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## CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS PARTICIPATE IN 'WALK THE BEAT'



Walk The Beat is back to work strolling the streets of Charlestown after taking a break during the hot weather of late Summer. Above, the Walk The Beat team of elder walkers and their friends at the BPD A1 Station. Right, Patricia Copeland is ready to draw her bow during an archery lesson at Doherty Playground. See Pages 6-8 for more photos.



## 'A seat at the table'

### CNC meets to discuss new soccer stadium proposal in Everett

By Cary Shuman

The Charlestown Neighborhood Council held a special neighborhood meeting Sept. 26 to form a soccer stadium committee, and the results were productive.

With CNC Chair Tom Cunha

presiding, the Council met with a group of residents and determined that a main committee and four sub-committees will be established once the the change in language is made by legislators that would

(CNC Pg. 3)



Members of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council (from left), Elaine Donovan, Mary Boucher, Chairperson Tom Cunha, and Philip Carr III, are pictured at the Sept. 26 neighborhood meeting at the Knights of Columbus.

## Coletta Zapata advocates for the acceleration of crucial infrastructure improvements

Special to the Patriot-Bridge

Last Thursday, Boston City Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata discussed crucial safety improvements urgently needed in Charlestown near Sullivan Square, Medford Street, and Lost Village during a hearing about a Community Mitigation Grant provided by the Massachusetts Gaming Commission. The Committee on Ways and Means, chaired by Councilor Brian Worell (District 4), held a hearing to discuss the \$2.3 mil-

lion dollar grant, which will be administered by the City's Budget Management. The grant assists with funding to offset costs related to the operations of gaming establishments, like the Encore Casino.

During the hearing, the Boston Police Department shared that this funding would allow them to have a full-time coordinator who will work with internal and external law enforcement in developing strategies to mitigate potential

(IMPROVEMENTS Pg. 3)

## Increase to BPD age limit approved

Special to the Patriot-Bridge

Boston City Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata sponsored a Home Rule Petition that would increase the maximum age requirement for entrance to the Boston Police Academy from 40 to 45. The matter ultimately passed with eleven votes in the affirmative. Two

Councilors were absent during the vote. This crucial measure will help fill personnel shortages in the Boston Police Department, reduce overtime spending, and decrease police officer burnout due to limited capacities. Co-sponsors of the petition include Councilor At-Large Henry Santana and Councilor

Enrique Pepen (District 5) of Hyde Park.

Currently, individuals over the maximum age requirement must petition the Boston City Council and State Legislature through a special law to gain consideration for the Boston

(AGE LIMIT Pg. 3)

# EDITORIAL

## BICYCLING IS NOT SAFE IN GREATER BOSTON

The tragic death of a 62 year-old bicyclist last week on Memorial Drive has highlighted the lack of safety on our roadways for even experienced cyclists. We ourselves know first-hand how dangerous Metro Boston's roads can be. We train for triathlons and are fully aware that we are taking our life into our own hands whenever we take off for a ride. Even in places where there are bike lanes on the roads, those bike lanes always just end precipitously -- eventually forcing cyclists to navigate unsafe roads alongside high-speed automobile traffic.

And even when we are in a bike lane, we still have to deal with motorists who pull out halfway into the bike lane in order to see oncoming traffic, or who are distracted thanks to cell phones, or who are under the influence (either by alcohol or marijuana), or who are just bad drivers, not to mention the prospect of being "doored" by an inattentive driver exiting their parked car adjacent to the bike lane.

Although we applaud the trend toward encouraging bicycling both for exercise and in order to reduce our dependence on cars for environmental reasons (we used to commute to work on our bike on nice days and rode our bike routinely when we were in college in Cambridge), the reality is that bicycling never is going to be widely-adopted by commuters thanks to rain, snow, ice, and summer heat-and-humidity. It's a good way to get exercise, but it has its limitations for our increasingly-aging populations and for those who are not mobile.

Biking has its place in communities with designated bike paths, such as those on Cape Cod and the islands, where we enjoyed many bike rides with our children when they -- and we -- were younger.

But the reality of the push to get people on bicycles, as laudable as it may be, is that it only will lead to more tragedies on our unsafe roads. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reported that 1,105 bicyclists were killed in motor-vehicle traffic crashes in 2022, a 13% increase from 976 in 2021. In addition, the Consumer Product Safety Commission reports there were 405,411 emergency department-treated injuries associated with bicycles in 2022.

In New York City, last year was the deadliest year for cyclists since 1999, according to that city's Department of Transportation. Of the 30 cyclists who died in 2023 on NYC streets, 23 died riding e-bikes, which is more than double the previous record for e-bike fatalities. Serious injuries among cyclists in NYC went up last year as well, with a total of 395 cyclists who were severely injured, including 79 who were riding e-bikes, an increase of about 50 from the previous year.

