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THE BEACON HILL TIMES

T H E R E A R E N O T I M E S L I K E T H E S E T I M E S

BHAC again votes to continue decision on 60 Chestnut Street

By Dan Murphy

After another hour-long discussion on the matter, the Beacon Hill Architectural Commission was again unable to reach a resolution on the violation regarding the single-family home at 60 Chestnut St. during its Dec. 20 hearing at City Hall.

The applicant, John Holland of the Boston commercial and residential development firm Holland Companies, returned to the commission for a third time regarding the installation of a deck railing at the rear garage and HVAC condensers on the garage roof, as well proposed mesh screening in front of them. The commission previously reviewed the violation on Sept. 20 and Oct. 18.

This time, Holland came to the commission with three possible resolutions – one using copper flashing to obscure view of the

condensers from Branch Street; another to lower the height of the condensers to where they aren't visible from Branch Street; and a third to reconfigure the deck railing.

But Kenneth Taylor, commission chair, took Holland to task for not providing adequate renderings for any of these proposals.

"This project has suffered from a lack of information," Taylor said. "The site and size of the condensers are indeterminate at this point."

Taylor added that while the commission had previously approved an extension of the deck, the applicant "came back with something much different."

In regard to another violation concerning at 45A Hancock St., the commission unanimously denied an application to lower

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BHWF packed the party for a rockin' good Jingle Mingle

By Amy Tsurumi

Beacon Hill Women's Forum (BHWF) kept holiday spirits high in the neighborhood with their annual holiday event on Tuesday, Dec. 18. Cheerful laughter could be heard in the Hampshire House where members and their guests gathered to celebrate the festive season during their last forum of 2018. Attendees enjoyed reminiscing the year and sharing holiday plans over delectable cocktail specials and a luscious spread of finger foods.

The merry and elegant evening mused by Martha McAllister and Patricia Carucci (BHWF Connections Coordinators), featured a slew of lively enter-

tainment and a raffle of an array of gifts generously provided by local businesses. "The Beaconettes," a dancing trio comprising of Senaida Bautista (president), Patricia Arroyo (programs director) and Katherine Hammes were the first to take the floor. Dressed in fluffy red and white dresses topped with tall toy soldier hats, their coordinated high kicks and intricate hand movements, choreographed by Richelle Gewertz, instantly delighted the guests. A circle gathered around Jazz singer and BHWF Founder, Lisa Macalaster as she entertained the cheering crowd with holiday classics. Her

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BHWF HOSTS HOLIDAY EVENT AT HAMPSHIRE HOUSE



"The Willows and their guests gathered for one of their favorite events of the season: Front row, left to right: Julie Madjar, Mary Beth Kelley, Richelle Gewertz, Mimi Sun, Jessica Speece, Meredith Braunstein, Nicholas Santaniello Back row, left to right: Deirdre McCarthy, Ajintha Pathmanathan, Grzegorz Toporek, Mark Valle, Emily Claire, Jean-Luc Robert, Kelly Pratt, Takeshi Yanagisawa. See more photos on Page 8.

BEACON HILL CIVIC ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY CORNER

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO OUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

We're Still Recycling, Right? The New Rules of Recycling

By Eve Waterfall

The Green Committee of the Beacon Hill Civic Association has advocated greater recycling in the City of Boston for years. When we heard rumors that our separated recyclables might be getting trashed instead, we had to get to the bottom of it. Could this possibly be true?!

The short answer is no - Boston still recycles through the Casella recycling plant just over the river in Charlestown where recyclables are sorted and packaged for resale. The longer answer is that we now need to be a little cleaner with our recyclables.

As early as 2013, China as the largest importer of plastic recyclables began to restrict its processing of dirty plastics. In 2018, these limitations were rolled out in earnest, severely limiting the amount of dirty recyclables that the United States could export. Practically this means that while Boston still runs its recycling through the Charlestown plant, each time there is a load with

high 'contamination' such as remaining food waste or single use plastic bags, our cost to recycle goes up as the plant brings on more labor to clean up our mess.

