



APRIL 6, 2023



THE BEACON HILL TIMES

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

BOOK YOUR POST IT
Call Your Advertising Rep
(781) 485-0588

HILL HOUSE HOLDS ANNUAL WINE DINNER



DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN PHOTO

Hill House held its annual Wine Dinner at Bacon Hill Bistro. The fundraising event drew many from the neighborhood to support the organization that offers activities such as sorts, music, art, dance, and more for youth throughout the city. Pictured are Hill House Board Members: Lauren Goff, Sarah Donovan, Lisle Albro, Christine Olsen, Mike Cirami, Laura Ziewacz, and Bill Moran with President Lisa Taffe (third from left). See Pages 6 and 7 for more photos.

Gibson House Museum's annual benefit to honor the French Library

By Dan Murphy

At "À la Belle Époque," the organization's 26th annual benefit set for Tuesday, April 11, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the St. Botolph Club at 199 Commonwealth Ave., the Gibson House Museum will be honoring the French Library.

The evening will include drinks, a light supper, and entertainment provided by a French music trio, while the Gibson House Museum will also be recognizing the French Library for culturally inspiring the community and for its dedication to preserving Boston's architectural history with the recent historically sensitive renovation of its 1867 brownstone headquarters located at 53 Marlborough St. in the Back Bay.

"Every year, we have an honoree, and this year we decided to honor the French Library," said Jackie Blombach, Benefit Committee co-chair and a longtime museum board member. "The Gibson House wanted to recognize someone else who is preserving an important, very beautiful Back Bay

building.

They've finished a long preservation, and we wanted to honor the library's work to preserve the building as they update it and make it more modern, yet they were also very sensitive to balancing future needs with the building's charm and character."

The French Library building was built seven years after the Gibson House as a much-more elegant building, added Blombach. By chance, the family who built the French Library were also friends of the Gibson family, she said, and both families summered together in Nahant.

Moreover, Mrs. Rosamond (nee Warren) Gibson was a Francophile, even before she married Charles Gibson, and they raised their three children in the Gibson House.

"She was a lover of all things French and even decorated the music room at the Gibson House to look like French salon of 19th century," said Blombach. "She

(GIBSON HOUSE Pg. 2)

BEACON HILL CIVIC ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY CORNER

Boston City Council Meeting 4/11/23

There will be an important City Council Hearing on Tuesday, April 11th, at 10am in the Iannella Chamber, 5th floor, at Boston City Hall. The subject of this hearing will be pest control and trash contracts and procedures. The public is invited to attend. For more information, consult boston.gov/public-notices, or call the BHCA office.

BHCA Organizing a Love Your Block Team!

This year's Love Your Block

activity, put together by the Mayor's Office of Civic Organizing, will take place on Saturday, April 29th, from 9am to 1pm. Beacon Hill neighbors are encouraged to sign up on the City website, or by calling the BHCA. We will gather by the CVS at Charles Circle to pick up tools and bags. With your help, we look forward to a successful clean-up of our neighborhood!

Upcoming BHCA Meetings

Meet and Greet – Monday, April 3rd, 6:00pm, 75 Chestnut

Streets & Sidewalks Committee – Tuesday, April 4th, 5:30pm, virtual

Zoning & Licensing – Wednesday, April 5th, 7:00pm, virtual

Architecture Committee – Monday, April 10th, 5:30pm, virtual

Board of Directors – Monday, April 10th, 7pm, virtual

For details and zoom information on any of these meetings, please contact the BHCA office at 617-227-1922.



MARY PRINCE PHOTO

The front entryway of the Gibson House Museum.

Wu announces applications open for the 2023-2024 Spark Boston Council

Mayor Michelle Wu announced applications for the 2023-2024 SPARK Boston Council are now open and available online. The SPARK Boston Council is a volunteer leadership and civic engagement council made up of 20 to 35 year olds charged with spearheading the City's efforts to engage Boston's young adult population. Applications are due Friday, May 26, 2023.

"The SPARK Boston Council helps serve as a direct line from what young people want to see change in our City, to the services of City government," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "SPARK Boston is a great opportunity for young adults to connect with their neighborhoods, peers, and the possibilities of government. I've enjoyed getting to know this year's group of future Boston leaders and encourage all that are interested to apply."

Under the direction of the

SPARK Boston Director, the 2023-2024 Council will create programming and advise Boston's leaders to help the city grow as an inviting, connected, culturally rich, and sustainable home for young adults. Throughout the SPARK Boston Council term, participants hear from key members of the Mayor's staff, leaders within City Hall, and community organizations about topics like climate resilience, education, housing, and civic innovation.

"Recruitment is my favorite time of the year for our program," said SPARK Boston Director Audrey Seraphin. "I love being able to share our work with so many amazing young residents all across the City. I hope to see applications from every single neighborhood in Boston this year!"

Those looking to join the SPARK Boston Council can learn more about the program and application process by attending

one of two Virtual Open Houses on either Tuesday, April 18 or Wednesday, May 10 from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Those interested in attending can register at bit.ly/SPARKinfosession2023. Applicants can also reach out with questions to sparkboston@boston.gov.

The 2022-2023 SPARK Council will be continuing their work through the end of their term this August, but have already taken part in several opportunities, including attending Mayor Wu's first State of the City; meeting with Boston's Sister City delegation from Strausbourg, France during Mayor Jeanne Barseghian's visit; and marching in the Allston-Brighton Parade with Mayor Wu. On-going programming includes participatory mapping project Boston You're My Home; public education series Back to School; a civic text Book Club; and greener living newsletter & lifestyle brand Sustainable Boston.

The 2022-2023 council has also continued legacy & signature programming such as: Neighborhood Socials, events designed to bring City Hall staff and local leaders into spaces young people already patronize; Chief Chats, fireside discussions with cabinet leadership; and Pint with a Planner, an event series in partnership with the Boston Planning & Development Agency (BPDA).

The SPARK Council meets on the first Monday of each month. Council members must also attend one community meeting and one SPARK event or subcommittee meeting a month. Applicants must reside in Boston, and be willing to commit 15 hours monthly to the SPARK Boston program. SPARK Boston and its previous iteration ONEin3 have now been serving young adults and the City of Boston for over 18 years.

"SPARK Boston can ignite your confidence in civic engagement.

It is a space where you can build your voice, involvement, and engagement in your neighborhood while understanding how the Mayor's Office serves the City of Boston," said 2022-2023 SPARK Boston Captain Ricky Meinke. "By applying to SPARK Boston, you are confirming that you want to be a future leader in your neighborhood, that you want to serve the City of Boston, and that you can make a difference in your community."

Boston is home to a large and diverse 20-35 year old population. SPARK Boston (formerly ONEin3) is a City of Boston initiative that aims to empower Generation Z and millennial generation to play a greater role in planning for the future of our city. For more information and the full SPARK Boston recruitment schedule, please visit the Spark Boston website.

Pioneering Mass Eye and Ear researcher Nelson Kiang dies at 93

By Times staff

Nelson Yuan-sheng Kiang, a pioneering Mass Eye and Ear researcher, as well as a Beacon Hill resident, died on March 19 in Boston. He was 93.

Mr. Kiang was born in Wuxi, China, on July 6, 1929. At age 5, his diplomat parents brought him to the United States, where he spent his youth in Los Angeles, New York City, and Seattle. He studied at the University of Chicago, receiving a Ph.D. degree in 1955.

In 1956, Mr. Kiang came to the Boston area. He founded and directed the Eaton-Peabody Laboratory of Auditory Physiology at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary from 1959 to 1996, where he conducted pioneering hearing research. While holding professor rank at both MIT and Harvard Medical School, he led

the establishment of a joint academic program in Speech and Hearing Sciences in 1992.