The U.S. never is going to be Europe, where bicycling was a way of life before the automobile and the roadways in major cities were designed with bicycling in mind. We certainly would like to see safer roads for bicyclists in and around the Greater Boston area, especially if we can add dedicated bike paths. But until we have figured it out (and have the money to pay for it), we fear that more tragedies are inevitable.

## DEJA VU ALL OVER AGAIN FOR LONG-TIME SOX, PATS FANS

The Red Sox once again are on the outside looking in. The Sox have failed to make the playoffs for the third year in a row and the fifth time in six years. The Sox had appeared destined for a playoff spot at the midseason All-Star break, only to falter miserably in the second half of the season, a pattern of the past three years.

As for the pathetic Patriots, it's hard to imagine them winning more than one or two games for the remainder of the year, which means they will finish up even worse than last year's four-win team, leaving them out of the playoffs for the fourth season in the past five. Even worse to contemplate is that the future for the Pats appears dim. As long as Allen, Mahomes, and Jackson are still in their prime, the Pats at best will be a .500 ballclub for the next decade.

Although both the Sox and the Pats enjoyed incredible success in the first two decades of this century, the downward trajectory for both teams is not all that surprising. The Sox and the Pats may be rated among the most valuable sports franchises in the world -- the Patriots recently were ranked the fourth most-valuable NFL team -- but the ownerships of both teams take their incredibly loyal fan base for granted and appear disinterested in constructing a championship-caliber team.

The Pats' demise must be particularly galling for owner Bob Kraft, who often speaks of being a Patriot fan from the founding of the franchise in 1960 and then enduring the decades when the Patriots were among the worst teams in the NFL.

Although younger Boston sports fans came of age during a 20-year period of excellence, the woeful performances of the Sox and the Pats these days bring back sad memories for older fans of the early 1960s for the Red Sox ("When April's high expectations turned to September's tears", in the words of Ken Coleman on the Impossible Dream record) and the latter half of that decade when the Pats were the worst team in the NFL.

Ironically, when the Pats and the Sox were awful in that era, it was the Celtics who brought us success with their incredible run of NBA titles led by Bill Russell -- and once again the Celts seem to be our only hope for joy once again, just as they were six decades ago.

With the tough summer for Sox fans behind us and the fall football season fast-forwarding (so it ends quickly) for the Patriots, hopefully the Celts will bring us some salvation this coming winter and spring.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### 'LAUGHTER HEALS' COMEDY NIGHT SET FOR NOV. 7

To the Editor,

My wife, Maribeth McKenzie, started the Maura Wilkins Foundation last year. Since then, the foundation has been able to provide funding for numerous individuals with alcohol and substance abuse addictions to attend recovery retreats and programs, helping them strengthen their recovery and prevent relapses.

Maribeth and her board organize and run affordable day and overnight retreats, workshops, sober dinners, and fellowship activities with a group of dedicated volunteers who have long-term sobriety. These activities offer a safe place to share experiences, strength, and hope, and to give and receive support and friendship.

They collaborate with the Gavin Foundation and invite individuals from sober homes and halfway houses to attend free of charge. These activities provide these individuals with the opportunity to meet other people in recovery. Listening to personal stories of recovery and learning how others avoid triggers and cope with environmental cues or social stresses without resorting to alcohol or other drugs can be incredibly helpful on the path to healing.

The Maura Wilkins Foundation fundraiser, the "Laughter Heals" Comedy Night, is crucial for us. It's on Thursday, November 7, at Florian Hall in Dorchester, MA.

Your presence and support at this event would mean a lot to us and the individuals we aim to help. I hope you can make it and support this great organization.

Tom MacDonald

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### THANKS FROM ANTHONY'S DREAM

To the Editor,

On Sunday September 22, Anthony's Dream held Sodie's Sunday Funday from 12:00- 5:00 at the Charlestown Knight's of Columbus. The event was held to help a family dealing with Medical surgeries and more to come. We would like to thank the Knights, all of the people that came and supported the family through their generous donations and words of encouragement. The Sodagren and Gorman families. Who donated the raffle baskets. They were amazing to say the least. Kevin McMasters, Smokey Cain, Natalie Mangrum, Susan Rooney for donating their time and skills to a Funday. a special shout out to Aubrey Fornash who handled the kids events. Great job Aubrey! Once again Charlestown responded to a family in need. Anthony's Dream want to thank each and everyone who made this day a resounding success and a giant step in helping a family in need.

