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Hill's Mark Duffield pens third book

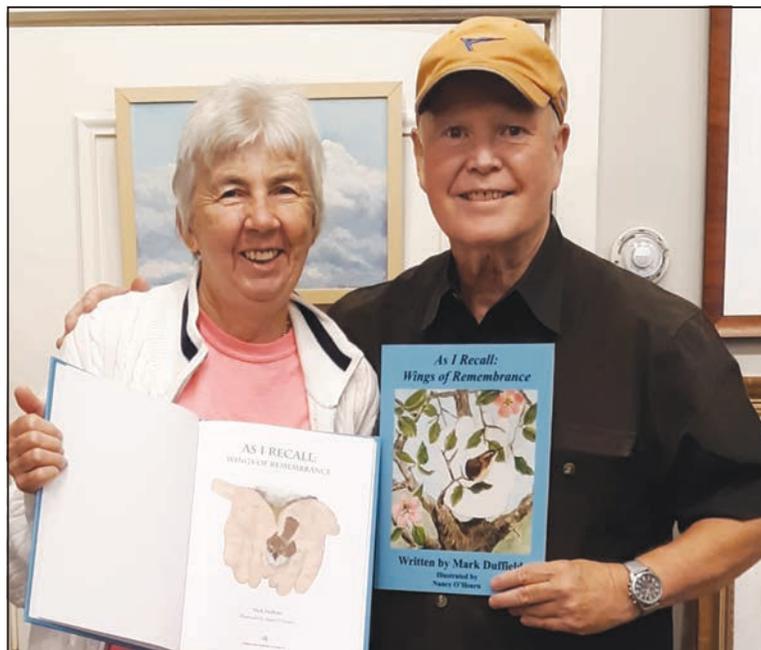
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Longtime Beacon Hill resident Mark Duffield has written a new book

"As I Recall: Wings of Remembrance" is a true and wondrous Beacon Hill story that takes place in 2006 - the first year Mark and Jennifer Hill became co-owners of Blackstone's of Beacon Hill.

The book was published by SBPRA and went in late August on Amazon and Barnes & Noble and sold more than 50 copies in a single day.

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PHOTOCOURTESY OF MARK DUFFIELD

Mark Duffield (at right), author of the recently published book, "As I Recall: Wings of Remembrance," and Nancy O'Hearn, who illustrated the book.

Fall on the Hill shaping up to be a memorable season in neighborhood

By Dan Murphy

With the summer of '22 now in the rearview, the fall is already shaping up to be a season filled with memorable events and activities on Beacon Hill.

Connect and network with neighbors at the Beacon Hill Network Fall Mixer on Wednesday, Sept. 14, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. to the Owl's Nest Beer Garden on the Esplanade via the Arlington Street

footbridge. (The rain location is The Sevens at 77 Charles St.)

A longstanding neighborhood tradition, the Beacon Hill Business Association's annual Beacon Hill Sidewalk Sale returns on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 17 and 18.

As part of its Centennial Celebration Weekend, the Beacon Hill Civic Association will hold a Centennial Dinner on Saturday, Sept. 17.

Guests will be seated at one

very long table on Mt. Vernon between River and Brimmer streets for the festive dinner. Each place will include a creative booklet highlighting the BHCA's biggest achievements over the last 100 years in just 100 words.

The evening begins at 6 p.m., with a cocktail-style party featuring wine, soft drinks, and hors d'oeuvres, followed by a seated

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Wu announces 9.4 miles of new bike lanes; 'citywide design process'; safety improvements

By Lauren Bennett

Mayor Michelle Wu was joined by city officials and bike activists

for a press conference on Sept. 6 at the Tobin Community Center to announce new bike lanes and safety measures in the city.

Wu began her remarks by stating what the city has done during the Orange Line shutdown to increase transit access to riders, including adding dedicated bike and bus lanes, making Blue Bikes free, replacing damaged sidewalks near Orange Line shuttle stops, adding wayfinding signage, and adding tents at shuttle stops to shield riders from the rain and sun.

"It is easy to see how transportation justice is racial and economic justice," Wu said. She announced that a "citywide design

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Boston voters let their preferences be heard

By Dan Murphy

After the votes were tallied in the Sept. 6 state primary, Democrat Maura Healey, who will face off with Republican Geoff Diehl in the gubernatorial race in the November general election, was also the preferred candidate among Boston voters.

According to the City of Boston's unofficial election results, Attorney General Healey received nearly 80 percent of the ballot, or 58,749 of the 73,593 votes cast, in the Democratic race for the seat, as of around 3:26 a.m. on Sept. 7, with nearly all of the precincts statewide reporting their results. Sen. Sonia Chang-Diaz trailed with nearly 20 percent of the ballot, or 14,471 votes cast citywide. (Sen. Chang-Diaz had previously withdrawn from the election, although her name still appeared on the ballot).

For the Republic gubernatori-



Democratic Candidate for Governor Maura Healey.

al race, former state representative Geoff Diehl was the favorite candidate among Boston voters, receiving 56 percent of the ballot, or 4,123 votes cast citywide. Chris Doughty received nearly 44 percent of the ballot, or 3,220 votes cast citywide in the race.

In the Democratic race for lieutenant governor, Kimberley

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A SIGN OF THINGS TO COME



PHOTO BY SARAH WINCHESTER

Seen above is the new sign for Beacon Hill Books & Café - the 3,000 square-foot general interest bookstore and café expected to open soon at 71 Charles St. Follow Beacon Hill Books & Café on Instagram @beaconhillbooksandcafe.

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EDITORIAL

CLIMATE CHANGE IS EVERYWHERE, ALL AT ONCE

About a dozen years ago, the New York Times columnist and Pulitzer Prize-winning author Tom Friedman wrote a column in which he explained that "global warming" was a misnomer for the coming changes to the earth's environment. He quoted some climate scientists who suggested that the more-appropriate way to think about the coming changes in our weather pattern is to call it "global weirding."

That's because, wrote Friedman, the effects of spewing fossil fuels into the environment will not become manifest in something as benign-sounding as "global warming." After all, if the planet gets a little bit warmer, the term "global warming" suggests that we only need to crank up the AC in the summer and we can turn down our thermostats in the winter. No big deal, right?

But by using the term "global weirding," the scientists were telling us that extreme weather events, fueled by a warming atmosphere, would become the norm in every part of the globe.

Consider that in this summer alone, the American West is facing a drought that appears to be the worst in 1200 years and the northeast is also now experiencing drought conditions.

Yet at the same time, record rainfalls have brought about floods that have overwhelmed St. Louis, Kentucky, Yellowstone National Park, Dallas, Mississippi, and Georgia.

Boise, Idaho just experienced its hottest August and has seen the most days over 100 degrees (already at 22) in a year since the city's record-keeping began in 1875.

Some parts of China are experiencing their longest sustained heat wave since record-keeping began in 1961, according to China's National Climate Center, leading to manufacturing shutdowns owing to a lack of hydropower because of dried-up rivers.

Yet there also has been dramatic flooding in other parts of the country where the highest-ever water levels in history have been recorded on some rivers.

Parts of Japan are in extreme drought and that country recently endured its hottest June since record-keeping began in 1874.

In Europe, the drought affecting Spain, Portugal, France, and Italy is on track to be the worst in 500 years.

Yet two weeks ago, torrential rains once again drenched England, turning London's streets into rivers and flooding the underground train system. Oh, and London earlier this summer recorded its hottest day on record that precipitated wildfires in the city's outskirts.

A dozen years after Mr. Friedman's column, the term "global warming" has been retired and we now use the more-accurate term of climate change.

On the other hand, given how crazy the weather has been all across the planet these past few weeks, "global weirding" does have a better ring of truth to it.

But whatever we want to call it, it is clear that there is no escaping the inevitable effects of our warming planet -- and about the only thing we can say for sure is that things are going to get a lot worse.

While we certainly applaud the recently-passed bill (the so-called Inflation Reduction Act) by Congress that will set the U.S. on a world-leading path to reducing fossil fuel emissions, we can't help but think that it is too little, too late.

SERENA WILLIAMS IS AN INSPIRATION FOR EVERYBODY

We wish to add our voice to the universal acclaim for tennis star Serena Williams, who played her last match this past week at the U.S. Open.