After retirement in 1996, Mr. Kiang organized several large academic conferences and pursued commitments to global health and international education while always working to strengthen direct exchange and mutual understanding between American and Chinese scientists.

Of Mr. Kiang, Rep. Jay Livingstone said: "He was a humble man who lived an impressive life. I always enjoyed my conversations with him and am grateful I had the opportunity to meet him."

Mr. Kiang is survived by his wife, Barbara Kiang; son, Peter Kiang; daughter-in-law, Vivian Lee; grandson, Jazz Kiang; step-daughter, Pamela Raab; step-son-in-law, David Stokes; and step-grandchildren, Emma Stokes-Raab and Noah Stokes-Raab.

GIBSON HOUSE (from pg. 1)

also made sure their cook knew about French recipes so she could have French food in her home, and they traveled to Europe, like a lot of other wealthy Bostonians in late 19th century."

Added Blombach: "It seemed like a good match to honor the French Library for their preservation efforts and connection with the Gibson Family and Rosamond's interest in France."

The Gibson House also wanted to recognize the French Library this year, said Blombach, because of the high-quality French language instruction and cultural programs that the French Library provides.

This year also marks the 25th anniversary of Barbara Bouquegneauhad's tenure with the French Library. She worked in a variety of different capacities before assuming her current role as executive director and president of the organization.

"The French Library has been part of the cultural life of the Back Bay for more than 60 years, ever since sculptor Katharine Lane Weems gifted to us her former home in 1961," wrote Bouquegneauhad. "We take very seriously our obligation to help preserve the Back Bay's special character. We admire our colleagues at the Gibson House and are very grateful to them for this recognition."

Regarding the personal recognition she'll be receiving, Bouquegneauhad added: "It has always struck how the people who join

our French Library very quickly fall in love with it, just like I did 25 years ago. Our community is very passionate about France and the Francophone world, but they also feel that we are a special place, where you learn things, get entertained, and form lasting friendships. Going to work in this beautiful Back Bay mansion every day is a privilege and an immense source of joy."

As for what guests can expect from this year's benefit, Blombach said: "It's really a party. We're going to have hors d'oeuvres and a very light buffet supper that will include quiche and crepe, and French macarons and chocolate mousse [for dessert]. We're going to have music with a pianist and a singer with an accordionist playing traditional French music. We're going to create the feeling of French café society."

The host of this year's event is Robert B. Dimmick, an etiquette expert referred to as an "etiquetteer."

Besides food, drink, and live music, another returning highlight of this year's benefit will be the always popular raffle.

This year's raffle will have 12 items, some of which are "French-themed," said Blombach, including French lessons donated by the International School of Boston; a family membership to the French Library, which the organization donated; and tickets to the Boston Ballet's production of "Sleeping Beauty." Other raffle prizes

include restaurant gift certificates; an "instant French wine cellar"; designer jewelry; and vintage treasures. The creators of Back-BayHouses.org are also offering a walking tour for up to eight people.

One particularly enticing raffle offering is the "Green Fairy," which, said Blombach, comprises "all the fixings to make drinks using absinthe," included a bottle of absinthe; four glasses specially designed for drinking it; an absinthe spoon; and sugar cubes.

"It's a really fun raffle item that kind of sums up 19th century French café society," said Blombach, who pointed out raffle participants can buy tickets (one for \$10, or six for \$50) in advance and don't need to be present at the event to win prizes.

Meanwhile, all proceeds from the event will go to preservation of the Gibson House Museum, as well as to support its operations and programs.

"It's an important event for us," said Blombach. "The Gibson House is pretty much exactly as it was when it was built in 1860. It's like a time capsule."

Tickets are \$150 and may be purchased at <https://www.thegibsonhouse.org/museum-benefit>, or by sending a check with the names of your guests to the Gibson House Museum, 137 Beacon St., Boston, MA 02116.

Visit <https://www.thegibsonhouse.org/museum-benefit> for more information on the event.

Want Neighborhood News delivered right to your hands?



Subscribe to The Beacon Hill Times' Newsletter and never miss a thing!

Visit thebeaconhilltimes.com or scan the QR Code

Reflection on Mel King

By Marianne Salza and Dan Murphy

Social activist Melvin Herbert King (October 20, 1928-March 29, 2023) believed in the power of unity. His emphasis on compassion, respect, and inclusivity strengthened families, neighborhoods and political institutions throughout Boston.

"In the 130-year history of United South End Settlements, there are few people we hold in higher esteem than Melvin Herbert King, a man whose extraor-

dinary life intersected our organization at a number of historic points," wrote Jerrell Cox, Chief Executive Officer, United South End Settlements, in a letter to the community. "Mel was a pioneer, an activist, and a radical champion of love, harmony, and justice between all people."

King was a passionate supporter of racial justice, desegregation, and affordable housing. He was a leader in the Tent City protests against urban renewal in 1968, when hundreds of displaced resi-

dents gathered in a South End lot where homes once stood. The area was eventually transformed into the Tent City affordable housing community, with 269 units for mixed-income families.

"Mel King was a giant in Boston's civic community. For so many decades, his character, courage, and commitment inspired other Bostonians to similar heights," shared Kenzie Bok, Boston City Council, District 8. "In my own family, it's a point of pride that my grandfather was able to assist in the legal work for Tent City. Mel leaves a deep legacy in both the physical infrastructure of justice in Boston, and in the hearts of generations of people and public servants here. I hold him and his family in my prayers."

When King ran for mayor of Boston in 1983, he became the first black person in the city's history to reach a mayoral general election. During his candidacy, King promoted solidarity through the Rainbow Coalition, unifying people of all ethnicities, sexualities, and beliefs.

"People must come together, moving out of their isolation to challenge conditions which exploit us. Alliance, cooperation, coalition: those are the only paths to

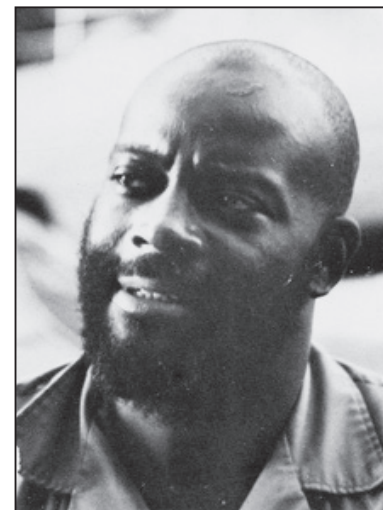
follow," wrote King in an excerpt from his 1981 book, "Chain of Change," in which he analyzes the struggles of the black community in Boston. "I want to make sure the city is working for everybody. We just need to hold hands and understand that love is the question and the answer."

King served as an educator, youth director, and provided computer and technology access to lower income families.

"Mel King was a giant in Boston. He positively impacted so many aspects of our lives in Boston; especially in housing and education," said State Representative Jay Livingstone. "I was honored to meet him."

Family and friends of King are inviting members of the community to a two-day celebration in his memory. A visitation will take place on Monday, April 10, 4-8pm, at the Union United Methodist Church, 485 Columbus Avenue, Boston. A 6:30pm speaking program will include remarks by members of the community who were impacted by King's life.

Funeral services will follow on Tuesday, April 11, 12pm, at Union United Methodist Church. Guest tickets are required for in person admission at www.UnionBoston.org.



COURTESY OF THE CITY OF BOSTON

Melvin King shown in 1975, during his time representing the 9th District in the Massachusetts House of Representatives.



Former Mayor Ray Flynn congratulates Mel King at the Nov. 13 unveiling of Mel King Square at the intersection of Yarmouth Street and Columbus Avenue.

www.UnionBoston.org/MelKing. Services will be live streamed at Boston City Hall, the Bruce C. Bolling Municipal Building, and www.UnionBoston.org/MelKing.

