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DEREK KOUYOUJIAN PHOTO

The latest show at the Stove Factory Gallery is 'Vivid Expressions Of Intense Color' running from March 25 to April 10. See Pages 6 and 7 for more photos.

Navy Yard's Building 108 to be demolished in April

By John Lynds

The Boston Planning and Development Agency announced this week it will begin demolition on Building 108, the former power plant in the Charlestown Navy Yard located at the corner of 3rd Ave. and 9th St., in early April.

Building 108 has been slated for demolition since 2020 due to its deteriorating condition and the environmental contaminants present in the building.

The removal of the building will make way for the proposed redevelopment of the site by Power House Partners as lab, research and development, and retail space.

In the announcement the BPDA added that construction will continue through early 2023. During this time, 3rd Ave. will be subject to periodic closures and parking restrictions.

"This work includes the environmental remediation and removal of the unsafe structure by S&R Corporation and Weston & Sampson Engineers," said the BPDA in a statement. "The BPDA-funded \$5 million project will restore the site to a safe and accessible condition, allowing for the Article 80 process to move forward for the proposed redevelopment by Power House Partners."

The BPDA said all questions and concerns can be directed to the BPDA's Jason Tobin at Jason.W.Tobin@Boston.gov.

In accordance with the Charlestown Navy Yard Master Plan, the BPDA released a Request for Proposals (RFP) in September 2020 for the ground lease and redevelopment of Building 108 in the Historic Monument Area of the Navy Yard.

Last February the BPDA designated Power House Partners as the developer of Building 108.

Power House's proposal was one of two proposals submitted to the BPDA for re-development of the Power Plant, which is one of the last parcels to remain undeveloped in the old Yard.

According to BPDA filings Power House Partners, proposes a 67,000 sq. ft. building with approximately 44,000 RSF of Lab and Research and Development space; 6,100 RSF of retail space to include a restaurant, neighborhood convenience, or coffee shop; and associated building service uses including bicycle parking and trash room. The developer esti-

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BPDA to host virtual public meeting for 425 Medford St. project on April, 13

By John Lynds

Following a meeting with the project's Impact Advisory Group (IAG) last week, The Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) has scheduled a virtual public meeting to further discuss the Planned Development Area (PDA) Master Plan associated with the 425 Medford St. project.

The meeting is scheduled Wed., April 13 at 6pm and residents can

register in advance for this meeting through bit.ly/3IPu9LG.

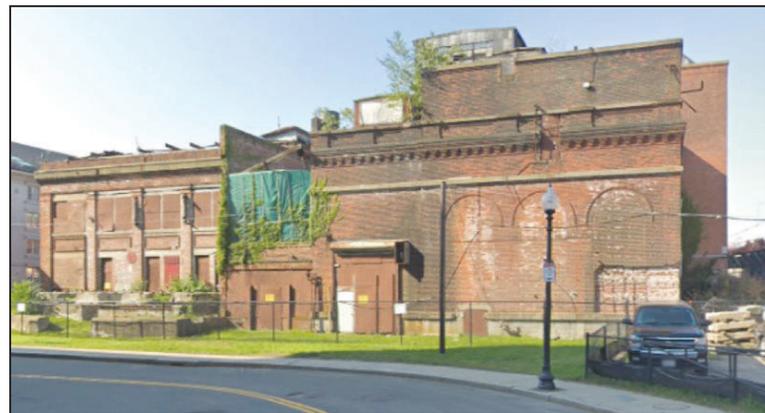
The Master Plan consists of the redevelopment of an approximately 25-acre site located at 425 Medford St. in Charlestown with a multi-phased mixed-use development focused on resolving sea-level-rise issues facing Charlestown and the areas beyond.

The Flatley Company's development team's biggest focus with the project is to address resiliency. Some of the resiliency measures

Flatley plans to take to protect the neighborhood from sea level rise is to use a 22 foot elevation as the project's starting point to develop public open space along the waterfront.

This elevation of 22 feet is based on the 2070 one percent flood elevation with one foot of freeboard on top. Freeboard is basically an additional safety net above the predicted sea level rise. While addressing sea level rise, Flatley wants to create meaningful spaces for people to enjoy, and not just build a wall and have some impenetrable barrier that creates no public open space.

In addition to the waterfront resiliency, the proposed project will create another eight acres of public open space, totaling approximately 13 acres, all surrounding and incorporated with approximately 1.8 million gross square feet of mixed-use development featuring residential, hotel, office/laboratory, ground-floor retail, and parking uses.



The Navy Yard's Building 108 is slated for demolition early next month.

CNC CORNER

The Charlestown Neighborhood Council will hold a public meeting on Tuesday April 5, at 7 pm. The meeting will be held in person at the Knights of Columbus, 545 Medford Street, Charlestown. Please send questions or matters of concern via email to cnc02129@gmail.com. Any updates will be on the CNC Calendar at www.charlestownneighborhoodcouncil.org.