The life story of Serena and her sister Venus, as depicted in the movie King Richard (named after their father), would be too fantastical even for Hollywood if it were not true.

Their rise from the hard-scrabble asphalt courts of Compton, California, to the pinnacle of tennis greatness, in which they overcame the obstacles of overt racism and near-poverty, serves as an inspiration for all of us. Their success is a testament to the virtues of hard work, dedication, and perseverance in the face of adversity.

We congratulate Serena Williams on her success as the greatest female athlete of all time and wish her the best of luck in her life off the court in the years ahead.

REGARDING THE HARASSMENT AROUND BOSTON CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

A copy of the following letter from City Councilor Flynn was submitted to the Beacon Hill Times for publication.

Dear Dr. Churchwell:

I'm writing in regards to the alarming reports of harassment from far right and anti-LGBTQ+ groups targeting Boston Children's Hospital, and want to offer my support to the hospital, as well as to the staff and patients at your hospital. Boston Children's Hospital is providing life saving and necessary care to our transgender youth, and it is repugnant that the hospital and its clinicians are subjected to this level of vitriol, and even a bomb threat. I wanted to let you know that I have already reached out to Boston's Human Rights Commission about this,

and am committed to working to address hate, discrimination, and extremism.

I represent a diverse district with a large number of immigrants and LGBTQ+ residents, and I have made it my priority to address hateful rhetoric and extremism as a City Councilor. This unfortunately is not the first time that extremist groups have targeted our medical professionals. Earlier this year, there were reports of the neo-Nazi harassment of Brigham and Women's Hospital medical professionals working on health-care equity, spreading hateful and false narratives that threaten their safety and work. It is disgusting that medical professionals are being threatened again by hateful groups who spread misinformation and lies about their work.

I have requested that the City of Boston's Human Rights Commission document this incident, and similar events moving forward, so that the residents of Boston and

any hate watch groups or relevant law enforcement organizations are aware of their presence in our city, as well as providing any available resources and support to those who experienced incidents of hate. I have worked closely with the Human Rights Commission on addressing hate crimes and discrimination, and will continue to work with them to bring awareness to these issues of extremism, and stand firmly against any form of hate or discrimination.

I wanted to thank the professionals at Boston Children's Hospital for their work as a world class institution in our country that provides exceptional care to so many families, and offer any assistance that might be helpful in the future. If you or any staff impacted by this incident would like to speak to me, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at 617-635-3203, or at Ed.Flynn@Boston.gov.

Ed Flynn, Boston City Council
- District 2

GUEST OP-ED

Make this next season of life a great one

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

Enjoyable weather is coming soon. For many parts of the country September through November offers many pleasant days. Don't waste them by spending all your time staring at the television or Facebook. You still have some life to live. Spending four or five hours a day watching what everyone else is doing is a waste of your time.

There are programs you enjoy and news events that grab our attention. There are a few people you enjoy keeping up with via social media. After this, get a life. Do you want to spend the rest of your life with your head bent down staring at a tablet or a cell phone? You might get to a point where all you can do is sit in your chair and stare at the television. I've seen many good people who at the end of their lives who could do nothing but watch television or stare into space. Often our bodies get to where that's all we can do. Is this all you can do now? Consider your daily options.

Stop throwing your life away doing nothing. Have verbal conversations with people on the telephone. You can overdo this as well but it's at least human interaction. Keep moving, stretching and exerting yourself. Plan your meals and eat as healthy as possible and

don't overeat. Save some for your next meal. You'll live till the next one.

Go somewhere when you can. Going someplace is better than no place. A change of pace and being outdoors is mentally good for you. Your travel may be across the street but the key is to move and get out.

You will get depressed if all you are doing is eating, staring at your cell phone and flipping television channels. If you are physically able, work ten to twenty hours a week. Somebody will hire you.

Everyone needs something to do, someone to talk to and something to look forward to doing. You also need someone to love and first you always have God.

God loves you now and if you'll open your heart, he will fill your life with his love. There are people to love. Love your family, love friends, love people at work and church. Love the people with whom you socially gather. Some people aren't easy to love and some are impossible. Keep in mind that all things with God are possible. Keep your heart filled with God's love. Love yourself. You can't love others very well if you don't love yourself. Forgive and take care of yourself. You'll then have something you can give others, love and kindness.

It's sad to be around bitter people who have never resolved life's

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Make Your Way: The Intersection of Tremont and Opportunity

Suffolk University has announced that it will open one of Boston's "most accessible and visible career development centers," with the planned early October opening of its Center for Career Equity, Development & Success in the former Citizens Bank location at the bustling corner of Tremont and Beacon streets, according to a press release.

Suffolk will take over the first-floor space that had been occupied by Citizens at 73 Tremont St., home to the University's Rosalie K. Stahl Center, where many administrative offices and student services are based. The front-facing location is steps away from the city's top employers and in the heart of Suffolk's downtown campus.

With its new location, the Center for Career Equity, Development & Success will be a vibrant hub for career planning, advising, networking, and interviewing for Suffolk students, as well as alumni and hundreds of local employer partners. The nearly 4,000-square-foot storefront space will support not only Suffolk students, but the talent needs of local companies, nonprofits, and financial district businesses.

A key goal is to foster career equity within Suffolk's community—and by extension, employers in greater Boston—by bringing career services front and center so that they will be vigorously used, especially by students historically underserved by university career centers. According to research from Gallup, nearly 40% of students nationally never visit their career center or receive career services during their time as undergraduates. Gallup's oft-cited 2017 study found that career counseling is particularly underutilized by first-generation college students and students of color, despite the positive impact these services have on their professional success.

Bringing the center from a less visible upper floor at 73 Tremont to the highly trafficked street level, right on Boston's Freedom Trail and steps away from its centers of government, finance, retail, and cultural attractions, is more than just a logistical move, said Suffolk University President Marisa Kelly.

"The opening of this highly visi-

ble location marks the latest step in our ongoing efforts to foster career equity within the Suffolk community and beyond," Kelly said in a press release. "We are excited to reduce the number of steps, both literally and figuratively, between a Suffolk University student's first day on campus and the first day of their professional pursuits, whatever they may be."

Suffolk's integrated career education curriculum focuses on equity and inclusion with the same intensity as traditional skills like building a professional network, writing a solid résumé, or preparing for an interview. Students evaluate how their own identities will impact their careers, and how they can create more equity and opportunity for people who have been historically marginalized. In addition to researching companies and career paths, Suffolk students also evaluate those organizations' commitment to promoting, supporting, and retaining diverse candidates.

"Our students enter the workforce well-prepared, with a perspective that has the potential to transform workplaces and industries. This center is designed to make that critical career preparation easier to access," Kelly said in a press release.

The new center will feature large, communal workspaces where students can connect with one another and members of the career services team, or just relax between classes. Students, alumni, and affiliated employers can take advantage of office spaces to network, interview, and hold events. The center will also be home to an expanded Career Closet, where students can pick out lightly used professional clothing donated by faculty, staff, and local businesses for interviews and networking events. And there will be plenty of coffee. "Coffee is the new pizza," said Dave Merry, associate provost and executive director of the Center for Career Equity, Development & Success.

"We call this new space our 'come-on-in space,'" Merry said, in a press release adding that career centers have traditionally been seen as places for students to come only when they need to write

a résumé or research an internship or job opportunity. The Center for Career Equity, Development & Success also helps students and alumni identify life goals, build professional networks of mentors and colleagues, improve future job prospects, adapt to changing career dynamics, remain connected to the University, and so much more, Merry said.

"This new space is an important step forward in our effort to be a leader in building career readiness into every aspect of a Suffolk education, from the classroom to leadership involvement, service, internships, and more," Merry said in a press release. "We want our students to know that they have the support, resources, and skills that they need to take the next steps in their career paths and to be in control of that lifelong journey."

Alumni, Merry said, will be welcomed for training in new technologies and other skill-building opportunities. The career center will increasingly focus on offering opportunities for certificates, credentials, badges, and skills development for students and alumni, even for those who left school decades earlier.

The center's prominent location will make it easily accessible to local recruiters and employers, Merry pointed out: "Our partners can pop by on their lunch break to quickly post a job or to network with our students."

An estimated 61 percent of Suffolk graduates work or continue their education in Greater Boston, with 47 percent of that group reporting that they work in and around the city. The top five employers of Suffolk alumni are Mass General Brigham (formerly Partners Healthcare), the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State Street, Fidelity Investments, and Liberty Mutual Insurance.

