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## TALKING POLICY



Sen. Boncore and Rep. Santiago addressed the Boston Ward 5 Democratic Committee: Pictured are Boston Ward 5 Democratic Committee members with State Sen. Joe Boncore and State Rep. Jon Santiago at the Committee's March meeting. Sen. Boncore and Rep. Santiago spoke to the Committee about their policy agendas for the upcoming legislative session.

## Zakim not seeking re-election Three candidates' campaigns are in full swing

By Lauren Bennett

City Councilor Josh Zakim has announced he is not seeking re-election after serving three terms on the council, which means that District 8 will see a new face next year. Zakim said he is hoping to spend more time with his family, but "whatever my next role is, I look forward to continuing to serve the public good in Boston, Massachusetts, and beyond," he said in a Facebook post on March 21.

"To the residents of District 8: thank you for your trust, support, and friendship since 2013. To Mayor Walsh and my City Council colleagues, past and present: thank you for being vital allies and partners at every turn," the post stated. "I am immensely proud of all that we have accomplished in three terms on the Council. As chair of the Civil Rights Committee and a past chair of the Committee on Housing and

Community Development, we have positively impacted the lives of residents across the city."

Three candidates have their campaigns off the ground for District 8: Kristen Mobilia, Helene Vincent, and Landon Lemoine. Vincent said that she is "grateful" for Zakim's service in the last years "and we wish him luck in his future endeavors and spending time with his family as well."

Vincent said she's been knocking on between 50 and 100 doors per day, as her focus is to run a grassroots campaign, "talk to as many people as we can," and build relationships with the community. She said she has found that a lot of people feel like they are not listened to, and a lot of people have not met their representatives. "We need to make sure that everybody in our neighborhoods understand the changes

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## City watchdog urges caution in employee salaries, contracts

By Seth Daniel

With the City's 2018 payroll growing by more than 8 percent over the previous year, one City watchdog is urging caution and a tightening of the reins as this year's City Budget begins to move forward.

"We offer words of caution as we look now to the Mayor's budget proposal for FY20 coming out next month and beyond," said Pam Kocher, the new president of the Boston Municipal Research

Bureau.

This year's list of the 2018 Top 100 highest municipal earners appears in this week's edition of the Sun, and the top regular earner was Fire Commissioner Joe Finn – who came in as the top regular earner at \$247,269. He was closely followed by first-year Police Commissioner Willie Gross, who made \$255,455 in 2018. Mayor Martin Walsh made the top 20 earners at \$191,615, but the bulk of the list is made up of Police and Fire employees – and a large

amount of the spending is on things like overtime and newly bargained union contract pay increase.

Overall, the salaries were up by 8.2 percent over 2017, which amounted to \$129.3 million more. Total earnings for calendar year 2018 (CY18) were \$1.721 billion.

The contract increases were particularly true as it related to contracts recently settled for the Boston Teacher's Union, City officials said. They said that was a

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## — TOP PAID MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES —

NAME	TITLE	REGULAR	OVERTIME	TOTAL EARNINGS
Harris, Shawn N*	Police Officer	517,789.82	48,199.74	684,410.90
Williams, David C.**	Police Officer	95,184.68	45,176.88	677,680.65
Jones, Ronnie C*	Police Officer	462,149.98		577,123.44
Downing, George C*	Police Officer	417,664.03	29,567.40	536,870.65
Washington, Walter*	Police Officer	313,154.27	45,337.30	494,319.51
Finn, Joseph E.	F. Comm./Chief of the Dept	233,461.57		247,269.28
Gross, William G.	Commissioner (Bpd)	220,672.34		255,455.24
Walsh, John Francis	Chief of Support Services	214,984.43		234,941.88
Fontana, Gerard T.	Chief of Field Services	214,979.25		234,946.67
Lonergan, James J	Dep Fire Chief Administration	207,050.07	13,048.42	231,890.50

The Total earnings of the Top 5 municipal employees were subject to extraneous circumstances, and does not reflect their salary alone; more details about the circumstances can be found on Page 10.

## BEACON HILL CIVIC ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY CORNER

Our thanks to the Boston Parks and Recreation Department!

As you may have noticed, a Big Belly trash container was removed from the Myrtle Street Playground several months ago. The Friends of the Myrtle Street Playground saw the proximity of the waste recipient as unhealthy for the children and families who gather in the park, and so enlisted the City's support to have it removed. An unpleasant array of dog waste bags ensued where the trash container had been.

Fortunately, the BHCA was able to successfully work with the Friends and the Parks & Recreation Department, who recently installed the container shown above across from the park on the corner of Irving Street. The BHCA will continue to work on the potential instal-



A new Big Belly trash can has appeared on Myrtle Street!

lation of smaller dog waste containers at several spots on the Hill.

Let's keep our neighborhood clean and beautiful!

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# EDITORIAL

## ANOTHER SIGN OF CLIMATE CHANGE

"Historically catastrophic" flooding is the description of what has been happening across our nation's Midwestern Plains states this past week, thanks to a combination of heavy snows and unseasonably cold weather followed by unusually heavy rains.

When most of us think of climate change, images of rising sea levels and fearsome hurricanes that threaten our densely-populated coastal cities are what come to our minds.

But this past week's unprecedented events in the heart of our nation's bread basket should make all of us realize that no place on earth is safe from the devastating effects of climate change, which are accelerating at a rate faster than even the most-dire models had predicted.

It should be clear to all of us by now that whatever the costs may be of implementing green energy measures, they will be far outweighed by the costs of the devastation caused by the forces of nature that await us if we do not change our ways immediately.

## LEGALIZED MARIJUANA: A FEW OBSERVATIONS

We recently attended an event at an area Senior Center for an informational presentation on marijuana, which now is legal for recreational use in Massachusetts (as well as in 10 other states across the country).

The room that initially was set aside for the presentation soon was filled to overflowing, requiring that it be moved to a larger hall. There were about 50 persons in attendance, and we would guess that the average age of the attendees was about 70.

The participants made the usual jokes about old hippies and senior potheads.

So what's old is new again, literally and figuratively.

As Massachusetts and the nation grapple with the reality and implications of legalized marijuana, there are a few facts that must be kept in mind:

First and foremost, as with alcohol, marijuana should not be made available to young people under the age of 21. This has nothing to do with being prudish. Science has linked major brain and developmental disorders to marijuana consumption by young people, a fairly-recent discovery that is known as marijuana induced psychosis.

Just as alcohol consumption affects a young person's still-developing brain (we now know that the human brain continues to develop up to the age of 25), marijuana consumption also can cause permanent brain damage -- and that is not too strong a word -- in teens. Parents must be extra-vigilant to ensure that their child is not consuming marijuana.

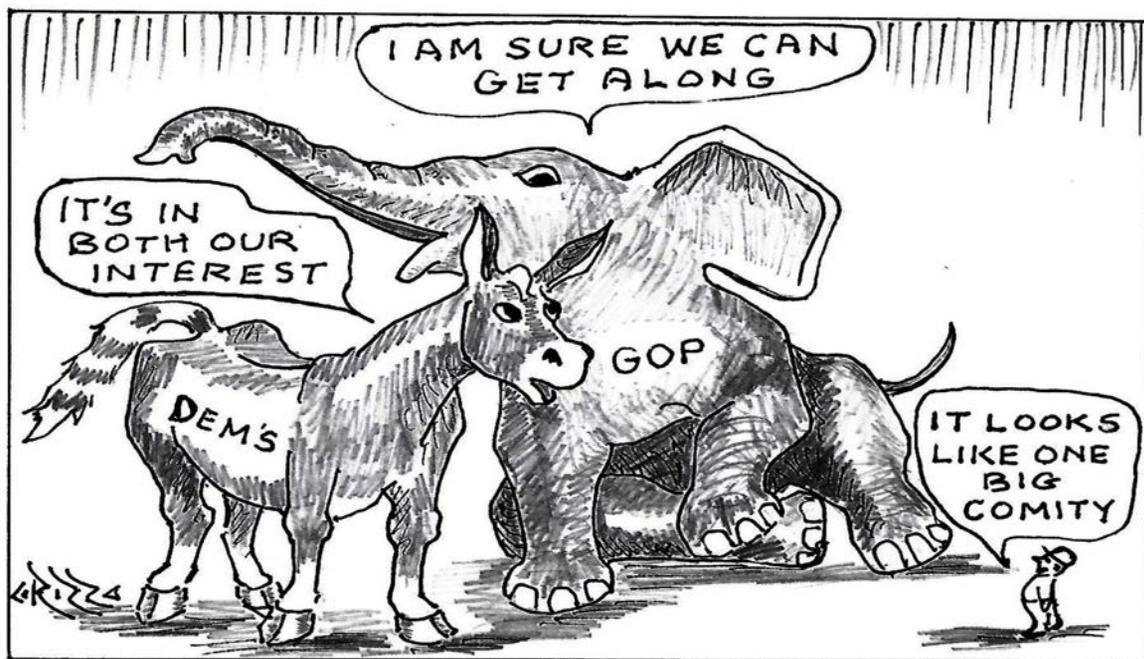
Second, those who choose edibles as their means of marijuana consumption must do so very carefully. Unlike smoking marijuana, eating a marijuana-infused product means that the "high" will take a long time to kick in. When you smoke marijuana, you know in short order when you've reached your limit and can stop. However, once an edible is consumed, it's too late to know whether you've had too much. So go slow -- really slow -- with marijuana chocolates, brownies, and other edible products.

