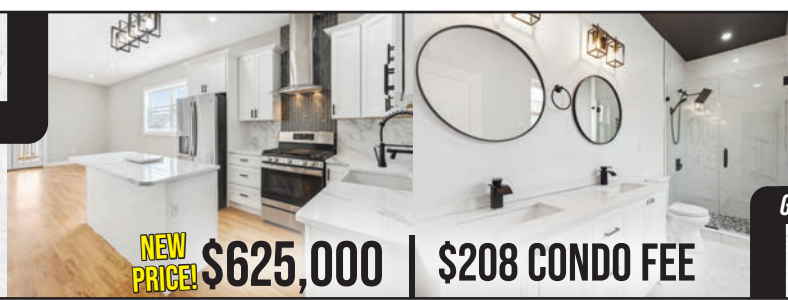


NEW CONSTRUCTION!
OPEN HOUSE SAT. + SUN.
OCT. 12 + 13
12:30-2:00PM



NEW PRICE! \$625,000 | \$208 CONDO FEE

7 BELLINGHAM AVE. UNIT 3, EVERETT
2 BD/2 FULL BA, PARKING, STORAGE,
PRIVATE BALCONY, DESIGNER FINISHES,
MASTER SUITE W/ WALK-IN CLOSET



GRANTS UP TO \$17,500 AND INTEREST RATES AS LOW AS 4.5%!! *
Jeff@jeffreybowen.com 781-201-9488

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024 FREE

CHARLESTOWN

PATRIOT-BRIDGE

GARDENS FOR CHARLESTOWN HOLDS OKTOBERFEST EVENT



The Gardens For Charlestown was a perfect place to enjoy good food, drink, and fellow neighbors during their Oktoberfest event. See Pages 6 and 7 for more photos.

Sumner Tunnel ends overnight weekend closure for repairs

Special to the Patriot-Bridge

The Sumner Tunnel marked its final full weekend closure as part of the restoration project. The project is now considered substantially complete. The schedule allowed for an additional five

weekend closures that would have continued into mid-November but no more will be required. Remaining work will be finished under normal off-peak operations.

In addition to weekend closures over the past two years, the project also included two extended sum-

mer-time closures. The total rehabilitation effort included work on the tunnel ceiling, roadway, walls, wiring, drainage and additional improvements which will increase safety and climate resiliency. The project is a major investment in the state's transportation infrastructure and extends the tunnel's useful life by at least 75 years.

"The Sumner Tunnel Restoration Project was a hugely important effort that ensures this vital piece of infrastructure is in the best possible condition going forward," said MassDOT

(TUNNEL Pg. 3)

CNC MEETING DATES

CNC monthly meeting set for Nov. 7. The Charlestown Neighborhood Council will hold its next monthly meeting on Thursday, Nov. 7 at 7 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

CNC Chair Tom Cunha said the Council, which regularly meets on the first Tuesday of each month, moved the meeting to Thursday because of the U.S. Presidential Election on Nov. 5.

Wu announces details on applying for liquor licenses

Special to the Patriot-Bridge

Mayor Michelle Wu announced an update on the distribution of the 225 new liquor licenses that Boston plans to award over the next three years to create new small businesses and enhance cultural and economic activity in City neighborhoods. The City secured these licenses after Mayor Wu and the Boston City Council filed a

home rule petition that was passed by the Legislature, and signed by Governor Maura Healey in September 2024. This expansion is the first significant increase to liquor licenses in Boston since 2014, and is intended to support a diverse range of new and existing businesses across the City.

Unlike most existing licenses,

(LICENSES Pg. 4)

Essem Art Studio celebrates six years of programming

Special to the Patriot-Bridge

Essem Art Studio celebrates 6 years of joyful art programming in Charlestown. Since she opened her studio doors in 2018, owner/operator, Sophia Moon has served over 500 families in her vibrant studio and countless more through her community engagement, pro-

viding art experiences for artists of all ages.

"Charlestown is such a special place. I love living here, building community here, and sharing my love of art with neighbors and friends. It is the greatest privilege to do the work I love to do, and I am so grateful to our amazing

(ESSEM Pg. 5)



Sophia Moon in her Essem Art Studio.

JANELLE CARMELA PHOTOGRAPHY

EDITORIAL

10/7, ONE YEAR LATER

The barbaric attack a year ago this week by the Iranian-backed Hamas terrorist group shocked and horrified the world. The brutal slaughter, rape, and torture of 1250 men, women, children, and elderly Israeli citizens, plus another 300 who were taken captive, by Hamas invaders who poured across the northern Gaza-Israeli border, affirmed that Iran and its terrorist proxies, Hamas, Hezbollah, and the Houthis, know no bounds in their hatred for Jews and their stated aim of wiping Israel off the face of the map.

The attack and its aftermath accomplished a number of goals of the Iranian-backed terrorists. Not only did 10/7 deal a blow to Israelis' sense of security, but it also destabilized Israel politically and economically. More than 100,000 Israeli citizens have been displaced both along the Gazan border and in northern Israel, where Hezbollah has been shelling northern Israeli communities. Israeli citizen-soldiers have been fighting for a full year, with no end in sight.

The attack of 10/7 predictably unleashed a devastating military response by Israel on the Gaza Strip, a narrow piece of land that is about 140 square miles and home to two million people, of whom half are children, in its effort to kill every Hamas fighter. (By comparison, Boston and Suffolk County consist of about 120 square miles with 750,000 people, of whom 20 percent are children). After a year of ceaseless Israeli bombardment, the Gaza Strip has been laid to waste, with more than 40,000 Gazans killed, tens of thousands more maimed for life, and the entire population facing mass starvation. The Israeli government now seems bent on replicating the same devastation in Lebanon from where Hezbollah has been shooting its rockets onto Israeli communities.