Merry said the center will evolve in the coming years, just as the needs of the workplace have. "Career readiness is a continuous path. The world is changing rapidly, and we are determined to ensure graduates are ready for whatever comes next," he said in a press release.

Glenn Mollette is the publisher of Newburgh Press, Liberty Torch and various other publishing imprints; a national columnist - American Issues and Common Sense opinions, analysis, stories and features appear each week in over 500 newspapers, websites and blogs across the United States.

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Driscoll was the top candidate citywide, receiving nearly 50 percent of the ballot or 33,507 ballots cast. Trailing Driscoll were Tami Gouveia, who received slightly more than 25 percent of the ballot, or 16,958 votes cast citywide; and Eric P. Lesser, with around 24 percent of the ballot, or 16,444 votes cast citywide.

In the Republican race for the lieutenant governor's race, Leah Allen received around 51 percent of the ballot, or 3,383 votes cast citywide, edging out Kate Campanale, who received nearly 48 percent of the ballot, or 3,146 votes cast citywide.

In the Democratic race for attorney general, Andrea Campbell, a former Boston city councilor and one-time mayoral candidate, received nearly 69 percent of the ballot, or 50,019 votes cast citywide. Shannon Liss-Riordan, a labor attorney who was a Democratic candidate for U.S. Senate in the 2020 election, trailed Campbell, with around 23 percent of the ballot, or 16,650 votes cast citywide. Quentin Palfrey, who once led the health care division in the Attorney General's Office and served as general counsel in the U.S. Commerce Department under President Biden, and was also an unsuccessful candidate in the 2018 lieutenant governor's race, received more than 8 percent of the ballot, or 6,093 votes cast citywide, to place third in the race. (Although Palfrey's name still appeared on the ballot, he had already withdrawn from the race and endorsed Campbell for the seat.)

In the November general election, Campbell will face off with James R. McMahon III, who ran unopposed as the Republican candidate for attorney general in the

Sept. 6 primary.

Incumbent Secretary of State Bill Galvin was the top vote-getter citywide in the Democratic race for that seat, earning 55 percent of the ballot, or 40,684 votes cast citywide. Tanisha Sullivan, president of the Boston chapter of the NAACP, trailed Galvin, with around 44 percent of the ballot, or 32,643 votes cast citywide.

In November, Galvin will face off against Rayla Campbell, who ran unopposed as the Republican candidate for Secretary of State in the Sept. 6 primary.

In the race for State Auditor, Chris Dempsey was the top Democratic candidate citywide, earning more than 57 percent of the ballot, or 37,545 votes, while his challenger, Diana Dizoglio, received 42 percent of the ballot, or 27,893 votes cast citywide. This came in contrast to the results of the race statewide, with the victorious Dizoglio earning nearly 54 percent of the ballot statewide, according to Associated Press's unofficial election results.

In the highly charged Democratic race for Suffolk County district attorney, Kevin Hayden, who was appointed to the role by Gov. Charlie Baker after Rachel Rollins stepped down from the seat, earned 53 percent of the ballot, or 36,948 votes cast citywide. City Councilor Ricardo Arroyo trailed Hayden, with nearly 46 percent of the ballot, or 32,004 votes cast citywide.

In the Democratic race for sheriff of Suffolk County, incumbent Steven Tompkins received nearly 59 percent of the ballot, or 38,513 votes cast citywide, to best Sandy Zamor-Calixte, who received almost 41 percent of the ballot, or 26,940 votes cast citywide.

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issues and embraced their own lives. Everyone has potential to excel and achieve. Too often people get bogged down with failures and are totally destroyed. Some failures are just events in your life in which you will learn about you and others. You can use failure to grow, reposition and redevelop

your life.

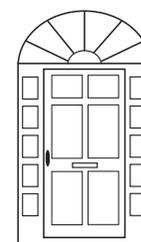
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Obituary

Priscilla (Marks) Poutre

June 16, 1957 — Aug. 31, 2022

Priscilla J. (Marks) Poutre, a longtime resident of Melrose, passed away peacefully at home on Wednesday, August 31, 2022, at age 65.

Priscilla was born in Boston on June 16, 1957, one of three children of the late Ralph H. Marks, Jr. and Barbara (Nauffts) Marks. She was raised in Melrose, graduated from Melrose High School, Class of 1975, and from UMASS-Amherst in 1979. She was married to David Poutre and settled in Melrose to raise a family of three children. Priscilla worked in retail sales for Vanity Fair for several years, and had a passion for buying and selling antiques.

A loving, kind and giving woman, Priscilla brightened the lives of everyone around her. She was a selfless mother, strong wife, and entertaining sister and friend. With a zest for life, she enjoyed dancing, singing, and hosting a great party. She was happiest at home, reading a good book, caring for children, and enjoyed a good martini. An expert shopper, she took great joy in antiquing and finding a diamond in the rough for resale at her booth in Peabody.

Independent, and forever loyal, Priscilla was a source of great love, laughter, and strength for her family. She will be deeply missed, but lovingly remembered for kind heart, and generous nature. May she rest in peace.



Priscilla was the beloved wife of L. David Poutre with whom she shared 33 years of marriage. Devoted mother of Jensen Poutre of NC, Jessica Hollembeak and her husband RJ of Williamstown, NJ, and Christian Poutre of Melrose. Proud grandmother of Eli and Lucy Hollembeak. Dear sister of Nancy Kerrigan and her husband John of Melrose, and Peter Marks and his wife Gail Trousoff of MD.

Relatives and friends were kindly invited to gather during visiting hours at the Robinson Funeral Home, 809 Main St., Melrose on Monday, September 5 from 4-7pm, and for her Funeral Service at Trinity Church, 131 W. Emerson St., Melrose on Tuesday, Sept. 6 at 10am. For those who wish to make a memorial donation, please consider Project Bread, 145 Border St., Boston, MA 02128 or online at projectbread.org.

Hill and surrounding neighborhoods see slight increase in positive covid tests

By Dan Murphy

Beacon Hill and surrounding neighborhoods saw a slight increase in individuals testing positive for covid from the previous week.

According to data released by the Boston Public Health Commission, 619 residents of the Back

Bay, Beacon Hill, Downtown, the North End, and West End were tested for COVID-19 between Aug. 23 and Aug. 29, with around 6.5 percent, or 40 individuals, testing positive for the virus. This was a slight uptick from the week of Aug. 16-22, when 6.3 percent, or 39 of the 614 individuals tested were positive for the virus.

Citywide, 7.1 percent, or 599 of the 8,438 individuals tested between Aug. 23 and 29, were positive for the virus. This was a reduction from the previous week of Aug. 16 to 22, when 7.8 percent, or 682 of the 8,750 individuals tested were positive for the virus.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

North Washington Street Bridge construction look-ahead through Sept. 17

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

ORANGE LINE SHUTDOWN

As part of the Orange Line Transformation Program, effective August 19, the MBTA will suspend Orange Line service for 30-days through September 18. This shutdown will impact local and regional traffic. In preparation for the shutdown, the North Washington Street Bridge project team is monitoring traffic at both City and Keaney Square. Traffic signal timing will be adjusted to mitigate this anticipated congestion. Please plan for extra travel time. To learn more about the Orange Line shutdown visit the MBTA website.

SCHEDULED WORK

Install drainage pipe on piers in the Warehouse spans adjacent to Charles River Ave

WORK HOURS

Most work will be done during weekday daytime hours (6:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.)

TRAVEL TIPS

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

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

The Tudor Wharf Walkway

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

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

Concerts: 9/7 at 7:30p.m., 9/8 at 7:30 p.m., 9/9 at 8:00 p.m., 9/10 at 7:00 p.m., 9/14 at 8:00 p.m., 9/15 at 7:00 p.m., and 9/16 at 8:00 p.m.

For more information and project background, please visit <https://www.mass.gov/north-washington-street-bridge-replacement>

DUFFIELD (from pg. 1)

Lynn Eddy, vice president of acquisitions for SBPRA (Strategic Book Publishing & Rights Agency Publishing, the Connecticut-based company that published Duffield's latest book, said: "As I Recall; Wings of Remembrance" by Mark Duffield was a delight for us to produce. Not only is the story one that brings comfort for those who have had a loved one pass on, it's about the importance of how we treat each other and all creatures great and small. But, most importantly, it's about those who teach us lessons of kindness and care and how that goodness lives on. And it will be impossible to see a wren and not think of this book after you've read it."