Brunch will be held on Sunday, April 16, 2-5pm, at Florian Hall, 55 Hallet Street, Boston.

"Mel King was an iconic leader for the fight for racial justice, economic justice, and housing justice in Boston, and especially in our neighborhoods," said Johnathan Cohn, Policy Director, Progressive Massachusetts. "His legacy is present throughout the South End."

Edwards Empowerment Fund to expand Maverick St. Mothers Scholarship program

The Edwards Empowerment Fund has opened its Maverick Street Mothers Scholarship 2023-2024 application to residents of East Boston, Revere, North End, Winthrop, West End, Back Bay, Beacon Hill, Downtown Boston, and East Fenway.

Scholarships will go to local parents who are active in the community and are currently going back to school. This scholarship has paid for secondary degrees at colleges, trade and beauty schools, and English language classes. Please apply if you are a resident of East Boston, Revere, North End, Winthrop, West End, Back Bay, Beacon Hill, Downtown Boston, and East Fenway. Ideal applicants will have demonstrated a record of dedication to their community, such as attending PTA or civic association meet-



Sen. Lydia Edwards.

ings and volunteering for example.

"I started this scholarship as a city councilor to honor the Maverick street mothers who were civically engaged parents who fought for their community. After a generous donation, last year we have decided to expand to the entire district" said State Senator Lydia Edwards (D-Bos-

ton) "Working parents need all the support we can offer, I'm incredibly proud to be expanding the scholarship to help more parents better themselves" continued the Senator.

Eligible applicants must be a resident of East Boston, Revere, North End, Winthrop, West End, Back Bay, Beacon Hill, Downtown Boston, and East Fenway, and have at least part-time custody of a minor child/children or guardianship of children or an adult child. All applications must be received by 5:00 pm on Wednesday May 31st, 2023. Applicants must mail or email their completed forms to the Edwards Empowerment Fund, edwardsempowermentfund@gmail.com. ATTN: Maverick Street Mothers Selection Committee 137 Lewis Wharf, Boston MA, 02113.

NEK CAPITAL

Ian Hislop
802-745-9585
IAN@NEKCAPITAL.COM

SEND US YOUR NEWS

The Times encourages residents to submit engagement, wedding and birth announcements, news releases, business and education briefs, sports stories and photos for publication. Items should be forwarded to our offices at 385 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151.

We also encourage readers to e-mail news releases and photos to deb@reverejournal.com.

ADVERTISE IN THE TIMES. CALL 781-485-0588

EDITORIAL

HAPPY RAMADAN, EASTER, AND PASSOVER

One of the things that we take for granted as Americans is our freedom to worship -- or not to worship -- as we see fit.

What brings this thought to mind is the plethora of religious-oriented observances that are occurring this month: the Muslim holy month of Ramadan has been ongoing since March 22 and extends through April 20; the week-long Jewish celebration of Passover begins today (Wednesday); Easter Sunday, preceded by Good Friday, is this Sunday for Catholics and Protestant denominations; and the Orthodox Christian observance of Easter is set for next Sunday.

In addition, the Cambodian community will be celebrating the Cambodian New Year for three days from April 14-16.

This confluence of religious holidays serves as a reminder to all of us that the concept of freedom of religion began -- and still exists -- in America. Most of the Pilgrims, as well as many of the other early settlers of America, were religious separatists who had broken from the Church of England and who came to America in order to be free from persecution (though the Pilgrims, who were known as Puritans, were themselves intolerant of other religions),

We wish to take this opportunity to wish our readers of all religious preferences a happy and healthy holiday season.

GOOD LUCK, MR. ENG -- YOU'LL NEED IT

Governor Maura Healey last week announced the appointment of Phillip Eng as the next General Manager of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA). Eng is an engineer with nearly 40 years of experience in transportation, including serving as the President of the New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (MTA) Long Island Rail Road and the Interim President of New York City Transit.

To say that Mr. Eng will be facing a number of significant and immediate challenges is not even an understatement.

His appointment comes on the heels of an announcement by the T a few weeks ago that speed restrictions between 10-25 miles per hour on the Red, Orange, Blue, and Green Lines -- in other words, the entire system -- were to go into effect immediately because of the decrepit condition of the rail beds on the T's tracks.

As we can attest after riding on the Red Line two weeks ago -- in which we crawled along at a snail's pace for almost the entire ride from South Station through Quincy -- the T's Rapid Transit system is anything but rapid and more aptly could be described as the Turtle Trolley.

In addition to unsafe tracks, the T also has to deal with the roving gangs of thugs on its trains who terrorize passengers with seeming impunity, as has been the case recently on the other end of the Red Line, where passengers were mugged during rush hour at Harvard Square station.

The T also has to address a serious shortfall of workers. According to news reports, the T is offering new employees a \$7500 cash signing bonus in order to make a dent in its present shortfall of 2800 workers. The manpower shortage already is having an effect on the frequency of bus routes. But given the low unemployment rate in the state, the T's prospects of getting the new workers it needs to function at anywhere near 100 percent optimization seem slim.

The T also is dealing with a huge decrease in ridership across all of its modes of transportation. We took the Hingham Ferry to Rowe's Wharf last week during rush hour. Before the pandemic, there would be a long line of commuters snaking along the waterfront from the Rowe's Wharf hotel to board the ferry back to Hingham.

Instead there were no more than 10 people waiting to get onto the boat -- and this was at 5:30 on a Friday evening, usually a prime-time rush hour boat that ordinarily would be packed with commuters. This decrease is not confined to the ferry. According to the T's own figures, there were 1.2 million daily riders of the T in February, 2019. However, in February 2023, the number was 702,000 -- a huge decline that is not expected to increase any time soon.

In addition, the T's ambitious plans to electrify its buses have encountered significant delays. In order to electrify its buses, the T needs to construct new garages that are capable of charging an electric bus fleet. However, the garages that already are under construction in Cambridge and Quincy are facing significant delays and the third garage on the Arborway in Jamaica Plain already is two years behind schedule. Plus, according to news reports, the T is facing delays in the delivery of the electric buses it has ordered.

It is clear that even with a significant infusion of cash from the legislature, the T will have difficulty bringing its system into the 21st century. Moreover, given the already-low ridership and the poor quality of service, the T will continue to lose riders who cannot afford to be late for work everyday because of decrepit infrastructure and a lack of workers.

The MBTA always has been a favorite target for criticism from the press and politicians. However, the many years of neglected maintenance, which are due entirely to underfunded budgets from the legislature, combined with the after-effects of the pandemic, have brought the T to the crisis situation it is facing today.

Mr. Eng may very well be a superb choice for the top job at the T, but no one should expect him to work miracles.

All of us should wish him the best of luck because a modern and efficient public transportation system is essential for the Boston Metropolitan area to thrive.



Boston Public Health Commission urges residents to update MassHealth information

The Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) is advising residents that the MassHealth redetermination period is now in effect, and that recipients must update their information in order to continue receiving MassHealth benefits.

Redetermination, the period for MassHealth benefits renewal, was done yearly prior to the COVID-19 pandemic to verify eligibility, but federal law waived this requirement starting March 2020, to ensure continuous coverage. The continuous coverage requirements ended on April 1 of this year, requiring state Medic-

aid programs like MassHealth to reinstate eligibility redeterminations.

Now that redetermination has been reopened, BPHC reminds residents that this is an important time to ensure their coverage is maintained. Residents covered by MassHealth must make sure that MassHealth has their most up to date contact information and report any changes in their household such as a new job, changes to income, disability status, or pregnancy.

