



# CHARLESTOWN

PATRIOT-BRIDGE

## FAMILY FUN DAY AT DOHERTY PARK



Photo by Derek Kouyoumjian

Luke Bader is wary of the perils of the hedgehog hole in the mini-golf course during the Charlestown BCYF/Christ Church Family Fun Day in Doherty Park on June 28. The event was the result of a brainstorm session with Community Center Director Bob McGann and Christ Church Pastor JD Mangrum over breakfast.

## Bill McGonagle to retire this month Absolutely certain Bunker Hill housing project redevelopment will happen without him

By Seth Daniel

Boston Housing Authority (BHA) Administrator Bill McGonagle announced this week he will retire – or in his terms, ‘transition’ – from his longtime post at the BHA, and he will do so with absolute confidence that the massive Bunker Hill redevelopment will move forward without him at the helm.

“I’m not using the word retirement,” he joked on Tuesday, after announcing on Monday his departure from the agency after 40 years.

He noted he still has a ceramic lamp in his living room given to him years ago by the Senior Citizens ceramics class at the Golden Age Center on Main Street. That was something that symbolized his time at the BHA more than anything, as a man who grew up in South Boston public housing developments and shared a unique bond – rather than the animosity some directors have – with residents in Charlestown and

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## Residents, officials upset over late-night ‘Revolution’ rally

By Seth Daniel

A late-night flash mob rally by about 20 members of a separatist

group often associated with white supremacy movements staged an elaborate event last Saturday, July 6, at the Bunker Hill Monument

that has residents and elected officials upset – and federal and local law enforcement investigating.

It was around 11:30 p.m. on a quiet Saturday night amidst the Independence Day holiday when two residents – a husband and wife who asked to remain anonymous – looked out their window when a sudden commotion on Monument Square broke out.

To their shock, about 17 to 20 people were parading through the streets with red flares, smoke



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A photo posted on Patriot Front Massachusetts social media shows their membership at the Bunker Hill Monument last Saturday night, July 6. The incident has sparked an investigation by the Boston Police and federal law enforcement. Neighbors reported being terrified by the flash mob rally, but many confronted them as well.

## Historic Navy Yard Festival set for May 2020

By Seth Daniel

Next May, two of the most famous and iconic ships in America will link arms and sail into Boston Harbor together – the Mayflower II and USS Constitution will proceed to the Navy Yard next year for a five-day maritime celebration.

The Mayflower Sails 2020 organization came to the Navy Yard Monday to announce that the newly-restored Mayflower will celebrate its renovation and the 400<sup>th</sup> year of the Pilgrims’ voyage in Charlestown Navy Yard.

“Can you imagine the nation’s two most historic and iconic ships sailing together for the first time right into the Charlestown Navy Yard?” asked Stephen Brodeur, Mayflower Sails 2020 Chair and Founding Sponsor. “It’s going to be fantastic.”

Mayflower Sails 2020

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## USS CONSTITUTION SETS SAIL

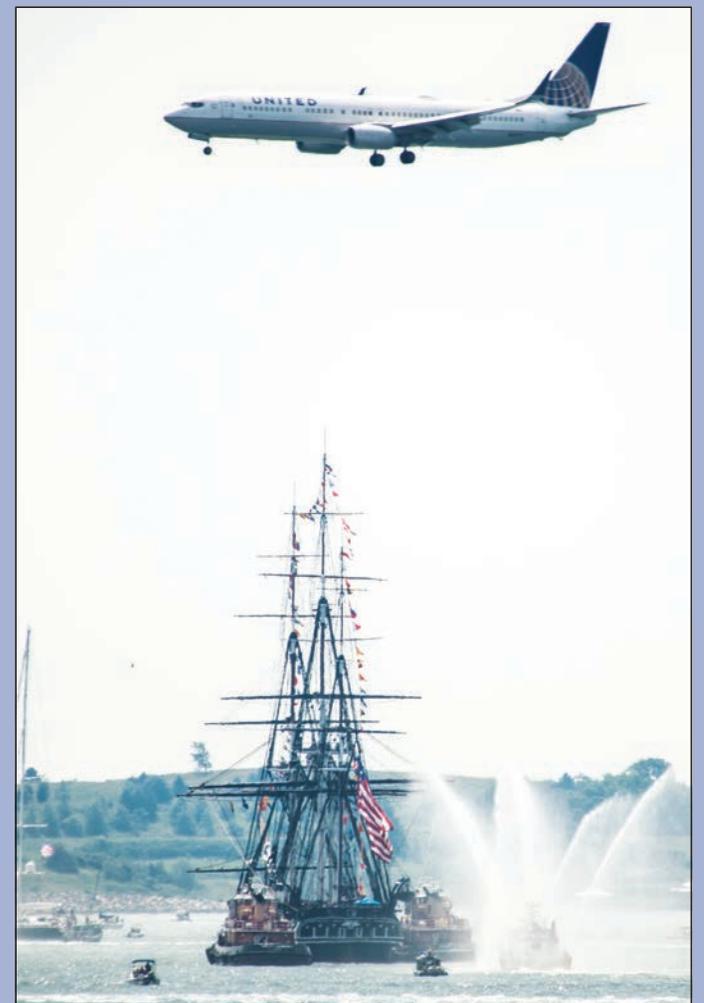


Photo by Derek Kouyoumjian

AIR, LAND AND SEA: A plane descends above the Boston Fire boat and the USS Constitution, as the historic Naval ship heads out from Boston Harbor to turn back at Castle Island on July 4 – as seen from the Nantucket Lightboat during that boat’s annual Independence Day Fundraiser. The crew of Constitution was ready and excited to do the annual Independence Day “underway.” Some 150 lucky citizens from across the country were on board after having won a nationwide lottery.

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# EDITORIAL

## MAKE THE MOST OF SUMMER

Our founding publisher, Andrew P. Quigley, who lived an extraordinary life, used to say, "When you look back on your life, you realize that all you really have is a lot of memories."

What brings these words to mind is the realization that the long, hot summer is upon us. With school out and the excitement of the Fourth of July behind us, we now have arrived at what often are referred to as the dog days of summer -- humid, steamy, and languid -- that have burned indelible memories into our mind's eye from our earliest childhood into adulthood.

For those of us who live in the Greater Boston area, numerous vacation spots, from the mountains and lakes of Maine and New Hampshire, to the pastoral serenity of the Berkshires, to the world-famous beaches of Cape Cod and the islands, are within a short distance.

The Greater Boston area itself is full of summertime pleasures and recreational opportunities, whether it be a visit to the 15 beaches maintained by the state, boating in our beautiful Boston Harbor and nearby environs, concerts at numerous venues, or taking in the vibrancy of the Boston waterfront scene.

However, what summertime always has meant to us -- the time we spend with our families, friends, and children -- reinforces the notion that the best things in life are free.

While life itself is short and passes all too quickly, summer is even briefer. There are just seven weeks from now until Labor Day weekend (how depressing is that?). All of us will lament, "Where did the summer go?" when we return to work and school on the day after Labor Day, Sept. 2.

Let's make sure that when we do so, we can look back on a summer that created memories that will last a lifetime for ourselves and for those whom we love.

## CONGRATULATIONS, U.S. WOMEN'S SOCCER

Every now and then the accomplishments of an individual athlete or team will transcend whatever it is that they have achieved in the world of sports. Prime examples include the late Muhammad Ali and the 1980 U.S. Olympic hockey team.

In our view, the incredible run by the U.S. Women's Soccer team during the recent World Cup in France that culminated with Sunday's 2-0 victory over the Netherlands in the championship game is one of those events that made us proud to be Americans far beyond their feat of winning a world title.

Not only did the team prove to be the best in the world on the pitch itself, game-after-game, with thrilling victories over Spain, France, and England in the knockout rounds, but off the field, they were incredible representatives for our nation and women the world over.

Beyond their amazing athleticism, the U.S. women displayed grit, class, and smarts. Unlike some players on other teams who were a bit "chippy," the American women were strong without resorting to rough behavior and never lost their cool.

