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ART IN THE PARK EVENT



Diedre Tao enthusiastically shows off her paintings to an audience of art admirers at The Artists Group Of Charlestown resumed its annual Art In The Park event in City Square.

Right, Thora and Scout Hamill select Encaustic Boxes made by Barbara Torrey. See Pages 4 and 5 for more photos.



Wu and Essaibi George to square off for Mayor in November election

By John Lynds

In a historic election where four women candidates of color and one male candidate of color all vied for Mayor of Boston, voters on Tuesday have narrowed the field of seven candidates down to two.

On Tuesday, Michelle Wu and Annissa Essaibi George finished in the top two spots and will square off in the November General election. Rounding out the election was Andrea Campbell finishing third, Acting Mayor Kim Janey coming in fourth, and John Barros rounded out the top spots in fifth place, according to unofficial election results posted on the City's website.

"Today, Boston voters turned out on the doors, on the phones, on the streets, and at the polls to make their voices heard," Wu said Tuesday night. "Given the numbers reported back from precincts across our city, we are certain that our campaign — which was the first to launch in this field, exactly one year ago — will be advancing to the November general election."



Michelle Wu



Annissa Essaibi George

(ELECTION Pg 3)

Charlestown's COVID positive test-rate decreases

By John Lynds

With a new school year in full swing, a large percentage of students under the age of 12 still unvaccinated and the Delta variant of the COVID 19 virus still raging city health officials are keeping a close eye on infection spikes in neighborhoods.

Charlestown's weekly positive COVID test rate spiked 31 percent between August 16 and August 23 and another 2 percent between August 23 and August 30. However, infections here have steadily declined since.

According to the weekly report released Monday by the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC), 644 Charlestown resi-

dents were tested and 2.2 percent were found to be positive—a 37 percent decrease from the 3.5 percent that tested positive between August 30 and September 6.

According to the weekly report, of the 18,208 Charlestown residents tested for the virus since the pandemic began 8.7 percent were found to be positive. This was a decrease of 1 percent from the 8.8 percent reported on September 6.

Citywide, the weekly positive test rate increased nearly 3 percent last week. According to the BPHC 22,313 residents were tested and 3.6 percent were COVID positive—this was a 2.85 percent increase from the 3.5 percent reported by the BPHC on Sept. 6.

Twenty-two additional

Charlestown residents tested positive for the virus since September 6 and the number of positive cases increased to 1,577 overall since the start of the pandemic.

The statistics released by the BPHC as part of its weekly COVID19 report breaks down the number of cases and infection rates in each neighborhood. It also breaks down the number of cases by age, gender and race.

Citywide positive cases of coronavirus increased 2.7 percent since Sept. 6 and went from 76,186 cases to 78,234 confirmed cases in a week. There were seven additional deaths in Boston from the virus in the past week and the total COVID deaths remains at 1,413.

BACK IN SCHOOL



First grader, Alexander Das, receiving a kiss from her mother, Laura, on the first day of school at Warren Prescott Elementary. See Page 12 for more photos.

EDITORIAL

AMERICA SINCE 9/11: ONE STEP FORWARD, MANY STEPS BACK

Amidst the solemn ceremonies and remembrances this past weekend of the terrorist attack 20 years ago on 9/11, one thing is clear: America is far better protected from a similar act of terrorism than we were on 9/10/01.

To be sure, our higher level of protection has come at great cost, but we have had nothing close to a similar incident since that terrible day, unlike in other countries, especially France, where high-profile, coordinated attacks by known terrorist groups have killed dozens of innocent civilians.

But if we are to assess our country today vs. where we were 20 years ago, by almost every other measure our nation is worse off.

The 9/11 attack rightly spurred us to invade Afghanistan, from where Osama bin Laden was directing his terrorist organization. Our military took care of business in short order, destroying bin Laden's network. But our rapid and easy success led us to continue with our military occupation of Afghanistan for 20 years and undertake an invasion of Iraq, even though there was no connection between that country and 9/11.

Those two foolhardy, deceitful, and hubristic endeavors have had disastrous consequences that reverberate today.

In addition, newly-released documents have revealed that both wars essentially were nothing more than a money-grab both by special interest groups in this country and by corrupt government officials in those countries. The vast majority of the trillions of dollars we spent lined the pockets of corrupt individuals and groups both here and abroad.

If we examine our domestic situation since 9/11, drug overdose deaths in the U.S, which reached an all-time high of almost 90,000 in 2020, are six times greater today than they were in 2001. The simple arithmetic tells us that we presently are losing as many Americans to drug overdoses every 12 days as we lost on 9/11.

The average life-span of many American sub-groups, especially white males who are victims of the so-called deaths of despair, has decreased for the first time in more than a century, even without factoring in the COVID-19 pandemic.

Income inequality and the accumulation of obscene wealth by a small group of individuals already was a problem in 2001, but 20 years later, the unequal distribution of our national wealth into the hands of a few has accelerated many times over and continues unabated. Combined with the Supreme Court's 2010 decision in the Citizens United case, we are realizing that a democracy exists in name only when we have a stratification of wealth in our society that is the equivalent of a real-life Hunger Games.

Natural disasters were few and far between prior to 2001, but nine of the 10 costliest hurricanes in our history have occurred since 2005. Thanks to our refusal to acknowledge climate change and to take the necessary steps both to reduce its impact and prepare for its consequences, our nation (and the world) routinely has been ravaged by an ever-accelerating number of natural disasters that have far exceeded the cost of what we might have spent to reduce greenhouse emissions, the source of atmospheric warming.

Facebook, Twitter, and similar platforms did not exist in 2001, but today they dominate our informational and political landscape and chiefly are responsible for the spread of misinformation and disinformation, from both domestic and foreign sources, that have undermined both our democracy and our ability to fight COVID-19.

As for COVID-19, today we are losing 3000 of our fellow citizens -- the equivalent of those we lost on 9/11 -- every two days because of COVID-19, which in the past 18 months has claimed the lives of more than 660,000 Americans.

