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Colonial Dames honor Boston area volunteers

Special to The Times

Dedicated volunteers are a treasure for all communities and organizations. The National Society of Colonial Dames in The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has three such wonderful helpers from the Boston area, who were among the 10 first “Friends of the Massachusetts Society” honored at Prescott House, their headquarters on Beacon Hill, Boston.

Non-member volunteers can play critical roles in maintaining the strength of the Society’s educational mission.

Timothy Burke is an architectural historian and preservationist who has helped the Dames be good stewards of their three diverse properties. The headquarters is an 1808 gem designed by Asher Benjamin and built by James Colburn, a real “rags-to-riches-to-rags” merchant. It was later bought by the eminent historian of Mexico and Peru, William Prescott. The Dames acquired it in 1944.

Burke has helped the Society understand and address the needs of historic buildings. Richard



Left to right: Timothy Burke, NSCDA- MA president; Andrea Sabini; and Dick Nestle.

Nestle has been instrumental in helping the Dames move into the technological world and broadcast its mission more effectively. Thomas Thaler has been a loyal supporter and Beacon Hill neighbor over many years, sharing his musical talents and love of Prescott House.

Besides being recognized and thanked at the event in June by the President of the Society, they received a codfish pin, the symbol of the MA Society. Their names will be inscribed on a Roll of

Honor displayed in the historic Prescott House.

Others honored at the event were Carl Becker, Nancy Boardman, RebecamDinsmore, Diana Grady, Al Petras, Russell MacAusland and Brailsford Nixon.

The William Prescott House opened for the season on April 13 and will give tours Wednesdays and Saturdays, (except July 3)

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City Councilor at-Large hopefuls face off at candidates’ forum

By Dan Murphy

Thirteen Boston City Councilor at-Large hopefuls were on hand for a candidates’ forum on June 18 at the Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology in the South End.

Incumbent City Councilors at-Large Michael Flaherty, Annissa Essaibi-George and Michelle Wu were joined by challengers Michel Denis, Priscilla Flint-Banks, David Halbert, William King, Marty Keogh, Herb Lozano, Julia Mejia, Erin Murphy, Jeffrey Ross and Alejandra St. Guillen at the forum, which was moderated by Michael Jonas, executive editor of Commonwealth Magazine.

Murphy, who was born and raised in Dorchester and was a Boston Public Schools teacher for more than 20 years, said she

“wants to be a voice for those who feel their voice doesn’t matter.”

If elected, Murphy would advocate for single mothers and working families, as well as recovery services, including reopening the Long Island Bridge.

Wu, who is now serving in her third term, said, “We need to advocate for funding on demand at the state level [for treatment services].”

Similarly, Flaherty, who has served multiple terms as a councilor at-large beginning in 1999, said, “I’m a staunch supporter of treatment on-demand, and I think the Long Island Bridge will accommodate that.”

Ross, an attorney by trade and a Southender, also said he

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Lori Hedtler, owner of Devonia Antiques.

Devonia Antiques leaving neighborhood

By Dan Murphy

A fixture of the neighborhood for around two decades, Devonia Antiques will close its storefront at 15 Charles St. next month.

“It came as a surprise last

week when I learned that my rent is being raised by around 56 percent,” said Lori Hedtler, the business owner. “It sort of made the decision for me that it is time to consolidate and move out of

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BEACON HILL CIVIC ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY CORNER

Neighborhood Preservation Committees – Planning & Oversight

The Planning & Oversight Committee serves as an umbrella committee to initiate, monitor and oversee the BHCA’s efforts on long-range issues that affect our neighborhood. The Planning Committee also tracks the BHCA’s involvement with the various committees and groups in the City of Boston, in order to strengthen the organization’s voice in governmental and community planning on all projects or proposals affecting our neighborhood, as well as to improve the BHCA’s relations with governmental officials and community groups.



Bruce Kiernan, BHCA Director and Planning & Oversight Chair.

The specific issues are varied and include such topics as: fostering dialogue between devel-

opers, institutions and neighborhood residents within our community, to work together to safeguard our unique Beacon Hill Historic District; limiting the effects of short-term rental “hotel-like” uses; dealing with the effects of technologies that are changing traffic patterns on and around Beacon Hill; and increasing voter participation on Beacon Hill from the low election turnout of recent years. The common themes are to ensure that Beacon Hill remains a thriving residential neighborhood into the future; and to maintain the quality of life for neighborhood residents and visitors.

In 2018, we worked with

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EDITORIAL

ANOTHER SAD SIGN OF THE TIMES

The news that North American right whales -- considered to be the second-most endangered marine mammal in the world -- have been migrating further north into Canada in just the past two years because of a shift in their traditional feeding grounds that has been brought about by warming waters in the eastern part of the Gulf of Maine is yet another indication of the direct and indirect consequences of climate change and global warming.

The situation is this: Water temperatures in the eastern Gulf of Maine have warmed more than just about any body of water on the planet thanks to a shift in ocean current patterns that have been caused by the loss of sea ice in the Arctic.

As a result of the warmer water temperatures in the eastern Gulf, the population of the copepod *Calanus finmarchicus*, a tiny flealike creature that hibernates in deep water over the winter and comes to the surface in the summer, where it then becomes food for the right whales (who scoop them up by the millions with their sieve-like baleen), has declined by 90 percent.

This has forced the right whales to move further north into the St. Lawrence Seaway in pursuit of the copepods.

However, unlike in the Gulf of Maine, where regulations have been in effect for decades to protect the right whales from ship-strikes and the effects of lobster and fishing gear, no similar regulations existed in the St. Lawrence Seaway until just this past year -- but only after more right whales were killed in 2017 than in any previous year by ships and netting.

The Canadian government finally imposed regulations designed to protect the whales and now is monitoring the right whales by air in order to provide virtually around-the-clock surveillance of these wonderful creatures. As a result, there were few reported deaths in 2018.

However, taking such steps is doing nothing more than applying the proverbial band-aid to just one of the many adverse effects caused by the overall problem of climate change.

The change in the right whales' migration patterns is just another nail in the coffin of these animals, whose total population numbers around just 400. It is thought that unless something miraculous occurs, the No. American right whale will become extinct within 20 years -- and even that might be optimistic given the

rapid increase in climate change that is accelerating at a rate far faster than even the most-dire warnings had predicted.

