



# CHARLESTOWN

PATRIOT-BRIDGE

## Gabriela Coletta sworn in as District 1 City Councilor

By John Lynds

On Wednesday, prior to the weekly City Council meeting, District 1 City Councilor Gabriela “Gigi” Coletta was officially sworn in by Mayor Michelle Wu as her mother, Nina, father, Ed, grandmother, Helen, partner, Sebastian Zapata and her sister, Angela Acevedo looked on.

After taking the oath of office and before the scheduled council meeting began, Coletta addressed the body for the first time as the District 1 City Councilor representing Charlestown, East Boston and the North End.

“I just want to say thank you, Mayor Wu, distinguished guests, and my colleagues on the council

and everyone for being here to share this incredible day with me,” said Coletta. “As a former City Council staffer, I have a unique appreciation and reverence for these chambers. From being an Eastie kid coming in here with my mom to advocate for our community to my first day here as a staffer, I stand before you now deeply honored and humbled to be the Boston City Councilor for District 1. I’m in full acknowledgement and awareness of who and what it took to bring us here together today. So at this moment, I want to share this space in gratitude with you all.”

Coletta recognized some special people in her life that were present in the City Council Chambers.



District 1 City Councilor Gabriela “Gigi” Coletta was sworn in by Mayor Michelle Wu during the City Council’s weekly meeting Wednesday at City Hall. Councilor Coletta was joined by her mother, Nina, father, Ed, partner, Sebastian Zapata and her sister, Angela Acevedo.

“First I want to recognize the matriarch of my family, Helen Colletta, I’m so happy you could be here today grandma,” she said. “I’d also like to recognize my (late) grandparents who are here watching over us, the late Edmund Colletta Sr., the late

Allesandro Geata, and the late Celia Trujillo—please watch over me and guide me on this journey. Next, my parents Edmund Coletta and Nina Coletta. Dad, thank you for instilling the values of kindness, humility and service to the community. Thank you,

mom. Thank you for my activist spirit and how to not only break the ceiling, but how to swing the hammer. Thank you to my sister and hype woman, Angela Coletta Acevedo, my brother and political strategist, Chris, and my incredible

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## Charlestown artist featured in Boston’s Society of Arts + Crafts “CraftBoston: Animal Attraction”

By John Lynds

Charlestown artist Alice Templeton, a potter and “animal sculptor”, is taking part in the Society of Arts + Crafts’s new online exhibition, “CraftBoston: Animal Attraction”, which is running now through June 19.

The online exhibition showcases the work of 25 fine craft artists from New England and across the U.S. who offer animal-inspired creations ranging from wild-life-shaped pottery to intricately beaded zoo creatures, and everything in between.

Templeton is known for her wheel-thrown stoneware jars and plates feature familiar, charming woodland creatures like squirrels, foxes, and New England birds.

“My interest in animals stems from a childhood longing for companionship,” said Templeton. “Making animal figures began as a comfort and has evolved into a way to explore my deep love of animals while also experiencing my connection to them.”

She said she works primarily



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with high fire porcelain and white stoneware.

“My formation process is mostly additive, whereby I form the parts with my fingers and attach them to the body of the piece,” she

said. “Larger pieces are formed as a solid figure and then hollowed out. My goal is to make a figure that looks as if it could be real. I believe we are a part of nature, not the rulers of it.”

Templeton said through her artwork she hopes to help people experience the beauty and magic of the natural world.

“I also hope to challenge and inspire people to confront environmental issues and to work to preserve nature and wildlife habitat,” she said.

A Charlestown resident, Templeton has worked with clay for over 25 years and has been a resident artist at Mudflat Studios in Somerville, since 2012.

She said she has had her hands in clay since being inspired by a potter as a young child. Templeton went on to study art and biology while pursuing her BA in psychology at Smith College.

Her work is available at Mudflat Gallery and at Ward Maps, both in Cambridge. She was recently awarded 3rd prize at NCECA Shimpo Ramen Bowl

Show in 2019.

“Animal prints are ubiquitous in fashion and design, and this exhibition invites a deeper look into our collective love for all types of creatures,” says Society of Arts + Crafts Executive Director Brigitte Martin. “Audiences will immediately recognize familiar favorites such as bunnies, cats, dogs, foxes and other fantastic creatures, and feel drawn in by the imaginative, artistic interpretations of these domestic and wild animals.”

Visitors can view and purchase pieces from all the featured artists -- in a wide range of price points, style, and materials—at [societyofcrafts.org](http://societyofcrafts.org).