By giving dirty containers a quick rinse or wipe, and keeping up to date with the list of curbside recyclable items (see <https://www.boston.gov/departments/public-works/recycling-boston>), we can help keep our recycling flowing and our costs lower. Remember, no single use plastic bags (being phased out anyway), styrofoam, tangly things (string, hoses, etc.), food, or anything else that will gum up the conveyor belt. Check out the new Boston Trash and Alert Scheduler on the App Store for an easy way to check the list of recyclables, yard waste, and trash schedules.

Next on the City's agenda, a Zero Waste initiative is being studied. Stay tuned hopefully for compostables and other environmentally friendly waste initiatives in the future.

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EDITORIAL

HAVE A HAPPY, SAFE -- AND MINDFUL -- NEW YEAR

The arrival of a new year marks a time for reflection, as to both the year that has passed and the year that lies ahead.

In the words of the poet Alfred Lord Tennyson:

Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the snow:
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

But to put it another way, we might ask ourselves, "Where have we been -- and where are we going?"

The latter question asks us to foresee the future, which by definition is an impossible task. Though we may make our best guess to predict what may lie ahead -- and to plan accordingly -- none of us has a crystal ball. The vicissitudes of life more often than not throw us curve balls that lay to waste even the best-laid of our plans for the year to come.

However, the former question is equally as tricky. Answering it requires both introspection and understanding, two qualities that are in short supply in our hurried world. We have barely enough time to do all the things we need to do every day, let alone try to figure out the, "Why?" of what we have done.

"Mindfulness" became the watchword of 2108. We are advised to step out of our busy lives for a few minutes each day to allow ourselves to practice "mindfulness" in the quest to bring ourselves inner peace and calm.

In a previous era, prayer served essentially the same purpose. Reciting the Rosary or a few Our Fathers, or going to a church to say a novena, was the preferred form of practicing mindfulness (though that was not the term for it in those days).

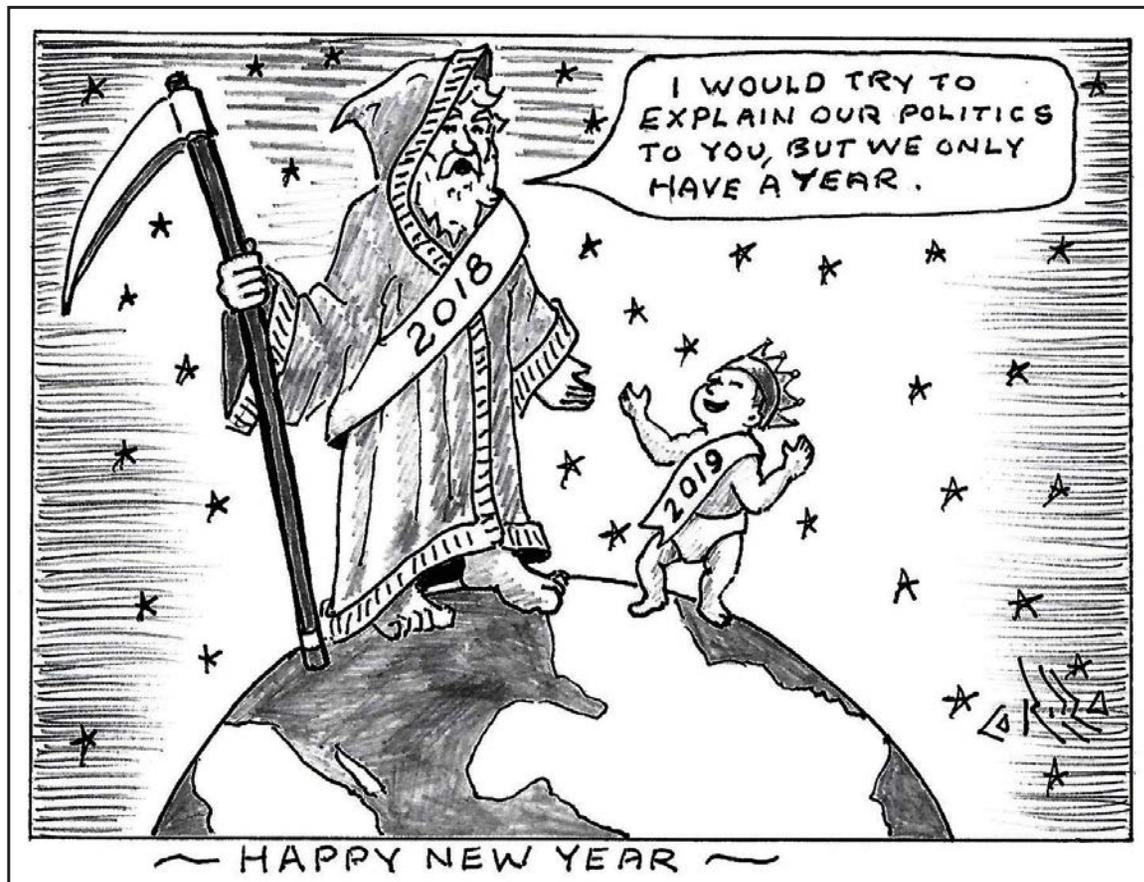
But with belief in god and attendance at church in steep decline in America in 2018, meditation and mindfulness have become the secular version of religious practice, a drug-free prescription to bring relief from the anxiety-inducing life we face every day we wake up.