"As I Recall: Wings of Remembrance is Duffield's third book. It's richly illustrated by former Beacon Hill Mail carrier, Nancy O'Hearn, and the cover was designed by his

twin sister, Sharon Duffield.

"Nancy O'Hearn is a brilliant illustrator and her magnificent work blended seamlessly with my words and enhanced the story immeasurably," said Mark.

In "As I Recall: Wings of Remembrance," a new shop owner, Mark, takes over a successful business. He worries he might not measure up to the task, and wishes his dad, James Edwin Duffield, better known as "Ted," who died in 1980, were alive so Mark could seek his counsel. His wish is answered when a winged visitor appears, evoking memories of his youth and his father's love and wisdom.

Mark is well known for his other two books and the philanthropy that inspired him to write them. "The Last Shepard" and "Tales of the Tenth Ornament" sold 5,000 copies and raised thou-

sands of dollars for childhood cancer at Mass General Hospital. "As I Recall: Fireflies in the Night" had a limited run, selling 1,000 copies, while bringing awareness to the Boston Museum of Science firefly program for children.

"When I was at Blackstone's we did dozens and dozens and dozens of book signings," said Mark. "We never turned anyone down, I think because, I knew just how hard it was to write one and because most of them were neighbors as well," said Mark.

In fact, Blackstone's of Beacon Hill will be welcoming Mark for a book signing as part of the store's 40th anniversary celebration on Saturday, Sept. 24. The timing will be announced closer to the event.

Said Jennifer Hill of Blackstone's: "This book is a wonderful reminder of the symbolism we associate with birds. Like many

others, every time I see a cardinal or bluebird I am warmed by memories of my parents ~ both of whom were alive at the time we purchased Blackstone's. When you next see your favorite bird, I hope you will enjoy both the moment and the memories."

Meanwhile, Mark never fails to thank the entire Beacon Hill neighborhood who turned out in droves to help and support his efforts and he has spent many of his days returning the generosity by developing neighborhood projects, like "Spring Eternal," and the month-long October Halloween spectacular, which raised \$20,000 for the Jimmy Fund, as well as in years past, window-decorating contests, opening day baseball street events, and countless others.

"Even now so many have turned out to help," said Mark. "A special thanks to Laura and

Bob Cousineau of Upstairs Downstairs [for their] constant support of my efforts and now wishing to carry a few of my books in their store. Only in this neighborhood does such generosity flow. You don't have to ask. They offer their help. That's what makes this such a special neighborhood."

Moreover, Mark added: "Once in a while when we least expect it, life flies in with lessons and blessings on the Wings of Remembrance. Sometimes a wonderful unexplained coincidence should remain unexplained. This allows the miracle of the moment to live on and soar."

Books can be ordered on Amazon.com and Barnes and Noble.com. Bookstores and retailers, if you know any in your neck of the woods, can order at Ingram Books.com or directly at bookorder@sbpra.net

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dinner from 7-9 p.m. When registering, guests will choose one of three gourmet dinner boxes containing either sliced flank steak, sliced chicken or grilled tofu, accompanied by salad, grilled vegetables, and French rolls. Bluegrass music will be provided by a trio led by Berklee College of Music graduate Micah Nicol, a guitarist and singer based in Boston.

Tickets, which are \$160 each, are available until Friday, Sept. 9. Visit bhccivic.org for more information.

The BHCA's Centennial Celebration Weekend continues with the annual Fall HillFest on Sunday, Sept. 18, from noon to 4 p.m. on Mt. Vernon Street. In addition to games and food for children and their families - hotdogs and ice cream, along with beer and wine, will be served - the event will also feature the eagerly awaited dog show, a book sale, live entertainment, nonprofit neighbor tables, and activities, among other offerings.

The West End Museum and The Vilna are teaming up for a special tour of the historic synagogue and

the West End neighborhood on Thursday, Sept. 8, at 10:30 a.m. The event begins with refreshments on the patio at Vilna Shul, 18 Phillips St.

Next, the tour will head outside and around the West End, which attracted thousands of Jewish immigrants from Eastern Europe at the turn of the 20th century. Highlights will include the home of Annie Londonderry, a Jewish woman who cycled around the world, and the Old West Church, the former Boston Public Library branch that led Jewish programming. Tickets cost \$20 per person. To learn more about this event - and to register - visit <https://vlnashul.org/events/event/special-tour-of-the-vilna-followed-by-a-walking-tour-of-the-west-end>.

On Sunday, Sept. 25, from 10 to 11:30 a.m., musician Evan Haller will lead families with young children through song and dance in a special Rosh Hashanah event at The Vilna Shul. Tickets for the event, which is hosted in collaboration with JCC of Greater Boston, cost \$25 per family and can be purchased at vlnashul.org.

A Sukkot Celebration for Families with Young Children, led by Rotem Goldenberg, also takes place on Sunday, Oct. 9, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at The Vilna Shul. It will feature a puppet show, followed by an art-based activity. Tickets cost \$25 per family and can be purchased at vlnashul.org.

(A bagel brunch will be served at both the Rosh Hashanah event and the Sukkot Celebration. Grandparents and older siblings are encouraged to attend.)

One of Charles Street's beloved businesses, Blackstone's of Beacon Hill will celebrate its 40th anniversary on Saturday, Sept. 24, at 40 Charles St.

The store's actual 40th anniversary date fell on July 3, during the height of the summer holidays, so "we have waited to celebrate this momentous occasion with our friends, neighbors and visitors with an all-day event," said Jennifer Hill, owner of Blackstone's.

In addition to drawings and special activities, Blackstone's 40th Anniversary Celebration, will also include a book-signing with Mark Duffield, a longtime Beacon Hill

resident who just authored his third book, "As I Recall: Wings of Remembrance."

"As I Recall: Wings of Remembrance," which features illustrations by former Beacon Hill Mail carrier, Nancy O'Hearn, and cover art by Mark's twin sister, Sharon Duffield, recounts the true events of 2006 when Mark and Jennifer Hill assumed ownership of Blackstone's and how Mark wishes his late father was there to lend him counsel during this period.

The exact timing of Mark's booksigning will be announced once the details of Blackstone's 40th Anniversary Celebration have

been finalized.

In other literary news in the neighborhood, the eagerly awaited Beacon Hill Books & Café is set to open soon at 71 Charles St.

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Search underway for Key Streets Boston Cabinet leadership roles

Special to The Times

Mayor Michelle Wu and Chief of Streets Jascha Franklin-Hodge announced the search for two new, pivotal transportation leadership roles: the Deputy Chief of Streets for Infrastructure and Design, and the Deputy Chief of Streets for Transportation. These leaders will report directly to Chief of Streets Jascha Franklin-Hodge as part of the Streets Cabinet's senior leadership team. They will deliver on the Mayor's vision for a City where people can move safely, reliably, and efficiently by transit, on foot, or by bike, and to support the Boston Green New Deal by accelerating the shift towards low-carbon transportation.

The new leadership team will be charged with delivering on the

promise of a Streets Cabinet budget that will enable greater scale, scope, and urgency to build streets that work for all modes of travel. In addition to the new roles, the Streets Cabinet is launching a major hiring push. The FY23 budget includes 46 new positions throughout the Boston Transportation Department and Public Works.

The leadership team and expanded Cabinet will oversee a nearly doubled investment in dedicated bus lanes, a 45 percent increase in funding for the strategic bike network, and increased investments in safe streets, bike-share, multimodal corridor projects, street-lighting, and accessibility.

"Boston must lead the way for sustainable, safe, and innovative transportation to connect our communities, and I'm so excited to build our team and embark on this important work," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "Now more than ever our transportation system and streets infrastructure are foundational to how our City functions, and I can't wait to fill these roles for safe streets, smart design, and continued progress toward a Boston Green New Deal."

"The Mayor's far-reaching

vision represents a historic opportunity to make Boston the best city in the nation for walking, biking and transit as we bring the Green New Deal to life on our streets and address longstanding inequities," said Jascha Franklin-Hodge, Chief of Streets. "We will need a committed and visionary leadership team to make it happen. I am excited to announce the search for these critically important leadership roles and look forward to working alongside them and the dedicated employees of the Public Works Department and Boston Transportation Department to carry out this vital work."