The Israeli government, which itself is controlled by religious extremists, fell into the trap set by Iran and its proxies by waging its brutal assault on Gaza. When images of the Middle East are shown on our TV screens each night, it is the horrors being endured by Gazan children that we see. It is their plight (as well as those of Palestinians who are being attacked by Israeli settlers on the West Bank), not that of the Israeli victims, that is garnering the world's attention and sympathies.

Finally, the bloody attack of 10/7 and the military response by Israel achieved another of Iran's major goals by creating political fissures both in the Western democracies and in Israel itself, as well as upending plans for a treaty among Israel, the U.S., and Saudi Arabia.

Just as 9/11 changed our world, so too has 10/7. A year later, with a wider war all but certain, it is clear that peace in the Middle East is more elusive than ever with an outcome that will reverberate across the globe today and for generations to come.

THE MOST PATHETIC GAME IN NFL HISTORY?

We don't mean to keep harping on our poor Patriots, but their contest this past Sunday with the Miami Dolphins has to rate as the most pathetic excuse for a professional football game we've ever seen in our lives -- and we've been Pats' fans since the 1960s, so we've witnessed quite a few sorry performances.

The Pats entered the game as the #31 offensive team in the NFL, exceeded in futility only by the Dolphins at #32 -- and the game lived up to the low expectations of both teams, featuring a variety of miscues that normally you might see once in an NFL game, not multiple times.

In the first half alone, the Dolphins missed a mid-range field goal that bounced off the goal post, dribbled a snap back to the holder on another field goal attempt, snapped a ball over their quarterback's head, and had a punt blocked.

The Patriots missed a short field goal, shanked a punt, allowed hapless veteran quarterback Jacoby Brissette to be hit countless times, and committed 12 penalties for 105 yards.

It was a performance by both teams not worthy of even a JV high school game -- and fans paid hundreds of dollars for a ticket for that sorry demonstration. From the perspective of long-time Pats' fans, we'd like to chalk it up to just a tough week, but it is clear that this will be a season that is only going to get worse.



"WE KNOW THE FEELING."

Applications now open for Boston School Committee

Special to the Regional Review

Mayor Michelle Wu announced that applications for a four-year term on the Boston School Committee are now being accepted by the Boston School Committee Nominating Panel. The Nominating Panel is a thirteen-member body composed of Boston Public Schools (BPS) parents, educators, school leaders and representatives of the business and higher education communities. The selected member's term will begin on January 6, 2025 and expire on January 1, 2029. Applications to fill the upcoming vacancy are due Friday, November 15, 2024 at 11:59 p.m.

Interviews for selected candidates will be held on Thursday, November 21 and Friday, November 22, 2024 in the late afternoon or early evening. Candidates must be Boston residents and should expect that service on the School Committee involves a significant time commitment to connect with school departments and leaders and prepare for and attend bi-weekly meetings that run into late hours in the evening.

The Boston School Committee is the governing body of the Boston Public School. The School Committee is responsible for:

- Defining the vision, mission, and goals of the Boston

Public Schools;

- Establishing and monitoring the annual operating budget;

- Hiring, managing, and evaluating the Superintendent; and

- Setting and reviewing district policies and practices to support student achievement.

The seven members of the School Committee are Boston residents appointed by the Mayor. The Mayor appoints members from a list of candidates recommended by the Boston School Committee Nominating Panel. The School Committee also includes a non-voting student member of the Boston Student Advisory Council.

The School Committee meets approximately twice per

month during the school year to adopt, review and modify policies and practices that support teaching, learning and improved student achievement. With the exception of executive sessions, Committee meetings are open to the public, feature public comment periods and are broadcast on Boston City TV.

Please direct all questions and submit completed applications to scnominatingpanel@boston.gov or to Boston City Hall, Mayor's Office, 5th floor, Boston, MA 02201. You can learn more about the Boston School Committee online.

Applications will be available in English, Simplified Chinese, Portuguese, Vietnamese, Spanish, and Haitian Creole.



CHARLESTOWN
PATRIOT-BRIDGE

THE CHARLESTOWN PATRIOT-BRIDGE,

PHONE: 781.485.0588 © 2008 INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER GROUP.

EMAIL: editor@charlestownbridge.com • WEB SITE: www.charlestownbridge.com

NEWSSTAND PRICE: FREE / SUBSCRIPTION PRICE: \$75 ANNUALLY

PRESIDENT - STEPHEN QUIGLEY - EDITOR@CHARLESTOWNBRIDGE.COM
MARKETING DIRECTOR - DEBRA DIGREGORIO - DEB@REVEREJOURNAL.COM

TUNNEL (from pg. 1)

Secretary and CEO Monica Tibbits-Nutt. “We know this project created inconveniences for the public and particularly the people of East Boston. We thank them for their patience and cooperation.”

“We are thrilled that we have been able to deliver this project ahead of schedule” said State Highway Administrator Jonathan Gulliver. “I want to thank our contractor, JF White, who worked tirelessly with our team at MassDOT to find ways to accelerate this important work. I also want to thank the travelling public and residents for their patience and support during this important project.”

During the extensive rehabilitation of the entire tunnel the pre-existing suspended ceiling was removed and over 700 precast concrete arches installed, new fireproof wallboard was installed throughout the length of the tunnel making a dramatic improvement in its fire safety. Over 500 new light fixtures were installed, and new conduit and cables were put in place. The existing asphalt was removed from the length of the roadway and the concrete below was rehabilitated. Granite curbing and drain inlet were replaced. The entire length of the roadway was repaved and relined. This weekend’s closure was the 59th one dating back to 2022.

