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Summer brings unique programs for local kids

By Times staff

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Even though the official start of spring doesn't arrive for another nearly two weeks, it's already time for parents to look past the current school year and begin considering summer alternatives for their children. Boston-area kids can choose from a range of different offerings this year, but enrollment for the unique programs described below

Each summer, The Advent School's campus at 99 West Cedar St. is transformed into a makerspace where children become designers, tinkerers, and builders.

The Design at Advent Summer Program offers three completely unique two-week sessions for children ages 5 through 12.

Designers begin each session by

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sorting through recycled materials, learning proper tool use, and engaging in the design process. Each day, the designers and faculty set out to explore the city, play games, and gather inspiration. On the last Friday of each session, the designers share their creations and prototypes with friends and family with a Design Expo.

The program also takes advantage of the Advent School's city location by making frequent field trips to the Esplanade Playground, Boston Common, Public Garden, and other outdoor spaces.

Session One, from June 17-28, will be 'WonderstruckWearables,' which will draw inspiration from the innovative thinking of the World of Wearable Art. Participants will explore the intersection of fashion and LGBTQIA2S+ Pride, examining the industry's connection to diversity. Additionally, participants will tackle environmental issues related to fast fashion and address the impact of consumerism.

Session Two, from July 8-19, will be 'City Remix,' where designers draw inspiration from Urban Thinkscape's interactive design approach in city settings.

The focus will be on Boston, where designers will observe, play, and interact with the urban environment. This hands-on experience aims to foster reflection and inspire the redesign of urban spaces. Designers enrolled in this oneof-a-kind program will join Dave Fatula, founder of Guineafowl Adventure Company Co., and Kyle Browne, founder of KBCreative, for the first week (July 8-12). They'll travel to different habitats across northeastern Massachusetts and southern New Hampshire, exploring the natural world, and creating art focused on their surroundings. Visit https://www. adventschool.org/news/get-outside for more information.

Session Three, from July 22 through Aug. 2, will be 'Medieval to Modern, Design through the Ages,' which explores the evolution of architecture, transportation, and fashion throughout history. The goal is to adapt these elements for a future world, envisioning improved designs for the modern world. The session invites designers to reflect on the origins of buildings, vehicles, and clothing

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Essem Studio students show off their hamburger project.



Summer Fun at the Boston Children's School includes lots of outdoor fun.

Apollos Field House hearing scheduled for later this month

By Michael Coughlin Jr.

The process of designating the Apollos Field House, a home located at 30 Union Street in Charlestown, as an individual landmark will continue with a Boston Landmarks Commission (BLC) public hearing on March 26th.

In 2021, residents and the Charlestown Preservation Society spearheaded a campaign to designate 30 Union Street and 8 Lawrence Street as an architectural conservation district to prevent a historic building at the latter property from being demolished as part of a proposed development proj-

However, a past report from

the Patriot-Bridge identified that the building at 8 Lawrence Street was demolished in 2022 due to the "already lengthy delay of the designation process" and the inability to "forecast when the time frame to complete the landmark designation process would occur."

Even with the demolition at 8 Lawrence Street, a study report published by the BLC in February indicated that a new proposal would designate the Apollos Field House as an "individual Boston Landmark."

The abovementioned study "contains Standards and Criteria that have been prepared to

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CNC MEETING DATES

CNC Development Committee Meeting, Wednesday, March 27, The Charlestown Neighborhood Council's Development Committee will hold an in-person public meeting at the Knights of Columbus, 545 Medford Street, on Wednesday, March 27, at 7 PM. The sole agenda item is the proposed development of the Austin Street /Rutherford parking lots located between Bunker Hill Community College and City Square. A presentation by the project proponents, Trinity Financial, will be followed by an opportunity for the committee and community to ask questions about the project.

Senate approves DiDomenico bill to update and modernize sexual health education

Last Thursday, the Massachusetts Senate passed Senator DiDomenico's Healthy Youth Act, which would ensure that Massachusetts public schools electing to teach sexual health education curriculum use age-appropriate, inclusive, medically accurate, and research-based information on sex, relationships, and consent.

