

- Sunday, March 1, 7-11 p.m., at Irish-American Club, 616 Middlesex Tpk., Billerica.
- Friday, March 6, 8 p.m. to midnight, at Jackson Suite Function Hall, (Jackson Street Garage) 114 Centre St., Malden.
- Sunday, March 8, 7-11 p.m., at Irish-American Club, 616 Middlesex Tpk., Billerica.
- Sunday, March 15, 7-11 p.m., at Irish-American Club, 616 Middlesex Tpk., Billerica.
- Friday, March 20, 8 p.m. to midnight, at Jackson Suite Function Hall, (Jackson Street Garage) 114 Centre St., Malden.
- Sunday, March 22, 7-11 p.m., at Jackson Suite Function Hall, (Jackson Street Garage) 114 Centre St., Malden.
- Sunday, March 29, 7-11 p.m., at Irish-American Club, 616 Middlesex Tpk., Billerica.

## Texas Hold'em fundraiser for Malden Boys Youth Basketball

The Malden Boys Youth Basketball League will be hosting two Texas Hold'em events to raise funds for its travel teams grades 5 through 8. The events take place on Tuesday, March 3, and Tuesday, March 10, at the Silver Fox, 530 2nd St., Everett.

Sit-and-Go's run from 6 p.m. to midnight and the main event starts at 8 p.m.

## 'Comedy for a Cause' Fundraiser

Greater Medford Visiting Nursing Association, a not-for-profit organization, will sponsor "Comedy for a Cause" on Thursday, March 5, 6:30 p.m., at the Irish American Club, 177 West St., Malden.

"Proceeds from the event allow GMVNA to use tele-health monitoring to improve the quality of patient care," said Marie Knasas, executive director of GMVNA. "Bring your best belly laugh and come join the Greater Medford VNA for a night of fun while helping to support our mission and improve the lives of the individuals we serve in the community."

Dennis Cataldo of Cataldo Ambulance Service will host as the MC for the evening and Medford Mayor Michael McGlynn will serve as the honorary chairperson. After a dinner buffet, GMVNA is thrilled to have noted funny-man and comedian Paul D'Angelo perform. A live and silent auction will take place after the comedy hour.

Reservations are \$35 per person and should be made in advance. To reserve your seat, contact Lynne D'Amico at [ldamico@gmvna.com](mailto:ldamico@gmvna.com) or call 781-396-2633, ext. 232. For more information about GMVNA visit [www.gmvna.com](http://www.gmvna.com).

## Benefit night for Malden Emergency Center

Comedian Medium Maureen Hancock will be hosting Postcards from Heaven, a benefit to raise money for The Malden Emergency Center and Citations Drum & Bugle Corps, on Sunday, March 8, 3 p.m., at The Malden Emergency Center, 114 Centre St., Jackson Suite, Malden.

Tickets are \$40 and must be purchased in advance. Call Ann at 978-944-5803 to reserve your tickets or e-mail [citationsfundraisers@yahoo.com](mailto:citationsfundraisers@yahoo.com).

Maureen is a spiritual medium and connects with loved ones who have passed on. Maureen's events sell out quickly and we are limited to 200 people. No refunds.

## Comedy night benefits Malden High athletic program

The Malden Golden Tornado Club is sponsoring a comedy night on Saturday, March 14, 7 p.m., at the Moose Lodge on Broadway in Malden.

Cost: \$10. Tickets can be purchased at the door. All proceeds benefit the Malden High School athletic program.

The current Golden Tornado Club will celebrate their 25th anniversary later this year, at the annual Hall of Fame Banquet.

## Free pastel painting workshop for adults

The Malden Public Library, 36 Salem St., will host artist Gregory Maichack, Thursday, March 19, from 6 to 8 p.m. for a free pastel painting workshop titled "Monet's Magic Garden: How to Pastel Paint as Impressionists."

Maichack, a faculty member of the Springfield Museum Studio School, will teach Monet's favorite color harmonies and contrasts, broken color, and color triads. Participants will freely experiment with hundreds of artist's professional-grade hard and soft Rembrandt pastels, pastel pencils and professional Canson pastel paper. Beginners to accomplished artists benefit, side-by-side, in this fun pastel painting workshop.

Maichack will individually demonstrate the essentials of painting with pastels and will display his original pastel artwork to illustrate his talk. His demo on techniques explores edges; scumbling, blending, slurring and layering, as well as tips on creating impact.

Artist Gregory John Maichack lives in western Holyoke. He is a portraitist and painter working primarily in pastels. Winner of the Award of Merit from