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EDITORIAL

TOXIC MASCULINITY AT THE OSCARS

When we first heard the joke by Chris Rock that was directed at Jada Pinkett-Smith at the Oscars, we didn't get it. It was not until Will Smith stepped up to smack Rock that we grabbed our laptop to do a Google search for "G.I. Jane" and "Jada Pinkett-Smith" to figure out what the incident was all about.

We've admired Chris Rock and Will Smith throughout their careers, both on and off the stage.

But the behavior exhibited by both of them at Sunday's Oscars show was inexcusable.

Chris Rock's joke (which wasn't even funny) was obnoxious, in bad taste, and hurtful. Mocking a person with a disease (Ms. Pinkett-Smith suffers from alopecia) or a disability never is appropriate in any setting.

This sort of bullying behavior is a characteristic of many men. Recall for example, when our former president mimicked with his body language a New York Times reporter who has a physical disability.

Similarly, Will Smith's subsequent assault and battery upon Rock exemplified another variation of a uniquely-male noxious attitude in which men justify the use of their fists (or guns) either to salve their bruised egos or to get what they want by brute force (e.g., Vladimir Putin).

We have read in various media that some have attempted to justify Smith's criminal behavior on the grounds that he was defending his wife's honor. However, women are more than capable of taking care of themselves. They don't need a man to do so. That attitude prevails only in societies where women are treated like second-class citizens.

In our view, both Chris Rock and Will Smith should be banned from the Oscars until further notice. Their toxic masculinity has no place anywhere in our society, but especially on a stage as big as the Oscars.

RECALLING THE APRIL FOOL'S DAY BLIZZARD OF 1997

This Friday, April 1, will mark the 25th anniversary of the great April Fool's Day blizzard of 1997.

As often is the case when a major storm strikes, the forecasters had not predicted the extreme severity of the storm.

We recall going to bed that night of March 31 and preparing to go to work the next day, only to wake up to discover that Mother Nature had dumped more than two feet (25.4 inches was the official total at Logan Airport) of heavy, wet snow on our area, making it the fourth-largest snowstorm in Boston history, exceeded only by the 27.5 inches in the President's Day blizzard of 2003; the 27.1 inches in the famous Blizzard of '78; and the 26.3 inches in the blizzard of February, 1969.

The storm was the biggest on record in the month of April and made April 1997 Boston's snowiest April ever, nearly doubling the previous record of 13.3 inches. It also set a record for Boston's greatest 24-hour snowfall in April.

We vividly recall waking up to the wonder of that morning. "Are we still dreaming?" was our first thought when we opened our front door, only to be greeted by a huge drift of snow that had been driven by winds that reached 70-90 miles per hour in many areas.

Ironically, that winter had been fairly uneventful (there had been only 26 inches of snow in total that winter season).

Although the storm essentially paralyzed the Boston area for that entire day, it was not a particularly dangerous storm. We recall a lot of downed tree limbs that were laden with the heavy, wet snow, which in turn brought down power lines in some places. The only deaths were the result of heart attacks by persons trying to shovel the heavy snow. In addition, there was no coastal flooding.

Our overall memory of the blizzard is the picture in our mind's eye of a Winter Wonderland amidst temperatures that reached the 50s by mid-day.

It was a joyful event, an unexpected day off from work (and back then, the internet was still barely a thing, so no one worked remotely). We took our young children sledding and walked around the neighborhood with our Golden Retriever, Jake, who loved the snow.

Yes, it was a ferocious, record-breaking storm. But for us, we always will have only warm memories of the April Fool's Day Blizzard of 1997, a particular point in time when we, and our now-adult children, were 25 years younger.

GUEST OP-ED

Take It From a BPS Mom: Receivership is Not the Solution

By Tania Del Rio

The status quo is not working in our Boston Public Schools, but receivership is not the pathway to delivering a quality education for all of Boston's children. I applaud Mayor Wu, Councilor Mejía, and BPS families for raising their voices against this top-down takeover. As a candidate for Boston City Council District 1 and a BPS mom, I oppose receivership alongside all the other brave voices calling for a different, more democratic plan of action.

BPS is a large and complex system. The students, staff, teachers, and families that I speak with share my concern that the turnover of leadership in BPS has had significant consequences in the classroom. It makes it challenging to create stable school cultures and come together to form a collective vision. Too many creative solutions are stifled in the chaos



Tania Del Rio with her family.

that naturally comes with leadership transitions. A state takeover would only add to that instability.

We must also center our next generation in this discussion and realize that our BPS student population has starkly different needs than students in the rest of the

Commonwealth. 71% of students are low-income, 48% of our BPS students do not speak English as a first language, and 21.9% of students have disabilities, and all of these rates are significantly higher than state averages. The District

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LETTER to the Editor

Chapters.