Third, users of marijuana must be sure not to operate a motor vehicle. Getting high and driving are unsafe, just as is drinking and driving.

Fourth, although the anecdotal and research evidence that both marijuana (THC) and its non-intoxicating cousin, CBD, may offer relief for a variety of ailments and pains associated with old age is becoming clearer, much more research is needed.

Israel presently leads the world in marijuana research and it is time for the U.S. to get on board. Marijuana offers the potential as an alternative to dangerous and addictive prescription drugs, including opioids. The sooner we can begin to understand the benefits -- and pitfalls -- of marijuana consumption, the better.

There are pluses and minuses to the legalization of marijuana that must be understood and taken into account by each of us individually and by society as a whole.



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GUEST OP-ED

## Beware of scams coming over the telephone

By Glenn Mollette

In January a Denver couple received a scam phone call from a man who told them he had kidnapped their daughter. The man was very convincing that their daughter was in his possession. In the background they heard a woman's voice begging for help. The call was convincing enough that they tried to wire money to the man. Fortunately the money didn't go through. Police soon showed up after the wife left a note with the bank teller explaining what was happening. The police determined it was a scam.

A 90-year-old friend received a call a couple of years back. The caller explained that he was with the Internal Revenue Service. He alleged my friend was \$40,000 behind in his federal taxes and that payment had to be made immediately. My friend didn't owe anybody and had always been a model citizen. The worry and fear for this 90-year-old man were more than he could handle. He committed suicide a few days after the call.

Several years ago I received a call after my son had boarded a submarine. I would not be able to communicate with him for several months. The caller in a very convincing voice stated my son owed \$350 and if not paid immediately he would file charges against him that would be very negative toward his military career. I explained he would not be available for awhile. The caller insisted that someone needed to intervene to prevent the black mark against my son. You guessed it. I fell for

it and paid the demanded money. Of course within a couple of hours and some research I knew I had been scammed.

Somehow, somewhere there is someone keeping an eye on soldier's families that they can catch at a vulnerable moment and scam them.

When you are scammed you feel like an idiot when it's over. It's embarrassing. However, these telephone artists are professionals. This is all they do every day. In places like Nigeria where many of these calls originate from people go to work from 9 to 5 every day like you go to your daily job. Only, their daily job is to come up with real life convincing lies to scam you out of your hard earned money.

Some of us have only lost a few hundred dollars but others have lost thousands and in the case of my friend, he ended his life over a very believable telephone call.

I remember our first telephone.

I was about 9 years old. Telephone calls were cool. I talked to friends on the telephone for hours. When the telephone rang we knew it was family or friends calling and answering it was enjoyable and important. Today, a ringing telephone is a nuisance. Some days I receive five to 10 calls from local numbers who end up being people selling health insurance, credit cards, student loan payoffs, car warranties, scams pertaining to taxes owed and numerous others. Thus, I no longer answer the phone if I don't recognize the number. Leave a message and I promise I'll call you back. If the person calling you is real and legitimate they won't mind leaving you a message and a real number to return the call.

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Baracchi, Gregorio	Leitner, Charles B	150 Beacon St #3	\$6,290,000
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377 Commonwealth Ave LLC	R&D T	377 Commonwealth Ave #1	\$50,028
377 Commonwealth Ave LLC	377-1 Commonwealth Ave	377 Commonwealth Ave #1	\$826,978
377 Commonwealth Ave LLC	R&D T	377 Commonwealth Ave #2	\$50,028
377 Commonwealth Ave LLC	377-2 Commonwealth Ave	377 Commonwealth Ave #2	\$867,910
377 Commonwealth Ave LLC	R&D T	377 Commonwealth Ave #3	\$50,028
377 Commonwealth Ave LLC	377-4 Commonwealth	377 Commonwealth Ave #4	\$339,205
377 Commonwealth Ave LLC	R&D T	377 Commonwealth Ave #4	\$41,690
377 Commonwealth Ave LLC	377-5 Commonwealth Ave	377 Commonwealth Ave #5	\$562,436
377 Commonwealth Ave LLC	WSBS LLC	377 Commonwealth Ave #6	\$410,000
377 Commonwealth Ave LLC	R&D T	377 Commonwealth Ave #7	\$637,099
377 Commonwealth Ave LLC	377-8 Commonwealth Ave	377 Commonwealth Ave #8	\$364,598
380 Commonwealth Ave NT	Ostrow, Steven A	380 Commonwealth Ave #1	\$4,300,000

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Howland, Lyle	Gaudreay, Russek A	145 Pinckney St #523	\$850,000
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### SOUTH END/KENMORE/BAY VILLAGE

Hawkins, David	Nahed, Brian	1 Charles St S #14H	\$1,837,000
Emma, Phil	Saghir, Tarek	1 Charles St S #310	\$1,235,000
Lexicon Government Svcs	Young, Morgan	15 Garrison St #1	\$725,000
Bernard, Peter J	Dickinson, David G	1 Rollins St #C104	\$1,750,000
34A Saint George RT	Sumpter, Kew	1 Saint George St #3A	\$340,000
34A Saint George RT	Sumpter, Kew	1 Saint George St #3A	\$340,000
Alverson, Lily N	Carpenter, Patrick	427 Shawmut Ave #5	\$733,000
Towle, Garrick J	Powerhaus Of Boston LLC	692 Tremont St #2	\$845,000
West Brookline 201 NT	201 West Brookline St	201 W Brookline St #201	\$3,990,000
Rapkowicz, Ryan	Heckman, Elizabeth S	202 W Springfield St #3	\$630,000
Christopoulos, Nicole	Sevn-Bather, Sebastian	214 W Springfield St #1	\$2,000,000
Sheldon, Suzanne	Loftin, M Phillips	57 E Concord St #2	\$925,000

### WATERFRONT/DOWNTOWN

Harris, David	Boulevard Broad St LLC	110 Broad St #301	\$2,345,000
Scioletti, Bradley R	MJP NT	300 Commercial St #802	\$2,050,000
Scioletti, Bradley R	MJP NT	300 Commercial St #803	\$2,050,000
Reverby, Susan K	Holt, Dennis A	65 E India Row #25F	\$1,835,000
Abdallah, Emad	Piercey, Mark S	85 E India Row #29D	\$795,000
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## ATTENTION TO DETAIL

BY PENNY CHERUBINO

THIS WEEK'S ANSWER



The two windows in the last clue are on 37-41 Beaver Place designed by architect John W. Priestley circa 1870. Mass. Cultural Resources identifies this as having been used as a stable, outbuilding, servant or estate housing and, as it is today, a single-family home.

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

### THIS WEEK'S CLUE



# MFA celebrates the return of spring with Art in Bloom

The Museum of Fine Arts, Boston (MFA), celebrates the return of spring with Art in Bloom, Saturday, April 27 to Monday, April 29. For more than 40 years, the festival has paired art from across the MFA's collection with floral interpretations created by 50 New England-area garden clubs including the Beacon Hill Garden Club.

Each garden club team has been assigned one art object which they will interpret with a floral arrangement to be displayed next to the art. Different arrangements will be on display throughout the Museum by 50 garden clubs from across New England. Arrangers were introduced to their art objects, which could be a painting, sculpture, piece of furniture or musical instrument, in February, and have carefully planned their floral interpretation, often based on color,

shape and style.

Throughout the weekend, visitors can share their best floral photos on social media with #mfaInBloom. Art in Bloom launches with an Evening Preview of freshly installed arrangements on Friday, April 26 from 3–10 p.m. Daily events include tours of arrangements throughout the galleries; floral-arranging demonstrations for the home; snacks and lunch in the Art in Bloom Café among European masterpieces; and outdoor walking tours of the MFA's campus and beyond. A Community Day with children's activities takes place on Sunday, April 28. Special Guided Group Tours are available beginning Friday evening, and freelkebana (Japanese floral arranging) demonstrations occur on Saturday from 3 to 4 p.m. This year's featured speaker is Remco Van Vliet, cele-

brated Dutch florist and creative director of Van Vliet & Trap Event Design NYC. Van Vliet will host two master classes and one lecture demonstration in floral arranging during Art in Bloom. Art in Bloom is sponsored by Wilmington Trust. Supporting Sponsors are Fitch Law Partners and Fox Hill Village. Art in Bloom Community Day is sponsored by Arbella Insurance Foundation.

Art in Bloom is included within Museum admission—\$25 for adults and \$23 for seniors and students age 18 and older. Admission is free for children 17 and under. Art in Bloom is presented by the MFA Associates, a group of dedicated volunteers who lead gallery tours and create the Museum's flower arrangements throughout the year. In addition to experiencing the Art in Bloom arrangements on view throughout the galleries, MFA visitors can also explore the Museum's current exhibitions, including Graciela Iturbide's Mexico; Made Visible: Contemporary South African Fashion and Identity; Postwar Visions: European Photography, 1945–60; Radical Geometries: Bauhaus Prints, 1919–33; Frida Kahlo and Arte Popular; Gender Bending Fashion; Bouchra Khalili: Poets and Witnesses; Toulouse-Lautrec and the Stars of Paris; and Georgie Friedman: Fragments of Antarctica.



Shown Head Arranger Cynthia Everets on the left, with assistant arranger, Janie Walsh on the right representing the Beacon Hill Garden Club.

