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KENNEDY CENTER GALA

Councilors plan hearing on Clougherty Pool closure

Special to The Patriot Bridge

Boston City Councilor-At-Large Julia Mejia, Councilor Gabriela Coletta, Councilor-At-Large Ruthzee Louijeune have identified Wednesday, October 12 at 5 pm as the date for the hearing on Clougherty Pool closure in Charlestown to be held in the Government Accountability and Transparency Committee.

“The Clougherty pool is a beloved anchor space for the people of Charlestown and serves a broad range of families in this community, especially those living in the Bunker Hill Boston Housing Authority development,” said Councilor Coletta. “Given that Boston just recorded its hottest 30-day stretch in history with six days in a row of 90-degree weather, finding solutions and resources to open up this iconic pool is paramount. I look forward to working with the Wu administration to ensure we are moving forward so that the Clougherty pool is ready for use for generations to come.”

Councilors Coletta, Mejia, and Louijeune seek to bring transparency to the Charlestown community on what led to the maintenance decisions of the Clougherty pool, as well as to move forward in partnership with the Wu Administration and Boston Centers for Youth and Families to secure short and long-term systemic solutions.

“The Clougherty pool has served the Charlestown community since 1949, a tradition that must continue” said Councilor Mejia. “I look forward to working with my colleagues on the council, community leaders, and residents to identify solutions that both restores the pool and faith in government.”

The Councilors understand the vitality of public pools in our communities, and continue to work diligently with all necessary

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Photos by Derek Kouyoumjian



The Kennedy Center Gala was recently held. The Gala is a celebration of their mission and to recognize civic leaders and volunteers who have gone above and beyond to strengthen this neighborhood resource. Shown above, Gala Honoree Nora Blake (12th from left) with a few of her family and friends.



Director of Children's Services Griselle Tejada and Senior Worker Richard Murphy introduce Gala Honoree John Drew, previous President to ABCD. See more photos on Pages 4 and 5.



Massachusetts State Senator Sal DiDomenico (4th from left) with Kennedy Center Crystal Galvin (4th from right), State Rep Dan Ryan (right), and the Senator's staff members.

Support the Harvard-Kent Parents Association annual fall fundraiser

The Harvard-Kent Parents Association will hold their annual fall fundraiser through Oct. 16. The winning ticket will be drawn on October 17.

The Harvard-Kent Parents Association, a 501(c3), all-volunteer organization supports the Harvard Kent community by hosting flagship events such as Family Meetups, Back to School Bash, School Concerts, Equity Roundtables, Wellness Week, Teacher Appreciation events, and so much more. This year, our goal

is to raise \$50,000 to provide direct support for additional classroom resources including Chromebooks and take home books to support Equitable Literacy.

The mission of Harvard-Kent Elementary School is “to be a well-respected, academically excellent, warm, and nurturing urban school that cultivates a diverse community of children to become lifelong learners and leaders.” Each year, Harvard-Kent students continue to meet or exceed all academic targets set by the

state. In 2019 the Harvard-Kent was awarded EdVestors’ School on the Move prize, which is given annually to a Boston Public School that is “getting it right and significantly improving outcomes for all students.”

Harvard-Kent is proud to be one of Boston’s most racially diverse public schools and continues to serve the largest population of students in BPS who live in public housing with many of our families facing economic challenges.

Harvard-Kent recognizes the value and potential of every student. You can signal your support during our one and only fundraiser of the year by purchasing raffle tickets, becoming a sponsor, or making a general donation of any size. Visit: go.rallyup.com/hkpride2022 to learn more! Every dollar we raise goes to supporting the school and we are always so grateful for the generosity of our amazing community.

EDITORIAL

TAKE A FOREST BATH

When we saw a headline about a "forest bath" in an on-line publication the other day, we initially took its meaning literally.

But the article was not about physically bathing in the woods. Rather, it pointed out that there have been some studies which have suggested that spending time in heavily-treed areas can decrease blood pressure and stress and boost overall mood, particularly if there is a stream or lake nearby. Exercising in the woods also has similar unique benefits (which made us recall some of our cross-country runs.)

The article further noted that the sounds and smells of the forest, as well as the chemicals released by trees, can have a calming effect. (Though we assume this does not include the growling of a bear..)

After we read the article, we realized that a "forest bath" simply is a new-agey term for taking a hike in the woods.

Here in New England, the change to the fall season provides us with the ultimate opportunity to take a nice hike. Summer's humidity is gone and the cool, crisp air is perfect for taking a long walk amidst the splendor of the foliage season.

Although our most-memorable hikes have been in the mountains of northern New England, we don't have to travel that far to enjoy a forest bath. The nearby Blue Hills, Arnold Arboretum, state parks, and parks under the auspices of the Trustees of Reservations provide many nearby opportunities to enjoy the solitude of nature with our friends and family members.

So whether you call it a hike -- or a forest bath -- we encourage all of our readers to get outside in the coming weeks.

SUNDAYS AREN'T FUN ANYMORE

Some years back, amid the Patriots' long string of success, we wrote that New England fans should enjoy the ride, because it inevitably would come to an end.

We've been Pats' fans since the 1960s, so unlike younger fans, we've known many more years of failure than success, which gave us a much-greater appreciation for the Pats' amazing and unprecedented run of Super Bowl appearances and league titles from 2001-2019.

Societies have worshiped their athletic heroes dating back to the ancient Greeks. In the modern age, sports have served as a form of entertainment that uniquely brings people together, where we can forget ours and the world's problems, even if it's for just a few hours each week. In addition, success on the athletic field (or track or arena) is the ultimate meritocracy -- unlike just about every other aspect of our society -- which is why cheaters in sports are so reviled.

The Patriots' success became part of the local culture, with fans -- and even non-fans -- partaking of game-day parties and tailgating that helped us endure the long fall and winter seasons. Studies have shown that sharing the experience of a successful sports team with friends brings noticeable psychological benefits that last for a couple of days -- and New England fans had almost 20 years of joy.

