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The Friends of the Public Garden's Green & White Ball returned April 29 after a two-year absence. Shown are Sam and Tess Atkinson, Kate Enroth, and Dana Schmaltz (Tess and Kate were event co-chairs). See Pages 6 and 7 for more photos.

PIC hears changes proposed for Mass General expansion

By Dan Murphy

The city's Public Improvement Commission (PIC) heard a new business matter on proposed changes related to Mass General Hospital's planned expansion, including the discontinuance of North Anderson Street as a public street, at its April 28 hearing, which took place virtually.

The proposed project will comprise two connected towers – 14 and 13 stories, respectively – sitting atop a podium facing Cambridge Street on the hospital's main campus. Completion of the first tower is slated for late 2026, said Nick Haney of MGH Planning and Construction, while construction of the second tower should be finished in 2030.

The long duration for construction is largely due to sequencing the project phases, which, said Haney, allows the existing above-

ground garage to remain open until the completion and opening of the new subterranean garage.

Howard Mosier, director of land engineering for VHB, a Boston-based civil engineering company, said "one of the most vital PIC actions" of the project will be the discontinuance of North Anderson Street as a public street; this will allow for the creation of the new pedestrian-oriented North Anderson Street Arcade, which will connect Cambridge and Parkman streets while providing a new main pedestrian entrance to the main campus on Cambridge Street.

A proposed two-story overhead connection would link the heart of the new building to Parkman Street and portions North Grove Street. The lower level would be open to everyone, said Mosier,

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House budget paves way for closing 'SNAP Gap'

By Dan Murphy

The \$49.7 million budget that the Massachusetts House passed last Wednesday, April 27, for fiscal '23 paves the way for closing the "SNAP Gap" by creating a common application to access needs-based benefits statewide, thanks to the ongoing efforts of Rep. Jay Livingstone.

The "SNAP Gap" represents the difference between the 2 million low-income Massachusetts residents currently receiving MassHealth who are likely SNAP eligible and the number of people actu-

ally receiving SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program).

In Massachusetts, this gap accounts for more than 700,000 MassHealth recipients with gross income under 150-percent FPL (federal poverty level) who are eligible for, but not receiving SNAP food benefits (based on state data from December 2020). Since the state has administered these food and health programs separately for many years, the application process and collection of documents is duplicated for both MassHealth and SNAP, creating more work for the state and for low-in-

come households. In contrast, most other states have implemented a single eligibility system for benefits.

The House budget includes language Rep. Livingstone filed on closing the SNAP Gap that is based on H.1290/S.761 An Act to streamline access to critical public health and safety-net programs through common applications, which he filed last year with Sen. Sal DiDomenico.

This legislation calls for allowing both MassHealth and Medi-

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A rendering of the proposed expansion of Mass General Hospital's main campus.

BEACON HILL CIVIC ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY CORNER

BHCA 100th Annual Meeting for Members

The Beacon Hill Civic Association will be holding its 100th Annual Meeting for members on Monday, May 16th. Alex Krieger, FAIA, Professor in Practice of Urban Design Emeritus, and Lecturer in Urban Planning and Design at Harvard Graduate

School of Design will give the keynote address "Beacon Hill, Boston and the Idealism behind the phrase City on a Hill". If you are unsure of your membership status and would like to attend the Annual Meeting, please call the BHCA office at 617-227-1922.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Board of Directors; Monday, May 9th, 7pm

Tree Committee Meeting; May 24th, 5:30pm at 74 Joy Street

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EDITORIAL

ALCOHOL IS STILL #1

Americans have been dying prematurely at unprecedented levels in the past two years from a number of causes.

COVID-19 has taken away almost one million of our fellow Americans, with the number still rising daily for the foreseeable future.

Fatal accidents on our roadways, as we noted last week, have skyrocketed over the past two years.

Drug overdose deaths, mainly attributable to the lethal synthetic drug fentanyl, have exploded, exceeding 100,000 in 2021, compared to about 60,000 in 2019.

However, another statistic came to our attention in an article in the New York Times which is equally tragic and worrisome:

Among adults younger than 65, alcohol-related deaths outnumbered deaths from COVID-19 in 2020. Alcohol-related causes accounted for the deaths of 74,408 Americans ages 16 to 64, compared to 74,075 deaths of individuals under 65 who died from COVID.

More ominously, the rate of increase for alcohol-related deaths in 2020 — 25 percent — outpaced the rate of increase of deaths from all causes, which was 16.6 percent.

Alcohol-related deaths went up for men and women, as well as for every ethnic and racial group. Deaths among men and women increased at about the same rate, though the absolute number of deaths among men was much higher.

However, death rates alone don't tell the whole story of the direct and negative impacts that alcohol abuse has upon individuals, their family members, and our society as a whole.

Alcohol abuse is a crucial factor in just about every negative context one can imagine, ranging from domestic abuse, to violence among unrelated parties, to non-fatal traffic accidents that leave victims severely injured, to lost productivity in the workplace, to mental health issues, to health-care costs, to fetal alcohol syndrome.

Clearly, our society needs to undertake a public health campaign similar to what we did in the 1990s when the American public and politicians finally got tough on the tobacco companies by means of public health campaigns, increased taxes, and stricter enforcement of the laws prohibiting sales to minors.

Unlike tobacco or drugs, alcohol abuse impacts more than just the user -- and it's time that we acknowledge that reality and do something about it.

IS NUCLEAR WAR INEVITABLE IN UKRAINE -- AND BEYOND?

We don't want to sound like alarmists, but in our opinion, the escalation both in military weaponry and rhetoric by the Western powers and the Kremlin is bringing us closer and closer to the brink of nuclear warfare in Ukraine.