Anthony's Dream



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**AGE LIMIT** (from pg. 1)

Police Academy. The Boston City Council has had dozens of petitions come before the body in the past year. In 2007, then Councilor Michael Flaherty sponsored a similar home rule petition to increase the maximum age requirement to forty years. The Council and Legislature ultimately passed the measure.

“The current age requirement is an administrative barrier that limits willing and able individuals who have demonstrated their dedication and admiration to police officers from having the opportunity to join the force. Instead of doing one home rule petition and a wage waiver after another, this Home Rule Petition allows individuals to overcome this administrative barrier and seek consideration to enter the Boston Police Academy,” said Councilor Coletta Zapata. “This is one of the measures we can use to help fill much needed public safety capacity as we continue to expand our efforts to recruit and hire individuals. Thank you to my colleagues for their partnership.”

“With the Home Rule Petition to raise the maximum age requirement for the Boston Police Academy now in effect, we need to take the necessary steps to realize that with maturity, sound judgment, discipline, and physical fitness are nec-

essary characteristics for our officers, regardless of age. We need to expand the eligibility and open doors to individuals with a wealth of diverse experiences. This will help address recruitment challenges and strengthen our commitment to improving public safety in Boston,” said Councilor Enrique Pepen (District 5).

“Boston is facing challenges in ensuring that all our neighborhoods have the necessary police presence to deliver effective community safety services,” said Councilor Henry Santana, who is a co-sponsor on the home rule petition, and serves as Chair of the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice. “We’re continuing to work to grow younger cadet recruitment, but raising the Police Academy age limit — while still maintaining all of the Academy’s rigorous requirements — will not only help address labor shortages, it also opens the door for highly-qualified, motivated, and experienced individuals to join our force,” Santana continued. “Often these are individuals who bring wisdom and unique perspectives to serving our city, drawing from a broader range of professional and lived experience, with beneficial and transferable skills.”

The Committee on Government Operations held a hear-

ing on September 9 regarding the petition. Lisa O’Brien, Bureau Chief of Administration and Technology at the Boston Police Department, testified favorably on behalf of the administration about raising the age limit. The administration shared Police Commissioner Cox’s support for the petition and highlighted that increasing the age requirement could potentially assist the City’s efforts to recruit more police candidates.

During the hearing, there was broad consensus among Councilors about increasing the maximum age and using the measure to help fill personnel shortages in the Boston Police Department. Councilors heard public testimony from the Boston Police Patrolmen’s Union, Latino Law Enforcement Group of Boston, and petitioners who have gone through the waiver process. Additionally, the administration and the Council agreed to work collaboratively to address concerns regarding the impacts raising the maximum age could have on an officer’s pension, such as providing disclaimers or raising the retirement age for those individuals.

The Home Rule Petition now goes to the Mayor and the State Legislature for approval.

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allow for the site in Everett to be used for a new soccer stadium.

And with increasing speculation that the proposal could advance by as early as the end of October, the CNC has indicated publicly that it wants to “have a seat at the table” when the public process and negotiations begin for the project.

Sen. Sal DiDomenico, who represents Charlestown in the Senate, has been the undisputed champion of the proposal to build a 25,000-seat, state-of-the-art soccer stadium on the site of a closed power plant across from the Encore Boston Harbor resort/casino. The Kraft family, owner of the New England Patriots and the New England Revolution professional soccer team, would move their MLS franchise to Everett, where the Revolution would play their home games.

Cunha said the CNC will react accordingly when the proposal reaches the next stage, so the recruitment of members for the CNC soccer committee could commence at the CNC’s regular monthly meeting in November.

“Once the legislation is passed, we’re going to fine tune the committee and likely create four sub-committees: mitigation, transportation, environment, and quality of life,” said Cunha.

One key aspect of the stadium discussion at the CNC meeting focused on parking for fans who would be traveling from throughout New England to attend the games. Cunha’s idea to have satellite parking lots in other cities seemed to draw the support of the group. Fans would park their vehicles in Somerville and Woburn, for

example, and board buses to arrive at the entrance to the stadium.

**Rep. Ryan speaks about plans for soccer stadium**

In an interview Wednesday, Rep. Dan Ryan of Charlestown said he supports “the language that is in the state economic development bill which would remove the land for the soccer stadium out of the designated port area.”

“Right now the land is prohibited from being used for a soccer stadium, so this is very early on in the discussions,” said Ryan. “The real discussion happens when it becomes a viable use, and I do support the idea of taking the land out of the designated port area, so then we can have a larger discussion. I do support the idea of a soccer stadium because that is what’s on the table right now. There are a bunch of other things that I could support, too, that would open up that waterfront for the first time in 100 years to the public also clean up an industrial waste site.”

