



CHARLESTOWN

PATRIOT-BRIDGE

CONCERT AT THE COMMANDANT'S HOUSE



The National Park Service offers a free concert every Thursday evening on the grounds of the Commandant's House in the Navy Yard. The featured band was The Old North (above): Andrew O'Keeffe on guitar and vocals, Ray Cohen on drums, and Hayes Cummings on guitar.



Right, Kimberly Onsager and Jose Agosto found a good spot on the grounds to relax and listen to the band. See Pages 6 and 7 for more photos.

Derek Kouyoumjian photos

Wu, Election Commission discuss voting options ahead of Sept. 6 primary

By Lauren Bennett

Mayor Michelle Wu held a press conference on August 23 from the Museum of Fine Arts (MFA)—one of the city's new polling locations—to provide information ahead of the upcoming Sept. 6 primary election.

Wu was joined by MFA Director Matthew Teitelbaum, who emphasized the importance of preparing for the election, especially with the Orange Line shutdown, which will impact the primary.

“Let me just say that we’re really thrilled to be a host for both today and for subsequent election polling stations at the museum,” Teitelbaum said. “Museums exist to be convening spaces for our community. They exist to allow our citizens to express themselves.”

Mayor Wu talked about the

many options that are available to voters for the primary election, which include 16 new polling locations, early voting, and vote by mail.

“Last October, the City of Boston expanded voting precincts using the most up-to-date population data,” Wu said, “adjusting those lines for the first time in nearly a century. Because 20 new precincts were created, new polling locations were also created and were approved by the Board of Election Commissioner in July.

New locations include Beacon House in Ward 3, the Cyclorama in Wards 4 and 5, Fenway Center in Ward 3, the MFA in Ward 4, Old South Church in Ward 5, and Saint Joseph Parish in Ward 3, among others.

Wu said that early voting is

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CNC CORNER

CNC General Meeting, Thursday September 8, 2022 The Charlestown Neighborhood Council will hold in-person, public meeting on Thursday, September 8, 2022, 7-9 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus, 545 Medford Street, Charlestown. District One, City Councilor Gabriela Coletta will attend to give us an update on her work and issues that affect Charlestown. Please bring your questions and neighborhood concerns to the meeting or email us at cnc02129@gmail.com.

CNC Development Committee Meeting: PLAN:Charlestown Draft Land Use Scenarios, Monday, August 29, 6-7:30 p.m., Knights of Columbus, 545 Medford Street, Charlestown.

The CNC Development Committee will be hosting the PLAN:Charlestown team from the BPDA at an in-person, public meeting where they will be gathering resident comments on the two proposed PLAN:Charlestown scenarios. The meeting is intended to provide residents with an alternative to reviewing the scenarios and answering the survey questions online. It is not an update on PLAN:Charlestown or a meeting to discuss other aspects of the plan. The PLAN:Charlestown team will distribute paper copies of the draft scenarios and the survey questions. There are many options to choose from to share your feedback: give verbal comments at the meeting, fill out and hand back the printed survey, or take your notes home to complete the survey on-line. If you have any questions about this meeting, please contact the co-chairs at cnc02129@gmail.com. You may also email Jason.Ruggiero@boston.gov, Charlestown's BPDA Community Engagement Manager, to request a paper copy of the draft scenarios or with questions about PLAN:Charlestown. The BPDA has also placed printed copies of the two draft scenarios, paper surveys, and mailing envelopes at the BPL Charlestown Branch, and at various businesses and coffee shops around town.

DiDomenico, colleagues celebrate signing of mental health reform

Special to the Patriot-Bridge

On August 10, Governor Charlie Baker signed the Mental Health ABC Act: Addressing

Barriers to Care, comprehensive legislation championed by Senator DiDomenico and his legislative colleagues which will continue the process of reforming the way

mental health care is delivered in Massachusetts, with the goal of ensuring that people get the mental health care they need when they need it.

The Mental Health ABC Act is driven by the recognition that mental health is as important as physical health for every resident of the Commonwealth and should be treated as such. The legislation includes a wide variety of reforms to ensure equitable access to mental health care and remove barriers to care by supporting the behavioral health workforce.

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EDITORIAL

THE MWRA IS DOING A GREAT JOB

Residents in our newspapers' circulation area in Greater Boston probably are unaware that most of the communities in Massachusetts are enduring drought conditions that have resulted in the imposition of severe water-use restrictions.

But here in Greater Boston, there is not even the mention of a drought or restrictions of any kind.

That's because the Quabbin Reservoir, which provides us with our water, is at an astonishing (given the drought) level of 92 percent capacity.

The MWRA has been around for more than 30 years and is best-known for its massive sewage treatment plant on Deer Island that has turned Boston Harbor from the most-polluted harbor in America into a jewel of an environmental resource that contributes hundreds of millions of dollars annually to the Mass. economy. We recall that as youngsters growing up on Pt. Shirley in Winthrop in the 1960s, we were warned that we could not swim in Winthrop Harbor because of the "pollution." The algae that flourished on the mudflats at low tide was so foul that it literally peeled the paint off the homes along the Winthrop harbor shoreline. When we had a sailboat in the 1980s, the water was so gross throughout Boston Harbor and the islands that we did not want to jump in for a swim even in the Outer Harbor.

But the other, unsung "job" of the MWRA is to provide water to its 40 or so communities from the Quabbin, and in that regard, the MWRA also has performed in exemplary fashion.

We'll be the first to admit that we know nothing about water systems. To be sure, innovations such as low-flow toilets, as well as the high cost of water, no doubt have contributed to the per capita reduction in water usage in the Boston area from when the MWRA took over the system from the MDC back in the 1980s.

Unquestionably, aggressive leak-detection and other programs, spearheaded by dedicated public servants, have been the key ingredients in the secret sauce, so to speak, of the MWRA's outstanding water management program since its inception.

Our late grandmother, Zita Quigley, (whom we loved dearly, but who was a master at playing the martyr role, if you know what we mean), used to say (after we would compliment her for something or other), "Oh, thank you -- because you know, even a dog likes a pat on the head every once in a while."

So consider this our "pat on the head" to the folks at the MWRA for their excellent management of our water system. Thanks to them, we who live in the MWRA's cities and towns literally are an oasis amongst the drought-stricken communities who are not within the MWRA district.

ROBERT KRAFT BELONGS IN THE HALL OF FAME

As we are writing this early in the week, the Pro Football Hall of Fame's Coach/Contributor Committee is getting ready to meet to select one of 12 nominees for inclusion in the Pro Football Hall of Fame in the Class of 2023. That nominee then must go to the full selection committee for a final vote for inclusion.