But New England no longer is the center of the pro football universe. We're now the ones on the outside looking in, as was the case for so many others for two decades. When the hometown newspaper writes that your 1-3 team can take comfort in the positives after another loss -- well, you know that it's going to be a long season.

We were listening to the 1960s station on our Sirius XM radio in our car the other day when we heard one of our favorite tunes, Sundays Will Never be the Same by Spanky and the Gang. The lyrics are about a lost love and how their Sundays together were special, but they seem appropriate for New England Patriots fans these days:

Now I wake up Sunday morning
 Sunday's just another day
 Sunny afternoons that made me feel so warm inside
 Have turned as cold and gray as ashes
 As I feel the embers die
 Sunday will never be the same

GUEST OP-ED

Ian - when devastation happens

Dr. Glenn Mollette

Life changes all the time. Nothing is permanent. The only constant is change.

Hurricane Ian proved again that life is unpredictable and so is the weather. One reminder from Hurricane Ian is that we can't fight the weather and come out very well. Category four hurricanes are certain to bring devastation and loss of life to what or who is in its path.

Dozens of people in Florida lost their lives to Ian last week. Hundreds of millions of dollars of damage occurred. We can always hope that the weather will not be as bad as forecasted. We can always hope we will hold out, hang on, and survive but bad weather is a formidable foe.

California fires, Midwest tornadoes, Appalachian flooding and now a gulf coast hurricane proves again that it's best to get out of the way of mother nature. This often

means hurrying to a place of safety depending on the threatening weather.

Hindsight always sees better. It's easy to say this is what people should have done. We hope that the bad weather won't be as bad as forecasted. We hang on hoping we will be able to ride out the storm.

The best that we can do is try to stay ahead of dangerous weather if we can. Relocate, or put ourselves in as safe a place as possible is vital.

Ft. Myer's Beach has been dear for many years. My wife and I have visited there often. We have become very familiar with the very small island that is only about seven miles long. We know some of the people impacted and who are hurting. We can't imagine how they will ever overcome last week's horrific hurricane. Some will likely never reopen their businesses or even consider trying to rebuild. Some will try but the climb back

to any semblance of normalcy will be long and hard.

Overcoming devastation is never easy, sometimes impossible and at best takes a long time. Your devastation may not be a hurricane. Your devastation may not be weather related. We all must keep in mind that if we live long enough, we will face some kind of devastation that hurts or even cripples us. Rendering prayer, kindness, emotional and financial support is being a good neighbor and treating others the way we hope to be treated when it happens to us.

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LETTER to the Editor

BOSTON VULNERABLE TO SEA-LEVEL RISE

Dear Editor

Hurricane's Ida's devastating impacts on Florida's seacoast communities provide a stark warning to Boston which is similarly vulnerable to the combined impacts of storm surges and sea level rise which is universally predicted as inevitable.

Sea level rise is due largely from accelerated melting of the Greenland and Antarctic glaciers and ice sheets from global warming, and to a lesser but significant degree from ocean waters' expanding volumes due to warming temperatures.

The consequences of sea level rise are ominous for Boston. Currently accepted scientific data indicate that by the year 2050 New England coastal communities will experience an average sea level rise of three to six feet. This would be a catastrophe for East Boston, a peninsula bordered by Boston Harbor and the Chelsea Creek, with a possible flooded area of over 300 acres. Charlestown, the North End and Seaport District would also be severely impacted as would Winthrop and Chelsea. Logan Airport, due to its massive filling of once-

open Boston Harbor, has removed 2,000 acres of inner harbor that once served as a buffer between tidal surges and East Boston and Winthrop.

There is a brilliant proposal that would protect all of Boston Harbor, its adjoining communities, the seaport facilities and Logan Airport. A brilliant city planner, Antonio DiMambro, has proposed an award-winning project, praised by noted oceanographer

John Englander, that would not only protect the entire harbor and it's neighborhoods from sea level rise but also protect its maritime dependent economic base. Mr. DiMambro has described his brainchild as "Boston's Safety Belt", a series of connected barriers linking Deer Island, Long Island, and Squantum into a bulwark across the harbor, with 15 foot

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GUEST OP-ED

Misleading and inaccurate Op-ed

By Gerald H. Angoff, MD

The submitted Guest Op-Ed from the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) published in the September 29 edition of the Charlestown Patriot-Bridge titled "BPDA Prioritizes Charlestown Community Feedback in Neighborhood Planning Process" contains inaccuracies, omissions and misleading statements.

According to website links, Plan: Charlestown was started in 2020 principally to address development in Rutherford Avenue Corridor and Sullivan Square areas. An RFP for Plan: Charlestown was awarded by the BPDA in 2021. The RFP did not include the entire Charlestown neighborhood geography as stated in the op-ed (see <http://www.bostonplans.org/>

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gates that would rotate closed to protect the harbor and city from storm surges. The outer harbor would effectively become an encircled pond, shielding Boston and its harbor from storm surges and sea level rise. Winthrop's inner harbor from Point Shirley to Court Road would also be protected, as well as the Bayswater Street neighborhood of East Boston.

Such an undertaking would not be inexpensive in the short term but would be critical in the long term as protection for the incalculably valuable seaport assets and irreplaceable neighborhoods of Boston. I believe that Massport, created by the legislature in 1956 to be the steward and protector of Boston Harbor assets, including Logan Airport which would be severely impacted by sea level rise to the point of closure, must play a vital role in the underwriting of an effective sea level rise protective system. In 2012 Boston narrowly escaped the massive destruction from Superstorm Sandy, endured by New Jersey and New York, by six hours because the storm struck at low tide instead of high tide. The safety of East Boston, all Boston neighborhoods, and Winthrop as well as the security of the region's air transportation and

[work-with-us/procurement-portal/rfp-listing-page?id=1253](http://www.bostonplans.org/work-with-us/procurement-portal/rfp-listing-page?id=1253)). Notably, it excluded the Bunker Hill Housing Project and excluded the Navy Yard stating plans were already in place for these areas. The plan for the Navy Yard to which the RFP refers, adopted in 1990 now 32 years ago, is woefully outdated. (see <http://www.bostonplans.org/neighborhoods/charlestown/navy-yard-master-plan-implementation>). Plan: Charlestown states it will coordinate with the Coastal Resilience Solutions for Charlestown Phases I and II but has not. (see <https://www.boston.gov/departments/environment/climate-ready-east-boston-phase-ii>). Plan: Charlestown has none of the flood impact and climate resilience content and does not include climate change effects which will profoundly

maritime infrastructure should not be dependent on a chance tidal occurrence.