The Deputy Chief for Infrastructure and Design will oversee all City of Boston's streets, sidewalks, and bridges projects from conception to implementation including community process, design, construction, and evaluation.

The Deputy Chief for Transportation will be responsible for the day-to-day functioning of the Boston Transportation Department, including oversight of traffic management, parking enforcement, permitting, signals, and signage. They will also serve as Commissioner of the Boston Transportation Department. They will work

with leadership across the Streets Cabinet to build alignment around a shared mission of operating a safe, equitable, multimodal transportation system, transforming our streets to reduce our overreliance on single-occupancy vehicles.

"The Deputy Chief for Transportation and Deputy Chief for Infrastructure & Design will be crucial for the future of Boston's streets and transportation across our city," said Brad Gerratt, Interim Commissioner of Transportation, who is retiring in the fall. "Filling these positions and growing our workforce will expand our current staff's ability to make Boston safer, greener and more multimodal. It is an honor to work with the incredible people at the Boston Transportation Department."

As the search for these key leaders commences, the Streets Cabinet will also begin a major hiring push to fill critical staff positions across the cabinet. Open positions include planning roles in active transportation, public transit, neighborhood planning, and new mobility. The Streets Cabinet is also hiring key engineering roles: Senior Civil Engineer, Assistant Civil Engineer, and Bridge Construction Engineer. Additionally, the city will fill three small scale

safety positions to ensure rapid response to pedestrian safety concerns: Junior Civil Engineer, Vision Zero/Small Scale Safety Planner, and Assistant Traffic Engineer.

At this pivotal transitional moment, the Streets Cabinet will also undertake discussions around structure of the cabinet, finding ways to ensure current and future staff are positioned to deliver on the vision of safe, sustainable streets that work for everyone.

"Every day, the hardworking men and women of the City of Boston Public Works Department make sure Bostonians get the world-class city services they deserve," said Mike Brohel, Superintendent of Street Operations. "As the Streets Cabinet grows our leadership team, we will keep prioritizing safe, clean streets that work for everyone."

"This expansion of the Streets team will accelerate the realization of community-driven visions for our streets and reduce timelines to implement planning initiatives and street designs," added Vineet Gupta, Director of Policy and Planning. "We will continue to work with neighborhood and advocacy groups to achieve our goals of encouraging transit and biking to reduce emissions."

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Applications open for 2022-2023 Boston Cultural Council grants

Mayor Michelle Wu and the Mayor's Office of Arts and Culture, in collaboration with the Boston Cultural Council, announced applications are open for the 2022-2023 Boston Cultural Council grant program. Boston Cultural Council grants are available for organizations that

benefit the public by offering arts programming in Boston's neighborhoods.

"We're proud to support Boston's arts and culture organizations in bringing joy and connection across our neighborhoods," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "These investments will directly empower cultural expression to build a more inclusive and vibrant city."

"Every year through this program, we're able to award grants to a mix of arts organizations that have been bringing meaningful arts opportunities to residents for decades, new organizations that are applying for the first time, and everything in between," said Kara Elliott-Ortega, Chief of Arts and Culture for the City of Boston.

"We are dedicated to supporting a wide range of organizations in Boston's arts landscape, while focusing on the smaller organizations that are doing incredible equity work throughout the city."

The Boston Cultural Council (BCC) works under the umbrella of the Mayor's Office of Arts and Culture to annually distribute funds allocated by the City of Boston and the Mass Cultural Council for local arts and cultural programming. The BCC helps to ensure that the City's grantmaking responds to the needs of the cultural community.

BCC members represent the city's districts and are appointed by the Mayor. Council members

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BIKE LANES (from pg. 1)

process” was being launched that will employ recovery funds from the federal government.

In addition to the design process, 9.4 miles of protected bike lanes will be constructed by the end of next year “to mend key gaps and expand our network,” Wu said.

In the Back Bay and Downtown, bike lanes are being planned for Berkeley St., Boylston St., and Milk St. In the Fenway/Kenmore area, there are plans for Commonwealth Ave. and Hemenway St., and in the South End and

Bay Village, plans are for Albany St., Berkeley St., Charles St., and South/Tremont St.

Other neighborhoods where there are plans for bike lanes include Allston-Brighton, Mission Hill, Jamaica Plain, and Roslindale.

Wu said that the city has a goal of ensuring that 50 percent of all Boston residents are within “a three-minute walk to a safe, connected bike route within the next three years.”

Also in that time period, the city will add more than 100 Blue Bike

stations, which will increase the current amount by 40 percent.

To mitigate speeding and increase safety for pedestrians and cyclists, the city will also be installing speed humps and raised crosswalks, “particularly around schools, parks, and libraries,” Wu said.

The city is also “committing to reach 600 women and gender diverse adults” with its free learn-to-bike workshops, as well as a “\$1.5 million rebate for older adults and people with disabilities to purchase e-bikes,” she said.

“We are committed to building a Boston for everyone,” Wu said.

Wu was joined by Chief of Streets Jascha Franklin-Hodge, Chief of Environment, Energy, and Open Spaces Rev. Mariama White-Hammond, Chief of Planning Arthur Jemison, Shavel’le Olivier of the Mattapan Food & Fitness Coalition, as well as several bike activists and City Councilor Kenzie Bok, who made remarks.

Franklin-Hodge said that based on recent data, “at key streets,” 10 to 20 percent of vehicles are bikes “during peak periods,” and that Blue Bikes have increased in popularity.

He said that August was the “highest ridership month in the history of the Blue Bikes system, which is “almost a quarter of the number of trips on the Orange



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Two riders make their way down a river path in Boston on BlueBikes. Line.”

He said that bikes must be made “more accessible to more people” and that infrastructure needs to be safer as well. Additionally, he said “e-bikes are also starting to play a much bigger role in biking in Boston.”

District 8 City Councilor Kenzie Bok said she has been in favor of bike lanes around the Boston Common and the Boston Public Garden, which were implemented during the pandemic and now used by her mother to get to work.

“I think they’ve been tremendous in a whole host of ways,” she said, adding that some people only feel safe using protected bike lanes, and that they also make pedestrian

crossings shorter.

She said that a lot of people who may not bike today would consider doing so if there were more protected bike lanes.

The planning process that Wu announced will help to decide where more bike lanes are needed and how they will be implemented, and the 9.4 miles of new bike lanes to be installed by the end of next year will be done so on over a dozen streets.

“I believe that Boston can be the best city in America for biking and walking,” Franklin-Hodge said.

For more information and updates on this new initiative, visit boston.gov/bike-lanes.

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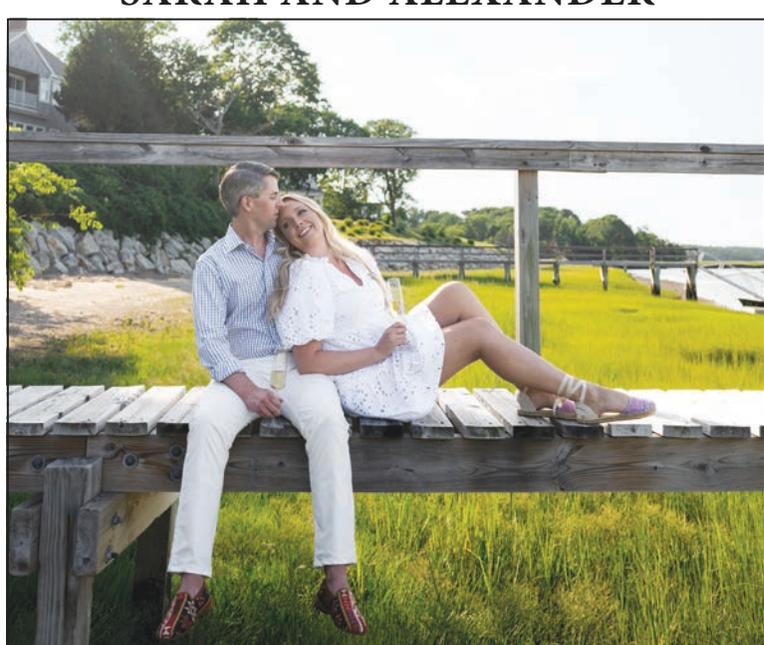


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Beacon Hill residents Sarah Dale and Alexander Dyer were engaged in Warren, VT. They reside at 88 Mount Vernon Street. The two have been dating for (almost) six years and will be married in May of 2023. Parents of the bride are Lynn Dale and Frank Wisneski of Beacon Hill and Stuart Dale of Natick. Parents of the groom are Dave and Dolly Dyer of Bethlehem, PA.