Boston is currently home to more than 300,000 MassHealth members,

(HEALTH Pg. 5)

THE BEACON HILL TIMES

PRESIDENT/EDITOR: STEPHEN QUIGLEY

MARKETING DIRECTOR: DEBRA DIGREGORIO

(DEB@REVEREJOURNAL.COM)

ART DIRECTOR: SCOTT YATES

FOUNDING PUBLISHER: KAREN CORD TAYLOR

© 2007 INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER GROUP

PHONE: 781-485-0588

EMAIL: EDITOR@BEACONHILLTIMES.COM

WEB SITE: www.beaconhilltimes.com

Upstairs Downstairs Home to hold annual Easter Egg Basket give-away

On Saturday, April 8, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Upstairs Downstairs Home at 69 Charles St. invites you to join in their fourth annual Easter Egg Basket give-away.

While supplies last, close your eyes and select a magic egg from our colorful basket. Each egg is filled with a treat, a magic coin or two - and a discount coupon for selected store items. Now as spring is busting out all over, Owner Laura Cousineau in her Easter Spring Bonnet and her staff look forward to welcoming you, and to having the opportunity to thank you in person for your steadfast and loyal support.



COURTESY OF UPSTAIRS DOWNSTAIRS HOME

HEALTH (from pg. 4)

some of whom may no longer be eligible for MassHealth coverage. Many residents may have already received blue envelopes from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) that provide more information about redetermination and their benefits and contain an application to be completed and returned to EOHHS. If you have received one of these envelopes, review the content carefully and reach out to the Mayor's Health Line if you have questions or need assistance.

The Mayor's Health Line (MHL) specializes in MassHealth and Medicaid and is here to assist residents with their application during the redetermination peri-

od and assist any residents who no longer qualify for MassHealth find the best coverage available to them. The MHL regularly provides multilingual support in more than five languages to 10,000 residents annually find the health insurance benefits that are best for them. All services are free and confidential regardless of immigration status. The MHL is open Monday through Friday from 9am to 5pm. For support, call 617-534-5050 or visit boston.gov/mayors-health-line.

As part of BPHC's efforts to help residents keep their coverage, the MHL has already begun to contact its existing clients to begin working on their applications.

"Access to healthcare is key

Your Neighbor and Real Estate Expert

Trust and accountability are the foundation of Wendy's career as a top-selling agent. Her in-depth knowledge of the market and extensive network provide Wendy's clients with a competitive advantage, and exceptional results.

Wendy Oleksiak
Vice President | REALTOR®
781.267.0400
WendyO@GibsonSIR.com

Gibson | Sotheby's
INTERNATIONAL REALTY

Each office is independently owned and operated.



in enabling our communities to thrive," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "If any resident is having difficulties, the Mayor's Health Line is dedicated to supporting residents in applying for MassHealth benefits and determining what other coverage might be available so that they receive the care they deserve."

"Ensuring our residents maintain their MassHealth coverage will be a marathon effort through-

out the rest of the year," said Dr. Bisola Ojikutu, Commissioner of Public Health and Executive Director of the Boston Public Health Commission. "This coverage is vital for keeping so many of our residents healthy, so we are going to be steadfast in our efforts to make sure that as many of our residents as possible maintain insurance coverage without interruption."

MassHealth members will receive a due date with their renewal packet, and it is important that they submit all requested information by the specified date. Over the next year, BPHC will work closely with partners in state and local government, as well as community-based organizations, to reach as many individuals as possible to ensure they are connected to coverage and can access health care.



**DAVE POUTRÉ
FINE FRAMING**

Tuesday-Saturday 10am-6pm
82 Charles Street
Boston, MA 02114
617.723.7263
dave@davepoutrefineframing.com
www.davepoutrefineframing.com



on view

April 7, 2023 – July 29, 2023
in the Norma Jean Calderwood Gallery



Revisiting the Ruins

The Great Boston Fire of 1872

Enter the red doors at 10½ Beacon Street
(617) 720-7604 | bostonathenaeum.org

Member supported • Everyone is invited to join.

HILL HOUSE HOLDS ANNUAL WINE DINNER AT BEACON HILL BISTRO

DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN PHOTOS

Hill House held its annual Wine Dinner at Beacon Hill Bistro. The fundraising event drew many from the neighborhood to support the organization that offers activities such as sorts, music, art, dance, and more for youth throughout the city.



Hill House Executive Director Lauren Hoops-Schmieg with Development Director Katie Keches.



Esplanade Association President Alexi Conine, Board Member Anthony Pangaro, and Director Emeriti Margo Newman.



Hill House President Lisa Taffe welcomes everyone to the Wine Dinner noting is the first such gathering in three years.



Massachusetts State Rep Jay Livingstone with his wife Julie.



President of Hill House Lisa Taffe with President of the Esplanade Association Alexi Conine.



Beacon Hill Bistro provided an intimate setting for the Wine Dinner fitting for the ambience of the neighborhood.



Meg Thomas and Charley Aldrich.



Mallory and Chris Amory.



Maria Casella, Maura Paskerian, and Lilli Homer.



Lauren Goff and Ingrid Boyd.

Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt Saturday 12-4

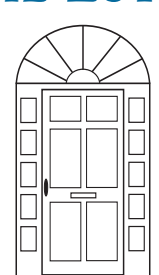


UPSTAIRS DOWNSTAIRS HOME

We Buy Antiques

69 CHARLES ST., BOSTON MA, 02114
617-367-1950
LAURAUPSTAIRSDOWNSTAIRS@GMAIL.COM
UPSTAIRSDOWNSTAIRSANTIQUES

BREWSTER & BERKOWITZ REAL ESTATE



Sally Brewster
Betsey Barrett

Ron Berkowitz
Mary Dunlavey

121 Mt. Vernon Street • Boston, Massachusetts 02108
www.brewberk.com

Sales **617.367.0505** Rentals

HILL HOUSE HOLDS ANNUAL WINE DINNER AT BEACON HILL BISTRO

DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN PHOTOS



Darren Malatesta and Tom Santaniello.



Maria Casella, Maura Paskerian, and Lilli Homer



Hill House Executive Director Lauren Hoops-Schmiege offers remarks.



Amanda and Elliot Levine.



Whitney Patton, Ashley Hilmes, Amy Szczurowski, Angela Cirami



Roger and Brooke Owens (right) Owens with Per Ostman and Sarah Reilly



Ingrid Boyd, Julie Homer, and Kristi Mahoney



Simon Boyd and Ted Goff seated at the bar



Heidi Dooley with Maggie and Eric Seitz



Cocktail hour for the Wine Dinner



Sophia Mian with Katherine and Devin Kennedy

CITY PAWS

Safely increasing your dog's weight

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

We've often covered how to reduce your dog's weight and why. However, some guardians face the problem of safely increasing their dog's weight. Adding weight is a common issue for foster families, shelters, and rescue groups. We learned a lot about it when we were fostering dogs.

Finding the Cause

Any underweight issue should be confirmed by your veterinarian, who will help you set an ideal weight goal. Medical conditions can be responsible for weight loss. For example, parasites, digestive issues, age, dental problems, thyroid disease, diabetes, or a restrictive medical diet can keep a dog from maintaining a healthy weight.

Aside from medical problems, other reasons for underweight dogs are stress, anxiety, and simply being a picky eater. We faced the issue with our second Westie, Maggie Mae. She was not interested in food. We used every strategy and recipe offered to us by experts to get her to eat.

Step-by-Step

Obviously, you need to add more calories for weight gain. Your vet might refer you to a veterinary nutritionist to help you add food correctly. It's not a simple matter of giving your dog larger meals. You might be asked to add to the number of meals you offer daily and include some between-meal healthy snacks.

