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A NEW BOOKSTORE AND CAFÉ IS COMING TO BEACON HILL



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Beacon Hill residents will be getting their very own Book Store and Café that will open within the week. The Book Store and will be located at 71 Charles Street and will feature its own Café. Shown above is one of the many reading areas that book readers can enjoy. See Page 12 for more photos and story.

Blackstones to celebrate 40 years in business on Charles Street this Saturday, Sept. 24

By Dan Murphy

One of the most beloved and longest-running shops on Charles Street, Blackstones will celebrate 40 years in business this Saturday, Sept. 24.

"There are some stores that survive 40 years, but not many," said Jennifer Hill, who together, with her husband, Jim, owns the store now located at 40 Charles St.

But Blackstones is also in good company among a handful of other stalwart business on Charles Street as Jim quickly point out: "Charles Street has quite a few family-owned, legacy stores like Charles Street Supply, Gary Drug, DeLuca's, and Linens on the Hill," he said.

On July 3, 1982, five gentlemen opened the shop at 46 Charles St., which was originally known as Blackstone's of Beacon Hill. It



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Jennifer and Jim Hill, owners of Blackstones at 40 Charles St.

the products had a "Boston flair" to appeal to the countless visitors to Charles Street's Antique Row.

The next chapter for Blackstones began on April 1, 1996, when Lynne Miller, who had years of previous retail experience working at Brooks Brothers, assumed ownership of the shop. While the business remained much the same, she modified its tagline to "Gifts for all reasons and seasons."

Exactly 10 years later on April 1, 2006, current owners, Jennifer and Jim Hill, along with their former business partner, Mark Duffield, acquired the shop.

"[We] were fortunate to take over a neighborhood store that had a stellar reputation built by the previous owners," wrote Duffield, who retired in 2014. "But we brought our own brand of new

stocked "unique and distinct gifts" and home accents, and many of

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City announces imminent changes to Cambridge Street

By Dan Murphy

Through its Connect Downtown program, which aims to improve accessibility for both pedestrians and bicyclists in the downtown neighborhoods, the city is planning to make several changes to Cambridge Street this fall, which include plans for a new separated bike lane.

The city, according to a notice, intends to install a separated bike

lane going westbound on the north side of Cambridge Street between Court Street and the Longfellow Bridge, as well as to adjust the signal timing between Sudbury Street and Charles Circle to "optimize the traffic signals to keep all the travelers moving safely."

The number of travel lanes would remain the same, except for the segment between Court and

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BEACON HILL CIVIC ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY CORNER

Thank you to all who supported the BHCA Centennial Weekend!

A wonderful time was had by all this past weekend as the BHCA celebrated its Centennial. On Saturday, over 260 people enjoyed dinner under the stars at one long table on the flat of Mt. Vernon Street. And Sunday, families and their pets had fun at the annual Fall HillFest.

The BHCA would like to thank our neighbors on Mt. Vernon Street, our Centennial Dinner Co-chairs, Gordon Burnes and James Houghton, the Centennial Steering Committee led by Suzanne Besser

and Keeta Gilmore, Meredith and Gene Clapp, Hill House, the BHCA Events Committee, and our extraordinary volunteers who helped make this weekend possible. We'd also like to thank our sponsors Archer Roose, New Salem Cider, the Sevens, and Harpoon.

Join us! If you haven't yet become a member of the BHCA, we invite you to join. If you have called our office for assistance with an issue, you will know that we are a valuable resource for our neighbors. Your input in quality

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LE SVELTE SPA OPENS ON CHARLES STREET



Jullya Minnelly, Eliane Svelti and Humberto Silva share glasses of champagne during the grand opening for Eliane's Le Svelte Spa on Charles Street. See more photos on Page 16.

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EDITORIAL

GET THE NEW COVID SHOT NOW!

We realize that after two and one-half years of dealing with COVID-19, all of us just want to be done with COVID.

But the unfortunate reality is that COVID-19 is not done with us, despite what President Biden suggested in his interview on Sunday with 60 Minutes.

The number of Americans who still are contracting -- and dying from -- COVID each and every day continues to be staggering: The daily average of new COVID cases in the U.S. is more than 60,000 and the daily average for new deaths is almost 500. More Americans are dying from COVID every week than died on 9/11.

The toll that so-called long-COVID is wreaking on our population also is enormous. By some estimates, 20 percent of those who contract COVID, even if they have mild cases, will suffer from the effects of long-COVID, including many that are physically and mentally debilitating over the long term.

However, the availability of the new COVID-19 vaccine marks a huge step forward in our ability to reduce the ravages of the COVID pandemic. The new vaccine, which became available two weeks ago for all adults, is the only type of vaccine that can protect against the most dominant Omicron strains of COVID-19 in the US. The new booster is bivalent, which means it provides better protection against both the original strain of COVID-19 and the Omicron variants that are currently causing most infections (BA.4 and BA.5).

In addition, preliminary research suggests that the new vaccine offers significant protection not only against serious illness and death, but also against contracting long-COVID.

Health professionals are recommending that even if you have had COVID, you should get the new vaccine as soon as a month after your illness, and for those who have received all of the previous boosters, you should get the new vaccine two months after your last shot.

Those with compromised immune systems should consult with their doctor about getting the new vaccine.

We urge all of our readers not to walk, but to run, to a health care provider to get the new vaccine ASAP.

AMERICA NEEDS IMMIGRANTS MORE THAN EVER

For the first time in the history of the world, there are more people on the planet over the age of 65 than under five.

For industrial nations such as the U.S., this is a profound change from what has been the norm for the past 75 years, when the arrival of the Baby Boomer generation marked the beginning of just the opposite trend.

But with the Baby Boomers leaving the workforce in unprecedented numbers, we're seeing some of the effects of this new change in demographics. There simply are not enough Americans to fill jobs of all kinds -- reportedly there is just one worker for every two job openings -- and no matter how much the Fed raises interest rates, that is not going to change.

Moreover, as the majority of Baby Boomers begin to hit their 70s, the demand for service employees, ranging from healthcare professionals (doctors, nurses, home health aides) to the travel industry (flight crews, airline ground staff) is going to increase exponentially.

Whether going to a hospital emergency room or an airport these days, it's already a nightmare, with the consequences ranging from life-and-death to inconvenience.