The Healthy Youth Act, S.2686, would enhance parental rights and codify into law the voluntary framework approved by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). It calls for sex and relationship education to be inclusive and appropriate for students regardless of gender, race, disability status, sexual orientation, and gender identi-

"The Healthy Youth Act will finally make it clear that sex and relationship education in Massachusetts must be inclusive of all students and emphasize the importance and necessity of consent in relationships," said Senator Sal N. DiDomenico, Assistant Majority Leader and lead sponsor of the Senate bill. "We must finally get this commonsense health policy over the finish line to ensure our children have the information they need to protect their health, form respectful relationships, and build the bright futures they deserve. I want to thank Senate President Spilka, Chair Rodrigues, Chair



Senator DiDomenico speaking in favor of the healthy youth act on the Senate floor.

Lewis, and all the advocates who have worked tirelessly to give our children the best education available."

"The true north for the Massachusetts Senate is providing our young people and families with every tool possible to empower them to live a bright future, right here in our state," said Senate President Karen E. Spilka (D-Ashland). "Inclusive and medically accurate sex and relationship education is fundamental to supporting residents in building that future, and critical if we want to continue leading and competing in all aspects of education nationally. Thanks to the relentless work of Senator DiDomenico, and the tireless support from Chair Lewis and all who have worked so hard on this effort, Massachusetts has an and sexual orientation, including opportunity to continue to lead in this space."

Requiring medically accurate curriculum for public schools teaching sex and relationship edu-

The Healthy Youth Act would ensure that students in public schools that offer sexual health education are receiving, and teachers have guidance on, curricula that is age-appropriate, medically accurate, comprehensive, and inclusive of LGBTQ+ health and lessons on consent.

The Healthy Youth Act would incorporate comprehensive sex and relationship education that could support students in delaying the initiation of sex, increasing use of contraception, lowering the rates of STIs and unintended pregnancy among teens, and reducing reported levels of bullying towards LGBTQ+ youth in school.

Curricula for schools that choose to teach sex and relationship education would include the benefits of delaying sex; human anatomy, reproduction, and sexual development; effective contraceptive use; prevention of pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections (STIs); relationship and communication skills to form healthy relationships; coverage of affirmative, conscious and voluntary consent; and age-appropriate information about gender identity resources that offer support to LGBTQ+ students.

Protecting and enhancing parental notification and rights

This legislation also protects and enhances parents' right to remove their children from all or part of the sex and relationship education program if they choose to do so-an action already protected by state law.

Additionally, this bill updates parent-notification guidelines for districts that choose to teach sex and relationship education curriculum and requires schools to send notice to parents in English and in other commonly spoken languages in the district. Notice would alert parents that their child is enrolled in a sex and relationship education course and would inform them of their right to review the curriculum or opt their child out of some or all of the les-

Building on the DESE education framework

The Healthy Youth Act would codify into law the health education framework approved by DESE last year, which is currently only a voluntary guideline for school districts in the Common-

If passed, the legislation would strengthen the impact of the new health education framework and create standards for sex and relationship curricula in public schools.

The Healthy Youth Act would require the DESE to collect data on sex and relationship education taught in public schools and require DESE to review and update the framework at least every ten years to ensure the sex and relationship education guidelines remain comprehensive and are meeting the needs of students.

The bill has the support of a broad coalition of education and LGBTQ+ advocates around the

"Today's vote affirms what we already know - a strong majority of people in Massachusetts, including most parents, want young people to receive sex and relationship education at school," said Jamie Klufts, co-chair of the



Healthy Youth Coalition. "We are deeply grateful to the entire Senate, including Senate President Spilka, Senate Ways and Means Chair Rodrigues, and Assistant Majority Leader DiDomenico, for believing in the Healthy Youth Act once again. We look forward to working with the House to pass the Healthy Youth Act this session so that the state's exciting new Health and Physical Education Framework can reach its full potential and do the most to support our students and teachers."

"Ensuring that Massachusetts schools are places where all students feel safe and supported-no exceptions—has never been so urgent," said Jaclyn Friedman, Executive Director of EducateUS and Chair of the Healthy Youth Coalition. "The type of sex and relationship education provided for by the Healthy Youth Act is proven to protect young people against bullying, abuse, and feelings of isolation. We applaud the Senate's steadfast and timely commitment to young people across Massachusetts."