Ryan said he admires what the Kraft family has done in building Gillette Stadium and developing the surrounding area in Foxboro.

“I love what they’ve done with Patriot Place [a shopping, dining, and entertainment complex adjacent to Gillette Stadium],” said Ryan. “I think the Krafts are great people on and off the football field. In terms of a business venture such as a major stadium, I haven’t worked with them in the past. I like what they did in Foxboro, which is a year-round venue that’s not just related to sports. But Foxboro is a lot different place than Boston or Everett.”

**IMPROVEMENTS** (from pg. 1)

crime in the neighborhood due to casino activity. Additionally, the grant provides allocations for traffic and safety improvements in Charlestown, such as road safety improvements at key intersections, sidewalks, ramps and sidewalks and road and traffic signal improvements to boost vehicular safety and reduce traffic congestion at Rutherford Ave. Lastly, those in the Office of Human Services shared that they would be using a portion of these funds to administer a research study examining the effects of having a casino in close proximity to youth.

“This fund will provide crucial safety improvements in Charlestown’s infrastructure near Sullivan Square, Medford Street, and Lost Village, which the community has been waiting for a long time. This

will supplement ongoing work in Sullivan Square and help address residents’ growing concerns with pedestrian safety and vehicular collisions. The need to expedite these projects is crucial to securing pedestrian safety in the area,” said Councilor Coletta Zapata. “I also look forward to continuing to support our Boston Police Officers’ in minimizing crime traveling from the casino into Charlestown, and to ensuring our youth understand the dangers of gambling through the efforts behind this research study.”

Coletta Zapata requested a timeline of the proposed improvements and a copy of the administration’s traffic safety data report for the neighborhood. Additionally, the Councilor advocated for preventative education to be a

top priority during an upcoming research study regarding youth exposure to gambling.

Members of the administration present include:

- Vineet Gupta, Director of Policy and Planning of the Streets Cabinet
- Yuqi Wang, Director of Policy and Research of the Office of Human Services
- Maria Cheevers, Director, Office of Research and Development at the Boston Police Department
- Deputy Keith Webb, Youth Violence Strike Force at the Boston Police Department
- Sgt. Det. Marc Sullivan, Human Trafficking Unit at the Boston Police Department

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# TMC presents fall concert on October 19

Special to Patriot-Bridge

Tutti Music Collective (TMC) presents a fall concert “Resonance of Remembrance,” on Saturday, October 19, 8 pm, at St. Cecilia Church, 18 Belvidere Street, Boston. The concert features the Wood Harbor Orchestra and TMC Chorus, led by Cofounder Elijah Langille, conductor. Guest performing artists include Ciaran Nagle, tenor, Tara Novak, violin and fiddle, and Ken Field, saxophone.

“Through a diversity of compositions and musical genres, we’ll explore our remembering - who we are, who we should be, who we cherish, and who we have lost,” shares Rachel Burckardt, composer and TMC cofounder. “Where else but at a TMC concert will you hear the mingling of a concert orchestra, chorus, jazz combo, and Irish musicians performing music mostly of local composers? Join us for an unforgettable evening of music!”

Tutti Music Collective’s “Resonance of Remembrance” features the second Boston performance

of Composer Rachel Burckardt’s Global Music Award-winning work “Mount Auburn: A Requiem in D Minor,” featuring renowned Irish tenor Ciaran Nagle, soloist. In addition, the program features Burckardt’s composition “Ascendance.” The performance of this work is the first collaboration of the Wood Harbor Orchestra, Ishna violinist/fiddler Tara Novak, and the Revolutionary Snake Ensemble, featuring Ken Field, saxophone, Phil Neighbors, drums and Blake Newman, bass. “For Elaine & Steve” by Burckardt, “Psalm 130” by local composer Patricia Van Ness, and “Conga del Fuego Nuevo” by Arturo Márquez round out the program.

The Tutti Music Collective and Wood Harbor Orchestra are committed to showcasing the music of local minority, LGBTQIA+, and living composers, in the belief that concert music should reflect the diversity of the world we live in. The Collective strives to create spaces where these voices are heard and celebrated. Through



COURTESY PHOTO

Tutti Music Collective will present a fall concert on October 19 at St. Cecilia Church.

the Collective’s performances, it aspires to engage audiences, while championing inclusivity and equity in the arts. Learn more at [tuttimusiccollective.com](http://tuttimusiccollective.com).

Tickets to “Resonance of Remembrance” are \$25 general

admission, \$10 seniors and students, children under 12 attend for free, available at [MtAuburn-Boston.eventbrite.com](http://MtAuburn-Boston.eventbrite.com) and at the door. Parking is available at the nearby Hynes Auditorium Garage on Dalton Street for \$13 with a

coupon available at the door. St. Cecilia Church is fully accessible

For more information about Wood Harbor Music, and Composer Rachel Burckardt, visit [woodharbormusic.net](http://woodharbormusic.net).