Japan has been the canary in the coal mine of this demographic shift. Its economy has been stagnant for a decade and even shrinking in comparison to other nations because of the decline in its birth rate and its aging population.

The industrialized world is facing the reality of simple arithmetic: There are fewer young people to take care of a lot more old people.

In 1970, the median age of the U.S. population was 28.1. Today it is 38.6. In other words, our population today is almost a full generation older (if you count a generation as being 15-20 years) than it has been in the past.

With the U.S. government stuck in gridlock, it is obvious that we as a nation are not going to be able to do anything to address this impending seismic shift in demographics over the long term.

America's greatness always has stemmed from those who have immigrated from other countries. Immigrants come to America to make a better life for themselves and their families. They work hard and possess an entrepreneurial spirit. In addition, they bring a diversity that has created the wonder that is the American melting pot.

More than ever, America needs immigrants to fill the jobs and pay the taxes that will support our aging population.

We realize that a lot of people may not want to hear that -- but that is the reality.

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Sudbury streets, where there will be only one general travel lane going westbound and turn-only lanes approaching Sudbury Street, according to the notice.

Most of the parking on the north side of Cambridge Street between Court Street and Charles Circle will be removed, although some accessible spaces will be moved to New Chardon Street. Accessible spaces will also be added on Cambridge Street in front of the West End Branch

Library.

The city will also modify curb regulations on the eastbound/south side of Cambridge Street, with the intention of keeping curbside space available delivery trucks, as well as to reduce double-parking, and to provide more "flexible" pick-up and drop-off activity, according to the notice.

Visit bit.ly/camb-st-plans to review the design plans and proposed curb regulations.

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products, creativity, and neighborhood philanthropy."

Added Duffield: "I think a seminal moment is when faced with a recession we broadened our customer and revenue base outside of our state with the five-year Mystery Ornament Program and accompanying book, 'The Last Shepard and Tales of the Tenth Ornament.' This produced a reliable stream of income we could count on every year despite the bad economies and raised thousands for Mass. General's cancer program for children and garnered many awards...local, regional and national including the Beacon Award! I think this appealed to what we did best...Christmas, creativity, philanthropy, and love of neighborhood."

The Beacon Hill Civic Association awarded its 17th annual Beacon Award to Jennifer Hill and Duffield on behalf of Blackstones in May of 2013 for making for making what was deemed "a sustained and significant contribution to the community."

On April 1, 2010, Jennifer and Jim Hill opened a gourmet kitchen store called KitchenWares by Blackstones at 215 Newbury St. as a successor to KitchenArts, a similar business which had previously occupied the same space for more than 30 years. The Hills even received permission from the owners of KitchenArts to adopt a similar business name that pays homage to the earlier establishment. Besides marking the 40-year milestone for Blackstones, 2022 is also the 40th anniversary of KitchenArts' opening on Newbury Street, according to Jennifer.

On April 1, 2020, Blackstone's of Beacon Hill and KitchenWares merged under one roof on Charles Street, with the combined businesses simply called Blackstones.

Still today, Blackstones customers are often pleasantly surprised to learn that KitchenWares is still in business and now operating on Charles Street.

"We get people in all the time, and when they realize that the store used to be on Newbury Street, they say, 'oh, you didn't leave the city -- we found you,'" said Jennifer.

On Sept. 1 of the same year, Blackstones moved from 46 Charles St. to its current home at 40 Charles St., which at 1,400 square feet, is more than double the size of the old 550 square-foot storefront. The added space has allowed Blackstones to increase its inventory to include Kitchen, Home, and Gifts.

"With the expanded store at 40 Charles, we've been able to increase our assortment throughout the store," said Jim. "There are things we never handled before because we didn't have the space.

There's a lot going on here."

The store is currently "loaded" with fall products, said Jim, including autumn décor and Halloween items.

For Blackstones' 40th anniversary celebration this Saturday, drawings will be held throughout the day at the store, with "thousands of dollars in products to give away," said Jim, who added that the store will also be offering gifts to customers with their purchases.

"Another business that's very special to us is the Women's Lunch Place on Newbury Street, said Jennifer, "and it's also their 40th anniversary, so as part of our day-long celebration during shopping hours, we'll be donating 40 percent of our proceeds to them."

Duffield will also be on hand at 2 p.m. for a booksigning for "As I Recall: Wings of Remembrance," his third book which features illustrations by former Beacon Hill Mail carrier, Nancy O'Hearn, and cover art by Mark's twin sister, Sharon Duffield. The book recounts the true events of 2006 when Mark and Jennifer Hill assumed ownership of Blackstones and how Mark wishes his late father were there to lend him counsel during this challenging time.

But even before their 40th anniversary celebration has come to pass, Blackstones is early looking ahead to the next major event.

"The next biggest event we're thinking about is Boston's 400th birthday in 2030," said Jim. "We hope the whole street becomes one of the most desirable tourist attractions in the city by then."

For more information on Blackstones, visit blackstonesboston.com.

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BHAC hears applications for new coffee shop proposed for Charles Street

By Dan Murphy

The Beacon Hill Architectural Commission reviewed a pair of applications for a new Charles Street location of a Brooklyn-based chain of coffee shops during its monthly public hearing, which took place virtually on Thursday, Sept. 15.

Blank Street Coffee, which intends to take over the space formerly occupied by Starbucks at 97 Charles St., was before the commission to remediate the existing metal trim around the wood front door, as well as for the replacement of a light fixture above the door. The commission unanimously approved the application as submitted, with provisos that the façade and metal trim both be painted using a Cedar Path green shade, which is Blank Street's corporate branding color, and that details of the light fixture be remanded to staff.

The commission also unanimously approved as submitted another application from Blank Street Coffee for new signage comprising a double-faced wood blade sign with painted aluminum lettering, measuring 28-by-25 inches and 1 inch thick. The blade sign was described by the applicant as a "simple black square with white lettering," which would hang above the main entry door using existing an existing 42-inch bracket.

The approved application also includes plans for a main wall sign for the front of the store, which would also be made of wood and have aluminum lettering and use the same color scheme as the proposed blade sign.

Following an advisory review, the commission gave the green light for Old West Church to file a new application at the next public hearing on Thursday, Oct. 20, for the construction of a Food Forest Tool Storage Shed at 131 Cambridge St. (The commission had unanimously denied without prejudice an application for the proposed storage shed at its June 16 public hearing.)