A moveable sea barrier system for Boston Harbor would not be precedent setting. Not surprisingly the Dutch have been leading the way in creating and operating real world moveable sea barrier systems. For example, one which has been operating successfully is the Maeslantkering Barrier on the Nieuwe Waterweg, protecting the major cities of Rotterdam and Antwerp from the ravages of storm surge and sea level rise.

Boston is not the only American coastal city facing the inevitability and consequences of sea level rise. Just recently New York and New Jersey have begun reviewing, on the tenth anniversary of Hurricane Sandy's destruction, a proposal by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to protect their communities from sea level rise and storm surge devastation by constructing a huge gate system consisting of 12 moveable sea barriers across New York Harbor. Estimated cost of the New York sea barrier proposal is \$52 Billion. While the Boston Harbor proposal would not approach that level

John Vitagliano
Former Massport Board

affect Charlestown's future.

The past should make us wary of the BPDA op-ed description. The BPDA has been a poor steward of the Navy Yard since its transfer to the City of Boston in 1975. It continues to own an expanse of Navy Yard property receiving millions of dollars in long term leases and fees whose use is unknown. It has failed to maintain its Navy Yard assets. Pier 5 sits as a neglected condemned deteriorating remnant. Pier 4 was recently condemned because its pilings essentially dissolved from lack of inspection and maintenance threatening Courageous sailing. Mostly unknown is an engineering study currently underway to evaluate structural defects in the BPDA owned property from Pier

5 around Dry Dock 2 to Pier 3. Sink holes have appeared in this area prompting the study. The defects in Pier 4 were discovered at the start of this engineering study (see <http://www.bostonplans.org/work-with-us/procurement-portal/rfp-listing-page?id=1254>). The Chain Forge Building #105 sits undeveloped despite approval as a hotel in 2015.

Charlestown needs a comprehensive plan that includes and integrates Bunker Hill Housing, the Navy Yard and climate resilience. It needs a plan that will address traffic, parking, access, housing, density, open space, parks, the waterfront and our historic assets. The Coastal Resilience Solutions for East Boston and Charlestown (Phase II) should be a primary focus

of a Plan: Charlestown. Coastal Resilience impacts the full perimeter of Charlestown most of which is harbor and river shoreline. The BPDA is actually the old BRA – the Boston Redevelopment Authority. Its primary focus has been development. Mayor Wu in 2019 published a devastating critique of the BPDA, "Fixing Boston's Broken Development Process" (see <https://www.riv.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/00854411.pdf>). Planning was not part of the BRA's original mission. The BPDA should back away and leave planning tasks to those who would serve the critical needs of our neighborhood.

Gerald H. Angoff, MD is a resident of Pier 7 in Charlestown.



Virtual Public Meeting

Constitution Inn

Monday, October 24

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Zoom Link: bit.ly/3RMuNtT

Toll Free: (833) 568 - 8864

Meeting ID: 161 036 5497

Project Proponent:

The Planning Office for Urban Affairs and Saint Francis House

Project Description:

The Planning Office for Urban Affairs and Saint Francis House (collectively, the "Proponent") propose to redevelop approximately 90,647 sq. ft. of the YMCA building located at 150 Third Avenue into approximately 126 units of permanent affordable rental housing and related services to residents. The Proponent also intends to lease back approximately 20,747 sq. ft. of the building to the YMCA for it to continue operation of its fitness center.

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The Kennedy Center has served the Charlestown community with preschool, education, childcare, elder care, and many more services. Their Gala is a celebration of their mission and to recognize civic leaders and volunteers who have gone above and beyond to strengthen this neighborhood resource.



The Dirty Water Brass Band greeted guests to the Kennedy Center Gala at the Knights Of Columbus Hall.



Gala Honoree Nora Blake (2nd from right) with a few of her husband Dan (right), son Andrew (2nd from left), and his girlfriend Kelsie McCulloch. A resident of Charlestown since 2002, she's dedicated much of her time, energy, and talents into volunteering and organizing various organizations that serve the community, including the Kennedy Center.



Charlestown Nursery School staff members Kelly Pellagrini and Tara Vuono with their friend Tara Savitz.

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KENNEDY CENTER GALA



Kennedy Center Board Members.



Kennedy Center Director Of Community Services Crystal Galvin, President Eileen Ward, and Executive Director Thara Fuller (right) with Boston City Councilor Gabriela "Gigi" Coletta and Massachusetts State Senator Lydia Edwards. Senator Edwards was presented a Change Maker Award to in recognition to the commitment and service she's given to Charlestown not only as a State Senator but also as a City Councilor.



Boston Mayor Michelle Wu converses with Gala attendees.



Massachusetts State Senator Sal DiDomenico presents Gala Honoree Nora Blake with a Citation from the State Senate with State Rep Dan Ryan (right) and Kennedy Center Executive Director Thara Fuller and Director Of Community Services Crystal Galvin.



Kennedy Center Director Of Community Services Crystal Galvin offers remarks.



Boston Mayor Michelle Wu and Massachusetts State Senator Lydia Edwards (2nd from right) with Charlestown Resident Alliance President Nancy Martinez and Board Member Aneudy Navarro.



Gala Honoree and previous President of ABCD John Drew is given a gift from the Kennedy Center by Director Of Community Services Crystal Galvin, a print of a familiar street corner, the address of the Kennedy Center.



Old Charlestown Schoolboys Association President Moe Gillen with ABCD Director of Field Operations Joshua Young.