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# EDITORIAL

## NO END IN SIGHT FOR OUR RECURRING NATIONAL NIGHTMARE

The horrific and tragic mass shooting that occurred in Buffalo, New York, on a quiet Saturday afternoon in a supermarket in a predominantly Black community once again has highlighted how the intersection of racial hatred fomented by the internet and the easy availability of assault weapons of mass destruction are causing carnage in communities all across America.

The reality is this: There is no place in the United States that is free from the spectre of gun violence.

The small community of Winthrop is coming up on the one-year anniversary of the shooting death of two Black residents by a young white man armed with a high-capacity handgun on an early-summer Saturday afternoon on a peaceful residential street.

And, similar to the shooter in Buffalo, the white gunman in Winthrop espoused white supremacist views with Nazi emblems among his personal belongings and, it is believed, was en route to a nearby synagogue, though fortunately he was stopped by a Winthrop police sergeant who shot him dead just a few blocks away.

As usual, the aftermath of the tragedy in Buffalo brought calls for regulation of the internet to stop the spread of hate movements and for the regulation of the sale of the military-grade weaponry that makes such incidents possible.

But as usual, it's all just a lot of talk. Meaningful gun control by Congress never will happen because of the stranglehold upon the Republican party (and some Democrats) by the gun lobby, despite overwhelming public support for such measures.

And the internet only grows more toxic day-by-day and lurks as a haven for white supremacists to spread their hateful messages on the Dark Web.

America is trapped in a recurring nightmare of a reality of our own creation that, no matter how many times we replay it, we are unable to change.

## IF WOMEN WERE WORLD LEADERS, THERE WOULD BE NO MORE WARS

It's well-known that men constitute most of the sociopaths among us. A sociopath by definition lacks empathy, a person who has no conscience.

Although childhood trauma and abuse can alter a person's brain, sociopaths for the most part are born, not made. High-tech imaging has shown that the part of the human brain that triggers an empathetic response in most people is non-functioning (or functions minimally) in sociopaths.

It is estimated that only one percent of humanity are sociopaths, but of those, 75-90% are men. And while there are women who are sociopaths, they tend not to be violent. Sociopathic women share the same traits -- pathological lying, for example -- as male sociopaths, but their goal generally manifests itself in financial gain.

The young Russian/German woman who conned New York society (depicted in the Netflix series, *Inventing Anna*) and Elizabeth Holmes, who fleeced investors in her blood analysis company of hundreds of millions of dollars, are examples of female sociopaths.

Sociopathic men also are con artists. Some psychologists have estimated that 10 percent of the men who work on Wall St. are sociopaths such as Bernie Madoff.

But sociopathic men almost exclusively are the serial killers in our society -- Ted Bundy and others like him -- whose crimes horrify us.

Sociopathic men also are the dictators who have wrought carnage on our planet. Hitler, Stalin, Kim Jong-un, and Vladimir Putin readily come to mind.

And when you combine a sociopathic personality with male testosterone, the end result is what we see happening every day in Ukraine.

World events of the past two years have brought to the forefront the strong women who are the heads of their countries -- Jacinda Ardern of New Zealand, Kaja Kallas of Estonia, Sanna Marin of Finland -- and Angela Merkel was the top leader in Europe for 16 years until she recently stepped down.

We are not suggesting that women are better than men, or vice versa.

But in our opinion, it seems reasonable to believe that if all of our world leaders were women, there would be no more wars.

## GUEST OP-ED

## Buffalo, Laguna Woods, Houston – the world gets crazier every day

Dr. Glenn Mollette

A good person did not enter a grocery store in Buffalo, New York killing ten people and wounding multiple others. A good person did not enter a church in Laguna Woods, California wounding many and killing one person. A good person did not enter a Houston, Texas flea market killing two and wounding at least three more. These are evil people. The police officer who heroically fought back in the Buffalo grocery store with a gun was a good person. He was trying to protect the other good people who were in the grocery store.

If America rounded up all the guns and used them for only police officers and the military, there would still be evil people. Evil plots, make irrational decisions and go to depraved levels to carry out their heinous acts. What an evil person does is beyond the comprehension of everyday moral people. A mentally depraved person thinks in a sphere of unreality. They have thoughts no one else would ever think. Pathetically they put their thoughts into action. The Buffalo shooter drove hundreds of miles. He bought tactical gear and wore protective armor that enabled him to withstand the security guard's bullets and kill the security guard.