You may need to switch to higher-quality dog food. Read the label on what you currently use and any new food. Whole Dog Journal is one publication that conducts reviews of commercial dog food. Today we're fortunate to have a wide assortment of traditional, raw, and freeze-dried food for our dogs.

You might switch from dry food to canned to see what your dog prefers. It can also help to add some liquid to the food you are feeding to see if that allows your dog to enjoy the meal.

Introduce new foods slowly, and choose healthy proteins and fats. Some dogs will eat more if offered a variety of proteins. With Maggie, we learned she loved scrambled eggs, so we added those to her

snack routine. She also responded to cheese as a topping on her regular meals. Sometimes she would just lick off the cheese, but other times she would go on to eat the food under it. We also offered toppings like chicken and rice baby food to tempt her.

Yogurt, cottage cheese, and peanut butter can be fed in appropriate quantities. Be sure to check the many online lists of safe human foods for dogs and follow the guidance given for each. For example, check peanut butter labels to be sure it does not contain the artificial sweetener Xylitol which is toxic to dogs. If you use salmon, make sure it is fully cooked. Raw salmon contains a parasite harmful to dogs.

Lifestyle Changes

If your dog is stressed or has anxiety, your vet may be able to provide medication to help. You should provide a safe, quiet, relaxed dining space for your



Some breeds, like this Saluki, are naturally thin. Your veterinarian can confirm if your dog is underweight. (Photo by: Artem Sapegin)

nervous critter. Some quiet music that would block other noises or a safer space under a table or in a crate might help the dog feel secure when eating.

You might be surprised to have your veterinarian suggest more exercise as a step in weight gain. If a dog is listless and inactive, he can lose muscle mass and appetite. Again, start slowly with longer

walks. Pick up the pace when your dog seems willing. You could also add more play sessions, introduce food toys or even play "catch the popcorn" if that is fun for you and your skinny pup.

Do you have a question or topic for City Paws? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your request.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

North Washington Street Bridge construction look-ahead through April 15

This is a brief overview of construction operations and impacts for the North Washington Street Bridge Replacement Project. MassDOT will provide additional notices as needed for high-impact work and changes to traffic configurations beyond those described below.

Scheduled Work

- Installation of bridge deck formwork
- Installation of sidewalk steel and formwork
- Installation of electrical utility conduits on bridge structure
- Installation of gas and water utilities on bridge structure
- Most work will be done during weekday daytime hours (6:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.)

Contraflow Pilot

- The MassDOT-implemented contraflow pilot will continue to be in effect during evening peak traffic (3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.), Monday through Friday.

- Police details, lane markings, temporary barriers, traffic cones,

signage, and other tools will be used to control traffic during set up and operation of the contraflow.

Travel Tips

For everyone using the temporary bridge, please help share the space: walk to the right, walk bikes, and be mindful of people coming from both directions, if walking in a large group.

Drivers should take care to pay attention to all signage and move carefully through the work zone. Police details, lane markings, temporary barriers, traffic cones, signage, and other tools will be used to control traffic and create safe work zones.

The Tudor Wharf Walkway (under the bridge next to the water in Paul Revere Park) will be intermittently closed for safety during construction operations, with access provided via the Water Street underpass. The Boston Harborwalk under the bridge and eastern/harborside bridge sidewalk remain closed until rebuilt.

The contractor is coordinating

with the TD Garden and local police to provide awareness and manage traffic impacts during events. For your awareness, the following TD Garden events are scheduled during this look-ahead period:

- BRUINS: April 6 at 7:00 p.m., April 8 at 8:00 p.m., and April 11 at 7:00 p.m.
- CELTICS: April 5 at 7:30 p.m., April 7 at 7:30 p.m., and April 9 at 1:00 p.m.

How can I find more information?

Stay up-to-date and informed by following the @MassDOT twitter account and Mass 511 for real-time updates, visiting the project website, or emailing us with any questions.

You can also sign up to receive project updates via email by clicking this link.

Project website: Mass.gov/north-washington-street-bridge-replacement

Project email: NorthWashingtonStreet@dot.state.ma.us

LUNCH AND DINNER

OPEN APRIL 16

Marathon Sunday
LUNCH & DINNER
11 am - 9 m

ANTONIO'S
CUCINA ITALIANA

OPEN MARATHON MONDAY
11AM - 10PM
Make your reservations TODAY

288 Cambridge Street
Boston, MA 02114
617-367-3310

Uber Eats DOORDASH GRUBHUB

VISIT WWW.BEACONHILLTIMES.COM

Neighbors object to proposed PDA for redevelopment of Harvard Club site in the Back Bay

By Dan Murphy

A plan to redevelop the site of the Harvard Club of Boston into residential housing might require the creation of the first Planned Development Area (PDA) in the Back Bay Historic District – an idea that doesn't sit well with some neighbors.

Boston real estate developer Trinity Financial is proposing redeveloping 415 Newbury St. and 374 Newbury St., both of which are currently occupied by the Harvard Club, and an adjacent surface parking lot into two buildings containing a total of 133 residential units: an 11-story building that would house 95 market-rate rental units and athletic amenity space for the Harvard Club, including squash courts; and a smaller three-story building that would accommodate 38 mixed-income condo units for sale, including 20 affordable home-ownership opportunities. The project also includes plans for 125 off-street parking spaces, along with related site and public-realm improvements.

The project was originally intended as a hotel when the proponent began community outreach in July of 2019. But in response to the feedback they received from neighbors who pointed to the pressing need for more affordable home-ownership opportunities in the neighborhood, the project was subsequently changed to residential use in 2020, said Abby Goldenfarb, vice president of Trinity Financial, during a March 30 virtual meeting sponsored by the Boston Planning & Development Agency.

Daniel Gelormini, an associate principal with Boston-based

CBT Architects, said site improvements related to the project would include relocating the pedestrian passageway from the west side of the site to its east side.

The three-story building would have terraced ground-floor units, said Gelormini, while the structure itself would be set back 5 feet from the property line.

For the 11-story building, the lobby would be set back 7 feet to allow space for green elements and planters, he added.

Eighteen trees would be planted as part of the project, said Gelormini, including 11 in front of the project site and an additional seven trees added further down Newbury Street.

"The goal is to feel more like a residential street than the back-of-house [environment] that exists today," he said.

Additionally, a planter and framed armature where trees can be planted would sit atop the parking deck, said Gelormini.

Among the community benefits that the project promises is the creation of much-needed affordable housing in the Back Bay, where, according to the city's 2020 Income Restricted Housing report, there are only six inclusionary home-ownership units, said Goldenfarb.

The project will also deliver \$500,000 in additional community benefits for the neighborhood, she said, including \$360,000 earmarked for the "greening of Newbury Street."

But despite the promised community benefits and the applicant's responsiveness to the community, Sue Prindle, a longtime Neighborhood Association of the Back Bay board member, believes it still wouldn't offset the potential draw-



COURTESY OF THE BOSTON PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

A rendering of the residential project proposed for the site of the Harvard Club of Boston in the Back Bay.

backs of creating the first PDA in the Back Bay Historic District.

(PDAs are overlay districts for sites of at least one acre that establish special controls for large or complex development projects.)

"I don't think it's worth the risk," said Prindle.

Elliott Laffer, chair of the NABB board, shared her sentiments.

"There's a lot to like about this project and a lot of work still to be done, but what this project shouldn't have is a PDA," he said.

Laffer added that the project would only require a height variance to move forward, and that "should be dealt with at the Board of Appeals process."

Likewise, Megan Emanuelson, an attorney representing the adjacent building at 375 Newbury St., which is home to the Room & Board furniture store, described the PDA process as "spot zoning" and added that if the city adopted a PDA for this site, it would leave the community with no recourse for challenging the project via variances.