Massachusetts State Rep Dan Ryan with Addie Grady Senior VP at Leggat McCall.



State Rep Dan Ryan speaks of the work the Kennedy Center has done and introduces the Gala Honoree Nora Blake.



Massachusetts State Senator Sal DiDomenico with his Chief Of Staff Christie Getto Young and staff member Jim Henry. The Senator was presented with a Change Maker Award in recognition for all his support to the Kennedy Center.



Longtime staff member to Lydia Edwards Judy Evers with Jerry Donnaruma.

Harvest on Vine Emergency Food Pantry

October Pantry Schedule

Friday, October 7th 3:00 pm - Set-up
 Saturday, October 8th 10:00 am - Distribution
 Monday, October 24th 3:00 pm - Set-up
 Tuesday, October 25th 2:00 pm - Distribution



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Duce 2	2	1	1
Halligan Club	1	2	1
A-1 Convenience	0	3	1

Players of the week for 10/01/2022

A-1 Convenience - Logan Fitzgerald, Jondel Rogue
 Bryan's Pals - Grady Oh, Austin O'Shea
 Duce 2 - Jacob Wishansky, Matthew Baker
 Halligan Club - Colton Moralez, Samuel Walles

Players of the week from 9/24/2022

A-1 Convenience - Ezyvette Gonzalez, Rory McNeil
 Bryan's Pals - C.J. Lent, Cora Bedard
 Duce 2 - London Kuhn, Brock Hess
 Halligan Club - Logan Meena, Brandon Buchanan

Standing room only for new Navy Yard project

Staff Report

More than 200 people came out on a raw and rainy night to attend the first public hearing conducted by the Charlestown Neighborhood Council (CNC) regarding the proposed affordable housing building in the Navy Yard. The building, formerly known as the Constitution Inn that has been

owned by the YMCA for a number of years, will now receive a new moniker -- The Helm on Third.

On Tuesday, residents heard proposals to convert the 147-room inn into affordable housing with 126 rental units consisting of 98 studio, 24 one-bedroom, and four two-bedroom apartments. Speakers representing the organizations that will oversee the construction and

management of the project included Karen LaFrazia, President and CEO of St. Francis House; Bill Grogan, President of the Planning Office for Urban Affairs; and Irene Collins, Chief Communications Officer for The Greater Boston YMCA.

Residents voiced their dismay that the process by these three (NAVY YARD Pg. 7)



It was a full house at the recent public hearing conducted by the Charlestown Neighborhood Council.

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departments to address the matter. "Throughout the entire city of Boston, swimming pools provide community spaces for children, families, and neighbors alike.

It is essential that as a city, we are working to repair and reopen the Clougherty pool to ensure that the residents that have enjoyed it for years are able to continue to use it. We also have a responsibility to be as transparent as possible with residents in regard to planning and timeline. I am looking forward to working with my colleagues both on the Council and in the Mayor's office to ensure that we are taking the necessary steps to ensure this community staple is restored." said Councilor Louijeune.

Additionally, the Councilors have taken the necessary steps to work with the Charlestown community and to ensure their engagement and collaboration on this effort.

A statement from the Friend of the Clougherty Pool states, "Ever since BCYF closed the Clougherty Pool in June we have worked to advocate for its immediate repair and reopening, and for the city to answer questions about its deteriorated and unsafe condition and decades-long mismanagement, which resulted in inequities for Charlestown's hard-working families, youth, and seniors during the hottest summer on record. We urge our city and state government officials to exhaust all options to secure funding from emergency sources, the George White Fund, and mitigation funds from Encore, which we have yet to see come to Charlestown. Our expectation is for the city to begin active repairs on the existing pool in 2022 with a clear action plan to reopen in

June 2023, and develop a long-term plan with the community so that Charlestown can access a safe, working, and reliable outdoor pool for the next 70 years."

Highlights of the Order Include: "WHEREAS, According to the Boston Center for Youth and Families The last time this pool was overhauled was in 1988 and the 20-year filtration system installed that same year had long-since expired; and

WHEREAS, Though 2.7 million dollars were first allocated in the City's 2014 Capital Budget towards the Clougherty Pool for the rehabilitation of the pool's bathhouse, its two pool shells, exterior pool deck, and mechanical systems, it is unclear how those funds were used to improve the Clougherty Pool since then; and

WHEREAS, The Boston City Council has an obligation to ensure accountability, transparency, accessibility, over public community centers such as the Clougherty Pool, especially in regards to spending, safety, and community needs..."

The Boston City Council will hold a hearing on Wednesday, October 12 at 5 pm at the Knights of Columbus, 545 Medford St. in Charlestown. This hearing will be held under the Government Accountability and Transparency Committee, chaired by Councilor Mejia where Boston Centers for Youth and Families will be invited to testify. Members of the public are encouraged to provide written or oral comments.



Bunker Hill Community College

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Intent to Submit a Project Proposal to the Asset Management Board and to hold a Public Hearing for a long-term lease and redevelopment of the Charlestown campus located at 250 Rutherford Avenue in the City of Boston.

Bunker Hill Community College (the "College") hereby gives notice under 810 CMR 2.05 that it intends to: (i) submit a Project Proposal to the Asset Management Board (the "Board"); and (ii) hold a public hearing on the proposed project which has been granted Preliminary Project Approval by the Board. The proposed project is for a long-term lease of a portion of the college property in connection with the redevelopment of the College's Charlestown campus located at 250 Rutherford Avenue and will include private development and new college buildings. The lessee would be selected via a competitive process and would be charged with securing all necessary approvals, permits, and financing. The value of the project is to be determined by appraisal and bidding. The public is invited to visit the project website at <https://www.bhcc.edu/visionproject>. The draft Project Proposal is available on the project website. Copies of the draft Project Proposal will also be available via email: visionproject@bhcc.edu.

edu. The public hearing will be held at the Charlestown campus of the College on Thursday October 20th at 5:30 p.m. in Room C-202 of C Building; public comments will be accepted. The deadline for receipt of written comments as provided on the project website is October 24th at 5:00 p.m. All updates and changes will be posted on the Project Website. Contact: Brendan Hughes brendan.hughes@bhcc.edu



(Photo courtesy of Pawsh Pet Boutique)

Our dog Poppy has appointments set with Jenny, her much-loved groomer, for the rest of this year.