The North American right whales are the proverbial canary in the coal mine for every living creature on the planet. Their migration in the pursuit of food mirrors what is happening across the earth, not only in the animal world, but for humans as well. This is why the U.S. military views climate change not only as a direct threat to our naval bases because of rising ocean levels, but also as the gravest threat to world peace in the coming decades because of instability in regions of the world from where hundreds of millions of people will be forced to migrate in order to survive.

Scientists tell us that the window of opportunity to stop global warming and climate change is closing with every passing day because of the refusal of governments to take the steps necessary to save the planet as we know it.

It already may be too late to save the North American right whale from extinction. We can only hope that we still have a chance to save us from ourselves.



GUEST OP-ED

Updates to trash and recycling pickup will improve efficiency and convenience

By Mayor Martin J. Walsh

One of the most fundamental ways we can improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods is by proactively addressing the basic needs of our residents. The men and women of our Public Works Department do a great job keeping our communities clean and in good condition for the benefit of us all. We are always striving to do a better job in delivering the exceptional city services that our residents deserve, which is why we are excited to be making updates to our citywide waste collection services.

Beginning on July 1, trash, recycling, and yard waste collection will begin at 6 a.m. in every neighborhood across the City, one hour earlier than the current 7 a.m. start time. This change will allow workers to get a jump-start on their day-long routes. It also means that they will complete their work earlier in the day, reducing congestion on city streets during peak hours.

While these changes may seem small, it is always our top focus to listen to the feedback of our residents and make the changes that are necessary to best meet their needs. These changes to the

trash collection schedule will build on the efforts we've made over the last several years to ensure high-quality services for residents and keep our neighborhoods in great condition.

Over the last several years, the City has taken several proactive steps to ensure high-quality services for our residents. We've created six full-time Hokey positions to keep sidewalks and streets clean of litter and debris. A Hokey is a city employee who works on foot with basic equipment to clean city streets. In addition, the City hires

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

ON NEW TRASH PICKUP TIMES

Dear Editor:

As a longtime resident of Beacon Hill and trustee of a condominium association, I read with much trepidation the City's decision to advance the pickup time for trash to 6 a.m. beginning on July 1. I understand the reasoning to be the earlier start would lessen traffic congestion. I was not aware that public comments were solicited prior to this decision being made. If City residents

had an opportunity to submit comments, I believe the overwhelming majority would not be in favor of this decision for the following reasons:

First, as you may be aware, there is an infestation of rats in certain neighborhoods including Beacon Hill. We are trying to combat the problem by urging neighbors to place their trash out on the morning before pickup so as to prevent pests (and vagrants) from scavenging overnight. We have been making some progress; however, the

earlier pickup time undoubtedly will exacerbate the problem as more trash would be put out the night before pickup, particularly as the days grow shorter.

Second, I understood that the "quiet" time in Boston is between the hours of 11 p.m. and 7 a.m.. If true, would the noise from the trash and recycling trucks not be in violation of this rule?

I hope that this ill-conceived decision can be reversed to the benefit of all residents of Boston.

Robert Hodakowski

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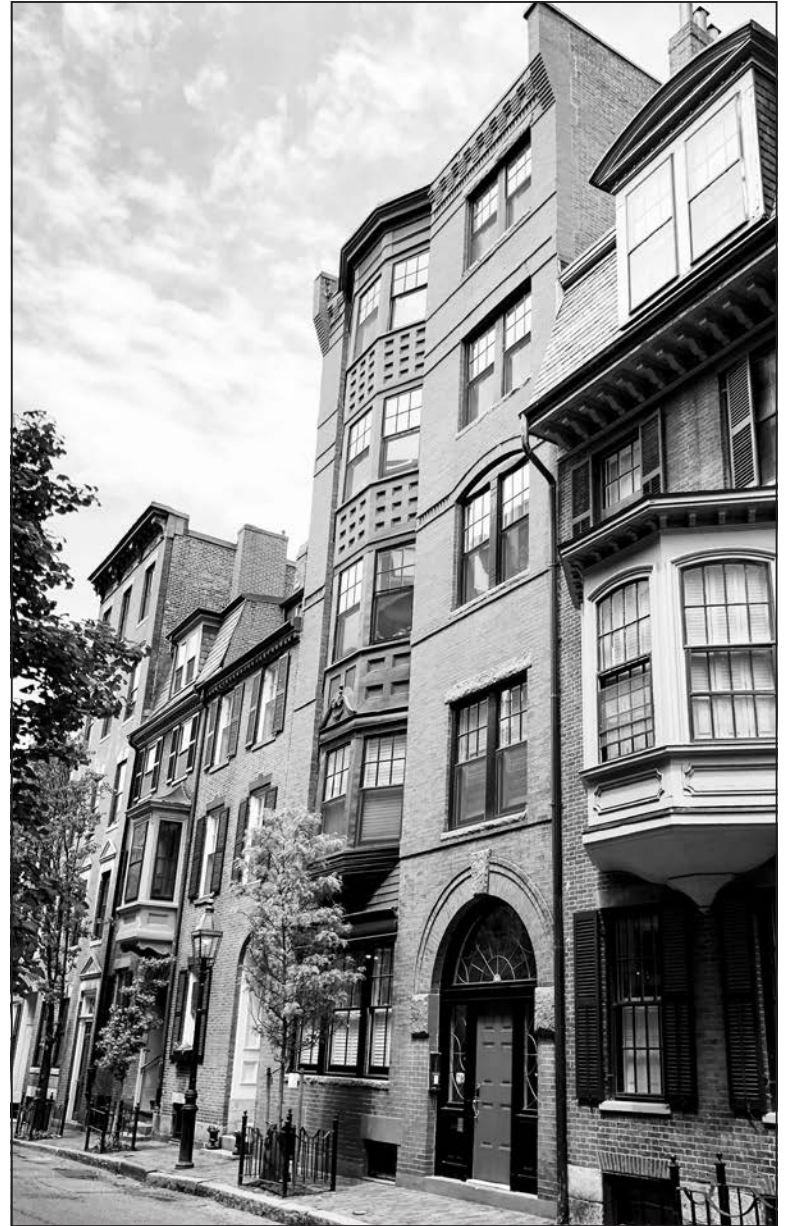
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ATTENTION TO DETAIL

BY PENNY CHERUBINO

Photos by Marianne Salza

THIS WEEK'S ANSWER



The lovely carved swag in the last clue is on 79 Myrtle St. built in 1885 and designed by noted Queen Anne-style architect George Dutton Rand and his partner Bertrand E. Taylor. It was built as an apartment house and today contains five condominiums.

