

## COMPASS AT HOPKINTON

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

“String Swing” Jazz Trio to perform  
at 1:30 P.M. *Public is welcome!*

#### TUESDAY, MAY 17

“Silent Movie Man” Richard Hughes  
will be here to take us on a tour into the  
past with silent movies accompanied by  
live piano playing from 6:00-7:00 P.M.  
*Families and public welcome to attend!*



#### TUESDAY, MAY 24

“Meet me at the Movies and Make  
Memories” from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.  
Residents will attend this interactive movie  
program at the Coolidge Corner Cinema  
in Brookline offered by ARTZ (Artist’s for  
Alzheimer’s)



### RESIDENT PROFILE



“Miss Personality”—that was **Rita Volpini’s** given stage name during her early years as an acrobatic dancer, and it is a name that she still embodies. Rita was born in Webster, the oldest of three children. She married her husband Fred in 1949, and they were happy together for 50 years, until his passing. Rita’s daughter Lolly recalls her as a loving, devoted and wonderful mother to her, Jackie, and Anne, as well as a doting grandmother

and great-grandmother!

Rita is a fascinating woman with a rich and varied life story. Always avidly curious and interested in things and people around her, Rita was the director of interpreters at Sturbridge Village for many years. In this role she studied, learned, and demonstrated the historical techniques used in candle making, fabric dyeing, and weaving. She takes great pride in the fact that she was the only non-college-educated person on her team to attain this prestigious position. Rita continues to be an active and energetic person in all aspects of life here at Compass. She participates in the art programs, the museum trips, garden and cooking groups, and our book club. She is an enthusiastic conversationalist who brings much insight to the topics discussed. We are thrilled to feature Rita as one of the many valued and interesting members of our community!



### WALKING GROUP

*Left to right:*  
**Charlotte Fargo,**  
**Jan Kottler, Kitty**  
**Doyle, Jean Hollis,**  
**and Betty Crowell**



## ASSOCIATE PROFILE



It is with great pride that Compass at Hopkinton celebrates **Ally Matias'** acceptance into nursing school. Ally has been a CNA for three years, has been at Compass since its opening in June 2010, and is driven by her deep love and caring for "her" residents. Ally comes from a long line of nurses; in fact, she reports that every woman in her family has been or is a nurse. Ally had to compete against 300 applicants to become one of only 20 accepted into this competitive program. Ally's Compass family celebrated by baking her cupcakes, signing a card, and singing her a rousing rendition of "For She's A Jolly Good Fellow!" Congratulations to Ally!

## GARDENING & COOKING GROUPS

In our gardening group, residents started the seeds for a "salsa garden" with onions, cilantro, peppers, and tomatoes so that when we harvest our produce, we can make our own salsa in our cooking club!



*At left: **Betty Crowley** preparing the seeds for planting*



*At right: **Jean Hollis and Jan Kottler***



## ART & FLOWERS



***Kitty Doyle, Janet Kottler, and Betty Crowell** study the art of flower arranging*



***Betty Crowell** reproduces a work by Mary Cassat during a recent Reconnections program about American artists*



Our cooking club recently baked and decorated delicious cookies!



*Clockwise, from top left: **Richard Aylward** decorates cookies, while **Kitty Doyle and Betty Crowell** sample the finished products!*



## ARMCHAIR TRAVEL



*At left, **Janet Kottler and Jack McCleary** learn about Ireland through books and photos*



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