The Summer Tunnel Restoration Project offered a variety of mitigation options for individuals

coming from all travel points. Mitigation options included free trips on the MBTA Blue Line; free and reduced cost water ferry options; reduced Commuter Rail fares for riders; reduced parking costs at MBTA and Commuter Rail parking lots and garages; discounted tolls for residents; and additional options for travelers to and from Logan Airport.

Summer Project By The Numbers:

- 59 weekend closures: Friday from 11:00 p.m. to Monday Morning 5:00 a.m.
- 2023 summer shutdown: July 5 to August 31, 2023 = 57 Days
- 2024 summer shutdown: July 5 to August 5, 2024 = 31 Days
- 13,516 square yards of concrete roadway was rehabilitated
- 4307 tons of asphalt paving was laid
- 420 linear feet of granite curbing was replaced
- 69 new drainage inlets were installed
- 165,000 square feet of fire-board was installed
- 3,800 dropped ceiling panels were removed
- 735 precast arch segments and 146 precast ceiling slabs were installed, each weighing well over six tons
- 502 new light fixtures installed
- 42,800 linear feet of conductor installed
- 24,000 linear feet of fiber optic cable installed

A LOOK AT THE PROJECT DURING CONSTRUCTION...



...AND AFTER



Art: A Visual Feast
The Artists' Group of Charlestown Fall 2024 Exhibition
October 4 - 20, 2024




StoveFactory Gallery
Detail of "Dining Al Fresco After the Rain" © Jan Shapiro

RECEPTION: Friday, October 4, 5:00 - 8:00 pm
GALLERY HOURS: October 5-20, Saturdays & Sundays, 12:00 - 5:00 pm

AGC 523 Medford Street, Charlestown
Artists Group of Charlestown ArtistsGroupofCharlestown.com



VISIT WWW.CHARLESTOWNBRIDGE.COM



City of Boston
Planning
Department

RFP (REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL)


PIER 5 IN THE CHARLESTOWN NAVY YARD

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS:
The Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA), doing business as the Boston Planning & Development Agency (BPDA) is soliciting responses to a Request for Proposals for the redevelopment and disposition of 1 parcel, 02-03505-600 representing approximately 158,461 square feet of a vacant pier and adjacent watershed within the Charlestown Navy Yard (CNY) Urban Renewal Area, Project No. Mass. R-55., known as Pier 5 in the Charlestown neighborhood of Boston Massachusetts (the Property). The BPDA seeks to convey the Property to allow the development of open space, active and passive recreational uses, civic and cultural facilities, and water-dependent uses. The RFP package is available on the BPDA Procurement Portal at bostonplans.org/work-with-us/procurement.

Contact: **Ben Merker**
Planning Department
12 Channel Street, Suite 901
South Boston, MA 02210
Phone: 617.918.6230
Email: benjamin.merker@boston.gov

Website:
bostonplans.org/work-with-us/procurement

Due date of the RFP:
January 23, 2025 at 12:00 PM Noon



BostonPlans.org | @BostonPlans

Teresa Polhemus, Executive Director/Secretary

LICENSES (from pg. 1)

which need to be purchased from a current license-holder and can be costly, these licenses will not need to be “purchased” by the applicant from another business at the price set by that business, but will instead be issued directly by the City’s Licensing Board. The law creates three categories of licenses, designed to serve different types of applicants: Neighborhood Non-Transferable Licenses (198 total); Community Space (Outdoor, Theater and Nonprofit) Non-Transferable Licenses (15 total); and Citywide Transferable Licenses (12 total).

“These much needed liquor licenses will be transformative in strengthening our local economy and bolstering vibrancy for our communities,” said Mayor Michelle Wu. “We thank our partners at the state and local levels

who have pushed to advance this legislation and work continuously to ensure growth for our neighborhoods. The City will be intentional to ensure these liquor licenses represent economic opportunities for our restaurants and entrepreneurs.”

“Our team, alongside the Licensing Board, are prepared to utilize this once-in-a-generation opportunity to fulfill Mayor Wu’s economic development vision for closing the wealth gap through the support of diverse and unique entrepreneurs and the sustaining of vibrant neighborhoods,” said Segun Idowu, Chief of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion. “By working with advocates, businesses, practitioners, policy makers, and residents, we will ensure each of these liquor licenses is awarded to small business owners or orga-

nizations that strengthen the fabric of our communities by creating shared prosperity through the creation of new jobs and neighborhood investment.”

To be considered in the first round of new awards, completed applications must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on Friday, December 6, 2024 to the Licensing Board. The Board will continue to schedule hearings on a rolling basis, but will defer decisions on awards until all applicants have been heard and reviewed. For completed applications submitted after the December 6, 2024 deadline, the Board will hold its next round of review in the Spring of 2025.

The 2024 law aims to support the growth and creation of restaurants and other businesses in neighborhoods across Boston. To evaluate the initial round, the Licensing Board will consider an applicant’s core business proposal and how the license award will advance the City’s goals to support neighborhood economic development and add to our City’s diverse and vibrant culture. This includes how awards would enable the applicant to enhance the cultural and economic activity of the neighborhood, create new businesses and economic opportunity across diverse communities, support wealth generation for less-resourced entrepreneurs, and promote emerging and diverse businesses and communities to advance the City’s commercial offerings.