I don't even know where to start in describing my time at the Charlestown Coalition and having the privilege to serve my hometown community for the last 14 years. Being able to work in the same town I grew up in, the town I lived in during my active addiction, and the town I recovered in has not only transformed the Charlestown community in the way we look at and treat addiction, but it has also transformed

me personally and professionally in ways I never imagined.

I started volunteering at Charlestown Coalition formerly known as Charlestown Substance Abuse Coalition (CSAC) in 2007 facilitating an evidence based, prevention, curriculum designed to prevent the onset of risky behaviors in our local middle schools.

Not long after, I became the administrative assistant not knowing that my former supervisor

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A PRIVILEGE TO SERVE MY HOMETOWN COMMUNITY

Dear Charlestown Community,

Some of you may already know that I recently transitioned from my role at the Charlestown Coalition as Program Manager of Addiction and Recovery Services into a new role as the Director of Recovery and Community Engagement at a brand new recovery center in Danvers Massachusetts called

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is also suffering from historic disinvestment – especially when it comes to its crumbling facilities – and an outdated, inefficient, and inequitable transportation system. The City should welcome support from the Commonwealth in these specific aspects – both financial and technical – but instead, in the form of a comprehensive partnership.

The Commonwealth’s Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) has not provided any evidence that it can produce improved results after a takeover, as we have seen in Southbridge, Holyoke, and Lawrence. These school districts remain the lowest-ranking in the state, with Southbridge identified as the worst-performing and Holyoke the second worst-performing, leaving no evidence that outcomes would be better for Boston. The newly-elected mayor in Lawrence is prepared to act on a community-wide call from parents and residents to “keep control of [their own] education.”

A state takeover would also mean that the City would need to entirely rework their contract with the Boston Teachers Union, whom the district has already been disregarding during their current

negotiations. BPS representatives have canceled 57% of bargaining sessions in 2022, only offering “insulting low salary increases” on top of “no proposals to improve learning conditions.”

This entire receivership situation seems like a further attempt to politicize the very real impacts that BPS’ shortcomings are having on teachers, students, and parents, pitting these groups against each other just to remove any agency they may have to make meaningful change in their school communities. Collaboration and support from the state would be much more impactful and allow Boston’s new Mayor and incoming Superintendent a fair shot at turning around the District.

Until the voices of the people who live firsthand with the chronic issues our school system faces are leading the conversation, we will continue to spin our wheels and see our students suffer. State receivership would be a step backward, granting the power to engineer outcomes for our students to people outside of Boston with the least experience in our systems. Considering the massive wave of newly elected, inclusive leadership in our City Council and mayoral office, as well as voters’ wide-

spread support for a fully-elected School Committee, I challenge the idea that our pathway to success is through a top-down approach like receivership. Instead of placing accountability in the hands of the few and unelected, we should lead with collaboration. As a City Councilor, I will not shy away from school issues and convene conversations with those best equipped to solve our problems – our students, teachers, and parents – about how to move our most troubled schools forward. I will support an elected school committee and promote a community-driven process of hiring a new superintendent.

Our elected officials should be using the power of their offices to convene resources and bring attention to the issues that our communities inherently have the ability to solve. The individuals we choose to lead must be beholden to the people and the people alone. Mayor Wu was elected with a mandate to bring people-powered change to our public schools. We owe it to everyone in our city to give ourselves that opportunity.

Tania Del Rio is a BPS mom, Latina immigrant, East Boston resident, and proven leader in her community and our local government running for Boston City Council District 1 in the upcoming special election on May 3rd to represent East Boston, Charlestown, and the North End.

Friends of Ryan “Duce” Morrissey Scholarship applications now available

We are pleased to announce a total of \$25,000 in scholarships for 2022. Scholarships in the amounts of \$7,500 each will be awarded to two college freshmen, \$2,000 each to three college upperclassmen and \$1,000 each to four high school students.

Growing up in Charlestown, Ryan “Duce” Morrissey participated in many educational and sports programs. He proudly wore the nickname “Duce” following in his father’s footsteps. At seventeen and a high school senior, he looked forward to his next chapters...prom, graduation, military or public service. Sadly, his dreams were left unfulfilled when his young life was taken in a senseless act of violence. Ryan made an everlasting impact with his infectious smile, witty sense of humor and love for family, friends and community.

The Friends of Ryan “Duce” Morrissey Scholarship Fund was founded with the aim of helping other students achieve their goals by reducing some of their financial burden. Students, who like Ryan, study hard, play hard and put their efforts into helping



Ryan “Duce” Morrissey.

others.

Forms and eligibility criteria are available on our website (www.ryanmorrisesyscholarship.com) or by emailing us (ryanmorrisesyscholarship@gmail.com.) Area schools and community organizations have also been notified. The deadline for college freshmen applicants is April 22, 2022. The deadline for college upperclassmen and high school students is May 1, 2022.