Generally, people used to live their lives concerned about what

God or a higher power thought about them. They were interested in pleasing God, their parents, the school teacher, coach or clergy leader. Today, insanity is bowing down to the god of social media. The deranged Buffalo shooter wore a camera so that his social media followers could see what he was doing. People often video themselves sky diving, jumping off cliffs, singing or whatever to show their followers what they are doing. The Buffalo shooter took it to another level and will most likely be mimicked by others. It's interesting that social media has the power to ban a former President but it can't control or prevent an insane live video feed of someone wanting to show others that he is killing people.

Evil people will find a way to carry out their evil schemes. They will find a way to get guns or use cars, planes, trucks, fire or whatever to hurt others. The people killing people in churches and grocery stores are not deer hunters. They aren't wild turkey or rabbit hunters. They aren't the average citizens who just want a gun for their bedside table for protection. The people perpetrating these crimes are deranged.

Our society must find a way to unarm those who are displaying outward signs of craziness or have any records of unlawful activity. Once again, it's difficult to keep guns out of the hands of bad peo-

ple because evil works very hard. However, we must continue to try.

Grocery stores, churches and most businesses will eventually have locked doors. You will need a card to unlock the door much like hotels use today. You will need your name and information registered with the business or house of worship before you'll be able to enter. Armed guards like airport security guards will check your identification when you come to the door. This still doesn't protect the families playing in a city park or those gathering in an open-air sidewalk café. To some extent we will always be vulnerable, everywhere.

The world has felt crazier every day for the last two years. This past weekend proved again that it's not getting better.

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## LETTER to the Editor

### THANK YOU TO THE OLD CHARLESTOWN SCHOOLBOYS

To the Editor,

Thank you to the Old Charlestown Schoolboy's Association for awarding me with the Robert Flynn Memorial Scholarship. I am honored to receive this scholarship which will once again be put towards good use as I enter my third year of college at U-Mass Amherst Isenberg School of Business. The generosity of your Association helps so many in the Charlestown community of which I am proud to be a part of.

Best,

Joseph N. Flanagan

### THANK YOU, OLD CHARLESTOWN SCHOOLBOYS

To the Editor,

Thank you to the Old Charlestown Schoolboy's Association for awarding me the Palledoes Athletic / William Powers Scholarship. This Scholarship will help to alleviate my tuition expense at Louisiana State University. As higher education costs continue to increase; your generosity is greatly appreciated. I am blessed to be part of such an amazing community.

Best,

John C. Flanagan

### COLETTA (from pg. 1)

partner Sebastian Zapata. I could not have done this without you."

Coletta then thanked the elected officials for their support and encouragement as well as those who have inspired her throughout her journey.

"Mayor Wu, thank you for already pushing us to aim higher and to be bold," said Coletta. "You're already making history and I look forward to working with you. (Former District 1 City Councilor) Diane Modica, I'm here because you did everything first so I stand on your shoulders. I also want to thank Sal LaMattina, Paul Scapicchio as well as the state delegation, Chairman Aaron Michlewitz, Rep. Dan Ryan and Rep. Adrian Madaro. I'm so happy to do this work with you."

Coletta then thanked her former boss and mentor, Sen. Lydia Edwards.

"I told you to the moon and back, always," she said of Edwards. "Thank you for teaching me to shine my brightest light."

Of the City Council Coletta added, "To my colleagues on the Boston City Council, what an impressive group of powerhouse individuals. I look out at all of you and I realized that this is Boston and I'm happy to be here. I'm just in awe of every single one of you and what you've accomplished as a body this year. We are here because we believe in the power of municipal government and how it can better the lives of residents. We are here to ensure a vibrant, resilient, and equitable city for everybody. We are here to bring the voices of those in our communities to the halls of power. I look forward to learning from each and every single one of you and what

your life perspective is and ensuring that we can build a brighter Boston for everyone."

With Wednesday being her first day on the job, Coletta commented that, "The work literally starts today. I know that we will not agree on everything and there will be some tough conversations ahead of us but I promise to be collaborative, to work towards consensus and compromise and to let the work be the motivation and not the politics."

"I want to be sure to recognize the district that raised me, gave me everything and elected me to represent them on the Boston City Council," she said. "To the people of Charlestown East Boston and the North End, I love you. You have my heart always. Each (neighborhood) is uniquely beautiful and each has its own set of challenges but I know looking at this room and those in the community, there's nothing too big for us to tackle together."