CITY PAWS

Reserve now for holiday care

by Penny & Ed Cherubino

In the "Before Times," we would remind friends and readers to make their reservations for holiday appointments with their pet sitters, kennels, dog walkers, and groomers in a few weeks. Considering the shortage of pet professionals we've had since the pandemic's beginning, we suggest you do this now.

Travel plans have some added requirements when you have dependent creatures in your life. If your furry family members are going with you, there are restrictions on where you can stay and how they may travel. If they remain behind, you have to arrange for their care.

Don't Wait!

Now is the time to reserve the transportation, lodging, and pet care you'll need this holiday season for your pets and guests who might be coming to Boston for a holiday visit. Fortunately, Boston has many pet-friendly hotels. Finding a place for your sister and her dog to stay (if your building does not allow pets) should be easy.

Finding someone to pet sit or dog walk during the holiday season is not as simple. If you have a regular service, ask about boarding, sitting, or if you will have a visiting

dog to walk over the holidays. As much as they'd like to accommodate regular customers, there's a limit to how many animals a pet sitter can accept.

A few people in every neighborhood make a little extra income by caring for pets. If you ask neighbors for recommendations, you may find a gem in your area. Some dog breeders will board dogs in their line.

Ask your veterinarian. Some clinics provide boarding services, and some vet techs make extra income by pet sitting. This may be a good option if you have a dog or cat who has a medical issue, must be monitored and medicated, or is frail.

Family, Friends, and Exchange Agreements

If you don't use a dog walking or pet sitting service regularly, it may be impossible to find someone to provide services on an ad hoc basis. You may have to turn to family or friends to arrange pet care.

Informal agreements with family, friends and other pet lovers should also be arranged well in advance. If you're counting on Mom or Dad to take Fluffy while you are away, check now to see if a feline visitor will fit with their holiday plans.

A dog lover who hasn't found a

way to have a dog in their life might jump at the opportunity to enjoy your pup. A friend who shares a home with roommates may be pleased to move into your place for a weekend or longer in exchange for pet sitting.

Taking Them Along

Airlines limit the number of pets allowed in the cabin. Make your pet reservation now if you plan to fly with your dog or cat. Accommodations that do allow pets may have limits on the number of pets, the size of dogs, and even the number of rooms they have that are pet-friendly.

A couple of phone calls now could take the stress out of your holiday planning. The shortage of pet pros may require you to adapt your travel plans or find alternative solutions. You may also have to visit your vet to bring your pet's vaccinations up to date. Many pet care facilities require specific certificates of vaccination.

Holidays can be fun, especially when you've eliminated stress by arranging for pet care as early as possible.

Do you have a question or topic for City Paws? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your request.

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agencies has been ongoing for the last several months, but that this was the first meeting on the proposal for which they had been informed. They also questioned why the developers were trying to be exempted from the Article 80 law and why the tenants will consist predominantly of recent-homeless men.

CNC Chairman Tom Cunha

told the audience that smaller group meetings had been held by these organizations with other stakeholders in the Navy Yard. He also said that there would be more meetings in the future and that residents should write to their city councilors to share their concerns about the project.

At the end of the almost three-hour meeting, residents and mem-

bers of the CNC still had questions for the developers. LaFrazia and Grogan encouraged residents to send their questions either to them or to the CNC, and that they will endeavor to provide answers.

The Boston Planning and Development Agency has scheduled a virtual meeting on Oct. 24 starting at 6 p.m. to discuss the project.

BPHC urges caution as COVID-19 shows spike in local wastewater

The Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) is urging residents to take proper precautions against COVID-19 amid a significant spike in COVID-19 virus particles in local wastewater that suggests higher levels of community spread. Boston has not experienced levels this high since May.

The concentration of COVID-19 RNA copies in local wastewater rose to 1,016 copies per mL over the past week, a 104.5% increase over the past 7 days. Boston's COVID-19 metrics have risen steadily over the past few weeks as people began to spend more time indoors and students, including college students, returned to school. Boston will likely see similarly elevated rates of COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations in the coming weeks, data which often lags behind wastewater.

"This spike in our wastewater concentration is of great concern and another reminder that the pandemic is far from over," said Dr. Bisola Ojikutu, Commissioner of Public Health and Executive Director of the Boston Public Health Commission. "The key to protecting ourselves remains the same, and these tools are particularly important given this current trend: get vaccinated, get boosted, and wear masks indoors. By protecting ourselves now, we can reduce the risk of infection as we spend more time indoors in the fall and winter."

COVID-19 vaccines and boosters are free and readily available to the public. For additional information on COVID-19 testing and vaccination resources in Boston, go to boston.gov/covid19.

Based on the current trends, BPHC continues to recommend masking indoors to lower the risk of COVID-19. With flu season on the horizon, taking proper mitigation and prevention measures to avoid severe infection can reduce the strain on our health care system, especially our emergency care infrastructure. BPHC recommends that all residents:

Stay up to date on COVID-19 vaccinations to reduce the risk of severe illness. Eligible individuals will receive the new bivalent omicron-specific booster. COVID-19 vaccines are recommended for everyone ages 6 months and older.

Booster doses are recommended for everyone ages 5 years and older.

Bivalent boosters that provide broad protection against earlier COVID-19 strains, as well as the Omicron variant, are recommended for everyone 12 and up who completed a primary series with one of the approved COVID-19 vaccines once it has been at least two months since their last primary series or booster dose.

Get your annual flu vaccination.

Flu shots are free and widely available in Boston, regardless of insurance status.

Test for COVID-19 before and after attending large gatherings, especially if you know you will be around high-risk individuals, such as seniors, those who are immunocompromised, and those who are unvaccinated.