"We are excited to learn that,

once again, the Healthy Youth Act has passed the Senate," said Shaplaie Brooks, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Commission on LGBTQ+ Youth. "This tells us that the number one priority for the Senate is comprehensive, intersectional, and medically-accurate health education for students in the Commonwealth. With this win, we believe that the Senate has weighed the pros and cons of this life-saving legislation, and ultimately centered the importance of cultivating a safe environment for students to engage a modern curriculum that reflects the issues they face every day and answers their questions about healthy relationships-rooted in consent. The Commission believes that the House understands the same, and urges it to take up this bill immediately. We are at a pivotal moment in our Commonwealth's history where we have a chance for all youth including LGBTQ youth to receive critical information that can equip them with the tools to keep themselves safe, be a safe person in their relationships, understand the risks and red flags specific to their communities, and have the autonomy to make informed decisions based on the power of knowledge and not fear.' This is the fifth consecutive ses-

sion during which the Senate has adopted similar legislation.

The bill now heads to the Massachusetts House of Representatives for consideration.



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Charlestown resident brings unique approach to interior design

By Dan Murphy

For S. Christine Cavataio, every project that her interior design firm, Living Being Design, takes on is a team effort, which allows her to focus on the finer points.

"I enjoy getting into the details," said Cavataio, who added that she also appreciates working as a member of a team alongside electricians, plumbers, and general contractors during interior buildouts.

Cavataio, who received a bachelor's in fine art in Interior Design from Syracuse University and a master's in Education from Cambridge College, is certified by the National Council for Interior Design Qualification (NCIDQ), Certified Cruelty Free (CFF), as well as a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional (LEED AP).

For more than two decades,

Cavataio held full-time faculty positions in two undergraduate Interior Design degree programs. She has also taught and served as an outside critic at three other nationally accredited ID programs in and around Boston, including a stint last month at Suffolk University.

"I'm still involved in academia," she said. "I enjoy working with students."

In addition to environmental stewardship and biophilic design, Cavataio's areas of academic research include generating concepts and using drawing to support creative thinking in the design process. She presented her findings at two annual Interior Design Educators Council international conferences, and she's also the author and illustrator of a textbook, 'Manual Drafting for Interiors.'

In 2018, Cavataio launched Living Being Design from her Charlestown home, she said, "as a resource for those wishing to incorporate environmental stewardship into interior design projects."

Cavataio said she has shifted to primarily residential projects, with "the focus on home design creating opportunity to more closely examine the impact of interior design decisions on ecological footprint and alignment with occupants' ethics."

She added, "It's an underlying thought process. Some clients don't even know about [sustainability], and they might want to ask about a product being greener."

And while Cavataio will go so far as to source the most sustainable wood for a project, she also said she wouldn't "reject" a potential client for not being overly concerned with the environment either, since the clients' tastes and

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COURTESY OF S. CHRISTINE CAVATAIO

For this bathroom, S. Christine Cavataio of Living Being Design used reclaimed New England materials for an edited historic aesthetic that allows the plumbing fixtures and wall art to become the focus.

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guide future physical changes to the property in order to protect its integrity and character," per a webpage on the city's website.

The Apollos Field House, now under the ownership of Marianne Gibbons and Ronald Kulich, has origins dating back to the early 1800s.

According to the study report, the lot at 30 Union Street was sold to a painter named Apollos Field in 1813, and a structure was built on the property between 1813 and 1815

"It was originally built as a two-story or two-and-one-halfstory, brick-end, hip-roofed house with a two-story rear ell," reads the report.

The study suggests that the house was designed by a local housewright and carpenter named William Wiley, who was influenced by the work of a designer and builder named Asher Benjamin.

After the construction of the house, ownership changed several times, and it was altered between 1843 and 1868, including increasing the building to three stories, per the report.

Moreover, the study suggests that the house underwent several changes and improvements throughout the 1900s, including changes and repairs to windows, the roof, brick side walls, and more.