Do you have a favorite building or detail you would like featured? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your suggestion.

THIS WEEK'S CLUE



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Your home is our mission.

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The Advent School makes the Boston Common an interactive classroom

Special to the Beacon Hill Times

A group of 21 third graders from the Advent School joined more than 1,000 elementary school students from across Boston Public Schools descended on the Boston Common this week for an interactive field trip that brings centuries of history to life.

The 10th Annual "Making History on the Common" event, hosted by the Friends of the Public Garden, turns America's oldest public park into an outdoor classroom, giving BPS students the opportunity to experience the Boston Common and history in a new light.

"The beautiful thing about Boston Common is that it's the center stage of civic life. It is the people's park, so it belongs to everyone," said Liz Vizza, Executive Director of Friends of the Public Garden, a nonprofit

advocacy group that takes care of the Boston Common, the Public Garden, and the Commonwealth Avenue Mall.

The students shared Vizza's enthusiasm about the "Making History on the Common" event, with one child saying, "I like it because most kids in the world don't know that much stuff about what happened back in the day."

Another student added, "I think it was really fun. It was awesome. I really like this field trip."

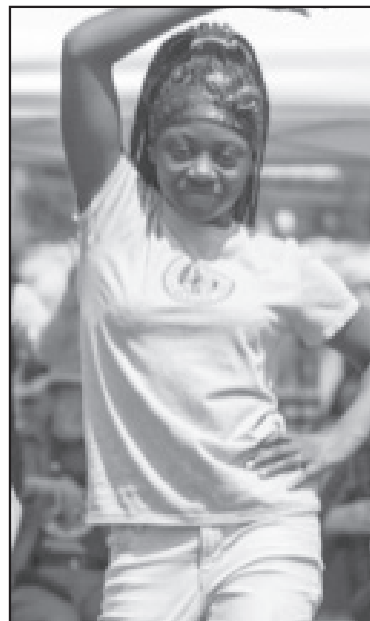
The students from the Advent School and a dozen other Boston Public Schools traveled throughout the Common to different lesson stations, experiencing history from Native American times to the Colonial and Civil War eras. At one station, children learned traditions from the Wampanoag Singers and Dancers. Reenactors of the valor of the 54th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry Regiment, the

first regiment of African American soldiers from the North to fight in the Civil War, shared stories of the Common's historic use as a military training ground. To better understand how public spaces like the Common are used for civic engagement, hundreds of students marched in a mini protest while others explored topics of propaganda and patriotism, examining the Victory Gardens that were planted in the park during World War I.

Other lessons were led by educators from Historic New England,

Boston City Archeologist Joe Bagley, members of the Freedom Trail Foundation, the New England Historic Genealogy Society, the Norman B. Leventhal Map Center, and the Boston Landmarks Commission.

"We had over a thousand Boston school children, from 3rd to 5th grade, from almost every neighborhood in Boston join us for this immersive field trip," said Liz Vizza. "What better way to connect with history than learning by doing?"



WATER MAIN FLUSHING NOTICE

Boston Water and Sewer Commission will begin Water Main Flushing in parts of the Downtown, Back Bay, and Fenway-Kenmore areas starting on **June 18, 2019 through July 23, 2019.**

The boundaries for the areas being flushed are: Storrow Drive to the north, Route 9 to the south, Charles Street and Washington Street to the East and Brookline border to the west.

The purpose of the Water Main Flushing Program is to improve drinking water quality for residents and businesses.

Water Main flushing will take place between **the hours of 10:00 P.M. and 6:00 A.M.**

The flushing process may cause discolored water and a reduction in pressure. The discoloration of the water will be temporary and is not harmful. If the condition persists, please contact BWSC's 24 Hour Service at (617) 989-7000.

BWSC appreciates your patience as we work to improve the quality of drinking water we will provide to the residents and businesses of Boston



If you have any questions, contact BWSC's Night Operations Manager at (617) 989-7000 or visit our website at www.bwsc.org.

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would advocate for expanded recovery services: “We need to treat this as a disease, rather than a crime,” he said.

Also, Ross, having endured financial hardship during childhood, said he is also running in an effort “to interrupt the cycle of poverty.”

Likewise, Denis, a Haitian immigrant, said as city councilor at-large, he would commit himself to creating more affordable housing for Boston residents.

While traffic and development are commonly cited as the two biggest issues now facing the city, Essaibi-George, now in her second term, emphasized the importance of connecting the city as a whole.

“It’s not just about connecting neighborhoods,” Essaibi-George said. “It’s about connecting neighborhoods to each other.”

St. Guillen, a Mission Hill native who most recently served as director of the City of Boston’s office for Immigrant Advancement, described the amendments to the “Trust Act” – which was filed by Mayor Martin Walsh and City Councilor Josh Zakim last week and aims to reassure immigrants they won’t be deported by Boston Police – as a “great

first step.”

Said St. Guillen, “Recent events have shown we need to expand [the ‘Trust Act’] to limit information sharing with ICE.”

Wu echoed this sentiment by saying: “We know that in Boston, immigrants represent such a huge part of the population, so we know that when we lift up more immigrant neighbors, we’re lifting up the whole community.”

Also, Wu pointed to the crossroads where Boston now finds itself and how it bodes for the city’s future: “This moment more than any other moment in our city will decide the future of our children,” she said.

In contrast, Keogh, a Hyde Park native and an attorney who has reportedly spent the last 14 years representing low-income clients pro bono, said, “The Act’ strips police of the power to keep the [city] safe.”

Regarding the future of law enforcement in Boston, Halbert, who has served as a community liaison to former Boston City Councilors John Tobin and Sam Yoon, as well as erstwhile Gov. Deval Patrick, said he would like to see the City hire 200 police officers each year for the next five years.

Lozano, who previously served as a legislative aide to



Left to right: Michel Denis, City Councilor at-Large Michael Flaherty, Priscilla Flint-Banks, David Halbert, William King, Herb Lozano, Julia Mejia, Erin Murphy, Jeffrey Ross, Alejandra St. Guillen and City Councilor at-Large Michelle Wu. (Not pictured: City Councilor at-Large Anissa Essaibi-George and Marty Keogh).

State Rep. Carlos Henriquez, applauded Boston Police for bringing back its Cadet Program – a two-year commitment that provides training to would-be officers – and said he hopes that a diverse demographic takes advantage of it.

Flint-Banks, a lifelong Boston resident, wife, mother, grandmother and a licensed Christian minister, said she liked to see forums staged three or four times each year to help open the lines of communication between police and young people in the community.

