

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 2019



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CHARLESTOWN

PATRIOT-BRIDGE

FLIP FLOP REGATTA



Photo by Keiko Hiroimi

Courageous Sailing's 16th Annual Flip Flop Regatta took place last Saturday afternoon off of the Navy Yard. The 16th annual regatta featured a pursuit race around Boston Harbor and back to the Navy Yard. As always, proceeds go to funding youth programs at the Sailing Center. See Pages 6 and 7 for more photos.

DLJ hopes to have 40 Warren occupied next summer

By Seth Daniel

Principles at DLJ Partners are moving ahead at a quick pace on the 40 Warren St. office building, adding a fourth floor and creating high-end office space in a former Urban Renewal building that had worn out its useful life.

With three floors of office space totaling just under 40,000 sq. ft. of office space, and about 3,700 sq. ft. of retail space on the key corner of Warren Avenue, the building is

poised to dress up an old corner of the Town when it comes online next year.

Toby Banta, who leads up the New York company's efforts in Boston, said he is originally from Melrose, and his mother is from Charlestown, and DLJ is very excited to continue working in the Town.

"We're excited to be in Charlestown," he said. "It's our second project here and we don't think it will be our last. We typical-

ly take on projects that aren't easy – that might be a little hairy. This one was a little hairy, but we're excited about the prospects."

The project includes adding a fourth floor to the existing three-story building and re-inventing most of the space for office uses. The fourth floor features floor to ceiling glass all the way around, with excellent views of Warren Street, the Monument and

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Suspicious device in Navy Yard turns out to be marketing ploy

By Seth Daniel

In what can be chalked up to the worst guerilla, crowd marketing idea since the last guerilla, crowd marketing idea in Charlestown (i.e., Sullivan Square 2007), the National Parks Service (NPS) and the Boston Police worked frantically for about an hour on Saturday, Aug. 10, to identify and – ultimately – detonate a suspicious box in the Navy Yard that turned out to be an international hoax.

It was a beautiful afternoon on Saturday, and the NPS had a huge program going on regarding the history of Rosie the Riveter during WWII in the Yard.

About 11:15 p.m., however, things came to a halt when a visitor to the Yard from Pawtucket alerted NPS rangers about a suspicious black box that read 'Open Me' placed on a park bench. That brought a response from the NPS law enforcement and the Boston Police Bomb Squad.

"He was sitting on the park bench and saw it on the bench in front of the flag pole," said NPS Boston Supt. Michael Creasey. "It was a small black box about the size of a cell phone and it said 'Open Me' on it. He went over and informed an interpretive ranger who informed our law enforcement folks."

The Boston Police reported that another box was found at One

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Informal listening sessions to begin for planning process

By Seth Daniel

Utilizing the same planning coordinator as East Boston has used for its Master Plan, the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) announced this week it will begin informal meetings with the community on Aug. 19 to hear what the neighborhood would like to include within next year's overall planning initiative – an initiative with support from the 02129 Neighborhood Alliance and Mayor Martin Walsh.

BPDA Planner Jason Ruggiero has been tapped to run the Charlestown process, and he said this week that will start with listening sessions throughout the fall that are dubbed, 'Chat with a Planner.'

The first of those informal sessions will be at the Charlestown Library on Aug. 19, from 5-7 p.m. The second planned Chat will be on Sept. 17 at the Library from 4-6 p.m. Those who cannot make those first two can submit written comments through the BPDA website. He also said there will be more Chats scheduled throughout the fall.

"It's going to be very informal,"

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he said. "We'll be there exclusively in a listening capacity. I'll probably bring a large-scale map of the neighborhood. It will be us engaging the community and listening to what they want to see and the desired outcomes and the goals. We'll continue to do that as we formalize what the planning process will look like in scope...This will inform the planning process."

Ruggiero said the formal process will be in early 2020 after all the feedback is compiled and a scope is agreed upon.

Ruggiero brings a wealth of experience to the planning effort, as he has overseen a similar effort in East Boston for the past year. He said that process kicked off in September 2018 and has continued on through the present.

"I would say every neighborhood is different and every planning initiative is different," he said. "In East Boston we were dealing with significant development and also the tunnels played a huge role in the transportation aspect. The process will probably be similar holistically and different specifically. We just really look forward

MR. TONY BENNETT



Photo by Katy Roger

World-famous vocalist Tony Bennett sang at Encore Boston Harbor on Thursday evening, Aug. 8, during a private event for exclusive Red Card holders. Bennett used the appearance at the new resort casino to help him celebrate his 93rd birthday, which was early last week. His daughter, Antonia, opened up for him. It was one of several private-invite shows that have and will continue to take place at Encore.

EDITORIAL

OUR GLORIOUS SUMMER DAYS

When we think of the "dog days of summer," what comes to mind are the languid and sultry days of early to mid-August, when the heat and humidity combine to make for a stew that can make even the most summer-loving among us long for the drier and cooler days of the impending fall season.

They were immortalized in Nat King Cole's song from the early 1960s about "those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer."

The dog days are as much a state of mind as they are a physical fact, a time when all of us, young and old, grab some R&R to regenerate our minds and bodies before resuming the grind of our daily routines post-Labor Day.

Everyone, it seems, is on vacation. European cities are famously empty in August, as are our East Coast cities from Boston to Washington.

However, this past weekend brought us a large amount of relief from the usual torpor that we associate with the dog days.

It was the kind of weather that we'd like to put into a bottle and open up in January: Sunny and warm, but not too hot, with just enough humidity to give it that summer-like feel without being oppressive.

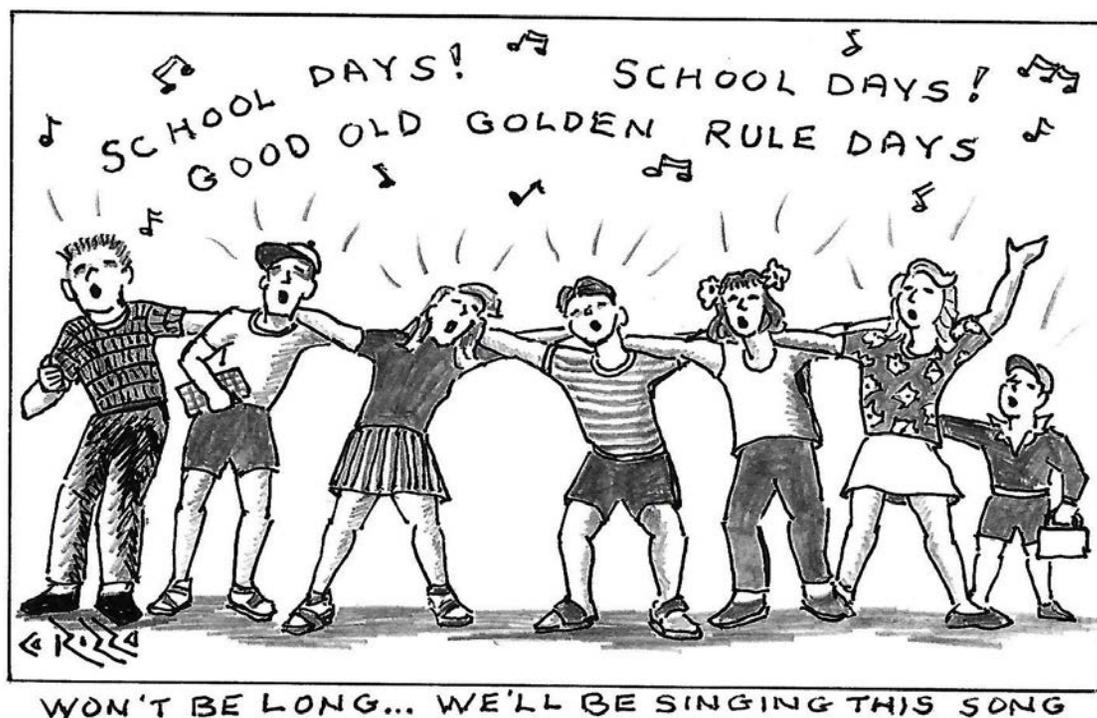
It was perfect for anything and everything outdoors, whether you were in the city, on the beach, in the mountains, or on your boat (especially a sailboat, thanks to the strong breeze).