Coletta pledged to her constituents that she is committed to being bold, to speak truth to power, to fight for the District's interests, to be inclusive and welcoming of all people no matter who they are or where they come from.

"Especially our immigrant brothers and sisters I promise to be accessible and responsive and you have my commitment that I will center your voice in every conversation in action," she said. "I promise to serve with empathy and with compassion. I won't be perfect but I ask for your grace and for your partnership in this work, to learn, grow and mobilize with me. The work starts today and I cannot wait to get started."

## CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

### North Washington Street Bridge construction look-ahead to May 28

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

#### Scheduled Work

- North abutment (Charlestown side near Chelsea Street) – barrier slab repair, rebar installation, and excavation
- Drainage installation
- Utility work on Charles River Avenue
- Forming and pouring concrete elements at City Square

#### • Pothole repair

#### Work Hours

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

#### Travel Tips

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

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

work zones.

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

For your awareness, the following events are scheduled during this look-ahead period:

- Celtics: 5/15 TBA
- Events: 5/18 at 7:30 p.m.

## Real Estate Transfers

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Mullaney, Emily R	Brod, Danielle	33 Belmont St #4	\$1,005,000
Prescott, Matthew	Lovato, Tarah M	429 Bunker Hill St #2	\$795,000
Nehill, Jennifer B	Zachrison Family 2020	1 Ludlow St	\$980,000
Johnston, James C	Amos, Bryan C	10 Albion Pl #2	\$930,000
Wukie, Bradley J	Collins, Brendan	10 Parker St #2	\$840,000
Delgiudice, Mark	Baden, Dennis E	15 Hancock St	\$1,667,500
Gibbons Jr, James J	Geraghty, Mary K	20 Mystic St #1	\$1,100,000
Aaron, Jacob	Opus Realty Partners LLC	21 Oak St #1	\$979,000
Barrett, Sara J	Nathania E Walsh RET	40 Pleasant St #2	\$761,000
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Hardy, Robert	324-330 Bunker Hill Dev LL	324 Bunker Hill St #202	\$1,729,000
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# Amazon donates nearly one million dollars to youth sports programs

Amazon is going to bat for youth sports programs in Massachusetts. The company announced it is donating nearly \$1 million to youth sports teams and organizations across the Commonwealth including North End Athletic Association (NEAA), North End Little League and North End Youth Hockey. The grants will help expand access and level the playing field for sports and fitness opportunities in underserved neighborhoods and help organizations meet COVID-related budget shortfalls.

“We care about the communities in which we operate and live. We’ve seen the power of youth sports to build character and make a positive impact on our children and our communities. That’s why Amazon is thrilled to be able to invest in the health and well-being of young people in Boston and beyond,” said Jerome Smith, Amazon’s Head of Community Engagement for New England. “The pandemic took so much from all of us, especially young people. We hope this donation will get young athletes back in the game.”

The company made the announcement at the South End Baseball’s Opening Day Parade and festivities. Amazon is invest-

ing in eight communities across the Commonwealth. The resources from Amazon come as many local youth sports organizations throughout the nation are struggling to recover from the economic effects of the pandemic. Survey data from last year suggests the COVID-19 pandemic has taken a toll on youth sports participation. National research by the Aspen Institute found thirteen percent of youth sports parents said their community-based sports provider closed due to COVID-19, and another 12% noted it had merged with another organization. In total, 44% of families said their community-based program has either closed, merged or returned with limited capacity.

“South End Baseball is incredibly grateful for the support being given to us from Amazon with this year’s and last year’s grants,” said Pete Shults, president of SEB’s board of directors and a long-time coach. “With the pandemic essentially shutting down our fundraising efforts over the last two years, the company’s generosity is making a world of difference in our ability to keep the league’s operations running and funding our Hugh Chambers/Paul Rinkulis college scholarship program, which helps deserving

players pursue their educational goals.”

“All Dorchester Sports and Leadership takes our mission of fostering healthy lifestyles and leadership skills very seriously. As we emerge from the past two years of near isolation, we recognize that participating in team sports helps address the stress our youth have been experiencing,” said Candice Gartley, Executive Director of All Dorchester Sports & Leadership. “Active bodies go hand in hand with good mental health. The generous support that Amazon provides ADSL allows us to work to re-engage our youth in healthy athletic activities.”