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mates that the project will create approximately 100-125 permanent jobs in addition to the 150 construction jobs over the two-year construction period.

“The proposed massing is within the volume of the original building, with smaller floor plates on the third and fourth floor to evoke the variety of heights on the original building as additions were constructed over time,” reads the memo in favor of Power House Partners. “The design evokes the

industrial nature of the Historic Monument Area through materials, massing, and fenestration, while still providing a somewhat contemporary approach...The proposed R&D use builds upon the burgeoning life sciences cluster in the Navy Yard, while the proposed retail meets the needs identified by neighborhood residents and is consistent with achieving a balanced mix of uses per the... Master Plan guidelines.”



Virtual Public Meeting

425 Medford Street

Wednesday, April 13
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Zoom Link: bit.ly/3IPu9LG
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Meeting ID: 160 548 9539

Project Proponent:
The Flatley Company

Project Description:

The Proposed PDA Master Plan consists of the redevelopment of an approximately 25-acre site located at 425 Medford Street in Charlestown with a multi-phased mixed-use development. The proposed project consists of approximately 1.8 million gross square feet of mixed-use development featuring residential, hotel, office/laboratory, ground-floor retail, and parking uses. The project also includes a 1.5 mile long sea-level-rise barrier integrated into 5 acres of publicly accessible waterfront recreational space.

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LETTER (from pg. 2)

Beth Rosenshein had other plans in store when a grant opportunity became available called MassCall2. Through MassCall2, local communities received grants with the primary objectives of saving the lives of those with opiate addiction and creating awareness about opioid overdose prevention.

By conducting many community, focus, groups Charlestown came up with two strategies:

1. A Drop-In Recovery Center: A place where we would offer support, resources, education, wellness groups etc... to individuals, families and youth impacted by addiction.

2. A Community Outreach Navigator: A support person who would help folks navigate the systems and connect them to the appropriate levels of care and resources.

We didn't have the right space or the funds to go with strategy one, so we went with strategy



Shannon Lundin.

two. The interview process began and many applied for the job, it wasn't something I thought I was qualified to do or maybe I just

really doubted myself too much back then but I did not apply and didn't plan on it. I will never forget the day when my boss at the time said "are you going to apply for this job? There are letters and emails coming in from the community, asking to see you in this role. I was shocked, I cried because the bigger part of me wanted this job and I knew I could do it and do it well.

In my role as a Community Health Worker and a Recovery Coach I developed a relationship-based system of linkages continuum of care services to prevent and reduce the risks associated with substance use disorders and occurrences of overdoses. The focus of this system revolved around a community-based referral system, relapse prevention, and post overdose intervention. My work was so successful that it was used as a model for a new system of care for the entire Mass General

system.

In an effort to support my clients who often interfaced with the court and carceral system, I forged relationships with attorneys, probation officers, court officials, and judges as I advocated for my clients with heart and compassion. Through these relationships I played a key role in partnership with the Charlestown Division of the Boston Municipal Court to form the court's first specialized drug session: The Charlestown Addiction Recovery Treatment program, now referred to as "Recovery Court."

In 2018, I was promoted to Program Manager of Addiction and Recovery Services where I oversaw all addiction and recovery initiatives of the Charlestown Coalition.

The people I have built close relationships with over the years - my co-workers, organizations, schools and businesses, and of

course the entire community as a whole is something I will always cherish and remember fondly. I have witnessed firsthand the beauty, resiliency, and the strength of the Charlestown community time and time again. I feel extremely blessed to have worked for such a long period of time in the same community. A community that has been my home my entire life. I have had the honor of watching many stories unfold and witnessing many triumph's. And although I will miss it dearly, just know I am not too far away and I will still be part of the Charlestown Trauma Team.

I am excited for this new beginning in my career at Chapters Recovery Center and the opportunity to help build a successful program that inspires and motivates recovery that is lasting and transformative.

Thank you,

Shannon Lundin

NEWS BRIEFS

CITY HOLDS FIRST BOSTON REC FEST AT FRANKLIN PARK APRIL 19

Mayor Michelle Wu and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department present the first annual Boston Rec Fest (Recreation Festival) during the April school vacation week at the Playstead in

Franklin Park on Tuesday, April 19, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This free event for kids 18 and under will feature a variety of sporting activities for young Boston residents. Fun inflatables will provide skills challenges in the All-In-One Sports Arena, Full Court Press basketball game, QB Blitz football throw, Field Goal Challenge, Slap Shot

Hockey, Soccer Shoot Out, All Star Challenge obstacle course. Baseball fans can engage with the Speed Pitch radar gun, Batting Cage, and Extreme Batting attraction that lets kids swing for the fences.

Hands-on clinics hosted by sports professionals in archery, baseball, and softball will be offered along with a Boston Bruins Foundation street hockey clinic and giveaway, USA Pickleball Association clinic, and USTA tennis clinic. The event will also include an appearance by Red Sox mascot Wally the Green Monster.