You just wanted to inhale it and melt into it, and wish that the day would last forever.

Everyone, it seemed, was happy at the end of the day. If it is true that our moods are determined by the amount of negative ions in the air, then this weekend's atmosphere was fully-charged with them.

Our good luck is continuing because the weatherman is promising us another run of similar weather for later this week and through the weekend.

So let's take them one, glorious day at a time -- and be thankful that we can enjoy these dog days of summer.



GUEST OP-ED

President Trump is providing hope for kidney patients

By Alex M. Azar II

President Trump has promised to fight for the forgotten men and women of America—those whose needs and suffering have been too often unheeded by their government. One forgotten group in healthcare is the millions of Americans with some stage of kidney disease—especially the more than 700,000 Americans suffering from the final, deadly stage of the disease, kidney failure. That includes 11,721 patients here in Massachusetts, most of whom must go through the incredibly draining experience of receiving kidney dialysis several times a week, for several hours each time.

But there is good news. President Trump recently signed an executive order launching a revolutionary initiative at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services called "Advancing American Kidney Health." The initiative aims to help prevent Americans from experiencing kidney failure in the first place, provide more options for treatment once that has occurred, and deliver more life-saving transplants.

This is especially important because kidney disease particularly burdens our low income and minority citizens. Kidney failure is three times more common among African-Americans than among whites, and low-income Americans are 50 percent more likely to suffer from it than

those with higher incomes. Black and Hispanic Americans are also less likely to receive the transplants that represent the best treatment for kidney failure.

To prevent kidney disease and provide more treatment options, we're launching new ways for Medicare to pay for kidney care. For example, nephrologists will soon be able to receive bonuses for preventing the progress of kidney disease in their patients. We'll give providers a financial stake in getting their patients healthy, as opposed to just paying them for performing more procedures.

We have also proposed a Medicare initiative to give about half of America's dialysis providers new incentives to provide patients with dialysis at home or even in their beds at night, rather than having them travel to dialysis centers. Today, only 5.6 percent of kidney patients in Massachusetts receive dialysis at home, an option that's much more common in other countries. Home treatment is especially important for individuals and communities struggling to provide for their families—patients who cannot afford to leave their jobs and families several times a week for dialysis.

To provide more kidney transplants, we will be revising how kidneys are obtained from deceased organ donors, allowing better identification of kidneys for transplant. The executive order also calls for us to expand support for the gener-

ous living donors who choose to donate organs. Changing how we identify transplantable kidneys from deceased donors, by itself, could produce life-saving organs for an additional 17,000 Americans each year—including some of the 3,030 individuals currently waiting for a kidney in Massachusetts.

The President's kidney initiative also includes working with the private sector to develop artificial, implantable kidneys, and continuing support for research into precision-medicine treatments designed to target kidney disease in the populations who are more likely to be genetically predisposed to the disease, including African Americans. We'll also undertake a national awareness campaign about kidney disease, which is often undiagnosed in its early stages, like breast cancer and prostate cancer once were.

Too often, Washington focuses on some of the same tired fights in healthcare, year after year—doing nothing for decades to improve how we cover and treat something like kidney disease.

President Trump is shaking that up, and delivering American patients the affordability you need, the options and control you want, and the quality you deserve—especially to patients, like those with kidney disease, who have been forgotten for too long.

Alex M. Azar II, is Secretary of Health and Human Services.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

IS EVERYTHING OKAY AT CITY HALL?

To the Editor,

Is everything okay at City Hall these days? Has the record-breaking July heat temperatures affected some statements made by the Mayor and the Boston Planning and Development Agency that are contradictory to each other?

The Mayor has stated he is in favor of a Master Plan for Charlestown. The BPDA rejects that statement and proclaims, "There will be no Master Plan for Charlestown," but a "strategic plan for Charlestown."

The BPDA claims that the "strategic plan will provide the same as a Master Plan."

Not correct and not so fast, is my rebuttal to the BPDA.

Can someone help me understand how the communities of South Boston and East Boston have a Master Plan, but the BPDA does NOT want a Master Plan in

Charlestown? And did I recently read that the Public Garden in Boston is advocating for a Master Plan? This whole scenario is boarding on the ridiculous.

Once a Master Plan is approved, an Interim Planning Overlay District (IPOD) is immediately put in place. This gives the Charlestown community protection from any developers filing paperwork for projects, such as the many City-owned parcels (13) along the Rutherford Corridor and Sullivan Square, as well as the parking lot leased by the Bunker Hill Community College that will be available for future development.

While the BPDA is planning "listening sessions" in the Charlestown community this Fall, there is no guarantee that developers will not be slipping in the back door with their proposals and conducting business as usual.

This is the reason Charlestown needs a Master Plan and IPOD in

place for orderly and responsible development.

Two years ago I was stuck in gridlock traffic with an ambulance, lights and sirens blaring next to me. As a nurse, this was completely unacceptable. I wrote to the Mayor and the Boston Transportation Department asking that they come to Charlestown and listen to the community to try come up with traffic solutions, as this is a health and safety issue.

There was NO response from either, NO one listened. It's too late for the BPDA to conduct "listening sessions." We need to move beyond that with a Master Plan in place and then they can start listening to the community.

Whether those in City Hall are elected, appointed or hired, we the people are paying their salaries.

We in Charlestown want a Master Plan with an IPOD in place, no more no less.

Ann Kelleher

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to learning what's important in Charlestown."

Amanda Zettel, one of the founders of the Alliance and incoming president of the Charlestown Preservation Society, acknowledged that there has been a fair amount of uproar from the community about what the process is being called.

The BPDA is hesitant to call it a Master Plan officially due to the technical language that it brings about in the planning world. Zettel, however, said she and the Alliance aren't as concerned about that now, but rather they are concerned about making sure the Chats really lay the ground for what the process will look like in 2020.

"I'm not concerned about what we call it," she said. "I'm more concerned about the content. We want to make sure the scope of the study is appropriate. Right now, it's in line with what the mayor promised us. This fall will determine the scope of the process. We have to make sure everything we want in the plan or study is representative. We have to make sure the community turns out for these chats."

Zettel said some of the key goals right now are to keep the process to one year, as opposed to the two-year preference of the City.

She said the Alliance is also calling right now for bringing on an unbiased third-party mediator to act as a facilitator during the process.

More importantly, she said, they want to make sure everything asked for within reason this fall gets into the scope of the planning process.