Among the nominees is our own Robert Kraft, the owner of the New England Patriots.

With all due respect to the other 11 nominees (for the record, they are Rooney Arledge, Don Coryell, Mike Holmgren, Frank "Bucko" Kilroy, Art Modell, Buddy Parker, Dan Reeves, Art Rooney Jr., Mike Shanahan, Clark Shaughnessy and John Wooten), there is no one affiliated with the NFL who deserves inclusion in the Hall of Fame more than Mr. Kraft.

We formerly were Patriot season ticket-holders (we have not been for almost 30 years) from the time the franchise began in 1960. We attended games at Braves Field, Fenway Park, and Harvard Stadium before the Pats finally moved to their own stadium in Foxboro in 1972, the much-maligned Schaefer Stadium, which was built on the cheap and was outdated within a decade of its construction.

But what many present-day Patriots' fans may not realize is that the franchise was on the verge of moving to St. Louis -- which was offering a sweet deal on a new, state-of-the-art, domed stadium -- until Mr. Kraft (who himself had been a Pats' fan from the beginning) stepped in to purchase the team in 1994 in order to keep it in New England.

Mr. Kraft not only totally changed the culture of the Patriots' organization, but he constructed Gillette Stadium with no public funding. He assumed the entire risk not only of buying a moribund franchise, but also of constructing a \$325 million stadium.

Over the course of the ensuing 28 years, the New England Patriots have been one of the most successful sports franchises, not only in pro football, but in the entire world, under Mr. Kraft's leadership.

But beyond all of their Super Bowl titles, the Patriots and the Kraft family also have set the standard for what it means to be a good corporate citizen. Among their endeavors with which we directly are familiar through our sister newspaper in Chelsea is the Jordan Boys and Girls Club in Chelsea, of which Josh Kraft is the CEO, and for which the Krafts were among the major donors for the \$11 million complex. And we all recall that during the darkest days of the pandemic, the Krafts used the Patriots' team jet and set up the logistics to bring 1.2 million desperately-needed face masks to this area from China.

So we fervently hope that the Hall of Fame committees see their way to nominate and name Mr. Kraft for enshrinement in Canton, Ohio. Together with his beloved, late wife Myra, who typically sat side-by-side with each other at every Patriots' game, Bob Kraft has set the standard of excellence not only for football, but for ownership of sports teams the world over.

We may be living in a cynical world, but Bob Kraft has brought more joy to our area than anyone we can think of -- and isn't that what sports are all about?

LETTER to the Editor

WHY CHARLESTOWN IS IN NEED OF A WATERFRONT PARK ON PIER 5

To the Editor,

Traversing the Navy Yard on a daily walk for the past few months, gives me the opportunity to reflect and think about what makes this place special.

The people, whether from Charlestown, Boston and beyond, or the visitors from around the world are drawn here for the waterfront experience, the vistas, the historical landmarks, "Old Ironsides", the harbor activity, or just to walk and take in this wonderful place. Visitors are happy to share their joy and excitement about being in Boston, all positive.

We, who live in Charlestown are blessed.

On the other hand, this has not been a very good summer for the residents with the challenges we're facing. The unusually hot summer, limited tree canopy, and our community pool closed for the 5,000 children who live here, has made for a less than enjoyable summer. Their usual water recreation and go to place to cool off is non-existent.

Trying to get some respite in the Navy Yard is daunting. Currently there are two blighted piers closed and inaccessible for any type of recreation, passive activity, for walking or to just take in the harbor views.

Walking the boardwalk is dangerous as the boards are decayed, causing one to not take their eyes off where their feet land as falling is a consequence leading to injuries. A matter of time before

the city is faced with a lawsuit regarding injuries sustained trying to go for a simple walk. For safety, I recommend walking on cement if available.

At one time a walk on the public space on Pier 6 was a great destination to take in the harbor views and find some tranquility the water offers. We are not able to do that now as a billionaire's super-yacht is tied up for maintenance blocking air, light, views and access to our harbor. How can this be? Who gives permission for this yacht to block our public viewing access to the harbor, and be there for a good part of the summer? Who owns the water sheet? Where are the rental fees going? Why is this allowed in the first place?

The community of Charlestown should not tolerate this private taking of our public asset. There are 20,000 current Charlestown residents, and with the new developments and proposals, our population will increase to 33,000 residents in one square mile, which further limits our open space use. Where can people go for their mental and physical health? To get a breath of fresh air, to see Nature and blue sky, and to be inspired to see our city skyline and open harbor?

We have an opportunity to keep Pier 5 as a public, a green, open waterfront and climate resilient space for all of Charlestown. Please visit www.Pier5.org to learn about the efforts being made.

Please sign our petition <https://bit.ly/3zV5k0n>. We ask for your help.

Ann Kelleher
Pier 5 Association



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Boston Public Health Commission provides update on City's COVID-19 trends

Special to the Regional Review

The Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) provided the following updates on the latest COVID-19 trends for the City of Boston:

Levels of COVID-19 virus in local wastewater have increased by 17.8% over the last seven days but have held stable over the past 14 days with a 7.4% decrease, and are now at 520 RNA copies/mL. (Data as of August 15)

New COVID-19 cases in Boston have decreased by 20.5% over the past seven days, and by 22.7% over the past 14 days. (Data as of August 15)

In Charlestown there were 24 new cases reported. Charlestown is the neighborhood with the lowest amount of new cases. Other neighborhoods with low numbers are Back Bay, Fenway, Beacon Hill, North End, and South Boston.

Boston has seen 146 new COVID-19 related hospitalizations in the past seven days, which is a 0.6% decrease over the past seven days and a 18.4% decrease over the last 14 days.

(Data as of August 17), Community positivity is 7.2% as of August 18

Suffolk county remains at medium community risk, according to the CDC.

With back-to-school season and cooler temperatures approaching, BPHC is encouraging families to plan ahead by ensuring school

aged children and teens are up to date on their vaccinations, including COVID-19. Parents and guardians should schedule a check-up for their child before the school year begins. This is an opportunity to discuss your child's health, as well as vaccines, with their pediatrician.

Getting as many children and teens up to date on their COVID-19 vaccinations as possible is crucial to these efforts. Vaccines and boosters are our the most effective tools for preventing transmission in school settings. It is important for youth's emotional wellbeing and academic performance that they experience a more normal school year that doesn't involve widespread shutdowns and remote learning. A full list of COVID-19 vaccination clinics in Boston is available on the BPHC website.