Moreover, the U.S. team displayed an unbridled joy for the game that all too often is lacking in sports in these days, all the way from youth to the professional levels.

Jill Ellis, the U.S. coach, noted afterwards that her team members not only were outstanding soccer players, but they also were wonderful people who were superlative teammates and supportive of each other.

With the U.S. women suing U.S. Soccer for equal pay with the men's team, as well as the comments from some members of the team about the politics existent in the country today, the 2019 team's accomplishments on the field may be remembered a generation from now as less significant than the changes they are seeking to bring about in the perception of women athletes by society at large.

We are grateful for the excitement the USNWT brought to us during the past month. We know that their team will serve as an inspiration for future soccer players, both boys and girls, and we are hopeful that they will be able to bring about much-needed changes in the realm of gender equality in the sporting world.



## GUEST OP-ED

### How we're working to ensure the Boston Police Department reflects and serves our neighborhoods

By Mayor Martin J. Walsh

Last month, we welcomed the Boston Police Academy's newest recruits. These men and women had spent the last six months learning to serve and protect the people of Boston with the highest standards of excellence and professionalism. As each recruit crossed the stage, they stopped to shake hands with me and Commissioner Gross. It was a powerful experience meeting each and every new member of our city's police department, which is the oldest—and the best—in the nation.

Among these recruits are veterans, former teachers, and youth sports coaches. Many of them brought their families, friends, and loved ones up on stage with them. It was a powerful reminder of the deep connections our police officers share with our community.

This graduating class also reflects Boston's rich diversity of languages, cultures, backgrounds, and religions. It includes more people of color than any class in recent memory, and the largest group of former cadets to graduate from the academy since we reinstated the cadet program in 2015.

The cadet program is a paid, on-the-job training program for young people in Boston's neigh-

borhoods. It prepares them for the rigors of the Police Academy, and connects a more diverse pool of candidates with local careers in law enforcement.

When I was elected Mayor, I made it a priority to reinstate the cadet program. I saw it as a powerful way to make our police department more representative of the people it serves. In the four years since we brought the cadet program back, the results have spoken for themselves.

Sixty-three percent of cadets have been people of color, representing Boston's Black, Latinx, Asian, and Native American communities. The percentage of female cadets has steadily increased, and the current 2019

cohort of cadets is exactly fifty percent female.

To see how significant these numbers are, take a look at the national landscape. Throughout the United States, about 25 percent of police officers are people of color, and about 15 percent are women. The Boston Cadet program is pushing doors wide open for a much more diverse, more inclusive police department in Boston.

A diverse police force is crucial to our public safety strategy. It helps ensure that our men and women in uniform deeply understand the challenges people are facing in our neighborhoods. It also helps build trust between our

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# CLERGY VIEWPOINT

FROM THE CHARLESTOWN CLERGY ASSOCIATION

## Who is my neighbor

By Very Reverend James Ronan, VF – Pastor, St. Mary-St. Catherine of Siena Parish

Who would not want to ask that question – or better still, receive the answer to a question about how best to find a way to Heaven? Life is crazy, surprisingly brief, and filled with unexpected twists and turns. Unless you believe this sweet journey in Charlestown is all there is and that our beloved who have died before us are gone forever, you join the multitudes who are looking hopefully to the horizon.

And so it is, the Jewish scholar of the law poses the question to Jesus: What must I do to inherit eternal life? Jesus directs the scholar of the law to search within for the answer, “What is written in the Law? How do you read it?” Jesus asks him. In response, the scholar accurately recites the beautiful Jewish prayer, The Shema: “You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind,

and your neighbor as yourself.” The questioner himself accurately answered the question asked.

Then, the scholar asks this profound question: “And, who is my neighbor?” As you may recall, Jesus again leaves it to the scholar to decide for himself by relaying a story about the fellow who was traveling on the road from Jerusalem to Jericho and was robbed, stripped, beaten, and left for dead. After a priest and a Levite had chosen to pass by the stricken victim, a Samaritan came upon the man and selflessly cared for him. To the Jewish community at that time, a Samaritan was held in very low regard. And yet, when Jesus asked the scholar who had been a neighbor to the beaten man, the answer was of course, the Samaritan. The story concludes as Jesus tells the scholar to “go and do likewise.”

It seems to me inescapable to not apply this story to my own

life and my community and even to my beloved country. For the conclusion seems to be that the path to heaven is wide open to the one who does love God and genuinely cares for whoever is in my path and is in need. And we all know that every day our paths encounter persons in need.

The stories of how our country is caring for children and families at our southern boarder shame me. I believe indifference and apathy in the face of such atrocities makes me culpable. Perhaps you recall that challenging statement by Eldridge Cleaver: If you are not part of the solution, you are part of the problem.

Wherever and whenever we see and know of another's suffering, I think we are compelled to do something, whatever that may be and as insignificant as that might seem, taken together and in faith, it will make a difference.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### ANOTHER SUCCESS

Dear Editor:

The Harvest on Vine Food Pantry wants to thank everyone involved in making our 2nd Annual Cookout on June 12, a success. Only through your generosity in donating your time to volunteer and contributions of food and activities to entertain the crowd, were we able to serve the over 350 residents who were in attendance.

In particular I would like to thank the Bunker Hill Associates for allowing us to be included

in this year's Charlestown Pride Week, Kayem Foods and volunteer Jeremy Hruma for donating the hot dogs, the Boston Fire Department Engine 50 for letting the children climb on board and give each of them their own fire hat, Tom Grant with his Shriner's Fire Engine, Oscar the Music Man, Joe Zavanti from Memorial Hall for the use of their Corn Hole games and Turn it Around for their face painting skills and all around volunteering. Special gratitude to City Councils At Large Michael Flaherty for donating the slush

truck and Michelle Wu for delivering cases full of snacks. Both were quite a hit with all ages. Our thanks also go out to Rep. Danny Ryan and City Councilor Lydia Edwards for attending and greeting each person with a "Happy Bunker Hill Day" wish.

Thank you Charlestown for, once again, being the wonderful neighborhood you are. We're now looking forward to our 3rd cookout next year with the hope that you will join us.

Sincerely,

Tom MacDonald, Director

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police and the people they serve, so that residents feel safe coming forward and asking for help.

Our police officers are trusted and familiar faces in our neighborhoods. They are an important part of a support system for our communities—working with public health, social service, and youth work professionals.

This is what community policing looks like, and it has helped make Boston one of the safest cities in America. Our crime rate has fallen by roughly 25 percent over the last five years. This year alone, major crime is down by

about 10 percent. Our motto is that we keep Boston safe by “lifting people up, not locking people up.”

Diversifying and strengthening the Boston Police Department is part of a broader, citywide commitment. We're working with the State to create a cadet program for the Boston Fire Department. And through our CityAcademy hiring initiative and improved outreach, we're drawing from a more diverse candidate pool for EMT's and paramedics. This commitment extends beyond public safety and first respond-

ers—it's about every part of city government. My cabinet is the most diverse in the history of our city, and nearly half of all full-time city employees hired over the last five years have been people of color.

Together, we'll continue building a culture of trust and resilience across all our neighborhoods, replicating the success of the cadet program, and continuing to push doors wide open for everyone in Boston.

Martin J. Walsh is the Mayor of Boston.

## Townie Tidbits

By Sal Giarratani

### ALWAYS REMEMBER WHAT OUR FLAG STANDS FOR EVERY DAY

The U.S. flag is under attack today, as are most of the values we grew up with. No one has ever said America is perfect. We have been far from perfect since the Founding Fathers created this democratic republic of ours.

The flag stands for our ideals, which were also the ideals of Thomas Jefferson, Ben Franklin, John Adams, etc. Many times, our actions and ideals have not always worked well together, but over time, our ideals make it into practice. Just like a human organism, we have matured and evolved into a much better nation over time.

Charlestown is about as sacred a shrine of this nation as anywhere else. The Battle of Bunker Hill was where we shed our first blood in the name of liberty. We may have lost that one battle, but in the end, it was the place that begot America.