"We think a facilitator will help to make sure everything represented makes it in," she said. "It's not that we don't trust the BPDA, but we want to make sure everything is accounted for...What we asked for is what East Boston is going through now. They've used the same liaison here as in East Boston so that there is no doubt we're getting what we asked for and not some watered-down version of what we asked for."

Ruggiero said the Chats will be informal, and will likely include a planner from the BPDA and some other staff, as available. Mayoral Liaison Quinn Locke will also be participating. There will be no set agenda and no presentations will be made, so that being there right at 5 p.m. isn't critical. Ruggiero said it is essentially a drop-in type of meeting.

Anyone wishing to discuss the matter with Ruggiero can reach him via e-mail at jason.ruggiero@boston.gov.

Route 1 north roadway configuration shifts Aug. 19

Staff Report

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) has announced that the lane closures and roadway configuration on Route 1 northbound in Chelsea will shift on Monday, August 19, so that the center lane on this section of highway will be closed 24/7.

Both the right and left travel lanes will be open during daytime hours, and only one travel lane will be open during overnight hours. This configuration will be in place for the next three to four months and is associated with the Tobin Bridge/Chelsea Curves Rehabilitation Project.

The public should note that traffic heading towards Chelsea on Route 1 northbound must be in the right lane to access the Beacon Street off-ramp. After Beacon Street, the next opportunity to exit Route 1 northbound will be at Webster Avenue.

During the overnight hours, the right lane and Beacon Street off-ramp will be closed to general traffic for brief periods. During these temporary closures of the Beacon Street off-ramp, general traffic headed to Chelsea will be directed to exit at Webster Avenue. MBTA buses will not be impacted and will operate on their normal routes and schedules.

Additionally, Orange Street under Route 1 in Chelsea will be closed from 7 a.m., to 7 p.m. on Saturday, August 17. Signed detours will direct drivers and pedestrians via Everett Avenue.

MassDOT is carrying out work on the Tobin Bridge and Chelsea Curves section of Route 1 at the same time so that the most impactful work will be completed by 2021. If the projects were done at separate times, drivers would

be inconvenienced for additional years. This work will eliminate the need for weight restrictions and postings, and MassDOT will use accelerated construction techniques to shorten the overall construction time.



Read to a Child

School Coordinator of Literacy Program
Charlestown, MA

Harvard-Kent School, 50 Bunker Hill Street

Read to a Child is a nonprofit organization that fosters a love of reading and improved literacy skills in elementary school children by inspiring adults to read to them regularly. The School Coordinator is responsible for the daily operation of Read to a Child's Lunchtime Reading Program. The Coordinator is responsible for ensuring that mentors, students, and school staff are happy with the program. Specifically, s/he will:

- Ensure that start-up goes smoothly, including solicitation of teacher referrals and student permission slips, matching student/mentor pairs, and assembly of start-up materials.
- Enter data timely in Salesforce
- Notify students and teachers of volunteer cancellations or schedule changes.
- Communicate regularly with mentors, including monthly updates and notification of student absences or changes in schedule.
- Communicate regularly with Program Manager, including weekly updates.
- Call reading mentors if their student partners are absent.
- Facilitate and monitor reading sessions to ensure smooth operation of program.
- Assist mentors in book choice, read aloud tips, and student interactions
- Ensure that rooms are left clean and orderly.
- Plan and execute end of the year celebration.
- Attend School Coordinator meetings at the Wellesley office 4-5 times a year
- Facilitate other activities or tasks at the school site as requested

Qualifications: 1. Communicates well in person, on the telephone, & via email (writes well); 2. Experience working with children and adults; 3. Very organized, able to prioritize and multi-task; 4. Enthusiastic about children's books and the program; 5. Comfortable working with Email, Word, Excel, and entering data

Hours: Two days a week, Tuesday and Wednesday, approximately 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. from September through June. Also, availability outside of these times for data entry, communications, and meetings as needed. About 6 hours per week. Start September, 2019. **Hourly Rate:** \$13.00 per hour

To Apply: Send resume & cover letter outlining your suitability to the tasks and schedule outlined above to: heidi.sampson@readtochild.org **NOTE:** Your application will not be considered without a cover letter.

Coalition's Shannon Lundin promoted to program manager

Due to evolving needs of the Charlestown community and growth and expansion within the Charlestown Coalition, the previous Community Outreach Coordinator, Shannon Lundin, has been promoted to the Program Manager for Addiction and Recovery Services. In her new role, Lundin will be providing oversight of the Coalition's addiction and recovery areas within its strategic plan, will be providing supervision to interns and residents seeking recovery coach certifications, and will be responsible for providing guidance and leadership as the work collectively as a community

to deliver quality education, prevention, and treatment services.

"I have the privilege of working with and been educated by some of the most brilliant and compassionate medical doctors at the most renowned hospital in the country for which I am incredibly grateful," said Coalition Director Sarah Coughlin. "However, I have learned the most about addiction and compassionate and effective care from Shannon. Her wisdom, compassion, grit, tenacity and passion are unparalleled. I look forward to watching her develop in this new role and continuing to learn from her."



Charlestown Coalition's Shannon Lundin (L) has been promoted to program manager for addiction and recovery services. She is pictured here with Coalition Director Sarah Coughlin.

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Beacon Street in Boston. Another box was found in the Navy Yard near Constitution Road by the gazebo and a third was given to a sailor in the Navy Yard near First Avenue. Others were reported to be found in Cambridge on Friday and Saturday. One of those boxes was opened by the person who found it, and it contained \$50 and explained that it was a social experiment to see what people worldwide would do with found money – that according to a story online at Universal Hub.

The Boston Police sent in the Bomb Squad and they x-rayed the box by the flagpole and found it increasingly suspicious

because of some wire they thought the observed. Out of safety, the Squad detonated the package and cleaned up the mess – though they destroyed the park bench.

The entire incident in the Navy Yard was over within an hour, Creasey said.

"They ended up blowing it up, which destroyed the park bench and disrupted our entire event," he said. "We had the entire area roped off. After they blew it up, they cleaned up and took the parts away...I give a lot of credit to our law enforcement folks and Boston Police Bomb Squad. They worked together really well."

Police have indicated that two

people did turn themselves in and revealed that it was a worldwide experiment whereby packages were left all over the world. However, at such a pressure-cooker time in American – one week after two mass shootings, Creasey said he couldn't think of a worse moment to stage such a campaign.

"Right now, I can't think of a worse idea than to place a box in public with a label that says, 'Open Me' on it," he said. "The good news is it was a marketing package that was not a dangerous situation other than making it one. It certainly was disruptive to all the visitors coming to the National Park for a very big weekend."

Townie Tidbits

By Sal Giarratani

WHO IS AN ALIEN?

I was always been a science fiction fan growing up, and I remember those space shows on TV Saturday mornings. Back in those days it was nothing but cowboys, cops or outer space. I can remember being quite interested in the NASA program. Alan Shepard was the first astronaut to fly into space. It was May 5, 1961, the day after my 13th birthday.

This past Sunday, I was back at my old parish over in Wollaston, and the Mass was delivered by a young priest, whose homily started off with Superman, I kid you not. I can I tell you most often after I leave Mass that I remember very little about the sermons, but his I remembered. I even gave him a great movie to watch: "Mission to Mars" and told him he could get another whole Sunday homily out of it.

However, I seem to have gotten distracted him so back to this week's commentary. Who is an 'alien,' is quite the question. Nowadays when talking about aliens, it usually refers to someone from Mexico or Central America. It used to mean green people with three eyes flying in a spaceship, but now the first thing that comes to mind is the U.S.-Mexico border.