"Just like getting books and school supplies, making sure your child gets a checkup from their doctor is a very important part of the back-to-school routine," said Dr. Bisola Ojikutu, Commissioner of Public Health and Executive Director of the Boston Public Health Commission. "I encourage all parents and guardians to use this checkup as an opportunity to get your child vaccinated or boosted for COVID-19 to help keep them healthy, reduce their risk of infection and ensure they can stay in school with minimal interruption."

Based on current trends, BPHC's recommendations remain

unchanged. Proper COVID-19 safety and mitigation practices are our best tool for driving our metrics down further. Residents should continue to adhere to the following strategies to prevent COVID-19 transmission:

Stay up to date on your COVID-19 vaccinations to reduce your risk of severe illness.

COVID-19 vaccines are recommended for everyone ages 6 months and older.

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

Second booster dose are recommended for everyone ages 50 and older, as well as moderately to severely immunocompromised individuals who are 12 or older.

Wear masks indoors, especially in crowded indoor settings like public transportation.

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

Stay home and isolate if you are sick or test positive for COVID-19. If you test positive contact a health care provider about oral antivirals or monoclonal antibody therapy.

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health is offering free telehealth services for Paxlovid, an oral antiviral that has been proven

to reduce the risk of hospitalization and death from COVID-19 significantly. For more information, visit their website.

Gather outside and choose outdoor activities as often as possible.

Open windows and doors to ensure good indoor ventilation.

Vaccine and booster trends (data as of August 15):

74.5% of Boston residents are fully vaccinated

42.2% of fully vaccinated Boston residents have received a booster

48.1% of Boston children ages 5-11 are fully vaccinated

73% of white children ages 5-11 are fully vaccinated, 69% of AAPI children are fully vaccinated, 35% of Latinx children are fully

vaccinated, and 29% of Black children are fully vaccinated.

13.4% of Boston children ages 6-months to 4-years old have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine

23% of white children ages 6-months to 4-years old have gotten their first dose, 20% of AAPI children have gotten their first dose, and 3% of Black and 3% of Latinx children have gotten their first dose.

More information about COVID-19 vaccines and testing is available at boston.gov/bphc. Residents can also contact the Mayor's Health Line for more information by calling 617-534-5050 or by going to <https://www.boston.gov/bphc-mhl>.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Smart Choices Funding Available

Massachusetts General Hospital announces availability of funding for "Smart Choices for Charlestown" for 2022. The program is designed to help wCharlestown organizations meet the health and human service needs of the community. Funding will be awarded to organizations serving the Charlestown community.

Information on how to apply on-line will be posted on <https://www.massgeneral.org/community-health/cchi/programs/smart-choices-program>.

The deadline for submission is 12:00 Noon on Friday, September 30, 2022. Incomplete applications or applications received after this deadline will not be eligible for funding. Awardees will be notified of decisions in late October.

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Virtual Listening Session

PLAN: Charlestown Listening Session

Saturday, August 27
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Zoom Link: bit.ly/Aug27meet
Toll Free: (833) 568 - 8864
Meeting ID: 160 075 3481

Project Description:

PLAN: Charlestown, your neighborhood-wide planning initiative facilitated by the BPDA, has released two draft scenarios for the future of the industrial area along Rutherford Avenue and Sullivan Square. These draft scenarios are the continuation of a collaborative dialogue to create a framework for future development in this area. Please scan the QR code below, or visit the PLAN: Charlestown webpage, to see the scenarios and share feedback on what you would like to see in these areas! Please note, the scenarios are best viewed on screens tablet size or larger. You may also request a paper copy of the draft scenarios by email or phone from Jay Ruggiero, BPDA, at jason.ruggiero@boston.gov or (617) 722-4300. The BPDA will be collecting feedback on the scenarios through online surveys, in-person tabling in the neighborhood, and a series of virtual listening sessions. The next "Listening Session" event will be from 10:00-11:00am on Saturday, August 27th.

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Scan the QR Code or Visit this Website to view the Scenarios!
bit.ly/PLANCharlestownScenarios

Wu announces 2022 Mayor's Garden Contest winners

Mayor Michelle Wu today announced the winners of the 26th annual Mayor's Garden Contest with a grand prize provided by JetBlue, prize packages donated by Mahoney's Garden Centers, and additional support from in-kind sponsor Polar Beverages. The Mayor's Garden Contest recognizes gardeners who have landscaped, planted flowers, trees, shrubs, and, in the process, helped beautify Boston's neighborhoods.

First place winners received the coveted "Golden Trowel" award from Mayor Wu in a ceremony held August 15 in the Boston Public Garden while second and third place winners were awarded certificates. Gardeners who have won three or more times in the last ten years were automatically entered into the Hall of Fame. These distinguished Hall-of-Famers are no longer eligible to enter as contestants but are invited to return as judges.

First place winners were also entered into a drawing for a JetBlue Grand Prize consisting of roundtrip flights for two to any nonstop destination from Boston and received a pair of tickets to the Harvard Museums of Science and Culture. In addition, Mahoney's Garden Centers provided gardener's gift bags to the top three winners in each category, as well as gift certificates for the 2022 Hall of Fame winners.

- This year's winners:**
- Age Strong Garden Category**
1. Wm. Ernest Garneau - West Roxbury
 2. Yolanda Palin - Roslindale
 3. Patricia Kelley - Charlestown
- Shade Garden**
1. Dave Connolly - East Boston
 2. Sally Reyering - Beacon Hill
 3. Tess Cunard - Fenway/Kenmore
- Vegetable or Herb Garden**
1. Shanti D'Souza - Brighton
 2. Osarumese Okoh - Roxbury
 3. Jennifer Taub - Jamaica Plain
- Small Yard Garden**
1. Ian Shields - East Boston
 2. Julia Fairclough - Roslindale
 3. Jessica Grace Brooks - East Boston
- Medium Yard Garden**
1. Sandra Jordan & Robert Monahan - Jamaica Plain

2. Linda Sklar - Jamaica Plain
 3. Tony Lyons - East Boston
- Storefront, Organization, or Main Street District Garden**
1. Four Corners Main Streets - Dorchester
 2. Chilcot Granada Community Garden - Roxbury
 3. J. Grady Home - Beacon Hill
- Porch, Balcony, or Container Garden**
1. Alex & Stephanie Tsalagas - South End
 2. Beverly Christians and Chris Hartmann - South End
 3. Paul Belanger - West End
- Community Garden**
1. Steven Davy and Dionna Di Piero - Fenway Victory Garden
 2. John Ruiz - Fenway Victory Garden
 3. Ellen Bowers - Fenway Victory Garden

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Bartlett Place A
2505 Washington Street, Roxbury, MA 02119