We fully support the effort of the U.S. and NATO to help the Ukrainian people defend themselves against the Russian genocide that is occurring in their country.

But none of the politicians or the experts have prepared the public for the possibility that Vladimir Putin will use tactical nuclear weapons to avoid what is looming as a significant military defeat.

The conventional wisdom is that Putin will restrict his army only to the use of conventional weapons.

But that is the rational thinking of those who do not have the mindset of a sociopath for whom rules do not apply.

History has shown us time and time again that sociopathic leaders have no limits. Just when we think, "They will never go THAT far," the sociopaths indeed cross the line and push the boundaries further.

Putin has at his disposal tactical "mini-nukes" that have the explosive power of just a fraction of the bombs we dropped on Japan in WWII.

So our question is this: If Putin uses one on the battlefield, what do we do?

GUEST OP-ED

Let us never forget our solemn pledge

By Joseph Reagan

On Memorial Day, 1945, the war in Europe had ended but the fighting in the Pacific continued, Lt. Gen. Lucian Truscott voiced remarks at the Sicily-Rome American Cemetery at Nettuno, Italy. Turning his back on the assembled VIP's he faced the rows upon rows of headstones and apologized to the 20,000 fallen Americans who had been laid to rest far from home. He was quoted as saying, "All over the world our soldiers sleep beneath the crosses. It is a challenge to us — all allied nations — to ensure that they do not and have not died in vain."

Fast forward to Memorial Day 2022, and the familiar voices of brothers in arms begin to call one another on the phone. People usually think of reconnecting with former military buddies as a joyous happening. However, for this Memorial Day, the topic of conversation was not an armistice, a promotion, or even a daughter's wedding or new addition to a home, it was about the latest in a string of suicides that silence the voice of our brothers but brought renewed connections from other familiar voices. One desperately said, "Sir, I needed to call someone who could understand this."

Everyone in the greatest generation understood war. At home they experienced rationing, schoolchildren collected scrap, and women took up factory jobs while overseas the troops endured combat and were witness to some of the largest and most brutal atrocities in the modern age. When the war was over, they followed the lead of Lt.

Gen Truscott and committed their lives to ensure that they "have not died in vain." The shared sacrifice of a generation united them and helped them solve tough problems.

In subsequent wars, such as the Korean and Vietnam era, Veterans did not experience the same level of understanding and thus either turned their voice inward or used their voice to fight for one another on subjects that varied from Agent Orange, PTSD, and other once-silent conditions.

The War on Terror introduced a unique time in our nation's collective history as acts of war played out in real-time on our media devices. Although only one percent of Americans served post 9/11, it seems 100 percent of the country used their voice to express their opinions of this shared history as it unfolded.

For Korea and Vietnam Veterans, war was not a shared experience and therefore various voices having various opinions helped further the national conversation regarding the treatment of veterans leading to safer and more thoughtful approaches. Unlike the veterans of Korea and Vietnam, the veterans of the last several decades did not return home to the voices of dissent that could be addressed directly, instead, they returned to a polite nation that creates media of dissent and very little opportunity for honest, open dialog.

This new era of media, learning, and personal discussions bring rise to the question, "Do people really remember why we hold our veterans in a place of honor?" For years, voices saying meaningless phrases like "the enemy gets

a vote" or "there's nothing you could have done" were meant to comfort those of us who have held the heavy responsibility of leading troops in combat. However, many people seem to lack the understanding that our hearts have been forever scarred by the invisible wounds of war, scarred by guilt and grief, and by the longing for forgiveness that will never come. Even if forgiveness was offered, it would be hard to accept as no mere words can undo a life experience and because of this, we often feel isolated, misunderstood, and undervalued therefore our voices remain silent.

As conversations with the voice on the other end of the phone come to its inevitable conclusion, I am reminded that to remain silent is a betrayal of my obligation to those who made the ultimate sacrifice. As Horace Bushnell once said, the best thing for us to do is to remember "what they have put it on us to do for the dear common country to which they sold their life." As we gather as one nation this Memorial Day, my hope is that instead of directing shallow words of gratitude at each other, we do as Lt. Gen. Truscott did and direct our gratitude directly towards those who made the ultimate sacrifice. In both our words and actions, let us all commit ourselves to serve the country to which they gave their lives.

While there is still much work to be done, the generation of Veterans from this century have access to vast resources, life-saving technology, and increased information. This same generation of Veterans

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Local officials react to Roe v. Wade leak

By John Lynds

The unprecedented leak to Politico Monday that five Supreme Court Justices may be gearing up to reverse the court's landmark decision that has protected a woman's right to choose for a half century has set off a firestorm of condemnations from pro-choice advocates and elected officials.

In 1973 the Roe v. Wade case, the Supreme Court issued a 7-2 decision that the Constitution of the United States protects a pregnant woman's liberty to choose to have an abortion without excessive government restriction. The decision struck down many U.S. federal and state abortion laws at the time.

The first draft of a majority opinion written by Justice Alito leaked to Politico on overturning Roe v. Wade and Planned Parenthood v. Casey calls the Roe decision "egregiously wrong from the start". Alito's opinion would allow states to decide on abortion restrictions or guarantees after nearly fifty years of federal constitutional protection.

"This is a devastating moment for our country, when lives are being threatened by a fringe minority determined to drag us back to the dangers of decades past," remarked Mayor Michelle Wu. "It's also a call to action—

that Massachusetts must continue to lead. In Boston, we affirm our absolute commitment to protecting reproductive rights as core to building a city for everyone. We are here. We are ready. And we will continue to organize and legislate and fight for the future our communities deserve."

Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley, who represents East Boston, called Roe v. Wade, a woman's right to choose and protecting women's health a 'fundamental' right. With conservative attacks on Roe v. Wade ratcheting up in recent years, the House has passed legislation to protect women's health and a woman's right to choose.