There are times when all of us feel like aliens in our own places. We seem at odds with others around us. As I walk down the street, I most likely will talk with people. Most people today, especially the younger folks, have found themselves held hostage to their own devices. Newspapers are dying due to this this situ-

ation. If not their devices, they would have to pay the price of the newspaper to find out what fills up the pages inside.

Many folks call illegals aliens as if they are not like the rest of us, which they are. We are all members of the same human family no matter our address, our home country or our language.

I believe a majority of us do not treat those pushing at our borders to get in as semi-human. Many of us just want our immigration laws to respect the law. Forcing your way into America is un-American. I want folks to come here seeking a better life for their families, but the law must be followed.

What happened down in El Paso, Texas, was horrible. A mass shooter travels 650 miles from his home in Allen, Texas, just to kill Latinos. That is so sick and so evil. Hate is a horrible thing because it can turn ordinary human beings into monsters who are much more alien than any real alien from outer space or from Mexico.

We need to keep working on ways to bring us all together as members of the human race. Before I replaced my old car for a new one, I had a homemade bumper sticker on it that read: "Make America One Again." That is my desire today.

I believe in this country, I believe in our values, our Bill of Rights and our way of life. If you no longer believe in all these things, then you are indeed an alien.

Rather than worrying about who is an alien, we ought to be seeking out those to be our friends and working together on common goals.

For the Record

- Zoning Board of Appeals
The ZBA inspects and reviews buildings for zoning compliance. The board regulates the rules behind what you can build and where you can build in Boston. You can ask for an exception if your project gets rejected because it doesn't meet a City zoning code. You have to go to a public hearing to explain why you think you should get an exception to the zoning code.

*When: Tuesday, August 13, 9:30 a.m.

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

- 72 Bunker Hill St.
Applicant: Timothy Sheehan
Purpose: Erect a One family dwelling as per plans.

- 103 Russell St.
Applicant: Mark Little
Purpose: Build roof deck as per plans.

*When: Thursday, August 22, 5 p.m.

Where: 1010 Mass Ave, Boston, 5th Floor
Proposals: 79 School St.

- Boston Harbor Now is sponsoring the 7th Annual Illuminate the Harbor Fireworks visible from the Navy Yard on Thursday, August 29, starting at 8:30 p.m.

- Chat with a Planner - Members of the BPDA planning team will be available at the Charlestown Branch of the Boston Public Library at 179 Main St. to answer any questions you may have about the future of Charlestown or the planning process. Feel free to stop by at any time between 5-7 p.m. on August 19, and/or 4-6 p.m. on September 17 to join the conversation.

- 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.

It's the 20th Anniversary of the Mark & Michelle Gorman Scholarship Fund!

Saturday, September 7

7 p.m. Knights of Columbus - Medford St.

Irish Music by Erin Og DJ Smokey Cain
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We will be awarding \$7500 in educational scholarships including one in memory of our good friend & supporter Jackie Sullivan.

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Alexa Hingston 617-620-0105, Kathleen Lacey 617-224-2642

All funds raised support the scholarship program.

Chamber hopes Inhabit app will weave together groups in Charlestown

By Seth Daniel

A new mobile phone app will launch today, Aug. 15, in a partnership between the Charlestown Chamber of Commerce and the Inhabit app company – an app that the Chamber hopes will streamline events and fundraisers throughout the Town.

The Chamber's Jimmy Lister and Inhabit representative Stacy Meeker announced the rollout this week, noting that it was used for a trial run to announce the Chamber's Master Plan meeting on July 31.

Lister said he hopes that the app can help centralize events, fundraisers and community organizations into one mobile app – something that has yet to be done.

"One of the challenges we've had with the Chamber is we have to constantly monitor our events and our posts to see how

many people are coming here," he said. "This is a comprehensive neighborhood invitation system. We have an e-mail list and we send out e-mail blasts, but not everyone sees them...We have an e-mail list, but we get so many non-working addresses and we don't know if people are reading the e-mails we do get out to them."

Added Meeker, "Many people don't want to sign up for an e-mail blast and so they miss many great opportunities in the community. This will help you know everything going on in the community while also not getting slammed with unwanted e-mails. Community content will be the focus for us."

The app works through creating fliers within the system that come up for anyone who has installed the app on their phone or mobile device. One can read

about and see what the event is about, and then choose to let the organizer know they are coming or not.

The service is free, Meeker said, and any organization gets three free fliers per month to post. After posting three free fliers, all others are \$9.99 per post.

Lister said the Chamber had thought about modifying their website, but ended up deciding that this was more cost effective and convenient for members of the Chamber and the community.

"We talked about getting a new website for the Chamber," he said. "The cost is so expensive and we would need to fundraise to do it. This gets us to the public and it's a perfect fit for the community to get the word out and do it cost effectively."

Added Meeker, "It's easy to feel disconnected for a community. In Charlestown, there is so much

will to get people together. We're really trying to rally the group together with this digital infrastructure."

Inhabit started its run in Boston with a pilot program in Beacon Hill last year. They worked with

businesses there and community organizations to refine the app that is launching in Charlestown Aug. 15. The app is available in the App Store for Apple products and also on Google Play for Android system.

BE THE TALK OF THE TOWN

The Charlestown Patriot Bridge is interested in publishing the memories of Charlestown residents in print.

If you or someone you know would like to share your experiences, please send email
editor@charlestownbridge.com

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the Navy Yard. Office space on the second and third floors also offer much more natural light and a completely re-built space.

Banta said they are utilizing a broker to market the space and hope to lease up each floor to one tenant each. He said they are marketing to companies in the North Station area that are experiencing rent increases and would like to be close to downtown, but with a significant price decrease. Also, they are marketing to companies outside the city limits who might want to have an office presence in Boston – and the building is perfect for being close to downtown and also transportation networks.

On the ground floor, Banta said they are marketing that as well with Boston Realty Advisors, and they could have one large space or three small spaces. Using input from the community, he said they will choose tenants that are appropriate. He said he expected to be able to announce those tenants next month.

He also said they hope to have leases with office tenants in October, allowing them to build out the interior spaces and get the building fully occupied before next summer.

"I'd like it to be occupied a little earlier than the summer, but we would be happy to have it fully occupied by the summer months next year," he said.

One key change within the first year of construction has been the intricacies found in the old building.

Banta said they found that the



The rehabilitated office building at 40 Warren St. is taking shape this month, with retail tenants expected to be announced next month, and office leases expected this fall. Company officials at DLJ Partners said they hope to have the building fully occupied by next summer.

eastern half of the building was not structurally sound, and they had to re-build a significant portion of that side of the building. It was at that point that they decided it would be a much better project if they were to bring in office space to the second floor, nixing a floor of parking. That was approved by the Zoning Board earlier this year.

There are 30 parking spaces and the work is being done by General Contractor Consigli Corp.

As a side note, the fence that has blocked off a portion of Warren Street for a year is slated to come down some time in October, restoring the second lane of traffic and several parking

spots.

•In an unrelated project, DLJ Partners recently purchased a construction materials building in the Bunker Hill Industrial Park for several million dollars. Many speculated as to what the company might do with it, but it turns out that it is simply a re-location effort by DLJ related to a Somerville project.