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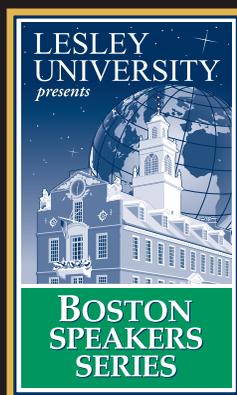
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# Police asked BLS to stay quiet on video scandal for one year

## School officials tell parents there was no threat during the delay

By Seth Daniel

A number of parents with children at Boston Latin School (BLS) have raised serious questions about delays and lack of information in the past year that the school – but not the public – has known about a person who was videotaping students in the bathrooms at the Fenway exam school.

In a meeting this month with parents following the March 11 arrest of a man who was discovered filming students at Boston College, BLS and many other places, school officials told parents police had alerted them to a federal investigation into the incident in March 2018. However, the schools and BLS were ordered by police to keep the information secret so they could continue their investigation.

BPS told the paper they were assured by law enforcement at that time last year that there was no longer an ongoing safety threat.

“Headmaster Skerritt and I are horrified by the allegations that were brought to our attention by law enforcement,” said Interim Supt. Laura Perille. “Safety is always our top priority, and we strive every day to make sure our students are learning and thriving in safe, welcoming, and supportive schools. These alleged acts represent a major violation to the student victims, along with the entire Boston Latin School community. Our primary concern is to provide any and all support to the victims of this disturbing situation.”

BLS and the entire school system are cooperating fully with the investigation as it continues.

A primary concern for parents was how the 36-year-old man – a former BLS student – was able to

get access to the school to make the videos in school bathrooms.

A spokesman for the schools said they believe it was an isolated incident, but they are examining BLS’s safety procedures and protocols. They will continue to use Boston School Police and school staff to monitor who is coming and going from the building. Also, a reminder has been put out to students and staff about keeping exterior doors locked and requiring visitors to sign in at the front desk.

Counselors are also available from the BPS Behavioral Services Department for students or faculty seeking emotional support. Any victims of the videotaping incident have been contacted by the schools, and are fully aware of what has happened.

The story broke a little over a week ago when Eric Tran Thai, 36, of Dorchester was charged in Boston Federal Court with five counts of sexual exploitation of children. Authorities became aware of his activities when called to Boston College on two occasions in February, 2018. Students at Boston College alleged they had been videotaped in the men’s restroom without their knowledge.

It is alleged that while speaking with police, Thai admitted to “taking some pictures” of a man in the stall next to him without the man’s consent. He further admitted to engaging in such activity for about a year. Thai was placed under arrest on state charges and his bag was subsequently searched; in it, police found several covert camera devices, including faux smoke detectors, a water bottle containing a small cube recording device, and a pair of sunglasses outfitted with a built-in camera.

During a search of Thai’s home on March 1, 2018, law enforce-

ment seized approximately 26 computer hard drives, 20 thumb drives, 27 covert and regular cameras, 14 computers, iPads, and cell phones, and multiple SD and Sim cards. During forensic analysis of the recovered items, investigators found several folders labeled: BU, MIT, Harvard, Northeastern, Bunker Hill, Boston Latin High School, and several different malls, airports, and foreign country locations. Given the amount of data seized by investigators, forensic analysis is ongoing.

It is alleged that the videos contained in folders labeled “Boston Latin High School” contained approximately 45 surreptitiously-recorded videos of male students in various states of dress using the urinals and stalls in a Boston Latin High School boys’ bathroom. The videos appear to have been created on approximately 10 separate dates between February and December 2017.

In general, the videos show Thai sitting in a bathroom stall at Boston Latin High School recording individuals in adjacent stalls or at the urinals through various secret recording methods. In some videos, Thai appears to hold a camera over the top of the partition between the bathroom stalls and videotaping from overhead. In other instances, he appears to hide a small camera inside of his backpack, place the backpack on the bathroom floor and videotape individuals in the adjacent bathroom stall from under the stall’s partition. While recording, it appears that Thai would simultaneously view what the camera was recording on a cellphone or a tablet device in his possession.

The defendant also allegedly surreptitiously video recorded individuals in numerous public restroom locations throughout greater Boston and elsewhere.

## BHCA (from pg. 1)

### Come Join Us!

Come join us at the BHCA, 74 Joy Street, on Friday, April 5th, for our First Friday Coffee Hour. The coffee hour provides a relaxed opportunity for members to express their ideas or concerns and for potential members to understand what we do for the neighborhood. Councilor Ed Flynn will join us to discuss his role in our community.

### The 23rd Annual Beacon Award

Every year at its Annual Meeting, the Beacon Hill Civic Association gives out a special community award that honors those people and groups deserving of particular recognition for their significant and sustained contributions to the Beacon Hill community.

This year’s presentation of the Beacon Award will take place at the 97th Annual Meeting on May 20th. Over the years, the contributions made by the winners have ranged from working with neighborhood youth or the elderly, to beautifying local green spaces, improving safety on the Hill, preserving and enhancing the quality of life for residents, and envisioning the future of our community.

Again this year, the BHCA is inviting members of the community to nominate individuals or groups they feel are deserving of the 23rd Annual Beacon Award.

The final selection will be made by a ten-person committee representing a variety of organizations in the community. You can access the 2019 Beacon Award nomination form on our website at <https://www.bhcivic.org/beacon-award.html>, or by calling the BHCA office at 617-227-1922. Nominations must be submitted to [patricia.tully@bhcivic.org](mailto:patricia.tully@bhcivic.org) (or by mail to the BHCA at 74 Joy Street, Boston, MA 02114) by April 8, 2019.

### Upcoming BHCA Meetings

Tuesday, April 2: Streets & Sidewalks Committee Meeting; 6:30pm at 74 Joy Street.

Wednesday, April 3: Cambridge Street Committee Meeting; 6pm at 74 Joy Street. Zoning & Licensing Committee Meeting; 7pm at 74 Joy Street.

### Other upcoming BHCA Events

Beacon Hill Meet & Greet – Monday, April 1st

First Friday Coffee Hour – Friday, April 5th

Founders Circle Reception – Tuesday, April 30th

New Members Reception – May 2nd

BHCA Annual Meeting – May 20th

Visit the Beacon Hill Civic Association website [www.bhcivic.org](http://www.bhcivic.org) or call the office (617-227-1922) for more information on any of these events.

## BEACON HILL BEAT

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#### Larceny - Pickpocket

03/11/19 – A victim reported she was walking through the Public Garden on Charles Street side at about 1:15 p.m. while texting on her iPhone, when an unknown male suspect approached her from behind and grabbed her phone before fleeing on foot towards Arlington Street.

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# West End Museum revs up Irish Heritage celebration

Of the 23 ethnic groups that lived harmoniously in the old West End of Boston, Irish immigrants and their descendants represented one of the three largest (the others being Jewish and Italian).

As it has since 2016, The West End Museum is hosting a special event to commemorate Irish Heritage Month. On Thursday, March 28 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., this year's Irish Heritage Night will feature a dramatic reading, a new exhibit, an honoree ceremony, and Irish music. Light refreshments will be served. The event is free and open to the public; registration required at [thewestendmuseum.org/whats-on/event-registration](http://thewestendmuseum.org/whats-on/event-registration).

Honoree Patricia Trainor O'Malley, Ph.D. is an author, professor, and historian who has focused much of her scholarship on Irish immigrants. Born in Haverhill, Mass., Dr. O'Malley's ancestors emigrated from the village of Leap, in Ballinlough, Cork County, Ireland in the late 19th century. She holds a Master's degree in Medieval Culture and a doctorate in Modern English History, both from Boston College. A full professor at Bradford College, she became Division Chair of Humanities and



Courtesy of Dr. Patricia O'Malley  
Patricia Trainor O'Malley, Ph. D.

was awarded Teacher of the Year and First Chair for distinguished teaching. Dr. O'Malley's meticulous work with letters to and from young women who worked as domestics for wealthy families around Boston help to document the lives of Irish immigrants that resided in neighborhoods like the West End.

The struggles and triumphs of those immigrants, and the relatives who remained in the old



(Hanora) McCarthy, a Dr. O'Malley ancestor; recipient and sender of letters.

country, will come to life through a dramatic reading of select letters by actress and theater educator Brittany Daley. The performance is being directed by Stephen Haley with Theater in the Open, who is also a former student of Dr. O'Malley. After the reading, a brief ceremony will honor Dr. O'Malley, and she will speak and answer questions about her work. Tony Keegan and Sean Connor will perform Irish music on bodhran and fiddle.

West End Museum Program



Leap, County Cork, Ireland.

Director and Board member Lois Ascher has curated the letters, artifacts, and photographs from Dr. O'Malley's family into a small exhibit. *Memories: Crossing the Water* depicts the passage of lives between the old world and the new, and officially opens on Irish Heritage Night. The letters will become part of the archives of the John J. Burns Library at Boston College. Christian Dupont, Burns Librarian and Associate University Librarian for Special Collections, will be on hand to formally accept them.

Dr. O'Malley has published several books in the "Images of America" paperback series by Arcadia Books, including: "The Irish in Haverhill, Massachusetts," volumes 1 & 2 and "Haverhill's Immigrants at the Turn of the Century," plus the hardcover "Haverhill, Massachusetts: A New England City." In addition to family members, her 95-year-old fourth-grade teacher, Sister Gervasi—who grew up in the West End as Jo DiGregorio—will attend this event.

## BHCA board responds to proposed MGH expansion

By Dan Murphy

The Beacon Hill Civic Association board of directors outlined its primary concerns with Massachusetts General Hospital's proposed \$1 billion expansion in a recent letter to the city.