However, one thing we can advise all of our readers is that celebrating the New Year -- especially over what for many of us will be an extra-long weekend -- requires all of us to make sure that we do so safely and that we are vigilant regarding the safety of others.

Although most of us these days take precautions to ensure that we do not operate a motor vehicle while under the influence on New Year's night -- whether by means of having a designated driver, or using Uber, or staying overnight in a hotel -- there still are too many among us who will get behind the wheel of a car after having had too much to drink.

The most important thing we can do at an individual level is to prevent our friends and loved ones from becoming another tragic story by taking their keys or offering them a ride home if they appear incapable of driving soberly and safely.

We wish all of our readers a happy, healthy, safe -- and mindful -- New Year.



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Giving Back to our Community

This holiday season, the BHCA is collecting items for two local organizations important to the Beacon Hill community.

For Boston Healthcare for the Homeless, we are collecting new and gently-used coats, boots and backpacks. Of special need this season are children's coats, boots and backpacks. We are also collecting new gloves, hats, socks, underwear and balaclavas (hooded facemasks). Donation checks made payable to "Boston Healthcare for the Homeless" are also welcome. Boston Healthcare for the Homeless was founded over 30 years ago and provides outreach and health and dental services to the city's homeless population. Its founder, Dr. Jim O'Connell, will be speaking about Health Care in the Streets: Lessons from Three Decades of Caring for Beacon Hill's Rough Sleepers on Thursday evening, Jan. 17 from 7-8:30 p.m. at the BHCA.

For the West End Library Food Pantry, we are collecting nonperishable food items (popular items include cereal, tea and

peanut butter). Grocery store gift cards are also greatly appreciated. A collaboration with Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD), the West End Library Food Pantry serves Beacon Hill and West End low income residents and elderly.

We'll be collecting items from Jan. 2 through Jan. 31. Items can be dropped off weekdays at the BHCA, 74 Joy St. Items for the food pantry can also be dropped off year round at the West End Library at 151 Cambridge Street. Thank you in advance for your contributions!

Upcoming BHCA Meetings
No meetings.

Please Note

The BHCA office will be closed from Monday, Dec. 24, through Tuesday, Jan. 1.

Other upcoming BHCA Events

Health Care in the Streets: Lessons from Three Decades of Caring for Boston's Rough Sleepers with Dr. Jim O'Connell -- Thursday, Jan. 17, 7-8:30pm, 74 Joy St.

47th Annual Beacon Hill Gala -- Saturday, Feb. 9 at the Omni Parker House

Visit the Beacon Hill Civic Association website www.bhca-civ.org or call the office (617-227-1922) for more information on any of these events.

