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The staff of Scampo including, left to right: Jay Baker, general manager; Carah McLaughlin, event director; Alex Pineda, executive chef; Lydia Shire, owner and chef; and Simon Restrepo, executive chef.

Scampo at the Liberty Hotel reopens

By Dan Murphy

When Scampo at the Liberty Hotel reopened Tuesday, Sept. 1, after a nearly six-month respite due to the pandemic, Lydia Shire, the James Beard award-winning celebrity chef and owner, could be found working the dessert station as a pastry chef.

"I'm going back to my old time," said Shire, who will remain working at this post for the foreseeable future. "People can come up to the dessert station and say 'hi' to me. We're going back to our roots, like we're opening up the restaurant up new."

Scampo's staff spent two weeks "cleaning every inch of the restaurant," Shire said, before she sat down with them all last Friday to give them a tutorial on the new menu in what resembles a classroom setting. The menu, which changes four times each year with the seasons, offers 31 returning and new dishes this time, as opposed to the 55 different dishes it typically boasts.

"Some restaurants are offering 15 or 16 menu items, but we can't do that at Scampo," Shire said. "We're a place that has always served fabulous pizza, and we have a spaghetti menu that I think is Number One in the city, along with our homemade pastas."

Along with signature dishes like the lobster and lamb pizzas, the Scampo duck with red cabbage pierogi and cider syrup is one new standout seasonal dish on the current menu.

"We made the filling yesterday, and it has a little cranberry," Shire said, "and it has cider syrup we reduced, spiced up and poured around the duck, which is fallish."

And for dessert, Shire said, "We're making an insane pecan cake with brown-butter toffee frosting."

Maria Podaza is also back two or three times a week preparing the restaurant's homemade pasta, including a sugar pumpkin agnolotti in white truffle pasta with candied chestnuts and toasted sage.

"As we're ramping up, we'll have her in more often," Shire said. "We're being very cautious, and we're going to do this right and bring people back as needed, which is the smart business decision."

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Happening on Charles Street

Real estate broker urges landlords to work together with retail tenants

By Dan Murphy

In order for the market for retail rentals on Charles Street to recover, landlords need to adjust their expectations and be more willing to strike a compromise with prospective tenants, according to one real estate broker in the know.

"On Charles Street, landlords aren't used to this kind of environment, which is unique, granted," said Joe Govern, a broker with Street & Company's 78 Charles St. office. "I think they need to be more willing to consider the risks retailers are taking in this market and meet them halfway and give them some concessions, rather than have the burden be one-sided."

But Govern also acknowledges that landlords can't afford to take a gamble on a risky proposition, especially in the current economic climate, adding, "On the other hand, the landlord wants tenants they think are going to succeed so it's not totally callous but rather the normal way commercial leases are handled."

As of Friday, 19 businesses had closed on Charles Street since the pandemic struck, Govern said, leaving about 40 remaining (albeit many now have reduced hours and staff).

And as for new retail leases executed on Charles Street amid the pandemic, one retail business downsized to a smaller location on Charles Street through a deal that Govern credits to an understanding landlord, while the Blessing Barn – a nonprofit thrift/antique shop whose proceeds benefit the programs of Mendon-based Compassion New England – has a grand opening for its new 122

(CHARLES STREET, *Pg. 4)*

BHS works to keep its community of lifelong learners together

Special to the Beacon Hill Times

Beacon Hill Seminars was finalizing plans to celebrate its 20th anniversary last spring when the pandemic forced an unexpected change in plans.

More than 200 members were enrolled in 25 courses when COVID-19 put a temporary end to BHS' in-person classes at Prescott House, King's Chapel Parish House, The Engineering Center and other historic venues around Beacon Hill.

"We were fortunate to be able to quickly move a handful of our cancelled courses online last spring," noted Bill Sherden, Beacon Hill resident and president of Beacon Hill Seminars. "While many in our community were skeptical about holding classes online, over 90 members signed up for three online pilot courses, and the feedback was very positive."

BHS provided Zoom training for all course registrants and its members appreciated being able to connect with each other, as well as to continue some of their classes. Weekly attendance was high, and many appreciated the convenience of learning from home, whether on Beacon Hill or elsewhere. Members also noted the benefits of viewing art, photography and other presentations on their own

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BEACON HILL CIVIC ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY CORNER

By Patricia Tully,
BHCA Executive Director

Use the BOS:311 app –It works!

It's easy to feel frustrated these days with all that is going on around us. Broken sidewalks, litter, and graffiti only add to that frustration. However, the City of Boston has a tool that works if we all use it regularly.

In my almost daily walkabouts around the neighborhood, I always find something to send to BOS:311. On August 24th, I noticed excessive trash in front of 180 Cambridge Street. I filed a report on my phone with the 311 app, and sent this first picture with it. When I arrived to my desk 5 minutes later, I had an email saying the complaint had been received and it would be dealt with. To my surprise, not even an hour after the first message, I had another email stating

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How did Beacon Hill Vote? See Page 12 for Election story.

EDITORIAL

ENJOY A SAFE LABOR DAY WEEKEND

"Time and tide wait for no man," wrote the poet.

The summer of 2020 is entering its final week as we approach the traditional Labor Day weekend and once again the summer season has flown by much faster than any of us would have liked, especially during a time when we find ourselves being held hostage by a microscopic virus.

But the calendar never lies and soon the summer of '20 will be just a memory.

Ordinarily, our end-of-summer editorial recalls the happiness and joy that the summer months have brought us. But this era of a pandemic has forced all of us to abandon almost every aspect of our traditional summer rituals, both big and small and on both communal and personal levels.

As this most awful of summer seasons winds down to just a few precious days, we certainly understand the desire on the part of many (if not all of us) to just let it all out, so to speak: "If this is the last, let's make it a blast!"

But amidst the chaos in our lives, one thing that has not changed, and that requires even more urgency than usual, is our annual admonition to our readers to enjoy the Labor Day weekend safely.

We certainly do not wish to rain on anyone's parade, so to speak, but we would be remiss if we failed to urge our readers that if they intend to have a good time, they should do so safely, both for themselves and their loved ones.

First and foremost, excessive drinking does not mix with anything -- whether it be boating, driving, water sports, hiking, bicycling, or just about any activity that requires some degree of coordination and observance of the rules of safety.