Michael Moehring, a church trustee, said the proposed shed, which be used to store shovels, long-handle cultivators, and a wheelbarrow, among other tools, would measure 8-by-12 feet and be painted a shade of grey to match the church's granite. The shed would be located on the west side of the church's belltower and utilize 5-by-5 foot cedar timbers, along with white rock and crushed stone, for the foundation, added Moehring.

Nick Armata, senior preservation planner for the Boston Landmarks Commission, said, "Mike has been in touch with me every



D. MURPHY PHOTO

The future home of Blank Street Coffee at 97 Charles St.

step of the way. This is the only location that's going to minimize the impact on the viewshed to the church. Staff 100 percent supports this project."

Commissioners Arian Allen and Annette Given said they supported the application, while other commissioners not on hand for this matter, including Mark Kiefer, Alice Richmond, were also "open to it," according to Armata.

Commissioners Ed Fleck and Ralph Jackson still had some concerns with the application, but both said they would view a mock-up of the shed the next day and individually email Armata afterwards to share their thoughts on it.

"It seems like most of the commission is okay with the project," said Armata. "It's just the fine details we need to flesh out."

Gene Butterfield, a Verizon engineer who came before the commission for the Aug. 18 hearing, made a return visit regarding proposed the installation of terminal covers as part of the utility provider's replacement of its old copper-wire system with fiber optics. (At its Aug. 18 public hearing, the commission unanimously approved as submitted an application from Verizon for the installation of a black, sheet-metal box, measuring 16-by-20 inches and 8 inches deep, at 44 Chestnut St.)

This time, the commission unanimously approved as submitted the installation for new terminal covers at 135 Myrtle St., 53 Beacon St., 96 Mt. Vernon St., 56 Chestnut St., and 58 Chestnut St. respectively, with the provisos that staff (Armata) work with Verizon and effected homeowners to ensure that the placement of the covers is appropriate; that written approval is secured from the individual effected homeowners; and that

Verizon subsequently remedy any mortar damage or other issues that arise during installation.

The commission unanimously approved as submitted an application for 86 Chestnut St. to replace two separate non-original doors with a single, custom-made panel door.

Tom Egan, the architect for the project, said a storefront had been added to the first floor of the 1845 townhouse in the early 20th century, but a developer who purchased the building around 2018 and 2019 had then converted it back to a single-family home. At this time, the developer installed a pair of "low-quality doors," one of which

is a "dummy door" that doesn't work, said Egan.

This determination came with provisos that a rectangular transom, rather than a fanlight, be used in the installation of the new door; that a second option presented for the door hardware be used; and that a light fixture for the new door be approved by staff.

In another matter, the commission unanimously approved the installation of new flagpole supports at 34 Beacon St., with provisos that the supports be installed above the lintels, and that details be remanded to staff.

The commission also unanimously approved the ratification of a violation for the installation of an unapproved intercom system comprising a security screen atop a podium for a multi-story office building at 14 Beacon St., which is also home to the collection of the Congregational Library & Archives. This determination came with the provisos that the applicant work with staff to find a solution, and that the possibility of using a narrower podium base is also explored.

Likewise, the commission also unanimously voted to ratify a violation for 114 Mt. Vernon St. to replace unapproved sconces, which have already been removed, with a pendant light.

The commission voted 3-1 to deny without prejudice an application for 19 Charles River Square to remove and replace 28 original wood windows and 28 single-hung, true-divided-lite wood windows. Armata said he had determined

that most of the windows were original to the building or historic and could likely be restored.

For 19 Brimmer St., the commission unanimously approved as submitted an application to replace windows at both the front and rear of the sixth-floor penthouse; to replace vinyl sliding door with wood sliding door; and to replace vinyl siding with copper or standing-seem siding at both the front and rear facades. This determination came with the provisos that window details and shop drawings, along with details of the light fixtures on the rear elevation, be remanded to staff, among other stipulations.

The commission voted unanimously to continue an application for River House at 145 Pinckney St. to replace the balcony railings with code compliant railings to match the existing color scheme.

Additionally, the commission unanimously approved as submitted an application for 61 Mt. Vernon St. to replace the French doors in kind after staff determined that the existing doors couldn't be preserved.

An application for 68 Pinckney St. to paint the existing front door using Benjamin Moore Louisburg Green HC-113 was also listed on the agenda, but that matter wasn't heard by the commission due to the applicant's failure to appear at the hearing.

Commissioners Allen, Fleck, Given, and Jackson were in attendance for the entire hearing while Commissioner Richmond was also on hand for a portion of it.

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BHCA CENTENNIAL DINNER

Photos & Story by Marianne Salza

The Beacon Hill Civic Association celebrated 100 years of preserving and enhancing the lives of residents during its Centennial Dinner on September 17. Neighbors mingled during a cocktail

hour, enjoying the musical entertainment of The Ruta Beggars and The Water Street Wranglers bands. In all, 265 people ate dinner by soft, fairy lights along a 204-foot-table on Mount Vernon Street.



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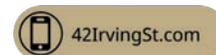
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Friends mingling during the Centennial Dinner cocktail hour.

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Historic New England to sponsor two upcoming event

By Dan Murphy

Historical New England will present a virtual program on deciphering the epitaphs of old New England gravestones on Wednesday, Oct. 5, as well as in-person fashion show on Saturday, Oct. 8, on the Otis House terrace.

The first event will be held virtually on Wednesday, Oct. 5, at 5:30 p.m., and feature John G.S. Hanson, author of "Reading the Gravestones of Old New England," exploring the poetic messages found in the epitaphs etched in New England gravestones and how they reflected the religious context of the times via their "conflicted and evolving attitudes toward life, death, and eternity," according to Historic New England's description of the program.

In anticipation of the upcoming program, Michael Maler, Historic New England's regional site manager for Metro Boston, wrote in an email: "I feel that people usually visit cemeteries to honor the dead, pay their respects to famous figures, or sometimes to enjoy the serene surroundings of greenspace and calm. But I think most people don't bother to read the often-poetic epitaphs, which express the emotions, culture, religious beliefs and perspectives of life and death of those that have come before us. For me, one of the many things that makes John's work so remarkable is that it gives a voice to those who can no longer speak. And not just the famous, but everyday people who lived everyday lives. I think the words of the past inform the present. We stand a great deal to learn from this type of mindful

attention to the voices of the past -- and gravestone epitaphs are a wonderful primary resource for this."