"Abortion care is a fundamental human right and we must legislate like it," she said. "The Senate must act before it's too late. Abolish the filibuster. Pass the Women's Health Protection Act."

Sen. Elizabeth Warren asked every member of the Senate, "What other judicial outrage must we endure from this illegitimate majority before we act? A stolen, illegitimate, and far-right Supreme Court majority appears set to destroy the right to abortion, an essential right which protects the health, safety, and freedom of millions of Americans."

Warren said there was no other recourse but to expand the

Supreme Court.

Warren was backed by Sen. Ed Markey who called for the end of the filibuster.

"Codify Roe v. Wade with a national law protecting abortion rights," he said. "Expand the Supreme Court and stop this horrifying injustice in its tracks."

Last week, the House reaffirmed its commitment to reproductive care by providing funding for reproductive care providers in its FY23 budget,

Rep. Jay Livingstone recently tweeted "abortion access is at stake" but added, "Thankfully

Reproductive Equity Now has compiled a one-stop resource for abortion care information and providers across New England." The information can be found at <http://abortioncarenewengland.org>.

Suffolk County District Attorney Kevin Hayden said he fully supports Roe v. Wade.

"As a prosecutor and the chief law enforcement official in Suffolk County, I will always work in support of laws that protect access to reproductive healthcare," he said. "Equitable access to health services – not just in Massachusetts but across our nation – helps ensure the rights and wellbeing of every woman. Public health is key to public safety, and it is a priority of my office."

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is just now starting to define our post-service legacy and like our grandparents, return home with a deep commitment to service, and a desire to address the many problems that we face.

One such issue needing to be addressed is helping Veterans find purpose in their post-service lives. Truscott's apology to the dead are not empty words, but a strong voice reminding us that we have an obligation to choose resilience and purpose when faced with guilt or grief. As an example, Gold Star Families, who have experienced tremendous loss, continue to serve their communities to maintain the legacy of the loved one they lost. I often recall a colleague of mine responding to the question "why do you do so much to help Veterans?" he simply held up his finger, choking back tears he responded, "for the one I couldn't save." By choosing to use his voice to advocate for other veterans, he not only helped them find their purpose – he found his own.

It's often said that for those who have served "every day is Memo-

rial Day," a traditionally silent observance in the Veteran's mind that can best be described as an impossible trinity made up of an overwhelming sense of guilt, grief, and grit. Usually, a moment of silence on this day is a welcomed and solemn way to honor the voices from our past, but for myself, after losing three former soldiers to suicide in the past few months, silence is no longer an option and the freedom to use our voice is the greatest gift that our veterans have to offer this Memorial Day.

Joseph Reagan is the Director of Military and Veterans Outreach for Wreaths Across America. He has almost 20 years experience working with leaders within Government, non-profit, and Fortune 500 companies to develop sustainable strategies supporting National Security, and Veterans' Health. He served 8 years on active duty as an officer in the U.S. Army including two tours to Afghanistan with the 10th Mountain Division. He is the recipient of multiple awards and decorations including the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart.

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Beacon Hill, surrounding area's weekly COVID positive test-rate climbs once again

By John Lynds

With the neighborhood and city's weekly COVID positive test rate still climbing, the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) is recommending residents take precautions to stop the spread.

The BPHC also renewed its recommendation that masks be worn in indoor public settings, including public transportation and transportation hubs, government buildings, and crowded indoor venues. The recommendation is especially important for those who are at high risk for severe illness or who live with someone who is high risk.

"With COVID-19 cases rising, we are urging all Bostonians to take extra precautions to protect yourself, your family, and our community. If you are feeling unwell, get tested at one of our free

City sites or take a rapid test. It's also important to stay up to date on your vaccinations," said Executive Director of the BPHC Dr. Bisola Ojikutu. "We are recommending that individuals protect themselves and others by masking indoors, particularly in crowded places. These precautions are how we protect the progress we've made in our community."

Last week, 1,282 Beacon Hill, Back Bay, Downtown, North End and West End residents were tested for the virus last week and 10.4 percent were positive--this was a 53 percent increase from the 6.8 percent that tested positive as reported by the BPHC on April 25.

One hundred thirty three additional residents contracted the virus between April 25 and May 2 and there are now 10,104 con-

firmed cases in the neighborhood since the start of the pandemic.

Boston's citywide weekly positive test rate also increased last week and is still above the 5 percent threshold.

According to the BPHC 16,256 residents were tested citywide last week and 7.8 percent were COVID positive--this was a 13 percent increase from the 6.9 percent that reportedly tested positive for the week ending on April 25.

The BPHC reported there has been a 65 percent increase in COVID-19 cases over the past three weeks.

Health experts are saying the new subvariant of the omicron

strain, known as BA.2, is now the dominant strain in the US and 30 percent more infectious than the BA.1 omicron strain responsible for the last surge.

Dr. Ojikutu and the BPHC also reported last week the amount of COVID-19 particles in local wastewater samples has increased by 109 percent over a 14-day period, suggesting that cases could continue to rise in the coming weeks. New hospitalizations have also slowly risen in Boston during this time period.

With higher transmission levels, wearing a mask can prevent individuals from getting sick, testing can help stop the spread of

COVID-19, and vaccination with boosting reduces the risk of severe illness and hospitalization.

The statistics released by the BPHC as part of its weekly COVID19 report breaks down the number of cases and infection rates in each neighborhood. It also breaks down the number of cases by age, gender and race.

Citywide positive cases of coronavirus increased 1.5 percent last week and went from 175,628 to 178,291 confirmed cases since the start of the pandemic.

There were four additional deaths in Boston from the virus in the past week and the total number of COVID deaths is now at 1,458.