In a March 22 letter to Katelyn Sullivan, senior project manager for the Boston Planning & Development Agency, Patricia Tully, the Civic Association's executive director, outlined issues raised by community members and during a March 12 meeting sponsored by the nonprofit in regard to MGH's plan to construct a 1,035,000-square-foot complex entirely inside its main campus consisting of two connected, 12-story towers, with its facade facing Cambridge Street.

The letter cites, among other major concerns, that "additional traffic caused by increased park-

ing spaces as part of the [p]roject will have a highly disproportionate effect on already-severe congestion" and requests that the applicant conduct traffic studies of the all the potentially impacted areas look at alternate routes into the hospital besides Cambridge Street and evaluate and redesign of pedestrian pathways and sidewalks on the north side of Cambridge Street near the hospital campus.

"Residents want to see a more detailed plan than what they've seen already...and specific details on how traffic is going to be made better than it is today," said Rob Whitney, chair of the Civic Association board. "There are concerns about traffic backing up into Charles Circle, which it already a problem now."

Whitney said bicyclist safety in the area is another concern, particularly around the "narrow

neck" near the Charles/MGH MBTA station.

In addition, Whitney said the massing and presence of the complex on Cambridge Street is also of importance to the community.

"We understand there needs to be some volume, but not so much that it becomes a towering building on Cambridge Street," he said.

Whitney also expressed concern on the building's proposed lighting and its appearance on the streetscape at night.

Moreover, Whitney said the project presents an opportunity to repurpose the maintenance facility at 12-16 Garden St. to low to moderately priced housing.

"All these things can be dealt with, and we look forward to working with [MGH and the city] collaboratively to make a good project even better," Whitney said.

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# Architectural Commission approves wood sign for Clevergreen Cleaners

By Dan Murphy

The Beacon Hill Architectural Commission unanimously voted to allow Clevergreen Cleaners to install a blade sign outside its new Charles Street location during Thursday's public hearing at City Hall, but only on the condition that it is made of wood.

Farshad Sayan, the business owner and applicant, had intended to relocate a 20-by-28-inch sign made of a composite material with an aluminum front that had hung outside the business's old 109 Charles St. location to an existing bracket outside the new storefront at 81 Charles St. He said Clevergreen has signed a 20-year lease for the new location,

and that he expects the sign would last the duration.

The commission informed Sayan that while the signage concept was appropriate, the existing materials were not.

"The sign is okay, but the material is wrong," said Commissioner Miguel Rosales. "Plastic in the area isn't acceptable...you should make it out of wood."

In addition, the commission instructed Sayan to remove additional exterior signage as a condition of the application's approval while allowing him to relocate an existing awning to the business's new location.

In regard to a matter continued from the Feb. 21 hearing, the commission voted unanimously

to approve an application for 8 Joy St. to replace 16 wood and widows and 14 window casings in-kind at the front façade and side elevation, as well as to repair five windows and seven window casings at the front façade and side elevation.

Provisos for the approval include the removal of an existing skylight; that slate is installed on the side roof; and that drawings of the windows, as well as details on masonry, shutters and fencing be remanded to staff, among other stipulations.

The commission voted to continue on an application for an extensive rehabilitation of 81 Charles St., which is home to the Beacon Hill Hotel & Bistro.

Andrew Keating, the project architect, outlined proposed exterior alterations, including relocating the entry to the center bay on the Charles Street façade as part of the planned restaurant renovation; lowering the sill heights on the Charles Street side and at the corner of Branch Street to 2 feet, 3 inches from the current levels of 3 feet, 1 inch; and creating new window openings on the Branch Street side that would be aligned and relate to the existing windows above them.

Both Rosales and Commissioner Paul Donnelly said they would prefer to see the sill heights remain at their existing levels while Rosales said the new window openings on Branch Street as proposed "look

like scars in the façade."

In another matter, the commission voted unanimously to approve an application for 20 Charles St. that included removing an existing patio and steps and replacing them with a new poured-concrete patio and steps, as well as installing three exterior wall light-fixtures, with the provisos that the patio stairs are made of granite, and that the number of light fixtures is reduced to two, among other stipulations.

The commission also voted to approve an application to install a new intercom system at 11 Irving St., with the proviso that it is consistent with other intercom systems in the area, in a matter continued from Aug. 16 of last year.

## John Kerry, Jason Alexander, Susan Rice and Bob Woodward among celebrated lineup for the 2019-2020 Boston Speakers Series presented by Lesley University

As the Boston Speakers Series sets the stage for its next sell-out season, it is preparing to welcome to Symphony Hall another dazzling lineup of speakers, including John Kerry, Jason Alexander (Seinfeld's George Costanza), Susan Rice and Bob Woodward. Presented by Lesley University and featuring some of the world's most celebrated and influential personalities of our time, the 2019-2020 Series will provide attendees the unique opportunity to listen to brilliance and simultaneously be entertained during seven memorable evenings filled with powerful perspectives and enlightening discussion. The complete list of presenters, in order of appearance, follows.

**Sept. 25 and Oct. 7, 2019: John Kerry** – The 2019-2020 series will get underway with what's sure to be a fascinating presentation by Kerry, who served as Secretary of State during President Barack Obama's second term. Following a nearly 30-year tenure as a senator from Massachusetts, he became the Democratic Party's nominee for president of the United States in 2004. Kerry will give audience members a glimpse into his storied life.

**Oct. 21 and Oct. 23, 2019: Zanny Minton Beddoes** – Named

one of the "Most Powerful Women in the World" by Forbes, Beddoes' presentation will share insights from her experience as the first female editor-in-chief of The Economist, a post she has held since 2015. Prior to her 25-year tenure with The Economist, she was an economist at the International Monetary Fund.

**Nov. 18 and Nov. 20, 2019: Bob Woodward** – Attendees will have a rare opportunity to get up-close and personal with journalistic icon and associate editor of The Washington Post, Bob Woodward. He, along with Carl Bernstein, uncovered the Watergate scandal detailed in their Pulitzer Prizewinning book, All the President's Men. Woodward has written 19 bestselling books on American politics, most recently, Fear: Trump in the White House.

**Jan. 27 and Jan. 29, 2020: Douglas Brinkley** – As an award-winning historian, Brinkley has written more than 20 books on a wide range of topics that will be at the forefront of his presentation, including D-Day, Hurricane Katrina and the lives of Ronald Reagan, Bob Dylan and Walter Cronkite. Brinkley serves as CNN Presidential Historian, and a contributing editor at Vanity Fair,

American Heritage and Audubon.

**Feb. 24 and Feb. 26, 2020: Peter Diamandis** – Named one of the "World's Greatest Leaders" by Fortune Magazine, Diamandis will grace the stage to share how a space entrepreneur turned innovation pioneer founded the XPRIZE Foundation to fund big money competitions to inspire groundbreaking developments in science and technology, and to solve some of the planet's most pressing challenges.

**March 16 and March 18, 2020: Susan Rice** – Rice is sure to captivate audience members with an insightful presentation regarding her impressive career, including her tenure as National Security Advisor from 2013 to 2017 and her role as the United States Ambassador to the United Nations from 2009 to 2013. Deepening her experience, Rice worked for the National Security Council and was Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs during the Clinton administration.

**April 22 and 27, 2020: Jason Alexander** – The 2019-2020 series will conclude with an evening of laughter as actor, singer, comedian and director Jason Alexander takes to the stage. While he is best known for his role as George Costanza in the

hit television series Seinfeld, his other well-known movie credits include Pretty Woman, Duckman and Shallow Hal. He also has had an active career on stage, winning a Tony Award as Best Leading Actor in a Musical for his role in Jerome Robbins' Broadway.

"Lesley University is delighted to once again present this series that aligns with our mission to prepare graduates with the knowledge, skills, understanding, and ethical judgment to be catalysts who shape a more just, humane world," said Richard S. Hansen, interim president of Lesley University. "We are confident that the perspectives offered by this year's diverse and dynamic speakers will spark robust discussion that community members are sure to enjoy."

Tickets for the 2019-2020 Boston Speakers Series, which is expected to sell out quickly, are available now by visiting [www.BostonSpeakers.org](http://www.BostonSpeakers.org) or by calling 617-266-1200 or 888-266-1200. As in years past, the series is sold by subscription, with subscribers guaranteed admission to hear all seven dynamic speakers. Subscriptions for the entire series range from \$325 - \$545. All presentations will begin at 8 p.m. and each includes a spirited

Q&A period during which the speaker addresses questions from the audience.

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## Myrtle Street Playground Toy and Book Sale on April 6

Myrtle Street Playground was robbed just before Christmas. In an effort to raise funds to replace the playground toys and/or provide funds for summer program-

ming, there will be a toy and book sale on Saturday, April 6, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Hill House Gym at 127 Mt. Vernon St.

Donations are accepted in

plastic bags at the playground Tuesday through Thursday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Donations are accepted at the Hill House gym Friday night from 5:30 to 6:30

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## Two kitchens and two eras of entertaining

### Historic home featured on Beacon Hill Village Kitchen Tour

By Suzanne Besser

It is not surprising that plenty of space was allocated to the preparation of food and drink in the grand townhouses built in the early 1800s by Harrison Gray Otis, a lawyer, politician and developer, who helped transform Beacon Hill's South Slope from

undeveloped pasture land into the grandest residential area in Boston.

Entertaining was a passion of his wife, Sally Foster Otis, who, it is said, was a lively, joyous woman known for her beauty and wit. She loved attending parties and, along with her husband, hosting prominent Bostonians and visitors in their home. Perhaps her pas-

sion influenced Otis to ensure that ample space for entertaining was included in the homes he personally built for others.