“These new licenses aren’t just permissions to serve; they’re a small sip in a big cocktail of neighborhood economic redevelopment,” said City Council President Ruthzee Louijeune. “By empowering local entrepreneurs, particularly in our Black & Brown communities, we are laying the foundation for a more vibrant Boston where every corner of our city can imbibe.”

“These liquor licenses are a transformative opportunity for restaurants in our underserved communities, and I’m committed to making sure the distribution

is equitable, and fair,” said City Councilor Brian Worrell, who authored the home-rule petition to gain more liquor licenses in 2023. “In the 13 main ZIP Codes, there are more than 500 existing food businesses that could be eligible for a license, and we need to ensure every restaurateur is aware of this opportunity.”

“We’re excited to partner with Mayor Wu and her team to help our city’s chefs and entrepreneurs create the next generation of great restaurants in neighborhoods across Boston,” said Steve Clark, President and CEO of the Massachusetts Restaurant Association. “These liquor licenses are an incredible opportunity to build small businesses and vibrancy across the City and enhance Boston’s reputation as a culinary destination.”

“The historic cap of around 1,400 liquor licenses in Boston has long limited opportunities for entrepreneurs in underserved neighborhoods, particularly those inhabited by persons of color. The 2014 legislation spearheaded by now-Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley was a critical step toward addressing this inequity,” said Nia Grace, Restaurateur & Experience Architect | Grace By Nia; Co-Founder, Black Hospitality Coalition; Board Director, Meet Boston. “With the recent introduction of 250+ new liquor licenses, we are witnessing a transformative moment for our city, as it opens doors for existing hospitality leaders and newcomers alike to establish their businesses and contribute to a vibrant culinary landscape.”

To help interested applicants, the Licensing Board is hosting virtual office hours every other Wednesday from 3pm to 5pm to provide one-on-one application assistance from Licensing Board staff. In addition, Licensing Board staff are available to provide support at City Hall. Support is available on a drop-in or appointment basis. To make an appointment please email: licensingboard@boston.gov. The Licensing Board also has a full guide to apply for a new

license on its website.

Below are the types liquor licenses available:

Neighborhood Non-Transferable Licenses (198 total): Each year, for the next three years, the City will have an additional five licenses (three all-alcohol licenses, and two beer and wine licenses) to offer to applicants across each of 13 zip codes in 10 City neighborhoods: Charlestown, Dorchester, East Boston, Hyde Park, Jamaica Plain, Mattapan, Roslindale, Roxbury, the South End, and West Roxbury. A separate set of three all-alcohol licenses can be issued to applicants located in the Oak Square neighborhood of Brighton.

These licenses will be available to the applicant restaurants, bars, and other venues, and are not transferable, which means the license cannot be sold to another business and will be returned to the Licensing Board if the business ceases to operate.

Community Space (Outdoor, Theater and Nonprofit) Non-Transferable Licenses (15 total):The City can issue up to 15 restricted licenses for designated community spaces, which includes outdoor spaces, theaters with fewer than 750 seats, and non-profit organizations in the city. These licenses are also non-transferable, which means the license cannot be sold to another business and will be returned to the Licensing Board if the business or organization ceases to operate.

Citywide Transferable Licenses (12 total): The City can issue up to 12 licenses for all-alcohol service that have no geographic restriction and can be issued to applicants with premises anywhere in Boston. These licenses are designated as transferable to another business, but will be evaluated on the strength of the proposal that is submitted to the Licensing Board. To achieve the goals of the program, the Board will give additional consideration to applications that include commitments to operate a business for a term of years.

IN LOVING MEMORY



Nancy J. Soisson

12/24/1953 - 9/30/2024

Our long-time colleague and Realtor has passed away from fighting a brave battle against ALS.

There will be a gathering to remember Nancy on Tuesday, October 8th at 12-2PM at Coldwell Banker Realty located at 91 Main Street.

A remembrance donation to your favorite rescue or animal shelter in her name is encouraged.

The Independent Newspaper Group reserves the right to edit letters for space and clarity. We regret that we cannot publish unsigned letters. Please include your street and telephone number with your submission. The Independent Newspaper Group publishes columns, viewpoints and letters to the editor as a forum for readers to express their opinions and to encourage debate. Please note that the opinions expressed are not necessarily those of The Independent Newspaper Group. Text or attachments emailed to editor@reverejournal.com are preferred.

Introducing



Get a great 30-year fixed-rate
MORTGAGE NOW, and if rates drop,
JUST TRIM™ IT LATER with **NO FEE!**



msic.website/TRIM-it | TRIM@msic.org

Participating credit unions are NMLS Approved Lenders and Equal Housing Lenders



ESSEM (from pg. 1)

community for the love and support these six years.”

This past year, Essem Art Studio received an MGH Smart Choices grant to support the ongoing partnership with the Kennedy Cen-

ter to provide monthly Family Art Nights, art programming for seniors, and a weekly singalong for toddlers and preschoolers in the community. Other Charlestown organizations that Moon has

collaborated with over the years include the Charlestown Branch of BPL, BCYF, Boys & Girls Club, Turn It Around, All Roads, Harvard-Kent, Gardens for Charlestown, and the Charlestown Moth-

ers Association.

Moon notes the pandemic as the lowest point in her business journey to date, having made the decision to shut her doors and move out of her studio with an uncertain return. But return she did, six months later, when restrictions started to lift and in-person events slowly crept back.

Reflecting on the highlights, Moon talks adoringly of the children she has taught over the years. Six years since her first Toddler Art lab, her program offerings have grown with her little artist friends to include After School Art Club and Budding Artists. “It’s so

special to watch kids grow in their creative confidence; and when it all comes full circle and I get to teach younger siblings, it blows my mind.”