Banta said as part of the project there, they had to relocate a research and development company, and found a great opportunity in the industrial park. He said there is no intention to do anything with the property except to relocate an industrial/lab use there.



Notice to Contractors Classified Legal Advertisement

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Bunker Hill Community College

Request for Proposal for BHCC – Student Central Video Wall

Sealed proposals submitted on a form furnished by BHCC included in the instruction and proposal package and the electronic form included in the specifications provided by AKF and clearly identified as a Proposal with the following information on the envelope:

Bunker Hill Community College
250 New Rutherford Avenue, Boston, MA 02129
Proposal Documents for BHCC – Student Central Video Wall
Name and address of the Bidder

Proposals will be received at **Bunker Hill Community College, Room E120, 250 New Rutherford Ave., Boston, MA 02129**
 Not later than: **2:00 PM September 6, 2019**

Informational Meeting and Site Inspection will be held on Friday, **August 30, 2019 at 10:00 AM** in the B – building 2nd floor lobby - Bunker Hill Community College, 250 New Rutherford Avenue, Boston, MA 02129

Project Location: Bunker Hill Community College,
250 New Rutherford Avenue, Boston MA 02129.

Project Plan Identification: AKF Bunker Hill Community College
181010 AKF | One Liberty Plaza, 165 Broadway 22nd Floor,
New York, New York 10006

Plans and Specifications will be available: August 16, 2019

Construction Start Date: September 23, 2019
Construction End Date: December 31, 2019

Minimum rates of wages to be paid on the project have been determined by the Commissioner of the Division of Occupational Safety under the provisions of Sections 26 and 27 Chapter 139 of the General Laws.

Copies of Bid Documents may be obtained: www.commbuys.com

FLIP FLOP REGATTA

Right: Dave DiLorenzo, executive director of Courageous Sailing (Center) with Cha-Ling O'Connell (L) and Naramei DiLorenzo (2) during the Flip Flop Regatta.



Courageous Sailing was established in 1987 by the late sailing enthusiast Harry McDonough. It was Harry's dream to use sailing to build character and camaraderie among Boston children from all economic and ethnic backgrounds. For 25 years, we have continued to grow and deliver our mission to transform children's lives through sailing programs that inspire learning, personal growth and leadership. In Harry's words, "Every child's perspective is improved 50-yards off-shore."

Benefits Courageous Sailing's Youth Programs

Courageous Sailing's 16th Annual Flip Flop Regatta took place at Boston Harbor on Aug. 10. The regatta is a pursuit race from Broad Sound, around the Brewster Islands and back to the finish in Boston Harbor. All proceeds go to Courageous Sailing's youth programs which aim to transform children's lives in Charlestown through sailing programs that inspire learning, personal growth, and leadership.

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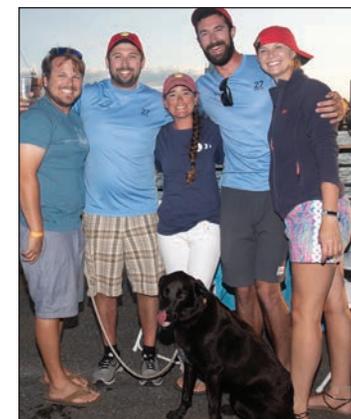
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Charlie Cooper, of the race committee; Dave Alexander, 2019 Flip Flop Regatta Chairman; and Dave DiLorenzo, executive director of Courageous Sailing.

COURAGEOUS SAILING'S 16TH ANNUAL FLIP FLOP REGATTA



Sailboats race past the Seaport on their way to the finish line during the regatta.



Tony Hartman, Dian Olszewski and Dan Keenan.



Catlyn Ridgely, Avi Levy and Drew Roener during Courageous Sailing's 16th Annual Flip Flop Regatta.



Monica Antezana, Mike Cohen and Jill Rosenberg (L-R) with Teak during the after-party.

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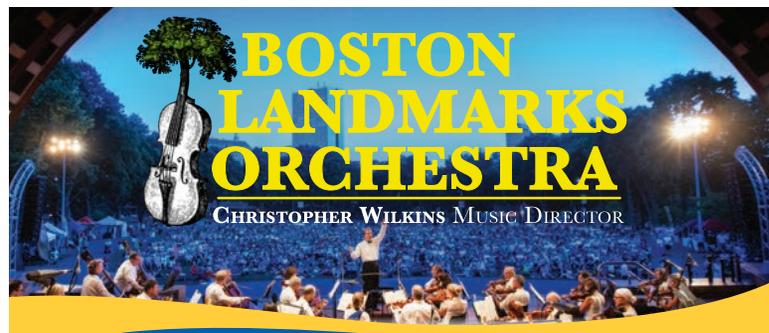
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NEIGHBORHOOD ROUND UP

NAVY JAZZ BAND SATURDAY

The Friends of the Training Field will be having a concert with the Navy Jazz Band on Saturday, Aug. 17, in the Training Field. It will be the second concert of the season in the Training Field, and is expected to have a great turnout. The band has been a big hit in previous years and loves to perform in the Town.

HARVEST ON VINE FOOD PANTRY

The Harvest on Vine Food Pantry is requesting boxes of cereal 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 donations 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.

'CONVERSATIONS WITH CAREGIVERS'

The Dementia Care Collaborative of the MGH Division of Palliative Care and Geriatric Medicine is sponsoring the "Conversations with Caregivers" program on Tuesday, Aug. 20, at 5:30 p.m. at the O'Keefe Auditorium, Blake One.

Programs are for caregivers, family, patients, and staff. Each "conversation" is created with the intention to provide helpful educational resources and support for those navigating the path of caring for someone with dementia. All are welcome, and admission is free, but seating is limited.

Call 617-724-0406 to R.S.V.P.

Light refreshments will be served, and parking vouchers made available.

USS CONSTITUTION TO DELAY OPENING THURSDAY

USS Constitution and its crew will be opening at noon on Thursday, Aug. 15.

The delay is required for public safety, while the crew performs maintenance and training on the ship's sails. Normal hours for Constitution will resume Friday, Aug. 16. Constitution's regular operating hours are from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday to Sunday.

All Constitution visitors are also encouraged to view additional artifacts from 'Old Ironsides' and experience numerous interactive galleries at the USS Constitution Museum, also located in the Charlestown Navy Yard.

GORMAN SCHOLARSHIP TIME SEPT. 7

Be at the Knights on Sept. 7, to help celebrate 10 years of fundraising for Gorman educational scholarships. This year the party starts at 7 p.m. and will have Irish music from Erin Og and Smokey Cain DJ, 50/50 and door prizes and \$7500 in scholarships to be awarded. Get your tickets now \$25 per person or \$200 for a table of 10. Call - Ruthanne Brennan 617-257-5753, Melissa Brennan 617-308-7266, Annie Vesey 617-448-6734, Pam McGrath 617-833-9124, Alexa Hingston 617-620-0105, or Kathleen Lacey 617-224-2642. All funds raised support the scholarship program.

MAYOR WALSH'S MOVIE NIGHTS

Mayor Martin J. Walsh's Movie Nights, part of the Boston Parks and Recreation Department's ParkARTS program, returns to

Charlestown on Tuesday, Aug. 27. The movie Dumbo! will be shown at 7:45 p.m. at the Training Field - Winthrop St. Snacks and beverages provided.