The festival location is at the Playstead on Pierpont Road near the rear entrance of Franklin Park Zoo. By MBTA, take the Orange Line to Forest Hills and the #16 bus to the zoo. By car, the park can be reached from Blue Hill Avenue, Seaver Street, or Circuit Drive. Ample free parking. Fully handicapped accessible.

For more information and to stay up to date with news, events, and improvements in Boston

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ALL GIRLS SPORTS AND WELLNESS FESTIVAL RETURNS APRIL 20

Mayor Michelle Wu, the Boston Parks and Recreation Department, and Boston Centers for Youth & Families (BCYF) invite Boston girls ages 9 to 14 to join us during the April school vacation week for the All Girls Sports and Wellness Festival.

The free event will take place on Wednesday, April 20, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the BCYF Leahy-Holloran Community Center, 1 Worrell Street, Dorchester. The All Girls Sports and Wellness Festival will feature a variety of sports, games, health and wellness speak-

ers, self-defense tactics, and aquatic activities.

Participants will find a variety of fun ways to exercise mind, body, and spirit and try out a variety of sports with expert instructors including basketball, dance fitness, rock climbing, swimming, soccer, and more, with additional support from local non-profits and City of Boston agencies.

Event check-in begins at 9:30 a.m. Pre-registration is required at boston.gov/sports. Participants must be Boston residents and should bring activity-appropriate clothing (including swimsuits and towels for those wishing to enjoy the pool). Free lunch will be provided.

For more information and to stay up to date with news, events, and improvements in Boston parks, call (617) 635-4505, visit Boston.gov/Parks, join our email list at bit.ly/Get-Parks-Emails, and follow our social channels @bostonparksdept on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram.

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TOWNIE TOAST FUNDRAISER FOR BUNKER HILL DAY PARADE

DEREK KOUYOUJIAN PHOTOS



Erica Walsh, Shannon White, Cassidy Sullivan, Aileen Gorman, and Sean Boyle.

The Townie Toast was held as a kickoff for the fundraising efforts of the ceremonial role of Mayor Of Charlestown. Candidates for "Mayor" sell votes and the money raised goes to help fund the Bunker Hill Day Parade. The winner of the "election" is announced the day before the Offstage at an event on the Training Field and leads the march in the parade the next day.



The candidates for Mayor Of Charlestown: Tracy Zimmerman, Louie Woods, and Red Lawton.



Patrick Farris and Kelsry Houlihan.



Massachusetts State Rep Peter Durant (2nd from left) and Lt Governor candidate Kate Campanale (4th from left) with volunteers from All Roads Charlestown and Friends Of Bunker Hill Parade.



Massachusetts State Rep Dan Ryan and Jimmy Walsh.



Volunteers from All Roads Charlestown and Friends Of Bunker Hill Parade.



The audience joins in on the Townie Toast.

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STOVE FACTORY GALLERY'S 'VIVID EXPRESSIONS OF INTENSE COLOR'

DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN PHOTOS

The latest show at the Stove Factory Gallery is Vivid Expressions Of Intense Color running from March 25 to April 10.



Emily Yousfi with her piece Beautiful Struggle.



Artist Molly Lynch with boyfriend Evan Roberts take a look around at the end of the evening.



Molly Lynch with her piece Tapestry 1.



Alexandra Spano pieces: Intensity Study #2 and #3.



Jini Goscinak and Regina Ashodian take a look around the show.



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STOVE FACTORY GALLERY'S 'VIVID EXPRESSIONS OF INTENSE COLOR'



Dara Pannebaker stands by her piece *The Beach House* and Martha Starr stands by hers, *Blue Bird Man And Friends*.



Sioux Gerow with her two works: *Over The Park* and *Whim Windows*.



Morning Glories by Stephen Rosenberg.



Julie Alailima stands by her work *Chaotic/Good*. An oil paint/silk, alkyd resin and gesso on canvas piece.



Corey Jonze with his piece *Follow Me Into Eternity*.



Child's Chair And Stool by Dara Pannebaker.



Komal Markan with her son Kartak and her first showing of her work, a mixed media piece titled *Pink Silver Pendulum*.

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Head Start School building damaged by fire; Early Education Program closed

The Kennedy Center's Head Start school building suffered extensive damage during a week-end fire. Several classrooms were damaged and the program will remain closed until further notice. The Center's school is licensed to provide early education and child care for 100 children daily. As a Head Start partner agency with ABCD, the school prioritizes care for children who are at highest risk

due to factors such as low family income, homelessness, and foster care. Programs include Universal Pre-K through BPS, Head Start curriculum and childcare subsidized for low-income families.