“To say this support from Amazon is game-changing is an understatement. This investment is just the spark needed after being sidelined by the pandemic to ensure sports in Lawrence come back with better quality opportunities that reach more deserving kids,” said Stephanie McArdle, Executive Director of Beyond Soccer & Beyond Volley. “In addition to helping Beyond Soccer and Beyond Volley advance its mission, providing affordable, year-round sports and recreational programs to thousands of kids, Amazon’s impact will be magnified through its simultaneous investment in the Lawrence Sports Alliance and the dozens of Lawrence sports groups involved, like Suenos Basketball, Lawrence Pop Warner, and Serving Stars, who, like Amazon, believe in the power of sports to

strengthen communities and make sure young people reap sports’ awesome, life-long benefits.”

“On behalf of the Revere Youth Baseball and Softball League, it is a pleasure to thank Amazon for their generous donation to our league,” said Shawn Vetere, coach and board member of Revere Youth Baseball and Softball. “It has been a struggle to operate the league since early 2020 without the benefit of being able to fundraise because of the then COVID-19 Restrictions. The funds you are donating will help our league to operate under normal conditions once again. These funds will also enable us to provide better equipment and uniforms for the children. Additionally, the funds will help fund the two new batting cages we will be installing at our complex.”

“Milford Youth Baseball would like to extend a sincere thank you to Amazon for their generous donation,” said Paul Pellegrini, President, Milford Youth Baseball. “Amazon’s continued commitment to the Milford Community is evident through this donation which will assist in the renovation of the Rosenfeld Field Project. This grant will also allow Milford Youth Baseball to purchase much needed equipment which in turns defrays the costs associated with participation. Youth sports is an integral part of developing key skills such as healthy physical activity, personal relationships, teamwork, competition, and

building confidence. These skills are building blocks for the future. We are grateful that Amazon has decided to support our league as a part of their significant investment in the youth of New England.”

“As our state turns the corner on the pandemic, we need to ensure our young people have access to equitable, affordable, and local recreational activities,” Smith added. “Investing in these programs is an investment in our youth and in helping them lead healthier, happier lives.”

Over the last year, Amazon has supported local communities across the Commonwealth through monetary and in-kind donations to nonprofit organizations and public schools. Some examples include donations to King Boston, The Greater Boston Food Bank, The United Way of Massachusetts Bay and Merrimack Valley, local chapters of the Boys & Girls Club, local public schools and other area nonprofits. Last spring Amazon announced a donation of one million dollars to the arts and cultural institutions in and around Boston. There are also more than 28,000 organizations in Massachusetts that Amazon customers can support simply by shopping on Amazon smile. As of the fourth quarter of 2021, the company was employing more than 21,000 full- and part-time employees across its Massachusetts operations and is continuing to hire.

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# MAYOR OF CHARLESTOWN FUNDRAISER

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Two hundred friends and family members gathered in support of Louie Woods, candidate for "mayor" of Charlestown, during his May 13 fundraiser at the

Knights of Columbus Hall to benefit the Bunker Hill Parade. The festivities included raffles and a performance by Rod Stewart impersonator, Rick Larrimore. If elected, Woods will march in the Bunker Hill Parade.



Andrea Gormn, Louie Woods, candidate for mayor, and his mother, Patty-ann Woods.



Tom Johnson, Louie Woods, Mike Doe, and Marc Considine.



Brittany Busa and Louie Woods.



Lauren McLaughlin, Joanne Salza, Jillian Sceppa, and MaryBeth Hamway.



Rod Stewart impersonator, Rick Larrimore.



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# CHARLESTOWN LITTLE LEAGUE'S OPENING DAY

CALAN CAHILL PHOTOS



Inaugural "Play Ball!" announcement. Pictured from the left, Josh Bressler, Gavin Tucker, with friends.



The opening day parade, above and below.