SUMMER FITNESS YOGA SERIES

The Parks Department is holding free yoga classes at 55 Winthrop Street on Sunday mornings at 9 a.m. Instructors will provide flow movement for people of all levels.

SUMMER NIGHTS IN THE YARD

Fun has come to Charlestown this season thanks to the efforts of the National Park Service, Boston Harbor Now, a non-profit dedicated to providing community access to the Boston Harbor and its islands, Yoga Around Town, Berklee College of Music, Boston Swing Central and Charlestown High School. From swing dancing to live concerts by the sea, residents and visitors alike can expect to create memorable moments with both the community and waterfront. To learn more about public programming taking place this summer on the waterfront and harbor islands, visit bostonharbor-islands.org.

BRUINS ACADEMY LEARN-TO-PLAY HOCKEY PROGRAM

Charlestown Youth Hockey will be hosting and staffing the Boston Bruins Learn-to-Play Hockey program again this fall. The program is for 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 at the Bruins website. More info on the "Bruins Academy" tab at CYHA.COM.

SWINGING THROUGH SPACE WITH "E" INC.'S SUMMER SCIENCE DISCOVERY PROGRAM

Investigate the 'space we all live in' with a deep dive into the universe at "e" inc. and its Summer Science Discovery Program (SSDP) in the Charlestown Navy Yard. Swinging through Space is part of this summer's new frontiers focus for "e" inc. The camp week for this topic is Aug. 26-30, and includes a field trip to the Planetarium, as well as a night of constellation watching for the hearty. For more

COOKIE JAR ROLLER HOCKEY CHAMPIONS



Team Fabs was front and center on July 27 in winning the 5th Annual Cookie Jar roller hockey championship. The annual youth roller hockey tournament precedes the big boys Kitchen Kup tournament, and is an unofficial feeder program for the Kup in many ways. The championship Team Fabs consisted of Braden Fitzpatrick, Eoin Donovan, Maxx Owens, Stephen Fabiano, Treavor Owens, Michael McLaughlin, and Cam Witkins.

information about the program or to request an info packet, either call "e" inc. at: 617-242-4700 or email us at: info@einc-action.org.

ISEE PREP CLASS AT THE CLLC REGISTRATION OPEN

Charlestown Lacrosse & Learning Center (CLLC) is once again hosting an annual ISEE Prep-Class for 6th grade students during the 2019-2020 school year. There are two options for the class, either on Thursdays or Fridays, both from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Learning Center at 14 Green Street starting the week of 9/9. Space is extremely limited, so register now at www.charlestownlacrosse.com/ registration or by calling the center at (617) 242-1813.

MUSIC AND ART LABS OFFERED AT ESSEM ART STUDIO

Students will explore age/level appropriate mediums through guided activities and graduate to more complex mediums at Essem Art Studio at 50 Terminal Street 5. Kids must be accompanied by an adult.

On Mondays labs combine music and movement, singalong, and art time for little artists (5 and under). Art Activities will occasionally incorporate lessons in letter, number, and color recognition

in a loose and fun way.

Wednesday Art Labs are open to all ages and projects will be modified according to age groups and abilities. In these sessions, the full hour will be dedicated to arts and crafts. If the available Art Labs don't work with your schedule, families can coordinate to have private art play dates with their little ones. The minimum number of participating children is 6, and we can accommodate a wide range of ages. To view dates and to register, go to www.essemartstudio.com

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

The City Square Park 2019 Summer Concert Series wraps up with only one event left for this year. Sponsored and supported by the Charlestown Mothers Association, Gibson Sotheby's International Real Estate, Friends of City Square Park, and Rick DuBard's Foundation. This summer's series ends on Wednesday, Sept. 11, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. with Henry Acker, a fourteen-year-old gypsy jazz guitarist with abilities far beyond his years. Rain date will be for the following day

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Edwards calls City Hall convictions a 'sad' day for Boston

By Seth Daniel

City Councilor Lydia Edwards spoke out strongly last week against the guilty verdict of two City Hall employees in the Boston Calling extortion case, saying the verdict sets a damaging precedent for public servants looking to promote good jobs.

The City of Boston's Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, Timothy Sullivan, and Kenneth Brissette, the Director of the City's Office of Tourism, Sports and Entertainment, were convicted this month by a federal jury in Boston in connection with extorting a music festival production company (Boston Calling) operating on City Hall Plaza.

Brissette and Sullivan both were convicted of Hobbs Act conspiracy, and Brissette was also convicted of Hobbs Act extortion. The

Court has not yet scheduled sentencing dates.

Edwards said the convictions represented a sad day for the City.

"Today is a sad day for Boston," said Edwards. "This verdict creates a terrible and damaging precedent that will have a chilling effect on advocates and public servants who seek to protect and improve the lives of those in our city while receiving no personal benefit whatsoever. As stewards of the public good, it is our obligation to advance the economic security and physical safety of all people. For elected officials, that is in fact why voters put us into office: to look out for the many against the interests of the few.

"The decision will make it harder to combat displacement, to secure living wages from unscrupulous corporations, to hold industries accountable, to

ensure we deliver mitigation from projects with serious community impacts and to level the playing field," she continued. "The only people who benefit from this decision are powerful corporations and institutions that are seeking to evade responsibility to the public and their employees."

But the federal government saw it much differently, saying everyone should be able to do business in Boston without being harassed.

"This (month), a federal jury convicted Kenneth Brissette and Timothy Sullivan of extorting a private business to hire union labor that they did not want or need," said United States Attorney Andrew E. Lelling. "Private companies that want to do business in Boston have the right to hire anyone they want – union or not – without fear of being threatened with economic disaster by gov-

ernment officials. That is the law. This was a hard-fought victory, and one that reaffirms our commitment to take on cases that are in the public interest."

Between June and September 2014, while a music festival production company was awaiting the issuance of certain permits and approvals required for its event, and seeking an agreement from the City of Boston to use City Hall Plaza for events beyond 2017, Brissette and Sullivan repeatedly advised the company that it would need to hire members of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE) Local 11 to work the event.

Local 11 had attempted to obtain work from the production company since March 2013. The production company told Brissette and Sullivan that it had already

entered into a contract with a non-union company and hired all of its labor. Nevertheless, on Sept. 2, 2014, three days before the music festival was scheduled to begin, Brissette and Sullivan insisted that half of the production company's labor force consist of union members. The production company agreed to hire nine members of Local 11 and entered into a contract with the union because they feared the company would be financially ruined if they did not accede to these City officials' demands.

The charge of extortion provides a sentence of up to 20 years in prison, three years of supervised release and a fine of \$250,000. The charge of conspiracy to extort provides a sentence of up to 20 years in prison, three years of supervised release and a fine of \$250,000.

North Washington Street Bridge (Charlestown Bridge) construction look-ahead

August 11 – August 24

TRAVEL IMPACTS

•Inbound: One lane and all turn movements available from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. on most weekdays.

•Outbound: One lane and all turn movements available from 7 a.m. – 2 p.m. on most weekdays.

PAUL REVERE PARK PLAYGROUND

DESCRIPTION: Installation of new playground equipment will continue in Paul Revere Park.

WORK HOURS: Daytime (7

a.m. – 3 p.m.) on weekdays.

TEMPORARY BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION

DESCRIPTION: Installation of permanent gas brackets and continued construction of the temporary utility bridge.

WORK HOURS: Daytime (6 a.m. – 3 p.m.) on weekdays.