"We are incredibly thankful that no children or staff were hurt. We serve the most vulnerable children in our community; we want to reopen as soon as possible. We remain committed to ensuring

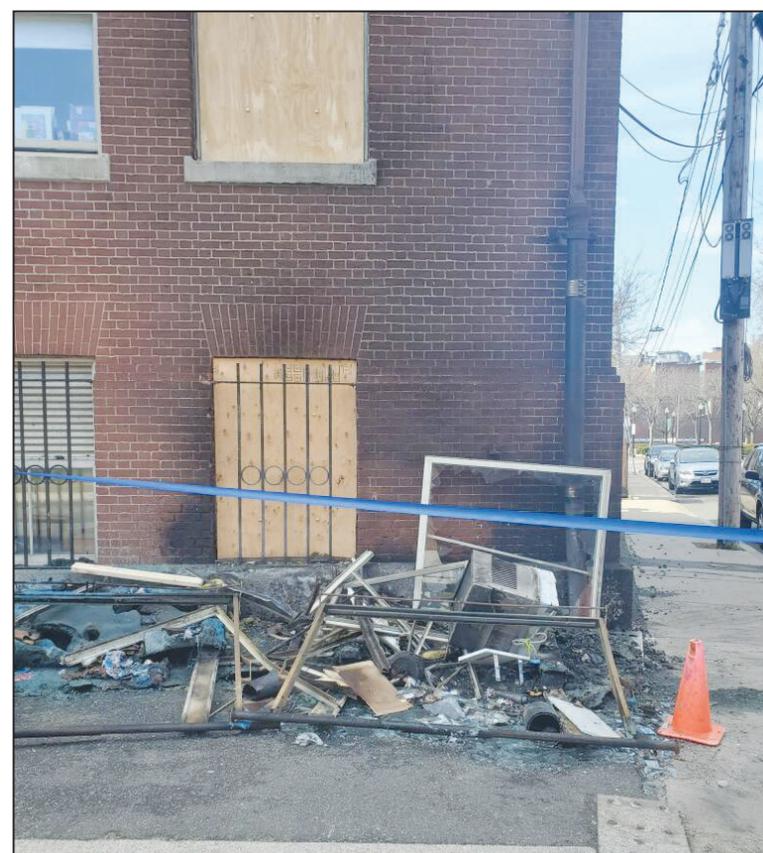
their safety and continuity of care. Our immediate priority is clean-up and reopening plans". Thara Fuller, Executive Director.

An assessment of the full extent of damages is underway. While the cause of the fire is under investigation, all Kennedy Center Early Education programs will remain closed until the building is deemed safe. Program staff are in contact with enrolled families regarding remote learning and related supports. "Even if we just gather for 5 minutes by zoom to sing some songs together, this will help us support the children and families dealing with the stress," says Ta'Nia Atkinson, Education Coordinator.

The financial impact of the fire and related closure remain unknown as yet. We are seeking the community's support while we recover from this unfortunate setback. Any disruption to child care is a serious issue for our families. We are eager to reopen!

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Some of the fire damage at the Kennedy Center.

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Elisabeth's experience caused her to redirect 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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Theresa Lang

Will be remembered for her fun loving, nurturing spirit and good sense of humor

Theresa (Welch) Lang, a lifelong resident of Charlestown, entered into eternal life on Saturday, March 26. She was 94 years of age.

Theresa was born in Boston on June 7, 1927, the daughter of the late Michael and Lillian (Orpen) Welch. She grew up in Charlestown. Theresa was a homemaker who cared for her loving family above all else. Theresa will be remembered for her fun loving, nurturing spirit and her good sense of humor.

The devoted wife of the late Francis X Lang, she was the devoted mother of Francis X. Lang and his wife, Deborah of Readville, Theresa (Lang) Whalen of Charlestown and the late Noreen (Lang) Durham and Michael Lang. She is also survived by her many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend



Theresa's Mass of Christian Burial on Friday, April 1 at 10 a.m. in St Mary's Church, 55 Warren St., Charlestown. Theresa will be laid to rest with her husband Francis in the Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden. Arrangements are under the care of Hamel Lydon Chapel, Quincy. For online condolences please visit www.hamellydon.com.

Dorothy Foley

Grew up in Charlestown and attended local schools

Dorothy A. (Murphy) Foley, a lifelong resident of Charlestown, entered into eternal life on Saturday, March 26 at the North End Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center in Boston. She was 89 years of age.

Dorothy was born in Boston on March 2, 1933, a daughter of the late Timothy Murphy and Jeanette (Buchanan) Murphy. She grew up in Charlestown where she attended St. Catherine's Parochial School and graduated from Charlestown High School. Dorothy was a homemaker who cared for her loving family above all else. She was an avid Boston sports fan, especially the Red Sox and the Patriots. She attended a total of seven U2 concerts and was also a fan of the band Snow Patrol to which she attended one concert. She loved animals, watching T, and playing word search puzzles. Dorothy will be remembered for her fun loving spirit and her good sense of humor.