# Torit students to appear in upcoming documentary series

Special to Patriot-Bridge

Torit Montessori School students were filmed for a documentary series to be broadcast in U.S.

and Asia featuring scientist Ben Novak of Revive & Restore, an organization that provides funds to researcher partners worldwide to develop new tools for species

restoration.

The third- through sixth-grade students listened to a lecture about DNA, gene editing, conservation, and how those different strands have been brought together through Novak’s work with Revive & Restore. Its mission is to enhance biodiversity and restore ecosystems through the genetic rescue of endangered and extinct species.

Revive & Restore is the leading wildlife conservation organization promoting the incorporation of biotechnologies into standard conservation practice.

Novak shared his passion and struggles to bring back the Passenger Pigeon with the Torit students, who ranged in age from 8 to 12 years old.

They heard a dramatic story, since the pigeon was once one of the most abundant creatures in the world and died out a little over a century ago because of human carelessness. Novak shared what it means to bring back an animal that is extinct, why that is important, and how it could be accomplished.

Students listened to Novak describe his work, and they asked questions about reviving long-lost

species, the science of de-extinction, and the risks and benefits of this kind of scientific pursuit.

Having grown up with films like ‘Jurassic Park,’ the students speculated about challenges like extracting viable DNA, the complexity of gene editing, and the pros and cons of the project.

David Liebmann, head of school, noted, “Torit students often take advantage of experiential learning opportunities, and with the school’s easy access to world-class academic and private sector research facilities, they impress working scientists with their curiosity, knowledge, and maturity.”

Torit was approached by the producer of the series, Kaila Lee, who had heard about the school’s innovative program and was intrigued by the kinds of students it attracted. The film crew was visiting Harvard after their stop at Torit before flying to the West Coast and Stanford University.

“We’ll use footage with Torit students to begin the documentary and frame the critical questions,” the producer, Lee shared.

Torit Montessori School is an infant through sixth-grade independent school on Beacon Hill. Its



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Scientist Ben Novak Novak displays rare Passenger Pigeon feather specimens.

mission is to educate bright and capable students in the spirit of Dr. Maria Montessori’s groundbreaking methods, allowing students to explore materials, ideas, and applications at their own pace, with guidance, direction, and encouragement from teachers.

To learn more about Torit, visit [www.toritschool.org](http://www.toritschool.org).

## CHARLESTOWN GYM HOCKEY

**Weekly Standings for 9/28/2024**

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Duce 2.	1.	0.	3
Massport’s finest	1.	0.	3
Halligan Club.	1.	0.	3
McCarthy Bros.	0.	1.	3
A-1 Convenience.	0.	1.	3
YMCA.	0.	1.	3

**Players of the Week of 9/28/2024**

**A-1 Convenience** - Andrew F., Madison B., Paxton F., Cooper S.

**Duce 2** - Dominic R., Jack O’B., Thomas W., William W.

**Halligan Club** - Liam P., Quinlan G., Colton M., Perry R.

**Massport’s Finest** - Aidan M., Lincoln B., Thomas G., Nathaniel H.

**McCarthy’s** - Jack L., Ayden P., Colin M., Zinnia B.

**YMCA** - Conor D., Seamus McK., J.C. Toboni, Barrett H.

We have a few openings for 5 and 6 year old players.  
Anyone interested should  
call Debbie Lent at 617-241-0434.

# NEW Health Charlestown hosts free community outdoor pilates fusion class

Special to Patriot-Bridge

North End Waterfront Health (NEW Health) recently sponsored a free outdoor Pilates Fusion class led by local instructor, Jennifer Phelan. The outdoor Pilates Fusion session was held on Sunday, outside the Bunker Hill Monument. This high-energy, complimentary class was a mix of Pilates, barre and core sculpting as attendees clear their minds, move their bodies and enjoy the fresh air with Jennifer, an award-winning Pilates instructor. Jennifer has more than 15 years of experience and owns JPPilates in Charlestown, which offers in-studio, outdoor and video classes. Spots for the Pilates class should be reserved online in advance.

After class, all participants were invited to learn about the new pharmacy that opened at the NEW Health Charlestown location earlier this year and pharmacy gift bags will also be provided. Pharmacy services are available for everyone in the community, in addition to NEW Health patients—services are available in English and Spanish. This is only one of two pharmacies for the entire neighborhood, so it fulfilled a critical need. The Charlestown site is located at 15 Tufts Street, which is just a short walk from Bunker Hill Monument.