"We would essentially be stuck with whatever the PDA allows," she said. "This is illegal and would set a bad precedent for the city."

Emanuelson added that the project "is not suited for this parcel," and that "this building does not fit and should not be allowed to be built as proposed."

David Linhart, an attorney for the applicant, countered that they are "aware of the significant concerns with the zoning relief pathway," and that "feedback from the community would be taken seriously."

Linhart added that the project isn't intended to exceed height limits on either side of the project site, which is subject to split zoning,

nor would it exceed FAR (Floor Area Ratio) limits.

"We're taking the Article 80 process to get the design right," he said.

Meanwhile, Bryan Sweeney, a self-described "foundation engineer," expressed concern that the larger building in particular would cause settlement issues due to its "disproportionate size."

Ambrose Donovan, an engineering consultant with Cambridge-based McPhail Associates, responded that not only does the larger building have a basement to help offset settlement issues, but also that the land itself comprises over-consolidated clay deposits that are "well capable of carrying load of this building."

Sean Regan, an attorney representing the directly abutting Wind-

sor Place condominium building, said the proponent had gone to great lengths to mitigate potential impacts on neighbors and went on record in support of the project.

Asked about the timeframe for the project, Goldenfarb said construction is expected to take around 12 months after the applicant has secured all the permitting and zoning approvals needed from the city.

The public-comment period for this project is open through April 13. Comments can be submitted to Sarah Black, BPDA senior project manager, via email at Sarah.Black@boston.gov, or submitted via the BPDA's webpage for the project at <http://www.bostonplans.org/projects/development-projects/415-newbury-street>.

Aquarium offering exclusive harbor seal encounters

The New England Aquarium is now offering special encounters with its resident Atlantic harbor seals, a chance for guests to take part in training sessions.

The daily programs provide an exclusive inside-the-exhibit experience. Guests can learn about these marine mammals' habitats, conservation efforts, and the care provided at the Aquarium with two different encounters:

- Meet and Greet: Atlantic Harbor Seals

Interact with the seals by participating in a training session where guests will learn about the biology of the animals, explore how trainers communicate with them, and

have an opportunity to ask the harbor seals for behaviors—like wave and spin.

- Make Art with Atlantic Harbor Seals

Join Aquarium trainers for a meet and greet with the harbor seals plus an art-making session. Guests will choose up to four paint colors for a custom work of art made by one of the seals, which will be theirs to take home.

The 30-minute encounters are offered every day at 3:15 p.m. for a maximum of four people. Guests must be seven years old to participate. For more information and to book an encounter, visit neaq.org/visit/animal-encounters.

Extend your Business's reach
with Online Advertising!

Clients and Customers
are just a click away!

\$300⁰⁰ per month
per site

THE
INDEPENDENT
NEWSPAPERS

REVEREJOURNAL.COM • WINTHROPTRANSCRIPT.COM
LYNNJOURNAL.COM • EVERETTINDEPENDENT.COM
EASTIETIMES.COM • CHELSEARECORD.COM
CHARLESTOWNBRIDGE.COM • BEACONHILLTIMES.COM
NORTHENDREGIONALREVIEW.COM • THEBOSTONSUN.COM
JAMAICAPLAINGAZETTE.COM • MISSIONHILLGAZETTE.COM

AD SIZE

in pixels
W: 160px
H: 600px

please send
in "png"
format

Combo Rates available!
Buy any 3 sites, get 4th FREE

Call 781-485-0588 to get started!

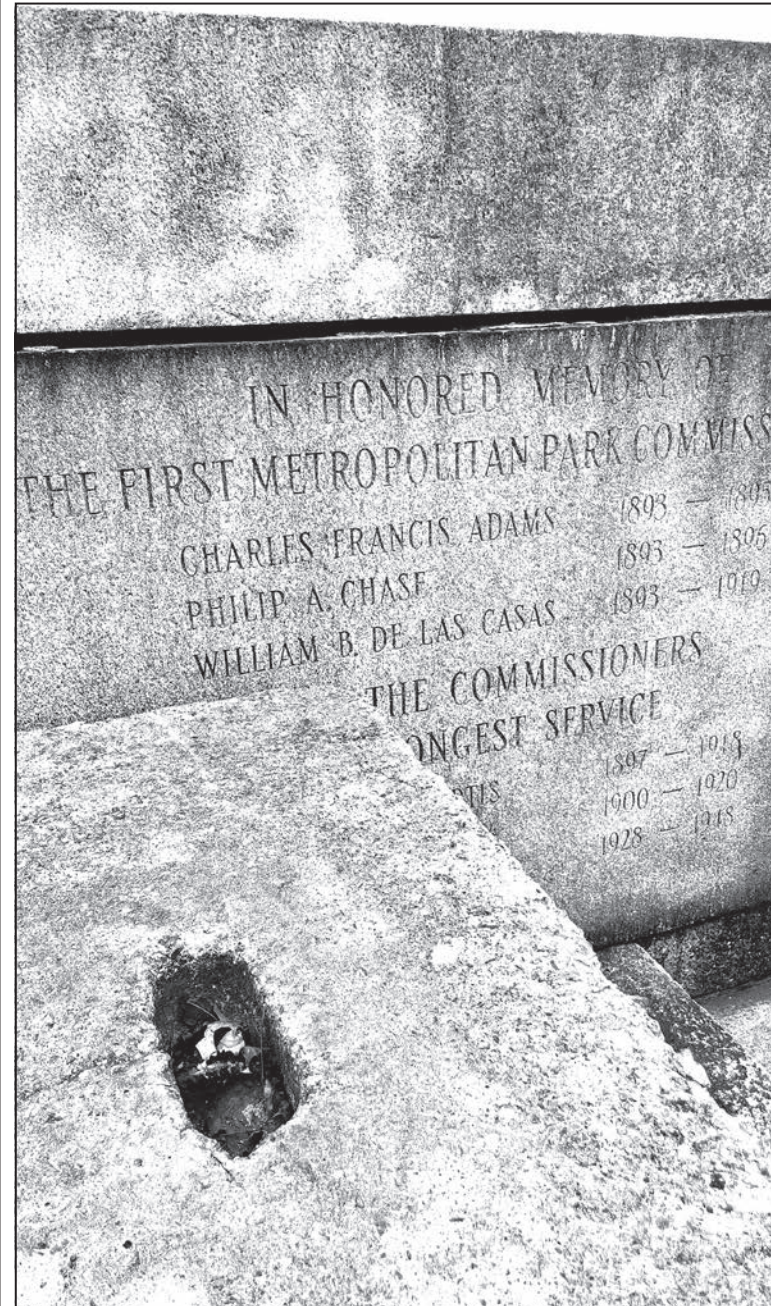
Real Estate Transfers

BUYER 1	SELLER 1	ADDRESS	PRICE
BACK BAY			
Seave, Ava	Chapnick, Suzanne L	2 Clarendon St #601	\$930,000
Payandehjoo, Kasra	326 Beacon Rt	326 Dartmouth St #1R	\$685,000
Payandehjoo, Kasra	326 Beacon Rt	326 Dartmouth St #BFR	\$685,000
Vrattos, William	Mullen Beacon Rt	484 Beacon St #1	\$2,775,000
BEACON HILL			
Girard, Julianne	Caberan RET	13 Bowdoin St #1A	\$1,050,000
Gagnidze, Khatuna	Starlight Holdings LLC	2 Hawthorne Pl #9B	\$407,900
Collins, Leah J	Essex Property Group LLC	145 Pinckney St #329	\$750,000
Serkov, Mikhail	Kolesar, Shelley	36 Temple St #1	\$910,000
BAY VILLAGE/SOUTH END/KENMORE			
Trey, Gary	Tang, Yuyang	10 Charlesgate E #304	\$1,200,000
David Rukshin Irret	Stern, Diane S	90 Gainsborough St #406E	\$670,000
Cama, Vivian	Cohen, Mitchel	103 Gainsborough St #305	\$810,000
Andrew J Paraskos Lt	Mackenzie L Shea T	535 Harrison Ave #A606	\$985,000
Liu, Ruiqin	761 Harrison Church LLC	771 Harrison Ave #401	\$700,000
Simon, Jemina	761 Harrison Church LLC	771 Harrison Ave #C	\$368,500
Schlobohm RET	Bunnell, Bruce	363 Huntington Ave #2	\$230,000
Cunningham, Abigail M	Lin, Clark Y	192 W Springfield St #3	\$1,525,000
WATERFRONT/DOWNTOWN			
Spero, Perry	Singer, Paul	121-123 Beach St #302	\$1,210,000
Pan, Peipei	Row Houses LLC	95 Hudson St #1	\$221,900
Hernandez, Paloma N	Row Houses LLC	95 Hudson St #3	\$199,700
Roy, Jacqueline	Hussey, Richard	100 Lovejoy Wharf #4G	\$1,425,000