BHWF final event of the season

By Ariana Hanley

Spring has officially arrived in Boston! Mark your calendar for May 10 and join the Beacon Hill Womens Forum for the final event of the season, our Spring Soiree! Our final event will take place at the Liberty Hotel Yard from 6-9pm and feature live classic rock music by The Remedies. Be sure to dress in your favorite garden cocktail dress!

Please register for the event online at www.beaconhillwomensforum.org

forum.org and feel free to bring a friend! We cannot wait to ring in the spring season with all of our amazing Beacon Hill neighbors and friends!

The Beacon Hill Women's Forum is a nonprofit organization established to help bring women in and around Beacon Hill together to form a close community of support and inspiration. Visit The Beacon Hill Women's Forum website to learn more about our membership options. www.beaconhillwomensforum.org

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care Savings Program applicants with incomes under 200-percent federal poverty apply for SNAP at the same time and would require the state to take steps towards creating a "common application" for other needs-based programs like child care, housing, fuel assistance, as well as require the Department of Transitional Assistance to apply for DTA cash assistance at the same time as SNAP.

Closing the SNAP Gap in Massachusetts, according to the Mass Legal Services website, will also reportedly

help more low-income residents meet basic food expenses and reduce food insecurity; reduce health care costs for families and individuals able to purchase more food; enable more low income children to be "directly certified" for free school meals through SNAP; increase the opportunity for more schools to provide universal free meals; bring nearly \$1 billion in additional federal SNAP nutrition dollars to the state each year; and generate more than \$2 billion in economic stimulus to the state and local economy.

"If it is included in the final budget, this amendment will require state agencies to develop a common application for people applying to Massachusetts needs-based benefits to help ease the burden for our most vulnerable residents," wrote Rep. Livingstone. "This effort builds on the SNAP Gap effort from the last budget, where I secured a similar mandate for SNAP and MassHealth. This will allow people to fill out one application rather than several, making it easier to secure safety net social benefits and help eliminate the gaps that exist between programs where eligibility significantly overlaps."

Moreover, Rep. Livingstone told this reporter, "I look forward to a day when people who need help from the government can go to one place and be told what they're eligible for and what help they can receive. During the pandemic, more people from my district accessed the social safety net than ever before, and if this had been in place, they would've had a much easier time getting the help they need."

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while the upper level would be designated for patients to respect their privacy.

Down Parkman Street to the west, a new tunnel connection would also be created to move trash, goods, and services, but not people, so as not to interfere with pedestrians at the "street-network level," added Mosier.

The installation of a private drainage system across Parkman Street is among the sustainability measures that will be incorporated into the project, which, said Mosier, will have the capacity to recapture "thousands of gallons of water" for reuse.

A new ADA-compliant passenger loading zone for hospital on Parkman Street would be the only one provided curbside for the facility, added Mosier.

Moreover, an existing taxi stand on Cambridge Street would be eliminated to create new bike accommodations, which comes after "numerous rounds" of conversations between the project team and the Boston Transportation Department, according to Haney.

The project team will need to find a new location for the taxi stand, said Haney, who added that removing the stand from its current location "was an effort to improve the flow of traffic through North Grove Street."

Louise Thomas, a long-serving West End Civic Association and longtime resident of that neighborhood who also served on the city's Impact Advisory Group (IAG) for the Article 80 process for the project, said this was the first time she had heard any mention of eliminating the taxi stand.

(The proposed elimination of the taxi stand is a recent development, which was first broached after the conclusion of the IAG process, replied Haney.)

As a volunteer at the hospital, Thomas said she knows that the taxi stand sees a lot of use from elderly patients visiting the hospital, including 165 Cambridge St., and she underscored just how essential this amenity is for them.

Rob Whitney, chair of the Beacon Hill Civic Association board of directors, said he's concerned about traffic turning left onto Cambridge Street and heading east to end up on North Grove Street.

Whitney said he wants to see a "long-term strategy" for diverting traffic from Cambridge and North Grove streets to Blossom Street.

Mosier responded that the project team had looked at a cross-section of North Grove Street, where people think they can park on account of its "fairly narrow three lanes."

To remedy this situation, the street would have two regular striped traffic lanes, along with a protected bike lane, he said, "to eliminate driver confusion and parking behind the taxi stand."

Amy Cording, director of engineering for the BTB, said that the intersection of Blossom and Parkman streets is now being prepped for future signalization, "with interconnecting handholds, etc." so she asked that this be incorporated into the "specific repair plans" for the project.

Sarah Leung, architectural access project coordinator for Mayor Michelle Wu's Commission for Persons with Disabilities, asked that the project team notify her office if any available parking spaces become available within the construction zone.

Leung also requested apex ramps at the Parkman Street crosswalk be changed to directional ramps, as well as for "compliance of reciprocal ramps on North Grove Street as [the project team] reconstructs ramps on the project

site."

Jascha Franklin-Hodge, the city's chief of streets, asked that the BTB and project team finalize a construction management plan, which outlines improvements for pedestrian and bike access along Cambridge Street for the duration of the project.

Mosier responded the plan is "an extremely active work in progress," and that "we're down to inches here."

City Councilor Kenzie Bok said both she and Rep. Jay Livingstone (who couldn't attend the virtual hearing) supported MGH's application with the city.

The Blossom Street rebuild, which includes widening the intersection at Blossom and Parkman streets, is of the utmost importance to them, said Councilor Bok, because of the large number of pedestrians crossing the street there, especially at the "substandard" crossing at Parkman Street.

MGH will allocate \$4 million for the Blossom Street rebuild to complement the \$2 million earmarked for this purpose in the city's capital budget, which, she said, "has been languishing for about 10 years."