We have the ability to fight back against COVID-19 -- masks and vaccines are our readily-available weapons -- but with tens of millions of Americans failing to join in the battle, spurred on by disinformation on social media and dishonest politicians such as Gov. Ron DeSantis of Florida, our tragic and horrific daily death toll is the best evidence that we are losing the war vs. COVID.

Lastly, if someone had predicted in 2001 that within 20 years, a right-wing mob, spurred on by social media, would have stormed the Capitol building in an attempt to stop the counting of the Electoral College -- in support of President Donald Trump -- the entire scenario would have been the stuff of a fictional satire in a humor magazine. (And probably would have been rejected for being outlandishly ridiculous.)

To those of the younger generation for whom 9/11 is not even a memory, we sadly report that by almost every metric, America today is in far worse shape than when the twin towers tragically were attacked 20 years ago.

So the question is this: If things have gotten this bad over the past 20 years, is there any hope that things will be better 20 years from now?

GUEST OP-ED

Worry rarely changes anything

Dr. Glenn Mollette

Life presents challenges to us all and most of us understand worry. There are enough ordeals along the way of life to cause each of us to worry our heads off. However, worry will never add another day to our lives. Worry will not smooth a wrinkle, dry a tear or eliminate disease, poverty. It will not keep someone from harm. Worry has never prevented bad news or bad things from happening.

Worry rarely changes anything except to make us tense. This usually results in sleep loss, nausea, ulcers and chest pain. Who needs any of these? Worry often leads to stress and too much stress is never reported as being good for us. Of course, just daily living creates some stress for us all. We have appointments, jobs, deadlines, life goals and commitments. Within these there are expectations that bring about daily stress.

Deep down gnawing worry, fretting and fear doesn't do us much good. When we are filled with worry and fear all the time it only makes our situation worse.

Jesus said in Matthew 5:25 to not worry about the needs of this life. "For this reason I say to you, do not be worried about your life, as to what you will eat or what you will drink; nor for your body, as to what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?" Yet, if we are honest, we've all worried about all the above and much more at different times in our lives.

Let's try to think more about caution and prevention and doing what we know to do.

For example, take the Covid-19 vaccina-

tion. It's free, and it might save your life and the lives of people you love. Why wouldn't you do it? This is called prevention. You still might get sick but it might save your life. Your family loves you and needs you. Surely, you care enough about them to get this vaccination.

I know people who haven't gotten the vaccination and I'm concerned. However, I'm encouraging them to go and get the shot. This is something I can do. I can talk to them, fuss and gripe. Lying awake all night worrying about it will not change anything.

Eat right, exercise, take your vitamins, go to the doctor regularly and do what your doctor says to do. Worrying about your health, will not make you healthy.

Stop worrying about money. Worrying about money will not make you richer. Go to work. Figure out some way to make a little if you are physically able. Don't throw your money away. Look for ways to save some. After this, don't sit around and worry, just be busy doing something and you won't have time to worry.

Eliminating worry is easier said than done. Pray, meditate, be physically and mentally active. Be creative and on the offense about whatever might be troubling you. Don't take life sitting down. Tackle what you can and trust everything to God.

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.

LETTERS to the Editor

THANK YOU, FATHER GALLAGHER

To the Editor,

I would like to thank the trustees of the Father Henry Gallagher Scholarship for their support in helping me pursue a college education. To be the recipient of such faith-filled generosity

is truly special. As a freshman at Bunker Hill Community College, I am majoring in psychology and hope to earn a degree and make a difference as a youth counselor. Again, thank you so much and GOD BLESS!

Gavin Kelly

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Remembering the local victims of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks 20 years later

By John Lynds

Twenty years ago on Sept. 10, 2001, 2,996 people went to sleep not knowing the horrors the next day would bring.

Among them, 246 people went to sleep in preparation for their morning flights, 2,606 people went to sleep in preparation for work in the morning, 343 firefighters went to sleep in preparation for their morning shift, 60 police officers went to sleep in preparation for morning patrol and eight paramedics went to

sleep in preparation for the morning shift of saving lives.

None of these saw past 10 a.m. Sept. 11, 2001.

It has been twenty years since the worst terrorist attack on US soil that changed the world forever and forced many of us to enjoy the breaths we take today before we go to sleep in preparation for tomorrow. Since the fateful day we've made an effort to kiss the ones we love, snuggle a little tighter, and never take one second of life for granted.

Among the nearly 3,000 souls that lost their lives 20 years ago

in New York, Washington DC and Pennsylvania, were 206 Massachusetts residents of all ages, backgrounds and cultures that were cut down far too soon by a senseless act of violence that continues to shock the world.

Over the weekend the historic news footage of the day is just as real, just as horrifying and just as sorrowful as they were 20 years ago.

The images of the planes hitting the World Trade Center, people jumping in desperation from the buildings, the collapse of the towers, smoke rising from the

Pentagon and the stories of heroism aboard United Flight 93 will forever be burnt into our collective memory as a nation.

On Saturday, we honored the local residents that lost their lives on Sept. 11 like Jesus Sanchez, 45 and Antonio Jesus Montoya Valdes, 46, of East Boston, James, 67, and Mary Trentini, 65, of Everett, Marianne MacFarlane, 34, Revere, Kathleen Ann Nicosia, 54, Winthrop and Myra Joy Aronson, 50 and Christopher M. Morrison, 34, Charlestown.

They all left behind either children or grandchildren, husbands

or wives, parents or grandparents, or friends.

By all accounts the local victims we honor were gentle souls, good people, family men and women and all did not have a punishment coming and were not deserving of their fate.

So today, like every 9-11 anniversary for the past 20 years, we again mourn Jesus, Antonio, James and Mary, Marianne, Kathleen, Myra and Christopher.

We haven't forgotten and we shall never forget.

ELECTION (from pg. 1)

I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart."

To kick off her general election campaign, Essaibi George told her supporters Tuesday night, "It'll take all of us to move Boston forward. To bring cleaner air to Chinatown and East Boston. To bring more home ownership

opportunities to Roxbury. To keep our small businesses strong in Mattapan, and thoughtful, inclusive growth to Allston. We'll do it with an equity lens. We'll do it thoughtfully. We'll do it together. Nothing is off the table, when we ensure everyone is at the table."