40 Income-Restricted Units

# of Units	# of bedrooms	Estimated Square Feet	Rent	Maximum Income Limit	# built out for mobility impairments	# built out for Deaf/hard of hearing
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1**	1 BR	664	\$2,105	80% AMI		
5	2 BR	875	\$1,577	50% AMI		
1**	2 BR	875	\$1,577	50% AMI		
18	2 BR	875	\$1,893	60% AMI	2	1
3	2 BR	875	\$2,524	80% AMI	1	
1**	2 BR	875	\$2,524	80% AMI		
2	3 BR	1,154	\$1,823	50% AMI	1	
4	3 BR	1,154	\$2,187	60% AMI		
4	3 BR	1,154	\$2,917	80% AMI		

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# of bedrooms	30% AMI	50% AMI	60% AMI	80% AMI	Household size	30% AMI	50% AMI	60% AMI	80% AMI
1 BR	N/A	N/A	\$54,102	\$72,137	1	\$29,460	\$49,100	\$58,920	\$78,550
2 BR	N/A	\$54,085	\$64,902	\$86,537	2	\$33,660	\$56,100	\$67,320	\$89,750
3 BR	N/A	\$62,506	\$75,008	\$100,011	3	\$37,850	\$63,100	\$75,720	\$100,950
					4	\$42,050	\$70,100	\$84,120	\$112,150
					5	\$45,450	\$75,750	\$90,900	\$121,150
					6	\$48,810	\$81,350	\$97,620	\$130,100

* Minimum incomes **do not apply to households with housing assistance (Section 8, MRVP, VASH) or for the units in this development that include a project-based voucher.**

Applications are available during the application period for 42 days, from 8/19/2022 to 9/30/2022

To request an online application or to have one sent by email visit <https://bit.ly/BartlettApp> or call 617-442-8472

After careful consideration and an abundance of caution, the City of Boston has decided to cancel the in-person application distribution period. If you cannot complete the application online, please call us at 617-442-8472, to request that we mail you one and to ask us for any support or guidance you might need to complete the application.

We will be holding 2 virtual informational meetings on Zoom:

Thursday, August 25, 2022 at 6:00pm <https://zoom.us/j/97987013061?pwd=SnlvN0t4K1kzU3JhV0NmTWNYTU41dz09>

Meeting ID 979 8701 3061, Passcode bwM5F1, Dial In 1-929-205-6099

Thursday, September 15, 2022 at 6:00pm <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/83655911386?pwd=YjhGZGNMU0UyWTJlZHVlK3NKSkVzZz09>

Meeting ID 836 5591 1386, Passcode xHkRb0, Dial In 1-929-205-6099

DEADLINE: Applications must be submitted online or postmarked no later than 4:00pm 9/30/2022
 Mailed to: Bartlett A, 233 Blue Hill Avenue, Roxbury, MA 02119

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CHARLESTOWN GYM HOCKEY

IMPORTANT NEWS

We will be passing out team jerseys and 2022/2023 schedules on:

Saturday August 27th 2022

9:30 am to 12:30 pm

Mishawum Community Room

95 Dunstable Street

If you can not make it on this date you need to call

Jimbo Tucker (617)-803-5344 or

Debbie Lent (617) 241-0434

to make other arrangements.

We still have a few spots available

for 5 to 7 year old players.

Anyone interested should call Debbie Lent.

BPDA seeks input from residents

By Stephen Quigley

Members of the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) team are going the extra mile to get as much feedback as possible from the Charlestown community for the PLAN:Charlestown initiative.

The process of providing a vision for Charlestown in 2040 was started in 2020 in response to anticipated improvements to Sullivan Square and Rutherford Avenue and an increasing number of development proposals in the underutilized industrial areas.

The PLAN aims to have a framework to shape Charlestown's future growth along the Rutherford Ave. corridor and in Sullivan Square while preserving the character of existing residential areas and the need to keep the historic areas to remain as they are presently.

In July, the BPDA officially released two draft scenarios for the future of Charlestown, focusing on the industrial area along Rutherford Avenue and Sullivan Square. These draft scenarios are the continuation of a collaborative dialogue to create a framework for the future in this area.

The BPDA plans to hold additional listening sessions and gatherings in order to provide residents an opportunity to present their views and express their concerns about future development.

In a listening session that was held last Thursday, residents aired their views regarding the issues of future development density, the need for added green space, and potential traffic congestion.

Diane Vallée expressed her concerns about the 55-foot height restriction and density. She noted that there are 106 acres to be developed and asked, "How many people will be added to the present population?"

BPDA Community Engagement Manager Jay Ruggiero noted that any project that has just been filed, but not yet approved, would come under the purview of the PLAN: Charlestown.

He also noted that both the Bunker Hill Housing Redevelopment project, as well as the Hood Plant project, are excluded from the PLAN because both projects already have been approved.

With regard to future traffic growth, Ruggiero noted that both of these projects have extensive

data on their impact on traffic in the area.

Another resident asked whether the city or the developers will be responsible for managing new green space.

Ruggiero noted that all new green space will be located on private land and therefore will be maintained by the developer.

"However, although the land is private, it will be open to the public," Ruggiero noted.

The first draft scenarios for parts of Charlestown were recently released and six listening sessions were held to accompany engagement efforts on the document. Listening session events are opportunities for staff to be available to residents to collect their input on important planning items.

Typically, no formal presentations take place at these types of events and rely on community members to create the dialogue of the event by asking questions and sharing their thoughts.

For those who have been unable to attend a previous listening session and can't make an upcoming one, but still want to meet with staff to ask questions or discuss feedback, the BPDA will find the time to meet. Jay Ruggiero can be reached at Jason.Ruggiero@Boston.gov to schedule a meeting.

"We need your comments," Ruggiero added, noting that there is still time to help shape the future of Charlestown.

The deadline to submit comments will be in mid September. So far almost 900 survey responses have been submitted.

Another listening session is scheduled for:

Saturday, August 27 from 10:00 AM-11:00 AM

Register at bit.ly/Aug27meet
Meeting ID: 160 075 3481

Following is the official information sheet being provided by the BPDA to encourage community feedback:

PLAN: Charlestown is excited to share an important milestone and update in the planning process with you. In July, we officially released two draft scenarios for the future of Charlestown, focusing on the industrial area along Rutherford Avenue and Sullivan Square. These draft scenarios are the continuation of a collaborative dialogue to create a framework for the future in this area.



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Promoting Plan Charlestown: Jay Ruggiero and Chantha Son of the Boston Planning And Development Authority, community advocate Dan Jaffe, and Hannah Wagner and Catherine McCandless of the City Of Boston Environment Department. Plan Charlestown is a redevelopment proposal for the New Rutherford Ave Corridor as well as the rest of Charlestown.