With the addition of a kiln this year, Moon is also diversifying her program offerings to include hand building pottery classes and pop-up pottery painting. “I am proud of what we’ve achieved and super excited to continue to grow and serve this wonderful community.”

Visit www.essemartstudio.com or follow @essemartstudio on instagram to stay in the loop with all the studio programs and events.



JANELLE CARMELA PHOTOGRAPHY

Local children working on projects at the Essem Art Studio.

Harvest on Vine

Next Distribution **Emergency Food Pantry**

Friday, Oct. 11 - 3 p.m. - Set-up

Saturday, Oct. 12, 10 a.m.

Thursday, Oct. 17, 1 p.m. - Mishawum

To volunteer or for more information please call Tom MacDonald 617-990-7314

CHARLESTOWN GYM HOCKEY

STANDINGS FOR THE WEEK OF 10/5/2024

| | W. | L. | T. |
|-------------------|----|----|----|
| Massport's Finest | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| Duce 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| Halligan Club | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| YMCA | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| McCarthy Bros. | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| A-1 Convenience | 0 | 2 | 3 |

Players of the week for 10/5/2024

A-1 Convenience - Robert Doucette, Emmett Demas
Duce 2 - Madison Marshall, Cam Driscoll
Halligan Club - Kieran Santoro, Aidan Chan
Massport's Finest - Samuel Walles, Nico Costa
McCarthy Bros. - Quentin Jones, Henry Bruno
YMCA - Lyle Talbot, Luke Marcella

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

Mammograms Save Lives.

All women over 40 should have a mammogram once a year. Breast cancer found early offers the best chance to be cured. Free or low cost mammograms are available.

For more information and answers to any of your cancer questions, contact us any time, day or night.

www.cancer.org
1.800.ACS.2345



GABRIELA "Gigi" COLETTA FALL COFFEE HOURS

STOP BY, SAY HELLO, AND SHARE YOUR CONCERNS ABOUT THE NEIGHBORHOOD. WE'LL CONNECT ON A **FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS.**

NORTH END:

- Saturday, September 28 at 10am
- Caffè Paradiso - 255 Hanover St Boston, MA 02113

CHARLESTOWN:

- Saturday, October 12 at 10am
- Mister Q. Cafe - 283 Main St, Charlestown, MA 02129



GARDENS FOR CHARLESTOWN HOLDS OKTOBERFEST EVENT

DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN PHOTOS

Gardens For Charlestown has an Oktoberfest event for its members. Food, beer (provided by Winter Hill Brewery), music, and more celebrated the coming of Fall and a successful year of growing things in the city, including dahlias which were featured in a Blue Ribbon Dahlia Contest.



Sisters Carolyn and Amelia Ragon spent some time in the garden enjoying their Oktoberfest feast.



Selling raffle tickets were Julianne Gearhart and Greg Perkins.



Emanuelle Merrill-McCarthy had a lederhosen outfit to delight her mom Mary McCarthy.



Joe Farrick, Jackie Penta, and Melanie Cevetello.



Nicole and Michael K walk through the garden paths enjoying the natural beauty with their beer.



Sebastian and Amber Mazzola clink plastic steins.



Flowers were in full bloom for all to enjoy.



People gather at the Winter Hill Brewery table to enjoy beer from the local brewery.

Soley Street
1BD/1BA with Patio



GRACE BLOODWELL
 Broker
 20+ Years Experience,
 Local Resident
 Seller, Buyer & Landlord
 Representation
 617-512-4939
 grace.bloodwell@nemoves.com
 Coldwell Banker | 91 Main Street
 Charlestown MA



\$699,000

GARDENS FOR CHARLESTOWN HOLDS OKTOBERFEST EVENT

DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN PHOTOS



Bailey Knapton and Melanie Cevetello.



Kristin Stathis and Laura Fernandes grew the winning dahlia.



Gardens For Charlestown Board member Erin Maloney at the grill.



Tom Persinos was in full Oktoberfest attire and entertained the gathering with his accordion performances.



Bailey Knapton announces the winners of the Blue Ribbon Dahlia contest.



Attendees view and vote for their favorite flowers in the Blue Ribbon Dahlia Contest all grown by Gardens For Charlestown members.



Massachusetts State Rep. Dan Ryan with Julianne Gearhart.



Kimberly Hursh enjoys her Winter Hill Pale Ale.



Patrick and Margaret O'Hearn take in the Magic of the Gardens as the evening winds down.



Jason and Jenna Myersburg with their kids Tobey and Gray.



Contestants in the Blue Ribbon Dahlia Contest: Bailey Knapton, Erin Maloney, Melanie Cevetello, Merideth Scott, David Nava (not present in picture), Kristin Stathis (with Laura Fernandes), and Cara Bradley.

TO ADVERTISE PLEASE CALL 781-485-0588

FRIENDS OF THE TRAINING FIELD CONCERT SERIES COMES TO A CLOSE

DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN PHOTOS

Delayed from last week due to inclement weather, the Concert Series courtesy of Friends of The Training Field came to a close.

Boston area Erin Òg performed classic rock and Celtic music to delight fans of all ages.



Deb Healy and Jimmi-Dean are enjoying the music.



Nora Quinn made some new balloon friends courtesy of Maureen Yalenezian.



Steve Lombardi with Renee, Clay, and Geordy Harvey, Mike Jeglinski, and Joe Derove.



Tom and Amanda Quinn with their kids Nora and Van with balloon artist Maureen Yalenezian and makeup artist Florence Savage.



Friends Of The Training Field President and organizer of the Concert Series Bill Kelly .