## CITY OF BOSTON HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

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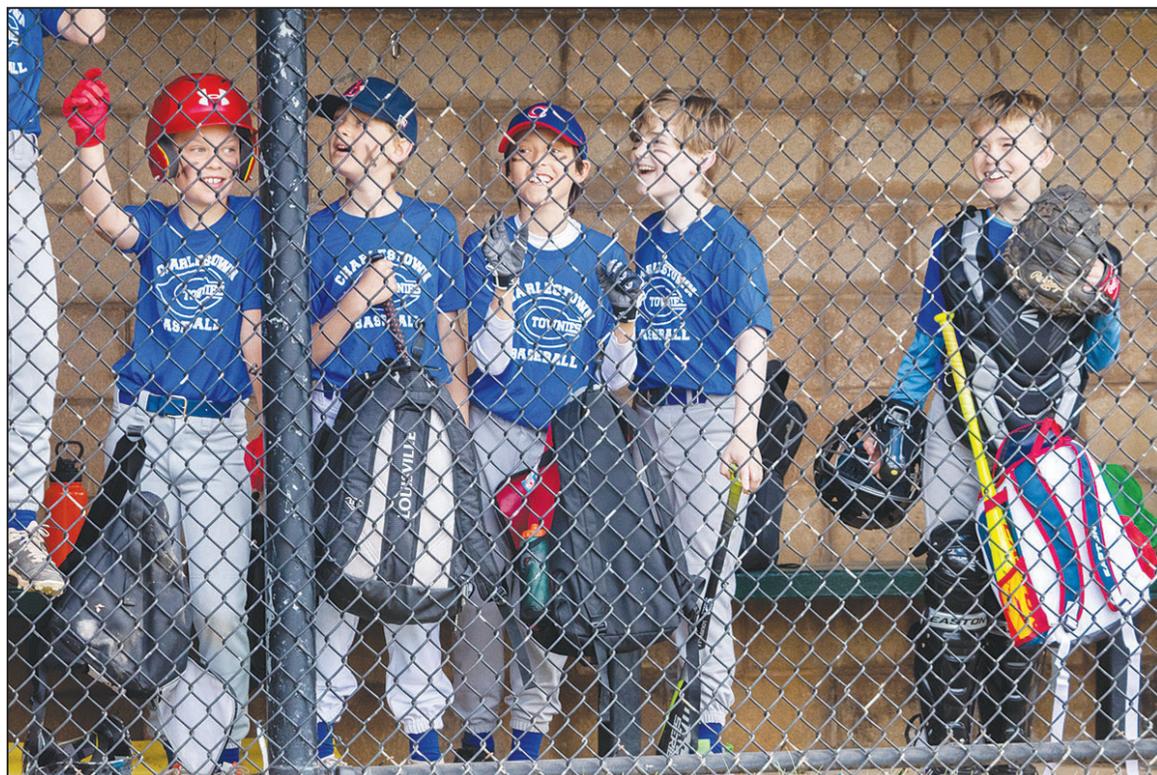


From left to right, Tom Hamill, Dan Ryan (State Rep), Sal Didomenico (MA Senator) Lydia Edwards ( On her last day as District 1 City Counselor).



League President Josh Bressler during the opening ceremony.

# CHARLESTOWN LITTLE LEAGUE'S OPENING DAY



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# THE WARREN PRESCOTT SCHOOL HOLDS ANNUAL SPRING FLING GALA

Derek Kouyoumjian photos

The Warren Prescott School held its annual Spring Fling Gala, inviting parents and supporters of public education in Charlestown to raise money for the school, new programs, and technology. It was also a great way to celebrate this neighborhood resource and reconnect with each other.



Tradesman served as a perfect venue for the festivities.



Dave Hughson with Sean and Marien Marshall.



Warren Prescott School Principal Michelle Davis (center) with Boston City Councilors Gabriela "Gigi" Coletta and Erin Murphy.



Joe Murphy and Chris Rock.



Tam and Michael Benjamin



Rebecca and Joe Murphy.



Tina Champagne, Kristen Spadafora, Boston City Councilor Gabriela "Gigi" Coletta, Warren Prescott School Principal Michelle Davis, and Paula Goncalves.

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# THE OLD CHARLESTOWN SCHOOLBOYS ASSOCIATION HOLDS MEETING

COURTESY PHOTOS

The Old Charlestown Schoolboys Association held its first gathering since 2019 on Sunday, May 16, at the Father Daniel Mahoney Hall in the Charlestown Knights of Columbus. The Schoolboys had been prevented from meeting in person due to the pandemic restrictions that limited functions for the past several years. In joy, the Schoolboys came together last Sunday for the 109th meeting of the organization, which is the oldest community organization in Charlestown. With President Keith Lordan presiding over the time, awards were given out to Bill Lordan and Jim O'Brien. The memorial Schoolboys bell was dedicated to the late, past president, Robert 'Gugga' Flynn. Member Moe Gillen rang the bell to start off the occasion.



(Standing) Bill Smith and Bill Lordan. (Sitting) President Keith Lordan and Doug Newell.



John Barstow, Bud Whelan, Jack Power, Paul Power, and John Coleman.



