Gloucester prepares for 250th anniversary reenactment of the Battle of Bunker Hill

GLOUCESTER, Mass. (June 2025) – As the North Shore region prepares for the 250th anniversary reenactment of the Battle of Bunker Hill at Stage Fort Park in Gloucester, CAM Green (13 Poplar St., Gloucester) will also host activities focusing on five key events leading up to the American Revolutionary War through the lens of local history.

On June 14 and 15, the public is invited to learn about the Stamp Act of 1765, the Saville Incidents of 1768 and 1770, the Tea Act of 1773, the Boston Port Bill of 1774, and the pivotal year of 1775, all while discovering how these important historic moments affected Cape Ann residents. Activities include creating broadsides - large pieces of paper that act as public announcements - or trying out 18th century calligraphy flourishes, making mini-ships to navigate a map of the harbor, learning a Colonial dice game, and more. These activities and all visits to CAM Green are free.

"As we mark the 250th anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill, these programs are a chance for the community to come together, connect with our local history, and reflect on how Gloucester's past continues to shape its identity today," said Oliver Barker, Director of the Cape Ann Museum. "Through local stories, hands-on activities, and important artifacts, we hope to inspire a deeper connection to our shared history, and to the ongoing story of Cape Ann."

Visitors are also invited to step into the White-Ellery House, a c.1710 landmark whose residents witnessed these events, view the Contemporary Art Wetu, illustrating the ongoing Indigenous presence in the lands and waters that today are known as Cape Ann, or sign up for the Museum's Patriots & Privateers Walking Tour on Middle Street in Gloucester.

On view June 11 through July 27 within the Janet & William Ellery James Center, CAM Green's (13 Poplar St., Gloucester) special Collection Highlights case will showcase *Gloucester During the Revolution: Historic Documents and Artifacts*. Featured in the special case is a pair of commemorative ribbons from 1825, marking the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill. They were awarded to Benjamin Webber (1756-1841) of Gloucester who served in the Revolution and fought at Bunker Hill. He was given the ribbons at the 50th anniversary celebration on June 17, 1825 –the day the cornerstone was laid for the Bunker Hill Memorial.

Stage Fort Park in Gloucester will serve as the location for the Battle.

To learn more about Cape Ann Museum's 250th anniversary of the American Revolution programs, visit: capeannmuseum.org.

The Cape Ann Museum, founded in 1875, exists to preserve and celebrate the history and culture of the area and to keep it relevant to today's audiences.

Spanning 44,000 square feet, the Museum's Downtown campus, which is closed for renovations through spring 2026, remains a major cultural institution on Boston's North Shore that has welcomed thousands of local, national, and international visitors annually to its exhibitions, programs and community led events.

In addition to fine art, the Museum's collections include decorative art, textiles, artifacts from the fisheries and granite industries, four historic structures, a Library & Archives and a sculpture garden in the heart of downtown Gloucester.

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Health Centers raise urgent issues at State House Day

NEW Health offers Public Health Vending Machine

On May 12, NEW Health joined the Mass. League of Community Health Centers for the annual State House Day. More than 150 representatives from 30 different health centers participated.

This yearly event provides health centers with the opportunity to collectively raise urgent, priority issues and showcase signature health center programs and initiatives.

Representatives from NEW Health in the North End and Charlestown highlighted their Substance Use Disorder Services and Public Health Vending Machine.

The Public Health Vending Machine in Charlestown offers free supplies such as naloxone and fentanyl test strips, and items to help other community health needs, including hygiene kits, wound care kits, socks, hats, gloves, and snacks.

The NEW Health PHVM is located inside the NEW Health Charlestown site and available to patients with a provided code during business hours - 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

The Milton Garden Tour

The Forbes House Museum and the Milton Chamber of Commerce are hosting the Milton Garden Tour which will take place on Saturday, June 14th from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Rain or shine.

Enjoy exclusive access to some of Milton's most cherished and curated gardens in town. All guests will check in at the Forbes House Museum during tour hours for lively entertainment, local food vendors, and details about the gardens on the tour.

Then off to the gardens! Get ready to be inspired by colorful flowers, lush greenery, and creative landscaping ideas. This in-person event is perfect for nature lovers, gardening enthusiasts, and anyone looking for some outdoor inspiration. Don't miss this opportunity to stroll through stunning gardens and connect with fellow garden lovers.

Your registration will give you access to the event. We recommend carpooling with friends and wearing comfortable walking shoes. This event is rain or shine. Tickets are on sale now.

The Forbes House Museum is located at 215 Adams Street, Milton, MA 02186. Telepnone 617=696-1815

***THE BATTLE FOR BOSTON* BOOK TALKS AND EVENTS 2025**

June 5, 6 PM, Roslindale Public Library, Roslindale with Friends of Roslindale Library, Rozzi Bound Books in conversation with Joan Vennochi
Rescheduled to September 23, 5:30 PM, Mattapan Public Library, Mattapan
June 10, 7 PM, Jamaicaway Tower and Townhouses, Jamaica Plain, in conversation with Henry Allen
June 12, 6 PM, South Boston Public Library, South Boston, in conversation with Mayor Ray Flynn
June 13, 6:30 PM, Frugal Bookstore, 57 Warren St., Roxbury, in conversation with Mayor Ray Flynn
June 14, 2 PM Jamaica Plain Public Library, Jamaica Plain with Friends of JP Library, in conversation with City Councilor Ben Weber and Enid Eckstein
June 16, 6 PM, Codman Square Library, Dorchester, in conversation with Bill Walczak
June 17, 6 PM, West End Museum, West End
June 30, 7 PM, Wellfleet Public Library, Wellfleet
September 30, NYC Book Launch, Fordham University – Lincoln Center, New York, with Mayor Bill de Blasio
October 19, 3 PM, Ashmonticello, Dorchester, with Joyce Linehan
October, TBD, Home of Ellen Parker, Logan Circle, Washington, DC
FOR MORE INFORMATION AND LOCATIONS:
https://battleforboston.com/

TEAM IMPACT'S GAME DAY GALA SUPPORTS CHILDREN FACING SERIOUS ILLNESS AND DISABILITY

Boston, MA (June 3, 2025) – Team IMPACT hosted its 13th Annual Game Day Gala at The Encore Boston Harbor Hotel on Saturday, bringing together more than 1,000 members of the nonprofit's community, including top names from sports and business, raising more than $3.4 million.

The star-studded event featured speeches by University of Michigan Men's Hockey Head Coach Brandon Naurato and matched child Conner, Penn State University Football player Cooper Cousins and matched child Gannon, Duke University Softball-matched Harper Harrell and mom Heather Hindin, as well as appearances by several New England Patriots players, all coming together to celebrate the organization's impactful work.

The evening also saw the crowning of University of North Carolina Men's Lacrosse match Noah and student-athlete Owen Duffy as the 2025 Teammates of the Year, highlighting the incredible young people at the heart of Team IMPACT's mission.

"The overwhelming support we received at this year's Game Day Gala is a true testament to the power of our mission and the incredible community behind Team IMPACT," said Krissie Kelleher, interim CEO of Team IMPACT. "Thanks to the generosity of our partners and donors, who drive our ability to expand the powerful, life-changing program that's transforming the lives of kids, families and student-athletes across the country."

For more information about Team IMPACT, please visit www.teamimpact.org.