As a federally qualified health center and an affiliate of Massachusetts General Hospital and Boston Medical Center, North End Waterfront Health (NEW Health) extends its world-renowned healthcare services to people who live and work in and around



COURTESY PHOTO

NEW Health recently sponsored a free outdoor Pilates Fusion class led by local instructor, Jennifer Phelan.

Boston's North End, Waterfront and Charlestown neighborhoods. NEW Health is committed to improving the quality of health and life for those it serves by providing high quality health care that

is consumer oriented, culturally appropriate, neighborhood-based, affordable, and produces positive outcomes. NEW Health has been serving the North End of Boston and the surrounding community since 1971. In addition to primary care services for all patients, many specialty services are also offered including dental, vision, behavioral health, obstetrics, gynecology, laboratory services and x-ray services. NEW Health is a private, non-profit corporation that is governed by a community-based Board of Directors and licensed by the Department of Public Health. More information at [www.newhealthcenter.org](http://www.newhealthcenter.org), on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

## Harvest on Vine Emergency Food Pantry

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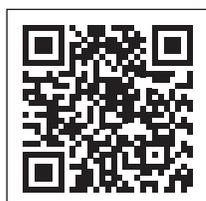
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The outdoor Pilates Fusion session was held on Sunday, outside the Bunker Hill Monument.

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Let's Protect Boston's Waterways

# CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS PARTICIPATE IN 'WALK THE BEAT'

DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN PHOTOS



Walk The Beat is back to work strolling the streets of Charlestown after taking a break during the hot weather of late Summer. The ladies were treated to lunch at the Warren Tavern and attended a lesson in archery at Doherty Playground. They even got to try out their new skills with some target practice.



The ladies of Walk The Beat are back to their weekly strolls after a late summer break.

BPD CSO Chrissy Vraibel with some of the Walk The Beat team.



The ladies of Walk The Beat watch as their friends learn about archery and take a shot.



Frank Wong brings some of the Walk The Beat ladies to the van after having fun with their newly acquired archery skills.



The Beat team enjoyed their archery outing at Doherty Playground.

# CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS PARTICIPATE IN 'WALK THE BEAT'

DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN PHOTOS



The ladies of Walk The Beat had fun with their archery outing.



Charlie Conners from Boston Parks And Recreation guides Marybeth Madden at getting the arrow ready to shoot.



Mary Rizzo lines up a shot.



Damien Margardo from Boston Parks And Recreation guides Lynn Chiacchiarretto at getting the arrow ready to shoot.



Boston Police Officer Jason Richardson with Laurie Delia.



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Boston Police Officer Jason Richardson takes a shot with the Bow and arrow.



Archie with his human Maddy cheer the ladies of Walk The Beat on.



Kim Mahoney welcomes the ladies of Walk The Beat to the Warren Tavern for some Lunch in appreciation of their efforts.



The Warren Tavern was happy to welcome the walkers of Walk The Beat for some lunch.



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Docket No. SU24P1999EA  
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To all persons interested in the above captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner Joseph P. Previte of Lexington, MA. A Will has been admitted to informal probate. Joseph P. Previte of Lexington, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: September 24, 2024  
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Suffolk Division  
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NOTICE OF  
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Docket No. SU22P0539PM  
In the matter of: Susan Holaday  
Of: Charlestown, MA  
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## Haymakers for Hope's annual 'Belles of The Brawl' boxing charity event set for October 10

Everyday individuals have a shared goal of wanting to fight for a cure for cancer. Haymakers for Hope's 11th annual "Belles of the Brawl" takes this idea of fighting for a cure literally, with an all-women's boxing charity event. This event takes place at the cutting-edge MGM Music Hall at Fenway for the third year in a row. Tickets are now on sale for the event, with doors opening at 6:30 p.m. and fights beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 10.

This month, thirty brave women living and working in the Greater Boston area will compete in boxing matches throughout the night, against equally skilled opponents to help raise money for cancer research, awareness, survivorship, and care.

In preparation for the big event, each fighter is strategically paired with a boxing gym and coach to guide them through the vigorous four-month training cycle. All participants train individually and within small, intimate groups, learning the fundamentals of the sweet science, while creating lasting bonds with their trainers and Haymakers for Hope colleagues. Haymakers for Hope is much more than a cancer fundraiser.

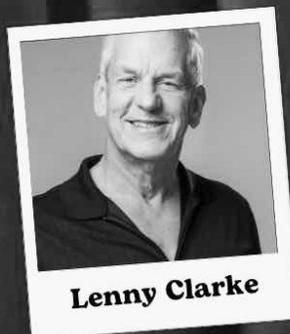
Since its initial event in 2011, Haymakers for Hope has raised more than \$32 million for cancer research, awareness, survivorship, and care. The organization

has transformed more than 1,200 ordinary participants into extraordinary amateur fighters. The women gearing up for their boxing debut at this year's "Belles of the Brawl," have raised over \$330,000 and counting!