Meanwhile, Michael Flaherty,

Julia Mejia, Ruthzee Louijeune, Erin Murphy, Carla Monteiro, David Halbert, Althea Garrison, and Bridget Nee-Walsh all advance to the city councilor at-large race in the November election, where four seats are open.

(With additional reporting by Dan Murphy and Lauren Bennett)

CITY WIDE PRIMARY ELECTION RESULTS

MAYOR'S RACE

ANNISSA ESSAIBI GEORGE

24,186 votes
22.48%

RICHARD A SPAGNUOLO

282 votes
0.26%

ANDREA JOY CAMPBELL

21,221 votes
19.72%

KIM M JANEY

20,946 votes
19.47%

MICHELLE WU

35,888 votes
33.36%

JON SANTIAGO

364 votes
0.34%

ROBERT CAPPUCCI

1,175 votes
1.09%

JOHN F BARROS

3,436 votes
3.19%

Write-in 94 votes

0.09%

Total

107,592 votes
100.00%

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CARLA B MONTEIRO

18,844 votes
6.84%

ALTHEA GARRISON

16,810 votes
6.10%

BRIDGET M NEE-WALSH

15,118 votes
5.49%

SAID A ABDIKARIM

7,725 votes
2.80%

RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE

33,425 votes
12.13%

KELLY F BATES

12,735 votes
4.62%

DAVID HALBERT

16,921 votes
6.14%

JULIA MEJIA

38,765 votes
14.07%

ROY A OWENS SR

5,223 votes
1.90%

NICK VANCE

3,943 votes
1.43%

MICHAEL F FLAHERTY

41,299 votes
14.99%

JON M SPILLANE

11,155 votes
4.05%

JAMES REGINALD COLIMON

4,671 votes
1.70%

ERIN J MURPHY

22,835 votes
8.29%

DONNIE DIONICIO PALMER JR

6,823 votes
2.48%

ALEXANDER J GRAY

11,263 votes
4.09%

DOMINGOS DAROSA

7,139 votes
2.59%

Write-in

845 votes

0.31%

Total

275,539 votes

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(Names in italic will be in the November General election)

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Clarification: According to Charles Raso, President, Secretary and Treasurer at International Union of Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers Local 3, the union did not issue an endorsement for Michael Flaherty in the City Council Race that appeared on page 3 of the Patriot Bridge.

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ARTISTS' GROUP OF CHARLESTOWN HOLDS ANNUAL ART IN THE PARK EVENT

Photos by Derek Kouyoumjian

The Artists Group Of Charlestown resumed its annual Art In The Park event in City Square to feature artists in its group to the Charlestown community. It was a beautiful day for attendees to see what work the artists have been doing and support their efforts.



Massachusetts State Rep and resident of Charlestown Dan Ryan with Boston Mayoral candidate Michelle Wu.



Candidate for City Councilor At-Large David Halbert with Massachusetts State Rep Dan Ryan.



Tina Busa with her unique pottery sculptures.



Mswati Hanks, Shannon Lundin, Ariana Alarcon, Feisel Ali, Serenity Figueroa, and Sarah Coughlin at the Turn It Around booth featuring artwork by the organization's members.



Katherine Hackl talks to about her artistic process in pottery making with Keith Raymond and Martha Gallagher.



Ritah Nakandi, founder of Afro-Root Collaborative, holding a purse made in Uganda, from fig tree bark.



Charlestown resident Laurie Sigmund and her work.



Charlestown residents Nicole, Ashley, Alex, and Ellie Dorman pay a visit to their neighbor Richard Olsson and his paintings.



Helen Frances Ray with her selection of homemade soaps.

ARTISTS' GROUP OF CHARLESTOWN HOLDS ANNUAL ART IN THE PARK EVENT

Photos by Derek Kouyoumjian



AGC member Tim Evans by his painting "Doors Are Closing" a collage depicting the Ashmont-Mattapan trolley line.



Letti Kerai looks at how she'll look in a necklace by Sheryl Pannebaker Carberry (holding a mirror).



Candidate for City Councilor At-Large David Halbert (right) speaks with Charlestown resident Mary Lee Trettwenero while her four-legged friend Joy takes in the Summer sights.



Charlestown resident Martha Zackin with her glassware.



Visiting from Venezuela Diego, Lizabella, Orlando, and Liliana Bonilla take a selfie at the City Square Fountain.



Michael Dean with a painting of the City Square Fountain.

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In the meantime, I am sending blessings to all of you for a very happy and healthy fall season.

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Boston West Nile Virus risk level has been raised

By John Lynds

At the end of last week the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) announced that Boston's West Nile Virus risk level has been raised from moderate to high. This designation by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health is based on the high number of positive mosquito samples in the City and its surrounding towns, the rainfall and favorable weather for mosquito breeding, as well as the number of human cases in surrounding towns.

"West Nile Virus in humans is rare in Boston. However, we've seen a lot of rain this summer, leading to a higher number of mosquitoes in our City," said BPHC's Director of Infectious Disease, Dr. Sarimer Sanchez "When you're outside, you and your family can take precautions to protect yourself from mosquito bites and the dangerous diseases mosquitoes

may carry. That includes using an approved mosquito repellent and wearing clothing that covers your body. Keep window screens in good condition to keep mosquitoes out of your home and drain standing water from your yard to prevent mosquitoes."

A rainy summer has made mosquitoes a nuisance all summer in Boston. Residents have complained that mosquitoes were worse than ever this season. Many residents complained that all hours of the day--morning, noon and night--mosquitoes were abundant and inflicting itchy bites on those trying to do yard work or enjoy a cookout with family members.

Back in August the BPHC partnered with the Suffolk County Mosquito Control Project (SCMCP) to protect Boston residents from mosquito-borne disease transmission.

The SCMCP performed an aerosol spray of Boston neighborhoods around and applied a

formula that contains the pesticide, sumithrin, to help control mosquitoes.

However, the efforts and results by the BPHC and SCMCP were short lived as mosquitos continue to be a problem in the area.

Now that Boston has raised the West Nile Virus risk level to high, the BPHC is recommending that people over 50 years of age and those with compromised immune systems consider avoiding outdoor activities during the peak mosquito times between dusk and dawn.