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Myles' Musings

By Myles Striar

Sic Semper Tyrannis*

2018 has left its marks,
Some of them self-evident,
But we're still sitting in the dark
As to whether they'll be prevalent.

That's why we welcome the new year,
Hoping new enlightenment
Will be what we begin to hear

Coming from our government.

But if we don't, If they just spew
The same junk with no turnabout,
Then we'll know there's nothing new
And strive to throw the rascals out.

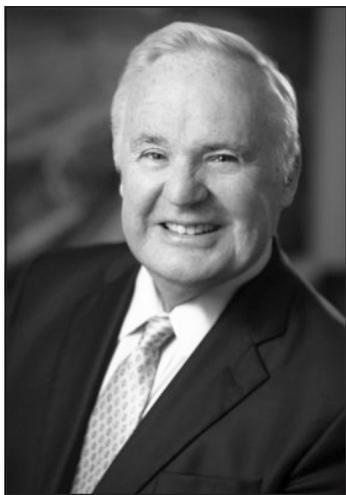
*Thus always to tyrants (Latin)

Philip Johnston to join Rogerson Communities Board

Rogerson Communities is pleased to announce the addition of Philip Johnston to its board of directors, effective January, 2019. Rogerson's Board provides leadership in carrying out the organization's mission to provide affordable, supportive housing for low and moderate income elders and innovative adult day health, fitness and memory loss programs throughout greater Boston.

Philip Johnston is President and founder of Philip W. Associates. He served as Massachusetts Secretary of Human Services under former Gov. Michael Dukakis from 1984 – 1991 where he was responsible for overseeing the administration's commitment to expand affordable housing for individuals, families and the elderly. Johnston served as the director of the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial in Washington, D.C. prior to being appointed by President Clinton as New England Director of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, where he served from 1993 until 1996.

"I am excited to have this opportunity to work with Rogerson on issues that I have cared deeply about throughout my career," Johnston said. "I can't think of more important issues impacting society today than affordable housing, poverty, behavioral health and providing essential services to our elders and the disabled. Rogerson Communities has been a visionary leader in all of these areas and it is a privilege to be a part of that



Philip Johnston.

mission."

Rogerson's President and CEO Walter Ramos has known Johnston for many years through their work in public service. Ramos stated, "Phil's lifelong commitment and career in health and human services aligns with Rogerson's purpose to create communities where older adults and the disabled can thrive no matter what their income. He fully appreciates the critical need for building more affordable housing and the cost effectiveness of adult day health programs. His appointment will certainly build on the expertise of our Board."

Founded in 1860, Rogerson develops and manages affordable housing for low-income elders throughout greater Boston's diverse neighborhoods. Its supportive, independent housing, adult day health, fitness and memory loss programs provide the core to excellent opportunities for aging in community.

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FRESH AND LOCAL

Food Trends for 2019

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Changes in the way we eat and what we are offered to eat sometimes happen so slowly we hardly notice them. Other fads burst onto the scene and quickly become the brunt of jokes about having a yogurt shop, smoothie shop, juice bar, or the current contender a poke shop (pronounced p - k) on each block.

As in past years, we've gathered information about a few subtle trends that you may notice in 2019.

Making Taste Important

Back in 2014 we reported on some early work from Dan Barber: chef, author, and a leader of the sustainable and flavorful food movement. Barber said, "I was talking with a seed breeder—a brilliant young guy who looks like Harry Potter—and when I told him I was looking for a particular flavor in a squash, he stopped me: 'No one has ever asked me to breed for flavor.' Everyone has asked him to breed for yield."

That conversation led to the development of the oh-so-delicious Honeynut Squash. Now Barber is developing other foods, including wheat and tomatoes from the genetic level, through his Stone Barns Center for Food and Agriculture. This is a man to follow and support.

Resources and Education to Stop Food Waste

The latest project from Irene and Mei Li is the website Food Waste Feast where they teach you "How to cook more creatively... and stop throwing out perfectly good food." Sustainability has always been part of their businesses – the Mei Mei food truck, catering business, and restaurant.