Stephen Gil of Erin Òg.



The Stoggie Crew: comprised of Mike Devine, Hank and Pat Locke, and Paul Morrissey.

FRIENDS OF THE TRAINING FIELD CONCERT SERIES COMES TO A CLOSE

DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN PHOTOS



Long-time friends reminiscing their high school graduation.



Billy Farley, Massachusetts State Rep Dan Ryan, Matt Sullivan, and Bobby Yandle



Erin Óg performed at the last Concert on the Training Field.

Extend your Business's reach with Online Advertising!

Clients and Customers are just a click away!

\$300⁰⁰ per month per site



THE INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPERS

- REVEREJOURNAL.COM • WINTHROPTRANSCRIPT.COM
- LYNNJOURNAL.COM • EVERETTINDEPENDENT.COM
- EASTIETIMES.COM • CHELSEARECORD.COM
- CHARLESTOWNBRIDGE.COM • BEACONHILLTIMES.COM
- NORTHENDREGIONALREVIEW.COM • THEBOSTONSUN.COM
- JAMAICAPLAINGAZETTE.COM • MISSIONHILLGAZETTE.COM

Combo Rates available!
Buy any 3 sites, get 4th FREE

Call 781-485-0588 to get started!

AD SIZE

in pixels
W: 160px
H: 600px

please send in "png" format

SEND US YOUR NEWS

The Patriot-Bridge encourages residents to submit engagement, wedding and birth announcements, news releases, business and education briefs, sports stories and photos for publication. Items should be forwarded to our offices at 385 Broadway, Revere, MA 021

We also encourage readers to e-mail news releases and photos to deb@reverejournal.com.

NEWS BRIEFS

THE 39TH ANNUAL MONUMENT SQUARE HALLOWEEN TRICK OR TREAT

We are preparing our 39th Annual Monument Square Halloween Trick or Treat for Thursday, October 31st, 2024 at 5:00 at the Bunker Hill Monument Steps at the Top of Monument Avenue.

This years' theme is "Harry Potter" however the Monument Square area streets will be filled with ghosts, princesses, pirates and many other characters. Be creative, and remember this event is focused on the children. Trick or Treaters of all ages are welcome.

Our policy is to not promote outside of Charlestown since we all strive for a neighbor-to-neighbor event, which builds our community fabric. Please enjoy your-

self, and remember your neighbors make this event possible, through their kindness and generosity. We encourage other neighborhoods to use our model to create their own safe, fun and memorable holiday for all ages. Every child deserves to have a safe neighborhood and a Happy Halloween.

Please decorate your home if you are in the Monument Square/ Training Field/ Monument Avenue area. Please bring candy to neighbors in these areas because they run out. Throughout Charlestown, Halloween is a time to make our community festive.

Please bring a donation, canned goods, cereal and other food items for Harvest on Vine, Charlestown's Food Pantry, at the Monument. The need to address food insecurity in Charlestown is real. Your donations will make a difference.

We are grateful for our partnerships with Superintendent Michael Creasey and the National Park Service, Mayor Wu and the City of Boston, the Charlestown Mothers Association, The Bunker Hill Mall, The Cambridge Savings Bank, Massport, Diversified Auto, Dovetail and Brewers Fork, DUNKIN', Whole Foods, Frank Celeste. First Church, Michael and Kathy Litel, DC Beane, Charlestown Marina, "E" Inc, Logan House, Bunker Hill Associates, Our Beloved Wizard Jim Duane, Paul Revere/ Michale Le Page, Lydia Jane Anderson, Jay Farrar, and many more supporters.

We are blessed by all the generous neighbors in Charlestown who open their doors to our trick-or-treaters and the remarkable volunteers who make this event possible by committing their energy and their time.

Come in costume, come for the fun, and arrive at 5:00 PM at the Monument Steps at the top of Monument Avenue for a Happy Halloween!

Diane Valle, Chair
39th Annual Monument Square Halloween Trick or Treat

FREE STOREFRONT LIGHTING WORKSHOP

LIGHT Boston is offering a free lighting workshop on Tuesday, October 29 from 6 pm to 8 pm to help neighborhoods enhance the storefronts of their retail districts. The intent is to support local businesses and to energize the night time economy. Improved lighting will attract more customers and contribute to a safe and welcoming neighborhood.

If you are a shop or restaurant

owner, landlord, business alliance, or are advocating for improvements to your community's shopping district, please join us.

For more more information and to register visit lightboston-storefront.eventbrite.com.

LIGHT Boston is a non-profit organization founded in 1996 by a group of volunteers recognizing the need for a citizen's advocacy group with respect to responsible exterior lighting in the City of Boston. By advocating for illumination as a vital component of urban design, LIGHT Boston seeks to encourage interest, understanding, and appreciation of the city's unique historic and cultural heritage. With responsible exterior illumination at the forefront of the city's consciousness, LIGHT Boston believes positive impacts will follow. Our mission: Advocate. Educate. Illuminate.

LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Suffolk Division
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF CONSERVATOR'S ACCOUNT
Docket No. SU22P0539PM
In the matter of: Susan Holaday
Of: Charlestown, MA
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, you are hereby notified pursuant to Rule 72 of the Supplemental Rules of the Probate & Family Court, that the 1st and Final Temporary account(s) of Jewish Family & Children's Service of Waltham, MA as Conservator of the property of said Respondent has or have been presented to the Court for allowance. You have the right to object to the account(s). If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 10/22/2024. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to object to the account(s). If you fail to file the written appearance and objection by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you, including the allowance of the account(s). Additionally, within thirty days after said return day (or within

such other time as the Court upon motion may order), you must file a written affidavit of objections stating the specific facts and grounds upon which each objection is based and a copy shall be served upon the Conservator pursuant to Rule 3 of the Supplemental Rules of the Probate & Family Court. You have the right to send to the Conservator, by registered or certified mail, a written request to receive a copy of the Petition and account(s) at no cost to you. **IMPORTANT NOTICE**
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 24, 2024
Stephanie L. Everett
Register of Probate
10/10/24
CT

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Probate And Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114

(617)788-8300
CITATION ON PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Docket No. SU24C0475CA
In the matter of: Inga Fisk Stenta
A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Inga Fisk Stenta of Charlestown, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Inga Lisa Fisk
IMPORTANT NOTICE
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/24/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 26, 2024
Stephanie L. Everett,
Register of Probate
10/10/2024
CT

LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, Section 5-304
Docket No. SU24P2101GD
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Trial Court Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston MA, 02114
In the matter of: Jose Alfaro
of: Charlestown, MA
RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Mass. Dept. Of Mental Health of Westborough, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Jose Alfaro is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.
The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.
You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 AM on the return date of 10/31/2024. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection

within 30 days after the return date.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: October 2, 2024
Stephanie Everett, Register of Probate

10/10/24
CT

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Probate And Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617)788-8300
CITATION ON PETITION FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE CONSERVATOR-MAINTENANCE
Docket No. SU22P0539
In the Matter of: Susan Holaday
To all interested persons:
To the named Respondent and

all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by the Conservator: Jewish Family & Children's Service of Waltham, MA in the above captioned matter praying for license to sell at - private sale - certain real estate situated in Charlestown in the County of Suffolk for her maintenance.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/24/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: October 03, 2024
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq.
Register of Probate

10/10/24
CT

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Division
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
(617)788-8300
CITATION ON

PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT
Docket No. SU20P0956EA
Estate of: William Bryon Richardson
Date of Death: 01/01/2020
A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by Kathy L. McNair of Brighton, MA requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including a determination of heirs at law and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 11/15/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: October 04, 2024
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq.,
Register of Probate

10/10/24
CT

FRESH AND LOCAL

Apple season

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

One of the joys of this time of year is the ever-changing selection of apple varieties at the farmers' markets. Different apples have specific seasons. Some of the first apples we see at the markets are those that farmers have carefully tucked away, in optimum conditions, from their last harvest.

By August, the early apple-picking season has begun. These varieties are followed by what professionals call mid-season and late-season crops. If you're looking for a favorite apple, just ask the farmer. They're always happy to tell you when they expect to have that apple on the stand. Moreover, most farmers can suggest a current variety that fits the same taste, texture, and sweetness profile.

We love trying new varieties and often buy two apples to share during our afternoon apple snack sessions. It's fun to compare the qualities of each apple and decide if a particular one belongs on our list of favorites. We admit that sometimes we buy an apple because it has a great name. Recently this led us to discover that we love "Molly Sheepnose" apples!

Apple Profiles

We highly recommend local author Amy Traverso's award-winning "The Apple Lover's Cookbook" to learn more about different varieties of apples. In addition to dependable recipes, this is an illustrated primer to 70 varieties of

apples. Amy includes characteristics for each apple, including best use, origin, availability, season, taste, and texture.

When the farmers are busy, you might see us type an apple's name into a search engine to find what a few producers or websites say about it. We suggest you bookmark one or two apple rating websites that align with your taste.

Try a Crab Apple

It's been years since Penny was part of a gang of silly kids climbing a crab apple tree and eating the puckery fruit until they were queasy. Recently, while selecting apples from the Foppema's Farm display, she saw "Sweet & Crunchy" on the sign for chestnut crab apples. We were pleasantly surprised by their lovely, nutty flavor.

Most people who grow crab apples as a crop use them to make jelly, but originally, they may have been planted when home cooks made their own pectin. Crab apples are high in pectin and can be boiled down, strained, and canned to make a supply of pectin for next year's jams and jellies.

Pick-Your-Own

A visit to an apple orchard is a beautiful way to celebrate apple season. The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture maintains a Pick-Your-Own Farms page where you can click on apples and connect with a "Mass Grown" map of the farms offering this service. We highly recommend



One of the joys of this time of year is the ever-changing selection of apple varieties at the farmers' markets.

that you check for the latest information on the orchard's website since many factors can change the availability of this option.

Red Apple Farm, which has a stand at the Boston Public Market, offers a nice variety of apples nearby. You can also check their website to see what they are picking. From experience, we recommend Russel's Orchard in Ipswich for a day of apple picking and lobster shacks.

By the way, some farmers' markets run well into autumn, with a few open until Thanksgiving week. These include Copley Square, Central Square, Davis Square, Dewey Square, Kendall Square, Roslin-

dale Village, and the Fish & Farm Market at Boston Fish Pier.

We encourage you to take time in your week to support these good people who bring fresh food to the city. It's not just about the apples; it's also about the commu-

nity and the responsibility we all share in supporting local farmers.

Do you have a question or topic for Fresh & Local? Email Penny@BostonZest.com with your suggestion.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

JOHN P. McHugh Electric

Licensed & insured
Complete electrical services
www.johnpmchughelectric.com
Jmchugh447@gmail.com
617-320-7703

Ryan Masonry

Chimneys • Fireplaces
Cellar Floors • Restoration
French Drains • Repointing

Free Estimates, Lic. & Ins.