West Nile Virus is a member of the family Flaviviridae, from the genus Flavivirus, which also contains the Zika virus, dengue virus, and yellow fever virus. The virus is primarily transmitted by mosquitoes. The primary hosts of WNV are birds, so that the virus remains within a "bird-mosquito-bird" transmission cycle. The virus is genetically related to the Japanese encephalitis family of viruses.

About 80% of those infect-

ed with West Nile Virus (WNV) show no symptoms and go unreported but about 20% of infected people develop West Nile Fever (WNF). The symptoms of WNF vary in severity, and begin 3 to 14 days after being bitten. Most people with mild symptoms of WNV recover completely, though fatigue and weakness may last for weeks or months. Symptoms may range from mild, such as fever, to severe, such as paralysis and meningitis. A severe infection can last weeks and can, rarely, cause permanent brain damage. Death may ensue if the central nervous system is affected. Medical conditions such as cancer and diabetes, and age over 50 years, increase the risk of developing severe symptoms.

WNV is usually detected in Boston mosquitoes during the summer and fall months from June to November every year since 2000.

So far this year there have been no human cases in Boston

nor were there any human cases of WNV infection diagnosed in Boston residents in 2020 and 2019. In 2018, there were seven human cases of WNV infection diagnosed in Boston residents.

The BPHC said the best way to protect against WNV is to protect against mosquito bites. They suggest using repellents containing DEET, oil of lemon eucalyptus, picaridin or IR3535.

Another tip is to cover up when outside when mosquitoes are most active. This includes wearing protective clothing such as long-sleeved shirts, long pants and socks whenever possible.

For more information about the sprayings, contact SCMCP at 781-899-5730. For a full list of any upcoming spraying, and for West Nile Virus and Mosquito-Borne Illness Fact Sheets in Chinese, English, Haitian Creole, Portuguese, Spanish and Vietnamese, go to bphc.org/mosquitocontrol.

A SHORT STORY ABOUT A MOTORCYCLE. AND A SUDDEN TURN.

When she was a young college student, Elisabeth Marra had a serious motorcycle accident that ultimately changed her life. Two years after the crash, her painful open fractures had failed to heal. Then she heard about a new and complex surgery pioneered by a surgeon who used a patient's own stem cells to concentrate the healing process. This time, her surgery and subsequent therapy were successful.

Elisabeth's experience caused her to re-direct her own career aspirations. Inspired by the medical professionals who helped her reclaim her active lifestyle, she changed her major to study physical therapy—a profession where her own experience could help other patients prevail through difficult recoveries.

We tell Elisabeth Marra's story here to illustrate two of the most profound messages we know. Don't give up, and remember to give back. If reading it inspires just one more person to achieve something special, then its telling here has been well worth while.



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CHARLESTOWN BEAT

POLICE/COMMUNITY MEETING: Meet the police & discuss public safety issues on the last Wednesday of every month at the police station, 20 Vine Street, at 6:00 p.m., 2nd floor, community room.

POLICE RELATED INFO: Contact the District A-1 Community Service Office at 617-343-4627.

Motor Vehicle Accident - Property Damage

09/11/2021 - An officer in the A411A unit responded at about 02:49 p.m. to a motor vehicle accident at Alford and Arlington streets.

Upon arrival, the officer spoke with the victim, who stated she was driving in a blue Hyundai Ionia on Alford Street. She believes she fell asleep, losing control of the vehicle. The victim said she drove onto the sidewalk and attempted to get back on the road, when she swerved across the street. Her vehicle then jumped the opposite sidewalk, striking a cement light pole knocking it out of the ground. T

The officer observed damage to the front driver side's quarter-panel and the driver side's front tire. The motor vehicle was towed, and the A-1 auto investigator will do a follow-up investigation.

Larceny - All Others

09/10/2021 - An officer responded at approximately 12:32 p.m. to a radio call for stolen property at 31 Park St. in Charlestown.

Upon arrival, the officer spoke with the victim, who stated that one of the Apple iPads she ordered had been stolen. The victim said she had ordered two eighth-generation iPads from Amazon, and that the package was delivered on Thursday via FedEx. When she opened the box, there was only one iPad inside, and the other iPad was missing. She added that the package appeared like it had been opened already and then re-taped. The victim also stated the FedEx package containing the two iPads required a signature for delivery, but no signature was provided, and the box was left on the steps of the house. The total value for both iPads was \$845.70. The victim informed police she would file a complaint with both Amazon and FedEx.

Dangerous or Hazardous Condition

09/09/2021 - On arrival at about 3:45 a.m., police observed water bubbling up from underneath the street at Vine and Decatur streets. Officers also observed water coming from under a utility hole.

Due to safety concerns, the sergeant decided to close Vine Street between Chelsea and Moulton streets. Boston Water and Sewer arrived on the scene and were able to isolate the water main.

Once the water went down, the officer observed a sinkhole forming at Decatur Street, approximately a foot and half deep extending underneath the road into the middle of Vine Street. Boston Water and Sewer repaired the water main break, and traffic conditions were re-established.

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CHRISTOPHER HUAN PHOTOS

First day of school (above and right) at the Advent school.

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Deadlines:
Sibling & Legacy Applications – November 15
All other Applications – January 15
Virtual Open Houses: October 6th and November

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Boston Children's School
 8 Whittier Place
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bostonchildrens-school.org

Established in 1965, the Boston Children's School (BCS) has been bringing the joy of learning to children between the ages of 2.9 and 7 years of age for over 56 years. Located in the historic West End section of Boston, at Charles River Park, the Boston Children's School attracts students from the greater Boston area and children from around the world.

The BCS curriculum is both cognitively and developmentally age appropriate. Children learn and play in small groups, in individual, intimate classroom settings, allowing the classroom teachers to know each child and their individual learning style. In addition to daily classroom activities, the Boston Children's School offers gymnastics, sign language and music as part of its curriculum. All children have daily access to the on-site playground. The Boston Children's School also offers a "Summer-Fun-Program" to children between the ages of 3 and 8 years old.