I can remember how proud the U.S. was back during the American Bicentennial in the 1970s. For Bostonians, it started in December of 1970, remembering the Boston Massacre, and ended nearly six years later on the Fourth of July in 1976. We weren't calling our Founding Fathers hypocrites, and we weren't demeaning their struggle. We weren't trying to remove their faces from our currency, and we weren't hiding their statues in closets.

In 1975, I remember watching the Bunker Hill Day Parade as we showed our American pride. We enjoyed that day and every day that we were free Americans.

Today, those who simply do not believe in American liberty are eating up our core values, language and culture. They do not believe in open dialogue or honest debate. They want to break us apart, along with the statues they no longer hold dear.

I am proud of living in the best country in the world, where any of

us can act out as badly as we wish and still have the right to do so.

I really don't care what Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez or Colin Kaepernick thinks. I believe in an America that continues to grow, but when we stop remembering our past, we will injure our future.

Every single one of us knows the Bill of Rights has our backs. When we stop believing in that, we end up with the likes of thugs wearing masks and breaking the heads of those they disagree with. And where is law enforcement? Rarely seen in places like Portland, Ore., these days.

I voted for President Trump in 2016, like I voted for President Nixon in 1972. When our national walls get crumbled down, we sometimes have no choice when picking our presidents. I am not sorry I voted for both Nixon and Trump. My vote was less about them and more about my country and my democratic republic. We survived Nixon, and President Trump too will pass. However, these attacks against Trump are brutal and unending. The so-called “Resistance” doesn't believe he is legitimate, but he is. They want to blame the Russians or anything to make them feel justified in their stupidity.

When 2020 rolls around, unless I find a better candidate, I will repeat my 2016 vote for Trump. I will have no choice. I was born and raised a Democrat. Back in 1968, if I been old enough to vote, I would have chosen Bobby Kennedy, but a guy named Sirhan Sirhan murdered him in some hotel kitchen out in California.

The American Dream still lives. It is a bit tattered, but our flag still stands. It doesn't represent perfection, it represents who we are and who we want to be as a people. Stop yelling and start working together to make America a nation to be proud of again.

Charlestown, U.S.A., is America's hometown, and don't you forget it. And Boston is still that City on a Hill.

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# DOWN TIME HARVARD KENT STUDENTS BURY A TIME CAPSULE

Photos by Seth Daniel

The Harvard-Kent School buried a time capsule on Thursday, June 13, in the front of their building. The capsule contained newspaper reports on their school from this past school year, as well as sports information, brochures, fliers and other mementos.

Principal Jason Gallagher and Teacher Sandra Bastianelli had second graders participate in the ceremony, which included a rousing, original song performed by the students and their music teacher – a song called ‘We are the Harvard-Kent Time Capsule; We are the future.’

The Time Capsule will be unearthed in a few years for the school’s 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary party, which is in 2022.



Hanley Pena, Jasmine Lin, Alaa Graoui and Derrick Felix sing the Harvard Kent Time Capsule song while holding the placard that was buried on top of the capsule.



Principal Jason Gallagher places the time capsule in its burial site outside the school.



Second-graders at the Harvard-Kent celebrate the successful placement of the time capsule.

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*Housing inventory is still under the 6-month supply that is needed for a normal housing market.* This means that, in the majority of the country, there are not enough homes for sale to satisfy the number of buyers in the market.
- 3 There Will Never Be a Better Time to Move Up**  
Prices are projected to appreciate by 4.8% over the next year according to CoreLogic. If you are moving to a higher-priced home, *it will wind up costing you more in both down payment & mortgage payment, if you wait.*
- 4 It's Time To Move On With Your Life**  
Look at the reason you decided to sell in the first place and determine whether it is worth waiting. Perhaps the time has come for you and your family to move on and *start living the life you desire.*

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The plaque that signifies the time capsule's location and its opening date.



JaLacy Tejada shows off her Harvard-Kent Time Capsule home-date.



Teacher Sandra Bastianelli speaks with students about the meaning of a time capsule.

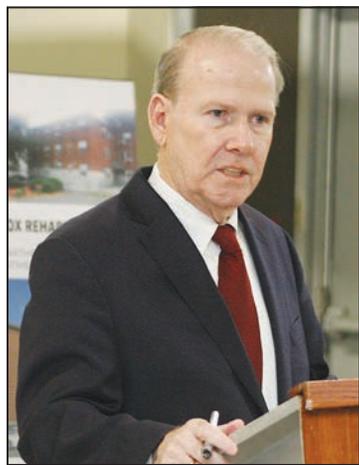
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all over Boston.

“That’s one thing I am particularly proud of in my career,” he said. “Having grown up in public housing, I think that has given me a unique perspective and allowed me to develop personal relationships with our residents. I have the capacity to empathize, not sympathize, with the...challenges they’re going through...I’m on a first-name basis with our resident leadership and residents all over the city.”

McGonagle will retire on July 26, but it won’t be an end to his career.



*Boston Housing Authority (BHA) Administrator Bill McGonagle announced this week he will retire on July 26, but that he also has “every confidence” the Bunker Hill development will proceed to construction next year without him at the helm.*

After having worked a time as a janitor/groundskeeper at the BHA in the early 1970s, he pursued a degree at UMass Boston and worked with teenagers in Brighton and South Boston. Now, he said, he wants to return to that in a way, spending his time working with young people in recovery.

“Before I was at the Housing Authority, my first professional job was youth work,” he said. “I’m planning on doing some work in the recovery community, probably with young people, so I’m going to be busy.”

However, with the news of McGonagle leaving the agency – after truly spearheading the effort over the last five years to bring in the Bunker Hill redevelopment project – many are left wondering if a void in leadership will mean another delay in the project.

He said he had no doubt the project would continue, and he also said if there were any doubts, he would have delayed his retirement.

“I have every confidence the Bunker Hill Housing Development (project) is in a very solid place to move forward and proceed,” he said. “I fully expect there will be a groundbreaking

next year. We have a plan that works financially, a plan that works architecturally and I have full confidence there will be a groundbreaking in the effort...some time next year...If I did not have every confidence this wasn’t set to go, I would have delayed my retirement from this job.”

McGonagle, 67, said he began his work at the Housing Authority in the 1980s when he responded to a help wanted ad in *The Boston Globe*. At the time, the BHA was under court-ordered receivership, and they had a position for an investigator.

After doing that for a year, he and five others were accepted into a leadership management training internship – which required classes at Boston University, as well as extensive work in the field.

That was followed up by assistant manager and manager positions for the Old Colony Housing Development in South Boston, and then the area director of elderly housing – which included several renovations to the old General Warren development in Charlestown.

That was followed up by a very challenging assignment as executive assistant to former Director Doris Bunte. While the job title might not reflect it, the position was all about racially integrating public housing in Charlestown and South Boston. That effort was quite dangerous, and there were threats and violent vandalism that transpired against him, and also against the residents he was trying to integrate.

His work in that position earned him a promotion in 1993 to deputy administrator, where he served for 17 years before being appointed by late Mayor Tom Menino to administrator in 2009. He was re-appointed by Mayor Martin Walsh as well.

“When I got here decades ago during receivership, public housing in the city was in horrendous condition,” he said. “We had 4,000 vacant units throughout the city. Rows and rows of abandoned – not even boarded-up buildings. Some in those days said public housing was described as free fire zones where no rules applied...It was a team effort to turn that around, an extraordinary team. But this agency has come a long, long way from when I first got here 40 years ago.”

Nowadays, many of the developments have been refurbished, including Mission Main (Mission Hill), Orchard Park (Roxbury), Maverick (East Boston), Franklin Hill (Dorchester), West Broadway (South Boston) and Washington Beech (Roslindale). Additionally, three are in construction, including Orient Heights (East Boston), Old Colony (South Boston), and

Whittier Street (Roxbury).

Three are also in the works, including Bunker Hill, Mildred Hailey (Jamaica Plain) and Mary Ellen McCormick (South Boston).

The accomplishments are a long way from a kitchen table at

47 Russell St., which is the place his grandfather was born when the family moved from Donegal, Ireland to Charlestown.

“That was my ancestral home so to speak,” he said. “My grandfather about 105 years ago was

born on the kitchen table, quite frankly, at 47 Russell St. That counts for something I think.”