St. Guillen called for more

diversity in the police force and said she would also support Suffolk County District Attorney Rachael Rollins’ “no-prosecute” list for misdemeanor crimes.

Flaherty challenged this characterization of Boston Police’s current ranks, calling it “the most diverse staff the city has ever seen...largely due to the efforts of Mayor Walsh.”

Regarding the future of Madison Park Technical Vocation High School, Halbert said, “[It] should be a leader in green development, green jobs and how we make resilient communities.”

As for the seeming disparity in power between the Mayor and the City Council, Mejia, who immigrated to Boston from the Dominican Republic at age 5 and went on to become the first member of her family to graduate high school and college, said, “We need to redistribute the power. I think [as city councilors] we have more opportunities to make more decisions.”

The number of candidates will be narrowed to eight after the Sept. 24 primary election, and the top four vote-getters will be elected to seats in the Nov. 5 election.

BEACON HILL CIVIC ASSOCIATION (from pg. 1)

the Alliance of Downtown Civic Associations (ADCO) in a successful effort to enact city and state legislation to regulate short-term rentals. BHCA and ADCO continue to advocate for implementation and enforcement of those regulations. The effects of short term rentals will continue to be an issue of critical importance for our neighborhood.

The Planning Committee also began work with respect to the projects that the Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) has proposed for Cambridge and Blossom Streets. MGH has proposed a 1 million square foot building for inpatient beds and related services, as well as underground parking. While not within the Beacon Hill Historic District, the project could significantly affect the neighborhood. The BHCA held a well-attended forum for local residents with representatives of MGH. The comments of the residents and the BHCA were submitted in writing to the Boston Planning and Development Agency, addressing the wide

range of issues raised. Members of BHCA’s board are also part of the BPDA’s Task Force, which participates in public hearings and discussions with MGH and government officials. The BHCA will hold a second neighborhood forum in the fall, after additional project details become available.

The BHCA is also now involved in monitoring other developments and projects on and around Beacon Hill, including the ongoing redevelopment of the John Jeffries House and Charles Street Garage, and of Suffolk University’s Temple Street buildings.

In the fall of 2019, Boston will hold important elections for our district and at-large City Councilors. A new Eighth District City Councilor will be elected to represent Beacon Hill, the West End, Back Bay, Fenway/Kenmore, and Mission Hill. The BHCA plans to sponsor, along with the Neighborhood Association of Back Bay and the West End Civic Association if possible, a “Candidates Forum” featuring the candidates. Your

participation in the forums and voting in the primary and final elections will help to ensure that issues important to our neighborhood are on the new Councilors’ agenda.

Upcoming BHCA Meetings

Tuesday, June 25: Events Committee Meeting. 74 Joy Street. 6pm.

Other upcoming BHCA Events

Summer Evening at Otis House – Thursday, June 20th
Young Friends Social – Wednesday, June 26th

Evening on the Esplanade – Wednesday, July 17th

District 8 City Councilor Candidates Forum – Tuesday, September 10th

BHCA Fall HillFest - Sunday, September 22nd

Visit the Beacon Hill Civic Association website bhcciv.org or call the office (617-227-1922) for further details on any of these events, and for information about joining the BHCA.

BEACON HILL BEAT


From Boston Police Area A-1

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Aggravated Assault

06/13/19 - Officers responded to a Charles Street pharmacy for a larceny in progress at about 1:20 p.m. The male suspect was using a knife to cut electronic detectors off of items that he was attempting to steal. When the

manager confronted the suspect, he threatened the manager with the knife. The suspect fled on foot before the manager stopped and identified him. The suspect was arrested for assault with a dangerous weapon (knife) and shoplifting.



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Ron Berkowitz	Toni Doggett

Appleton Bridge receives Arthur G. Hayden Medal

The Frances Appleton Pedestrian Bridge was bestowed with the Arthur G. Hayden Medal for a single outstanding achievement in bridge engineer-

ing demonstrating innovation and design excellence at the International Bridge Conference in Washington, D.C. The medal is awarded every year to a pedes-

trian or special purposes bridge worldwide, and it is a significant honor because multiple projects across the United States and abroad are nominated.



HEY BOSTON, GET YOUR TRASH AND RECYCLING OUT BY 6 A.M.!

Starting **July 1**, we'll be starting collection of residential trash at **6 a.m.** instead of 7 a.m. This will increase efficiency in the morning and decrease congestion in the afternoon.



Mayor Martin J. Walsh



Public Works

CITY of BOSTON



José María Sánchez de Munián, editor of *Bridge Design and Engineering Magazine*; Miguel Rosales; and Thomas G. Leech, chair of the International Bridge Conference Awards Committee

"I am very proud that the beautiful and iconic Frances Appleton Pedestrian Bridge has received the 2019 Arthur G. Hayden Medal specially because the pedestrian bridge is located in Boston, my hometown," said Miguel Rosales, the architect for the bridge as well as president and founder of Boston-based Rosales + Partners. "Both Mass DOT who provided the funding and helped build the bridge and the DCR who owns and maintains it should be congratulated for paying special attention and commitment to the aesthetics and visually quality of the crossing adjacent the Esplanade and Charles River. It is my

hope that the bridge will be used and enjoyed by Bostonians for many generations to come."

The 750-foot-long, multi-use bridge is located on the banks of the Charles River that connects Beacon Hill/Charles Circle to the Charles River Esplanade. It is named after the wife of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, one of the most widely known and best-loved American poets of his lifetime. He used to cross the Charles River from Cambridge to Beacon Hill in the 1840s while he was courting "Fanny" Appleton, and the new bridge complements the historic Longfellow Bridge as a symbol of their union.



Frustrated about trash? Me, too.

That's why I've talked about trash pickup since DAY 1 of running for City Council.

You deserve a city councilor who will LISTEN to your concerns, REPRESENT you at City Hall, and lead the city towards SMARTER policies that work for our neighborhoods.



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Conservation work on front facade begins at Otis House Museum

Staff Report

With generous support from a grant funded through the Boston Community Preservation Act and additional funding from the George B. Henderson Foundation, the Otis House, a historic house museum and National Historic Landmark, is having work done on the front facade of the building. The Otis House is located at 141 Cambridge St. and one of more than three dozen historic sites owned and operated by Historic New England. Historic New England saves and shares historic homes, open space, collections, and stories from the past to today. We are the oldest and larg-



Scaffolding is installed for the work being done on the Otis House on 141 Cambridge St.

est regional heritage organization in the nation.

