



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

November 5, 2001

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 MAYOR GALLUCCIO
 VICE MAYOR MAHER
 COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
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- WHEREAS: Eleanor was as elementary school teacher for twenty-four years and also taught special education for nineteen years; and
- WHEREAS: Eleanor enjoys playing Scrabble and is very proud of her personal best score of 414 points; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record congratulating Eleanor Cawthorne on the article in the Grapevine; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Eleanor Cawthorne on behalf of the entire City Council.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

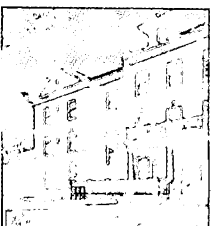
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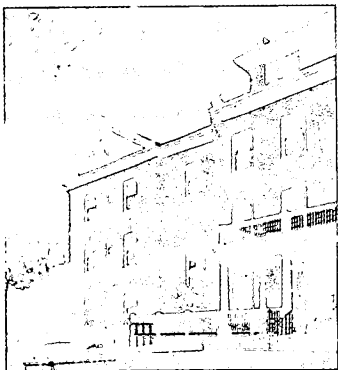
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Ms. Henrietta Davis
 120 Chestnut Street
 Cambridge MA 02139

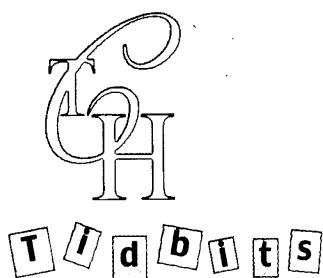




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THE CAMBRIDGE HOMES Fall 2001

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Keeping cool. Residents picnicked at Rye Beach State Park, in Rye, N.H., on a daylong outing.

Poetry pavilion. Nine poetry group residents shared their poems and innermost thoughts at a special reading organized by poetry facilitator Robin Stein, who called the group "quite extraordinary."

Fiction facts. An educational program on writer Joseph Conrad was offered by Milton Paisner, an English professor whose other talks included one on Mark Twain.

Cultural outings. Program Director Mary Petrino organized trips to the Shaker and Indian museums at the Fruitlands Museum in Harvard, Mass., and the American Folk Exhibit at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston.

Summertime rhythms. On-site music was offered at the air-conditioned Cambridge Homes by Senior Class, a barbershop quartet, and the Silvertones. Residents also traveled to the Tsai Performance Center at Boston University for the opera, "The Barber of Seville."

A Backyard for Birds, Butterflies, and Residents Walkway, Wildlife Habitat Project to be Completed in October

It's for the birds—the new backyard habitat, that is. And for the bees, butterflies, and TCH residents.

TCH is refurbishing the backyard for bird and butterfly watchers; the work is expected to be completed in October. Plans call for a smooth, 4-foot-wide path for walking, a 10- by 14-foot elliptical pool and granite fountain with seating in the shade, special plantings to attract birds and butterflies, raised planters, and additional red-brick terrace seating in the sun.

"The backyard garden will make the outdoors more accessible to residents," says Mary Petrino, program director, a member of the four-person commit-



Keith Gowel (right) of The Picot Company, Inc. of Needham gives Program Director Mary Petrino an update on the new walkway and garden.

tee to the board, which unanimously approved the project. Several residents initially requested the uneven terrain be smoothed out for those using wheelchairs, walkers and canes.

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tee that nurtured the idea from conception to reality. "They can take a walk, or sit in the shade and read, and watch the birds."

Petrino, along with Executive Director Mary Ann Allen, former board member Arch Horst, and landscape architect Lisa Decker of Brown and Rowe, Inc., in Boston, presented the con-

"It's a wonderful project and a good example of how an idea can grow into something that adds beauty and enriches the lives of residents," says Allen. "It also demonstrates the board's commitment to the residents' quality of life."

Designed by Decker, the 10,000-square-foot garden is being planted with perennial flowers and shrubs that attract birds and butterflies. A 7-1/2-foot tall, insulated fence is also being erected for sound reduction, security, and privacy. Plantings include purple-flowered butterfly bush, holly, ink berry, dog wood (shrub), Meidiland roses, viburnum, and high-bush blueberry. Vivid plants such as asters, holly hocks, fox glove, cone flower, day lilies, irises, cardinal flower, bee balm, and black-eyed Susan will also

lure birds and butterflies.

Both the 150-foot-loop around the pool and the second 100-foot walkway are being paved in easy-to-navigate asphalt. Other garden elements include a storage shed on the upper terrace, a raised-bed vegetable garden, and decorative "leaning rails" in strategic places.

"The topography was a challenge," says Decker about the grading requirements. "But it was a fun project, especially because butterflies like bright colors, like pinks, oranges and reds."

Many of the residents are already avid birders, says Petrino who replenishes bird feeders throughout the year in the existing garden. Purple finches, woodpeckers, blue jays and cardinals, and a red-tailed hawk, who often sits on the second-floor porch off the library, are frequent visitors to TCH.

Petrino says she is exploring having the backyard certified as a wildlife habitat, and connecting residents with the ornithological program at Cornell University, which depends on citizens for tracing and tracking birds.

"Once it's finished, I think the residents will enjoy it," says Petrino.



A workman readies the base for the new walkway off the existing red-brick terrace.



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**Councillors Davis, Reeves and
entire membership**

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