Detailed information about the Boston Children's School, its academic year and summer programs, are available on the BCS website at www.BostonChildrensSchool.Org or feel free to call BCS Director Judy Langer, at 617-367-6239 with any questions that you may have about the school.

Academic Year - September through June. Ages - 2.9 through 7 years old



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

BSSCC

162 Goddard Ave.,
 Brookline, MA
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staffchildrenscenter.org

BSSCC is a well-established early childhood program situated alongside Lars Anderson Park serving toddlers and preschoolers. Outdoor experiences in nature, problem solving, and social-emotional development through play are its emphasis. For more information: staffchildrenscenter.org or bssccatgoddard@gmail.com.

Charlestown Nursery School

124 Main Street
 Charlestown, MA
 617-242-5169

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admissions@charlestown-nurseryschool.org

Charlestown Nursery School (CNS) is an innovative program for children 2-5 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.

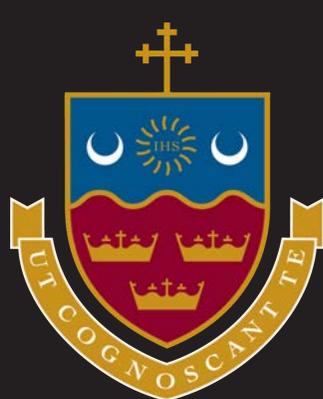
The city's resources - including parks, museums, libraries and historic attractions - are considered part of the school's "campus," and our frequent visits foster the child's feeling of being at home in the wider world. In the last year, we have taken even more of our learning outside. See more on Instagram.

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Tuition variable by program.

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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 life-long 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: \$10,800-\$22,300; \$2,000-\$8,500 additional for afternoon programs Financial Assistance: Available for Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 6, with limited availability for Preschool. Hours: 8:00 a.m.- noon for morning programs, Creative Afternoons noon-3:00 p.m. for ages 3 and up. Two, three, four and five-day programs available. Application deadline: Jan. 3 for priority for fall programs.

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178 Coolidge Hill
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617-520-5200
www.shs.org
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Kindergarten through Grade 8 all-gender day school, with more than 500 students, located on an 11-acre campus in Cambridge. Since our founding in 1915, the School has been committed to creating an environment where children are joyful, active learners who are empowered to be intellectually adventurous and wholeheartedly just. Shady Hill honors each child's individual character, encourages learning through multiple perspectives and fosters an environment of collaboration. Central Subject, our unique approach to teaching and learning, fosters integrated study and the development of critical and creative thinkers and problem solvers. Grades Pre-K-8 tuition in 2021-2022: \$29,770 - \$44,890. Hours: 8:00 AM - 3:15 PM. Application deadline: January 10, 2022. Virtual Open House, Pre-K-8: Sunday, October 24, 1:00-5:00 PM.

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 Financial aid: Need-based aid available

The Newman School
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Founded in 1945, The Newman School, an independent day school offering the International Baccalaureate Diploma in Boston's beautiful Back Bay neighborhood, prepares young women and men in grades 7 through 12 from Greater Boston and around the world for success in university studies, and in life. With a school culture that is uniquely welcoming and supportive, Newman provides students from broadly diverse backgrounds an opportunity to pursue serious studies in the company of like-minded peers and instructors. Studies are organized around the principles of the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, and students have the option of pursuing the entire IB Diploma or those portions of it that meet their needs and aspirations. Newman's IB graduates have matriculated at such schools as Columbia, Oberlin, the University of Virginia, Duke, and the University of Michigan. Guided by Cardinal Newman's motto, Cor ad Cor loquitur—Heart speaks to Heart—the school believes that students are able to achieve their potential when pursuing their studies in an environment of mutual respect, integrity, seriousness of purpose, and civic responsibility. A vibrant program of activities and sports provides students with opportunities for personal growth beyond the classroom.

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Hours: 8:00a.m.-3:00p.m. Grades 1-6; Kindergarten hours are M-TH 8:00p.m.-3:00p.m.; Fridays 8:00a.m.-noon with optional Kindergarten Enrichment, noon-3:00 p.m.

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617-436-3900
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Founded in 1863, Boston College High School is a world-class, independent Jesuit, Catholic preparatory school for young men in grades 7-12. BC High offers students dynamic, urban learning experiences unique to Boston and connections to a global network of more than 1,000 Jesuit schools.

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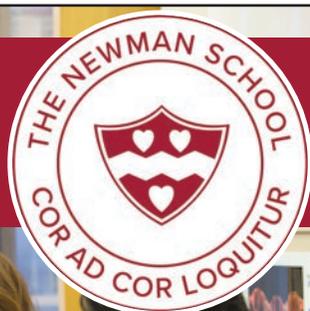
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"Our entire organization is focused on delivering a successful holiday season. To make this happen, we need great people to join us to deliver for our local communities and our nation," said CEO and Postmaster General Louis DeJoy. "The Postal Service offers many opportunities for seasonal employment. For many, a seasonal role can be the start of an exciting career with the Postal Service."

In support of its holiday hiring effort, the Postal Service is hosting 58 hiring fairs in select cities across the country where potential employees for seasonal roles can immediately apply for opportunities. Pre-registration, social distancing and face masks are required to attend a USPS Job Fair. To find or register to attend an upcoming job fair, visit usps.com/hiring.

The Postal Service is an equal opportunity employer offering a fast-paced, rewarding work environment with competitive compensation packages, on-the-job training and opportunities for advancement.

In addition to hiring, the Postal Service is preparing for the higher delivery demands of the 2021 holiday peak season by leasing millions of additional square feet of mail and package sortation facilities and installing new processing equipment to accommodate higher mail and package volumes.

The Postal Service generally receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products, and services to fund its operations.

SPECIAL GUEST LILY TOMLIN AT LGBTQ+ VIRTUAL DANCE ON OCTOBER 23

Massachusetts Breast Cancer Coalition (MBCC) is hosting their 24th Annual LGBTQ+ Dance:

Party for Prevention virtually on Saturday, October 23 from 6 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. EST. The event will feature a guest appearance from long-time environmental activist, actress, and comedian Lily Tomlin. In 2020, Ms. Tomlin was the recipient of the MBCC Environmental Activist Award in appreciation for her tireless dedication to making the world a better place. The event will also feature music with DJ Jodi Entertainment and dance lessons with Liz Nania, the founder and director of OUT to Dance. Club Cafe in Boston will help to facilitate this virtual event.