In one Beacon Hill townhouse, for example, Otis devoted the entire first two floors to the kitchen, dining room and other accoutrements associated with fine dining so that the hostess might serve guests from a butler's pantry off a first-floor formal dining room.

That kitchen, built in 1823, and a second contemporary one added more than 100 years later in the home are among the several unique kitchens being featured on Beacon Hill Village's sixth annual Creative Kitchens Tour on Saturday, April 6.

The original kitchen is located on the garden level of the meticulously preserved townhouse, built on commission to Otis and architect Charles Bulfinch by Edmund Blanchard for his daughter Sarah's dowry. It was purchased on Valentine's Day in 1823, a day marked by the elaborately scrolled wrought andirons still situated on the hearth. A typical early



Curved custom cabinetry traces a Bulfinch-inspired swell of one wall and combines with Federal-style cabinets to enhance the home's current kitchen.



A pair of elaborately scrolled wrought andirons are original to the early 1800s kitchen, one of the home's two kitchens to be featured in the April 6 Creative Kitchen Tour.

American kitchen, it is similar in design and layout to the kitchen Paul Revere added to his home in the 1790s.

Those on the Tour can easily imagine dinner guests arriving at Sarah's home in a horse drawn carriage, being welcomed at the portico by her and her husband, and seated around a 12 feet long mahogany table in the spacious, formal dining room.

Beneath them on the garden level would be a bustling of activity in the kitchen, wine cellar, food pantries, washroom, wood storage room, as well as in the adjacent garden with its three service entrances from a private passageway.

The home's second and now primary kitchen reflects the grandeur of the town house. It was put in place in 1930-33 in conjunction with a major upgrading of

the house's heating and plumbing systems which allowed "swelling" of the long north wall of the house's panhandle footprint to the rear, and relocation of the principal kitchen from the garden level to the first floor. Some fifty years later, adjustments to this envelop were begun by architect Peter Schubert, who transformed the space over a period of years, introducing among other features remarkable curved custom-made cabinetry and windows, and a breakfast room with Federal period paneling and a window seat for those wishing to linger.

Today's homeowner said she enjoys carrying on the tradition of hosting dinner parties in the dining room just as Sarah Blanchard did nearly two centuries ago. "This house, its kitchens on two

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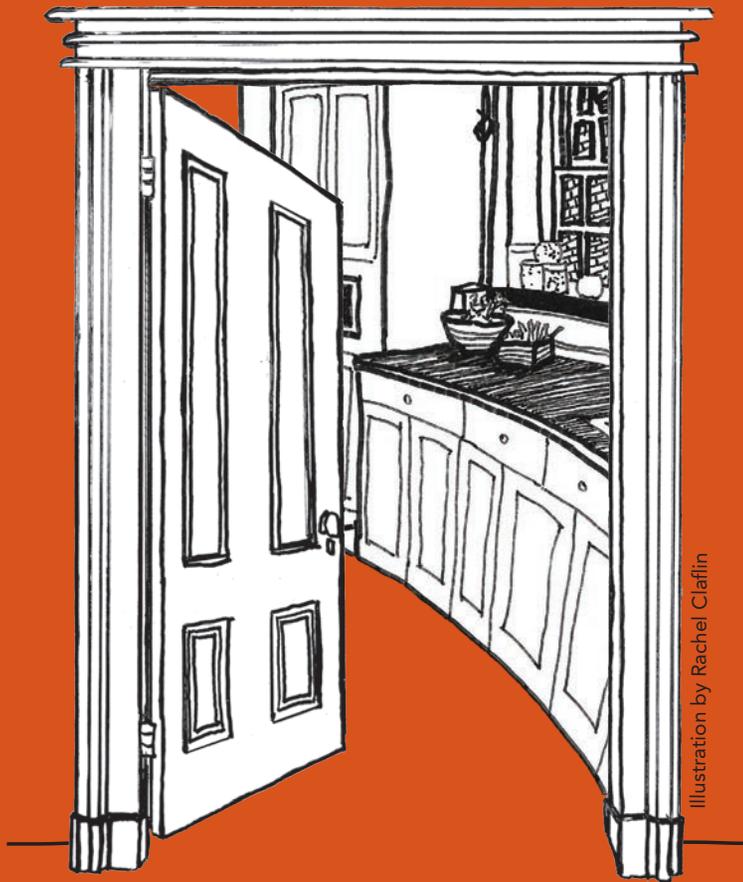
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## TOP 100 *(from pg. 1)*

driver of much of the increases in salary spending in 2018, as were increases for contracts settled with public safety unions.

There were a few outliers in the budget that showed much larger salaries than usual, particularly for the top four highest overall earners. Those employees received large settlements and back pay as part of court cases that reinstated them to the Police Department.

Kocher said one of the major areas of concern is the deficits

created in overtime spending for the Police and Fire Departments – which ran at \$15.3 million in deficit due to those expenses that exceeded their overtime budgets and some equipment purchases.

The Police Department deficit was \$14.3 million and 67 percent of that was due to overtime pay for increased hours and special events. Those special events included things like the Freedom Rally, the National Grid Strike and the Marriott worker strike.

That also has to do with the shortage of police officers in the ranks right now as there are so many officers who have retired, and so few that have come on to replace them. Most officers right now, it is commonly said, work upwards of 60 hours a week on average due to the officer shortage.

The growth in police officer wages due to more lucrative contracts also contributed to increased overtime expenses.

Kocher said now is the time to show fiscal restraint.

“At a time when the City has to rely more on its own local revenue sources due to cuts in federal funds and stagnant growth in state aid, the City of Boston needs to be vigilant in managing its employee expenses, which represent 68 percent of its total operating budget in fiscal 2018 and 70 percent of the operating budget’s growth over four years,” she said. “That means exercising tight

control over employee headcount, being firm in employee contract negotiations regarding compensation and benefit increases, and improving operational efficiencies through changes in union contract language and utilization of technology.”

Of the Top 100 highest earners, four Police and Fire employees earned more than \$40,000 in overtime payments alone over 2018.

**Calendar Year 2018 included the following unusually high police earnings, due to reinstatements with back pay awarded in 2018. Asterisks designate the following court cases:**

\*Thompson v. Civil Service Commission, 90 Mass. App Ct. 462 (2016)

\*\*City of Boston v. Boston Police Patrolmen’s Association, 477 Mass. 434 (2017)

## TOP 100 HIGHEST PAID MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES

NAME	TITLE	REGULAR	OVERTIME	TOTAL EARNINGS
McMahon, Joseph G	Dep Fire Chief Administration	203,624.89	24,305.88	240,136.50
Dempsey, John	Dep Fire Chief Administration	203,624.89	20,921.02	236,751.64
Maughn, Reynold	Dep Fire Chief Administration	203,624.89	10,875.43	226,706.05
Walsh, David John	Dep Fire Chief Administration	203,144.03	8,246.22	220,187.09
Ruggere, Michael J	Dep Fire Chief Admn-Adv Technician	200,005.46	30,046.15	238,920.11
Daley, John J	Supn Bpd	195,601.09		235,707.00
Walsh, Martin J.	Mayor	191,615.46		191,615.46
Shaffer, Steven E	Dep Fire Chief Administration	191,536.76	13,462.72	208,910.23
Leonard, David J	President	189,999.94		211,151.79
Long, Gregory P	Supn-In Chief	189,290.99		284,439.20
Mancini, Frank A	Supn Bpd	188,023.35		275,619.34
Ridge, William G.	Supn Bpd	188,023.35		275,418.57
Lydon, Colm P.	Supn Bpd	188,023.35		274,582.03
McNeil, Stephen D	Dep Fire Chief	187,827.38	38,245.37	239,735.45
Doherty, Michael J.	Dep Fire Chief	187,827.38	42,535.30	239,168.82
Stallworth, Andre R	Dep Fire Chief	187,827.38	38,943.49	234,605.70
Tully, Bernard J.	Dep Fire Chief	186,104.62	24,781.81	218,173.25
Keeley, Stephen F	Supn (Bfd/Fad)	185,892.98	11,515.62	197,958.60
McCreary, Makeeba	Managing Partner	183,670.53		183,670.53
Harrington, Ronald A	District Fire Chief Admin	183,089.84	15,669.07	210,824.72
Hocking, Michael E	Dep Fire Chief	182,831.32	24,319.90	260,160.29
Muncey, Donna E.	Deputy Superintendent-(non-ac)	182,060.75		182,060.75
Jones, Francis G	District Fire Chief Admn-Adv Tech	181,566.35	6,156.27	194,275.54
McCormack, Martin P	District Fire Chief Admin	181,560.12	12,974.94	201,828.31
Paschal, Stephen P	District Fire Chief Admin	179,317.16	20,462.66	213,483.91
Keeley, Dennis L	District Fire Chief Admin	179,145.24	34,980.95	221,889.72
Celona, Michael O.	Exec Asst Commissioner	178,317.33		190,413.79
Cahill, Gerard M	District Fire Chief Admin	177,407.56	9,164.37	194,335.46
Mullane Jr., Neal A	District Fire Chief-Technician	177,259.99	20,345.15	205,598.14
Shea, Bartholomew J	Dep Fire Chief	177,142.96	36,646.72	238,208.52
Cox, Michael A	Supn Bpd	175,973.29		255,238.17
White, Dennis A	Supn Bpd	175,941.57		247,736.83
Tully, Brian P	District Fire Chief-Adv Tech	171,789.84	28,254.82	209,251.92
Wright, Tommy	Rotc Instructor	171,788.50		173,647.72
Gloria, Paul G	District Fire Chief Admin	171,753.97	7,543.14	182,813.56
Baston, Nora L	Supn Bpd	171,589.94		252,247.81
Walker Gregory, Caren S	Headmaster	171,507.97		171,507.97
Anderson, Edward A	Fire Captain Admn-Advance Tech	170,466.84	36,895.26	217,046.29
Hanlon, John Stephen	Asst Superintendent (non-ac)	169,831.15		169,831.15
Carey, Paul G.	District Fire Chief-Technician	169,177.52	34,139.79	206,884.36
Mullen, Brian P	Dist Fire Chief	169,058.29	15,821.21	185,429.50
Bailey, Gerard W	Dep Supn (Bpd)	168,729.66		250,257.59
Cotter, Winifred	Dep Supn (Bpd)	168,729.66		243,900.97
Walcott, Jeffrey I	Dep Supn (Bpd)	168,729.66		239,132.54
Whitman, Steven M	Dep Supn (Bpd)	168,729.66		239,081.43
Driscoll, Mary E	Asst Superintendent	168,431.63		168,431.63
Papineau, Charles J	District Fire Chief-Adv Tech	167,553.36	24,947.10	193,916.93
Consalvo, Robert J.	Chief of Staff	167,379.71		167,379.71
Dowling, Robert L.	District Fire Chief-Technician	167,182.62	47,087.59	219,130.28
Skerritt, Rachel	Headmaster	166,833.05		166,833.05
Brienza, Horacio D.	District Fire Chief-Technician	166,725.79	27,746.74	199,327.13
Hogan, Gerald E	District Fire Chief-Technician	166,691.98	26,129.84	207,163.37