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CONCERT AT THE COMMANDANT'S HOUSE

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The National Park Service offers a free concert every Thursday evening on the grounds of the Commandant's House in the Navy Yard. This week's performance was The Old North, an Americana trio that blends modern folk with jazz and bluesgrass.



Amy Williams and her mom Gaye.



Hayes Cummings on guitar



Andrew O'Keeffe on guitar and vocals



Ray Cohen on drums



Katya and Natasha Nelsontake a moment from their hula hoop play to listen to the music.



Ted, Samantha, and Skye Gildea with Poppy and Cheddar.



The evening was just right to enjoy mellow miss Commandant's House was a pleasant setting for music and enjoying a Summer evening.

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CONCERT AT THE COMMANDANT'S HOUSE

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Boston awarded grant to expand access to apprenticeship programs

Mayor Michelle Wu announced that the Mayor's Office of Workforce Development (OWD), an affiliate of the Boston Planning & Development Agency, was recently awarded \$3 million from the US Department of Labor to create and expand equitable pre-apprenticeship pathways to Registered Apprenticeship Programs (RAP), as well as Equity Partnerships.

A Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP) is a proven model of apprenticeship that has been validated by the U.S. Department of Labor or the Massachusetts' State Apprenticeship Agency. RAPs enable and energize more employers to participate, and provide them access to larger talent pools that have been trained for entry-level to management positions, thereby meeting industry

demands and reducing unemployment rates in the region. Equity Partnerships are collaborations with community-based organizations and partners to ensure principles are integrated throughout the initiative. Principles include equity, job quality, support for high-quality programs, evidence-based approaches, intentional outreach to BIPOC residents and new innovations.

The Greater Boston Equitable Apprenticeship Pathways grant will allow OWD and its partners to expand eight Massachusetts pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship programs over a four-year period. The project will aim to serve 484 participants in pre-apprenticeship programs, with a goal to place hundreds of participants into registered apprenticeships.

"This grant represents a step

toward building strong pathways that will connect every resident and worker to opportunity," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "As we work to make Boston a city for everyone, expanding access to apprenticeship programs is critical to ensuring that our workforce represents all of our City's diversity and reflects the expertise in our communities"

The grant will serve BIPOC residents, women, individuals who self-identify as having disabilities, formerly incarcerated individuals, at-risk youth, court-involved young adults, veterans, unemployed and underrepresented individuals, and those with limited education or career skills. The target growth industries include: hospitality, construction, health care, and life sciences. The target occupations within those industries are housekeeper, room attendant houseman, bricklayer, electrician, elevator constructor, heat and frost insulator, ironworker, laborers operating engineer, painter and allied trades, pipefitter/plumber, roofer, sheet metal worker, sprinkler fitter, teamster, EMT, biomanufacturing technician, and clinical trial associate; the target starting wages for apprentices in these positions range from an average of \$18-\$27/hr, with wage and training progression.

"The way we will reach Mayor Wu's vision of a Boston that is more equitable, vibrant, innovative, and resilient is by ensuring

that every resident has access to career opportunities in sectors that will provide family-sustaining wages and benefits," said Segun Idowu, Chief of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion. "The awarding of this grant to the Office of Workforce Development is further evidence of the life-changing work the team and their partners are doing to build a more inclusive economy."

The project will partner with the following Equity Partners: BEST Hospitality Training Program, City of Boston EMS, Building Pathways, Inc., and MassBioEd's Life Sciences Apprenticeship Program. These pre-apprenticeship programs will lead to quality RAPs in the following entities: UNITED HERE Local 26 Union Hotels, City of Boston EMS, North America's Building Trades Union, and MassBioEd. Participants will get jobs at various companies and organizations, including but not limited to Boston Emergency Medical Services, Marriott Corporation, Omni Parker House, Suffolk Construction, Dimeo Construction Company and a range of life sciences companies.

"The MassBioEd Life Sciences Apprenticeship Program was designed for people who have the attitude and aptitude to excel in mid-skilled jobs in a life sciences company but lack a portal to entry. By offering accelerated, free education and paid on the job training, we are helping to

expand and diversify the industry's workforce," said Karla Talanian, Senior Director of Life Sciences Apprenticeship Program. "Pre-apprenticeship programming will open doors for even more local residents by providing fundamental academic and professional skills in a contextualized format that will set them up for success in a Registered Apprenticeship Program, and to eventually become valuable contributors to the Massachusetts Life Sciences industry. MassBioEd is excited to be part of this innovative initiative."

According to the U.S. Department of Labor, the Apprenticeship Building America (ABA) grant program builds on President Biden's goals and priorities for a strong and equitable post-pandemic economic recovery by connecting Americans to good quality jobs, strengthening and modernizing the RAP system, increasing equity and accessibility in program delivery to apprentices, bringing the Registered Apprenticeship model to more industries, and improving RAP completion rates for under-represented populations and underserved communities. The Greater Boston Equitable Apprenticeship Pathways program is funded in full by the Employment and Training Administration office of the U.S. Department of Labor. Additional details are available upon request.

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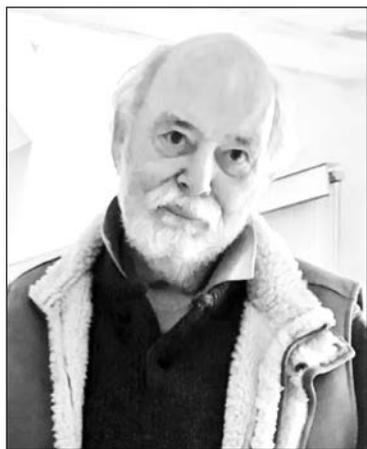
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OBITUARIES

Allan Raymond Kueny

Of Charlestown

Allan Raymond Kueny, known for his wide-ranging creativity as well as his ever-present sense of humor, died on the evening of July 13th with his wife Nan and his son Roger at this side. Allan was born in North Muskegon, Michigan on October 5th, 1939. Of French and German descent, his father was an executive at Continental Motors and his mother was a homemaker, a pianist and piano teacher. He attended Ferris University as well as Boston University. He had an interesting approach to college, some of it due to his dyslexia which he learned to deal with successfully as his life progressed. He considered BU to be a place where he could pursue things that appealed to him more than school itself, such as playing drums, sailing, crew, skiing, managing a ski shop, and coaching the



Northeastern Women's Ski Team. The latter was mainly a way to obtain free lift tickets. Allan was an excellent skier and perhaps that in part contributed to why throughout his life, he carved his own path. He competed in FIS downhill races in New England for several seasons in the 60s. His

son Roger recounts that he was 21 before he could pass his father on the slopes. His wife could never pass him.