The news reports will be full of tragic stories over the weekend of those who died or were seriously injured in accidents that could have been avoided had excessive drinking not been involved.

In addition, though this is a holiday weekend for us, we must remember that the COVID-19 does not take a holiday. It always is lurking and seeking new victims who do not wear a face mask in public and who do not practice appropriate physical distancing at all times.

We must do our part to ensure that none of our loved ones -- let alone ourselves -- are among the inevitable, sad statistics.

We wish all of our readers a happy -- and safe -- Labor Day weekend.

A SUMMER OF CHAOS AND TRAGEDY

As America approached the Memorial Day weekend of 2020, the death toll from COVID-19 in the United States stood at just under 100,000 of our fellow Americans.

But now, three months later, that number soon will have doubled, as our nation's death toll from the virus approaches an astonishing and tragic 200,000 persons.

On May 25, a Black man, George Floyd, was murdered by a white Minneapolis police officer, who kept his knee on Mr. Floyd's neck for more than eight minutes while Mr. Floyd lay prone on the ground until Mr. Floyd stopped breathing.

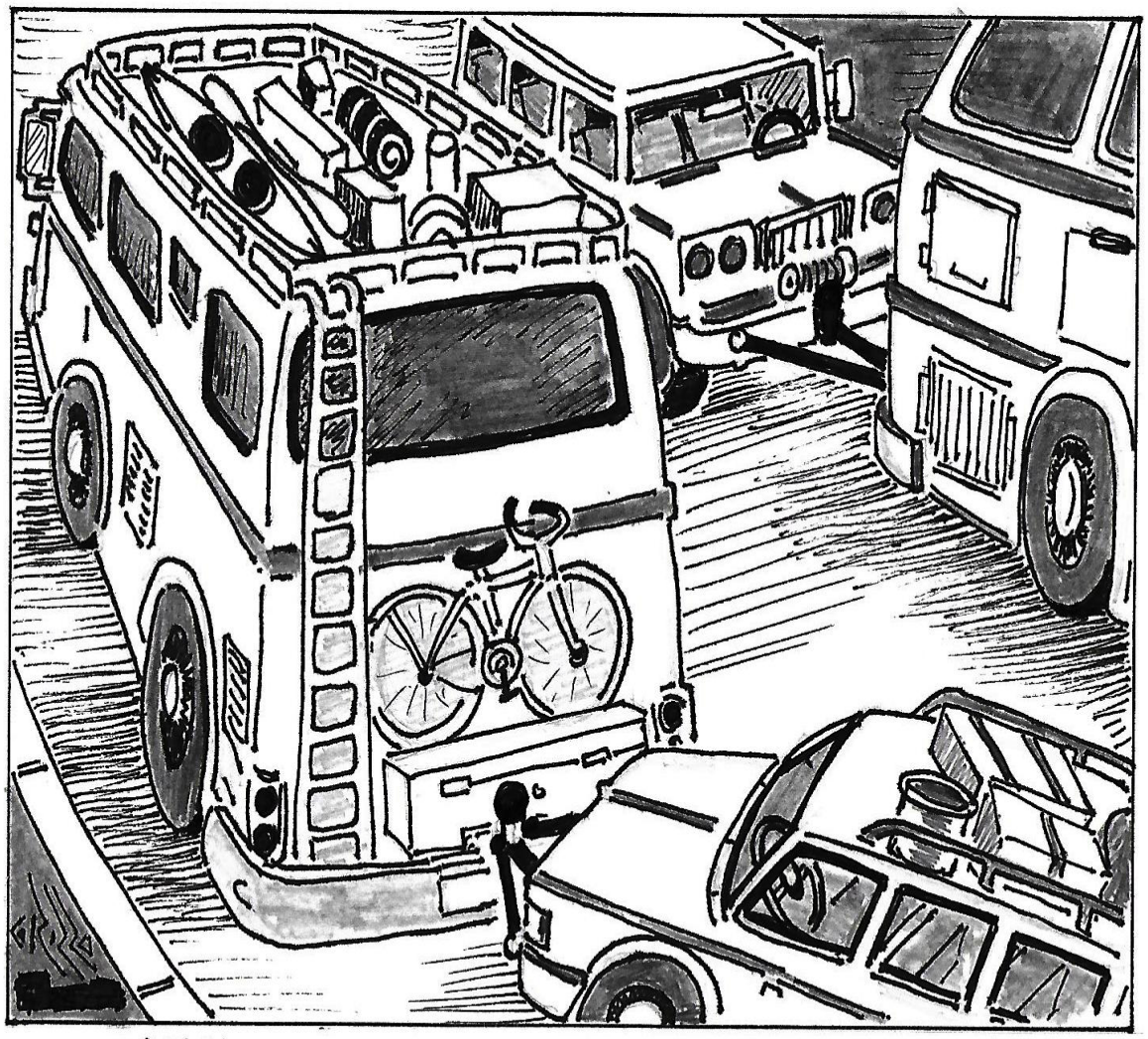
Three months later, a white Kenosha, Wisconsin police officer shot a Black man, Jacob Blake, seven times in the back in front of his three young sons, leaving Mr. Blake paralyzed from the waist down.

Neither Mr. Floyd nor Mr. Blake posed a threat to any of the officers such that the officers were justified in using deadly force.

In May 2020, our national unemployment rate and number of business failures stood at levels not seen since the Great Depression. Three months later, the improvement has been minimal with the spectre of worse to come thanks to the inaction by our leaders in Washington.

The Summer of 2020 has been a tragic disaster in this country by any and every measure. But instead of learning from our mistakes in order to move forward, our national leadership has offered no plan to alleviate the many problems we are facing.

Instead of giving us hope that better days lie ahead, the present administration's dysfunction has ensured that America will continue to spiral downward.



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

VIRUS INFECTION RATES NOT BROKEN DOWN BY NEIGHBORHOOD

To the Editor,

The Aug. 27 Article "COVID-19 update for Beacon Hill" incorrectly states that the infection rate for Beacon Hill has risen 8.7 percent. Unfortunately, the Boston Public Health commission lumps Beacon Hill COVID data with the North End, Back Bay, West End and Downtown. It is not possible to calculate any COVID data for only Beacon Hill. There have been less than 16 positive cases per week for all of the combined neighborhoods over the past month. Therefore, even a 10-percent increase results in less than two more people in all of these neighborhoods testing positive compared to the previous week. I have requested the breakdown for each these neighborhoods on July 3 and have not heard back from the BPH department. The State Department of Health has responded to say they do not have that data.