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Michael Nichols to bid farewell to the Esplanade Association

By Dan Murphy

Perhaps the biggest surprise for Michael Nichols, the exiting executive director of the Esplanade Association, upon assuming that role five years ago, was just how many different stakeholders have an interest in the park.

"I was surprised at how many different ways people love the Esplanade. There are so many different constituencies – neighbors, runners, nannies, concert-goers, bikers, art enthusiasts, horticulture enthusiasts," said Nichols, "so it's just awe-inspiring to see how many different ways people love the park."

During Nichols' tenure with the Esplanade Association, the non-profit, which works in partnership with the state's Department of Conservation and Recreation to care for and maintain the Esplanade, invested more than \$12.5 million in the park, while EA's staff doubled in size from eight to 16 over the course of the past five years.

"I'm proud of the impact we've had across the board in the last five years, from programming to horticulture to capital improvements

to the responsiveness of our staff and outreach to the public," said Nichols. "It's just been a great five years, and I feel like the organization has taken a major step forward."

Nichols credits the hard work of the staff and board, especially Alexi Conine, board chair, for helping the group make such major strides in this time. "I'm most proud of the staff and board we put together and how much more impactful our organization's work has gotten," he said.

Asked to identify the Esplanade Association's most notable achievement during his time with the organization, Nichols immediately points to the Charlesbank Landing project – a planned two-acre riverfront park enhancement anchored by the new, year-round Esplanade Pavilion, which, he said, will "make a decades-long impact on the Esplanade."

Said Nichols, "It took my entire tenure to refine and improve the project. We're past the halfway mark on fundraising, and most importantly, we have just received the gubernatorial and legislative authorization to move the project forward."

Besides the plan for Charlesbank Landing, Nichols said he's also looking forward to watching the progress of two other major projects ushered in during his tenure with the Esplanade Association – the opening of the Gronk Playground, a complete renovation of the Charlesbank Playground made possible by a \$1.2 million gift from former New England Patriot Ron Gronkowski; and the planned expansion of Charlesgate Park, which aims to reclaim the "key link" that connects the Kenmore, Back Bay, and Fenway neighborhoods and unite the Charles River Esplanade, the Emerald Necklace and the Commonwealth Avenue Mall into a single-park system.

(The Charlesgate Park project is a partnership led by the Emerald Necklace Conservancy that besides the Esplanade Association, includes myriad other stakeholders, including the Charlesgate Alliance, the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT), and DCR, among others.)

Nichols' tenure also saw the launch of the Owl's Nest – a beer garden, now in its fifth season, that the Esplanade Association operates in the park in partnership with Everett's Night Shift Brewery.

The Owl's Nest, which was the first beer garden to operate on DCR property, "has been a really great addition to the park," said Nichols.



COURTESY OF MICHAEL NICHOLS
Michael Nichols, the exiting executive director of the Esplanade Association.

Moreover, Nichols described the expansion of the Esplanade Association's public art program over the last five years as one of the organization's "hallmarks."

"What started with 'Patterned Behavior' before I started has blossomed into eight murals on view in the park and some really incredible short-term installations, like the 'Hatched' and the 'Frozen in Life' exhibits," said Nichols.

"Patterned Behavior" by Silvia López Chavez, the first pub-

lic art mural on the Esplanade commissioned by the Esplanade Association, was installed on the walls and pillars that support the Bowker Overpass in 2017, while last year, the Esplanade Association commemorated its 20th anniversary by debuting "Hatched Breaking through the Silence" – an original 15-minute multi-media performance led by Boston-based creative Maria Finkelmeier of MF Dynamics that was specifically designed for the DCR Hatch Shell. "Frozen in Life," by artist Anna Thurber, which was commissioned by the Esplanade Association, in partnership with DCR, was on display from March 18-20 of this year in Fiedler Park and highlighted three season of the Esplanade's plant species through the lens of more than 40 of Thurber's ice sculptures.

While Nichols is departing from the Esplanade Association in the coming weeks to become the new president of the Downtown Boston Business Improvement District, he remains proud of his time with the Esplanade Association.

"During the entire time I've lived in Boston (since 2008), it has been the closest park to my house," he said. "I've always had an appreciation for the Esplanade and was really excited about having the opportunity to spend my energy making it better and really feel like I did."

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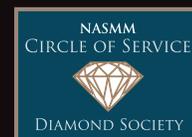


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Applicant: Ann M. Sobolewski; 14 Beacon Street LLC

Proposed Work: Ratification of unapproved metal door trim, replace light fixture

APP # 22.1369 BH 114 MOUNT VERNON STREET

Applicant: Michael Sullivan

Proposed Work: Remove existing unapproved sconces and replace with pendant light

II. DESIGN REVIEW

APP # 23.0100 BH 97 CHARLES STREET

Applicant: Bryn Robinson; Boston Sign Company

Proposed Work: New signage

APP # 22.1431 BH 19 CHARLES RIVER SQUARE

Applicant: Jon Wardwell

Proposed Work: Replace all original windows with like replacements

APP # 23.0182 BH 19 BRIMMER STREET

Applicant: Jon Wardwell

Proposed Work: At rear façade penthouse level, replace two vinyl casement windows and two picture windows with four wood, double hung 2 over 2, windows (same overall dimensions); Replace vinyl sliding door with wood sliding door (same dimensions); Replace vinyl siding with copper siding; remove one light and install four lights. At Front façade, remove four vinyl casement windows with six, wood double hung, 4 over 4, windows; replace vinyl siding with copper

APP # 23.0186 BH 145 PINCKNEY STREET

Applicant: George Sennott

Proposed Work: Replace balcony railings with code compliant railings to match existing color scheme.

APP # 23.0209 BH 86 CHESTNUT STREET

Applicant: Tom Egan; Evolve Architects

Proposed Work: Replace non-original double doors with a single door.

APP # 23.0186 BH 61 MOUNT VERNON STREET

Applicant: Tessa Atkinson

Proposed Work: Replace French

doors in kind.

APP # 23.0134 BH 68 PINCKNEY STREET

Applicant: Holly Fetter

Proposed Work: Paint existing front door Benjamin Moore Louisburg Green HC-113

APP # 23.0142 BH 135 MYRTLE STREET

Applicant: Gabriel Albusi; Verizon

Proposed Work: Install terminal cover

APP # 23.0190 BH 53 BEACON STREET

Applicant: Gabriel Albusi; Verizon

Proposed Work: Install terminal cover

APP # 23.0202 BH 96 MOUNT VERNON STREET

Applicant: Gabriel Albusi; Verizon

Proposed Work: Install terminal cover

APP # 23.0210 BH 56 CHESTNUT STREET

Applicant: Gabriel Albusi; Verizon

Proposed Work: Install terminal cover

APP # 23.0212 BH 58 CHESTNUT STREET

Applicant: Gabriel Albusi; Verizon

Proposed Work: Install terminal cover

APP # 23.0221 BH 64 BEACON STREET

Applicant: Amanda ; Seadar Construction

Proposed Work: Install new flagpole supports

III. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW/APPROVAL:

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applicable guidelines, the following applications will be approved at this hearing:

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- PLEASE NOTE THAT FOLLOWING ISSUANCE OF THE DETERMINATION SHEET NO FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE WILL BE ISSUED FOR THE APPLICATIONS LISTED BELOW. The electronic building-permit application as annotated by commission staff will constitute your Certificate of Appropriateness; this will be valid for two years from the date of the approval letter. The applicant is required to notify the commission of any project changes; failure to do so may affect the status of the approval.

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APP # 23.0176 BH 19 BRIMMER STREET: replace slate with like color and shape.

APP # 23.0177 BH 29 BRIMMER STREET #2: At front façade, level two replace two, 2 over 2, wood, double hung, non-original

windows, at rear façade, level two replace two, 2 over 2, wood, double hung, non-original windows.