There have been no announcements as to his successor, but that appointment will come from Mayor Walsh after July 26.

## Become a Townie Mentor!

Looking to make a difference in a young person’s life? We are seeking Charlestown residents, at least 18 years of age, who have the availability and passion to mentor, guide and encourage Charlestown youth. It’s only a couple of hours a month, but the time spent together will make a huge impact in the life of a teen, and on you!

To find out more, join us as we kick off this initiative with an information session with **Michael Wright, Community Engagement & Recruitment Coordinator for Big Brothers Big Sisters**, where you can learn more about becoming a mentor, and the steps to sign up:

### Learn more at our Coffee Hour! (Coffee & Pastries Provided)

- **What: Big Brothers Big Sisters Information Session**
- **Where: Anna's Cafe (275 Medford St, Charlestown)**
- **When: July 16, 2019 @ 7:30 am - 9:00 am**
- **Why: By increasing the number of mentors in Charlestown, we can empower, ignite, and defend the potential of youth in our community for generations to come!**



To register for this exciting event, please email Michael Wright ([mwright@bbbsmb.org](mailto:mwright@bbbsmb.org)) by **Friday, July 12<sup>th</sup>**. For more info., visit [www.massbaybig.org](http://www.massbaybig.org)



## MAYFLOWER SAILS 2020 *(from pg. 1)*

announced the free maritime festival where the *Mayflower* will come to Boston for the first time since its restoration will take place next spring, May 14 through 19, 2020, in the Charlestown Navy Yard. History will come to life on board the ship and in the park to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the Pilgrims' historic 1620 voyage.

This inclusive and accessible event makes history engaging and brings it to life by offering a variety of programming for visitors of all ages. *Mayflower* will sail to Boston from Connecticut where the ship's owner, Plimoth Plantation, has been restoring her at Mystic Seaport Museum so that the public will have the chance to board the ship for free and learn about the historic event that was the cornerstone for what would become the United States of America. Plimoth Plantation's living history educators will offer a glimpse into life aboard the ship and staff from the Museum's Indigenous program will present engaging programming for the public throughout the event.

Mayor Martin Walsh and Gov. Charlie Baker were also on hand

to make the announcement, as well as Michael Creasey, superintendent of the National Parks of Boston.

"Mayflower Sails 2020 will provide important access to this historic ship as it debuts after its restoration, part of the Commonwealth's efforts throughout 2020 to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the Pilgrims' arrival," said Baker. "We are honored that the restored *Mayflower* will then remain open to the public in Plymouth Harbor under the continued stewardship of Plimoth Plantation."

Said Walsh, "The City of Boston is excited to welcome the *Mayflower* to our harbor in 2020. This festival is a great way to kick off a decade marking Massachusetts' contributions to American history leading up to the 400th anniversary of Boston in 2030. We hope that families from far and wide will visit us for this educational, cultural and entertaining experience in the Charlestown Navy Yard."

The original *Mayflower* sailed back to England in April of 1621, where it was later sold in ruins. The

second *Mayflower*, which is the ship that will sail to Boston next year, was designed by MIT-trained naval architect William Avery Baker for Plimoth Plantation. The ship is a full-scale reproduction of the one the Pilgrims sailed and was built in the mid-1950s in Brixham, England, intended to be a gift to the people of America from the people of England in honor of the friendships formed during World War II. Since her arrival in 1957, *Mayflower* has been an educational exhibit of Plimoth Plantation and will return to her berth in historic Plymouth Harbor after the Mayflower Sails 2020 event.

Mayflower Sails 2020 will provide family-friendly programming and entertainment throughout the six days it is celebrated in Charlestown Navy Yard, including:

- Tours of the ship
  - Live music, including a special Rock the Dock concert
  - Education for schools and nonprofits
  - Food and beverages for purchase, including food trucks and a beer garden
  - VIP speakers
- Additional events and more



Gov. Charlie Baker and Mayor Martin Walsh unfurl the *Mayflower Sails 2020* banner in the Charlestown Navy Yard on Monday afternoon. Officials and the National Parks of Boston announced that the *Mayflower II* will be coming to the Navy Yard in May 2020 for a five-day maritime festival.

details will be announced over the course of the coming months. The event is free, but ticketed and tickets will be available in early 2020.

## REVOLUTION RALLY *(from pg. 1)*

bombs and bullhorns shouting chants that bordered on racist mantras – all the while carefully filming the dramatic scene. The residents said the group then moved quickly up to the Monument and unfurled a banner that read 'Revolution is Tradition' while shouting through the bullhorn and lighting off flares.

As residents, a Park Ranger, Monument visitors and Boston Police began to respond to the commotion, the group fled as quickly as they had emerged – chucking their red flares in the yards of homes and taking off in vehicles that seemingly were tied to Lowell and New York state.

"It was terrifying," said the residents. "It only lasted about five or 10 minutes, but it was coordinated, tactical, planned and very scary to watch. I think they wanted pictures of the Monument. I went out to confront their ideas, and they really just ran away from me...There was so much smoke from the flares, we thought they might have set houses on fire."

Added the other resident, "I felt like they wanted to get pictures of themselves going through a quiet street in Boston where nothing happens and causing what looked like chaos. They had flames, flares, smoke, a message, and threats. It's about intimidation to me."

Both said they want to stand up

to those who think they can come to Charlestown with that kind of ideology and use the Monument and the neighborhood for such purposes. They said they don't believe Charlestown residents stand for this ideology, and they don't think it's right for the neighborhood to be used to promote it.

While officials are not commenting on whom the group is, the Patriot-Bridge and residents have tied the event to the group Patriot Front Massachusetts – which is a secessionist group purporting to fight 'tyranny,' but often associated with other groups bent on racist ideology and white supremacy. The posts on Patriot Front Massachusetts social media showed the event, and it appears more than anything to be some type of recruiting video – though no one would confirm that.

According to Boston Police's John Boyle, they did respond to the incident on July 6, and took a report for a group of 17 to 20 people marching up Monument Avenue and then putting up a banner in front of the General Prescott statue.

The statue did have some minor damage from the flares and some blue paint that got on it, but nothing major was done to it.

He said it is part of an active investigation by both the Boston Police and the federal government.

Michael Creasy, superintendent of the National Parks of Boston, said they had a Law Enforcement Ranger on site that responded, and he said it was a disturbing situation – and disappointing that the Monument was used for such purposes.

"It's disturbing," he said. "I think these places of Patriotic events and heroic events deserve better. These are sacred places. Certainly anyone in America has a right to these places, but we also think this is a special place set aside to remember our fallen heroes and the meaning of Bunker Hill...It was unfortunate and scary as it was performed, but I think it was a performance in its nature."

He said the National Park Service is investigating the incident, which was estimated to have lasted only about five minutes.

If it is indeed the Patriot Front, that is the same group that came to East Boston last February and posted fliers there saying, 'Keep America American.' Three men hailing from Lowell, Malden and New York state were arrested on weapons charges in that incident, but there wasn't much Boston Police could do about the posting and handing out of the fliers due to First Amendment rights.

In Charlestown, elected officials and Mayor Martin Walsh

were taking a firm stand against the group using the Monument for their rally.

In a joint statement, State Rep. Dan Ryan and Councilor Lydia Edwards said such messages are not Patriotic, and not true to the real history of Bunker Hill.

"Racism and bigotry are not patriotic in any form," they wrote. "We denounce actions of groups like the Patriot Front that seek to stoke fear and division. Boston celebrates each and every one of its communities and Bunker Hill in particular stands for, and celebrates, the bravery of this nation's most diverse gathering of patriotic volunteers. At Bunker Hill, Irish Catholics, French Huguenots, Scottish and English Patriots of various denominations, Native Americans, African-Americans - freedmen and slaves - stood together, shoulder to shoulder and confronted the greatest army the world had seen up until that time. This disparate group of individuals shared common beliefs despite varying life stories, and our nation, in the centuries that followed, has continued to enact law after law to fulfill a founding promise that all people are created equal."