IMPORTANT: The federal government program offering free at-home rapid antigen testing kits to individuals has ended. In order to test for COVID-19, you must purchase a testing kit at a local retailer or visit one of Boston's free testing clinics.

The Office of Public Health Preparedness is offering free at-home rapid antigen testing kits to community partner organizations.

BPHC recommends wearing a mask while indoors. Masking is especially important for those who are at higher risk for severe illness, such as people who are not fully vaccinated, seniors, and those who are immunocompromised.

Gather outside and choose outdoor activities as often as possible.

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DiDomenico, invited to White House Conference

On September 28, Senator DiDomenico was invited to the first White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health in over 50 years. During the summit, President Biden announced an ambitious goal of eliminating hunger and tackling diet-related and preventable diseases in the United States by 2030. Senator DiDomenico has prioritized expanding access to nutritious food and combatting food insecurity for the entirety of his Senate career and has helped create food and nutrition programs in Massachusetts that are now being pointed to as ideas the rest of the country should adopt.

“I was honored to be invited to join leaders from across the country for this historic White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition

and Health,” said Senator DiDomenico, Assistant Majority Leader of the Massachusetts Senate. “In a country so rich with resources we need to end hunger and expand access to nutritious foods throughout the nation. I am thrilled to hear that President Biden and his administration are now making it a priority to achieve these goals this decade. I look forward to building on the many cutting-edge anti-hunger programs we have launched in Massachusetts until we end hunger entirely.”

During the conference, President Biden outlined his administration’s strategy for ending hunger and addressing diet-related diseases. The strategy calls for expanding access to nutrition assistance programs and launching new programs to cover tailored meals.



Sen. Sal DiDomenico (third from right) is shown with other attendees at the White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health.

Many of the nutrition assistance program ideas in the federal government’s plan were piloted in Massachusetts first and championed by Senator DiDomenico. These include expanding school meals to all students, expanding access to SNAP benefits, and providing food to children in the summer months when school is not in session.

Over the past 12 years, Senator DiDomenico has successfully brought many other programs to the Commonwealth that have expanded access to nutritious

foods for all families, regardless of income. After advocating for 8 years, Senator DiDomenico helped create a common application this year which allows Massachusetts residents to simultaneously apply for several public benefits, including SNAP benefits, with one common application. DiDomenico also secured increased funding for food banks across the state, increased cash assistance for low-income families with children, and for families in deep poverty.

The White House Conference made it clear that these programs

have both helped countless residents in our state and demonstrated that Massachusetts is a national leader on tackling food and nutrition insecurity. Senator DiDomenico will continue to work with colleagues and advocates to advance legislation that will help meet President Biden’s goal.



President Joseph Biden addresses the members at the conference.

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Counselors also support individuals in the program in learning “soft,” or social, skills that will help them successfully engage with their community and build relationships. Counselors assist program participants in accessing the Charlestown and Boston community, providing transportation and partaking in social activities like visiting local restaurants, parks, museums, and recreation areas. Counselors teach everyday tasks that help inspire independence—from taking public transportation, to going to the bank, to learning how to cook meals.

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CHARLESTOWN SPROUTS CELEBRATE COMMUNITY GARDEN RE-OPENING

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On Saturday, October 1, Charlestown Sprouts celebrated the completion of 30 new raised gardening beds and expansion of its irrigation system with a Grand Re-Opening. Their re-building project, called Sprouts Renewal, has been a 2-phase effort to reduce toxins in the soil, improve soil fertility, increase growing efficiency, and make the garden healthier and more accessible. Gardeners have stressed the importance of the project on re-invigorating the garden and building a stronger

community. This fall they will be planting a fruit tree orchard for the public to harvest, installing a fence around the garden, constructing a pergola for gatherings, and siting a shed. Attendees to the event got to enjoy food, socializing, and watching Ohana New England Dragon Boats in the Little Mystic Channel. Representative Danny Ryan and City Councilor "Gigi" Coletta were in attendance. This photos shows Ohana New England boats in Little Mystic as attendees watch from garden.



Photos courtesy of JessFoto.

The ribbon is officially cut! Shown above cutting the ribbon are Sprouts gardeners, Rep. Daniel Ryan, Councilor Gabriela Coletta, and Theresa Strachila of City of Boston's Grow Boston office.



Representative Ryan, Laura Gee, and Rob Barry.



Ohana New England boats in Little Mystic as attendees watch from garden.



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Wu announces launch of new version of Boston 311 app

Mayor Michelle Wu announced the launch of a new version of the Boston 311 mobile app, aimed at improving user experience with expanded language access and redesigned features. The City of Boston 311, in partnership with the Department of Innovation and Technology and the Mayor's

Office of New Urban Mechanics, updated the app to offer increased language access capabilities and a user experience that is easier to navigate.

Boston 311 is a 24-hour service that works with various City departments to fulfill non-emergency service requests across the

city including potholes, park maintenance, litter, and parking enforcement. Launched in 2009 as Citizens Connect, constituents can use the 311 hotline, mobile app, or online website to make a service request. Over the past 13 years, residents have submitted 1.1 million requests through the app.

More than 50 percent of all the requests that constituents report today are through the Boston 311 mobile app.

"Tackling the big challenges our city faces starts with addressing the daily constituent issues that our residents experience across Boston's neighborhoods," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "The 311 app helps instantly alert City teams to neighborhood issues, and now that it is available in 11 languages, the app is more accessible and easy to use than ever before. I want to thank all the City departments who worked on this upgrade, and encourage all residents to use it where needed."

"Our goal at the City of Boston is to put our residents' needs at the forefront of our work, and to use their feedback and input to continually improve how we're delivering services online," said Julia Gutierrez, Chief Digital Officer for the City of Boston. "By providing our 311 app in the City's top 11 languages, we hope to empower members of our communities who may not have otherwise interacted with the City."