# CALENDAR

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

## TUESDAY, APRIL 2

CONCERT, Natsumi Malloy on the C.B. Fisk organ performing works by Bach and pop and improvisational pieces, Church on the Hill, 140 Bowdoin St., 3 p.m., admission: free, call 617-523- 4575 or visit <http://churchonthehillboston.org> for more information and tickets

ANNUAL MEETING, Esplanade Association, Park Plaza Hotel, 50 Park Plaza, Clarendon Room, 6 p.m., visit [Esplanade.org](http://Esplanade.org) for more information

## FRIDAY, APRIL 5

EVENT, Clair-obscure fashion show, French Cultural Center, 53 Marlborough St. 7-9 p.m., tickets: \$65 general admission; \$45 each for French Cultural Center members, visit [HYPERLINK "https://frenchculturalcenter.org/events/clair-obscure-fashion-show-with-december-thieves/"](https://frenchculturalcenter.org/events/clair-obscure-fashion-show-with-december-thieves/) or [HYPERLINK "https://frenchculturalcenter.org/events/clair-obscure-fashion-show-with-december-thieves/"](https://frenchculturalcenter.org/events/clair-obscure-fashion-show-with-december-thieves/) to purchase tickets or for more information

## SATURDAY, APRIL 6

EVENT, pop-up and designer meet-and-greet event with Nuit Atelier, December Thieves, 51 Charles St., noon- 6 p.m., R.S.V.P. to [info@decemberthieves.com](mailto:info@decemberthieves.com)

## TUESDAY, APRIL 9

CONCERT, "Café Barcelona," with guitarist Peter Griggs performing works by Jobim, flamenco music and more, Church on the Hill, 140 Bowdoin St., 3 p.m., admission: free, call 617-523- 4575 or visit <http://churchonthehillboston.org> for more information and tickets

## TUESDAY, APRIL 16

ACTIVITY, Hill House's Senior Dinners, 74 Joy St., contact [HYPERLINK "mailto:madamczyk@hillhouseboston.org"](mailto:madamczyk@hillhouseboston.org) or [HYPERLINK "mailto:madamczyk@hillhouseboston.org"](mailto:madamczyk@hillhouseboston.org) or 617-227-5838 ext. 22 to learn more about the requirements for this monthly event

CONCERT, Emily Bieber-Harris (soprano) and Heinrich Christensen (organ) performing works by Bach, Brahms and more, Church on the Hill, 140 Bowdoin St., 3 p.m., admission: free, call 617-523- 4575 or visit [HYPERLINK "http://churchonthehillboston.org"](http://churchonthehillboston.org) for more information and tickets

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## SATURDAY, APRIL 23

CONCERT, Circa Harmonie Boston performing the "Mozart Serenade," Church on the Hill, 140 Bowdoin St., 3 p.m., admission: free, call 617-523- 4575 or visit [HYPERLINK "http://churchonthehillboston.org"](http://churchonthehillboston.org) for more information and tickets

## SATURDAY, APRIL 30

CONCERT, Some Assembly Required featuring spiritual works by Stravinsky, Still and more, Church on the Hill, 140 Bowdoin St., 3 p.m., admission: free, call 617-523- 4575 or visit <http://churchonthehillboston.org> for more information and tickets

## TUESDAY, MAY 21

ACTIVITY, Hill House's Senior Dinners, 74 Joy St., contact [HYPERLINK "mailto:madamczyk@hillhouseboston.org"](mailto:madamczyk@hillhouseboston.org) or [HYPERLINK "mailto:madamczyk@hillhouseboston.org"](mailto:madamczyk@hillhouseboston.org) or 617-227-5838 ext. 22 to learn more about the requirements for this monthly event

## TOP 100 HIGHEST PAID MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES

NAME	TITLE	REGULAR	OVERTIME	TOTAL EARNINGS
Dillon,Michael P.	District Fire Chief-Technician	166,691.98	22,484.22	197,053.32
Whelan,Michael J	District Fire Chief-Technician	166,582.69	17,577.12	195,040.85
Harrison,David C	District Fire Chief-Technician	166,268.83	21,137.41	192,255.37
Casper,Joseph	Dist Fire Chief (Scuba Diver)	166,258.52	44,484.41	213,838.88
Rose,Colin C	Asst Superintendent	165,844.76		165,844.76
Eddings,Marcus C	Dep Supn (Bpd)	165,840.58		251,214.94
Nichols,Emmet P	District Fire Chief-Technician	165,840.22	42,992.99	217,141.34
Smith,Douglas W	Dist Fire Chief	165,761.18	24,239.59	197,764.30
McNulty,Joseph G.	Dist Fire Chief-Adm Asst Dvmtr	165,650.95	26,338.03	224,017.56
Marshall,Rodney O.	Dist Fire Chief	165,477.67	25,760.11	201,461.31
Sloane,Christopher	Dist Fire Chief	165,115.73	17,511.19	190,371.85
Marshall,David C	Asst Supn (Bfd/Fad)	164,920.17	17,316.10	189,909.31
Murphy,Joseph W.	Chemist	164,837.72		169,586.43
Felton,Richard F.	Dist Fire Chief	164,803.05	24,593.20	195,886.81
Roberts,Monica M.	Asst Superintendent (non-ac)	164,208.76		164,208.76
Shea,Joseph D.	Dist Fire Chief	164,141.65	16,951.12	187,109.22
Stapleton,John	Dist Fire Chief	164,107.97	27,687.24	200,175.59
Raymond,Mark J.	Dist Fire Chief	164,107.97	21,428.46	193,299.96
Greene,James P	Dist Fire Chief	164,073.11	25,640.76	198,226.80
Welch Jr.,Thomas M.	Academic Superintendent	164,007.70		164,007.70
Hoar,James J	Dist Fire Chief	163,896.33	16,739.23	188,389.79
Murphy,Patrick D.	District Fire Chief-Technician	163,811.74	17,661.62	182,863.10
Viola,Gerard	Dist Fire Chief	163,717.85	27,263.04	197,597.72
Burke,Christopher	Dist Fire Chief	163,684.69	16,594.20	182,521.81
Sweeney,David	Chief Of Staff	163,238.20		164,833.48
Luciano,Paul S	Dist Fire Chief	163,186.28	12,596.14	183,010.61
Smith,Timothy	District Fire Chief-Technician	163,180.33	21,942.58	216,617.98
Heelen,Brian P	Dist Fire Chief	163,018.95	21,273.48	189,451.77
O'Flaherty,Eugene Lloyd	Corporation Counsel	162,980.70		164,798.00
Taylor,Albert L	Operational Superintendent	162,891.02		162,891.02
Hung,Kelly M	Academic Superintendent	162,678.01		162,678.01
Lee,Edward S	Operational Superintendent	162,490.38		162,490.38
Pettaway,Erik C	Dist Fire Chief	162,385.21	22,935.48	193,008.50
Qazilbash,Emily Kalejs	Asst Superintendent (non-ac)	162,340.36		162,340.36
Cleary,Patrick D	Chief Admin Officer	162,241.82		162,241.82
Dalrymple,Keith D	Police Captain/DDC	162,161.32	33,740.56	216,131.99
Handy,Emme Lea	Collector-Treasurer	161,826.83		168,848.51
Tahiliani,Priya J.	Asst Superintendent	161,718.91		161,718.91
Noriega,Ligia B	Asst Superintendent	161,659.41		161,659.41

## CITY PAWS

## Working from Home with Pets

By Penny &amp; Ed Cherubino

Like so many aspects of living with dogs and cats, there are both positive and negative aspects for those who work from a home they share with an animal. We've had home-based businesses for years and have come to terms with the issues of terriers in a business setting.