Tickets for this event are free, but donations are encouraged. Visit <https://my.historicnewengland.org/13846/gravestones> to register, or call 617-994-6678 for more information.

Next up is "Fashion on the Terrace: Zainab Sumu" on Saturday, Oct. 8, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the terrace of the Otis House at 141 Cambridge St.

For this event, fashion designer Zainab Sumu will showcase "her multidisciplinary body of artwork that elicits a powerful response that has the power to unify us all in a more joyful life," which "is rooted in the belief that art is a beautiful bridge that transcends cultures, race, and class," accord-

ing to Historic New England's program description.

Of Sumu, Maler wrote: "Her amazing talent brings both a sense of design and discovery to this landmark property, whose history lends itself to these very same sensibilities. I think the home's architect, Charles Bulfinch, as well as its first occupants, Harrison Gray and Sally Foster Otis, would appreciate the continuance of their artistic visions of making a statement, turning heads, and immersing oneself in beauty by creating a strong sense of identity. Zainab's creations embody all of these principles."

This program is free and open to the public, and will feature Sumu's creations available for sale. Call 617-994-5959 for more information.



COURTESY OF HISTORIC NEW ENGLAND
Zainab Sumu, the fashion designer whose creations will be featured during the Saturday, Oct. 8, fashion show on the Otis House terrace

Boston Groundwater Trust Forum comes to Copley BPL

By Dan Murphy

The 2022 Boston Groundwater Trust (BGwT) Forum took place on Tuesday, Sept. 20, in Rabb Hall at the Copley Branch of the Boston Public Library.

Wilko Koning, senior project leader for Waternet, the water company that serves Amsterdam, Netherlands, appeared virtually as the forum's keynote speaker.

Koning detailed how the advent of Amsterdam's sewage system in 1913 pointed to the need to monitor its groundwater table, which led to the city starting to monitor its groundwater levels beginning in 1935. Today, Amsterdam has 4,296 observation wells, which are monitored about six times each year, he added.

Amsterdam has adopted a method called "Drainage Infiltration Transport," which uses a valve system to transport groundwater to where it's most needed, said Koning.

The forum also included a discussion with the Climate Change Panel moderated by Rob Whitney, BGwT co-chair and the Beacon Hill Civic Association's representative to the organization. The panel included Kate England, the City of Boston's inaugural Director of Green Infrastructure; Dr. Jayne Knott, principal of JFK Environmental Services LLC (d/b/a Hydro-Predictions); Matt O'Malley, the first-ever Chief Sustainability Officer for Vicinity Energy, as well as the past District 6 City Councilor and City Council President; Dr. Vandana Rao, Director of Water Policy and Executive Director of the Water Resources Commission for the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs; and John Sullivan, Chief Engineer for the Boston Water & Sewer Commission.

Christian Simonelli, BGwT executive director, presented two videos - one that detailed the organization's work to date, the other

explaining the process of underpinning a building (i.e. reinforcing an original foundation using wood pilings).

The BGwT was established by the city in 1986, said Simonelli, and then reactivated in 1997 following a long hiatus. Today, the BGwT monitors 813 active observation-wells found throughout the city about seven or eight times each year, he said.

Moreover, the BGwT is currently deploying remote groundwater-monitoring devices called "Level Devils" in five wells, said Simonelli, who added that the city would collect data from these devices before considering buying more of them.

The city also created the Groundwater Conservation Overlay District (GCOD) in 2006 to further protect its groundwater levels, said Simonelli. The GCOD was modified the following year and then modified again and expanded last year, he added.

In 2005, the Groundwater Working Group was established, bringing together city, state, and private stakeholders on a quarterly basis to share data, said Simonelli.

Garrett Dash Nelson, president and head curator of the Leventhal Map and Education Center at the Copley Branch of the BPL, was also on hand to offer his presentation called "Making Water into Gold."

Using maps of the city and other documents dating back to the Colonial period (circa 1630), Nelson concluded that \$36 billion of tax-assessed property in Boston is located entirely on filled land, while \$54 billion of tax-assessed property in Boston is located par-

tially or entirely on filled land.

In 2020, this land accounted for \$650 million of the city's annual property tax revenue, or more than one-quarter of the total sum, said Nelson.

Mayor Michelle Wu also offered

opening remarks at the forum.

According to Mayor Wu, about one-third of the city of Boston is built on filled land, but with drought and increasingly frequent

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CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

North Washington Street Bridge construction look-ahead through Oct. 1

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

Scheduled Work

- Temporary Bridge asphalt repair will occur from Monday through Friday, September 23

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:

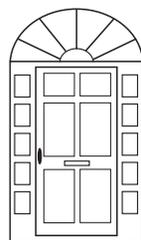
- CONCERT: September 23 at 7:00 p.m., 9/24 at 7:00 p.m., 9/28 at 7:00 p.m., and 9/30 at 8:00 p.m.
- BRUINS: September 27 at 7:00 p.m.

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Storybook Ball showcases Mass General Newborn Medicine

On Saturday, October 1, Mass General for Children (MGfC) celebrates its annual Storybook Ball at the Museum of Fine Arts (MFA). This year's gala highlights Newborn Medicine and showcases how MGfC's state-of-the-art medical and surgical care, in collaboration with obstetrics, helps mothers and babies before, during and after childbirth to heal, grow and thrive.

"The ability to care for children from before birth, through childhood and into adulthood, in diverse settings, while integrating world-class science to improve their health, truly sets us apart," said Paul Lerou, MD, chief of the Division of Newborn Medicine, Mass General for Children. "MGfC clinicians and researchers are uniquely positioned to partner with all the other facets of clinical, research, and education at MGfC to improve the lives of children, their families, and the communities

in which they live."

Among other innovative approaches, the MGfC Neonatal Simulation Program allows clinicians to hone their skills and improve care for the sickest newborns. In collaboration with the Pediatric Surgery service, the MGfC Neonatal Simulation Team developed the first ECMO (heart-lung bypass machine) simulation module, allowing clinical teams to refine initiation of this highly complex treatment in newborns.