A different aspect of food waste is composting to keep food out of

landfills. Boston has a pilot program, Project Oscar, with a few composting bins around the city. We are also seeing more buckets out for pick up by businesses like Bootstrap Compost.

More Healthy Options, Less Service

Unhealthy junk food chains are closing locations and smaller, healthier fast food venues are springing up. Some feature a farm-to-table feeling with bowls of grains and veggies. Others are offering foods from up-and-coming ethnic cuisines like those poke shops we mentioned earlier.

Watch for more small, sharply focused restaurants, pop-ups, and street food vendors. Their specialty may be a dish like ramen, hot pot, yakitori, Egyptian koshari, popovers, or an outstanding artisan pizza. You'll be seeing more food from places like Cuba, Peru, Brazil, Korea, the Philippines, North Africa, and Greece.

Food Related Issues for 2018

Finding workers is a serious problem for the hospitality industry. New food ventures may come

with less service. You'll find yourself ordering on a phone app or at the counter, picking up your meal, and serving yourself.

Noise in restaurants is an ongoing issue, but there is a new way you can do something about it. The app Soundprint lets you report a decibel reading for a restaurant. As crowdsourced noise levels are compiled, the app will help you find quieter places where your meal can include relaxation and conversation.

As you think about the changes that are happening, keep in mind that where you spend your food dollars is ultimately a vote for what you want to happen. If you support small local businesses who care about their customers, offer a great product, and try to be good corporate and environmental citizens, they can survive and thrive. If you vote for big national chains, junk food, highly processed food, and products from big agribusinesses, those may be your only choices in the future.

Do you have a question or topic for Fresh & Local? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your suggestion.



One of our favorite trends is the development of new food varieties that are bred for flavor, like our favorite – Honeynut squash.

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the level of the windows to the sidewalk level; install a new window sash, frames and trim; and extend the sidewalk to the foundation.

Moreover, the commission unanimously voted to approve an application to renovate a single-story home at 86 Chestnut St. that was once home to a first-floor storefront. This matter was continued from the Nov. 15 hearing.

The commission also unanimously approved an application for 8 Joy St. to create a new rear window opening and install a window at the rear elevation, as well as a deck and railing at the roof level, with the proviso that the proposed deck isn't visible from a public way.

In another matter, the commission voted unanimously to deny without prejudice an application to install railings at the front and

lower entries of 40 Hancock St.

Commission member Miguel Rosales instructed applicant, Bart Stanco, to "come back with drawings in scale."

Meanwhile, the commission gave the green light to an application it had previously approved two years ago to replace an existing deck and skylight on the roof at 70 Revere St. on the condition that the deck not be visible from a public way.

Conservation Law Foundation honors Rep. Joseph P. Kennedy III at sold-out Biennial Gala

Conservation Law Foundation (CLF) hosted its biennial gala on Monday, Dec. 3, hosting more than 450 attendees at the John Joseph Moakley Courthouse in Boston. The sold-out event honored the commitment of local heroes from every New England state for their efforts in protecting the region's environment. The organization also recognized Rep. Joseph P. Kennedy III with its President's Award.

"Rep. Kennedy and the group of local heroes we are honoring tonight have devoted their time, energy, and passion to defending our homes, protecting the health of our children,

and supporting the vibrancy of our communities," said Bradley Campbell, president of CLF. "In these uncertain times, the work that CLF does here at home in New England has never been more important or more urgent. Without our donors, our volunteers, and our partners this work would be impossible." "For decades, the Conservation Law Foundation has answered the urgency of climate change and environmental threats with action and leadership," said Rep. Kennedy. "When we defeat climate change, it will be because our neighbors united against this common threat and fought for our



Gala sponsors Kate and Howard Kilguss, Ted Leach, Claire Walton and Eve Waterfall.