The beloved wife of the late Edward C. Foley, she was the devoted mother of Deborah Foley and the late Edward Foley, the loving sister of the late Anna Theresa Grzelcyk, Eleanor Flateau, Janet



Jarno, and Timothy Murphy Jr. She is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Dorothy's Graveside Service was held on Wednesday, March 30 at 11 a.m. in Blue Hill Cemetery, 700 West St. Braintree. There were no funeral home visiting hours.

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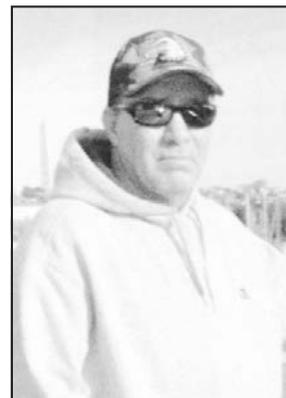
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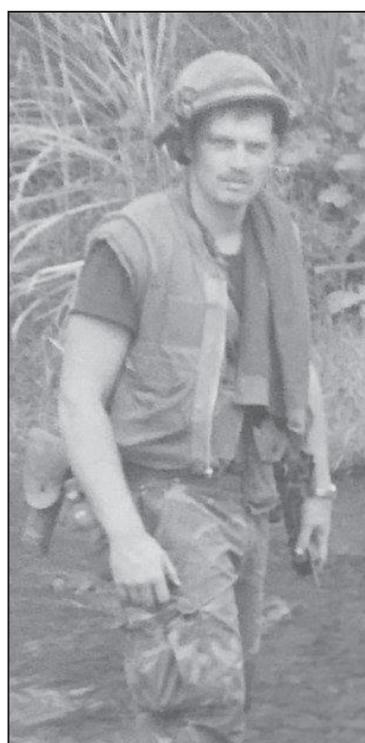
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Lt. Michael P. Quinn banquet set for April 9

On April 9, the Lt. Michael P. Quinn Scholarship Board is pleased to host their 53rd annual banquet to be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 545 Medford St. in Charlestown. The event, which begins at 6 p.m., will recognize the past three scholarship recipients; 2019 winner Jeremy Shea, a junior at SUNY Maritime who is aspiring to be a U.S. Navy aviator; 2020 winner Madison Rodriguez, a sophomore at Bridgewater St. who is enrolled in the nursing program; and 2021 winner Quinlan O'Brien, a freshman at John Hopkins who is pursuing a degree in law enforcement and is a member of the nationally ranked lacrosse team. Tickets cost \$50 and include catering by Sandy Griffin and entertainment by DJ Anthony Labella. Please contact Ronan Fitzpatrick

at maryfitzpatrick10@comcast.net, or by phone at (617) 242-5493 with any questions.

Guest speaker for the event will be U.S. Marine Corps Major General Michael S. Martin. General Martin, a UMass-Amherst and Army War College graduate, served as Ground Watch Officer with the 1st Marine Expeditionary Forces in Iraq (FEB-OCT 2003) as well as Commander of the 4th Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion in Afghanistan (NOV 2009-MAY 2010). More recently, General Martin served as Commanding General of the 4th Marine Division (SEP 2018-OCT 202) and is currently the Assistant Deputy Commandant for Combat Development and Integration. General Martin and his wife reside in Southwick, MA and have seven children.



Lt. Michael P. Quinn.

2022 Lt. Michael P. Quinn Scholarship

Applications are being accepted for the 53rd annual Lt. Michael P. Quinn Scholarship. The winner will receive \$12,000 for the first year of college and \$6,000 the second year and applications are available at the Charlestown Public Library, the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club Teen Center, the Charlestown High School Guidance Office, the Malden Catholic Guidance Office, and the Boston Latin High School Guidance Office. You can also request an application by contacting Ronan Fitzpatrick at maryfitzpatrick10@comcast.net or by phone at (617) 242-5493. The application deadline is April 15th and the criteria includes promise of academic success, athletic achievement, responsible citizenship and financial need.

Noted for his academic and athletic achievement, Michael Quinn accomplished so much in

his 23 years. He was a product of his Charlestown upbringing where looking out for your neighbor, respecting elders, hard work and "having your friend's back" were ingrained in him at an early age. Michael graduated from Boston Latin High School and the College of the Holy Cross where he achieved Hall of Fame status at both schools as a two-sport (football and hockey) Scholar Athlete. After graduating from college, Michael attended Officer Training Academy in Quantico, Virginia and finished first in his class. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1968, assigned to "H" Company, 2nd Battalion, 1st Marine Division and deployed to Vietnam.