APP # 23.0204 BH 63 BRIMMER STREET: Cut, repoint, and selective resetting of brickwork on west facade of Park Street School where it will remain exposed after reconstruction of the adjacent residence.

APP # 23.0044 BH 7 LOUISBURG SQUARE: replace slate with like color and shape.

APP # 23.0166 BH 4 PHILLIPS STREET: Cut and repoint brick on rear façade.

APP # 23.0160 BH 1 WALNUT STREET: Remove deteriorated slate and copper roofing and copper trim, flashing, gutters and downspouts. Install new roofing systems in-kind. Remove EPDM roofing and install new EPDM roofing system on high roof and at El. Re-install snow rail system. Install new copper roof on bay and above windows heads. Repair and repaint dormers in-kind. Install new copper siding on penthouse. Install two new skylights to replace existing. Install new hatch to replace existing.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE

APP # 23.0206 BH 80 WEST CEDAR STREET: All window trim to be scraped, primed, caulked and painted with two coats to match existing. Replace trim where necessary in kind. One concrete lintel repair and two sills replacements on fourth floor. Two lintel repairs and three sill replacements on Third floor. Six lintel replacements and three sill replacements on Second floor. All to use lintel pattern on each floor too match existing.

IV. RATIFICATION OF AUGUST 18, 2022 PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

V. STAFF UPDATES

VI. PROJECTED ADJOURNMENT: 9:00 PM

Wu announces Cabinet for Worker Empowerment

Special to The Times

Mayor Michelle Wu announced the creation of the Cabinet for Worker Empowerment led by Trinh Nguyen who will serve as the City's Chief of Worker Empowerment. The Cabinet, equipped with oversight and resources, is charged with advancing the well-being of all working Bostonians in both the public and private sectors. The Mayor also announced that Jodi Sugeran-Brozan and Rashad Cope will both serve as the cabinet's Deputy Chiefs.

"Boston can do so much more to advance and empower workers across all of our neighborhoods," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "Our economy is at a turning point, and as we work to recover from the impacts of the pandemic, we'll support one of Boston's greatest strengths: our workforce and people. When we make Boston a city

for everyone, every family and business benefits from our growth. I am thrilled for Trinh, Jodi and Rashad's leadership, and look forward to collaborating with this new cabinet on policies and programs that drive this crucial work forward for all Boston workers and their communities."

The Cabinet will advance the Mayor's work to enhance and strengthen Boston's workforce and economy by:

- Bringing together related roles and functions that were spread across several city departments and agencies under a single, unified cabinet

- Setting the City's future policy and vision for workers with an immediate focus on implementing Boston's Green New Deal

- Regulating, overseeing and improving workplace conditions and health for workers

- Expanding economic oppor-

tunity for workers through access to quality jobs, skills trainings and career pipelines

"I am excited, honored and humbled by this great opportunity to serve the City and its residents," said Trinh Nguyen. "Boston has recently experienced tremendous economic growth and prosperity, however, the future promises even greater opportunities if we prioritize equal access to quality jobs and skills training for all Bostonians. We look forward to engaging with employers, workers and public and private stakeholders towards this collective vision."

Trinh Nguyen is the current Director of the Mayor's Office of Workforce Development (OWD), an affiliated division of the Boston Planning & Development Agency (BPDA). As Director of OWB, she has launched such initiatives as the

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GRANTS (from pg. 6)

are selected on the basis of their demonstrated commitment to Boston's cultural community and their knowledge of various arts disciplines.

To better promote cultural equity in the Boston arts ecosystem, the BCC made a shift in its grant making strategy in 2019 that more intentionally supports small to mid-sized arts organizations in the Boston arts ecosystem. Beginning in 2021, the BCC further supported small organizations by committing the majority of grant funds to those with the smallest budgets. Through this grant program, organizations with annual budgets under \$2 million can apply for BCC grants of \$2,000, \$3,500, or \$5,000 depending on budget size.

The BCC focuses on small to mid-sized organizations that uniquely serve the City's arts eco-

system and prioritize cultural diversity, economic diversity, inclusion, and equity, through both their staffing and audiences served. Non-profit cultural organizations whose missions or programming are focused on music, film and video, traditional and folk art, visual art, theater, dance, humanities, literary arts, performing arts, social/civic practice, and multidisciplinary arts are eligible to apply as long as they are based in the City of Boston, or offer programming in Boston.

The deadline to apply for BCC grants is October 17, 2022 at 11:59 p.m. ET. There will be drop-in virtual office hours every Wednesday from 11 a.m. - noon through October 12 for organizations interested in learning more about the application process. More information can be found at boston.gov/arts-grants.

Bay Village Historical District Commission to hold public hearing on Sept. 13

Special to the Times

The Bay Village Historic District Commission will hold a virtual public hearing:

DATE: 9/13/2022

TIME: 4:00 PM

Please note. This meeting will only be held virtually and not in person. You can participate in the meeting by going to <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87672212252> or calling 301-715-8592 and enter meeting id 876 7221 2252 #. You can also submit written comments or questions to bayvillageac@boston.gov

I. DESIGN REVIEW

23.0075 BV 18 Shawmut Street (Continued from 8-9-2022):

Applicant: Alison Kispert Proposed Work: At front facade install sign on existing bracket.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW/APPROVAL:

In order to expedite the review process, the commission has delegated the

approval of certain work items, such as those involving ordinary maintenance and repair, restoration or replacement, or which otherwise have a minimal impact on a building's appearance, to commission staff pending ratification at its monthly public hearing. Having been identified as meeting these eligibility criteria and all applicable guidelines, the following applications will be approved at this hearing:

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given below.) Commission staff will accordingly authorize the execution of the work, attaching any applicable provisos, reflecting the relevant guidelines and precedents.

- Please note that following issuance of the determination sheet no further correspondence will be issued for the applications listed below. The electronic building-permit application as annotated by commission staff will constitute your Certificate of Appropriateness; this will be valid for one year from the date of the hearing. The applicant is required to notify the commission of any project changes; failure to do so may affect the status of the approval.

If you have any questions not addressed by the above information, please contact staff at 617.635.3850 or BayVillageAC@boston.gov. Thank you.

23.0146 BV 22 Church Street: Replace three fifth-story one-over-one non-historic wood windows in-kind.

23.0187 BV 6 Edgerly Place: Repaint and repaint wood trim at

first-story.

23.0188 BV 19 Fayette Street: Repaint and repaint wood trim at first-story.

III. REVIEW OF REVISED REGULATORY STANDARDS

IV. RATIFICATION OF 8/9/2022 PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

V. STAFF UPDATES

VI. PROJECTED ADJOURNMENT: 5:00 PM

CABINET (from pg. 10)

Tuition-Free Community College Program, the Greater Boston American Apprenticeships, and various career pathways for the healthcare, clean energy and construction sectors. Prior to her role at OWD, Nguyen was the Chief of Staff at the Boston Housing Authority.

Nguyen has nearly 25 years of experience in operations, programs, resource, and budget management. She has worked in executive management for various community non-profits and public sector agencies. She is currently Chair of the Neighborhood Jobs Trust, a Trustee of the U.S. Conference of

Mayors Workforce Development Council, and a Trustee of Bunker Hill Community College. Nguyen holds dual graduate degrees and an MBA from MIT's Sloan School of Management and was a community fellow at MIT's Department of Urban Planning.

Deputy Chiefs Jodi Sugerman-Brozan and Rashad Cope will work with Chief Nguyen to execute the Cabinet's key priorities, such as workplace safety and workforce career pipelines respectively. Deputy Chief Sugerman-Brozan will focus on improving oversight of labor standards as well as strength-

ening and building a culture of workplace safety and health across the city. Recently, the City of Boston has continued to see a range of preventable workplace incidents and fatalities, particularly on construction sites across the City. The Cabinet will play a major role in understanding what is causing these incidents and developing and implementing prevention strategies.

Deputy Chief Cope will primarily coordinate and build on the work of the City's workforce employment initiatives. He will focus on constructing crucial career pipelines between the City and Boston's educational institutions, and ensuring workers are connected with job opportunities and skill programs.

