

November 4, 2025 Town of Boston-Connect Life Blood Drive is dedicated to

**Susan E. Hauth Dye**

April 10, 1888 - December 8, 1961

A lifelong resident of the Town of Boston who marched boldly into the future and lit a path that brought the example of dedication, creativity and success to those who followed her.



Susan was one of the eight children born to John and Anna Mary Schlegel Hauth in the Town of Boston. Recognizing how difficult it was for women in town to keep up with all they had to accomplish, she opened a bakery and sold bread to residents at a time when female entrepreneurs were rare. Susan also worked as a clerk in the General Store where the Boston Deli stands today, and married the owner, Perry Dye. She became the first female Post Mistress in the town and held that position for thirty-two years. If not the first, Susan was one of the first women to drive a car in the town and was known to drive about the country with their son, Alfred, while Perry stayed to tend the store. She is pictured with her canine companion, Peggy. Susan operated the Boston Coffee



Shoppe and in later years assisted Perry in his insurance business.

Susan's volunteer activities included working at Our Lady of Victory Hospital and the Hamburg American Red Cross during World War II.

The Red Cross remained a favorite of hers throughout her life, but she did not limit herself to any one civic activity. She was a member of the Women's Society of Christian Service of the Boston Methodist Church, The Home Bureau, The Buds and Blossoms and was an active member of the Boston Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary. Her son Alfred was also active in the church and a volunteer firefighter. Currently, a granddaughter, two great grandchildren and two great greats have carried on that dedication and are active members of the Boston Fire Auxiliary, following the example of community activism that she set.

On this Election Day, it must be noted that after the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment was ratified on August 26<sup>th</sup>, 1920, Susan E. Hauth Dye was the first woman to cast a vote in the Town of Boston.