Diana Coldren

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Attention to Detail

By Penny Cherubino

THIS WEEK'S ANSWER

The swag in the clue is above the sign for the Capitol Coffee House at 122 Bowdoin Street. Stopping here is a long-time Boston tradition for those with business at the statehouse or to grab a quick bite while in the neighborhood. Their website shows photos of the team from as far back as 1979 right up to the present.

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

Neighborhood Roundup

Enrollment open for Beacon Hill/Back Bay Girl Scout Troop 65321

Girl Scout Troop 65321, covering the Beacon Hill and Back Bay neighborhoods, is accepting enrollment for new scouts entering Kindergarten and first grade (fall 2020). Meetings are held on Monday nights, approximately once or twice a month, at the Advent Church on Beacon Hill. To enroll your daughter or for information on enrollment for other grades, e-mail Jill Hauff at jill.hauff@gmail.com.

Please Recycle

The Blessing Barn comes to 122 Charles St.

The Blessing Barn is the newest addition to Charles Street's retail landscape.

Like its original Mendon location, the business at 122 Charles St. is a thrift and antique shop, as well as a self-described "sharing center," that accepts donations of and sells new and gently used clothing, linens, home decor, furniture, kitchen items, toys, records, books and wall art, among myriad other items, with all proceeds going to support the Mendon-based nonprofit, Compassion New England.

A grand opening for the new Charles Street location is slated for Saturday, Sept. 5, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., according to The Blessing Barn's Facebook page.

Visit theblessingbarn.com for more information.

D. MURPHY PHOTO

Blessing Barn staffer Elyse McCutchen inside the new Charles Street store.

CHARLES STREET *(from pg. 1)*

Charles St. location planned for Saturday, Sept. 5, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Unlike the three- to five-year leases that are commonplace for retail rentals on the street, Govern said these are instead both six-month leases "with the option to renew, depending on how the market pans out."

Govern likens these short-term leasing arrangements to pop-up stores, which he encourages landlords to explore as another option for filling vacant retail spaces.

"If a landlord is sitting with a vacant property, it makes sense to do something [like a pop-up store] to tide them over," he said.

Other prospective tenants have also recently looked at retail spaces on Charles Street, but they still have yet to strike a deal with their respective landlords.

"While they haven't bitten the bullet and signed a lease yet, at least they're thinking about it," Govern said. "There's a learning curve that's hopefully going to be accomplished or achieved and more deals will be struck."

As for state of retail on the street, Govern believes the downturn really started before the pandemic struck as consumers increasingly began buying more goods online.

"Even bigger brick-and-mortar stores [are vying] with the internet as more people are shopping online," he said, "and with the creation of Amazon, people are used to getting [their orders] in a day or two, so it's a challenge."

Still, Charles Street continues to consistently draw steady foot-traffic and remains what Govern calls a "mecca for boutique stores."

Said Govern: "The spaces are too small for big-box establishments…and what makes it unique is the street caters to these one-of-a-kind stores that serve the neighborhood."

Meanwhile, Govern remains optimistic that the retail rental market on Charles Street will eventually rebound, although when and how that will happen is anyone's guess.

"It'll come back eventually," he said, "but who knows what it will look like."

SCAMPO *(from pg. 1)*

Like the rest of the restaurant's employees, Jay Baker, Scampo's general manger, said Friday he too was eager to return to work.

"We have a great staff, and we're blessed that we didn't have to look any for any [new employees]," Baker said. "Our staff is willing, ready and able to get back to work."

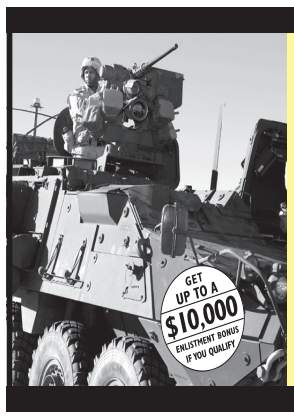
Scampo has always been a popular destination to "escape," Baker said, as well as to celebrate noteworthy occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries and graduations. But things are different now, though, as evidenced by Friday's staff meeting, which in addition to the tutorial on the new menu, also included a briefing on the new safety regulations that the restaurant has adopted in response to the pandemic.

"It's going to be an adjustment," Baker said. "I've always hugged the guests and given them a kiss on the cheek, and I can't do that now. It's not easy being in hospitality business when your job is to be welcoming with a smile on your face, and you're wearing a mask."

Moreover, Baker said, "I know a lot of our guests personally. We have huge following because of Lydia, and because of the restaurant itself, and that comes with service, food and ambience."

Scampo is now open offering dinner every night except Sunday from 5 to 10 p.m., although it will be closed Monday, Sept. 7, in observance of Labor Day.

To make reservations at Scampo, visit scampoboston.com or call the restaurant at 857-241-1150.



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News Briefs

THE BEACON HILL WOMEN'S FORUM WILL HOST THEIR FIRST SPEAKER OF THE SEASON

On September 8, The Beacon Hill Women's Forum will host their first speaker of the 2020-2021 season, Uzochi Erlingsson, M.D. Uzochi Erlingsson, M.D is a published MD scientist and an NIH grant recipient with experience in clinical and research medicine with a focus on Biochemical Genetics (Inborn Errors of Metabolism). A medical doctor by vocation, she has since adopted early stage investment. Currently she is the Founding partner of Haegrun Holdings where she is an accomplished executive and business analyst within the healthcare and wellness sector and private equity

Uzochi Erlingsson, M.D.

industries. She is also a Science Collaborator at Harvard Medical School. She and her Husband Erik and 2 kids reside in Beacon Hill.