Following BU Allan briefly pursued playing drums but realized that it was not going to turn into a career. One summer in the mid-1960s, he sold his drum kit for \$300, and opened a retail store in Hyannis, Designers 3, with two Mass Art graduates. His two partners made clothing, and in a pattern that would repeat itself throughout his life, he taught himself how to do leather work. He became a sandal maker. Following that summer, D3 moved to Harvard Square in Cambridge. Subsequently, Allan purchased a trove of used metal smithing equipment and he taught himself how to make jewelry which he sold in the store. Eventually, Designer 3 turned into a successful wholesale jewelry business. By this time he employed six silversmiths who were trained 'on the job', and he was marketing handcrafted silver and gold jewelry to stores and boutiques throughout the country.

In 1969, he began to look for a new abode as well as a new workshop for Designers 3. As the story goes, he and his friend Werner came down the hill from Monument Square in Charlestown, and as he looked across the Training Field, the sign above the front door of what was then the McCardle Funeral Home, currently for sale, was blinking off and on. It was at this moment, watching the sign blink 'McCardle, McCardle, McCardle', that he fell in love with the house, a historic Federal mansion built in 1806 by a blacksmith, John Tapley. So, in January of 1970 he and the jewelry business moved to Charlestown. The house had great bones and had

retained historic detail, but it needed everything. Again Allan learned a skill that he did not possess, historic restoration. Allan always felt that almost any skill could be learned with a practical, thoughtful approach as well as prodigious research into what one was trying to learn. He may have disliked school but he never stopped learning. He also possessed an incredible design talent and a great three dimensional mind. Allan was the kind of guy who could craft things that others had to go to the store and buy, or in some cases, things that couldn't be bought in a store. For example, he crafted missing parts of mantelpieces, millwork and such that no one would ever think were not original. He could build or fix practically anything.

The jewelry business continued to thrive for a time in Charlestown, but by the late 1970s the desire for handcrafted jewelry was eclipsed by slicker offerings, so Allan embarked on another new adventure. As a result of working on his own property, he went into historic house restoration as a business, and he was highly proficient at it. He acquired a vast knowledge of how old houses were put together and what needed to be done to bring them back to their full glory. He received five preservation awards from the Charlestown Preservation Society. Most of the homes he restored are either on or near the Training Field (aka Winthrop Square). Two of the buildings that he restored were slated to be torn down, so he transported these buildings to new locations in Charlestown, a fascinating procedure that garnered more than a few onlookers on 'moving day'.

In the 80s and 90s he threw real estate sales into the career mix

for about 10 years off and on, but always came back to his beloved restoration and development.

Aside from his work, Allan continued to love skiing and boating, having boated with his family in Michigan when he was a kid. The family possessed an almost comical array of boats which included a sailboat, a fishing boat, an iceboat, a rowboat, and maybe a few more. He was an excellent and intuitive sailor and captained a boat to St. Thomas with a bunch of guys in 1978. That earned him the nickname Captain Q, still remembered by many. He also enjoyed tennis and travel. He and his wife Nancy took at least 30 trips out the country, the most recent to Germany, Austria and the Czech Republic.

The accomplishments that Allan was most proud of and what he hoped he would be remembered for were his historic restoration and his jewelry designing. He made a stunning contribution to his Charlestown neighborhood, where his skills and workmanship still shine brightly.

He was pre-deceased by his father Leo Kueny, his mother Virginia Klinkner and tragically, his siblings, Roger and Mary Jane Kueny.

Allan is survived by his wife and best buddy, Nan Hayford Kueny, his son Roger Cooke Kueny, his daughter-in-law Emily Lappe Kueny, his granddaughter Genevieve, his sister Virginia Kueny Richardson, his brother-in-law Robert Anson Hayford and several cousins, nieces, and nephews. Services private.

If there is another world, he lives in bliss, if there is none, he made the best of this. (Robert Burns)

VOTING (from pg. 1)

available to residents and will begin on Saturday, August 27. Residents are not required to go to the early voting location closest to where they live; any resident can vote at any early voting location. Sites will be open on the weekend, and the schedule of open locations will vary day by day. Early voting locations by date can be found at boston.gov/departments/election/early-voting-boston.

Residents also have the option to vote by mail, and if they have not already received a mail-in ballot request form, they can find one at boston.gov/voting. The deadline to send in the mail-in ballot request form is Monday, August 29.

Once a mail-in ballot is received, it can either be mailed back to the City or dropped in one of the 21 ballot drop-boxes that have been placed across the city. Wu said that more than 12,000 mail-in ballots have already been received by the Election Department.

Lastly, residents have the option of voting in-person on September 6. Registered voters can find their polling location by entering their information at www.sec.state.ma.us/VoterRegistrationSearch/MyVoterRegStatus.aspx.

For residents who live or work along the Orange Line, Wu discussed travel options, which include the shuttle buses running from Forest Hills to Copley and from Government Center to Oak Grove, as well as the free 30-day Blue Bike passes, free commuter

rail rides in Zones 1, 1A, and 2, and wheelchair-accessible vans that are available upon request.

"Voting in the City of Boston is now more accessible than it ever has been," said Eneida Tavares, the city's Election Commissioner. "Voters now have over 30 opportunities to vote early in person at locations throughout every neighborhood in the city."

Ballot drop boxes will be available at all early voting locations, and all drop boxes will remain available until 8pm on election day.

Tavares said that all ballots "must arrive at the Election Department or ballot drop box by 8pm on Tuesday, September 6."

Tavares also discussed voter registration, which has been "shortened from 20 days to 10 days" prior to a state primary, making the new deadline August 27, the same day as the beginning of early voting. Residents are permitted to register to vote and cast their vote on the same day.

The Election Department is also seeking poll workers, especially with the addition of 20 new voting precincts, Tavares said. For more information and to sign up to be a poll worker, visit boston.gov/departments/election/how-apply-become-poll-worker.

"Voting should be as easy as possible, and we hope that all of these new options just make it easier for more people to participate," Tavares said.

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MENTAL HEALTH (from pg. 1)

“For far too long in our state and across the nation, mental health has not received the attention it deserves, making this care too expensive or too burdensome for many Massachusetts residents to access,” said Senator DiDomenico, Assistant Majority Leader of the Massachusetts Senate. “This law will transform our mental health care system and ensure people can access and afford mental health care just like other forms of medical care. I am thrilled to see this historic mental health reform signed into law and I would like to thank Senate President Spilka, Senator Julian Cyr, Senator Cindy Friedman and all my colleagues for their dedication to get this game-changing bill passed.”