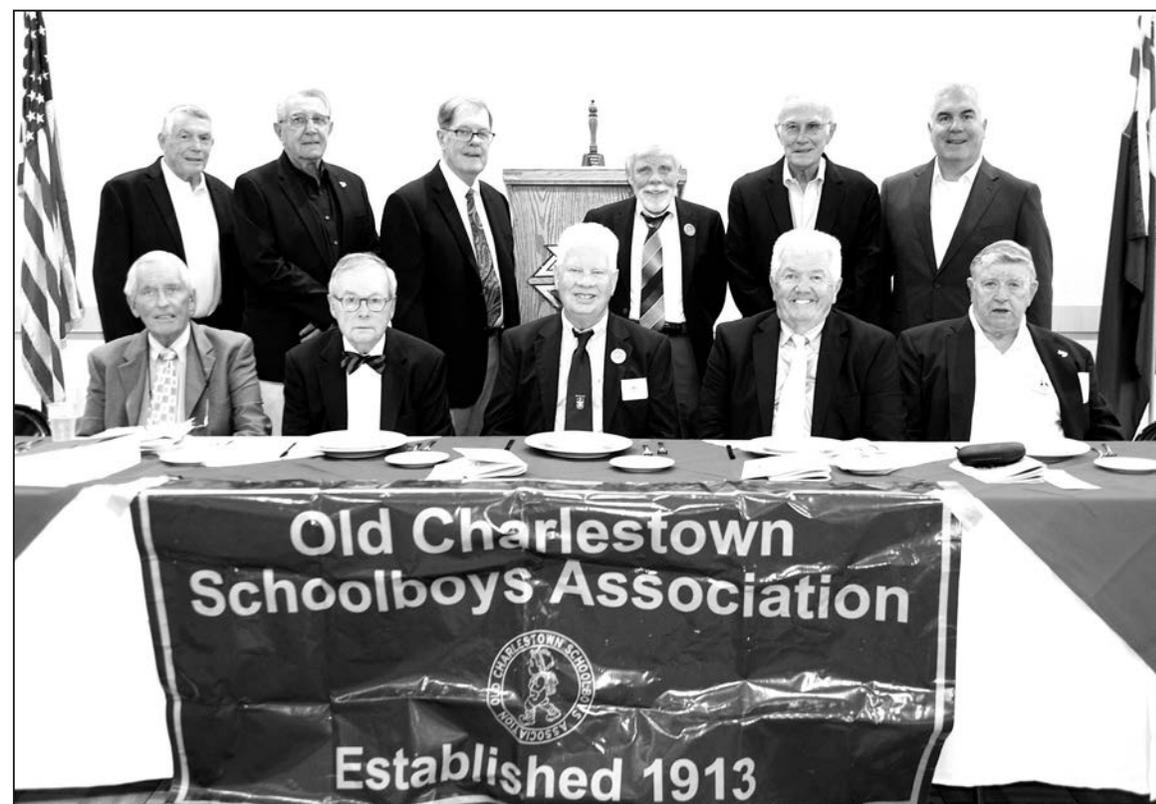
Father Paul Coughlin and Jack Connors with the Old Charlestown Schoolboys bell.



Rich Harty, David Troy, Frank Dolaher, Jim Sullivan, and Walter Pappasodoro.



Brothers Jackie, Bill, and Joe Martin.



Officers and Executive Committee members of the Old Charlestown Schoolboys Association. (Front Row L-R) Secretary/Treasurer Ronan FitzPatrick, Vice President Jim O'Brien, President Keith Lordan, Jack Connors, and Moe Gillen. (Back Row L-R) Charlie McGonagle, Martin Fabiano, Leo Breen, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer Bill Lordan, Jack Pierce, and Joe Jackson.



Per longstanding tradition, Moe Gillen rang the Old Charlestown Schoolboys Association bell to call the meeting to order. The bell symbolizes the lessons learned from the school bells that rang throughout each member's youth at the various Charlestown schools.

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# NEWS BRIEFS

## MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND VETERAN EXHIBITION AT KOC

There'll be an exhibition on Charlestown Veterans on display on Sunday, May 29, from noon to 3 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Charlestown

Come pay a visit and honor some of the heroes of Charlestown who gave their lives for our country.

## MALDEN GAMING DISTRICT CELEBRATES FESTIVALS AND GAMING

The City of Malden is pleased to announce that the 2022 Malden Summer Festivals will be taking place 12-4PM on Saturday, June 4th, Saturday, July 16th, and Saturday, August 13th. Pleasant Street will be transformed into an open-air market that will feature artists and artisans, vintage cloth-

ing stores, and much more!