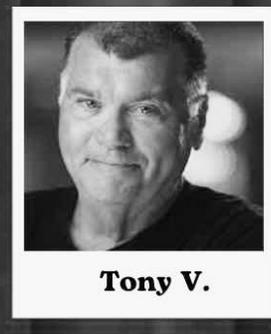
"The 2024 Belles lineup screams Boston Strong with a community of the most courageous and brave women we could've asked to participate," says Co-Founder Andrew Myerson. "As Haymakers continues to host this empowering event annually, each year we're amazed at the remarkable turnout and continuous inspiration of our home base and surrounding com-

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## OBITUARIES

### Kathleen M. Elliott

Known for her kind-hearted, humble and upbeat nature, especially her creative wit and intelligence

Kathleen M. Elliott, 73, of Charlestown, beloved partner of Ann Beard for 26 years, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, September 4, 2024.

Kathy was born August 9, 1951 in New York to the late Margaret and Robert Elliott.

She is survived by her two sisters, Margaret Markovic and her husband, John Markovic of Trumbull, Connecticut, and Mary Sikorski and her husband, Brian Sikorski of Westport, Connecticut, along with her brother, Robert Elliott of Fairfield, Connecticut. Kathy adored her niece and nephews, Kathleen Haimoff and her children, James, Maya and David of Fairfield, Connecticut, and Joseph Sikorski of Norwalk, Connecticut and James Sikorski and his wife, Adrienne of Brooklyn Heights, New York and their son, Charles.

A graduate of Northeastern University, graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Economics with Honors, followed by an MBA in Finance from Boston University, Kathy was an accomplished student. She had a long and successful career at David L Babson. There Kathy served as Vice President on the Investment Counsel as a Chartered Financial Analyst and a Director of Research. She was the first woman elected to the Board of Directors.

Shortly after leaving David L Babson, Kathy became interested in Angel Investing and began men-



toring several women-led companies, guiding them through the myriad phases of entrepreneurship. This experience led Kathy to co-author the book "The Old Girls' Network."

Kathy was an avid skier, golfer, and tennis player. She spent many hours enjoying tennis at Longwood Cricket Club in Chestnut Hill, golfing at Turner Hill in Ipswich, as well as skiing and golfing in Telluride, Colorado. She had many friends and was known for her kind-hearted, humble, and upbeat nature, especially her creative wit and intelligence. Her excellent athletic skills and gracious sportsmanship made her everyone's favorite tennis and golfing partner.

Services will be private. Memorial donations may be made to Angel Memorial Animal Hospital in Boston and the Kaplan Family Hospice House in Danvers, MA.

## Coletta Zapata schedules hearing to discuss utility work notification

Special to the Patriot-Bridge

Boston City Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata will hold a hearing on Tuesday, October 15, at 2 p.m. in the Iannella Chamber to discuss utility street work coordination, notification, and compliance post-completion of any excavation project impacting public streets and sidewalks. Coletta Zapata introduced the hearing order in September, given the lack of accountability for utility companies that fail to return streets in good condition following street work. Co-sponsors of the hearing include Councilor Enrique Pepen (District 5) of Hyde Park.

"While the investments in our street and sidewalk infrastructure are necessary, the utility work takes a prolonged period and impacts our quality of life from the lack of parking, street and sidewalk blockages, and conflicting detour delays. Residents need proper and timely notifications for when utility construction will occur, and we need better city-wide infrastructure to ensure proper internal and external notifications," said Councilor Coletta Zapata. "I'm hopeful the conversation will allow us to

adequately understand oversight and enforcement for ongoing utility work in our neighborhoods and the needed investments to support city departments in response to utility company negligence."

Residents have reported encountering hazardous conditions that make it difficult to navigate streets during school pick-ups and drop-offs and miss life-saving medical treatment appointments during ongoing utility work in the neighborhood. Additionally, small businesses have reported challenges operating due to reduced foot traffic.

"Ensuring timely and transparent communication regarding utility work is essential for the well-being of our city. Residents need to be made aware of any work being done on their street, as this can significantly impact their day-to-day lives. This hearing represents an important step as I'm excited to work with my colleagues to implement this practice across the city, fostering a safer and more connected environment for everyone," said Councilor Enrique Pepen (District 5).