The work includes the restoration and painting of windows and wood repairs. The sixteen window openings on the front façade were installed nearly one hundred years ago, following Historic New England's acquisition of the house, and the wooden sash elements show evidence of age and wear. Additionally, other exterior wood elements such as the ornamental door surround, the front door, and the cornice will also be restored.

Scaffolding has been installed to complete the work. Historic New England has contracted with Window Woman of New England, founded by Alison Hardy, for the window conservation work.

Restoration of the front steps, railing, and terrace landscape will happen after the work on the front of the house is completed. The terrace gardens will be planted with a new design created by Gregory Lombardi Design. Upon completion, the house and terrace will present a beautiful appearance to passersby.

Otis House is open for tours during the restoration project

on Wednesdays through Sundays from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., with special evening hours

on Wednesdays until 7:30 p.m. General admission is \$10. Otis House is free for Historic New

England members and Boston residents.

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NEIGHBORHOOD ROUNDUP

Summer activities at the Myrtle Street Playground

The Friends of the Myrtle Street Playground and Summer Horizons present summer programming on Thursday from 4 to 5 p.m. at the playground, including the Mayor's Ice Cream Truck on June 20; the Beacon Hill Garden Club on June 27; the Instrument Petting Zoo on July 11; a police car visit on July 18; "Popsicles & Sprinklers" on July 25; the Color Me Funky Face Painters on Aug. 1; Mr. Harry, Puppeteer (formerly on "Sesame Street") on Aug. 8; Enchanted Animals on Aug. 15; a fire truck visit on Aug. 22; BJ Hickman on Aug. 29; Rainforest Reptile on Sept. 5; and a Back to School Pizza Party on Sept. 12.

The Friends group also brings "Bubbles & Chalk" to the playground on Mondays from 4 to 5 p.m. and Fridays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

If you are interested in volunteering at a summer event, e-mail: myrtlestreetplayground@gmail.com.

King's Chapel's Tuesday Recitals

King's Chapel, 58 Tremont St., presents its Tuesday Recitals. Admission is by suggested donation of \$5 per person; the donations are given to the performing musicians. Programs begin at 12:15 p.m. and last approximately 35 minutes; for more information, call 617-227-2155.

Programming includes the Fairfield County Children's Choir, with Jon Noyes, director, performing works by Biebl, Vivaldi and more on June 25.

Nichols House Museum seeking volunteer tour guides

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

Guides provide vital support to the museum by leading high-quality tours to diverse audiences and communities. Hours are flexible, and orientation and training throughout the month of March are required. Guides receive complimentary 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 comprehensive 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.

MGH seeking volunteers

Massachusetts General Hospital Volunteer Department is seeking volunteers for its very busy office. Candidates must have excellent interpersonal skills in dealing with a broad international community of volunteers, as well as the ability to handle multiple tasks. Various shifts are available.

Contact Kim Northrup at 617-724-1826 for more information.

'Coloring for Adults' at the West End Branch Library

The West End Branch of the Boston Public Library, located 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.

Call 617-523-3957 for more information.

BSNJ Community Children's Chorus

The Boston Society of The New Jerusalem (BSNJ) Community Children's Chorus is a comprehensive musical training program for children in Grades 3 to 7.

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 a well organized program.

The rehearsals take place at 140 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").

The Church on the Hill sponsors this initiative but we are not promoting any religious ideology.

'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.

'Toddler Time' at the West End Library

The West End Branch of the Boston Public Library, 151 Cambridge St., presents "Toddler Time" on Wednesdays from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

At this time, children ages 18 months to 3 years and their caregivers join the children's librarian for developmentally appropriate stories, rhymes, movement, and songs. Drop-in for families, and groups, should contact the library ahead of time at 617-523-3957.

Get homework help at the West End Branch Library

The West End Branch of the Boston Public Library, located at 151 Cambridge St., offers homework help every Thursday from 4 to 6 p.m.

Get help from a Boston Public Schools teacher. No appointment necessary; simply drop in with your homework.

Call 617-523-3957 for more information.

Compassionate Friends group reaches out to bereaved parents and families

The Boston Chapter of The Compassionate Friends (TCF) meets at Trinity Church on the first Tuesday of each month from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

TCF is a national self-help, mutual-assistance organization offering friendship, understanding and hope to bereaved parents and their families. Call

617-539-6424 or e-mail tcfboston@gmail.com for more information.

West End Food Pantry seeking donations

The West End Food Pantry needs help to continue serving its more than 120 clients per month. They welcome donations to replenish the supply of food that they give out to hungry residents in the neighborhood.

The pantry is located in the West End Branch of the Boston Public Library and is staffed by volunteers from ABCD's North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center. Non-perishable (canned and boxed) items are being sought, including rice, pasta, canned tuna, canned chicken, chili, beans, vegetables, cereal, soups, cup of noodles, etc.

Donations can be left at the

library, 151 Cambridge St., on Monday through Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday from noon to 8 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Volunteers needed for hot meal program

The North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center (NE/WE NSC), located at 1 Michelangelo St., serves a hot, fresh, home-cooked lunch to seniors in the neighborhood Mondays and Fridays, and is looking for two volunteers to help with shopping, food preparation, cooking, serving and clean-up. The non-profit providing services and programs to low-income residents of the North End, West End and Beacon Hill is looking for volunteers who can assist with the whole meal from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on a Monday and/or Friday, but can make arrangements to fit your schedule.

Contact Maria Stella Gulla, director, at 617-523-8125, ext. 201, via e-mail at maristella.gulla@bostonabcd.org for more information.

Introduction to laptops, eReaders and iPads at the West End Branch Library

The West End Branch of the Boston Public Library, 151 Cambridge St., offers an introduction to laptops, eReaders and iPads by appointment only. Get the most out of your eReader or Laptop. Receive tips and guidance during these one-on-one sessions. Call Branch Librarian, Helen Bender at 617-523-3957 or e-mail hbender@bpl.org to set up an appointment.

Yoga for seniors at the West End Branch Library

The West End Branch of the Boston Public Library, 151 Cambridge St., presents yoga for seniors every Tuesday from 2:45 to 3:30 p.m. Classes are led by Tatiana Nekrasova, a certified yoga instructor.

Volunteer at Spaulding Rehab

Stay active, meet new people and be connected with your community by volunteering at Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital. Staff members will match your skills and interests to a volunteer opportunity. The hospital is currently recruiting volunteers, ages 18 and

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NEIGHBORHOOD ROUNDUP

up, for two- to three-hour-a-week shifts for a minimum of six to 12 months commitment. Visit www.spauldingnetwork.org for more information.