Ryan added both have been working with law enforcement on the investigation.

"Councilor Edwards and I have been in communication over this

incident," he said. "We have been in contact with the Boston Police Department and National Parks Service; both departments are working together to determine the extent of this disturbance from a policing matter."

Mayor Martin Walsh praised the residents on Monument Square for coming out and standing up to the group as they began their performance.

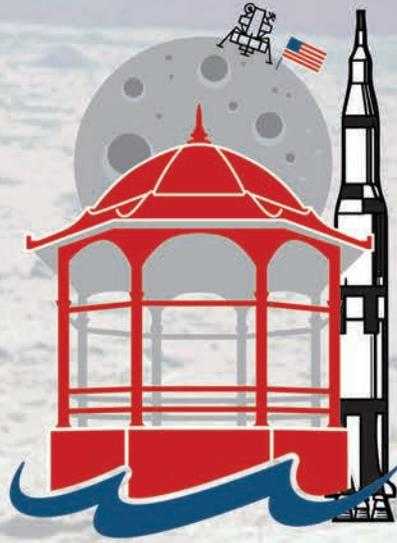
"It was sad and it was not just vandalism, but downright racism," he said. "We're not going to tolerate that...I commend the neighbors here in Charlestown. The neighbors got out of their homes and went up there and confronted these people. There's no place for that here, there's no place for that in Charlestown at the Bunker Hill Monument and what that stands for. We're trying to find out who did this. We're on top of it. I don't want to give it more play than it deserves, but I want to be very careful too. That's very dangerous stuff they're messing around with. When you bring hate into things, it can get really ugly fast. I want to commend the people of Charlestown who stood up to it."

He added that if any neighbors see any further incidents or spot any of the people who were there Saturday, they should once again contact the police immediately.

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# FUN, UNPLUGGED CELL PHONE-FREE FAMILY EVENT AT DOHERTY PLAYGROUND

Photos by Derek Kouyoumjian

Family Day at the Doherty Playground started last year to introduce families in the community to the pool and the playground. No cell phones are allowed

so everyone gets to enjoy each other and the park. This year, held on June 28, mini-golf was added as an additional attraction to the festivities. The neighborhood came out in droves to enjoy the Olmstead-designed park that's been a treasure for the Town since 1895.



Art teacher at Harvard-Kent Carla Marrero, Natalie Mangrum (Christ Church Charlestown pastor JD Mangrum's wife), BCYF Charlestown community center Director Bob McGann, and Christ Church Children's Director Kayla Stephens. The Family Day event was developed between director at the BCYF Charlestown community center Bob McGann and Christ Church Charlestown pastor JD Mangrum over breakfast at the Grasshopper Café and has been a smashing success.



Dancing instructor François Noel (right) shows some salsa moves to Cristina Farias.



Josefina Miranda and her son, Logan, with Tina Goodnow, vice president of Charlestown Resident Alliance (CRA).

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Delia McCrary and Brenna Yanele show that friendship and mini-golf are a good mix.

# FAMILY FUN DAY AT THE DOHERTY PLAYGROUND

## NEIGHBORS MEETING NEIGHBORS



Danny Tilton, Ashley Warner, Sunshine Smith with her daughter, Beautiful Smith, and Keanu Bolt.



John Tribulant, Ricky Cabral, and Sunel Sanchez hit the mini-golf course.



ABOVE, LEFT: Boston Bob Powers with Kylee and Maria Santos.  
ABOVE, RIGHT: Landon Gillen protests the misrepresentation of his golf scorecard, while his mom, Mary, and brother, Travis, attempt to distract him for a family photo.  
LEFT: Eddie Quinns with Carol and Seamus Sullivan show off a stellar mini-golf scorecard.

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## LOCAL STUDENTS RECEIVE **ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS**

### CHARLESTOWN STUDENTS GRADUATE FROM BOSTON COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

On Sunday, May 19, 2019 at Boston College High School's 155th Commencement, President Grace Cotter Regan and the Board of Trustees presented diplomas to 253 members of the class of 2019. Mr. Stephen Hughes, a 1973 graduate of BC High and Principal of the school, gave the address.

Among the graduates were: Matthew John Lakus, who plans on a College Prep year at Pomfret Putnam CT in the fall.

Ronan Xavier O'Hara, who plans on St. Anselm College in the fall.

Daniel R. Sigmund, who graduated with Academic Honors and as a member of the National Honor Society. He plans on Villanova University in the fall.

Boston College High School is a Jesuit, Catholic, college-preparatory school for young men in grades 7 to 12. Founded in 1863, the school enrolls approximately 1,500 students from more than 140 communities in eastern Massachusetts. For more <http://www.bchigh.edu>

### BOSTON COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL THIRD QUARTER HONORS

The following students have been named to the Third Quarter Hionor Roll at Boston College High School.

For High Honors a Soph., Jr., Sr. must have at least a 3.80 quality point average and all grades "C+" or higher. Freshmen need a 3.6 quality point average and all grades "C+" or higher.

For Honors a Soph., Jr., Sr. must have at least a 3.20 quality point average and all grades "C-" or higher. Freshmen need a 3.165 quality point average and all grades "C-" or higher.

Daniel Sigmund 2019 Honors  
Joseph Flanagan 2020 High Honors

James Kenneally 2020 High Honors

William Moody 2020 Honors  
Christopher Reed 2020 High Honors

Joseph Broderick 2022 High Honors

John Flanagan 2022 High Honors

Charles Reitz 2022 Honors  
Alexander Velsmid 2022 Honors

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a Jesuit, Catholic, college-preparatory school for young men founded in 1863. The school enrolls approximately 1500 students from more than 100 communities in eastern Massachusetts.

### PARENT NAMED TO PRESIDENT'S LIST AT BRYANT UNIVERSITY

Bryant University is committed to the pursuit, recognition, and celebration of academic success. Alexander Parent, class of 2020, from Charlestown, has been named to the President's List for the spring 2019 semester. The President's List is an academic distinction reserved for Bryant's highest achievers who earn a GPA of 4.0 or better for at least 12 semester hours of work.

Congratulations to Alexander on this outstanding achievement!

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### MCGARRY GRADUATES FROM COMMONWEALTH SCHOOL

Elizabeth McGarry of Charlestown graduated from Commonwealth School on June 7, 2019 and will attend Macalester College in the fall.

McGarry was recognized as a National Merit Commended Scholar.

Commonwealth School, located in Boston's Back Bay, is an independent co-ed day school enrolling approximately 150 students in Grades 9 to 12. Founded by educator and philanthropist Charles Merrill, Jr., the school is noted for its intellectual energy, connections to the city, and robust art, music, and athletic programs, all supported by a close-knit school community. Its alumni include actor Hamish Linklater, diplomat and author Peter Galbraith, musician

Evan Dando, actress and filmmaker Kasi Lemmons, and geneticist David Altshuler.

### KULICH RECOGNIZED FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AT TUFTS UNIVERSITY

Alexandra Kulich was named to the dean's list at Tufts University for the Spring 2019 semester. Dean's list honors at Tufts University require a semester grade point average of 3.4 or greater.

Tufts University, located on campuses in Boston, Medford/Somerville and Grafton, Massachusetts, and in Talloires, France, is recognized among the premier research universities in the United States. Tufts enjoys a global reputation for academic excellence and for the preparation of students as leaders in a wide range of professions. A growing number of innovative teaching and research initiatives span all Tufts campuses, and collaboration among the faculty and students in the undergraduate, graduate and professional programs across the university's schools is widely encouraged.

### LAPHAM HAS BEEN NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST

Andrew Lapham of Charlestown has been named to the University of Delaware's Dean's List for the Spring 2019 semester.

To meet eligibility requirements for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled full-time and earn a GPA of 3.33 or above (on a 4.0 scale) for the semester.

### PARKER EARNS DEGREE FROM CONNECTICUT COLLEGE

Katherine Quentin Parker of Charlestown was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree in Film Studies from Connecticut College at the 101st commencement ceremony on May 19.