Ellen Van Bever, Claire Corcoron, and Massachusetts Honoree Kelsey Wirth from Mothers Out Front.

communities together. To share the stage with local heroes from across New England tonight was deeply humbling and inspiring." In addition to Rep. Kennedy, CLF honored the following local heroes from across New England:

- Exit 4 Open Space, Vermont
- Charlene Lovett, Mayor of Claremont, New Hampshire
- Protect South Portland, Maine
- Mothers Out Front,



(CLF Pg. 5) Victoria Bok, WBUR's Bruce Gellerman, Suzie Tapson and Gordon Burnes.

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Gala chair Sharon Malt, Honoree Rep. Joe Kennedy and CLF president Brad Campbell.

CLF (from pg. 4)

Massachusetts Rhode Islanders leading the fight against Invenergy

Yale Law School Ludwig Center for Community and Economic Development, Connecticut

WBUR senior environmental reporter Bruce Gellerman served as emcee. Other guests included Congresswoman Katherine Clark, former Congressman Chet Atkins, CLF Board of Trustees Chair Sara Molyneux and her husband Don Law, Gala Committee Chair Sharon Malt and her husband Brad, sponsors Laury and Nancy Coolidge and The Boston Foundation, as well as Board of Trustees member Thaleia Schlesinger, former CLF President Doug Foy, and corporate sponsor Jay Cashman.

Corporate sponsors included Anbaric Development Partners, The Plymouth Rock Foundation and Jim and Cathy Stone, Stonyfield, Berkeley Building Company, Edible Maine, First Republic Bank, Kanner and Whiteley, LLC, New England, BioLabs, Inc., and Tremont Strategies.



Committee member Andrew Baute and Christopher Flynn.



CLF Board member Gene Clapp and Carlos Camargo (both are Beacon Hill residents).

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NEIGHBORHOOD ROUNDUP

Family Game Night at King's Chapel Parish House

Family Game Night takes place at King's Chapel Parish House, 64 Beacon St., on Saturday, Jan. 5, 2019, from 4 to 6 p.m. Come join for an evening of fun, fellowship, and competition. Bring a favorite game and optionally a potluck dish or snack to share! Children should be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Nichols House Museum seeking volunteer tour guides

The Nichols House Museum welcomes volunteers to join the museum as tour guides.

admission to the museum and all museum-programming events. There are also regular opportunities for complimentary, behind-the-scenes visits to other local museums and cultural organizations. Applicants should be interested in history, architecture, and decorative arts, and enjoy interacting with visitors of all ages. Tour guides typically commit to half or full-day shifts.

To apply, complete the application form available on the museum's homepage, www.nicholshousemuseum.org.

BSNJ Community Children's Chorus

The Boston Society of The New Jerusalem (BSNJ) Community Children's Chorus is a compre-

hensive musical training program for children in the third through seventh grades.

Your child will be participating in a program that promotes: the love of music, expressive singing, teamwork-cooperative learning, building new friendships, self-assessment and the fun of being in an outstanding program.

The group meets at 140 Bowdoin St. on Saturday mornings. Tuition is free for any child with a Greater Boston-area address. All levels of singing ability are welcome. To register, contact Carlton Doctor at 617-523-4575 or visit www.churchonthehillboston.org (click on "music.")

BSNJ/The Church On The Hill sponsors this initiative, but we are not promoting any religious ideology.

at 151 Cambridge St., presents "Color Your World: Coloring for Adults" on Fridays from 2 to 4 p.m.

At this time, the library will supply coloring pages, colored pencils, markers and crayons, or bring your own supplies if you prefer. Feel free to drop in between these hours.

Call 617-523-3957 for more information.

Spanish/English Language Exchange

The West End Branch of the Boston Public Library, located at 151 Cambridge St., presents the Spanish/English Language Exchange/Intercambio de Idiomas en Inglés y Español on Mondays from 3 to 5 p.m.

At this time, English speakers can practice Spanish and Spanish speakers can practice English in this fun, informal conversation class.

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Bowdoin St. on Tuesday afternoons. Tuition is free for any child with a Boston address. All levels of singing ability are welcome. To sign up, please contact Mr. Doctor at 617-523-4575 or visit www.churchonthehillboston.org (click on "music").