Volunteers needed for American Cancer Society cosmetic sessions

The American Cancer Society is currently seeking volunteers for the "Look Good...Feel Better" sessions held at Tufts Medical Center, 800 Washington St. "Look Good . . . Feel Better" is a free program that teaches cancer patients hands-on cosmetic techniques to help them cope with appearance-related side effects from chemotherapy and/or radiation treatments. Cosmetologists certified and trained by the American Cancer Society conduct the sessions, which are non-medical and do not promote any product line. Volunteers are needed to assist

the cosmetologist conducting the session and are responsible for set-up, cleanup, and any other needs of the program. Programs are held from noon to 2 p.m., one Monday every other month. For more information or to volunteer, contact Nanyamka Hales at 781-314-2611 or via e-mail at Nanyamka.Hales@cancer.org, or visit cancer.org.

Be a friend to elderly in need

FriendshipWorks seeks caring people to offer help and support to isolated elders in the Boston area. Volunteers are needed to provide companionship and assist elders with tasks such as reading, organizing, or going for a walk - lend an hour each week and gain a friend and a new perspective. Volunteers also needed to escort elders to and from medical appointments. No car is needed and hours are flexible. For more information or to apply online,

visit www.fw4elders.org or call 617-482-1510.

Local residents needed to drive cancer patients to and from treatment

The American Cancer Society is in great need of Road to Recovery volunteers to drive local cancer patients to and from their chemotherapy and/or radiation treatments. An integral part of treating cancer successfully is making sure cancer patients receive their treatments, but many find making transportation arrangements is a challenge. The American Cancer Society provided more than 19,000 rides to cancer patients in New England last year, but needs new volunteer drivers to keep up with the demand for transportation.

Make a difference in the fight against cancer by becoming a volunteer driver for the American Cancer Society's Road

to Recovery. Drivers use their own vehicle to drive patients to and from their treatments. The schedule for volunteers is flexible, and treatment appointments take place weekdays, primarily during business hours. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a volunteer driver for Road to Recovery, contact your American Cancer Society at 800-227-2345 or visit www.cancer.org.

Join the Downtown Boston Rotary Club

The Downtown Boston Rotary Club, the first new Rotary Club in Boston in 100 years, holds meetings at the UMass Club in the Financial District on the first and third Tuesdays of each month from 6 to 7:15 p.m.

For more information, visit www.dbrotary.org or call 617-535-1950.

West End Playgroup meets Tuesday mornings

The West End Community Center, located at 1 Congress St., welcomes the West End Playgroup on Tuesdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. through the fall and winter.

This is a free drop-in time to let kids play and adults chat with one another.

Friends of the Public Garden's annual Summer Party returns

The Friends of the Public Garden's annual Summer Party comes to the Four Seasons Hotel Boston, 200 Boylston St. on Wednesday, July 17, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Tickets cost \$85 each and can be purchased at <https://friendsofthepublicgarden.org/2019/06/06/july-17-2019-summer-party/>. Come celebrate with drinks and hors d'oeuvres to benefit the group's work in the Boston Common, the Public Garden and the Commonwealth Avenue Mall.

Greenway Fitness returns with over 130 free classes in 2019

The Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy today announced the lineup of classes for the 2019 Fitness Season, presented by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts.

The Greenway Fitness Program has annually offered FREE fitness classes throughout the park on varying days and times and has seen great success in attracting a wide range of instructors and participants. From goat yoga to zumba, Tai Chi to tango, more than 130 free classes are expected in 2019 covering a range of workouts and abilities.

"Another year of the Conservancy's Greenway Fitness series means another year of bringing great, health-conscious programming to The Greenway," said Jesse Brackenbury, Executive Director of the Greenway Conservancy. "We're thrilled to partner again with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts; our commitment to bettering Boston's health and wellness has strengthened this year as we introduce an unprecedented number of fitness classes on The Greenway."

An extensive range of class series have been introduced for the fourth year of partnership with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts:

Mondays:

Tai Chi by Wang YMCA, 10:30-11:30 a.m., through July

29, at Chinatown Park

HIIT by Healthworks, 5:30-6:30 p.m., July 8 - Aug. 26, at Atlantic and India Streets

Tuesdays:

Zumba by Wang YMCA, 5:00-6:00 p.m., July 2 - Aug. 27, at Chinatown Park

Cornhole by Social Boston Sports, 5:45-7:45 p.m., Session 1: through July 9, Session 2: July 30 - Sept. 10, at Atlantic and Milk Streets

Wednesdays:

Lunchtime Vinyasa by Body Lingua Yoga, 12:15 -1:15 p.m., July 10 - Aug. 28, at Oliver and Atlantic Streets

Self-Defense by UFC Boston, 5:00 -6:00 p.m., June 26, July 31, Aug. 28, Sept. 25, at Dewey Square

HIIT by Innercity Weightlifting, 5:30-6:30 p.m., July 17 and Aug. 14th, at Atlantic and India Streets

Summer Shred by Next Level Fitness and Wellness, 6-7p, Sept. 4 - Sept. 25, at Cross and Sudbury Streets

Thursdays:

Yoga-Lates by Age Strong Commission, 10:30 -11:30 a.m., through Sept 23, at Hanover and Cross Streets (No Class July 4), at North End Park

Train by B/SPOKE, 5:00-6:00 p.m., May 30 - June 27 (No Class July 4), at Oliver and

Atlantic Streets

Cornhole by Social Boston Sports, 5:45 -7:45 p.m., Session 1: through July 19, Session 2: August 8 - Sept. 19, at Atlantic and State Streets

FIT! by Per Ignem Fitness, 6-7 p.m., July 11 - Sept. 26 (No Class July 4), at Oliver and Atlantic Streets

Saturdays:

Tango by Ultimate Tango, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., July 6 - August 31, at Atlantic and India Streets

Tango by Ultimate Tango, 6:30 - 9:30 .p.m., July 13, at Dewey Square

Additional one-off summer fitness classes are planned along the length of The Greenway throughout the summer, from June to Sept., from Chinatown to the North End.