Local References
Phil - 617-230-3490

CASTLEMAINE CONSTRUCTION
home improvement

Fine carpentry
Interior & exterior
Remodeling

MORGAN FOLEY
781-267-1777
-local references-

JOHN J. RECCA PAINTING

Commercial/Residential
Interior/Exterior
Fully Insured
Quality Work
Reasonable Rates
Free Estimates

781-241-2454

reccapainting@hotmail.com

Real Estate Transfers

| BUYER 1 | SELLER 1 | ADDRESS | PRICE |
|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Gerry, Zachary | Weisang, Guillaume | 5 Lawnwood Pl #2 | \$1,160,000 |
| Lobdell, Jeffrey S | Kendrick LLC | 8 Armory St | \$1,800,000 |



253 Main St. • Charlestown • 617-241-5566
www.c21elite.com

Sales • Rentals • Free Market Analysis
Certified Buyer Agents

Visit www.charlestownbridge.com

PLEASE RECYCLE

Healey signs bill into law that criminalizes sexual assault by fraud of a medical professional

Special to the Regional Review

On Monday, Sept. 23, numerous advocates and officials were present for the ceremonial signing by Gov. Maura Healey of Bill H.4350, An Act criminalizing sexual assault by fraud of a medical professional. This legislation protects vulnerable individuals by ensuring that Massachusetts can prosecute health care professionals and clergy members who influence patients or clients to engage in sexual activity under the guise of treatment or counseling.

“Health care and counseling environments should be a place of safety, respect and trust. This law ensures that patients are protected against sexual assault by medical professionals and that perpetrators will be held accountable under the law,” said Gov. Healey. “We are grateful to the legislature and our law enforcement partners for working to end this dangerous loophole so that victims can get the justice they deserve.”

Lt. Gov. Kim Driscoll said, “This law is a powerful step toward safeguarding patients and clients in these horrific situations and ensuring that health care professionals who exploit their positions face serious consequences. We are thankful to all our legislative partners and the countless advocates who have been a voice for victims across Massachusetts.”

“This was a very important day for all patients of medical

professionals in Massachusetts.” said Coryn Bina, who was present at the ceremony with her husband, Babak, who both founded BINA Farm Center in Lexington. “Although there are great support systems in Boston, including the Victim Rights Law Center who provides free legal support for sexual assault survivors, we needed to equip prosecutors with the right tools to hold medical professionals accountable when they break the law.”

“Doctors and religious leaders are trusted individuals in our communities. We expect to be safe in their care, not at risk for sexual abuse,” said Stacy Malone, Executive Director of the Victim Rights Law Center, headquartered on Beacon Hill. “This legislation simultaneously sends the message to sexual assault survivors that we believe them and the message to perpetrators who exploit their power to harm others that they will now be prosecuted.”

This legislation eliminates lack of consent as an element of a sexual assault or rape prosecution if the agreement to sexual contact was procured by a false representation by a health care provider or clergy member that the contact was for a legitimate treatment or counseling purpose. This closes a loophole in existing law that made it difficult to prosecute these cases due to a requirement of proof of lack of consent, even where the consent was fraudulently obtained. Now



Gov. Maura Healey, Coryn and Babak Bina and Lt. Gov. Kim Driscoll.

PHOTO COURTESY JOSH QUALLS

perpetrators could face up to 20 years in state prison for knowingly inducing a patient or client to engage in sexual intercourse by false misrepresentation during the course of diagnosis or treatment.

“We know – as lawmakers and citizens – that consent obtained through fraud is not consent. This bill, passed by the legislature and signed by our Governor, says to patients and survivors, ‘We will support and protect you by closing

this loophole now,” said Speaker Pro Tempore Kate Hogan (D - Stow), House Sponsor of the bill. “I would like to thank Speaker Ron Mariano, Chair of Ways and Means Aaron Michlewitz, Judiciary Chair Mike Day, and my colleagues in the House for passing this bill for the second consecutive Session and proving steadfast commitment to victims of sexual abuse. I would also like to thank DA Marian Ryan for advocating clarity over ambiguity in these sit-

uations and being my partner in this effort.”

“Trust is the foundation of the relationship between a doctor and a patient, and when that trust is abused to commit sexual assault, there must be clear and meaningful punishment,” said Senate Minority Leader Bruce Tarr (R-Gloucester). “This bill will ensure that such punishment is available, and that prosecutors and victims have the tools they need to bring justice to these types of cases.”

Gibson Sotheby's INTERNATIONAL REALTY

Open House | Sunday, October 13th from 12:00PM – 2:00PM
New Unit Available at Waterfront Building in Admiral's Hill, Chelsea

160 Commandants Way, Unit 106
2 Beds | 2 Baths | 1,165 Sq. Ft. | Offered for \$590,000

Move right in to a desirable, well managed, waterfront building! Totally renovated with an open floor plan; dining area flows into living room with slider out to patio and small yard. Kitchen has been renovated with 42" cabinets, granite and new appliances. Bathrooms also renovated, one with walk-in shower. In-unit washer/dryer. The Complex amenities include: Pools, Tennis Courts and walking paths through a 23-acre waterfront park. Conveniently located minutes from Boston, close to shopping, major highways and Logan Airport. Deeded parking space included.



Joan Donahue
Exclusive Listing Agent
Joan.Donahue@GibsonSIR.com
617.513.3376

Each office is independently owned and operated.

The Independent Newspaper Group
offices will be closed on Columbus Day,
Monday,
October 14, 2024



Ad deadline is
Friday Oct. 11th

OBITUARIES

All obituaries and death notices will be at a cost of \$150.00 per paper. Includes photo.No word Limit. Please send to obits@reverejournal.com or call 781-485-0588