The evening's featured patient story highlights MGfC's clinical excellence. Carter, from Chelmsford, Mass., was diagnosed with a congenital diaphragmatic hernia before birth and received surgery immediately following birth at MGfC, spending over 70 days in the MGfC Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). Carter's complex care required collaboration across multiple specialties at MGfC,

including surgery, fetal care, pulmonology, gastroenterology, endocrinology, the newborn follow-up clinic and more. Today, two-year-old Carter is thriving and will be in attendance with his parents at the gala to reflect on their journey. Their story truly underscores the incredible innovation and patient care one can experience across the board at a hospital like MGfC and shows how a child's amazing resilience can beat the odds.

At 6 p.m. on October 1, Co-Chairs Fiona and James Benenson III and Rachel and Bill Motley welcome over 500 guests at the MFA for cocktails, dinner, games and dancing in the theme of Chicka Chicka Boom Boom, the bestselling children's book written by Bill Martin, Jr. and John Archambault, where letters of the alphabet work together to climb a palm tree, with no shortage of bumps and bruises along the way.

Longtime partner Rafanelli Events builds upon the grandeur of the MFA, transforming the space into a whimsical jungle with bright oranges and fuchsias, tropical prints and imaginative letter play.

Guests let their kid at heart come out to play with the event's signature carnival booth games. Lucky winners this year take home items donated by generous local businesses such as Blank Label, ChappyWrap, Coffee Labs Roasters, CouCou, Kendra Scott, PUMA, Rue Gilt Groupe, Trincherro Family Estates, The Urban Grape and YETI.

WCVB-TV's Erika Tarantal will take the stage to emcee a live auction where guests have the chance to bid on one-of-a-kind packages donated by local partners. Auction packages include a magical Madrid experience for two; a Martha's Vineyard getaway for six; and a 25-person party in the Jim Beam

Dugout at Fenway Park.

"This year's festivities are inspired by a story about letters climbing up a coconut tree, falling down, and being comforted by their parents and other adults," said Co-Chair Rachel Motley. "The beloved tale mirrors the hope of everyone at MGfC to help children attain their best health to thrive on their individual paths. We're looking forward to highlighting the amazing MGfC Newborn Medicine team and sharing with you the importance of their care and expertise."

Mass General for Children's Storybook Ball takes place at 6 p.m. on Sat., Oct. 1, 2022, at the Museum of Fine Arts, 465 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass. Visit www.storybookball.org for tickets and more information.

GROUNDWATER (from pg. 6)

heat spells, "Mother Nature is looking to take back what was originally hers" via groundwater depletion and rising sea-levels.

But Mayor Wu also offered some encouraging news: while this summer was on par with the

summer of 2016, which was then the city's driest summer to date, the groundwater levels are higher now than six years ago. And this is a testament to the work of the BGwT, which has significantly increased the number of monitor-

ing wells citywide in that time, she said.

Besides Mayor Wu, other elected officials offered brief remarks at the forum, including Sen. Lydia Edwards; Reps. Jay Livingstone and Aaron Michlewitz; and City

Councilors Kenzie Bok and Ed Flynn. (City Councilor Michael Flaherty was also slated to appear but couldn't attend the forum due to a last-minute scheduling conflict, said Whitney.)

As Councilor Bok noted during

her remarks, the basement-level Rabb Hall was a fitting setting for the forum, since the Copley Branch of the BPL was built on filled land, with the room itself surrounded by wood pilings.

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The Advent School

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Tuition: \$33,750

Hours: 8:10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Application deadline: January

Financial aid: Need-based aid is available.

Beacon Hill

Nursery School

74 Joy Street

Boston, MA 02114

617-227-0822

www.bhns.net

Beacon Hill Nursery School was founded in 1955 and has been a vital part of the downtown community since its inception with a consistent commitment to high

quality early childhood education. Our primary mission is to create a nurturing community that instills a lifelong love of learning in its students. We cherish children's innate curiosity through purposeful play guided by exceptional early childhood educators.

Our school is warm and welcoming, with two onsite play-scapes, a library/community space, eight classrooms and an indoor gym. All of our programs have a strong emphasis on play, hands-on engagement, open-ended exploration and social/emotional development. Enriched by weekly yoga and music classes, our program nurtures and engages children in an environment that cultivates creativity and joy in learning. Our Junior Kindergarten program is designed to maintain the hallmarks of our play-based programs for young children while offering increased structure, exposure to academic readiness skills, leadership opportunities and preparation for the transition to next schools.

Programs: Toddler (2-2.9 years) - 2 or 3 mornings (8:30am-12pm)

Preschool (2.9-4 years) - 5 mornings (8:30am-12pm)

Junior Kindergarten (4-5 years) - M-Th (8:45am-2:30pm), F (8:45am-12pm)

Extended Day: Early Drop-off 8:15-8:30am

Extended Day until 3:30 or 5:45pm

Deadlines: Sibling & Legacy Applications - November 15

All other Applications - January 15

Meet us: HillFest (at Charles & Mt. Vernon) - September 18, 12-3pm

Open Houses - November 2 and 7, 6:45-8pm

Pre-register for our Open Houses online at www.bhns.net

Financial Aid: Need-based

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8 Whittier Place

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Hours - 8:45 a.m. through 5 p.m., half day programs are available.

Early arrival at 8:15 a.m. and late stay until 5:30 p.m. also available.

Application Deadline: January 15

Brookline Schools Staff Children's Center

162 Goddard Avenue,

Brookline, MA 02445

Office: 617-651-2279

bssccatgoddard@gmail.com

BSSCC is an early childhood program bordering Lars Anderson Park that serves toddlers and preschoolers. Its professional teaching staff emphasize learning in nature, learning through play, and developing strong social/emotional skills.

For more information: staffchildrenscenter.org or bssccatgoddard@gmail.com

Charlestown

Nursery School

124 Main Street

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school.org

Charlestown Nursery School (CNS) is an innovative program for children 20 months-5 years old that draws on the best research from Reggio Emilia, Montessori and other thoughtful approaches. Our curriculum is built around a series of explorations that grow out of the children's own interests and integrates individualized development - combining the power of the children's boundless curiosity with an expertly guided investigative approach that immerses the children in the process and joys of real discovery, with the goal of nurturing self-motivated, life-long learners. CNS has been recognized by educators from around the world and has been highlighted in many studies of high-quality early childhood. CNS is known for the teacher-researchers and experts.