July:

BollyX by Tom Hall, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Monday, July 1, at Dewey Square

Goat Yoga by Healthworks, 4:30-6:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 10, at Dewey Square

Yoga and Brunch with Yoga Around Town, 10 -11 a.m., Sunday, July 14, at Atlantic and India Streets

Moonlight Yoga by PEACE, 7 - 8 p.m., Tuesday, July 16, at Dewey Square

Spin by Cyclebar, 6 -8 p.m., Friday, July 19, at Dewey Square
Parkour, Balance, and Movement by Hub Parkour, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Friday, July 26,

at Wharf District Park

Sweat Crawl Summer Fit Fest by Social Boston Sports, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Sunday, July 28, at Wharf District Park

August:

Summer Flow with Yoga Around Town, 7-8 p.m., Thursday, August 15, at Atlantic and India Streets

All classes are subject to cancellation or rescheduling due to weather or scheduling needs. For up-to-date information on the status of a class, please refer to the Greenway Conservancy's online calendar and social media accounts.

This year marks the fourth year of The Conservancy's partnership with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts to bring high-quality fitness programs to thousands of visitors to The Greenway. Greenway Fitness allows residents, workers, and tourists alike the chance to explore free exercise courses in a beautiful public space.

"Blue Cross is thrilled to help support this incredible variety of free classes and to help people maintain active lifestyles," said Jeff Bellows, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Vice President of Corporate Citizenship and Public Affairs. "There's truly something for everyone, no matter your age, ability or interests. We're excited to see people expand their horizons and try new, fun classes this

season."

The Conservancy's fitness offerings are just one element of all the The Greenway has to offer, from over 450 FREE events, open air beer and wine gardens, seven unique water features, and more! Organic lawns and gardens invite visitors to unwind, the Greenway Carousel at The Tiffany and Co. Foundation Grove is spinning daily with a host of native New England creatures, and our free Wi-Fi network continues to stretch the entire 1.5 mile length of The Greenway.

The Greenway Conservancy is delighted to celebrate 2019 as a year-long celebration of the 10th Anniversary of The Greenway. Along with the Conservancy's public art exhibit, The Auto Show, initiatives include Greenway street pole banners from the North End to Chinatown, stretching the entire 1.5 mile length of the park for the first time. Additionally, 10,000 new bulbs bloomed this spring in the Carolyn Lynch Garden, a new 7000 square-foot wildflower meadow has been planted, and the Conservancy has installed beehives in our contemporary public park. Other initiatives will be announced later this summer.

LOCAL STUDENTS RECEIVE **ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS**

McDermott named to Clemson University Dean's List

Elle McDermott of Beacon Hill has been named to the Dean's List at Clemson University.

McDermott, whose major is Political Science, made the Dean's List for the spring 2019 semester.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student achieved a grade-point average between 3.50 and 3.99 on a 4.0 scale.

Dujmich Receives Degree from Georgia Tech

Daniel Dujmich of Beacon Hill, has earned a Master of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta.

Dujmich was among approximately 3,800 undergraduate and graduate students who received degrees during Georgia Tech's 257th Commencement exercises on May 3-4, 2019, at the McCamish Pavilion.

One of the nation's leading research universities, the Georgia Institute of Technology is in the business of creating the next - the next idea, the next technology, and the next legion of agile minds well equipped to imagine and engineer our future. More than 32,000 undergraduate and graduate students are enrolled,

and Georgia Tech is ranked in the nation's top 10 public universities by U.S. News and World Report. For more information visit www.gatech.edu.

Dukhan named to Lasell College Dean's List

Aisla Dukhan, a Hospitality Management major at Lasell College, was named to the spring 2019 Dean's List.

Dukhan of Beacon Hill achieved a semester GPA of 3.5 or higher with at least 12 completed credits to merit this accomplishment.

Downey recognized for academic excellence at Tufts University

Eoghan Downey of Beacon Hill was named to the dean's list at Tufts University for the Spring 2019 semester. Dean's list honors at Tufts University require a semester grade point average of 3.4 or greater.

Tufts University, located on campuses in Boston, Medford/Somerville and Grafton, Massachusetts, and in Talloires, France, is recognized among the premier research universities in the United States. Tufts enjoys a global reputation for academic excellence and for the preparation of students as leaders in a wide range of professions. A growing number of innovative teaching and research initiatives

span all Tufts campuses, and collaboration among the faculty

and students in the undergraduate, graduate and professional

programs across the university's schools is widely encouraged.

Frog Pond spray pool set to open on June 27

Special to The Times

Boston Parks Commissioner Chris Cook and The Skating Club of Boston are pleased to welcome children and guests to kick off the 2019 summer season as the Boston Common Frog Pond spray pool reopens on Thursday, June 27. The day will include a fun and exciting celebration at 11 a.m. followed by the opening of the spray pool.

In addition to activities from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., information regarding upcoming summer programs offered by the City of Boston will be available to families and residents and tasty treats will be provided by in-kind sponsors HP Hood LLC, Power Crunch protein bars, and Polar Beverages.

The celebration will feature

a special visit from the official mascot Frog Pond Freddie, with entertainment by "Bubble Guy" Jim Dichter, face painters, and media sponsor Magic 106.7. We will be joined by representatives from Legoland, Mass Horticulture, ReadBoston, the Boston Water and Sewer Water Truck, the Boston Public Health Commission, and Walt Disney Studios Home Entertainment's "Dumbo" and "Cinderella: Anniversary Edition," the newest release in the Walt Disney Signature Collection. In addition, children of all ages are eligible to enter a summer raffle.

Families will also be able to enjoy a ride on the Boston Common Carousel. The Carousel is handicapped accessible and has height requirements: anyone 42" or taller can ride alone; anyone under

42" requires the presence of an adult. Admission for the ride is \$3 with 10 ride cards available for \$25. Hours of operation are Sunday through Thursday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

A year-round recreational facility, the Frog Pond offers ice skating in the winter, a spray pool and supervised wading for youth in the summer, and the Carousel from spring through fall. Information on additional activities offered at the Frog Pond can be found by visiting www.bostonfrogpond.com.

The Frog Pond spray pool is open daily from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. until Labor Day. The facility is managed by The Skating Club of Boston and staffed by youth workers from the Boston Youth Fund. For further information, (617) 635-2120.

TRASH UPDATE (from pg. 2)

upwards of 20 seasonal Hokeys each year to assist with citywide cleanup efforts.

We've partnered with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection on a "Recycle Smart" campaign. Through the campaign, we're looking to inform residents on placing proper materials in the recycling bin and separating problem materials that cause contamination. We're also deploying more assets through our Highway

Division to ensure cleanliness on our main thoroughfares.