Moreover, North Grove and Cambridge streets has been the site of frequent vehicular accidents due to "visual lines being obscured," and because of queues of cars backing up and creating issues for drivers turning into Charles Circle, said Councilor Bok.

Councilor Bok said \$250,000 has been earmarked for this intersection, and that she and Rep. Livingstone would like to see a new signal installed there A.S.A.P.

The applicant is scheduled to return for the next PIC hearing, which will take place virtually on May 12.

Paws on Charles celebrates new partnership with Making Fetch Happens with in-store event

By Dan Murphy

Paws on Charles, the boutique pet supply stop at 123 Charles St., celebrated its new partnership with Making Fetch Happen, a dog-training service provider, with an in-store event on Saturday, April 30.

Jamaica Plain-based Making Fetch Happen “focuses on taking a fear- and force-free approach to training, which utilizes the lat-

est in science-based methods,” according to the company, as its “goal is to provide dogs with the behaviors and skills they need to live more harmoniously with their humans in the home, while also providing their owners with the knowledge they need to address problem behaviors that pop up in the future.”

To start, classes offered at Paws on Charles via Making Fetch Happen include basic obedience and

puppy socialization.

Making Fetch Happen owner and Dog Behaviorist, Shelley Harrison, who was on hand for the in-store event, will also be available to local residents for at-home behavioral consulting with their canines.

For more on Paws on Charles, visit www.pawsoncharles.com, follow them on Instagram at @pawsoncharles, or call the store at 617-936-4163.

Red Cross offering free smoke alarm installations

The American Red Cross of Massachusetts will be installing hundreds of free smoke alarms to communities in need in a targeted campaign called Sound the Alarm to May 22.

The Red Cross offers free smoke alarm installations 365 days a year to any Massachusetts resident (regardless of renter or homeowner status), but in the month of May, surges efforts in five vulnerable communities: Brockton, Everett, Methuen, Springfield and Worcester. Anyone interested in a free smoke alarm should call 1-800-564-1234 or visit redcross.org/MA to schedule an appointment. During the 20-minute home visits, Red Cross volunteers will also share information on the causes of home fires, how to prevent them, what to do if a fire starts and how to create an escape plan.

Event volunteers are needed to install 400 smoke alarms and share fire safety information with families. Register at SoundTheAlarm.org/MA to join this rewarding day of giving back. No prior experience is needed — training will be provided. You can also make a financial donation to the Red Cross to help people prepare for, respond to and recover from home fires.

This Sound the Alarm event is part of a national Red Cross initiative in May to install 50,000 free smoke alarms with partners in more than 50 at-risk communities across the country. Sound the Alarm events are a critical part of the national Red Cross Home Fire Campaign. As of March 31, the Home Fire Campaign has helped save 1,275 lives since launching in October 2014. As part of the campaign, the Red Cross and local partners have installed more than 2.3 million free smoke alarms, making more than 980,000 households safer.

This work is made possible thanks to generous financial donations from regional partners as well as our statewide Sound the Alarm sponsor National Grid.

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides comfort to victims of disasters; supplies about 40% of the nation’s blood; teaches skills that save lives; distributes international humanitarian aid; and supports veterans, military members and their fami-

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Following the recent fire at 53 Charles St., Rebecca Connolly Hackler, owner of Fabled Antiques at 93 Charles Street: issued the following statement: "We're sorry to announce that Fabled Antiques will be temporarily closed due to a recent fire upstairs in our building. The Boston Fire Department did a wonderful job and thankfully everyone got out of the building safely. Although our antique shop sustained water and smoke damage, we're eager to reopen as soon as possible. Rest assured that we're looking on the bright side, acquiring fresh inventory, and doing repairs to the shop interior. In the meantime, please follow Fabled Antiques on social media for updates, and visit our flagship store, New Hampshire Antique Co-op, just an hour from Boston in Milford, New Hampshire. We can't wait to reopen and see our friends and neighbors on Charles Street!"



COURTESY OF PAWS ON CHARLES
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FOPG'S GREEN & WHITE BALL RETURNS AFTER TWO-YEAR ABSENCE

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The Friends of the Public Garden's Green & White Ball returned April 29 after a two-year absence.

Chaired by Beacon Hill residents Tess Atkinson and Kate Enroth, the event drew more than 170 people to the Four Seasons for cocktails, dinner, and dancing. Nearly \$500,000 was raised to support the ongoing care of the Boston Common, Public Garden, and Commonwealth Avenue Mall.

Friends President Liz Vizza said, "The Green & White Ball is our single largest event raising funds for direct parks care. The Four Seasons - with the Public Garden right outside the windows - was just the perfect venue to celebrate our parks and the people who believe in them."

Added Board Chair Leslie Adam, "These parks mean so much to all of us and it was so evident in the commitment of our amazing committee. They have spent months preparing for this

event and we are so grateful to them all, especially our co-chairs Tess and Kate."

Co-Chair Tess Atkinson summed up the sentiment shared by all attendees with, "It was a beautiful evening, where we were all so filled with joy and gratitude to come together in celebration of Boston's parks. Kate and I were honored to be chairs of the first Green & White in two years."

The Friends of the Public Garden was founded in 1970 to renew, care, and advocate for the Boston Common, Public Garden, and Commonwealth Avenue Mall. One of the first parks advocacy groups in the nation, the Friends works in partnership with the City of Boston and its more than 3,500 Members to advance a vision of welcoming and accessible parks for all.

Visit www.friendsofthepublicgarden.org to learn more.



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Christopher Lydon hosts the WBUR program Open Source, and has for decades been a presence on Boston public radio and television. He has been a reporter for The New York Times, the host of The Ten O'Clock News on WGBH TV, and the co-founder and host of The Connection on WBUR.