The 403 members of Connecticut College's Class of 2019 were addressed by President Katherine Bergeron and Columbia professors of biological sciences Tulle Hazelrigg and Martin Chalfie. Chalfie was awarded the 2008 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his introduction of Green Fluorescent Protein (GFP) as a biological marker. Hazelrigg was the first person to use green flu-

orescent protein (GFP) in fruit flies and the first to create fusions of GFP attached to another protein-an advance that has changed the way biological research is conducted. The class speaker was Issraa Faiz '19, an international relations major with minors in Africana studies and film studies.

Founded in 1911, Connecticut College is a highly selective private liberal college located on a 750-acre arboretum campus overlooking Long Island Sound and the Thames River. Our innovative educational approach, Connections, integrates everything our 1,800 students experience here-classes, majors, study abroad, internships, residence hall and campus life-so they learn how to look at problems from multiple angles and find value in differing points of view. Our mission is to educate students to put the liberal arts into action as citizens in a global society. For more information, see [www.conncoll.edu](http://www.conncoll.edu) or find us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn.

### MURRAY STUDYING ABROAD THROUGH ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

Daniel P. Murray of Charlestown is participating in a St. Lawrence University off-campus study abroad program during the Summer 2019 semester.

Murray is a member of the Class of 2022. Murray attended Vermont Academy. Murray is participating in St. Lawrence University's summer off-campus program in United Kingdom.

Nearly three-quarters of St. Lawrence University undergraduates study abroad, with nearly two-thirds of students studying abroad for a semester or longer. According to the 2018 Open Doors Report on International Educational Exchange, St. Lawrence ranked No. 18 in the "Leading Institutions by Duration-Baccalaureate" category.

The Princeton Review ranked St. Lawrence 15th for Most Popular Study Abroad Programs in its Best 381 Colleges: 2017 Edition, while Best Choice Schools named St. Lawrence University one of the top-20 colleges in the nation for study abroad opportunities.

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### KULICH GRADUATES FROM TUFTS UNIVERSITY

Alexandra Kulich of Charlestown graduated from Tufts University on May 19, 2019 with a degree in Civil Engineering (BSCE), Cum Laude during a university-wide commencement ceremony that featured an address by award-winning actress and activist Alfre Woodard.

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### NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST AT UNH

The following students have been named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire for the spring 2019 semester.

Grace Callahan of Charlestown earning High Honors

Elizabeth Pardy of Charlestown earning High Honors

Students named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire are students who have earned recognition through their superior scholastic performance during a semester enrolled in a full-time course load (12 or more graded credits). Highest honors are awarded to students who earn a semester grade point average of 3.85 or better out of a possible 4.0. Students with a 3.65 to 3.84 average are awarded high honors and students whose grade point average is 3.5 through 3.64 are awarded honors.

The University of New Hampshire  
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# Kennedy Center ready for leadership transition this summer

By Seth Daniel

The Kennedy Center social service agency – a 50-year-old institution in the Town – is proceeding through a transition in leadership this summer as Director Terry Kennedy heads toward retirement and new Director Thara Fuller steps in to begin leading the agency forward.

The Kennedy Center is a beloved organization in Hayes Square, and has served generations of residents in the Town over its 50-year history – doing everything from providing preschool to summer lunch to fire victim aid to senior activities.

Kennedy has led the organization for the past seven years, taking it to a new level of financial and programmatic stability, and now he is ready to pass the baton to Fuller.

“This is a good time for a transition,” he said. “It’s a good time from my perspective. The agency is in good financial shape. We have interesting things going on programmatically...I had approached the Board last year and we put a deadline for my retirement at the end of this month. Last spring we began a search for a new director. We put all the candidates through a rigorous process and a good process. We had great candidates and at the end of the day, I think we found a great new director.”

That new director is Thara Fuller, who comes to the Kennedy Center after working for an Open



*New Kennedy Center Director Thara Fuller has taken the reins this month from Director Terry Kennedy. Kennedy has led the Center for more than seven years, and taken it to a strong financial and programmatic position. He will be part-time starting in August as Fuller takes over.*

Circle social-emotional learning program in Wellesley. She hails from Vermont, and before Wellesley, was the director of after-school programming for a public school district there. She was also a fifth-grade teacher, and comes from a family of teachers, she said

“I want to hear the sentiment from people about the Kennedy Center and I want to know what the community wants now,” she said. “I’m very happy to be here, and the community has been really friendly from the start. The agency is in really good shape and it provides very high-quality programs for the children.”

While Fuller has started already, Kennedy will continue on through July and stay in a part-time role to help strategize for the future and apply for grant money.

One of the key elements, he said, was stepping up as the Kennedy Center has always done, to attract new families to the programming. The Kennedy Center, both said, will be a Charlestown location for the City of Boston’s new Universal Pre-K program – meaning that there will be Boston Public Schools Pre-K classrooms in the Center. That effort, combined with the pressing need for families in Charlestown to have affordable early education, will be

an initiative for Fuller.

“Thara will be looking at just how we can expand our offerings,” Kennedy said. “We added two toddler rooms a couple of years ago. We’re looking at options in our physical plant, in our buildings, and the land we own. That’s in the early exploratory stages, but we know the need is there. Over our 50 year history, we’ve always seen the needs and stepped up to fill gaps. We’ll continue doing that.”

Kennedy also said one concern was to have a new director as the One Charlestown project starts at the Bunker Hill Development. With a groundbreaking predicted for next year, the Board and Kennedy did not want a transition during that critical project – which will affect the Center and the buildings around it profoundly.

“I think it’s important to have

a director here from the beginning to the end of that project,” he said. “There are a lot of moving parts. I didn’t want to move on four years into the construction.”

Fuller said she would be scheduling coffee hours and lunches soon with the community to learn the needs and gaps that need to be filled. One area they are definitely moving towards is enhancing senior services, including public- and private-pay home care services.

That, and many other things, will be on the docket to speak about.

“It’s bittersweet,” said Kennedy. “I’ve really enjoyed my time and made good friends here. I hesitate to say this, but I guess I could be considered an honorary Townie. I might need a hundred more years to be a real Townie, but maybe honorary.”

## Obituaries

### George Richards (Rick) Churchill Jr.

Retired bank trust officer



George Richards (Rick) Churchill Jr. passed away at his home in Charlestown on July 3. He was 74 years

old.

Born on Sept. 9, 1944 to George and Charlotte Churchill of Cohasset, he grew up sailing to Minot’s Light. He graduated from Wesleyan University in 1966, served in the Navy during Vietnam and then embarked on long career as a trust officer at various Boston banks, where he became a trusted friend and family fixture to many of his clients.

Most recently, Rick split his time between his beloved little stone house at the Harvard Mall and his rural retreat in Danville, Vt., enjoying city and country alike.

Rick was a warm and generous man, quick in wit and a voracious reader. He stayed healthy, knit sweaters for his children, created magical rugs for his grandchildren and braided many rugs. He supported community and church missions in Boston and Danville. Together with his husband, family and friends he created many special routines and traditions, and he loved those around him with a special steadfast loyalty.

He is survived by his husband, Frederick Blair and by children:



Elizabeth Churchill and Ted Fields of Arlington, George and Deirdre Churchill of Elmhurst, IL and Jonathan and Amy Churchill of Acton, by his step-children: Michael and Melissa Blair of Middleton, Brian and Bobbie-Jo Blair of Nahant and Timothy Blair of Boston; by his sister, Cynthia Kelly of Washington, D.C., and grandchildren: Ethan, Elliott, Julian, Maeve, Leo, Tynan, Charlotte, Reed, Michael, Emily, Henry, and Freddie.

An informal service to honor Rick’s life will take place at Old South Church, 645 Boylston St., Boston, on Wednesday, July 17 at noon. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Massachusetts General Hospital Cancer Center, on-line or via the Development Office, or to a charity of your choice.

## CHARLESTOWN BEAT

**POLICE/COMMUNITY MEETING:** Meet the police & discuss public safety issues on the last Wednesday of every month at the police station, 20 Vine Street, at 6:00 p.m., 2nd floor, community room.