Attention to Detail

PHOTOS AND TEXT BY PENNY CHERUBINO

THIS WEEK'S ANSWER



The rubble in the last clue was once part of the Commissioners Landing on the Esplanade.

In 2003, The Charles River Esplanade landings were on a list of the "10 Most Endangered Historic Resources in Massachusetts" by Preservation Massachusetts. Today's answer shows what remains visible of the dedication of this historic landmark to the first commissioners.

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



SERVICE DIRECTORY

BEACON HILL PLUMBING AND HEATING
Meeting all your mechanical needs

24/7 emergency service

M9304

617-723-3296

JOHN J. RECCA PAINTING
Interior/Exterior
Commercial/Residential

Fully Insured
Quality Work
Reasonable Rates
Free Estimates

reccapainting@hotmail.com
781-241-2454

SONNY'S IMMEDIATE ROOFING
Residential & Commercial
All type Roofing & Repairs
Lic. & Insured • Free Estimates

WWW.SONNYSIMMEDIATESERVICE.COM
781-248-8297

Geek For Hire
Computer consultant available for home or business.

SERVICES INCLUDE:

- PC support & networking of all types with focus on secure Internet access (wired & wireless),
- broadband router & firewall technology,
- virus detection/prevention,
- spam control & data security/recovery.

617-241-9664
617-515-2933

For Advertising Rates, Call
781-485-0588

RECLAIMED SOLID WOOD FLOORING STARTING AT 2.99SQ.FT.

ANTIQUÉ LUMBER OF NEW ENGLAND

MANTLES | SHELVES | BEAMS

235 OLD WEBSTER RD.
OXFORD MA • 04540

NEIGHBORHOOD ROUNDUP

WECA MEETING SET FOR APRIL 13 AT AMY LOWELL APARTMENTS

The West End Civic Association (WECA) will hold its next meeting in person on Thursday, April 13, at 6 p.m. in the Community Room at Amy Lowell Apartments at 65 Martha Road.

Speakers will include Rep. Jay Livingstone and representatives from ABCD (Action for Boston Community Development).

Masks are encouraged.

FREE LESSONS IN AMERICAN MAHJONG OFFERED AT WEST END BRANCH LIBRARY

The Friends of the West End Library will be offering lessons in American Mahjong to new and experienced players at no cost.

The group meets on Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m., once every two weeks in the Community Room of the West End Branch Library, 151 Cambridge St.

To sign up or for more information, email Audrey Tedeman (artedeman@gmail.com) or Julia Forbes (jmaforbes@gmail.com).

UPCOMING CONCERTS AT THE VILNA SHUL

Join The Vilna Shul for "Falling Out of Time: A Conversation" - an exclusive opportunity to hear from

composer Osvaldo Golijov and lead musicians Yoni Rechter and Nora Fischer, with a sneak peek of their upcoming performance - on Sunday, April 23, from 3 to 5 p.m. at 18 Phillips St. This concert is presented in partnership with the BSO and Celebrity Series of Boston.

Tickets are \$18 each and can be purchased at <https://vlnashul.org/events/event/falling-out-of-time-a-conversation>.

Also, The Vilna presents the fifth annual "Voices of Humanity" concert - an interfaith performance featuring extraordinary local choral groups with national recognition - on Sunday, May 7, from 3 to 5 p.m. at 18 Phillips St. This concert is co-sponsored by the Old North Church.

Tickets are \$25 each general admission, or \$18 each for students, and can be purchased at <https://vlnashul.org/events/event/voices-of-humanity2>.

Visit <https://vlnashul.org/events/upcoming> to learn about more upcoming programming at The Vilna.

PROJECT BREAD'S WALK FOR HUNGER RETURNS MAY 7

After going virtual for the past three years due to the pandemic, Project Bread's annual Walk for Hunger returns on Sunday, May 7, from 9-11 a.m., as a three-mile walk around Boston Common,

with proceeds benefitting the fight against food insecurity in the Commonwealth.

The fundraising event, which dates back to 1969 and traditionally takes place on the first Sunday in May, has set a target of \$1 million this year.

Visit <http://support.projectbread.org> to register and for more information on the event.

DUCKLING DAY EVENT SET TO RETURN SUNDAY, MAY 14

The Friends of the Public Garden will again partner with the Boston Parks Department for the annual Duckling Day event on Sunday, May 14, from 10 a.m. to noon.

Every year, hundreds of participating children, dressed as their favorite characters from Robert McCloskey's classic children's book, "Make Way for Ducklings," join the parade led by the Harvard Marching Band. The parade route begins on the Boston Common at the Parkman Bandstand and ends in the Public Garden near the Make Way for Ducklings sculpture.

Playtime on the Common will take place ahead of the parade and include Interactive Circus Games with Esh Circus Arts; Jenny the Juggler; Peter O'Malley, magician; Jump, climb, and play with Knucklebones; a chance to meet the giant Duck; a visit with the Harvard University Band; a "Make Way for

Ducklings" reading station; and a goody bag for every kid filled with Duckling Day-themed items.

The registration fee is \$35 per family in advance (before May 12) and \$40 per family the day of the event. Each child who registers will receive a special goody bag. Register at <https://friendsofthepublicgarden.org/2022/12/01/duckling-day2023/>.

For more information on Duckling Day, visit <https://friendsofthepublicgarden.org/events/duckling-day/>.

FREE FAMILY FUN: DUDLEY FARM DAY AT SHIRLEY PLACE

Looking for a family-friendly way to kick-off Spring Recess? On Saturday, April 15 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm, the Shirley-Eustis House, 33 Shirley Street in Roxbury, will host its first Dudley Farm Day. This festival celebrates the arrival of spring and the history of Roxbury's rural past with an assortment of free activities including a farm animal petting zoo, butter-making, wool spinning, seed sales and giveaways. We'll also have beekeeping demonstrations, snacks, and resources from community organizations on how we can stay connected to nature and each other through gardening and exploring our history.

In the eighteenth century, Roxbury was a suburb of Boston - home to more farm animals than people! Rolling hills, groves of fruit trees, and fields full of many different varieties of crops composed the landscape. While Roxbury has undergone major changes over the past three hundred years, some important aspects of life remain the same. Dudley Street was still a main thoroughfare for the town, much like it is today. Gardens were common near the grand homes, like the community gardens tended by neighbors and friends now. And the arrival of spring meant more opportunities to gather as a community and enjoy nature, just as we do today. The Shirley-Eustis House is easily accessible on the 41 and 15 buses and has plenty of on-street parking.

This event is free for all to attend. For questions, please call 617-442-2275 or email programs@shirley-eustishouse.org.