Fr. John Unni has been the pastor of Saint Cecilia Parish (Roman Catholic) for 17 years, where he has expanded the church's focus on the health and spiritual growth of Boston's most marginalized. When not presiding at Mass, he serves the community on the boards of Pine Street Inn and St. Boniface Haiti Foundation.

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Beacon Hill Garden Club Art Contest

Story & Photos by Marianne Salza

Filler, spiller, thriller – opulent creations by Park Street School students will inspire the Beacon Hill Garden Club’s floral window box display at the Charles Street Post Office. Some 40 students in grades K-1-5 drew arrangements that featured elegant spreads, tall statement plants, and cascading greenery.

“The Beacon Hill Garden Club’s civic planting is the Charles Street Post Office’s window box. The assignment was to plant a beautifully imagined window box as inspiration for our future planting,” said Sandra Gilpatrick, Co-Chair, Beacon Hill Garden Club Hidden Gardens Tour 2022. “This work is gorgeous. The participation is strong. This reminds me of going to a flower show.”

On April 29 Gilpatrick joined Ali Ringenburg, Owner of Sloane

Merrill Gallery, in judging the art contest that culminates with the 93rd Annual Hidden Gardens Tour, on May 19. Winners will receive JP Licks gift certificates and a Hidden Gardens Tour book.

“My mind immediately goes to composition, color choices, and unique angles of execution. I love this one because you see the window box and the atmosphere around it with the beautiful blue sky and sun,” explained Ringenburg, as she reviewed submissions.

Gilpatrick and Ringenburg were stunned by the entries composed using mediums such as mixed media, colored pencils, and crayons. An oil pastel image of tulips outlined with bold, black borders, amazed Ringenburg, who was also impressed by an illustration of a family of flowers arching together in an embrace.

Samaya Rivera, grade 3A,



Sandra Gilpatrick and Ali Ringenburg judging drawings at Sloane Merrill Gallery for the Garden Club art contest.

received first place, Lev Ivashchenko, K-2, won second prize, and Charlotte Lewis, 5B, won third place.

“It’s interesting because Samaya

out. The vertical plants are draping,” said Ringenburg about the watercolor and ballpoint pen drawing.



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Ali Ringenburg, Owner of Sloane Merrill Gallery, and Sandra Gilpatrick, Co-Chair, Beacon Hill Garden Club Hidden Gardens Tour 2022.

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POLIO.

As one of the last American children to contract polio, Jeffrey Galpin grew up in a world of iron lungs and body casts, alone with his imagination. His story would be dramatic enough if it was just about his battle with this dreaded disease.

But Jeffrey Galpin did more than survive polio. He went on to a list of achievements in medical research—including being the principal investigator in applying the first gene therapy for HIV/AIDS.

Dr. Galpin actually credits his own incurable condition for giving him the focus that made him so passionate in his research. His story leaves us with two of the most contagious messages we know. Don't give up, and remember to give back. If Dr. Galpin's story inspires just one more person to make a difference, then its telling here has been well worth while.



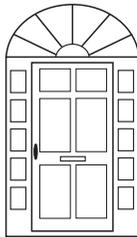
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Public Works

Public art manager works on MLK memorial on Boston Common

By Lauren Bennett

King Boston broke ground on the Embrace Memorial, honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his wife Coretta Scott King, on April 27 with a ceremony at the Parkman Bandstand on the Boston Common.

Imari Paris Jeffries, Executive Director of King Boston, was joined by colleagues from King Boston, as well as Boston's Chief of Environment, Energy, and Open Space Rev. Mariama White-Hammond, Embrace designer Hank Willis Thomas, Amandi Music, Boston Mayor Michelle Wu, Governor Charlie Baker, and US Attorney Rachael Rollins, as well as supporters and funders, for the celebration, which took place on what would have been Coretta Scott King's 95th birthday.

The Embrace Memorial will be a 22 foot bronze sculpture depicting the hands and arms of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Coretta Scott King, based on a 1964 photo of the two after King found out he had won the Nobel Peace Prize.

The design was chosen out of 126 submissions from around the globe by an art team at King Boston and the City of Boston, after being narrowed down to five finalists. The Embrace was designed by Hank Willis Thomas and MASS Design Group, and will be located near the Tremont Street side of the Boston Common.

According to a press release, "The monument will be the country's largest memorial dedicated to

equity representing Boston's path to becoming the city where all are welcome and a place of opportunity for everyone."

Imari Paris Jeffries said at the event, "this moment represents the power of all of us and is part of a vision to create a radically and equitable and inclusive Boston, by 2030, the city's 400th birthday."

Along with the Embrace Memorial, King Boston has plans for a Center for Economic Justice, which, according to the King Boston website, will be "grounded in community engagement and aimed at generating the data and knowledge needed to inform movements at the grassroots level and beyond." The center will eventually become a "research institute," and partner with "community groups, coalitions, and other stakeholders," the website states.

Sam Giarratani, a public art manager who worked closely with Hank Willis Thomas on the design side of the memorial process, is a Revere native and moved to Winthrop when she was a teenager.

"It's been incredible, for lack of a better word," Giarratani told the Transcript. "I started this in 2018 and through the pandemic, through mayoral shifts, it's still happening and there's a huge hole in the ground and I'm just really proud of my city that it's actually happening."

Giarratani is a founder of Negative Space, LLC, a NYC-based production management company for public art campaigns.

"I operate behind the scenes for



PHOTO BY CRAIG BAILEY

On April 27, King Boston, City of Boston officials, and supporters dug the ceremonial dirt in front of the future site of the Embrace Memorial, signifying the groundbreaking of the sculpture on the Boston Common.

the artwork," she said—"coordinating the vision."

She added, "It's a really interesting arts administrative role." She said she works "really closely and collaboratively" with those involved in the project, including landscape designers and the visionaries behind the idea to put a memorial on the Boston Common.