Just a few weeks ago, we concluded our "Love Your Block" projects in each neighborhood, a program that was established to unite neighbors and communities for a day of cleanups in community gardens, public spaces, and schools. These projects are a great way to foster a culture of community by bringing people together who share a common thread: love of their neighborhood.

DEVONIA (from pg. 1)

Beacon Hill, as sad as that is."

Devonia Antiques opened around 20 years ago above Toscano restaurant, where it remained for about a decade before relocating to the its current home.

"It's a beautiful location... and I'm sure someone else will love it and have as much success as I have had there," Hedtler said.

Hedtler expressed her gratitude to the many Beacon Hill residents who have patronized the business for holiday gifts, bridal showers and anniversaries, among other special occasions.

"Our main goal was to set the table because on Beacon Hill all the homes were designed for entertaining with the dining

room as the focus," Hedtler said.

Meanwhile, Devonia Antiques will remain an online presence and continue to operate its West Palm Beach, Fla., location, and at Bergdorf Goodman on Fifth Avenue in Manhattan.

"I had a very good run of 20 years and through our website and other locations, I hope to still hear from my clients on Beacon Hill and in Boston," Hedtler said.

Devonia Antiques is offering 50 percent off all merchandise until July 2. For more information, visit Devonia-Antiques.com or call 617-523-8313.

We look forward to continuing to work in partnership with residents in communities all across the City of Boston to make sure their neighborhoods shine. I encourage any resident with questions about their trash collection schedule to download our free "Trash Day" app. App users can also view a calendar for their home's collection dates, set reminders and get notifications of schedule changes. Information is also available on our City website, www.boston.gov.

Martin J. Walsh is the Mayor of Boston.

VOLUNTEERS (from pg. 1)

through August from 12-4, tours start 15 past the hour- last tour is 3:15. Open Saturdays September through October, same hours. Follow it on Facebook for up to minute details. Other properties owned by

the NSCDA-MA are the Martin House Farm in Swansea and the Dorothy Quincy

Homestead in Quincy, both of which have summer tours as well. Go to

NSCDAMA.org to learn more about the work of the Dames.

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CALENDAR

THE DEADLINE FOR LISTING EVENTS IS THE TUESDAY BEFORE PUBLICATION. CALL 617-523-9490 OR FAX 617-523-8668 OR EMAIL EDITOR@BEACONHILLTIMES.COM

THURSDAY, JUNE 20

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY, Mayor's Ice Cream Truck, Myrtle Street Playground, 4-5 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 25

CONCERT, Fairfield County Children's Choir performing works by Biebl, Vivaldi King's Chapel, 58 Tremont St., 12:15 p.m., suggested donation: \$5, call 617-227-2155 for more information

THURSDAY, JUNE 27

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY, Beacon Hill Garden Club, Myrtle Street Playground, 4-5 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 11

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY, Instrument Petting Zoo, Myrtle Street Playground, 4-5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17

FUNDRAISER, Friends of the Public Garden's annual Summer Party, Four Seasons Boston Hotel, 200 Boylston St., 6-8 p.m., tickets: \$85 each, visit www.friendsofthepublicgarden.org

hepublicgarden.org or call 617-723-8144 to purchase tickets

THURSDAY, JULY 18

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY, police car visit, Myrtle Street Playground, 4-5 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 25

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY, "Popsicles & Sprinklers," Myrtle Street Playground, 4-5 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUG. 1

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY, Color Me Funky Face Painters, Myrtle Street Playground, 4-5 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUG. 8

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY, Mr. Harry, Puppeteer (formerly on "Sesame Street"), Myrtle Street Playground, 4-5 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUG. 15

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY, Enchanted Animals, Myrtle Street Playground, 4-5 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUG. 22

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY, fire truck visit, Myrtle Street Playground, 4-5 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUG. 29

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY, BJ Hickman, Myrtle Street Playground, 4-5 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 5

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY, Rainforest Reptile, Myrtle Street Playground, 4-5 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 12

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY, Back to School Pizza Party, Myrtle Street Playground, 4-5 p.m.

CITY PAWS Selective hearing

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Before you accuse your dog or cat of having selective hearing (that is only hearing what he or she wants to hear and ignoring you the rest of the time), try this suggestion from Mary Jo DiLonardo writing for Mother Nature Network. "Imagine you're in a noisy room and people are chattering all around you. You pretty much ignore the mindless babble and start drifting away until you hear your name. Your ears figuratively perk up." She goes on to remind us that the same is true of our dogs and cats.

Names Are Magic

You probably spent a good deal of time teaching your animal to respond to their name. We remember the days when we would call to one another, "She knows her name!" every time puppy Poppy looked up when we used that magic word. But after spending

all that training and energy, we often forget to use her proper name when we want her to do something.

Like many of you, we have an array of nicknames for our dog. But, after reading all the research for this column, we will only use the word "Poppy" to capture her attention when we need her to respond.

Distractions

Think back to that example of a noisy room with lots of babble. Now suppose there is music blasting from speakers, delicious smells wafting from the kitchen, you are scanning the room to find the person you came with, all the while trying to understand the directions someone is giving to you. Would your ears perk up if you heard your name? Would you even hear your name?

The same is true of dogs. Researchers at the University of

Maryland studied a dog's ability to respond to their name with increasing background noise and found that as the volume went up, some did not respond. It was interesting that working dogs and service dogs responded better than pets.

DiLonardo reported, "This is probably because those dogs have more training and also because handlers tend to use

their proper names more consistently instead of nicknames ... So they're used to responding only to their names versus the cute monikers we tend to call our pets."

Training for Distractions

The lessons for us are that we should stick to one simple name and use it all the time when we need our pet's attention. We should also observe what distractions might be keeping the animal from responding the way we want. Next, we should train with



Mr. Chip says, "Yes, I know you're calling me, but I'm so comfy and so sleepy. I think I'll stay right here."

distractions and teach our pets hand signals as well as words.

Once you have a steady response in a quiet attentive setting, move on to reward the dog for performing that behavior when she would rather be sniffing, or is anxious, or more interested in another dog coming down the path.

If you are in a noisy place with lots of distractions, you should shorten your lead, give your dog a pat to call you to their attention, and then use both a word and a hand signal.

A Final Note

Selective hearing may actually be the result of hearing loss. Check if your pet is not reacting to bangs and loud sounds in addition to your voice. This is often the case with older dogs or dogs with ears damaged by many ear infections. Your veterinarian can help determine if this is the case and may be able to improve the animals hearing with treatment.

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