“One moment, many years ago, I made the split-second decision to share the story of my family’s struggle with mental illness—a moment of vulnerability and honesty that has become a movement, as more and more people stand up and speak up for accessible, high quality mental health care,” stated Senate President Karen E. Spilka (D-Ashland). “We all deserve to have access to the mental health care we need, when we need it, and I am thrilled to see comprehensive mental and behavioral health care reform signed into law. I’d like to thank my colleagues in the Senate—especially Senators Cyr and Friedman—Speaker Mariano and our partners in the House, and Governor Baker, as well as the countless individuals, families, advocates, providers and others who have stood up for the idea that mental health is just as important as physical health,

and to everyone who has fought for mental health care reform in Massachusetts and never gave up.”

The following are features of The Mental Health ABC Act:

- **Guaranteeing Annual Mental Health Wellness Exams.** This law mandates insurance coverage for an annual mental health wellness exam, comparable to an annual physical.

- **Enforcing Mental Health Parity Laws.** This law provides the state with better tools to implement and enforce parity laws by creating a clear structure for state agencies to receive and investigate parity complaints and ensure their timely resolution.

- **Initiatives to Address Emergency Department Boarding.** This law creates online portals that provide access to real-time data on youth and adults seeking mental health and substance use services and includes a search function that allows health care providers to easily search and find open beds using several criteria; requires the Health Policy Commission (HPC) to prepare and publish a report every three years on the status of pediatric behavioral health as the youth boarding crisis is particularly acute; requires the Center for Health Information and Analysis (CHIA) to report on behavioral health needs; updates the expedited psychiatric inpatient admissions (EPIA) protocol and creates an expedited evaluation and stabilization process for patients under 18.

- **988 Implementation and 911 Expansion.** This law increases access to on-demand behavioral health care through the imple-

mentation of the nationwide 988 hotline that will provide 24/7 suicide prevention and behavioral health crisis services and expands 911 to bridge the gap until 988 is implemented.

- **Red Flag Laws and Extreme Risk Protection Orders.** This law initiates a public awareness campaign on red flag laws and extreme risk protection orders (ERPOs) that limit access to guns for people at risk of hurting themselves or others.

- **Reimbursing Mental Health Providers Equitably.** The law requires an equitable rate floor for evaluation and management services that is consistent with primary care.

- **Reforming Medical Necessity and Prior Authorization Requirements.** This law mandates coverage and eliminates prior authorization for mental health acute treatment and stabilization services for adults and children and ensures that if a health insurance company intends to change its medical necessity guidelines, the new guidelines must be easily accessible by consumers on the health insurance company’s website.

- **Creating a Standard Release Form.** This law directs the development of a standard release form for exchanging confidential mental health and substance use disorder information to facilitate access to treatment by patients with multiple health care providers.

- **Increasing Access to Emergency Service Programs.** The law requires health insurance companies to cover Emergency Service Programs (ESPs), community-based and recovery-oriented programs that provide behavioral health crisis assessment, intervention, and stabilization services for people with behavioral health needs.

- **Expanding Access to the Evidence-Based Collaborative Care Model.** The law expands access to psychiatric care by requiring the state-contracted and commercial health plans to cover mental health and substance use disorder benefits offered through the psychiatric collaborative care model.

- **Reviewing the Role of Behavioral Health Managers.** The law directs the Health Policy Commission (HPC), in consultation with the Division of Insurance (DOI), to study and provide updated data on the use of contracted behavioral health benefit managers by insurance carriers, often referred to as ‘carve-outs.’

- **Tracking and Analyzing Behavioral Health Expenditures.** The law directs the Center for Health Information and Analysis (CHIA) to define and collect data on the delivery of behavioral health services to establish a baseline of current spending and directs the Health Policy Commission (HPC) to begin tracking behavioral health care expenditures as part of its annual cost trends hearings.

- **Establishing an Office of Behavioral Health Promotion.** The law establishes an Office of Behavioral Health Promotion within the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) to coordinate all state initiatives that promote mental, emotional, and behavioral health and wellness for residents.

- **Increasing Access to Care in Geographically Isolated Areas.** This law directs the Department of Mental Health (DMH) to consider factors that may present barriers to care—such as travel distance and access to transportation—when contracting for services in geographically isolated and rural communities.

- **Enhancing School-based Behavioral Health Services and Programming.** This law enhances school-based behavioral health supports, increases access points for effective behavioral health treatment by limiting the use of suspension and expulsion in all licensed early education and care programs and public schools, and creates a statewide technical assistance program to help schools implement school-based behavioral health services.

- **Increasing Access Points for Youth for Effective Behavioral Health Treatment.** The law requires behavioral health assessments and referrals for children entering the foster care system and establishes an interagency review

team to ensure young people with complex behavioral health needs are assisted quickly and with cross-agency support and coordination.

- **Expanding Insurance Coverage for Vulnerable Populations.** This law ensures individuals over 26 years old who live with disabilities can remain on their parents’ health insurance.

- **Creating a Roadmap on Access to Culturally Competent Care.** Under this provision, an interagency health equity team under the Office of Health Equity, working with an advisory council, will make annual recommendations for the next three years to improve access to, and the quality of, culturally competent mental health services. Paired with the Legislature’s ARPA investment of \$122 million in the behavioral health workforce through loan repayment assistance programs, this roadmap will make great strides toward building a robust workforce reflective of communities’ needs.

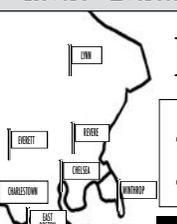
- **Allows for an Interim Licensure for Licensed Mental Health Counselors.** The law creates an interim licensure level for Licensed Mental Health Counselors (LMHCs) so that they can be reimbursed by insurance for their services while obtaining supervised practice hours towards full licensure and be eligible for state and federal grant and loan forgiveness programs.

- **Expanding Mental Health Billing.** This law allows clinicians practicing under the supervision of a licensed professional and working towards independent licensure to practice in a clinic setting.

- **Updating the Board of Registration of Social Workers.** The law updates the membership of the Board of Registration of Social Workers to clarify that designees from the Department of Children and Families (DCF) and Department of Public Health (DPH) be licensed social workers.

Having been officially signed by the Governor on August 10, 2022, the Mental Health ABC Act is now law.