The Beacon Hill Women's Forum is a nonprofit organization established to help bring women in and around Beacon Hill together to form a close community of support and inspiration. We welcome a speaker, always a woman with a unique, formidable story to tell, to our monthly Forums which meet on the second Tuesday of the month, virtually, from 6pm to 8pm (virtual social hour, followed by the program starting at 7pm sharp). Visit The Beacon Hill Women's Forum website to learn more about our membership options. www.beaconhillwomensforum.org

ABCD NORTH END/ WEST END NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER COMMUNITY FOOD PROGRAM

The ABCD North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center (NE/WE NSC) is pleased to announce the expansion of its community food program. These are unprecedented times, as the pandemic continues after all these months. The NE/WE NSC has increased its donations of fresh produce, non-perishables, and other household staples. Would you or someone you know find some groceries helpful? This program is open to all friends and neighbors in the community. So what are you waiting for? Call 617-523-8125 to schedule a contactless pick up of food by appointment! All are welcome!

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS WANTED

The ABCD North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center (NE/WE NSC) has openings for new advisory board members. The center provides social services and educational services for those in need, which is primarily the elderly of the North End, West End, and Beacon Hill, along with families. Duties include attending four 90-minute meetings a year (October, January, April, July), which are virtual at present, as well as providing oversight and advice to the center. NE/WE NSC has a strong preference for members who live and/or work in the North End and West End. The site welcomes persons with backgrounds in non-profit work, finance, event planning, and/or elder services, and those who have a passion for the elderly and the North End and West End neighborhoods. Please call Maria Stella Gulla, Director, at 617-523-8125 or email at mariastella.gulla@bostonabcd.org for more information. Thank you for your interest!

BHS *(from pg. 1)*

computers and iPads. Online classes were also recorded for members that missed a session or two.

This fall, Beacon Hill Seminars is offering 15 online courses covering a range of topics including the arts, history, music, literature, current events and the sciences. To learn more about these six- to eight-week courses, visit beaconhillseminars.org, and sign up for the free virtual Kickoff Event on Wednesday, Sept. 9, at 2 p.m. to see BHS' course leaders briefly introduce their fall courses.

BHS looks forward to returning to in-person classes at some point next year, but its program will forever be changed and improved due to its online experience. In the future, BHS will work to offer a mix of in-person and online classes in an effort to continue to engage members that cannot, for whatever reason, attend classes in person.

"Our goal", noted Bill Sherden, "is to continue to work to keep our expanding community of lifelong learners actively engaged and learning together, whether online or in person."

For more information, visit beaconhillseminars.org.

Art historian and former Beacon Hill resident Liana Cheney led a course on Paduan Art for BHS members from her home in Florida last spring.

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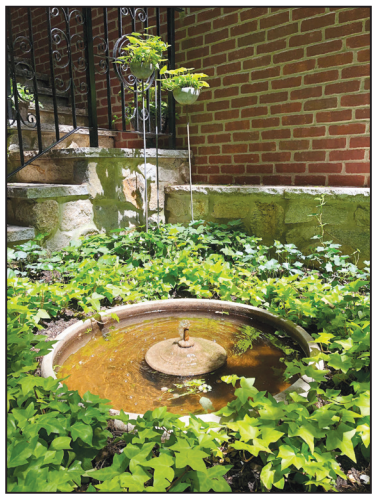
Miguel Rosales recognized in Mayor's Garden Contest for third year in a row

By Dan Murphy

Beacon Hill resident Miguel Rosales was recognized in Mayor Martin Walsh's annual Garden Contest for the third consecutive year during a virtual ceremony on Tuesday, Aug. 25.

"The hidden gardens of Beacon Hill are unique in the City of Boston because of their enclosed nature," said Rosales, who received second place in the Shade Garden category and was the only winner from the neighborhood in any category in this year's 24th annual Mayor's Garden Contest. "They have evolved and thrived since the 1920s when what were previously service areas in the back of historic townhouses started to be converted into urban gardens."

Rosales' garden boasts a 120-foot tall Sugar Maple, which is believed to be the only of its kind in the neighborhood. The tree has created a unique micro-environment in which only certain kinds of shade-loving plants can grow, Rosales said, and plants that have flourished in the walled-garden include Native Ferns, English and Algerian Ivy, varieties of Japanese Aralias, Boxwoods and medium-sized Japanese Maples.



Rosales received first and second place awards in the Shade Garden category last year and in 2018, respectively, in the contest, which according to the city, "recognizes gardeners who have landscaped, planted flowers, trees, shrubs, and vegetables, and in the process, helped beautify Boston's neighborhoods."

Ryan Woods, the commissioner of the city's Parks and Recreation Department who presided over the virtual awards ceremony with Mayor Walsh, wrote in an email: "Miguel Rosales has been an active gardener in Beacon Hill for many years. In addition to his own private garden, he helps maintain and care for several gardens in public space for residents to enjoy. We congratulate Miguel and thank him for all his volunteer efforts to help Boston bloom."

PHOTOS BY JOHN COREY

Beacon Hill resident Miguel Rosales' garden, which was recognized last week for the third consecutive year in Mayor Martin Walsh's annual Garden Contest

As a third-time winner, Rosales will be eligible to serve as a contest judge beginning next year after his official induction into the Hall of Fame.

"Urban gardening improves and enhances neighborhoods to the benefit of all," said Rosales, "and I am very proud to represent Beacon Hill in the citywide contest as a longtime resident and as a member of the Beacon Hill Garden Club."

A Story Map featuring photos of Mayor Martin Walsh's Garden Contest winners and their gardens is available at www.boston.gov/GardenContest.

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spaghetti cacio e pepe 15
spaghetti bolognese 19
spaghetti vongole 20
spaghetti w/ cracklings & hot pepper 17
spaghetti carbonara 19

starters :
- cup of chestnut & celery root soup .. crisp duck leg confit 17
- calamari fritto w/shishito peppers .. pepperoncini & spicy lemon aioli 19
- caesar salad 15
- arugula salad 14

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- swordfish w/ char-grilled octopus .. smoked paprika polenta 39
- brick chicken , white pumpkin puree w/ black truffles .. chinese celery leaf pesto 31
- scampo duck .. red cabbage pierogi .. cider syrup * 40
- kurobuta pork chop torched w/ brown muscovado sugar .. parsnips & light miso mustard * 41
- prime skirt steak w/ crisped shishito peppers, japanese perfection sauce & polenta 'fries' 38

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lobster risotto, tomato 'powder', guanciale 'leaves' .. crisped brussels sprout leaves 28
spinach gnocchi gnudi w/ shaved moliterno cheese, golden raisins … spot of pistachio pesto 23

sides :
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Poll Power:
Women's suffrage celebrates 100 years, with caveats

By Seth Daniel

It was a note from mom that changed the landscape for women to get the right to vote 100 years ago on Aug. 18, and 100 years later it has led to a lot of victories and a lot of sobering realities too.