UTILITY INSTALLATION AND UPGRADES

DESCRIPTION: Crews will continue utility work at Keany Square and across the bridge

including the installation of small conduits and testing of chemicals in utility shafts.

WORK HOURS: Daytime (7 a.m. – 3 p.m.) on weekdays.

TRAVEL TIPS PEDESTRIANS AND CYCLISTS:

The bridge's eastern sidewalk is open and available to all pedestrians and cyclists with crossings at both Keany and City Squares. Please be advised that the DCR-controlled Charlestown locks can provide another alternate route,

but may close without warning and beyond control of this project. During Tudor Wharf walkway closures, pedestrian access will be provided via the Water Street underpass and guidance signage will be provided.

All users should take care to pay attention to all signage and police details and move carefully through the work zone. Police details, lane markings, temporary barriers, traffic cones, sig-

nage, and other tools will be used to control traffic and create safe work zones.

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

•Concerts: 8/15 at 7:30 p.m., 8/16 at 7:30 p.m., 8/17 at 7:30 p.m.

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Hartman, Daniel W	Govoni, Aaron	25 Albion Pl #2	\$750,000
Newhouse, Amy L	Kendrick LLC	87 Baldwin St	\$1,425,000
Cohen, Ilana M	Segarra, Jillian N	57 Bartlett St #7	\$622,000
Chen, Katie H	Pender, Susan J	65 Chelsea St #203	\$408,980
Schoenfeld, Michael D	Paula Bohan Demore RET	5 Common St #1	\$575,000
Shulman, Lucien	Forrest, Schwartz	1 Coral Pl	\$830,000
Partisano, Angela M	Jesse Bardo LT	2 Crystal Pl	\$1,100,000
Lister, James R	Leahy, William J	104 Elm St	\$1,250,000
Tannoury, Chadi	Purcell, Patrick J	1 Laurel St	\$2,000,000
Sylex, Holdings	Creaser, Margaret V	114 Main St	\$2,050,000
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CLOCK TOWER GALLERY EXHIBITION

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NOT FADE AWAY

it was a dark day when the music died - in a sense- but Austin Price, who portrayed Johnny Cash at Greater Boston Stage Company's production of "Million Dollar Quartet"- returns with his band, Not Fade Away, celebrating the music of Buddy Holley, Ritchie Valens, the big Bopper, Bill Haley,

the Beach Boys, Roy Orbison, Jerry Lewis, Elvis Presley, The Beatles and others, August 23-25, 395 Main St., Stoneham. \$40-\$45, seniors, \$35-\$40. greaterbostonstage.org.

NEVERDARK SERIES

As part of Gloucester Stage Company's Neverdark Series, the theater presents Laurel Ollstein's "They Promised Hr the Moon," the true story of aviator Jerrie Cobb, Aug. 13, at 7:30 p.m.,and the one-and-only famous screen-stage-TV star Ed Asner performs comedy, "God Help Us!," Aug.20,267 East Main St.,gloucester.Gloucesterstage.com/neverdark, 978-281-4433.

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SIX

American Repertory Theater presents Toby Marlow and Lucie Moss' 75-minute, rocking musical "Six," the story of Henry VIII's wives, as they transform from Tudor queens to rock stars, August 21-September 21, 64 Loeb Drama Center, Brattle St., Cambridge. Tickets from \$75; some shows sol out. 617-547-8300.

DOWNTON ABBEY THE EXHIBITION

The Crawley family and Downton Abbey await your visit through

time, during the post-Edwardian Era, through August 31, at Park Plaza, Boston. 866-811-4111.

WILL EVANS

Club Passim presents Barefoot Truth's drummer-songwriter, Will Evans, touring with his album "Rise," August 16, 8 p.m., at Club Passim, 47 Palmer St., Cambridge.\$25, members. \$23. 617-492-7679, club passim.org.

CARNIVAL PROVINCETOWN

Enter the Enchanted Forest, August 17-25, at Provincetown's annual carnival.

LYNN AUDITORIUM

Movies at the Auditorium features \$5 community movie, at 7 p.m.

Doors open at 6 p.m. "Woodstock, 3 days of peace and music, the director's cut," is August 17, "The Empire Strikes Back," Aug. 18, and "Star Wars Return of the Jedi," Aug. 23. Tickets at the Box Office or door Friday night. LynnAuditorium.com, 781-599-SHOW.

GETTING STARTED IN FAMILY HISTORY

Anyone interested in learning to research his/her family history will enjoy attending genealogist Melanie McComb's discussion, Wednesday, Aug. 21, 7-8:30, at Amesbury Senior Community Center, 68 Elm St., Amesbury. Free, open to all. McComb is from American Ancestors and New England Historic Genealogy Society.

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Suffolk Division INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

Docket No. SU18P1348EA Estate of: Mary Ellen Howell

Date of Death: 07/18/2015

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate by Petition of Petitioner Sheila Fitzpatrick of Tewksbury, MA

A Will have been admitted to informal probate. Sheila Fitzpatrick of Tewksbury, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

8/15/19 Charlestown

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BPDA asks for two-month extension for Massport on Little Mystic

By Seth Daniel

While it looks like Massport, and the AutoPort, will get a renewed lease to use the Little Mystic parcels for parking damaged cars, documents from the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) indicated they needed more time to negotiate that lease and to formulate a mitigation package for the Town.

The BPDA revealed its negotiation status in a document

prepared for its Aug. 15 Board meeting that asks the Board to approve a two-month extension on the expiring 40-year lease. That lease came up on May 31, but was extended three months at the May meeting. Now, that extension will end on Aug. 31, and the BPDA hopes to get more time.

“Because Massport has conveyed to the BPDA the importance of the Little Mystic Parcel for the continuing operations of the AutoPort, staff is again seeking a two-month extension to the

existing lease with all of the same terms as are presently in effect,” read the document. “This additional extension will allow staff to continue to analyze if a longer term lease renewal is appropriate for the property; further analyze feedback from the community, elected officials and non-profits regarding possible mitigation measures that BPDA will require of Massport or any other industrial Lessee of the Little Mystic Parcel; and provide additional time to negotiate the terms of a new, longer term lease for the

Little Mystic Parcel, including determining an appropriate rent for the property... Extending this lease in shorter increments serves to maintain an urgency to these negotiations and demonstrates that arriving at terms acceptable to the BPDA is of a high priority.”

Councilor Lydia Edwards said she prefers the short-term extensions so that the process doesn't speed out ahead of the community.

“I prefer short-term leases until we have a clear, robust plan for mitigation and benefits for Charlestown,” she said. “I still think many folks want a little more time to comment and provide suggestions.”

The Little Mystic parcels about the Little Mystic Channel on Terminal Street – on the opposite side of the AutoPort, and also about the Town's large sports field complex. They consist of about 147,000 sq. ft. and are used for parking damaged cars by the AutoPort. However, last year, after learning of the lease expiration through a newspaper investigation, as well as the very low rent on the property paid by Massport, many in the community desired to see about getting the parcels out of the industrial zone and into use by the community for green space.

While there hasn't been a determination as to whether or not that will or will not happen, the BPDA documents do seem to indicate that the lease will be renewed to preserve jobs – especially since the BPDA did an appraisal of the property to determine the proper rent.