The new Boston 311 app, which is now available for download, enables users to submit service requests in 11 languages — English, Spanish, Haitian Creole, Traditional Chinese, Simplified Chinese, Vietnamese, Russian, Cape Verdean Creole, Arabic, Brazilian Portuguese, and French. These are the top 11 most common languages in Boston. The old version of the app only included an English language option.

The updated app also incorporates design recommendations based on a six-week user research study, conducted by the Mayor's Office of New Urban Mechanics. Interviewees gave feedback on the new design and features of Boston 311. Thirty-one residents from seven neighborhoods were interviewed; they represented seniors, immigrants, people with disabilities, youth, City employees, and native speakers of Boston's most-spoken languages. By listening to resident feedback, the City was able to identify key usability concerns and create a more accessible app with app developer Connected Bits.

Additionally, users can now view the Status of City Services, a section that was previously only available on the Boston.gov homepage, in the above 11 languages. This upgrade builds on the City's commitment to ensuring that all residents have equitable access to City services and information. Constituents can also now submit multiple photos as part of their

service request.

The City's Community Engagement Cabinet will host a 311 app training session on Friday, October 7 to help constituents learn how to use the app and what kinds of service requests it should be used for. At the training, which will be 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Bruce Bolling Building, residents will be able to view 311 employees navigating the application on a projector and ask any questions they may have. Neighborhood liaisons in the Office of Neighborhood Services have already been testing the new 311 app while out in the community. Interpretation will be available in Spanish, Haitian Creole, Cape Verdean Creole, Vietnamese, and Cantonese.

"The 311 app is a crucial tool for connecting with our constituents, but it only works if residents know how to properly use it," said Chief of Community Engagement Brianna Millor. "The expansion of language options in the app and the upcoming City-run training are critical to ensuring residents can effectively use City services. Together we can use the experiences of our constituents to fix problems and create a Boston for everyone."

"The new update to the 311 app is wonderful and more user friendly," said Annie Le, President of the board of Boston Little Saigon. "It also has resources that are available in one place with direct links. The language additions open the City's resources and lines of communication to ALL of Boston's residents, making it easier for residents to access information and communicate their needs. The app makes it faster and easier to communicate than calling 311, which may not have a translator available."

The new version of the Boston 311 app is free to download and is available for both iPhone and Android or can be accessed by visiting boston.gov/311. Those with the automatic update feature enabled on their mobile device would have received the new version of the Boston 311 app. Those without automatic updates will have to manually update the app in the App Store.

Please note, the app should not be used to report emergencies, such as medical emergencies or criminal activities. To report an emergency please call 9-1-1.

For questions and more information visit boston.gov/311 or call 3-1-1. Residents are encouraged to share feedback about their experience with the app via the Boston 311 Feedback Survey.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

North Washington Street Bridge construction look ahead through October 15

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

Scheduled Work

• Temporary Bridge Maintenance

• North approach barrier backfill

Work Hours

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

Travel Tips

For everyone using the temporary bridge, please help share

the space: walk to the right, walk bikes, and be mindful of people coming from both directions, if walking in a large group.

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

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

walk remain closed until rebuilt.

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

• CONCERT: 10/11 at 7:30 p.m.

• BRUINS: 10/8 at 7:00 p.m., and 10/15 at 7:00 p.m.

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Suffolk Sheriff's Department warns of scam

The Suffolk County Sheriff's Department is issuing a warning to Massachusetts residents about an elaborate scam being attempted by people impersonating Department employees.

In one reported case, a woman received a telephone call from a man falsely identifying himself as "Chief Deputy Alphonso Johnson from Civil Process." The caller then told his potential victim that she was in contempt of court for failing to appear for jury duty and she would need to pay a stated amount of \$625.00 to settle a bond so that they can close the matter. The scammer also told the woman that she would need to pay in the form of prepaid credit cards.

While many people believe that they could never be the victims of such a seemingly obvious attempt at deception, the perpetrators of

this crime are continuously updating and enhancing their methods to convince their intended targets. Scammers are now using equipment and software that "spoofs" the telephone numbers of actual businesses and organizations, so that it appears on Caller ID that the caller is actually from the place that they are claiming to be from.

In an additional attempt to enhance the caller's appearance of authenticity, the scammer created a fake "Summons for Jury Duty" form with the intended victim's name and current address printed on it, marked with a date that has already passed, indicating the date that the scammer claims their intended target failed to report for jury duty.

In past scams, callers have even asked their intended victims to purchase prepaid credit cards

and bring them to the front of the Department's Civil Process building.

Once again, the Department wants to emphatically reiterate that it does not call to collect money and, if anyone should receive a call resembling the examples given above, they are advised not to give out any personal information and to call their local police department to report the caller. Above all, they should not, under any circumstances, take out money and go to meet these callers at any location, nor should they wire or send any money or other form of currency.

The Department also asks that you call the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department's Investigative Division at: (617) 704-6514. You may also reach the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department Civil Process Division at: (617) 704-6999.

Suffolk University launches Innovative Center

Suffolk University has announced the launch of an innovative new continuing education center that is purpose-built to meet industry needs in a rapidly evolving economy, while also enabling busy working professionals to develop the skills they need to advance in their careers.

The Center for Continuing & Professional Education offers short-term, noncredit, online educational programs that combine Suffolk's signature academic quality and rigor with industry-relevant content, including new certificate programs designed by Suffolk faculty.

"As the economy changes, so do our workplaces. What we're hearing, from both industry and employees, is that there's an intense need for programs that provide specific new skills and competencies, and do so in a compact period of time," says the center's director, Dee Masiello, EdD. "That's exactly what the Center for Continuing & Professional Education is designed to do. It's why we developed these specific new certificate programs, and it's why we will continue to expand our range of other courses and certificates."

The featured certificate programs all focus on vital needs in today's workplaces:

- Becoming a Culture Change Agent: Harnessing the Power of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- Design Thinking: Applying Discovery and Innovation in Practice
- Ethical Principles, Critical Thinking, and Writing for Today's Business

What differentiates Suffolk's certificates from other asynchronous online courses, Masiello says, is that "we have purposefully built them to ensure that individual students have live interactions with our subject matter experts."