The caveat, of course – and one that must be stated, is that African American women did not win the right to vote 100 years ago, but rather not until the 1960s Voting Rights Act.

That said, the milestone was celebrated in a muted way this week due to COVID-19 restrictions, but Aug. 18, 1920 was the day that cleared the way for the largest single increase in voting in American history – known as Ratification Day. And it did come down to one vote by Tennessee state legislator whose mother shamed him into doing the right thing.

Harry Burn was a very young state representative at the time in Tennessee from a very small town, and it was his mother's note that changed his mind.

"It didn't look like Tennessee was going to approve the amendment," said Karen Price of the League of Women Voters in Mas-

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WOMAN'S JOURNAL, 1891

At the Boston Women's Memorial on the Comm Ave Mall, there is a constant reminder of those women who fought for equality in all things – including voting. Pictured here is Lucy Stone, a long-time advocate of suffrage for women. While a leading voice in Women's Rights issues in the late 1800s, she died nearly 30 years before some women won the right to vote. The 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment occurred this week on Aug. 18.

Early voting for Massachusetts Primary kicks off in Boston

By John Lynds

The City of Boston Election Department kicked off 'Early Voting' in Boston for the Massachusetts Primary over the weekend at several polling locations.

In Beacon Hill, voters will head to the polls on Sept. 1 during the state primary and cast ballots for Senator in Congress, Representative in Congress, Governor's Councillors, Senator in General Court, Representative in General Court, and Register of Probate.

However, voters were able to cast early ballots at several sites across the city on Saturday and Sunday and hundreds of registered voters did so over the weekend.

Beacon Hill voters can continue to vote early through Friday, Aug. 28 at Boston City Hall between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. on Thursday.

In Beacon Hill, voters will make their choice for Massachusetts U.S. Senate between incumbent U.S. Senator Ed Markey or Congressman Joseph Kennedy III. Republican Shiva Ayyadurai is running against Kevin O'Connor on the Repulican side and the primary winner will face either Markey or Kennedy in the General Election.

Incumbent U.S. Congressman

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PUBLIC GARDEN LAGOON DRAINED

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department began draining the Public Garden Lagoon last week after its bacterial-laden water had become unsafe for wildlife and at least 20 ducks reportedly died there.

In addition to the unusually hot, dry weather this summer, which has stimulated bacteria and algae growth, the Swan Boats are on hold this year, along with their paddle wheels, which introduce oxygen into the Lagoon and create turbulence that discourages unwanted growth there, according to the city.

Throughout the month of July, the city engaged a lake and pond management company to test and

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The drained Public Garden Lagoon.

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Election Day poll workers in Boston receive two hours of paid training to prepare them for their assignment on Election Day, and a stipend for their day of public service. Election Day poll worker responsibilities include:

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* Prevent interference with the voting process and assists voters in accordance with the law;
* Check voters in, hand out

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For the latest news in Beacon Hill that you need to know, check www.beaconhilltimes.com

For all the latest news in the neighborhood

BHCA *(from pg. 1)*

that the matter had been closed and the trash removed. Doubtful, I went to look and, sure enough, the sidewalk was clean.

The BHCA encourages neighbors to use the BOS:311 app on their mobile devices freely and often to report missing bricks/dangerous sidewalks, litter, overflowing trash cans, resident trash out illegally (not on trash pickup days - early mornings), rodent sightings, abandoned bicycles, graffiti, dead trees, and many other unsafe situations.

There are multiple ways to get in touch, including through the mobile app, by calling 311, tweeting, or through the City of Boston website at www.cityofboston.gov/311. Together, we can work towards cleaner and safer streets and sidewalks.

As a reminder, if your issue is an emergency (house fire, crime in progress, etc.), please dial 911.

Before and after pictures at 180 Cambridge Street.

Temple Street Park Water Supply

Residents on Temple Street have a little something to be pleased about after a long period of life-altering noise and construction with the redevelopment of the Archer-Donahue buildings.

These buildings at the top of Temple Street were once owned and occupied by Suffolk University, and were used as classroom and administrative space, a theatre and a large cafeteria for students. In July of 2015, the developer acquired the buildings from Suffolk and plans were created to transform these buildings into residential condominiums.

When Suffolk occupied these buildings on Temple Street, they took care of the watering with a long hose from the Suffolk building across the street to the Temple Street Park. Since then, the developer (JDMD Owner LLC), through the Boston Planning & Development Agency (BPDA), agreed to certain Public Benefit Commitments, including providing monies for a permanent water supply installation at the park itself.

BHCA member Genean Stec and BHCA Directors Patrick Lee and Kathy Judge pose with a mail-in ballot drop box at City Hall.

City of Boston contractors installing water supply to the Temple Street Park

Last week, this installation was finally done, thanks to coordination between the City of Boston Parks Department, Consigli Construction, the BHCA and the Friends of Temple Street Park. Now the park will have its own water supply, and when the Archer-Donahue residences are complete later this month and the bricks and paving repaired, life will hopefully return to normal in the Temple Street Park, an urban oasis for the neighborhood.

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Upcoming BHCA meetings and activities:

Beacon Hill Meet & Greet - Monday, September 7 at 6pm (contact the BHCA office for details)

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Councilor Wu holds panel discussion on Green New Deal

By Lauren Bennett

City Councilor Michelle Wu held a virtual panel discussion on August 20 to discuss a Green New Deal for Boston at the municipal level, where she invited several community activists to offer their viewpoints on the matter.

Wu recently released a report outlining her proposed Green New Deal for Boston, which can be found on her website. She said the "main structure" of the plan includes "why we so urgently need climate action in this moment" and why the City should act now.

Nina Schlegel, lead author of the report, said that 60 community members attended a breakfast last October to start discussing what a Green New Deal would look like for Boston.

"This report is just one step in a longer process that ultimately will come to fruition in a Green New Deal for Boston," Schlegel said. She said the process will continue at various community hearings and events like this one. We have enormous powers; zoning powers and others that we can implement to create substantive change," she added.

