commission meeting 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm The New Grown-ups Carriage House Concert	24 8:00 am - 9:30 am Waltham Partnership for Youth's annual meeting 10:00 am - 4:00 pm ☞ Thursday Tours of the Golden Ball Tavern Museum 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm ☞ Conservation Commission meeting	25	26 Sukkot at Temple ... 9:00 am - 1:00 pm ☞ Waltham Clothing Exchange fall season 9:00 am - 12:00 pm BrightBridge Credit Union Community Shred Day 9:30 am - 2:00 pm ☞ Waltham Farmers' Market
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