Giarratani said she was happy to see "so many people come out in support of this project" at the groundbreaking last Wednesday.

"Just like seeing people from all industries show up, I think, is telling that this is a really important groundbreaking thing that's happening—not only to put a monument in one of the oldest parks in the country, but to sort of talk about the racial history that we have and I know Boston can sort of gloss over some of the issues it's had in the past," she said. "This is sort of a show that they're ready to actually commit and do the work."

She praised King Boston for its work in "uplifting the Black community in Boston," and said she looks forward to people interacting with the memorial, which is set to be officially unveiled on Martin Luther King, Jr. day next year.

She said she hopes the Embrace Memorial will become as important to the park as the Make Way for Ducklings statue has become.

"I'm hoping that it becomes part of the ecosystem of the park, and I'm excited to see people taking pictures underneath it and reading around it and just kind of

adding to the backdrop."

Giarratani said that construction will continue through December, when the piece is expected to be fully installed.

"I'm just super grateful," she said.

At the groundbreaking, Rev. Mariama-White Hammond led a land acknowledgement, reminding those in attendance that the land that is now the Boston Common is the "traditional homelands of the Massachusetts tribe." She added, "we are so glad today to celebrate the legacies of the Kings and their love."

Embrace designer Hank Willis Thomas thanked those who were involved in making this memorial possible, saying "this is an amazing amalgamation of so many people's love for humanity; love for the possibility of what we can do and what can happen when we work together."

Barry Gaither, a member of the art selection committee of King Boston, spoke about the selection process and why The Embrace was chosen as the winner.

"We came to the Embrace," he said, "and it presented us with the great problem of 'how do you express love in an intimate and global sense simultaneously?' The Embrace represented that distillation of gesture."

Governor Charlie Baker also made remarks, saying that "this is the sort of thing that requires everybody to embrace the notion that every day, if you're not moving forward, you're moving back."

He continued, "and I really

do hope this memorial and all it stands for, and the work that will be done by the center going forward, will be there as a constant reminder to all of us what's left to be done and why it's so important that it be done here in the Commonwealth and here in the City of Boston."

Mayor Michelle Wu quoted Coretta Scott King in her remarks. "The birthday matriarch we are celebrating today said once, 'the greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate action of its members.'"

Wu continued, "What I love about this moment and what we are about to do, to break ground in a season of breaking fast, in a season of reminding each and every one of us of our place of belonging rooted in the greater community is that not only are we embracing our history, our role as a city in this partnership that changed the world forevermore between the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr and Coretta Scott King, our history in crating the spaces that would get passed down generation after generation, but also our role in signifying every single day that we embrace everyone who finds their way to Boston."

She added, "this is a city that is a city for everyone."

For more information about the memorial and about King Boston, visit kingboston.org, and for more information about Sam Giarratani's company, visit <https://negativespace.rocks>.

BHCA (from pg. 1)

Thanks to our Streets & Sidewalks/Green Committee and Volunteers for the Brick by Brick Cleanup on Saturday!



Thanks to these volunteers (and others not pictured here) who took the time on Saturday to clean parts of Irving, Myrtle, West Cedar, Pinckney, Anderson, Derne, Bowdoin, Hancock, and Grove Streets as part of the BHCA Streets & Sidewalks/Green Committee Brick by Brick cleanup initiative. Stay tuned - more cleanups coming soon!

NEWS BRIEFS

WEST END MUSEUM TO HONOR JANE JACOBS

The West End Museum will join groups in hundreds of cities around the world to lead Jane's Walks on Friday and Saturday, May 6-7.

The museum is adding two additional walks after the first filled quickly. The free walking tours will explore the character of Boston's North and West Ends before the beginning of urban renewal in 1958.

Jane's Walk is an international movement honoring Jane Jacobs (1916-2006), the activist who championed a community-based approach to city planning. She fought against urban renewal projects, like the one in the West End. Her 1961 book, "The Death and Life of Great American Cities," introduced groundbreaking city-building principles still used today.

"Jane has the reputation of a saint standing against the sins of a failed ideal that decimated hundreds of urban communities in the 20th century," said Sebastian Belfanti, director of The West End Museum.

For this year's Jane's Walk, Belfanti will discuss how the neighborhood's four historic sections – Lower End, Upper End, North Slope, and Bulfinch Triangle – developed after urban renewal.

To learn more about The WEM's Jane's Walks, visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/janes-walk-2022-at-the-west-end-museum-tickets-313882560187>.

The WEM is also extending its Exploring the West End Walking Tours through June. The tours circle the West End and highlight the neighborhood's people and places over the last four centuries. Tours are second and fourth Saturdays each month. For times and to register, visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/west-end-walking-tours-tickets-257891740137>.

WRITING YOUR LAST CHAPTER: MEDICAL AID IN DYING WITH ROGER KLIGLER, MD AND MELISSA STACY

Compassionate? Controversial? An essential human right? Join Dr. Roger Kligler and Melissa Stacy for a discussion about medical aid in dying for mentally competent, terminally ill adult patients. Should Massachusetts join ten other states and the District of Columbia by passing a bill that would authorize doctors to provide this assistance to their patients in carefully defined circumstances?

Dr. Kligler is a retired primary care physician, a patient with a terminal illness, and a plaintiff in a suit against the Commonwealth for access to medical aid in dying. Melissa Stacy is the Regional Advocacy Manager-Northeast for Compassion and Choices.

This virtual program is presented in partnership with the Boston

Public Library, as part of Beacon Hill Village's Living Well Ending Well series. Closed captioning is available. In order to receive the Zoom link, registration is required online or by calling Beacon Hill Village at 617-723-9713. Registrants will receive the Zoom link a day or two before the event. Free and open to the public.