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'Preschool Story Hour' at West End Branch Library

The West End Branch of the Boston Public Library, 151 Cambridge St., offers the "Preschool Story Hour" on Tuesdays from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Children, ages 3 to 5, and their caregivers join the children's librarian for weekly stories, songs, rhymes and movement. This is a high-energy story time, and families, daycare and school groups are all welcome to drop in.

ESL conversation group resumes meeting at West End Branch Library

The West End Branch of the Boston Public Library, located at 151 Cambridge St., welcomes the English as a Second Language (ESL) conversation group every Tuesday from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Come and practice your English language skills with other newcomers and a facilitator.

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'Coloring for Adults' at the West End Branch Library

The West End Branch of the Boston Public Library, located

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husband, Spencer Macalaster joined in for a duet. The program also featured mezzo-soprano Jessica Speece (Feast with Friends Coordinator), whose stunning voice captivated the audience throughout her solo performance. Joyful laughter erupted when "The Chestnuts" group fittingly sang "The Christmas Song." Pianist Jesse Mattison and saxophonist Glen Cunningham's splendid tunes provided the accompaniment for the songs. The entire room burst into song and dance for the Christmas carol sing-along that concluded the evening. For the last song, "12 Days

of Christmas," attendees organized into groups and enacted each of the "gifts" in the lyrics while singing, with sponsor Tom Kershaw starting them off with the verse for day one.

BHWF is a nonprofit social club whose goal is building community by bringing together all women living in Beacon Hill and its surrounding neighborhoods. Monthly speaker forums meet on the second Tuesday of each month, with renowned chef Joanne Chang (owner of Flour and Myers + Chang) being the first speaker after the holidays, on Jan. 8, 2019. Member activities out-

side of the monthly forums are additional occasions for members to get to know each other. These include the "Afterglow" late-night gathering after each forum, "Backyard Adventures" outings around the city, "Feast with Friends" monthly dinner series, "The Acorns" mothers' group, "The Chestnuts" group activities for 50 and plus ladies, and "The Willows" group for fun-loving ladies of all ages interested in discovering trendy spots. For more information and to purchase membership, visit www.beaconhillwomensforum.org.

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Soedomo, Juliana	Point Condo LLC	188 Brookline Ave #21A	\$2,450,000
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Stevenson, Michael D	Soedomo, Juliana	28 Greenwich Park #3	\$2,067,000
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Mcdonald, Kathleen	Dikland, Cornelia	69 Rutland St #1	\$1,987,000
Chu FT	Carrara, Eugene R	411 Shawmut Ave #3	\$1,301,500
Hoover, Matthew R	Wall-Farrington, Nancy	32 Traveler St #506	\$1,040,000
Kahane, Jacob	Mcelroy, Kevin F	32 Union Park #3	\$880,000
Meunier, John J	Mccrum, Dennis M	45 W Newton St #5	\$1,515,000
Kulasekaran, Nedunceliyan	35 Winchester RT	35 Winchester St	\$1,560,000
Gulliver, Jean	Kaul, Usha	25 Worcester Sq #5	\$865,000
Jaenicke, Caroline	Demas, Jamie L	156 Worcester St #6	\$1,150,000
Guzovsky, Lee J	Hartnett, Kelly A	15 Park Dr #27	\$529,900
Cheng, Teresa	Siena Ink Block LLC	40 Traveler St #612	\$760,000
Lim, Richard	Hess, William H	625-625A Tremont St	\$5,300,000
Kim, Younsoo	JJT LLC	99 Tremont St #302	\$870,600
Ferdinands, Luke	Macculloch, Brad	107 Appleton St #4	\$1,399,000
Domoretsky, Donald M	Coppola, David	75 Appleton St #3	\$690,000
Grover, Chad L	Patten, William S	19 Cortes St #7	\$699,000
AP Newbury St Portfol 1	265-275 Dartmouth St LP	265-275 Dartmouth St	\$31,247,876
AP Newbury St Portfol 1	283 Dartmouth St LP	283 Dartmouth St	\$4,658,847
Matthew, Paul	Freed, Debra I	21 Melrose St #3	\$495,000
Carlbom Wagner FT	Shen, Ty	3 Melrose St #3	\$593,750
Kelleher, John J	Mary G Hunter RET	29 Bay State Rd #3	\$899,000
Grover, Chad L	Patten, William S	19 Cortes St #7	\$699,000
Pryshlak, Adrian P	Stevenson T	55 Dwight St #1	\$2,150,000
Lee, Winnie	Beary, Mark H	22 E Springfield St #4	\$577,450
Stone, Jeff G	Lowe, Christopher	31 E Springfield St #1	\$892,000
Difonzo, John J	Fund USA Investment Hld	45 Province St #1902	\$1,590,000
Sanz-Altamira, Pedro M	Chase, Daniel L	66 Queensberry St #120	\$555,000
Freeland, James	11 Rutland LLC	11 Rutland Sq	\$5,595,000
Molinari, Joanna	Claerview Equities LLC	469 Shawmut Ave #10	\$589,000
Tinga, Wiebe	Makadon, Harvey J	110 Stuart St #21B	\$2,360,000