The goal is to "take this kind of learning a step further," she said. "We provide flexible learning modules that enable people to work at their own pace, according to their own schedules, while also giving them the opportunity to engage with specialists in their field." Certificates can be completed in as few as ten weeks.

For corporate partners, the center can curate timely, relevant training programs that will enable their employees to learn valuable skills quickly, Masiello said, "enabling them to stay on top, and even ahead, of industry demands."

In addition to Suffolk-designed certificate programs, the Center for Continuing & Professional Education is partnering with MindEdge,

a leader in noncredit continuing education, to offer hundreds of affordable courses in dozens of fields ranging from banking to cybersecurity, data analytics, finance, HR management, marketing, and web design.

Not only does the Center for Continuing & Professional Education deliver on a key goal of Suffolk's 2025 Strategic Plan to expand its career education initiatives, said University President Marisa Kelly, "it also connects powerfully to our founding mission of creating access and opportunity—and to our commitment to meet students where they are and provide them with the kind of education they need to succeed."

On Thursday, October 13, Suffolk will celebrate the grand opening of its new Center for Career Equity, Development and Success from 4-6 p.m. As part of the celebration, the Center for Continuing and Professional Education will hold a raffle, and the winner will be able to enroll in the certificate program of their choice for free.

For more information about courses and enrollment, please visit the Center for Continuing & Professional Education's website, or contact ccpe@suffolk.edu.

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CHARLESTOWN BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Photos & Story by Marianne Salza

The Charlestown community celebrated the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi with a Blessing of the Animals on October 2. Residents gathered at the Training Field with framed pictures of pets no longer with us, and their dogs (one of whom carried his favorite stuffed alligator). Greg Johnston, Rector of Saint John's

Episcopal Church, and Father Vincent Gianni, of Saint Mary-Saint Catherine of Sienna Parish, gave thanks for God's creations in the sky, earth, and sea. They prayed to be faithful caretakers of our pets, and asked for forgiveness during times we have been neglectful. The community prayed for the health and peace of our animals, and the strength to care for them with love.



Greg Johnston, Rector of Saint John's Episcopal Church, and Father Vincent Gianni, of Saint Mary-Saint Catherine of Sienna Parish, blessing animals on October 2 at the Training Field.



Father Vincent Gianni, of Saint Mary-Saint Catherine of Sienna Parish, and Greg Johnston, Rector of Saint John's Episcopal Church, giving thanks for God's creations.



Charlestown residents gathering with their dogs in prayer during the October 2 Blessing of the Animals in the Training Field.

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Burglary - Residential

09/29/2022 – At about 10:50 a.m., police responded to a radio call for a breaking and entering in progress on Monument Street.

The victim told officers she was working from home when she overheard someone trying to enter her house through her back porch sliding door. The victim was able to provide police with a picture of the suspect, which she captured from her ring doorbell camera.

Officers immediately recognized the suspect, whom they were familiar with her due to many previous interactions with them. Police located the Suspect in the area of 15 Lexington St. As a result of the officers' investigation, the suspect was linked to several other breaking-and-entering reports. The suspect was then placed under arrest and booked without incident.

Larceny - Theft from a Building

09/30/22 – At approximately 1 p.m., a detective responded to a bicycle theft at 10 Monument Square.

Upon arrival, the detective spoke with the victim, who stated that two of his silver Kona Bikes, valued at \$1,400 each, had been stolen from his front ves-

tibule. He noted that a male wearing all black and a black hat entered his home and left with both bikes. The incident was captured on his security camera. The detective advised the victim to gather the video and send it to Boston Police for further investigation.

Assault - Simple

09/30/2022 – At around 9:30 p.m., police responded to a person with a gun call in the Sullivan Square.

Upon arrival, officers located three suspects fitting the descriptions of the suspects at the intersection of Rutherford Avenue and Hood Park Drive. While conducting a threshold inquiry of the suspects, a replica firearm was recovered from one of them.

As a result of the incident, the first suspect was charged with assault and battery on a police officer. The second suspect was arrested on an outstanding warrant. The third suspect, who had the replica gun, was released at the scene.

Moody interned with UN Agency

The International Telecommunications Union (ITU) is a UN agency whose tagline is "committed to connecting the world." This summer, two Muhlenberg College students, including William Moody of Charlestown interned with the ITU's Broadband Commission for Sustainable Development. The commission focuses on furthering internet connectivity around the world as a way of helping the UN achieve its 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). COVID made the benefits of the commission's work even clearer.

"At the start of the pandemic, the education system shut down and the health-care system shut down. Having access to internet and broadband has become a necessity to many people all around the world, especially if we want children educated and we want people to be able to see health-care professionals," says William Moody '24, a history and international studies double major. "Investing in digital technologies seems a necessary route to take to make sure that society and the economies proceed as fluidly as possible [in future pandemics]."

Moody and Bhavna Prakash '24 learned about these internships from Professor of Political Science Mohsin Hashim, who manages the College's relationships with the Humpty Dumpty Institute and the Global Partnerships Forum. These international nonprofit organizations host UN-related events on campus, connect students to UN-affiliated internships and help bring Muhlenberg into the global conversation.

Both internships were remote, and the students would meet virtually with their supervisor each day to be assigned new tasks. One assignment was to read through the last 10 years' worth of the

UN's annual reports on each member country's SDG progress and to summarize the changes that had occurred in the digital technology sphere.

"The most interesting thing that I found was the amount of people who didn't have access to technology and how far behind it put them, especially with COVID," says Prakash, a pre-dental biology major, political science minor and Dana Scholar. "Being connected helps progress. When COVID came around, people who couldn't access technology fell behind by a few years."

The students' experience allowed them to see the inner workings of an international agency affiliated with the UN and to understand the importance of connecting the world in this way.

"Getting technology to places that otherwise wouldn't have it keeps the world moving together rather than leaving a group of people behind," Prakash says.

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