Cheryl Osimo, MBCC's Executive Director, says "We are grateful to all of the talented MBCC friends who will help us raise funds toward MBCC's focus on cancer prevention. Ultimately these individuals along with all MBCC dance supporters are helping us to make the world a better place for our children, grandchildren and future generations. We are honored and thrilled to have Lily Tomlin join us again for this special evening. We are constantly inspired by individuals, like Ms. Tomlin, who continuously spread positivity in many ways in the world."

Tickets to attend the virtual event for adults are on a sliding scale of \$15, \$30, or \$45. Tickets for students are \$10 for the virtual event.

Please note: Since MBCC is unable to hold the in-person event, all in-person tickets will be transferred to the virtual event. Refunds will not be issued.

All proceeds from this event will benefit MBCC's mission of breast cancer prevention.

To purchase tickets, please visit the MBCC website at www.mbcc.org or by calling 1-800-649-MBCC (6222).

WYNNBET SPORTS BAR AT ENCORE NOW OPEN

WynnBET Sports Bar within Encore Boston Harbor opened its doors over the weekend, providing guests with the ultimate sports viewing experience. Located on the resort's casino floor, WynnBET Sports Bar features more than 70 televisions, a 10-foot high and 123-foot-long immersive video wall, a full-service bar and cuisine from Shake Shack and Frank & Nick's, the Italian experience, by Frank DePasquale and Nick Varano.

The WynnBET Sports Bar is

open from 10 a.m. until 2 a.m., For more details, visit encorebostonharbor.com.

DHS TO INCREASE CIVIL PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE FEDERAL FACE MASK REQUIREMENT

The Department of Homeland Security's Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will increase the range of civil penalties that may be imposed on individuals who violate the federal mask mandate at airports, on commercial aircraft, and in various modes of surface transportation, including passenger railroads, intercity bus services, and other public trans-

portation. The federal mask mandate for transportation, which was implemented by TSA on February 2, 2021, will remain in effect until January 18, 2022.

The new range of penalties, which take effect Friday, September 10, 2021, will be \$500-\$1000 for first offenders and \$1000-\$3000 for second offenders.

"Wearing a mask protects the traveling public and all of the personnel who make the travel experience safe, secure, and comfortable," said Secretary of Homeland Security Alejandro N. Mayorkas. "We will continue to enforce the mask mandate as long as necessary to protect public health and safety."

"We appreciate the majority of travelers each day who voluntarily

follow the requirement, but find this action necessary to maximize the protections for those who use and work within the transportation system, and to contain COVID-19," said TSA Administrator David Pekoske. "By doubling the range of penalties, we seek to reinforce the importance of voluntary adherence."

TSA will provide updated signage at airports regarding these increased civil penalties. For more information about the federal face mask requirement, visit the TSA Coronavirus webpage.

These federal mask mandate-related civil penalties are separate from the civil penalties the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) issues for individuals who engage in unruly and unsafe behavior.

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WARREN PRESCOTT ELEMENTARY'S FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

By Marianne Salza

On September 9, 540 students -- kindergarten through eighth grade -- filed into the Warren Prescott Elementary for their first day of school. Students were dressed in their finest outfits and new unicorn backpacks to greet their teachers and friends, as well as Bunker the turtle, the Warren

Prescott mascot. "We have been looking forward to this day forever," said Principal Michele Davis, who elbow-bumped students as they walked through the double doors. "This is a special start because it is their first day back to in person learning in one and a half years. The Warren Prescott staff could not be more excited."



Atticus Evans, first grade, and his mother, Rosa Ng.



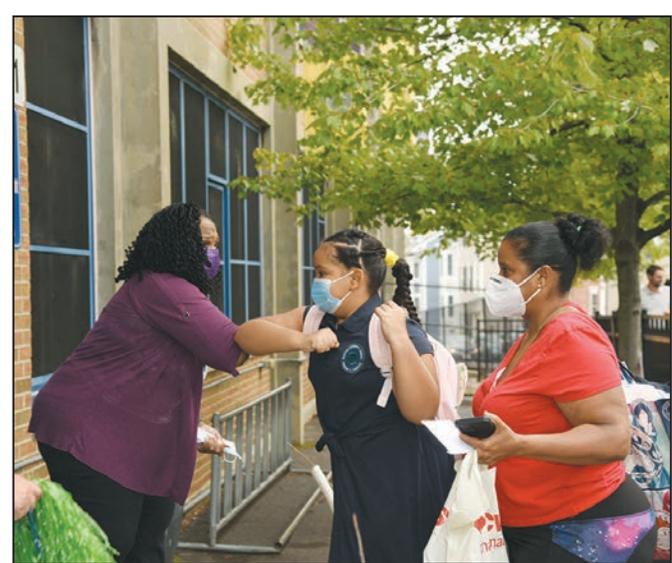
First grader, André Marcellus, and his mother, Marie.



Sophia, sixth grade, holding her dog, Ronan.



Sean, EJ, Michelle, and Stella Murray, and Annalise, Rebecca, and Joe Murphy.



Principal Michele Davis elbow bumping students as they walk into class on their first day of school.

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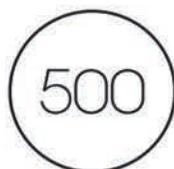


Keith, Carrie, Charlie, fourth grade, and Henry Orlowsky.



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CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

North Washington Street Bridge construction look-ahead

Overview of construction operations and impacts for the North Washington Street Bridge Replacement Project for the upcoming week.

Marine Impacts

The existing swing span steel of the existing bridge has been completely removed and the navigation channel beneath the North Washington Street Bridge is now open to all marine traffic.

The planned closure of the entire marine channel below the NWSB is currently scheduled for the first week of October. The closure will assist in installing structural steel for the new bridge deck. Once implemented, the closure will require five working days and will likely take place for one business week (Monday – Friday).