"I am beyond excited to step into this role to advance the Mayor's priorities around workforce empowerment," said Rashad Cope. "Thank you to Mayor Wu, and Chief Nguyen for your commitment to training and pathway development for workers. Boston has a thriving community of current and emerging professionals that will truly benefit from reskilling and upskilling opportunities to support their growth and success in the workplace. I appreciate the tremendous moment to serve our city in this capacity." Wu has been a consistent and equitable champion for Boston workers through uplifting the work of critical labor unions, advocacy organizations and ensuring that Boston is a city for everyone.



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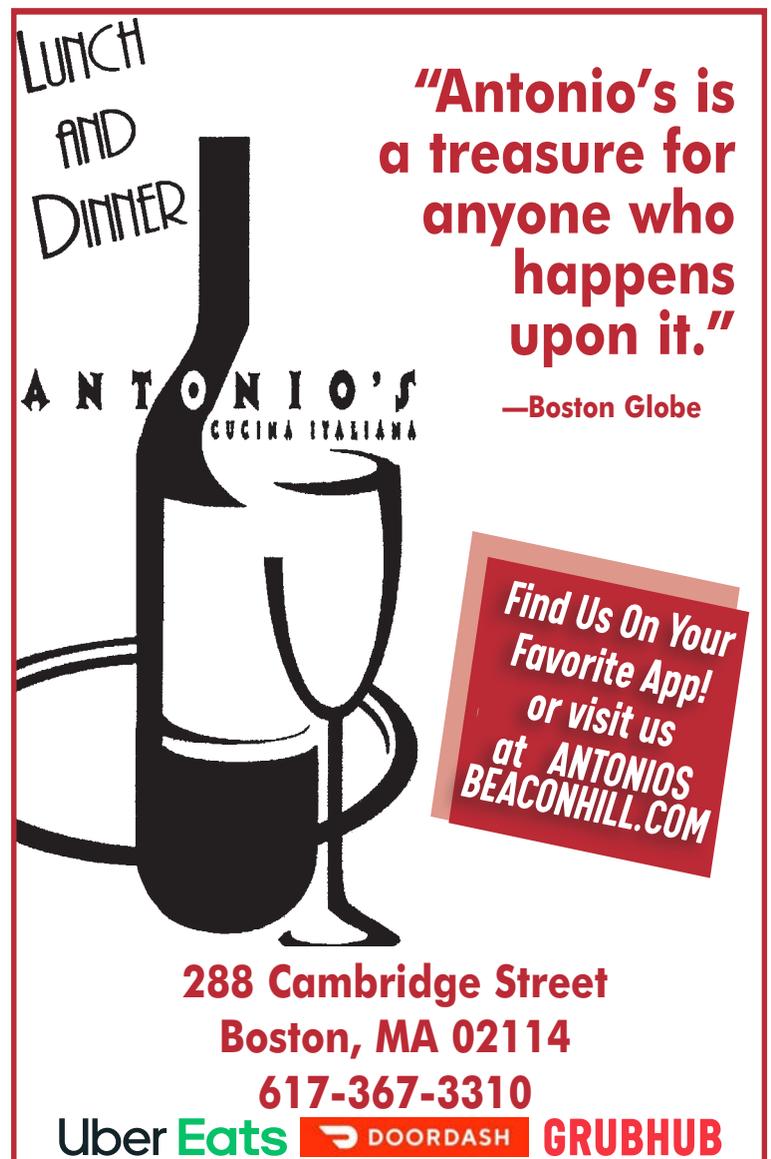
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Grainger named as the senior advisor for youth and schools

Special to the Times

Building on her campaign commitment to elevate the well-being of Boston's young people as a true community mission, Mayor Michelle Wu announced Rebecca Grainger as her Senior Advisor for Youth and Schools. In this role,

Grainger will work in close partnership with the Mayor, Boston Public Schools, and senior City officials to advance the Mayor's commitment to making Boston the most family-friendly city in the country. Grainger will also be responsible for standing up the Boston Children's Cabinet,

charged with coordinating City services that impact children and their families and creating a civic ecosystem that allows all children to thrive inside and outside of school. Grainger brings more than 20 years of experience working in education, including time with Somerville Public Schools. She officially started with the City of Boston at the end of August.

"Setting up our kids and teens for success is crucial to the future of Boston, and City Hall needs to play an important role in connecting our families to the services they deserve," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "I'm thrilled that Rebecca joins our team with a deep knowledge of breaking systemic barriers in our education system. Together with our Superintendent and Office of Early Childhood, we'll make sure children of all ages have opportunities for growth in and out of school."

Grainger served her first decade in education as a high school science teacher and department chair at Sierra High School in Colorado Springs, Colorado. She is recognized as a Distinguished Educator and Hall of Fame Distinguished Alumna. Her work has centered on dismantling racial inequities in our education systems and youth programming.

Most recently, Grainger led the instructional design for Black Futures Lab's Black Policy Insti-

tute, a fellowship to prepare selected Fellows to craft policy that advances Black political power, change the way power operates, and improve the lives of Black people.

"I'm honored to join Mayor Wu and the team at City Hall in supporting youth and families throughout the city of Boston," said Rebecca Grainger, Senior Advisor for Youth and Schools. "I look forward to listening deeply to understand history and to advocate thoughtfully in tackling barriers that have limited access to resources and opportunity. I'm excited to collaborate with the many talented minds and actors working across schools, city departments, sectors, and communities to strengthen existing and cultivate new programs, partnerships, and avenues to lend to the bright futures of the youth of Boston."

As Senior Advisor, Grainger will aim to build trust with young people, families, and communities from diverse backgrounds, including those who have not historically been well-served by government programs to understand needs and drive key priorities. Grainger will shape and drive a youth policy agenda both inside and outside of schools, expand meaningful opportunities for teens to increase access to choice post-high school, and guide collaborative partnerships across schools, City departments, and non-governmental service providers to align education and other vital services for children and families.

Grainger holds her doctorate in Education Leadership (Ed.L.D.) from the Harvard Graduate School of Education. She spent her doctoral residency in Somerville Public Schools where she worked in close partnership with incoming BPS Superintendent Mary Skipper. Her capstone work centered on the use of data to strategically redesign inequitable systems.

Grainger rejoined Somerville Public Schools in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic as the Principal Strategic Coordinator. There she coordinated across the district and city departments to align planning for school reopening. She served as lead writer in developing the state required back-to-school plan. "On behalf of Boston Public Schools, I am proud to welcome Dr. Grainger to Boston," said incoming Boston Public Schools Superintendent Mary Skipper. "Rebecca and I worked closely together before at Harvard University and Somerville Public Schools. She is a brilliant and consummate professional. I know she will bring her passion and dedication for young people to every part of her

work, and I have no doubt that she will be an amazing addition to the Children's Cabinet."

In her new role, Grainger will also work with the Office of Early Childhood. In March, Kristin McSwain was announced as Director of the Office of Early Childhood, tasked with working to expand access to early education and childcare programs, investing in Boston's early education and care workforce, and building a central point-of-entry for residents looking for information on early education and childcare programming.

"With Rebecca's appointment, for the first time City Hall has a team focused on ensuring that all of Boston's young people, regardless of age, have access to the rich opportunities that our city offers as well as support across city agencies to thrive," said Kristin McSwain, Senior Advisor & Director, Office of Early Childhood. "Many families in Boston have young children and school aged children, and we need to ensure they all have tools to succeed no matter what neighborhood they live in. I look forward to working with Rebecca to make sure our City services are coordinated to meet the needs of families and their children of all ages." Previously, as a Fellow at the Institute for Learning at the University of Pittsburgh, Grainger served as a scholar practitioner bridging the divide between education research and the K-12 classroom. Through professional development, curriculum design, and partnering with researchers, she pushed the boundaries between educator and student roles, asking students and teachers to create the learning environment in partnership. At the foundation of the instructional design was empowering teachers to engage students in productive talk and active questioning to raise student voice and agency in their education.

Grainger lives in the West End with her husband.

This staffing announcement builds on recent efforts to improve the lives of Boston's children and their families. In July, the Mayor announced a \$20 million investment to expand Boston's Universal Pre-K Program, expanding support for community-based classrooms, increasing the number of seats available to 3 and 4-year-olds for the upcoming school year, and beginning integrating family child care providers into the UPK system. In May, Mayor Wu announced a \$17 million BPS food service contract with City Fresh Foods to provide local, nutritious food, and announced a Green New Deal for Boston Public Schools.



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