UPSTAIRS DOWNSTAIRS BLOOMS IN MAY

Laura Cousineau, owner of Upstairs Downstairs Home at 69 Charles St., loves the month of May and lives by the motto, "May more than any other month of the year, wants us to feel most alive." And true to these words, she is planning four lively major events at the store.

Saturday, May 7 - Kentucky Derby Celebration - 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Repeating the activities last year, Upstairs Downstairs will again host a day-long fun and games event. Friends and neighbors will be invited to play the vintage Schylling metal racing track known as "Neck and Neck," and pick and send their favorite down a rambling track and win a prize. Then, all will pose in the winner's circle with a provided Derby Hat and a bonnet with ribbons upon it and a bouquet of roses. And imbibe with a non-alcoholic mint julep.

Sunday, May 8 - Mother's Day - All Day

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with a slew of last-minute gifts for Mom. The always-annual and popular game...spot the flower on any item and receive a 20-percent discount of that item. HINT: The bountiful and beautiful blue-and-white pottery of vases and lamps... check it out!

Thursday, May 12- Eleanor Score Artist Reception - 6-8 p.m.

Following on the heels with the immensely popular Paul Donnelly reception, Upstairs Downstairs is pleased to present artist Eleanor Score. Eleanor is a well-known and popular local artist. She has been a Beacon Hill resident for many years. She studied at the Maryland Art Institute in Baltimore and graduated from the Boston University of Fine Arts. Her depictions of Boston and its environs are stunning, beautiful to the eye, and treasured by those who have purchased one. Space is limited, so please R.S.V.P. to lauraupstairsdownstairs@gmail.com.

Thursday, May 19 - Hidden Gardens Tour - All Day

The Beacon Hill Garden Club is pleased to announce that its Hidden Garden Tours is back and can be visited in person - what a nice way to celebrate this tour in its 93rd year. In addition, Upstairs Downstairs has been selected to participate. Laura is already planning a spectacular window and excited to showcase her very secret and Hidden Garden in the rear of the store. Many wonders and surprises await those who come to visit on the tour and all for a good cause - the Beacon Hill Garden Club.

"Yes, we love the month of May and so enjoy planning events for

our loyal customers, friends, and neighbors who we owe so much to and are so grateful for their support," says Laura Cousineau.

JUVENILES CONNECTED TO DOWNTOWN CROSSING, BOSTON COMMON ATTACKS ARRAIGNED

Two 13-year-old juveniles were arraigned on Monday, May 2, before Suffolk County Juvenile Court Judge Peter Coyne on various assault charges related to recent attacks in Downtown Crossing and Boston Common.

One of the juveniles was charged with 14 counts from nine incidents and ordered held on \$5,000 bail, according to District Attorney Kevin Hayden, while the other was charged with nine counts from five incidents and ordered held on \$3,500 bail.

Both juveniles were also ordered to wear GPS tracking bracelets, to leave home only for school or service provider reasons, and to stay away from Downtown Crossing and other areas where the attacks occurred, said DA Hayden.

The charges are in relation to numerous violent incidents at Downtown Crossing, Boston Common and other areas of the city over the past month.

"Our hope and practice is always to keep children from getting involved in court. But the frequency and seriousness of these incidents demanded an approach that would address the immediate public safety threat presented by these juveniles," added Hayden.

LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

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NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Docket No. SU21C0588CA
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Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 05/27/2022. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
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Drugs

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When the suspect was entering the ambulance to go to Mass General Hospital, the officers

performed a frisk of his backpack for safety of the EMTs. Due to the officers' training, it was apparent to them that there were large amounts of drugs in the bag.

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Mccann, Christopher	Clayton, Nicholas G	143-145 W Concord St #2	\$2,947,000
Karl, Jennifer	West Newton Street 2 RT	121 W Newton St #2	\$2,350,000
Dimitrakopoulos, Georgios	Allied Residences LLC	88 Wareham St #502	\$1,169,000
New England Legal Fndtn	New Eng Anti-Vivisection	333 Washington St #850	\$1,100,000
Haggerty, Zachary J	Bertozzi, Steven	1313 Washington St #420	\$1,500,000
Zhou, Stella H	Patel, Cheerag	1692 Washington St #2	\$939,000
Kinney 2nd, John	1950 Wa Street LLC	1948-1950 Washington St #5F	\$936,000
Isaac, Brian	Park, Seo Y	25 Worcester St #3	\$2,120,000
Kantor, Joshua A	Mcmahon, Brian	154 Worcester St #5	\$1,405,000
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Belisle, Anthony	Mazzola, Colin L	110 Broad St #501	\$1,470,000
Biancarelli, Dea L	300 Com St Re Assoc LLC	300 Commercial St #512	\$550,000
M Susan Grnberg SP T	Kowalczewski, Yvonne	65 E India Row #25A	\$670,000
Kowalczewski, Yvonne	Johnson, William	65 E India Row #38D	\$660,000
Volwiler, Adam S	Hawkins, Deborah	1 Franklin St #3203	\$3,000,000
New Spring Dev Corp	Chang, Anderson	100 Fulton St #3K	\$805,000
Succi, Marc D	Lagosh, Sarah B	134-136 Fulton St #5	\$1,425,000
Bansal, Rahul	New England Legal Fndtn	150 Lincoln St #6B	\$1,341,000
Wei, Shu	Suffredini, Caryn	580 Washington St #505	\$1,265,000

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THIS WEEK'S ANSWER



The windows in the last clue are on 28 Grove Street. This address was the home of the abolitionist minister and underground railroad conductor Leonard Andrew Grimes. The website Atlas Obscura noted that he also, "... helped establish the 54th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry Regiment which was one of the first African-American regiments in the US military."

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