"We are living through an emergency that has widened the inequities in our communities," Councilor Wu said, and has "compounded existing violences like classism and racism. Whenever there's injustice in any community, it threatens us all. We're at at turning point; we need to step up and act."

She said a "specific city level Green New Deal" is needed to create healthy environment for all Bostonians. She said that climate justice at the city level includes things like accelerating decarbonization, clean energy financing, resilient stormwater infrastructure, and fostering a healthy urban tree canopy, according to a presentation.

"City governments by necessity must be practical, accessible, and accountable to residents," Wu said. She said food supplies and jobs could be brought to urban neighborhoods through this plan, and it also leaves room for advocating to the state and federal governments as well.

"This is the moment to examine the failures of the status quo, to do what is right, what is moral, to change the arc of history so that the future bends towards justice as quickly as we can possibly put our energy into doing," she said.

She said the City's "task" is to transform systems, and systems changes should be "people centered," democratic, justice oriented, and address the root causes of issues through a community-led process.

"Together, we can reimagine the kind of city we've always wanted to live in and make it happen," Wu said. "This is all not just possible, but practical. It is what we are aiming for every day."

Panelists in the discussion included Maya Mudgal of the Sunrise Movement, Mela Miles, transit oriented development director for Alternatives for Community and Environment, Roxana Rivera, head of the 32BJ Service Employees International Union District 615, political activist representing 350 Mass Bob Tumposky, Gabriela Cartagena of City Life/Vida Urbana, and Nina Schlegel, a Boston-based climate justice researcher and activist and the the lead author of the report.

Mudgal said she has "been really excited about the report," and she said it's especially important to focus on a Green New Deal at the municipal level because the city "can't wait for federal or even the state government to get initiatives in place."

She said, "I think local problems require local solutions and local experts." fShe said that while she feels a federal Green New Deal is still important, "I'm really excited for Boston to lead on a municipal level."

> ***"Together, we can reimagine the kind of city we've always wanted to live in and make it happen..."***
>
> *— Michelle Wu*

Miles said that while the idea behind a Green New Deal began at the national level, "locally, we need to address issues of affordable and possibly electric transportation," she said.

She said that making sure everyone can afford access to reliable transportation and "to really get behind the electric vehicle infrastructure" is important.

"We've been working on looking at free public transportation and changing the whole structure so we don't have to utilize the fare structure system," she said. She added that focusing on zero emissions buildings "so that a green, sustainably built building is not a luxury."

Roxana Rivera said she is "very proud to support the federal Green New Deal," and said that the union's late president had "encouraged and organized for our international unit (two million workers)…to come out in support of this."

Tumposky said he believes "alliances are the key to this. We all need to work together closely on our common concerns, whether it be affordable housing; whether it be projects placed in environmental justice communities."

Cartagena said the process really needs to be based in democracy "rather than the entitlement and arrogance that we are seeing," citing the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) and President Trump as examples. She said that "making sure people who are directly affected are in control of the decisions" is necessary.

Wu asked the panelists if there was a particular piece of the report that stuck out to them, and also what they think should be done next, as that was a question raised by many community members that signed up to be a part of the discussion.

"I think that the crucial thing is to first understand how big this is," Trumposky said. "We need to engage the City Council with more than a majority vote." He said bringing this to the attention to the community and city agencies in as many ways as possible would be effective.

Cartagena said that taking housing in the private market and making developments community owned could be a next step. She said a "huge issue" at the BPDA is "selling off what used to be city property to private developments," citing the Suffolk Downs development as an example. She said those "luxury units…should have been more community rooted."

She said that many neighborhood associations are not "prioritizing or at least talking about" this issue, and said that their agenda items focus on developments rather than "community issues."

Rivera said that the "pandemic is an example of why we have to live differently going forward," and suggested that a next step could be "kind of breaking this down and using our networks in folks that we represent."

Miles said that educating future generations on climate change and environmentally friendly structures so they "become a new north for our youth."

Mudgal said she appreciates the "scope" of the report "and the fact that we can imagine a better city for ourselves…this proposal really sets out what Boston could be."

Schlegel said it is difficult to pick just one aspect of the report, but she said that free transit and the urban climate corps stand out to her the most.

"I vote that we come out of tonight ready from our own individual lens and the relationships that we have to expand those networks, to get to know your neighbors, and to get to know the City; but also to keep pushing for us to believe that we can achieve what we're hoping for," Wu said.

She said that this "requires a whole lot of organizing," and her team will be keeping in touch with the community about ways people can get involved in moving this forward.

"We're all moving in the same direction," she said.

COVID-19 Update for Beacon Hill

By John Lynds

In one week the COVID-19 infection rate in Beacon Hill and surrounding neighborhoods has risen only slightly.

According to the latest data released by the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) on Friday Beacon Hill, as well as the North End, West End, Back Bay and Downtown the infection rate rose 2 percent since last week.

On Friday the BPHC released its weekly COVID-19 stats by neighborhood that tracks infection rates and COVID testing results in Boston neighborhoods.

The BPHC data released last Friday showed Beacon Hill, North End, West End, Back Bay and Downtown had an infection rate of 103.2 cases per 10,000 residents, up from 101.2 cases per 10,000 residents two week ago.

The number of confirmed cases in the area increased from 564 cases on to 575 cases last Friday.

However, compared to other neighborhoods Beacon Hill, North End, West End, Back Bay and Downtown have the second lowest infection rates among residents second to only Fenway.