People with dogs and cats who work from home, some or all of the time, love being able to spend more time around their pets but also have to find appropriate ways to accommodate their animals during working hours.

**Schedules!**

One overlooked aspect of a home business is that many of us work too much. Having a dog who needs a walk or a cat who wants a meal can be worked into a schedule for your work day. Penny used to say that our Maggie Mae provided her commute to and from work with a morning walk that transitioned her to work time, and an evening stroll that marked the end of her work day.

However, if you have trouble

waking up and getting the workday underway, a gentle pat from that kitty who wants some attention can be exactly the motivation you need to get out of bed.

Both dogs and cats adjust to dependable schedules. If, on the days you are away, your dog walker takes your pup out about noon, you should try to do the same. On the other hand, you might want to have the walker come everyday. While your dog is out socializing, you can schedule calls or finish other work that needs your full attention.

**Reason to Stand Up**

If your cat or dog loves to play, you could build play session breaks into the workday. See it as a time to get up from the computer, stretch, walk around, and play. It'll be good for both of you.

Mealtimes and drink refills are other times when you can spend a few quality minutes with your pet. For the most part, our Westie Poppy snoozes in the wide window we call her office, while we work. But, when we move around to do something routine, she'll pop up and follow us.

**Training**

On the downside you may have to do some training or retraining to enable you to work at home with a dog that might bark when you make a call or a cat that keeps trying to take over your keyboard.

If you have a separate office, you could make that a pet-free zone for the hours when you're working. If you are operating in shared space, be sure you have a comfy sleeping spot for your critter and perhaps a bit of distraction, like a window seat, where your cat can watch for birds or passing dogs.

**Back to Positives!**

We know that stroking dogs and cats can calm us and relieve stress. After a difficult conference call or an annoying email, you can turn to your furry friend for sympathy and that unconditional love all of us with pets enjoy.

While you may never admit it to anyone, you could find yourself talking out work problems with a dog or cat. Not only will they be happy to listen to you, but you may also find that saying what you



One benefit from working at home with pets is that stroking dogs and cats can calm us and relieve stress. (Photo: iStockphoto.com)

are thinking out loud might lead you to a solution.

Do you have a question or

topic for City Paws. Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your request.

**ZAKIM** (from pg. 1)

that are happening," Vincent said. "There's a special moment when you knock on a door and the person realizes you're there with no agenda."

Landon Lemoine said he is "very excited" to get his campaign off the ground. He said he's also been doing some door knocking of his own, as well as going to local events and people's homes to listen to how they think things can be done better. "They want change and they want people to think beyond just the next month," he said—they're thinking about the future of the neighborhood.

"What we see from everything is that this district is growing faster than what the city can keep up with," Lemoine said. "It's going to take somebody with an innovative approach."

Lemoine is focused on "streamlining a lot of processes in the city," so people can "get things done for themselves" more easily. "You've got to think about these situations differently and think outside the box," he said.

He said that people want to hear real ideas that are going to change what they see everyday. "People are willing to make a jump and hear a new voice," he said. "No one is looking for a seat filler."

Kristen Mobilia said she was "surprised" when she heard the news that Councilor Zakim was not running again, but she said the news does not change anything about her campaign. Her goal is to

improve civic engagement across District 8, and "make sure there are very regular conversations throughout the neighborhood," patterning with people and organizations to create solutions.

She said she's been doing "anything and everything" to engage residents, from door knocking to stopping to speak with them. She is having a campaign kickoff event on April 10, and is working on an aging in the community initiative, as well as voter registration at Boston Public Schools. She said she is also working towards a long term solution for the opioid crisis, as well as improving accessibility to spaces around the city and making sure that there is enough of the right type of housing for Boston's growing population.

She also believes that childcare amenities are "really important," as well as healthy supermarkets and "transportation that makes sense" for new buildings. She also wants to stress the importance of voting in primaries, and wants people to know that she is available by phone or to meet for coffee to discuss any comments or concerns from the community.

Zakim still has nine and a half months left in his term, and he is excited to continue his work. "It's an incredible district with very engaged residents," Zakim told the Sun. "It's a very unique and rewarding opportunity and I certainly wish [all the candidates] well and encourage them to call people in every neighborhood."

## ZBA approves West End marijuana shop

By John Lynds

An adult use marijuana facility proposed for Friend Street in Boston's West End was approved by the Boston Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).

Ascend Mass Inc., who is proposing a retail marijuana shop at 272 Friend St. received its Conditional Use Permit from the ZBA and will now go to the state's Cannabis Control Commission (CCC) for a license to open an adult use dispensary.

Over the past few months Ascend's Friend Street proposal

has gained community and political support due to its location away from main thoroughfares like Causeway Street,

Headed by former Suffolk County Sheriff Andrea Cabral, Ascend has purchased the Friend Street building and will transform the aging vacant structure into the retail marijuana shop as well as Ascend's corporate headquarters.

Ascend owns the building and are committed to making sure it is safe and secure.

Ascend's proposal includes taking the 15,000 sq. ft. building and transforming it into multiple floors

for its retail marijuana operation. This, the group explained in its power point presentation, would give customers ample space and reduce the number of people that would have to wait outside. They also plan to renovate the facade of the building, limit the marijuana shop signage and install opaque windows to shield interior activity from neighbors and pedestrians walking by.

According to a statement from the team construction on the building should begin next month.

Ascend planned hours of operation are from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**KITCHEN** (from pg. 8)

levels and formal dining room were and remain truly made for entertaining," she said.

During the Creative Kitchens Tour, the mahogany table, with its 12 Beidermeier chairs, handcrafted of crotch mahogany in approximately the year the townhouse was first occupied, will be set as it would have been in 1930 by Lori Hedtler, owner of Devonia Antiques.

Tickets for the Tour, which takes place from 1 - 4 p.m. on

Saturday, April 6, are \$50 in advance, available online at www.beaconhillvillage.org or by calling 617-723-9713, and \$60 on the day of the Tour. They may also be purchased at the Hampshire House at 84 Beacon St. and the Hingham Institution for Savings at 80 Charles St.

A pre-Tour Heart and Hearth luncheon will be held at the Hampshire House from 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. The guest speaker is architect Frank McGuire, who will

speak about History, Histrionics and Hysteria on Beacon Hill: Renovations on Beacon Hill. The cost is \$135, which includes the Tour ticket. Advanced registration required.

A complimentary cocktail reception will be held at the Hampshire House from 3 to 5 p.m. Proceeds from the Tour and Luncheon will benefit Beacon Hill Village.

### SUPPORTING THE CHILDREN



The "Friends" of the West End Branch Public Library recently supported Children's Programming at the library with two important grants to fund Dr. Can Do and Lil Groove Music Programming. Robin Al-Khatib, President of the Friends describes Rebeca Fox, Children's Librarian, as a soft spoken, kind, advocate for high quality programming. With two and a half years experience at the West End Library, the favorite part of her work is watching the children grow and incorporating successful programming focusing on science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics into her programming schedule. Rebeca holds an MS in Library Science and an MA in Children's Literature, both from Simmons University in Boston. Simmons has one of the strongest Children's Literature graduate programs in the United States. Rebeca has shared her expertise in Children's Literature at the last five Children's Literature Association conferences as a Presenter. The two degrees both have a huge influence on the work she does daily at the West End Branch with the community's children. If you have not visited the library with your children in awhile, please stop by and say "hi."



### SPECIAL DELIVERY

Photo by Rob Whitney

The scene on Monday morning after a truck making a delivery to Charles Street business struck an overhanging branch.

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# NEIGHBORHOOD ROUNDUP

## Friends of the Public Garden annual meeting

The Friends of the Public Garden will hold its 49th annual meeting on Thursday, March 28, on 5:30 p.m. in the Alcott Room of the Omni Parker House Hotel at 60 School St.

The meeting will feature a presentation by Chris Cook, Chief of Environment, Energy, and Open Space and Commissioner, Parks and Recreation, City of Boston, on "Competing Interests or Collaborative Challenges: The Emergent Role of our Urban Parks." R.S.V.P. online at [friendsofthepublicgarden.org](http://friendsofthepublicgarden.org).

## King's Chapel's Tuesday Recitals

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

Programming includes Natsumi Malloy on the C.B. Fisk organ performing works by Bach, as well as pop and improvisational pieces, on April 2; "Café Barcelona," with guitarist Peter Griggs performing works by Jobim, flamenco music and more, on April 9; Emily Bieber-Harris (soprano) and Heinrich Christensen (organ) performing works by Bach, Brahms and more on April 16; Circa Harmonie Boston performing the "Mozart Serenade" on April 23; and Some Assembly Required, featuring spiritual works by Stravinsky, Still and more, on April 30.

## Miguel Rosales to speak at Esplanade Association annual meeting

Miguel Rosales will speak on the topic of "The Henry Wadsworth Longfellow and

Frances Elizabeth Appleton Bridges: A Perfect Match" at the Esplanade Association's annual meeting on Tuesday, April 2, in the Clarendon Room at the Park Plaza Hotel at 50 Park Plaza. A members reception takes place at 6 p.m., followed by remarks at 7 p.m.

R.S.V.P. by March 27 to Kelsey Pramik at [kpramik@Esplanade.org](mailto:kpramik@Esplanade.org) or 617-532-0942. For more information, visit [Esplanade.org](http://Esplanade.org).

## December Thieves happenings

December Thieves is partnering with the French Cultural Center for the Clair-obscur fashion show on Friday, April 5, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the French Cultural Center at 53 Marlborough St.