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**REPORT DRUG DEALING:** Contact the District A-1 Confidential Drug Line at 617-343-4879.

**CHARLESTOWN POLICE STATION:** Contact at 617-343-4888.

**RESERVE THE COMMUNITY ROOM:** Contact Christine Vraibel at christine.vraibel@pd.boston.gov.

### Possession of a Firearm

07/02/19 - Officers conducted a motor vehicle stop in the area of Alford Street. As a result of the subsequent investigation, two individuals were placed under arrest for possession of a firearm; a Glock .40-caliber handgun with a 30-round magazine was recovered from the motor vehicle.

### Larceny

07/05/19 - A victim on Elm Street reported two packages

were delivered to her home and left on her landing, but when she got home, she observed that both packages had been opened and the contents removed.

### Larceny

07/05/19 - A victim on Caldwell Street reported she left her car key in her mailbox, but when she returned, it was gone. At this time, the vehicle hadn’t been taken.

### Larceny

07/06/19 - A victim on Medford Street reported she placed her backpack on the ground while taking pictures, and when she returned, her cell phone was missing from the bag.

### Warrant

07/07/19 - Offices in the area of Medford Street placed an individual under arrest for an outstanding Lynn Court warrant charging vandalism.

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# LITTLE LEAGUE ALL STARS 12-YEAR-OLD TEAM HOSTS DISTRICT 8 CONTEST AT RYAN FIELD

Photos by Emily Harney

The Charlestown Townies 12-year-olds took to the field for the District Tournament at Ryan Field on Monday night, July 8, and lost a tough game to Dorchester. The Townies were to face them again on Tuesday night as it is a double-elimination tournament. The Districts will continue this week.



Joe Neilen took over pitching in the fourth inning.



Michael Doe looks back to first base to see if it's clear to advance.

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# ALL-STAR ACTION

## CHARLESTOWN HOSTS DORCHESTER



Sebastian Palonco roots on his teammates from the dugout.



William Nelson at bat.



Juan Brienz at first base.



Augie Groh works to make his way home to score.



Caiden Collier at bat, taking in the count.

# FITNESS TOGETHER OPENS ON MAIN STREET



Mayor Martin Walsh was on hand Monday, July 8, to welcome the newest business to Main Street – Fitness Together. JP Krueger, of Somerville, has chosen Main Street for a new fitness concept where members are welcomed by trainers and expected to show up to work out. The gym has been under construction for several months and replaces a former nail salon there. Krueger said he was very excited to be in Charlestown and on Main Street, and said he was excited to be working in such a tight-knit community. Mayor Walsh said he was glad to see that the storefront was occupied by a thriving business promoting healthy lifestyles. He stressed the importance of keeping the storefronts occupied, rather than becoming vacant.

Pictured here are Meredith Krueger, JP Krueger, Kathy Ferguson, Mayor Walsh, Alla Nemchenok, and Mayoral Liaison Quinn Locke.

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# NEIGHBORHOOD ROUND UP

## BRUINS ACADEMY - LEARN-TO-PLAY HOCKEY PROGRAM

The Boston Bruins will again be bringing its Learn-to-Play Hockey program to Charlestown this fall. Charlestown Youth Hockey will be hosting and staffing the program. The program is available to boys and girls ages 4-9 that have not participated in an organized hockey program before. It will run from Saturday, Oct. 12, to Saturday, Nov. 2. There will be two sessions, one at 10 a.m. and one at 11 a.m. Public registration will begin on July 10, at the Bruins website. Early registration (July 8) promo codes for local resi-

dents can be found at the "Bruins Academy" tab at the Charlestown Youth Hockey website (CYHA.COM).

## HARVEST ON VINE FOOD PANTRY

The Harvest on Vine Food Pantry is requesting small bags of white rice and cans of tuna fish this week. Any donation of non-perishable foods that you could make would also be greatly appreciated.

Donations can be dropped off at the Food Pantry at 49 Vine St. (Hayes Square), The Cooperative Bank at 201 Main St. and at the Parish Center on 46 Winthrop St. (across from the Training Field). Financial dona-

tions can be sent to: Harvest on Vine, Parish Center, 46 Winthrop St., Charlestown, MA 02129. For more information, call Tom MacDonald, director, at 617-990-7314.

## HELP LOCAL YOUTH SUCCEED - BECOME TOWNIE MENTOR

The Charlestown Coalition, a division of the MGH Center for Community Health Improvement, and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Massachusetts Bay are launching a new partnership that increases the opportunities for local youth through dynamic one-to-one mentorships between these children and caring adults right here in

Charlestown! Learn more about becoming a "Townie" mentor, and the steps to sign up on July 16, from 7:30-9 a.m. at Anna's Café. To learn more about Big Brothers Big Sisters of Massachusetts Bay please visit their website, [www.massbaybigs.org](http://www.massbaybigs.org). You can also visit the [www.CharlestownCoalition.org](http://www.CharlestownCoalition.org) for more information.

## DISCOVER THE KID'S SUMMER SCIENCE PROGRAM

Do your kids love the Stars and Outer Space. Are they interested in the deepest frontiers of the Ocean?? More importantly -- do you need child care coverage the last two weeks of August??? "e" inc. has 10 slots left for its Science Discovery Summer Program (SSDP) in the Charlestown Navy Yard. This is a wonderful hands-on, science program now in its 6th season.

We will be investigating our solar system and the galaxy where we also reside for one week and then the depths of the ocean -- its beings, bioluminescence, strange smokers where life may have begun (??) and much, much more. Each week, the children also take a theme-related field trip. Science Discovery Summer Program is for children entering first grade up to sixth. Children are grouped by age and fun is central to our day.

For more information or to sign up your child visit our website: [www.einc-action.org](http://www.einc-action.org)  
For questions write us at: [info@einc--action.org](mailto:info@einc--action.org) or call: 617-894-3409

ing with , Zume's Coffee House (Main Street; Charlestown) and Savvy Sitter Boston to bring community art to the kids of Charlestown. Zume's walls, will be dedicated to featuring the art work of Charlestown kids during the months of July, August, and September. The summer themed art project—abstract florals—will be painted at Essem Art Studio during Art Lab sessions under the guidance of Charlestown resident and abstract artist, Sophia Moon throughout June. Moon has been hosting Art Labs in her studio since last September. Savvy Sitter Boston—in the service of providing local, dependable, trustworthy and fun babysitters—will assist in facilitating the Art Labs. For more information and to reserve a spot for your child, visit [essemartstudio.com](http://essemartstudio.com) or email [hello@essemartstudio.com](mailto:hello@essemartstudio.com).

## JOIN THE FRIENDS OF CITY SQUARE PARK

The Friends of City Square Park works in tandem with the city and other local organizations to participate in other events, such as the annual Paul Revere ride on Patriot's Day and Art in the Park with local artisans and artists. To learn more about becoming a "Friend", please visit <https://www.friendsofcitysquarepark.org/> or contact Grace Bloodwell at 617-512-4939.

## ISEE PREP CLASS AT THE CLLC - REGISTRATION OPEN

This fall, the Charlestown Lacrosse & Learning Center (CLLC) will once again be hosting our annual ISEE Prep-Class for 6th grade students during the 2019-2020 school year. Any and all students are welcome to join, but space is extremely limited. There are two options for the class, one held on Thursdays and another held on Fridays, both from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Both class options will be hosted at our Learning Center building located at 14 Green St., and are scheduled for eight classes, starting the week of Sept. 9. The cost of the class is \$799 and covers the testing materials, practice exams, and pays for our wonderful teachers! As always, scholarships are available upon request. Space is extremely limited, so register now at [www.charlestownlacrosse.com/registration](http://www.charlestownlacrosse.com/registration) or by calling the center at (617) 242-1813.

## RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE AT THE KNIGHTS

Every two minutes a person in the U.S. needs blood and reserves are low on a national level. It is free and easy to donate blood that could save someone's life. The Red Cross will be set up at the Knights of Columbus, 545 Medford St., on Sunday, July 28, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 1-800-733-2767 or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) (sponsor code: K of C Charlestown) to make an appointment, or just walk in. Bring a friend.