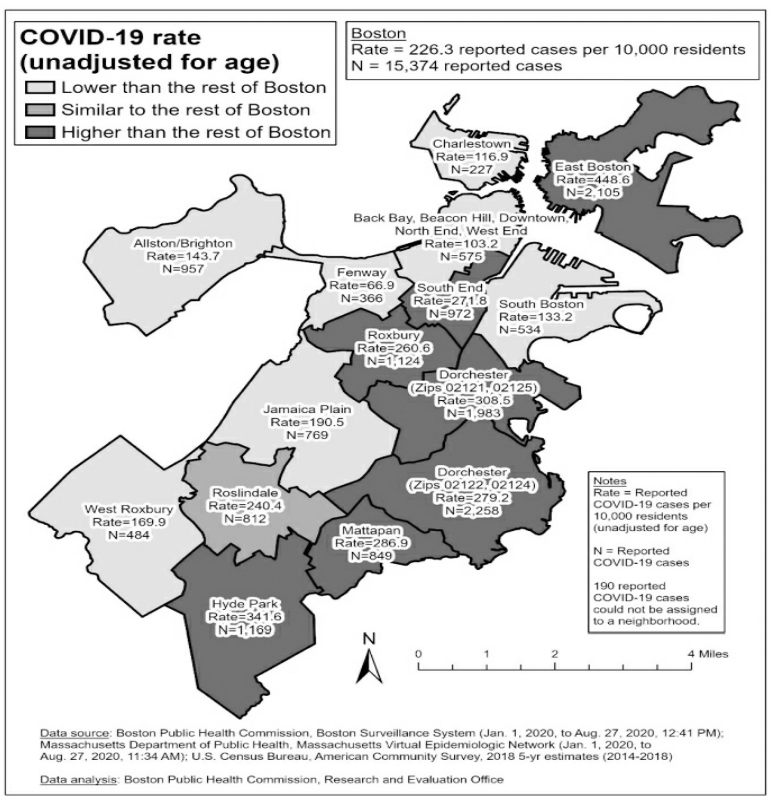
Beacon Hill is also still well below the city's average infection rate of 226 cases per 10,000 residents.

Last week the BPHC reported that 4,681 Beacon Hill, North End, West End, Back Bay and Downtown residents were tested for COVID-19 and the data shows that only 0.4 percent of those tested were COVID positive.

Overall since the pandemic began 4 percent of Beacon Hill, North End, West End, Back Bay and Downtown residents were found to be COVID positive. This was down from 4.9 percent reported last week.

The statistics released by the BPHC as part of its weekly COVID-19 report breaks down the number of cases and infection rates in each neighborhood. It also breaks down the number of cases by age, gender and race.

Citywide positive cases of coronavirus rose 2.5 percent last week from 15,232 cases to 15,625 cases. So far 11,949 Boston residents have fully recovered from the virus and six additional residents died last week bringing the total of fatalities in the city to 754.



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On Sunday, May 10, Emerson College awarded 959 undergraduate degrees for the Class of 2020. The College is committed to holding a graduation ceremony for the Class of 2020 in person when it is safe to do so, at a to be determined date.

Rowan Bennetti of Beacon Hill graduated in August 2020 and received a BA degree in Media Arts Production.

The College launched an Emerson 2020 Celebration website to honor graduates' achievements with more than 800 submissions from students, families, alumni, faculty, and staff, which includes photos, videos, audio submissions, and text. The website strives to reflect the many facets of the Class of 2020 and the wider Emerson community - its creativity, daring, thoughtfulness, irreverence, and humor.

Video submissions include well wishes from well-known alumni and celebrities in the entertainment industry, including actors Jennifer Coolidge, Henry Winkler, comedians Jay Leno, Bill Burr, and Steven Wright, screenwriter Adele Lim, actress Chrystee Pharris, and producer Kevin Bright, among others.

Based in Boston, Massachusetts, opposite the historic Boston Common and in the heart of the city's Theatre District, Emerson College educates individuals who will solve problems and change the world through engaged leadership in communication and the arts, a mission informed by liberal learning. The College has approximately 3,780 undergraduates and 670 graduate students from across the United States and 50 countries. Supported by state-of-the-art facilities and a renowned faculty, students participate in more than 90 student organizations and performance groups. Emerson is known for its experiential learning programs at Emerson Los Angeles, located in Hollywood, and at its 14th-century castle, in the Netherlands. Additionally, there are opportunities to study in Washington, DC, London, China, and the Czech Republic, Spain, Austria, Greece, France, Ireland, Mexico, Cuba, England, and South Africa. The College has an active network of 39,000 alumni who hold leadership positions in communication and the arts. For more information, visit emerson.edu.

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Akhil Dilip Pawar of Beacon Hill graduated from Rochester Institute of Technology with an MS in computer science. Some 4,000 degrees were conferred in the 2019-2020 academic year at all of RIT's campuses. A virtual celebration was held May 8 at rit.edu/classof2020.

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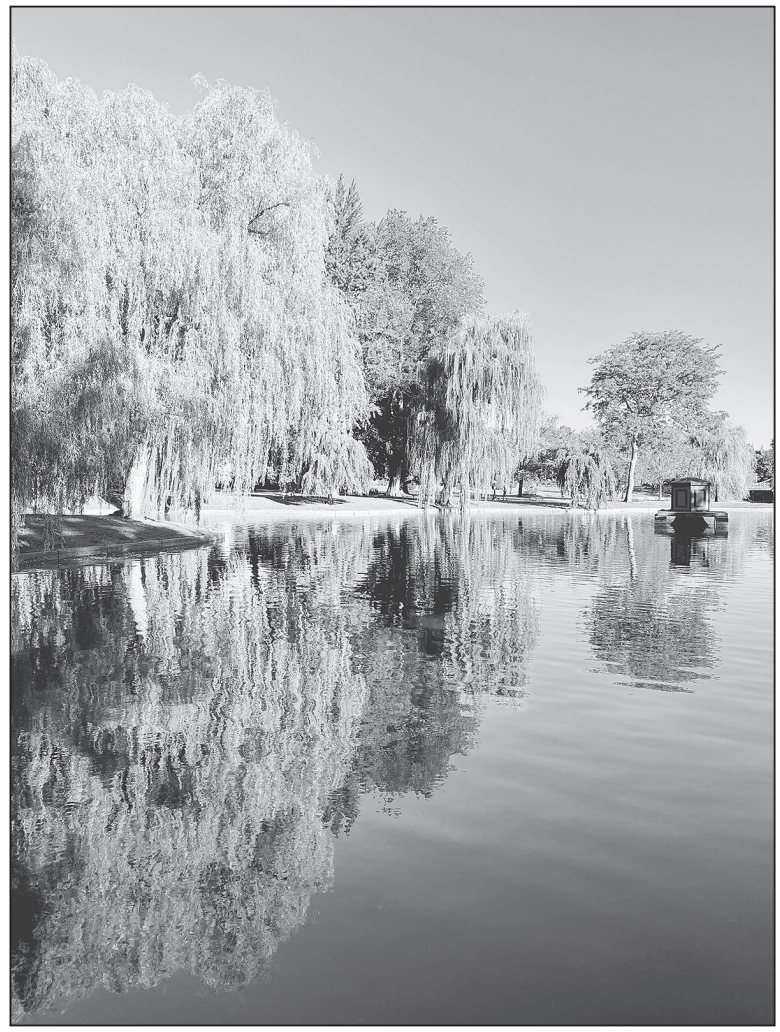
PUBLIC GARDEN LAGOON REFRESHED



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The Public Garden Lagoon is looking a lot better after the city drained its water, which reportedly had become contaminated by bacteria due in part to this summer's unusually hot, dry weather, and refilled it over the weekend with clean water.