Members of the administration invited to participate include:

Deputy Chief for Infrastructure and Design

Superintendent of Streets

Public Works Supervisor

Supervisor of Utility Compliance and Coordination

Boston Transportation Traffic Management

Chief Information Officer, Department of Innovation and Technology

Representatives from Utility Companies expected include:

Boston Water and Sewer Commission

Eversource

National Grid

Verizon

This docket was referred to the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology chaired by Councilor Enrique Pepen (District 5) of Hyde Park. The hearing order can be found at [bit.ly/Utility\\_Hearing](https://bit.ly/Utility_Hearing). Community members are encouraged to testify virtually or in person.

For additional information, including how to testify, please contact the Office of Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata by phone at (617) 635-3200 or by email at [gabriela.ramirez@boston.gov](mailto:gabriela.ramirez@boston.gov).

## CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The Construction Look-Ahead through October 12 for the North Washington Street Bridge is as follows:

### Travel Advisory

Saturday, September 28 – Starting at 9 p.m., traffic on the bridge will be reduced to one lane in each direction for the installation of the last tub girders at the south abutment. Traffic is anticipated to be restored by 1 p.m. on Sunday, September 29.

### Scheduled Work

- Tub girder steel installation
- Architectural trellis welding, painting, and electrical install
- City Square median construction

- Steel touch-up painting
- Marine fender installation

### Work Hours

- Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Saturday from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### Travel Tips

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

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

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

The contractor is coordinating with the TD Garden and local

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

- EVENTS: October 3, at 7 p.m., October 4, at 7:30 p.m., October 5, at 7 p.m., October 6, at 7 p.m., October 7, at 7:30 p.m., and October 11, at 7 p.m.

How can I find more information?

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**BOXING** (from pg. 9)

munities.”  
 Haymakers for Hope “Belles of the Brawl” fights are scheduled for three, two-minute rounds, and the entire boxing card is sanctioned by USA Boxing. General admission tickets are \$85 and are available for purchase at [www.haymakersforhope.org](http://www.haymakersforhope.org). In addition to their ongoing boxing events expanding to Miami Florida, Haymakers is continuously growing in impact by implementing the brand-new survivorship boxing and fitness program in 2025 ‘Haymakers Fight Continued’, to raise awareness for those personally affected by cancer.

**About Haymakers for Hope:**

Haymakers for Hope is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to raising money and awareness for cancer research, care, and survivorship through organized charitable boxing events. Founded in 2010 by Andrew Myerson and Julie Anne Kelly, Haymakers for Hope, has helped raise over \$32



*Local female amateur boxer Devin Collins Rowe is among those who will step into the ring and get physical with their opponents as they fight for a cure.*

million to knock out cancer. For more information, visit us at [www.haymakersforhope.org](http://www.haymakersforhope.org), friend us at Facebook and follow us on Instagram and LinkedIn.

**Suicide prevention fundraiser set for October 3**

By Melissa Moore-Randall

A fundraiser for suicide prevention will be hosted on October 3 from 5:00-9:00 at Mission Beach House. The event is hosted by Barbara Hamilton and in memory of Ashley Frawley and Gabriel Salado. Hamilton will participate in the Out of the Darkness Community Walk on Saturday, October 19 at the Boston Common (Parkman Bandstand). A variety of raffles will be held and 20% of the sales will be donated to Team Ashley and Team Gabe.

Hamilton shared why she is walking. “I am joining hundreds of thousands of people across the country who are walking in the Out of the Darkness Community Walks to prevent suicide and support AFSP’s mission to save lives and bring hope to those affected by suicide. I walk in memory of Ashley Frawley, who took her own life on August 30, 2015. Since September of that year, we have been proud to walk alongside the American Foundation for

Suicide Prevention. We discovered this organization just weeks after losing Ashley, and our mission has been clear: to raise awareness about suicide prevention and to break the stigma surrounding mental health. I also walk in memory of Gabriel Salado, who took his own life on May 6, 2021. Gabe participated in many walks and fundraisers for suicide prevention, and his spirit continues to inspire us. We walk in memory of our dear friends, holding onto hope that by sharing their stories, we can help prevent further loss and create a supportive community. Together, we strive to ensure that no one feels alone in their struggle. Let’s keep the conversation going and work towards a future where everyone feels seen, heard, and

valued.”  
 According to their website, “The Community Walks, held in hundreds of communities across the country, are the core of the Out of the Darkness movement, which began in 2004. These events give people the courage to open up about their own connections to the cause, and a platform to create a culture that’s smarter about mental health. Friends, family members, neighbors and coworkers walk side-by-side, supporting each other and in memory of those we’ve lost. Suicide is a public health problem and a leading cause of death in the United States. Suicide can be prevented — more investment in suicide prevention, education, research, and advocacy can help save lives.”

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