“Specifically, the Little Mystic

Parcel plays an integral role in the overall operations of the Autoport's import/export operation,” read the document. “Since it is ideally located adjacent to the main storage yard and near the vehicle processing facility at 300 Terminal Street, the Little Mystic Parcel provides extra car storage capacity, thereby greatly increasing efficiency. Given existing high import/export volumes, Massport and the AutoPort are seeking a lease renewal of the Little Mystic Parcel in order to sustain their current operations... According to Massport, the AutoPort is a good corporate citizen, having donated hundreds of thousands of dollars to local organizations.”

The documents did get down to some plans for how to approach a new mitigation package for the Town from Massport, as Charlestown gets very little from the Authority in comparison to other communities with such significant land-holdings. The BPDA documents read that meetings are being set up now to try to define what mitigation would be appropriate.

“Staff is currently engaged in dialogues with area elected officials, non-profits and neighbors and will plan a future workshop to refine mitigation ideas to ensure that measures that BPDA will require for entering into a new, long-term lease for the Little Mystic Parcel are fully vetted, realistic and as impactful as possible,” read the document.

The BPDA Board was expected to grant the two-month extension at its meeting tonight, Aug. 15.

Big agenda for Charlestown at August BPDA Board meeting

Thursday's BPDA Board meeting features a big agenda for Charlestown, with at least five items of interest on the slate to be considered.

In addition to the Little Mystic lease extension, four other items will also be taken up, including:

- After a heavily-attended meeting in March on the ambulance facility within a development on Main Street, the BPDA is looking to put out an RFP for the disposition of the land which would house a new development, including a new ambulance bay substation. The land is owned by the BPDA, and currently a hut is located there for the ambulance company. A developer from East Boston has presented plans for the last few years that would include the ambulance on the BPDA land within his development. That process seems to be ready to start now, and the RFP is expected to outline a robust community process for the ambulance and residential development project. The RFP would call for “the disposition of Parcel C-2A-5 to redevelop the property while also facilitating the delivery of the ‘core and shell’ of a building to be used by the Boston Health Commission as an emergency medical services substation dedicated to Charlestown.”

Bids are likely to be opened in the fall.

- The BPDA is looking to enter into a license agreement with the Navy Yard Garden Association to bring another public art show to the Yard in

the summer of 2020. The Association brought in the popular Big Dog show last summer, which generated a lot of positive energy from resident of the Yard and the entire neighborhood. This time, the Association hopes to bring in the Whitaker Wind Sculpture exhibit from Kansas City. The Arts Commission has already given conditional approval for the installation. The exhibit would run from May 1, 2020 to Sept. 30, 2020.

- Courageous Sailing is looking to get the terms of their lease on Pier 4 extended for one year. The BPDA land for Courageous is used to operate the youth sailing program. The original five-year lease ran from 2011 to 2016, and the BPDA has granted one-year extensions two times since the lease expired. It is expected a third extension will be granted.

- A building project on Tremont Street is seeking a minor modification to the Urban Renewal Plan and also to enter into a new Land Disposition Agreement that would allow a single-family home owned by the Golden family to be torn down so that three new townhouses could be built on a “pork chop” lot at the corner of Tremont and Lowney Way. The project had a community process and has support of Councilor Lydia Edwards and Mayor Martin Walsh's office. It was approved at the Zoning Board earlier this year.

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.

POLICE RELATED INFO: Contact the District A-1 Community Service Office at 617-343-4627.

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.

Death Investigation

08/05/19 - Officers responded to Dry Dock Two in the Charlestown Navy Yard, where they observed a body submerged in the water by a set of stairs. The victim was pronounced deceased at 8:15 a.m., and the investigation is ongoing.

Larceny – Building

08/07/19 – A victim on Eighth Street reported he observed three

males stealing bikes from the garage. Officers responded and as a result of the subsequent investigation, an individual was placed under arrest for larceny, trespassing and possession of burglarious tools.

Warrant Arrest

08/07/19 - Officers in the area of Vine Street placed an individual under arrest for multiple warrants for violation of an abuse

prevention order issued out of Cambridge District Court.

Larceny – Building

08/10/19 – A victim on Monument Avenue reported after her washer and dryer were delivered, she saw that her seven carat rings went missing from the dish in the bathroom, which was adjacent to where the appliances were taken. Detectives will investigate the matter.

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A Gem on the Diamond

Ryleigh Williams-Arroyo is tearing it up this summer

By Cary Shuman

There is only one left-handed hitter in Boston who is having a better season than rising Red Sox star Rafael Devers.

And that young lady is Charlestown 12-year-old Ryleigh Cecelia Williams-Arroyo, whose batting average, power hitting, and fielding have been in a word – awesome.

The sweet-swinging hitter batted .692 with seven home runs and 59 RBIs in 24 games for the Charlestown Blue Diamonds of the Middle Essex Softball League. A skilled baserunner as well, she has scored 47 runs.

Ryleigh has been steadily improving her skills for the past four seasons under the tutelage of her stepfather, Billy Nugent, the Blue Diamonds coach.

“He’s a very good coach,” credited Ryleigh. “He works very well with the girls because he knows most of them because I’ve grown up with all of them. They’re all my friends.”

The Diamonds compiled a 13-1 record in their summer season and captured the league championship. Ryleigh claimed the triple crown for her batting average, RBIs, and

home runs. She also drew several semi-intentional walks, the utmost sign of respect from an opposing team.

“Ryleigh’s our cleanup hitter,” said Nugent. “She’s amazing, she’s great to work with. She’s very easy going. She’s an incredible first baseman. She’s softball smart, always keeping her teammates ready and spreading the word how many outs there are and things like that. But most importantly, she goes out there and has fun.”

AN EARLY START ON THE DIAMOND

Ryleigh’s parents, Jimmy Williams and Roslyn Arroyo both participated in sports at East Boston High School.

Jimmy was a baseball superstar who had a 90 MPH fastball and a potent bat and was scouted by Major League Baseball teams. Roslyn excelled in the Lady Jets softball program and continues to enjoy softball.

Ryleigh began her sports career in the Charlestown Little League. It was clear from Day 1 that Ryleigh had excellent hand-to-eye coordination and the ability to hit the ball long distances.

Who taught Ryleigh the tech-

niques of hitting?

“My whole family, my dad, my grandfather, my stepdad, my mom,” replied Ryleigh.

Ryleigh is playing for the Gators team in the East Boston Girls Softball League playoffs.

Leah Forbes has been Ryleigh’s coach in the EBGSL for the past few years.

“She’s awesome, she’s just so talented and a great kid,” said Forbes. “She works really well with the younger kids and helping keep the team organized. She’s comes from a great family. She’s just super talented and you can tell she just loves to play softball.”

A seventh-grade student, Ryleigh is looking forward to playing high school softball.

“Without a doubt, I can see Ryleigh excelling in high school,” said Nugent.

Ryleigh also enjoys competing in other sports.

“I do other sports to stay active – basketball, football, and swimming,” said Ryleigh.

But it’s her softball talents that have people taking notice. Ryleigh Williams Arroyo’s future prospects appear to be unlimited.

Can you say 2028 Summer Olympics?



Ryleigh Williams-Arroyo had an outstanding season for the Charlestown Blue Diamonds this summer.



Ryleigh Williams-Arroyo displays the batting stance that produced staggering results for the Charlestown Blue Diamonds this summer.



Charlestown softball standout Ryleigh Williams-Arroyo is pictured with her stepfather, Billy Nugent, who is her coach for the Charlestown Blue Diamonds.

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