ATTENTION TO DETAIL

BY PENNY CHERUBINO

THIS WEEK'S ANSWER



The bells in last week's clue are from a 1947 Life magazine photo about the Beacon Hill Bell Ringers showing Mrs. Arthur Shurcliff with her bells. The continuation of this tradition of Christmas caroling and bell ringing happens on Christmas Eve in Louisburg Square. Do you have a favorite building or detail you would like featured? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your suggestion.

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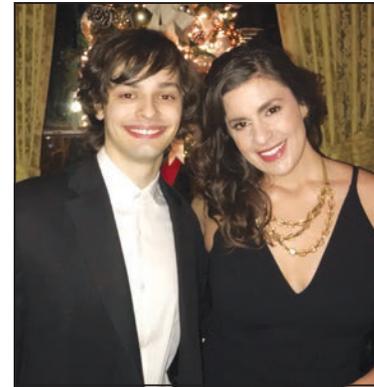


Talented singers and dancers at the BHWF holiday event filled the room with joyful cheers:

Left to right: Martha McAllister (emcee), Richelle Gewertz (choreographer), Senaida Bautista (Beaconnette), Patricia Arroyo (Beaconnette), Katherine Hammes (Beaconnette), Jessica Speece (mezzo-soprano), Lisa Macalaster (jazz singer).



Emcees Patricia Carucci (left) and Martha McAllister kept the evening merry and bright with their delightful banter and raffled gifts and goodies presented every 15 minutes.



Jessica Speece (right) mesmerized the crowd with a magnificent solo rendition of "Oh Holy Night," with Jesse Mattision's piano accompaniment (left).



"12-Days of Christmas" sing-along led by Hampshire House owner Tom Kershaw (middle), with singer Lisa Macalaster (right) and saxophonist Glen Cunningham (left.)



"High kickers and high spirits at BHWF: "The Beaconettes" Senaida Bautista (left), Katherine Hammes (middle), Patricia Arroyo (right)"

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The Willows enjoying the BHWF annual event: Deirdre McCarthy (left), Mary Beth Kelley (middle), Kelly Pratt (right.)



Bright, festive gear and entertainment lights up the BHWF holiday event: Left to right: Lisa Macalaster (jazz singer/Founder), Tom Kershaw (Hampshire House owner), Rosanne Thomas (September forum keynote speaker), Spencer Macalaster (duet singer.)



The Chestnuts ladies know how to have fun and delight the crowd with their chorus of "The Christmas Song":
Front row, left to right: Martha McAllister, Patricia Carucci, Lisa Cleary, Gail Gupta. Back row, left to right: Mary Ryan, Susan Leathers, Jill Martin.



Members got ready for a comical, interactive sing-along to "12-Days of Christmas" with enactment: Melanie Berger (left), Thérèse Byrne (middle), Meredith Braunstein (right.)