Located next to the Malden Center MBTA Orange Line station, the area is also home to Malden's Gaming District. This is the place to go if you want to quest at Boda Borg, conduct a science experiment that is a lot like mini-golf, play and stock up on Magic cards, shoot some billiards, try a racing simulator or sing your heart out at Karaoke. Visit [www.MaldenGamingDistrict.com](http://www.MaldenGamingDistrict.com) for even more options.

In addition, the Summer Festivals will feature a live music stage— set on the corner of Washington and Pleasant Streets — that will always feature a musically diverse mix of bands.

The line-up for June 4th is:  
12:00PM The Mark Cataldo Quartet

1:00PM The Discompany Band  
2:00PM The Eric German Latin Sextet

3:00PM Borderline  
Easily accessible by Orange Line, but FREE Parking is available

at both of the City's garages at 170 Centre Street or 7 Jackson Street. Please visit [www.CityOfMalden.org/SummerFestivals](http://www.CityOfMalden.org/SummerFestivals) to learn more.

## USS CONSTITUTION TO GO UNDERWAY ON MAY 20

USS Constitution is scheduled to go underway from Charlestown Navy Yard, Mass. on Friday, May 20, at 10:00 a.m. to kick off the ship's sailing season.

USS Constitution will be closed in the morning and reopen to the public for tours after the underway from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m on Friday.

The underway will include a 21-gun salute viewable from Fort Independence on Castle Island at approximately 11:30 a.m.

USS Constitution will fire an additional 17-gun salute as she passes U.S. Coast Guard Sector Boston, the former site of the Edmund Hartt's Shipyard, where

USS Constitution was built and launched on Oct. 21, 1797.

USS Constitution's cruise will be viewable from the Boston Harborwalk, Castle Island, and Charlestown Navy Yard.

The USS Constitution Museum is open Monday to Sunday, 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.

The ship earned the nickname of Old Ironsides during the war

of 1812 when British cannonballs were seen bouncing off the ship's wooden hull.

## STOVEFACTORY GALLERY EXHIBIT

An exhibition of Donald C. Kelley's work will be shown at the Stovefactory Gallery June 17 - July 17. "Donald C. Kelley: The Legacy Continues" explores his use of color and large space to produce works teeming with energy and human connection. A former Charlestown resident, Donald Kelley was a major figure in post-war, late 20th century Abstract Expressionism.

A cocktail reception to open the show will be held on Friday June 17, 5-8 at the gallery. The Stove Factory Gallery, located at 523 Medford Street in Charlestown, will be open weekends 12 - 5 during the show.

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Ellen S Solomita Also known as: Ellen Susan Solomita, Ellen Solomita  
Date of Death: 10/10/2021  
To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Michael Solomita, Jr. of Marshfield, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.  
The Petitioner requests

that: Michael Solomita, Jr. of Marshfield, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.  
**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 06/13/2022.  
This is NOT a hearing date,

but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty days (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.  
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**Charlestown's weekly COVID positive test-rate nears 20 percent**

By John Lynds

Nearly two out of every 10 Charlestown residents tested for COVID last week were found to be positive with the weekly positive test rate in the neighborhood now nearing 20 percent. Boston health officials have been battling against the recent surge in cases due to a new, more contagious variant. Citywide 1 out of every 10 people tested for the virus was found to be positive.

Last week, 534 Charlestown residents were tested for the virus last week and 17.2 percent were positive--this was a 32 percent increase from the 13 percent that tested positive as reported by the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) on May 9.

Ninety two additional Charlestown residents contracted the virus between May 9 and May 16 and there are now 4,179 confirmed cases in the neighborhood since the start of the pandemic.

Boston's citywide weekly positive test rate increased last week and is now over 10 percent.

According to the BPHC 18,119 residents were tested citywide last week and 10.8 percent were COVID positive--this was a 23 percent increase from the 8.8 percent that reportedly tested positive for the week ending on May 9.

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

Citywide positive cases of coronavirus increased 1.7 percent last week and went from 181,346 to 184,415 confirmed cases since the start of the pandemic.

There were three additional deaths in Boston from the virus in the past week and the total number of COVID deaths is now at 1,462.

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Please apply by emailing your resume to [gtejeda@kennedycenter.org](mailto:gtejeda@kennedycenter.org) anytime. We are also having an open-house on Thursday, May 26th from 9am-1pm: stop in during that time frame for an on-the-spot first-round interview and more information.

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