BEACON HILL BEAT

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Larceny from Motor Vehicle

08/27/20 – A victim reported he parked his 2020 Toyota Corolla on Charles Street on the Public Garden side of the street at about 6 p.m., but when he returned, he realized an Apple watch, a Pixel phone, a purse and a hairdryer from the vehicle, which showed no sign of forced entry.

Larceny - Bicycle

08/27/20 – A victim reported her JPG bike was stolen from Cambridge and Charles streets at about 1 p.m. She said the bicycle was locked to a parking-meter pole, and a witness reported an unknown male suspect cut the lock off the bike before stealing it.

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Beacon Hill voters support Sen. Markey, Goldstein in Primary

By Dan Murphy

Like voters throughout Massachusetts's 7th Congressional District, Beacon Hill showed its support for Sen. Edward J. Markey in his victory over challenger, Rep. Joseph P. Kennedy III in the Sept. 1 Democratic Primary.

The incumbent Sen. Markey garnered 55.5 percent of the ballot, or 662,081 votes district-wide, while Rep. Kennedy trailed with 44.5 percent, or 530,430 votes with nearly 91 percent of precinct reporting, according to the state's unofficial election results. While Boston's unofficial election results were unavailable at press time, Beacon Hill voters reportedly favored Sen. Markey over Rep. Kennedy in the race as well.

The race's outcome also apparently signals the end of a political dynasty since no member of the Kennedy family had ever previously lost an election in Massachusetts while Markey, now 74 with 36-plus years of service, continues his run as the longest-tenured House member ever elected to the Senate.

State Rep. Jay Livingstone said, "Senator Markey had a decisive victory in the state and on Beacon Hill. He ran a tremendous grassroots campaign, and I was proud to support him. It reflects that regardless of your age, having the right message and putting together the right organization is key. His focus on addressing the climate crisis inspired thousands of young people to volunteer for his campaign and really drove the energy behind his campaign, and it was great to be a part of it."

Of Sen. Markey's challenger, Livingstone said, "While Joe Kennedy had a disappointing night, I expect he'll recover and continue to be a positive voice in Massachusetts politics."

City Councilor Kenzie Bok, who endorsed Sen. Markey in the race and previously served as chair of the Ward 5 Democratic Committee, which represents Beacon Hill, as well as Back Bay and the Fenway, wrote: "I think that Senator Markey has demonstrated the policy leadership and commitment we need to tackle our biggest challenges right now, for the country and the planet, and I was very pleased to see our area support him in such large numbers."

The current chair of the Ward 5 Democratic Committee, Sharon Durkan, wrote: "Senator Markey overcame the odds last night because he offered a progressive vision for our Commonwealth and nation, at a time when we are looking for progressive leadership and bold action on building a sustainable future. Tuesday night's election was just the beginning of a movement, and we were proud to make the case for Senator Markey's reelection in our community."

In the race for the 8th Congressional District, the incumbent, Rep. Stephen Lynch, Lynch garnered around 67 percent, or 105,489 ballots cast, while Dr. Robbie Goldstein, a political newcomer and infectious disease expert at Mass General Hospital, trailed district-wide with 33 percent, or 52,745 votes with nearly 95 percent of precincts reporting, according to the unofficial results. Despite his overall loss, Dr. Goldstein was reportedly favored in the election by Beacon Hill voters.

ADAM WHITNEY PHOTO

A little rain did not dampen the spirits of the Boston Ward 5ers, including Pat Amend, Bob Binney, Dan Lyon, Sharon Durkan, Kathy Judge and Rob Whitney and his son, Adam, who came out on Beacon Hill the morning of Saturday, Aug. 29, to show their support for Ed Markey in the U.S. Senate race, as well as Robbie Goldstein for Congress, 8th District; Ayanna Pressley for Congress, 7th District; and Terrence Kennedy for Governor's Council 6th District.

COURTESY OF KATHY JUDGE

The next day, Sunday, Aug. 30, Ward 5ers, including Rob Whitney, Kathy Judge, Pat Amend, David Xiao, Kate Gallivan, Molly Hittand Sharon Durkan, joined State Rep. Jay Livingstone, in Copley Square to support their picks for office.

Of the race for Governor's Council 6th District, Terrence Kennedy, a practicing attorney of 37 years who was elected to the seat in 2010, garnered around 54 percent of the vote, or 84,472 ballots cast, district-wide with 95 precincts reporting, according to unofficial results, while Helina Fontes, a mental health program-director, trailed with 46 percent, or 72,086 ballots cast. The election results for Beacon Hill for this race weren't available at press time.

"Congratulations to Terrence Kennedy for winning his race," Rep. Livingstone said. "He has been one of most effective councilors for securing positions for progressive voices in our judiciary and other appointed positions, and I'm pleased that he will be able to continue in that role."

Rep. Livingstone added, "I think Miss Fontes ran a great race, and I expect to see her to continue to be involved in Massachusetts politics."

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Durkan also echoed her support for Dr. Goldstein as an emerging voice in politics and wrote: "Robbie Goldstein is a new voice we look forward to hearing more from in the coming years. He made a persuasive case as a first time candidate despite the challenges of an unprecedented pandemic. We look forward to what is undoubtedly a bright future in politics, and advocacy."

In the race for Governor's Council 6th District, Terrence Kennedy, a practicing attorney of 37 years who was elected to the seat in 2010, garnered around 54 percent of the vote, or 84,472 ballots cast, district-wide with 95 precincts reporting, according to unofficial results, while Helina Fontes, a mental health program-director, trailed with 46 percent, or 72,086 ballots cast. The election results for Beacon Hill for this race weren't available at press time.

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