The clair-obscur-themed fashion show, which contrasts light and dark, will feature seven emerging designers from across the globe, including Rundholz Apparel and Trippen Footwear from Germany, Lurdes Bergada from Spain, Nostra Santissima from Italy, Studio B3 from Poland, Nuit Atelier from Canada and Christian Restrepo from Boston; live music; and more than 30 exclusive looks.

The fashion show is comprised of two fashion collection showings with a 10-minute intermission in between. The evening with a wine and hors d'oeuvre reception where guests can mingle and meet the designers. Complimentary light hors d'oeuvres crafted by Chef Cyrille Couet courtesy of Colette Bistro. and an open wine bar will be provided.

The event is curated by Lana Barakat of Beacon Hill's December Thieves boutique, and Boston-designer Christian Restrepo and Toronto, Canada's Nuit Atelier will present their own creations during the show.

Tickets cost \$65 general admission and \$45 each for French

Cultural Center members, and can be purchased at [frenchculturalcenter.org/events/clair-obscur-fashion-show-with-december-thieves/](http://frenchculturalcenter.org/events/clair-obscur-fashion-show-with-december-thieves/).

Also, December Thieves will be hosting an in-store, pop-up and designer meet-and-greet event featuring the launch of the spring collection from Nuit Atelier on Saturday, April 6, from noon to 6 p.m. at 51 Charles St. A champagne and charcuterie reception will also take place from 2 to 4 p.m.

R.S.V.P. to [info@decemberthieves.com](mailto:info@decemberthieves.com).

## Hill House's Senior Dinners

Hill House serves a hot meal to the seniors of the community on the third Tuesday of each month, including April 16 and May 21, at 74 Joy St.

No sign up is required for the seniors, and they are more than welcome to come by for a meal and socialization. Volunteers are always welcome at Senior Dinners, and little ones can help, too.

Contact [madamczyk@hillhouse-boston.org](mailto:madamczyk@hillhouse-boston.org) or 617-227-5838 ext. 22 to learn more about the requirements for this monthly event.

## BSNJ Community Children's Chorus

The Boston Society of The New Jerusalem (BSNJ) Community Children's Chorus is a comprehensive musical training program for children in the third through seventh grades.

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

The group meets at 140 Bowdoin St. on Saturday morn-

ings. Tuition is free for any child with a Greater Boston-area address. All levels of singing ability are welcome. To register, contact Carlton Doctor at 617-523-4575 or visit [www.churchonthehillboston.org](http://www.churchonthehillboston.org) (click on "music.")

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

## MGH seeking volunteers

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

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

## 'Coloring for Adults' at the West End Branch Library

The West End Branch of the Boston Public Library, located at 151 Cambridge St., presents "Color Your World: Coloring for Adults" on Fridays from 2 to 4 p.m.

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

Call 617-523-3957 for more information.

## Spanish/English Language Exchange

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

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

Call 617-523-3957 for more information.

## BSNJ Community Children's Chorus

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

Your child will be participating

in a program that promotes: the love of music, expressive singing, teamwork-cooperative learning, building new friendships, self-assessment and the fun of being in a well organized program.

The rehearsals take place at 140 Bowdoin St. on Tuesday afternoons. Tuition is free for any child with a Boston address. All levels of singing ability are welcome. To sign up, please contact Mr. Doctor at 617-523-4575 or visit [www.churchonthehillboston.org](http://www.churchonthehillboston.org) (click on "music").

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

## 'Preschool Story Hour' at West End Branch Library

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

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

## ESL conversation group resumes meeting at West End Branch Library

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

## 'Toddler Time' at the West End Branch Library

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

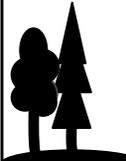
At this time, children ages 18 months to 3 years and their caregivers join the children's librarian for developmentally appropriate stories, rhymes, movement, and songs. Drop-in for families, and groups, should contact the library ahead of time at 617-523-3957.

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## NEIGHBORHOOD ROUNDUP

### Get homework help at the West End Branch Library

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

Get help from a Boston Public Schools teacher. No appointment necessary; simply drop in with your homework. Call 617-523-3957 for more information.

### Compassionate Friends group reaches out to bereaved parents, families

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

TCF is a national self-help, mutual-assistance organization offering friendship, understanding and hope to bereaved parents and their families. Call 617-539-6424 or e-mail [tcfof-boston@gmail.com](mailto:tcfof-boston@gmail.com) for more information.

### West End Food Pantry seeking donations

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

The pantry is located in the West End Branch of the Boston Public Library and is staffed by volunteers from ABCD's North End/West End Neighborhood

Service Center. Non-perishable (canned and boxed) items are being sought, including rice, pasta, canned tuna, canned chicken, chili, beans, vegetables, cereal, soups, cup of noodles, etc.

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

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

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

### West End Playgroup meets Tuesday mornings

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

This is a free drop-in time to let kids play and adults chat with one another. Small toy donations are welcome.

### "Grow with the Library"

The Friends of the West End Branch of the Boston Public Library is hosting a lecture on the emotional, psychological and health benefits of plants in your apartment, condo or home on April 11, 6:30 p.m. A few strategically placed plants can really transform your decor and be an affordable, and beneficial renovation technique. Come hear the owner of Niche Urban Gardening share her expertise on how to maximize your plant purchases. The "Friends" will be having a raffle of plants, donated by Niche, to Friends in attendance. The "Friends" membership fees along with book sales, fund library programming and events. All are welcome to attend.



The West End Branch of the Boston Public Library is the cultural, civic, and educational center of our community. On April 10, the "Friends of the West End Library" will be celebrating National Library Workers Day between 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Please stop by, say hi, and join us in recognizing Helen Bender, and her staff in their excellence in service and attention to all patrons. The celebration is organized by the Friends of the West End Library. We are a group of patrons who use membership fees and book sales proceeds to fund programs and supplies for the library. We recently approved and funded two children's programs including Dr. Feel Good and Lil Groove music makers. For more information, or how to join, simply ask me or any of the staff at the Library.

### Yoga for seniors at the West End Branch Library

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

### Volunteers needed for hot meal program

The North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center (NE/WE NSC), located at 1 Michelangelo St., serves a hot, fresh, home-cooked lunch to seniors in the neighborhood Mondays and Fridays, and is looking for two volunteers to help with shopping, food preparation, cooking, serving and

clean-up. The non-profit providing services and programs to low-income residents of the North End, West End and Beacon Hill is looking for volunteers who can assist with the whole meal from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on a Monday and/or Friday, but can make arrangements to fit your schedule.

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

### Volunteer at Spaulding Rehab

Stay active, meet new people and be connected with your community by volunteering at Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital. Staff members will match your skills

and interests to a volunteer opportunity. The hospital is currently recruiting volunteers, ages 18 and up, for two- to three-hour-a-week shifts for a minimum of six to 12 months commitment. Visit [www.spauldingnetwork.org](http://www.spauldingnetwork.org) for more information.

### After-work tai chi group at the West End Branch Library

The West End Branch of the Boston Public Library, 151 Cambridge St., welcomes after-work tai chi group every Thursday from 5 to 6 p.m. Come and try this low impact energy exercise with yang-style tai chi instructor Arthur Soo-Hoo.

### LEGAL NOTICE

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Mary Elizabeth Mahoney  
Date of Death: 12/19/2018  
To all interested persons:  
A Petition for Formal Probate of

Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Reverend Daniel J. Mahoney of Charlestown, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Reverend Daniel J. Mahoney of Charlestown, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration. You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 04/24/2019. This is NOT a hearing date, but a

deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty days (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you. UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate,

including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: March 20, 2019  
Felix D. Arroyo,  
Register of Probate

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### LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS SUFFOLK, SS. DOCKET NUMBER: SU18P0928

To all persons interested in the matter of: Richard T. Torpey of Boston in said County of Suffolk – a person under conservatorship. A petition has been presented to

said Court, for license to sell a private sale-certain real estate of Richard T. Torpey of 851 Beacon Street, Boston, MA 022125 in the County of Suffolk, for maintenance and praying that the petitioner Regina Towne Bragdon may become the purchaser of said real estate.

EXHIBIT A  
Legal Description of Property  
A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon in said Boston being lot No. 4 on a plan made by Morton and Quinby, dated March 3, 1892, and recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 2050, Page 418, and bounded:  
NORTHWESTERLY by Beacon Street, twenty and 34/100 (20.34) feet;  
NORTHEASTERLY by lot No. 3 on said plan, one hundred and twenty (120) feet;

SOUTHEASTERLY by a ten foot passageway, twenty and 34/100 (20.34) feet; and  
SOUTHWESTERLY by lot No. 5 on said plan, one hundred and twenty (120) feet. Containing 2,440.8 square feet of land.  
Said premises are conveyed subject to restrictions of record in so far as now in force and applicable and also to the provisions of the party wall agreement recorded with said Deeds, Book 2074, Page 605, and zoning restrictions and set back line placed on this block by the City of Boston.  
Being the same premises described in a deed dated March 16, 1990 to Bernadette M. Torpey dated March 16, 1990, and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds at

Book 16168, Page 248. Also see Estate of Bernadette M. Torpey, Suffolk Probate & Family Court, Docket No. SU06P1357EP1. The address of the property is 851 Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02115.  
If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Boston before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the 11th day of April 2019, the return day of this citation.  
Witness, BRIAN J. DUNN, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this 19th day of March, 2019.  
Felix Arroyo,  
Register of Probate Court

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