The city's resources - including parks, museums, libraries and historic attractions - are considered part of the school's "campus," and our frequent visits foster the child's feeling of being at home in the wider world. In the last years, we have taken even more of our learning outside. See more on Instagram.

Ages: 2 - 5 years.

Tuition variable by program.

Early admission begins Nov.15 and is first come first serve. Applications on the website

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November 7 at 6:00 PM



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vibrant and nurturing community where children thrive.

Grounded in Core Knowledge philosophy, children build strong foundations of knowledge in the early years - an approach foundational to developing critical thinking skills necessary for lifelong learning. Learning here is active! Creativity, imagination, and social development are fostered through lessons, learning centers and play. Whether collecting leaves, discovering animals' habitats in Ponds and Meadows, or bicycling in gym, children are "out of the chair" - making connections in and out of the classroom and between subjects. The learning is authentic and sets us apart. As a Christian school, we're committed to guiding students in the formation of character and an understanding of God's love for them. Connecting the mind and the heart - classroom learning and character education - is what makes Park Street School special.

Ages: 2-5 years Tuition: \$11,500-\$23,600; \$2,100-\$8,750 additional for afternoon programs
 Financial Assistance: Available for Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 6, with limited availability for Pre-school. Hours: 8:00 a.m.- noon for morning programs, Creative Afternoons noon-3:00 p.m. for ages 2.9 and up. Two, three, four and five-day programs available. Application deadline: Jan. 3 for priority for fall programs.

3143. School hours: drop off starts 7:30am, class starts 8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Tuition 2022: PreK-3 \$11,900, PreK-4 \$7250, K5 \$6900 and Gr 1- 8 \$6600.

Spruce Street Nursery School
 5 Avery Street
 Boston, MA 02111
 (617) 482-5252
 sprucest.org

Spruce Street Nursery School offers a joyous early learning experience for children from 2 through 5 years of age. In four open classrooms designed to stimulate creativity and enhance development, dedicated teachers lovingly provide both individual and group instruction and support. Lessons are planned thematically, with ample opportunities for exploration and guided instruction. Physical development is enhanced through daily trips to our on-site playground.

Parent involvement is an integral element of the Spruce Street experience, and the communication between teachers, parents, and children ensures a strong community.

Ages: 2 - 5 years
 Tuition: \$12,700 - \$26,800
 Hours: Day Program 8:30am-1pm
 Acorns 2 - 2.9 years M, W, F or T, TH;
 Willows 2.10 - mid-threes 3, 4, and 5 day scheduling options;
 Maples late 3s-early fours, 3, 4, and 5 day scheduling options;
 Oaks 4 turning five during the school year, 5-day option only.
 Early Arrival 7:30 - 8:30 am, separate fees apply
 Enrichment & Extended Day 1-3:30 pm., separate fees apply
 Late Day 1-5:30 pm Application deadline for the 2023-2024 school year is January 13th

Financial aid: Need-based Admissions Open House: October 29th 9 am - 1 pm children are welcome!

Treehouse School (preschool)
 142 Bunker Hill Street
 Charlestown, MA 02129
 617-633-9163

www.treehouseschoolnh.com

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Hello and welcome to the Tree-

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Families are invited to visit Milton Academy to learn about the curriculum, speak with teachers, meet with current students and parents, and tour classrooms. Please visit our website to register for the Open Houses and to see a full schedule of events.

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that there isn't just ONE approach to learning. That's why we have a hybrid philosophy.

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Incorporating our philosophy is at the roots of this treehouse, yet we NEVER lose sight of our #1 goal: Always have fun!

Our community is a huge part of our curriculum and we embrace the close-knit neighborhood of Charlestown by taking monthly field trips to local businesses!

ELEMENTARY - MIDDLE.

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K - 12th grade

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During the six-year span from Kindergarten to Grade 5, children engage in a purposeful, challenging, and joyful academic and co-curricular program. Our students are young mathematicians, authors, activists, and more. Our classrooms are much more than classrooms: they are workshops, communities, and studios. Our faculty are experts in connecting research-based approaches with the individual learners in their classes. We take children's work seriously, including one of its most important forms: play.

In our Middle School, classes of 10-15 bright, curious, and motivated students allow for personalization, attention, and individualized learning opportunities. Classes are often taught in the Harkness style to encourage open discussion. Detailed comments, rather than grades, describe students' intellectual and personal growth. Absent the typical labels or grades, Middle School students take intellectual risks in the classroom and learn from mistakes.

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curricular programming related to racial literacy and social justice, and empowers students to disrupt norms and build a more inclusive and just community. 48% of students in the K-8 division identify as BIPOC.

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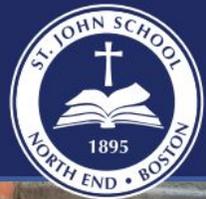
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HIGH SCHOOL

BC High
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For nearly 160 years, BC High has shaped leaders who are as comfortable in board rooms as they are in ministry, as passionate advocating for the environment as they are racial and social justice and prepared to bring their skills to bear in the City of Boston and on any continent in the world.

Register and join us for Open House on November 6 at bchigh.edu to learn more about BC High and our exciting new offerings - from an innovative House System radically reinforcing student care - to our new \$49 million-dollar wellness center set to break ground this winter.

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Ages 2-6
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At the corner of Marlborough Street and the world.

A new bookstore and café is coming to Beacon Hill

Special to the Times

After Covid-related delays, the long-anticipated women-owned independent bookstore and café, Beacon Hill Books & Café, is set to open its bookstore at 71 Charles Street within a week with the Café to launch in late October or early November.

We were fortunate enough to benefit from a sneak preview of the store and café with the owner Melissa Fetter and her book and culinary staff, and can only report superlatives.

The renovated brownstone, formerly the home of the Hungry I Restaurant and apartments above, has been lovingly restored with class, charm, and whimsy. The narrow vertical space provides three sales floors of books, with a café on the garden level, complete with small outdoor dining area. The first floor is dedicated to new releases and fiction, with a special home for Paige, the fictitious squirrel mascot who lives in the store. Young book readers will be charmed by Paige, for whom the bookstore has commissioned a special book. Stay tuned for news about the upcoming celebration of Paige's book release and birthday celebration. Children have more literary surprises in store for them on the third floor, with sections each dedicated to first readers, elementary readers, and young adults. Each has been decorated with the different age group in mind with even a miniature choo-choo train circulating above. The second



Books are attractively displayed.

floor covers non-fiction, with the main room dedicated to biographies, memoirs, and general interest, as well as books on relevant current topics. If a book being

sought is not in stock, the store will order for customers on a bespoke basis. The second floor also dedicates a section to the largest collection of aesthetic books at an independent bookstore in the area, focusing on decorating, design,

gardening, and beautiful coffee table books, according to the book staff. The back part of the third floor is devoted to travel, featuring not only typical travel guides, but books related to interesting areas of the world, including must reads set in one's travel destination.