AUGUST 29, 1969: As the "H Company" platoon leaders huddled in the darkness of the Quang Nam Province in South Vietnam, U.S. Marine Corps Lt. Michael

Quinn was tasked with leading his infantry unit on a reconnaissance mission to seek a water supply and identify enemy troop movement. Stealthily executing their directive, Quinn and his troops happened upon a large invading enemy force heading in the direction of "H Company." Realizing that the only way to alert his fellow marines of the dire situation was to draw fire on his position, Quinn dispatched members of his unit back to "H Company" and engaged the enemy. While that fateful decision resulted in Lt. Michael Quinn making the "ultimate sacrifice," it also prevented the loss of many lives. He was recognized for his bravery and awarded a Bronze Star and Purple Heart and is honored on Panel 18W, Row 8 of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington D.C.

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.

Fraud - Wire

03/22/2022 - While at the front desk of the A-15 substation at about 3:20 p.m., an officer took a walk-in report for fraudulent activity.

The victim informed the officer that her husband, who recently died, was the owner of an NFT on a cryptocurrency site OpenSea.com. The victim said the NFT owned by her husband had been transferred to an unknown account within the past week. The NFT was transferred from her husband's account to the unknown suspect's account through the Open Sea website. The victim reports the NFT to be worth \$1,500 and said she would be contacting the site to inform them of the fraudulent activity, and to explore her options to get it back.

Investigate Incident

03/22/22 - At around 4:20 p.m., officers responded to a radio call for a Larceny in Progress at 7 Hancock St.

Upon arrival, police spoke to a witness, who stated she had observed an unknown male suspect do three laps on her street. The witness also said on his second lap of Hancock Street,

the suspect walked up to 10H Hancock St. and took a package from there. The suspect then took one more lap before heading left on Elm Street.

The suspect was described as a male in his 50s, wearing glasses, a brown/gray scally cap, a brown jacket, and khaki pants, and he was carrying a dark brown backpack.

Officers did not observe any home security equipment out front; they canvassed the area and could not locate anyone matching the suspect's description.

Threats to Do Bodily Harm

3/25/2022 - An officer received a walk-in threat report at 3:45 p.m. for an incident at Bartlett St.

The victim stated that the operator of a red 2021 Honda Civic had just thrown two water bottles at his vehicle. The victim said that the vehicle's operator, whom he described as female, backed her motor vehicle up a one-way street. When the victim informed the suspect she wasn't supposed to be doing that, she threw the plastic bottles containing liquid at his vehicle. The victim stated that there was no known damage to his motor vehicle.

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Charlestown weekly COVID positive test rate increases

By John Lynds

With the city's COVID-19 state of emergency set to be lifted Friday, Charlestown's weekly COVID positive test rate increased last week. With indoor mask mandates and proof of vaccination measures already lifted weeks ago it seems Boston as a whole is heading in the right direction with the weekly positive test rate still comfortably under the 5 percent threshold.

However, the neighborhood broke through the 5 percent threshold last week.

Last week, 327 Charlestown residents were tested for the virus and 5.8 percent were positive--this was a 32 percent increase from the 4.4 percent that tested positive as reported by the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) on March 21.

Nineteen additional residents contracted the virus between March 21 and March 28 and there are now 3,736 confirmed cases in

the neighborhood since the start of the pandemic.

According to the BPHC 12,286 residents were tested citywide last week and 3 percent were COVID positive--this was a 30 percent increase from the 2.3 percent that reportedly tested positive for the week ending on March 21.

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 0.6 percent last week and went from 167,241 cases to 168,260 confirmed since

the start of the pandemic.

There were five additional deaths in Boston from the virus in the past week and the total number of COVID deaths is now at 1,439. Deaths increased 67 percent in Boston last week with two more deaths compared to the three deaths reported by the BPHC two weeks ago.

USS Constitution to begin summer hours of visitation

USS Constitution is scheduled to shift their hours of free public visitation for the Summer season starting Tuesday, April 5.

During Summer hours of operation, Constitution will be open to the public Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

All guests, age 18 and older, are required to show a valid state or federal photo I.D. or a passport to board the ship.

While aboard, guests may walk the ship at their own pace and ask questions to the ship's active-duty Navy Sailors.

In addition to answering guests' questions, Sailors give presentations on the ship's history every 30 minutes.

The USS Constitution Museum is currently open to the public every day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

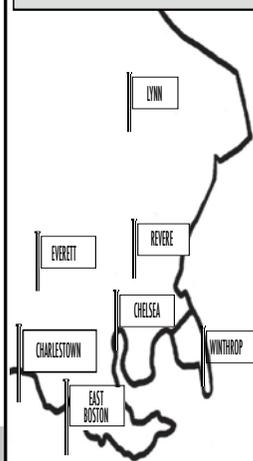
USS Constitution, is the world's oldest commissioned warship afloat, and played a crucial role in the Barbary Wars and the War of 1812, actively defending sea lanes from 1797 to 1855.

The active-duty Sailors stationed aboard USS Constitution provide free tours and offer public visitation as they support the ship's mission of promoting the Navy's history and maritime heritage and raising awareness of the importance of a sustained naval presence.

USS Constitution was undefeated in battle and destroyed or captured 33 opponents.

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