The Shirley-Eustis House is a National Historic Landmark located at 33 Shirley St. in Roxbury, Massachusetts. The 1747 house, preserved at Shirley Place, is one of only four colonial governors' mansions remaining in the United States. It was also owned

by a Massachusetts governor of the early Federal era, whose lasting aesthetic marks on the house reflect its nineteenth century story. The Shirley-Eustis House Association preserves the site to explore the early history of our nation and the community of Roxbury. More information about guided tours, events and programs can be found on our website: www.shirleyeustishouse.org.

FAIRY HOUSE BUILDING WORKSHOP RETURNS TO FRANKLIN PARK

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department and the Mayor's Mural Crew will welcome the local elf and fairy population back to their summer homes with the annual Fairy House Building Workshop at Franklin Park's Schoolmaster Hill on Thursday, April 20, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The workshop welcomes families to a magical day of fairy house building. Children are encouraged to connect with their natural surroundings by creating their own personalized, eco-friendly homes for the woodland fairies of Franklin Park. Spring is the best time to build fairy houses, providing the magical creatures with shelter for the coming summer months and the flitting season that begins in late May.

The event will feature facepainting and a story time. Children are encouraged to wear their favorite fairy and elf costumes. Natural materials will be provided, and children are encouraged to explore their surroundings to find natural elements such as sticks, stones, and leaves to adorn their fairy houses. Visit boston.gov/fairy-houses to learn more.

Located in Franklin Park's historic 220-acre forest among oak and pine trees overlooking the William Devine Golf Course, Schoolmaster Hill provides the perfect location for fairy and elf habitat that recognizes their connection to the earth by utilizing building materials from the woods around them.

Schoolmaster Hill is located on Circuit Drive between the William Devine Golf Course Clubhouse and Shattuck Hospital. This event is weather permitting. For more information and to stay up to date with news, events, and improvements in Boston parks, call (617) 635-4505, visit Boston.gov/Parks, join our email list at bit.ly/Get-Parks-Emails, and follow our social channels @bostonparksdept on Twitter, Facebook, and Insta-

LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE

ExteNet Systems, Inc is proposing to construct a 24-foot overall height light pole telecommunications support structure at 55-57 Broad Street (N42° 21' 29.1"; W71° 03' 14.9") and a 28-foot overall height light pole telecommunications support structure at 1041-1043 Tremont Street (N42° 20' 11.4"; W71° 05' 8.5") Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts. ExteNet Systems, Inc invites comments from any interested party on the impact the proposed undertaking may have on any districts, sites, buildings, structures, or objects significant in American history, archaeology, engineering, or culture that are listed or determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Comments may be sent to Environmental Corporation of America, ATTN: Annamarie Howell, 1375 Union Hill Industrial Court, Suite A, Alpharetta, GA 30004 or via email to publicnotice@eca-usa.com. Ms. Howell can be reached at (770) 667-2040 x 405 during normal business hours. Comments

must be received within 30 days of the date of this notice. 23-000779 & 23-000786/JJG

4/6/23
BH

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. C. 190B, §5-304
Docket No. SU22P2858GD
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300
In the matter of:
Mark Goguen

Of: Boston, MA
RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Massachusetts General Hospital of Boston, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Mark Goguen is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Jennifer Ryan of Quincy, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond. The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority. You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 05/02/2023. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if

you object to the petition. If you fail the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date. IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: March 22, 2023
Vincent Procopio
Register of Probate

4/6/23
BH

Park supporters prepare for annual Green & White event

As the weather warms and buds begin to bloom, the Friends of the Public Garden prepares for its signature springtime event, The Green & White, to be held on Friday, May 5, at The Newbury Hotel Boston.

The Green & White is the Friends' single largest source of funds to support the care of the Boston Common, Public Garden, and Commonwealth Avenue Mall.

Led by co-chairs Leslie and Alastair Adam of Beacon Hill, and Gloria Coleman and Kenda Coleman, both of the Back Bay, the volunteer committee expects 250 guests to enjoy a festive cocktail reception, followed by an elegant dinner, and dessert and dancing with DJ Dance with Lance. Event partners Marc Hall and Frost Productions will dazzle guests as they find ways to recreate the three parks in the ballrooms overlooking the Public Garden.

The Friends of the Public Garden invests more than \$2 million annually in the stewardship of these three iconic parks. With work focused on tree and turf care; conservation and maintenance for the largest collection of public art in Boston; capital improvements, and ongoing advocacy for these public greenspaces, the Friends serves as a vital partner to the city and the



COURTESY OF THE FRIENDS OF THE PUBLIC GARDEN

Honorary Co-Chairs for The Green & White, Ryan and Lauren Woods.



Imari Paris Jeffries and Miriam Ortiz, honorary event co-chairs.



Green & White co-chairs, Leslie Adam of Beacon Hill (seated), and Gloria Coleman and Kenda Coleman, both of the Back Bay.

Parks and Recreation Department.

This year's event is meant to celebrate two of their most critical partnerships – that with the City's Parks and Recreation Department and with Embrace Boston.

"We are so excited to come together to support our three parks and celebrate the partnerships that enrich our work," Friends President Liz Vizza said in a press release. "Healthy parks are an essential part of a vibrant city and

so important to the fabric of our neighborhoods. It is the support of the community that has ensured that these three – stretching from Park Street to Kenmore Square – continue to be beautiful and accessible urban greenspaces."

Early generous commitments from Visionary Sponsors Beth Johnson, Hope Sidman and Steve Wymer, and Victoria and Don Sullivan have allowed the Friends to include park advocates from throughout the community among the guests.

"We are incredibly grateful to our Co-Chairs and Committee for their dedication to these iconic parks and for the sponsors and friends who support these efforts," Vizza emphasized.

Over the past two and a half decades, the Green & White Ball has raised more than \$10 million

to renew, care, and advocate for the Boston Common, Public Garden, and Commonwealth Avenue Mall, ensuring the health and beauty of these important greenspaces in the heart of Boston.

For tickets and more information, visit www.friendsofthepublicgarden.org.

Travel the World in Eight Nights!

The Harvard Travellers Club was founded in 1902 to promote "intelligent travel." Today we meet and hear compelling stories from explorers, scientists and inquisitive minds eight times a year at the Harvard Club in Back Bay to continue this exciting tradition. For membership information, contact Bruce Chafee at brucechafee@mac.com or visit harvardtravellersclub.org



Polar explorers from the early 1900's



VISIT WWW.BEACONHILLTIMES.COM

CHARLES STREET GARAGE

PREMIER PARKING FOR SALE
LIMITED AVAILABILITY • IN THE HEART OF BEACON HILL

144 Charles Street • Boston, MA • CharlesStreetGarage.com
Michael Tamaro • mtamaro@charlesstreetgarage.com
617.399.6399

A SHORT STORY ABOUT GROWING UP WITH AN UNFAIR ADVANTAGE.

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.

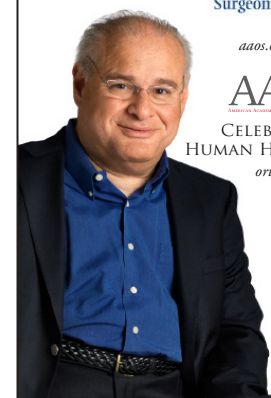
Dr. Galpin actually credits his own incurable condition for giving him the focus that made him so passionate in his research. His story leaves us with two of the most contagious messages we know. Don't give up, and remember to give back. If Dr. Galpin's story inspires just one more person to make a difference,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



aaos.org/75years



CELEBRATING HUMAN HEALING
orthoinfo.org



EMERGENCY ALL BLOOD TYPES NEEDED.

Give now.