The creativity of the book selection is refreshing and targets offering books that one has interest in buying before reaching the store, but also books that one didn't know existed, but upon review, comes home to be read as well. Over time, the book staff intends to continue to tailor and adjust the inventory both seasonally and as they get to know the tastes of their customers. One can envision adding the Beacon Hill Books & Café as a Holiday shopping destination. A few cushioned benches on each floor and overstuffed chairs for the children will promote relaxed browsing of the inventory.

The café is overseen by Colleen Suhanosky, a Culinary Institute of America alumna, who has honed her skills and creativity at the Gramercy Tavern in New York, at Sfoglina in Nantucket, with Lydia Shire at Biba, and as head chef and owner of Rifullo Café in Brookline. If the taste test of last week is accurate, foodies starved for fresh dining choices on Beacon Hill will be delighted by the cuisine. Tea will be an enormous success if the cookies and brownies are like the ones tasted last week. In the Fall, the Café will be open for breakfast, lunch, tea, and the cocktail hour, as the café has a beer and

wine license, with supper to be offered in the new year. Proper tea will be a featured repast, complete with elegant, tiered servers of tea sandwiches and sweet treats. For those enamored of the tea, tins of the café's tea will be for sale, along with a limited selection of carefully curated nonbook items, such as candles. In season, a small back courtyard will extend the Café seating, although the entire dining space is likely to accommodate only thirty or more patrons.

If customers are interested in more formal dining for a small group, the Café will be offering private dining events in the second-floor book selling space, providing a sense of dining in a beautiful library. Using a long refectory-style table, a group of up to about twenty people may be accommodated, and the café will be offering the opportunity to choose from among several styles of table settings from the store's Sister Parish décor and accessories, as the bookstore and café have chosen the classic, but light and airy, Sister Parish line as their primary design. Several private events have been scheduled already, including some corporate board events and a rehearsal dinner.

Store hours will be 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday and 12 to 5 p.m. on Sunday until the café opens. When the café opens, the planned hours of the Book Store will be everyday from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. except on Mondays.

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Stocking the shelf is this employee.



A special size kids' door awaits all young readers.

BHCA (from pg. 1)

of life issues on the Hill is important to us, and we rely on you to bring your comments and concerns to our attention. By joining our membership, you strengthen our numbers and add credibility to our purpose as advocates for Beacon Hill. Most importantly, you join a community of residents and businesses who want to preserve this special neighborhood. Please visit bhcivic.org or call the office to become a member.

Contractor Parking

We have heard from many neighbors about their continuing concerns about contractors working on the Hill inappropriately taking up many resident parking spaces for long periods of time. We are working with the city to tackle this ongoing and long-standing problem.

Now that the renewal of parking permits by the BHCA office has become an online process only, we are dealing with parking spaces abuses by contractors on a case-by-case basis and are visiting problem areas to speak with the owners or their contractors directly and in person, and working with the city on enforcement as well. As always, we depend on you to inform us of any abuse you are seeing so that we can address it. Thank you for helping us bridge the gap between owners who need to get work done and residents who are entitled to on street parking.

BOS:311

311 is an easy to remember telephone number that will connect you with the City's Constituent Service Center. The center is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and 365 days a year. It is the best way to report an issue that the City should resolve.

311 provides access to all



At the BHCA Centennial Dinner; L-R, Gordon Burnes, Centennial Dinner Co-Chair; Meredith and Gene Clapp.

non-emergency City services. You can call 311 from any telephone, or you can call directly to 617-635-4500. You can also connect with 311 by downloading the mobile app, or by submitting a request or concern online at <https://www.cityofboston.gov/311/>. The mobile app allows you to easily send a photo of the problem you are reporting. You can even Tweet @BOS311.

We recommend that our neighbors use this service whenever they have a question or concern to which the City can respond.

Upcoming BHCA Meetings and Events:

Meet & Greet – Monday, October 3rd @ 75 Chestnut, 6-8pm

Zoning & Licensing Committee – Wednesday, October 5th, 7pm (via Zoom)

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

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ANNUAL SIDEWALK SALE RETURNS TO CHARLES STREET



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Jennifer and Jim Hill, owners of Blackstones.



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Maddie Ikeda of Hill House, with the organization's executive director, Lauren Hoops-Schmieg.

The Beacon Hill Business Association's annual Sidewalk Sale returned on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 17 and 18, to Charles Street.



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Kathy Judge, a Beacon Hill Civic Association board member and co-chair of the BHCA Architectural Committee; District 8 City Councilor Kenzie Bok; and Nick Armata, senior preservation planner for the Boston Landmarks Commission.



COURTESY OF LAURA COUSINEAU

Jennifer, Laura, Bob, and Robin - a few folks from the Upstairs Downstairs Home team.



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Hannah Winter of Whitney + Winston.



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Sandra Gilpatrick stopping by Upstairs Downstairs Home with a "Hidden Gardens of Beacon Hill Book," which can be purchased at the store.

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Docket No. SU22C0431CA
 In the matter of: Jane Hoffman Maxwell
 A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Jane Hoffman Maxwell of Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: JANE ELLEN HOFFMAN IMPORTANT NOTICE
 Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appear-

ance at Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/14/2022. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.
 WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
 Date: August 31, 2022
 Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

9/22/22

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Real Estate Transfers

Attention to Detail

PHOTOS AND TEXT BY PENNY CHERUBINO

THIS WEEK'S ANSWER



The windows in the last clue are on what used to be 244 Washington Street. Today's answer is from a 1906 photo and shows a Boston Globe banner on that address. The Globe reported that Boston's "Newspaper Row" was once home to the Globe, Boston Herald, Boston Journal, Boston Evening Transcript, and The Boston Post. "The Globe was the last to leave the area in 1958."