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Budding photographers can get their camera on the following days:

-Wed. Sept. 14, at Charlestown Farmers Market (Main St): 2-6pm

-Thur. Sept. 15, at Eden St Park: 4-7pm

-Friday Sept. 16, at Kennedy Center (55 Bunker Hill St): 3-5pm

-Sat. Sept. 17, at Starbucks: 9am-12pm

-Sun. Sept. 18, at Christ Church (10 Green St): 9-10:30am

Pick up a disposable camera and get information about return dates and instructions.

The Gallery Exhibit Opening Night/Reception on Thursday October 20, 6-8:00pm, at Christ Church (10 Green St)

For more information, email info@christchurchcharlestown.com.

"MASTER AND COMMANDER: THE FAR SIDE OF THE WORLD" SCREENING ON USS CONSTITUTION

USS Constitution and the USS

Constitution Museum are hosting a series of free public Summer Movie Nights aboard the Ship this summer, including Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World on Friday, August 26, 8:00 p.m., with gates opening at 7:00 p.m.

Before the movie begins, guests will have a chance to participate in hands-on activities with Museum Educators and hear from Museum Public Historian, Carl Herzog.

Herzog will discuss how "Old Ironsides" is an apropos location to view Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World, as USS Constitution was the inspiration for Acheron, the fictional French ship that torments Captain Jack Aubrey (Russell Crowe) throughout the movie. The similarities include Constitution's design, construction, and reputation after defeating the British. He will also detail the film's impressively accurate portrayal of life and battle in the age of sail, including a depiction of naval warfare in the period, and contrasts between British and American naval life on board.

"Old Ironsides" crew screens each film on a projector for guests with the ship as a backdrop.

The events will be first come, first served due to space. General seating is available, and guests may bring their own chairs and blankets to use while viewing the movie.

Movie titles, dates, and times for upcoming Summer Movie Nights

are available on the Museum's website.

All guests age 18 and older are required to show a valid state or federal-issued photo I.D. or passport to board the Ship.

The USS Constitution Museum serves as the memory and educational voice of USS Constitution by offering award-winning exhibits

where all ages can have fun while learning and exploring history together. The Museum's mission is to engage visitors in the story of Constitution to spark excitement about maritime heritage, naval service, and the American experience. The Museum is open seven days a week with a pay-what-you-wish admission poli-

cy, and the Virtual Museum is open 24/7. The USS Constitution Museum is a 2022 winner in USA Today's 10Best Readers' Choice in the "Best History Museum" category and Boston Parents Paper's Family Favorites in the "Historic Sites & Tours" and "Museums & Attractions" categories. For more information, visit usscm.org.

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BPDA (from pg. 5)

We invite and strongly encourage you to share your feedback on the draft scenarios as part of the ongoing planning initiative.

The scenarios are presented using an ArcGIS StoryMap web page with integrated surveys throughout. Community feedback received over the next two months will guide the production of a single hybrid scenario for further public review. Please help the PLAN: Charlestown team create a plan that reflects your goals and vision for the neighborhood's future by reviewing and answering the surveys throughout the StoryMap. You can also email members of the team with your feedback, which will be incorporated into the public record.

Please visit bit.ly/PLANCharlestownScenarios, or visit the PLAN: Charlestown website, to see the scenarios and share feedback on what you would like to see in these areas! Please note, the scenarios are best viewed on screens tablet size or larger. One may also request a paper copy of the draft scenarios by email or phone from Jay Ruggiero, BPDA, at Jason.Ruggiero@Boston.gov or

(617) 722-4300.

Community Feedback

The BPDA will be collecting community feedback on these scenarios in several different places. The best opportunity to give your input will be to engage directly with the material and complete the surveys within the StoryMap. To supplement virtual engagement, you will also see our team attending, participating, and tabling at various neighborhood events, showing up at parks and other community socializings, and hosting a series of virtual listening

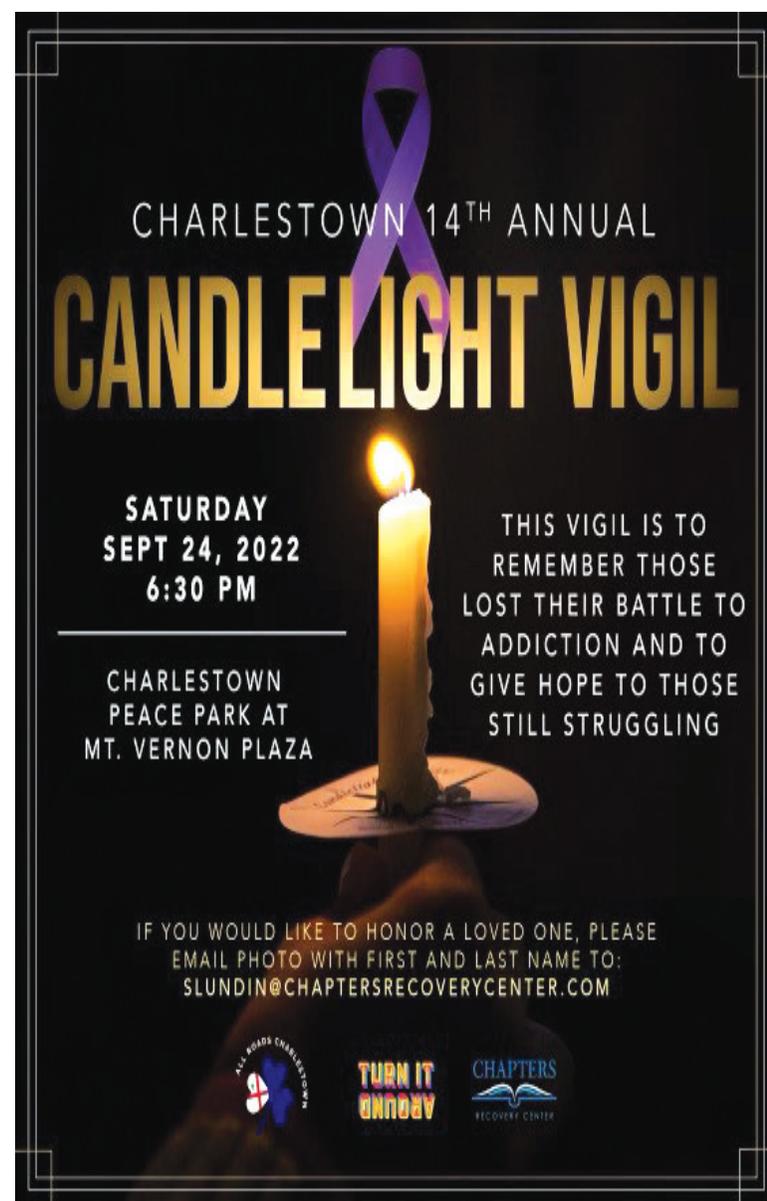
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