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## NEIGHBORHOOD ROUND UP

### CITY SQUARE PARK SUMMER CONCERT SERIES 2019 - FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

The City Square Park 2019 Summer Concert Series is underway; four more evenings of FREE, family-friendly music to take place this summer. Sponsored and supported by the Charlestown Mothers Association, Gibson Sotheby's International Real Estate, Friends of City Square Park, and Rick DuBard's Foundation. Thursday, July 11, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The East Coast Soul Band will

rock the park again this year with soul, rock and incredible charisma. Last year this was a hit with the little ones and adults alike. Wednesday, Aug. 14, from 5:30pm to 7 p.m. City Square Park's beloved Dirty Water Brass Band will perform New Orleans-style music and crowd favorites. This band never disappoints! And lastly, on Wednesday, September 11, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Henry Acker, a fourteen-year-old gypsy jazz guitarist with abilities far beyond his years will perform while guests enjoy lawn games and refreshments. Rain dates will be for the following day

## DeMaria to Walsh: Let's work on Bus Rapid Transit for area

By Seth Daniel

Everett Mayor Carlo DeMaria said this month he is determined to work with Mayor Martin Walsh to bring a center-lane, gold standard Bus Rapid Transit service through Everett and Charlestown – and finishing downtown.

The comments came during and after the opening of the Encore Boston Harbor casino, when DeMaria announced he was going to focus in the next year on transportation.

And he wants to work hand-in-hand with Mayor Walsh on a seamless effort from Everett to Charlestown to downtown Boston.

"Transportation is huge on everyone's mind – how to get people in and out of this facility (Encore Boston Harbor)," he said. "There are ways. One of them is Bus Rapid Transit (BRT), gold-standard BRT. You see it in Mexico City, you see it in other countries. It's center-lane with on street boarding, air conditioned, that can go from Glendale Street in Everett right down 99 to Rutherford Avenue and into North Station. I'm going to work my hardest to get that. I'm going to work with Mayor (Martin) Walsh who wants to build up Rutherford Avenue and the

Charlestown neighborhood. I'm going to work with the Gaming Commission and with Encore on that."

DeMaria said he is going to begin reaching out to Mayor Walsh very soon.

Charlestown and the Boston Transportation Department (BTD) already have detailed plans for the long-term redevelopment of Rutherford Avenue. Those plans are very detailed – even though they have been delayed recently – but they don't include a center-lane BRT system.

The BTD said they have been working with Everett and surrounding communities with the Lower Mystic Regional Working Group. They said that has laid the groundwork and they are open to working with DeMaria to include some BRT ideas.

"Through the work of the Lower Mystic Regional Working Group, Everett, Somerville, Boston and the state looked at providing better bus connections to Everett," read the BTD statement. "The City of Boston is supportive of this broad concept. The (Rutherford Avenue/Sullivan Square) project is currently in 25 percent design and a BRT connection is not included. However, we look forward to exploring bus improvements as we move toward the final design."

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Milone, Michael	Fetzer, John T	223 Main St #4	\$963,525
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### •ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

This is a public hearing, and residents are encouraged to attend.

\*When: Tuesday, July 9, 9:30 a.m.

Where: Boston City Hall Room 801, 1 City Hall Square, Boston

Proposals: 28 Monument Sq. Construct new single family 4 story building to replace building torn down in 1962 on same location.

\*When: Thursday, July 18, 5 p.m.

Where: 1010 Mass Ave, Boston

Proposals: 38 Green St

•From the July 10 License Board Hearing, City Hall: TOW PIER 6 RESTAURANT GROUP, LLC.;

D/B/A: PIER 6; 1 EIGHTH St. Holder of a Common Victualler 7 Day All Alcoholic Beverages License has petitioned to amend the description of the licensed business - From: @ PIER 6, in one room and kitchen on the second floor, storage on the first floor. Also, seasonal use of outdoor decks and patios. Capacity: 200 @ first floor, 125 @ second floor. To: In one room and kitchen on second floor, storage on the first floor. Seasonal (April-November) use of outdoor decks and patios on site, as well as additional seasonal patio space in rear parking lot with 32 seats. Capacity: 200 first floor, 125 second floor. Parking lot capacity: 536. Tall ship docked and connected to licensed premises via entry gangway; in one room on main deck with dining room, lounge, bar and kitchen with office and storage space (168 seats, 13,260 sf, 250 capacity), and three additional bars with dining areas on upper deck (68 seats, 4,420 sf, 250 capacity). CONTINUED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

•From the July 10 Conservation Commission meeting, City Hall:

\*Request for a Certificate of Compliance for

DEP No. 006-1509 for the Constitution Wharf Improvement project completed at One Constitution Center, Charlestown.

\*Request for a Certificate of Compliance for DEP File No. 006-1590 for the proposed landscape and pedestrian improvements located on Alford Street, Charlestown.

Notice of Intent for DEP File No. 006-1644 from the Pare Corporation on behalf of the Boston Planning and Development Agency for the proposed culvert and sinkhole repairs to Pier 4 located in the Charlestown Navy Yard.

•Charlestown Community Blood Drive

What: Community blood drive with the American Red Cross, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

When: Sunday, July 28, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Where: Bunker Hill Knights of Columbus, 545 Medford St.

•Warren Prescott School Dates:

•September 2: Labor Day - No School

•September 5: First Day of School (Students in grades 1 – 8)

•September 9: First Day of School (Students in K1 and K2)

•HOW TO REPORT A PROBLEM PROPERTY

Since taking office in 2014, Mayor Walsh has made fixing quality of life issues a priority in his administration. From investing in Public Works to making sure community policing is a staple in every neighborhood, we are making sure every neighborhood is clean, safe and a great place to live and work in. Unfortunately some properties in Boston need more help than others, and that's why we are here. If you know of a property that fits one of the following criteria: multiple calls to 911, one that's blighted or just a general concern, we encourage you to reach out to your neighborhood liaison.

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### MASS GENERAL HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN'S STORYBOOK BALL



Charlestown residents Andrea and Justin Rosen, Co-Chairs of the Mass. General Hospital for Children's Storybook Ball.

Mass. General Hospital for Children's Storybook Ball celebrates 20 years in October with a Toy Story-themed bash at The Castle in Back Bay. On May 29, a kick-off reception was held at the Boston Harbor Hotel pre-viewing October's event and this year's clinical focus: Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition.

Co-Chairs Jennifer and Mark Dolins of Chestnut Hill and Andrea and Justin Rosen of Charlestown welcomed a more than 100 guests.

Nearly four million babies were born in the United States in 2018, and many of them likely experienced a gastrointestinal (GI) condition in their first year of life. In 2018 alone, there were approximately 30,000 outpatient visits, inpatient encounters and procedures at MGHfC related to GI conditions. This year's Storybook Ball will showcase the Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition programs at MGHfC, which provide multidisciplinary care and expertise in gastrointestinal, liver, pancreatic, nutritional and feeding disorders in infants, children and adolescents. Later this year, on Oct. 19, around 500 guests will gather at The Castle in Back Bay to recognize 20 years of Storybook Ball, which has raised more than \$29 million for research initiatives and patient care programs at MGHfC over the past two decades.



Charlestown resident Regina Winslow (right) with Aliya Page at the Storybook Ball kick-off reception.



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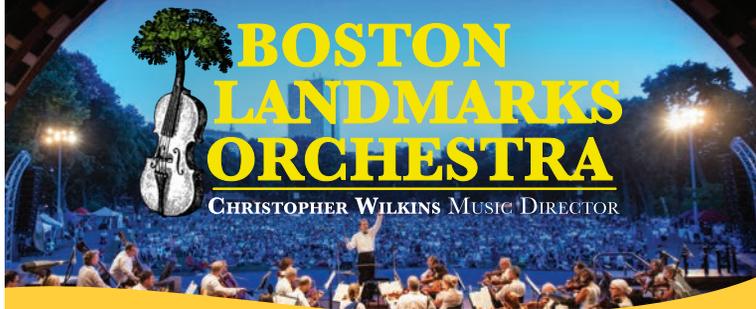
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