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



**BUYER 1
BACK BAY**
Savage, Thomas J
Vilinsky, Elyse C
Kaloyannis, Dennis
Max J Brown RET
Vounatsos, Alexandre
Marlborough 135P Hldg
Stonegate 2 Newbury St
PBN Exchange Lawrence LLC
Ted&Lori Samuels FT
Zhao, Jing
Ghazeeri, Ghina
Mok, Chi Y

SELLER 1
Bertolami, Stephen
Goldman, M Barry
Gregory B Hunt T
Ali, Irfan
Domb, Juliet
Waite, Thomas J
Burberry Limited
Ted&Lori Samuels FT
Choi, Byung
Cote, Jane A
Whitney, Clark
Todrys, Drew

ADDRESS
127 Beacon St #11
206 Beacon St #2
265 Beacon St #A
239 Commonwealth Ave #24
28 Marlborough St #1
135 Marlborough St #P
2-B Newbury St
400 Stuart St #19A
400 Stuart St #26A
482 Beacon St #2
386 Commonwealth Ave #23
416 Marlborough St #303

PRICE
\$460,000
\$1,100,000
\$590,000
\$1,841,000
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BEACON HILL
Patricia A Engle FT
Fotedar, Archana
Davidson, Charles W
Scott D Collins T
Calix, Aldo I

Mishpoche W LLC
Litman Bradley C Est
Stokes Hamilton RET
Kuchenbecker, Brett
Dwight E Wilson Boston R

52 Cedar Lane Way
2 Hawthorne Pl #12K
9 Hawthorne Pl #4N
106 Myrtle St #7
80 Revere St #1

\$1,625,000
\$426,750
\$850,000
\$865,000
\$405,000

BAY VILLAGE/SOUTH END/KENMORE
Echo Cove Enterprises LP
Trauth, Erin
Richardson, Andrew
1 Edgerly Place RT
Imer, Orhan
Boland, Beth
Echo Cove Enterprises LP
Pavco-Giaccia, Olivia L
Chu, Tianshu
Hynes Jr, Michael J
Castro, Karina
1 Edgerly Place RT
Jackson LT
F&Shelly Tse RET
Ma, Yousheng
120 Mountfort LLC
Debabneh, Sameh
Walker, Daniel
Hadden, Payne
Benitez, Jason A
Foote, Jake
Pomarole, Leslie A
Sahani, Jitin
Diamond, Jane F
Glick, Harvey
Harvey, Christopher
Dinges, Jason R

May, Lisa
Arigala, Ajay
Thornton, Christine
132 Arlington LLC
132 Arlington LLC
69 Montgomery Mainsail
May, Lisa
Williams, Sarah
Diggins, David J
Yerby, Mark S
Loguidice, Matthew
132 Arlington LLC
Appleton Grove LLC
Yalamanchili, Raghu R
Kim, Sandra I
Emerald Beacon Realty LL
Westlette NT
Blotner, Mark
Melino, Paul
Springline T
Vaughan, Catherine M
96 Waltham Street NT
Levenfeld, Jacob
Volinski, Jonathan M
Keck 2nd, Martin W
145 Worcester Street LLC
145 Worcester Street LLC

150 Appleton St #1E
117 Chandler St #3
416 Columbus Ave #2
1 Edgerly Pl #1
11 Edgerly Pl
69 Montgomery St #3
183 W Canton St #2
49 Warren Ave #4
41 Woodville St #5
917 Beacon St
549 Columbus Ave #5
1 Edgerly Pl #1
70 Fenway #55
700 Harrison Ave #615
31 Massachusetts Ave #4-1
120 Mountfort St #504
11 Park Dr #3
49 Saint Stephen St
623 Tremont St #2
9 Upton St #2
200 W Springfield St #3
96 Waltham St #1
97 Waltham St #6
90 Wareham St #405
1313 Washington St #423
145 Worcester St #1
145 Worcester St #3

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\$586,000
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\$2,600,000

WATERFRONT/DOWNTOWN
R J Sciacca Jr 2020 T
1593403 Ontario Limited
New England Diggs LLC
Kelly, Denna Q
Feng, George

Amaria Holdings Limited
Santoro, Salvador
Janice A Zajchowski RET
Disilva, David E
Tamayo, Byron O

2 Avery St #25F
80 Broad St #309
99-105 Broad St #7E
357 Commercial St #17
151 Tremont St #16C

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\$600,000
\$989,000
\$585,000
\$743,000

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Eliane Svelte and Rosana Miller from Luxor hair studio.



Eliane Svelte (center) with Francesco Macheda Nephew and sister ElaineMoreirafloraldesign.



Eliane Svelte and Lisa Leblanc.



Roberta Alves' with Eliane Svelte.



Catarina Madeira of Beacon Hill Association, and Eliana Svelte.



Adriano Darperio and Daniel Nic.

LE SVELTE SPA HOLDS GRAND OPENING ON SEPT. 8TH

Le Svelte Spa, the latest business on Charles Street, recently held its grand opening on September 8. The night was a success with many members of the community coming to check out the new spa.

Owner Eliane Cruz Svelte thanked all those who came to make the opening of her new business a success.

"Thank you, thank you, thank you to everyone who visited us last week and made our grand opening a success!

In particular, I want to thank my family. Francesco Macheda and my sister Elaine Moreira who came from Italy to give me all the support, make the decorations, details, and to make my dream

real. Your support is very, very important to me. Without each of you, I would be nothing.

God never let me give up even in the worst moments and when I thought that I couldn't continue anymore. He showed me the way and believed. Thank you, God. Thank my friends who always supported me and that you again to my sister who gave her brilliant talent. Without your support we definitely wouldn't be here today.

We are finally open after a lot of work. I've had to visualize the layout, plan every corner, take care of each detail for this elegant spa and today I can't believe that everything happened perfectly.

I also want to thank our team who worked really hard to make this day possible. Thank you to everyone that showed their love and support for our small business in the Beacon Hill community!"

Le Svelte Spa is located at 103 Charles Street on the second floor.



Viviane Ferreira and Arthur Rodrigues (from NFR Construction).



Renata Alves Maciel, Eliane Svelte, Melanie Bertani, Cindy Sullivan and Lindy Crowford.



Ronald Halterman and Eliane Svelte.



Eliane Svelte and Cleia.



Photographer Cinthia Moraes with Eliane Svelte.



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