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The exact timing of the full closure is still under review by the United States Coast Guard and the Massachusetts State Police Marine Unit. More information regarding the closure will be provided in the look-ahead issued following Labor Day.

Boaters should continue to exercise caution while transiting the channel and pay close attention to signage, lighting, and work vessels. As stated in the United States Coast Guard's Local Notice to Mariners, boats transiting the bridge should monitor VHF channel 13 which allows communication and coordination with construction vessel

Slip Lane Closure

The previous planned closure of the slip lane from North Washington Street to Chelsea Street has been rescheduled to mid-September. The space that was used for the slip lane will be converted into part of the work zone. The exact timing of this operation has not yet been finalized.

The removal of this lane is part of the build conditions of the new North Washington Street Bridge, so the shutdown represents a milestone on the way to the finished project.

Nonetheless, MassDOT and its project team have kept the slip lane in place as long as possible as a way to help clear the single northbound (towards City Square) lane on the North Washington Street temporary bridge. The project team will be watching traffic operations in the next few days to ensure that vehicles keep moving as the new work zone is established.

Description of Scheduled Work

Building the piers:

Pier 1 (closest to the North End): Stripping Formwork

Pier 2: Install precast beams, post tensioning, remove cofferdam sheeting

Pier 3: Post tensioning

Pier 4: Complete

Pier 5 (closest to Charlestown): Complete

Installing, moving, and maintaining silt curtains and barges in the water

Installing temporary bent Warehouse Pier and Column repairs

Steel erection began on 8/18

Work Hours

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

Work That Has Been Completed

Prior to 9/5

Pier 1: Final concrete placement

Pier 2: V-arm Formwork removal

Pier 3: Cofferdam sheet removal

Travel Tips

Pedestrians And Cyclists:

The westerly sidewalk, Lovejoy Wharf stairs near Converse, are open to the public. With the opening of the temporary bridge, the adjacent section of the Harborwalk passing under the bridge remains closed. Please be advised that the DCR-controlled Charlestown locks can provide another alternate route, but may close without warning and beyond control of this project. During Tudor Wharf walkway (under the bridge next to the water in Paul Revere Park) closures, pedestrian access will be provided via the Water Street underpass and guidance signage will be provided.

All users should take care to pay attention to all signage and police details 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 contractor is coordinating with the TD Garden and local police to provide awareness and manage traffic impacts during events. For your awareness, during this look-ahead period, there will be no events at the TD Garden during this look ahead period.

MassDOT is also working on the Tobin Bridge/Chelsea Curves Rehabilitation Project, which requires significant traffic impacts including 24/7 lane reductions. For more information or to sign up for project-specific construction look-aheads like this one, visit the project website.

CHARLESTOWN GYM HOCKEY

Standings for the week of 9/11/2021

	W	L	T
Bryan's Pals	1	0	0
A-1 Convenience	1	0	0
Halligan Club	0	1	0
Duce 2	0	1	0

Players of the week 9/11/2021

A-1 Convenience - William Savage, Sadie Stearns
 Bryan's Pals - Jameson Duncan, C.J. Lent
 Duce 2 - Tucker Hampton, Silas Jones
 Halligan Club - Billy Nugent, Colton Morales

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NEIGHBORHOOD ROUND UP

HARVEST ON VINE FOOD PANTRY APPEAL

The Food Pantry has had a great need at this time as it has been very busy serving many more residents in town and providing more frequent distributions. Donations of all non-perishable foods are greatly appreciated. Donations drops are: Food Pantry, 49 Vine St. (Hayes Square), The Cooperative Bank - 201 Main St. or the Parish Center - 46 Winthrop St. (by the Training Field). Or donate by sending checks to: Harvest on Vine, Parish Center, 46 Winthrop St., Charlestown, MA 02129. They are also looking for volunteers to assist with distribution. For more information, call Tom MacDonald 617-990-7314. Your continued support is much appreciated.

OPEN STUDIO AT ESSEM

Essem Art Studio is hosting an Open Studio and Free Mini Art Lab on Friday, September 17 from 10AM to Noon for families with newly minted toddlers (18 + months) up to little artists up to ages 4.5 years old! Come visit our beautiful studio and create a mini project with us! Mini Art Labs will be 20 mins and will feature a fun creative activity for our new little artist friends. All little artists must be accompanied by an adult. One adult may accompany two kids. Little artists 2+ must wear a mask in the studio.

Fall 6-Week Art Lab sessions for artists 18+ months to 4 years old kick off on Sept 20th and Sept 24th. Note: regular art labs are 35-45 mins long depending on the activity. For more information or to register for FREE MiniLab and/or our upcoming 6 week Art Lab session, go to: www.essemartstudio.com/fall-2021-programs

Space is limited. visit our Instagram account to get a glimpse at our programming @ essemartstudio or Email Sophia Moon (hello@essemartstudio) with any questions! Can't wait to meet new artist friends!

JOIN THE BUNKER HILL DAY PARADE COMMITTEE

The Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee is looking for volunteers to help with the 2022 parade. If you are new to town, this is a great way to meet your neighbors and the people who make things happen in Charlestown! Want to join the committee? They're looking for help with fundraising & planning. If you have any questions about the parade committee please contact Kathleen Wrenn Noonan 617-201-1673.

FRIENDS OF THE TRAINING FIELD HOST CONCERT

Head over to the Training Field on Saturday September 18 for a concert of Irish music from Boston's Erin Og. The family concert is free and is scheduled for 3-7PM. Rain date Saturday September 25 3-7PM/

SEPTEMBER IS RECOVERY MONTH

The Charlestown Coalition invites the neighborhood to celebrate recovery month all through with activities and events to raise awareness and to help those in need of help and hope in the community. For a full schedule of events contact Shannon Lundin 617-320-9058, or email SMLundin@partners.org

CLERGY VIEWPOINT

FROM THE CHARLESTOWN CLERGY ASSOCIATION

Serving and leading

By Very Reverend James Ronan, VF – Pastor, St. Mary-St. Catherine of Siena Parish

It was a long flight from Washington to Dallas and through a series of coincidences, I was seated in first class. Just before the door closed, a gentleman boarded and sat beside me. As we introduced ourselves to one another, the man revealed he was the CEO of a Fortune 500 corporation. The conversation turned to leadership and what qualities my new acquaintance looked for in choosing executives in his company.

We discussed at length a theory of leadership popularly known as "servant-leader". Simply put, the theory would suggest two models: leading by serving or serving by leading. That simply may sound like semantics however the difference is profound. It can be understood best by considering the emphasis: in one instance the emphasis is on serving which

results in leading. In the other, the emphasis is on leading which is defined as serving.

The apostles of Jesus were in a debate as to which one of them was the most important, the first leader on the team after Jesus. Jesus brings them together and instructs them about servant leadership: "If anyone wishes to be first,

he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." (Lk 9:35).

In these times, it may appear that we do not see many servant leaders in our world. Yet one characteristic of servant leaders is they are not always visible! So I believe there are more servant leaders than there would seem to be. I say this with confidence because there are so many organizations, big and small, not-for-profit and commercial that are

very successful and where employees are proudly loyal and devoted.

Jesus was the first expert in organizational behavior to teach servant leadership, in His own life and by His words. I am always surprised and excited to witness this kind of leadership because not only does it yield the very best results for everyone, it is grounded in the dignity and worth of each person.

My traveling companion on that American Airlines flight was unaware of servant leadership yet could see how it could change a lot of things in his company. Employing it in our own daily lives also changes how we think about one another as it diminishes barriers and opens us to the unique gifts and beauty of others. Little wonder that Jesus teaches it as a way to be number one!

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Vaught, Gail J	Fitzpatrick, Eileen A	42 8th St #5116	\$578,750
Hwang, Haelyung	Michelle L Sharmon RET	22 9th St #22	\$1,715,000
Helfrich, Conor M	Aloi, Francis J	36 Austin St #2	\$580,000
Levine, Alexander W	Bond, Samantha	56 Bartlett St	\$1,375,000
Xu, Guoqiang	41-43 Brighton Street	41 Brighton St #B	\$845,000
Richelle, Timohthe S	Rook, Robert	340 Bunker Hill St #5A	\$1,550,000
Chong, Jin	Cronin Group LLC	374-398 Bunker Hill St #116	\$1,140,000
Woods, Lynne M	Evers, Joseph	379 Bunker Hill St #1	\$439,000
Pizzotti, Christopher	Cloutier, Ernest W	4 Concord St	\$2,250,000
Howard, Laura	Hassler, Stephanie A	77 Green St #1	\$830,000
Kelly, Alison C	Cullkin, Katherine	55 Main St #3	\$580,000
Gaba Group LLC	Yem, Soneth K	83 Main St #1	\$493,000
Leaf, Tamara J	William P Lamb T	3 Pleasant Street Ct	\$1,050,000
Thistle, Andrew K	Thistle, Wesley P	77 Russell St	\$1,100,000

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FRESH AND LOCAL

Fermented foods

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

When you think of food as medicine, fermented foods should go to the top of your shopping list. Anahad O'Connor, a New York Times health reporter, recently covered new Stanford University research in his article, "How Fermented Foods May Alter Your Microbiome and Improve Your Health."

He wrote, "Now scientists are discovering that fermented foods may have intriguing effects on our gut. Eating these foods may alter the makeup of the trillions of bacteria, viruses and fungi that inhabit our intestinal tracts, collectively known as the gut microbiome. They may also lead to lower levels of body-wide inflammation, which scientists increasingly link to a range of diseases tied to aging."

Learn the Language

The words used to describe the world of fermented food often sound less than appealing until you learn more about them. In reading about ferments health benefits, you'll see words like gut, microbiome, probiotics, prebiotics, mold, live cultures, starter cul-

tures, wild ferments, spontaneous ferments, backslopping, microorganisms, lactic acid bacteria, biologically active metabolites, and fermentable carbohydrates.

For example, backslopping sounds nasty, but it is simply the process of adding a small portion of an existing fermented food into the start of a new batch of food to be fermented. It's a method commonly used to keep a sourdough starter going. If you want to make yogurt at home, you would add some yogurt to milk and let it gently ferment.

Build Your Fermented Pantry

We bet you already have a few fermented foods in your kitchen. There are thousands of them. Throughout history, people of many cultures have developed favorite ferments to preserve food, make it tastier, or in some cases, make it edible.

Cheese, yogurt, kefir, crème fraîche, buttermilk, and cultured butter are fermented foods that preserve milk. Fermenting cabbage into sauerkraut or kimchi, or vegetables into pickles, preserves the seasonal crop and makes the food more appealing. Fermenting olives makes them edible by removing

bitter phenolic compounds. Even your favorite chocolate comes from a fermented cocoa bean.

If you cook Asian food, you may use fermented beans, tempeh, fish, soy sauce, sriracha sauce, miso, fish sauce, or chili paste. Some salami, vinegars, and even good old Worcestershire sauce are fermented.

Beer and wine are both fermented. Today's craft brewers may tell you about the different strains of yeast used. Some biodynamic vintners allow their yeast to continue to ferment after bottling. You'll find the residue at the bottom of the bottle.

Special Use of Fermented Foods

If illness or taking medications like antibiotics or acid reducers have destroyed the healthy bacteria in your microbiome, you can use fermented food to counteract the damage. Ask your doctor if there is some reason in your particular case for not doing so.

When we take antibiotics (or give them to our dog), we increase the fermented foods we consume. We already consume yogurt, cottage cheese, and many other foods listed above as a part of our daily diet. We simply pay more atten-



Your pantry may contain some of these fermented foods: cucumber pickles, yogurt, kimchi, sauerkraut, pickled beets, or apple cider vinegar. (photo: iStockphoto.com)

tion and add a few more doses of this food as medicine in recovery mode.

While we have focused on the fermented food part of this study, the researchers also looked at high fiber foods. These can act as prebiotic foods when they contain fibers that aren't digestible by your body but can help good bacteria

grow in your gut. So be sure to have some oatmeal, whole grain bread, and lots of vegetables with your fermented foods to help maximize health benefits.

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