"The Apollos Field House is significant as a well-preserved, sophisticated example of a Federal-style, brick-ender, oblong-form type dwelling, in the Union/Wash-



APOLLOS FIELD HOUSE STUDY REPORT FEEDBACK FORM ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE An image of Apollos Field House at 30 Union Street.

ington Streets neighborhood and the Charlestown area of Boston," reads the study report.

As to why the potential landmark designation at the property would be substantial, it would protect from threats of demolition and redevelopment.

While the study report indicates that the building is not "under any direct threats or risk of demolition," it says, "development pressure in Charlestown poses a potential and continued threat to the building if it is not designated as a Landmark."

Specifically, the study emphasizes the underlying threat by pointing to the demolition of the historic building at 8 Lawrence Street, which dates back to the early 1800s.

In addition to providing photographs, historical background, and more about the property, the study report also contains recommenda-

tions from BLC staff.

For example, BLC staff recommends that the Apollos Field House be designated as an individual Landmark.

Further, the study report outlines standards and criteria that "both identify and establish guidelines for those features which must be preserved and/or enhanced to maintain the viability of the Designation," which BLC staff also recommended to be accepted.

To get more information about the property and upcoming hearing, read the study report, and make comments, visit https://www.boston.gov/news/apollos-field-house-study-report.

It should be noted that in a February letter from Dorothy Clark, an Assistant Survey Director at the BLC, notifying folks of a change in the hearing date from March 12th to March 26th, she wrote, "No vote will be taken at this time."

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Scholarship applications must be received by Massport no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday,

April 26, 2024. For more information on these scholarships, including application and criteria please visit www.massport.com

EDITORIAL

FIRE, FIRE EVERYWHERE

The fires that have been burning out of control this past week in Texas and Oklahoma -- and which are continuing to rage as this is being written -- are yet another harbinger of what awaits us thanks to the ever-increasing rate of climate change that is affecting every corner of the earth.

The fires in Texas, which have killed two persons, destroyed 500 homes, and caused entire towns to be evacuated, come on the heels of the recent fires in Chile, which destroyed entire communities and claimed 131 lives, more than the tragic fire a few months back that occurred in Hawaii.

Fire in other parts of the globe in recent years have charred millions of acres of land and wiped out entire communities, from Australia, to California, to Canada, and the Siberian tundra.

The out-of-control wildfire fires not only have caused loss of life and brought economic devastation to communities and individuals, but they also have sent acrid smoke that enveloped large swathes of neighboring countries, as happened in the Midwest and East Coast last summer when the fires in eastern Canada raised our air quality to extremely unhealthy levels for days at a time.

But these fires are only part of the equation of climate change. Ocean temperatures reached record highs this year, threatening coral reefs and marine life across the globe. What had seemed as inconceivable -- that the world's oceans could turn into dead zones -- no longer is in the realm of science fiction. It's a reality that could occur within a few short years.

In addition, with the hot oceans providing the fuel for tropical storms, hurricanes promise to be ever-stronger and more devastating.

Air temperatures have set records month-after-month and year-after-year for the past five years, with each successive year exceeding the one before. The record warmth in the continental U.S. this winter has resulted in the least snow cover on record and has prevented the usual lakes from freezing. Glaciers are disappearing everywhere, from the polar regions, to Greenland, to the Alps in Europe.

In short, everything that is climate related is off-the-charts -- and not in a good way. If what climate scientists tell us is true -- that we are in a race against time to change our ways and that we must stop burning fossil fuels in order to save the environment as we know it -- then it is becoming increasingly clear that our feet are stuck in the mud.

PLEASE: NO PUBLIC DRINKING ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY

With the St. Patrick's Day holiday and traditional South Boston parade approaching on Sunday, March 17, we urge our public safety officials to plan for enforcing the laws which prohibit drinking in public, especially by underage drinkers.

Last year in the aftermath of the South Boston parade, we found ourselves in the unfortunate position of riding the Red Line to the South Shore. The trains were packed with highly-inebriated, rowdy, under-age drinkers who were drinking openly on the trains and then flinging their empties around the train cars, striking other passengers. The platforms resembled war zones, with large-scale fights and scores of youths who were passed out left-and-right.

We realize that everyone wants to relax and have a good time on St. Patrick's Day, but that is no excuse for our public safety officials to turn a blind eye to underage drinking and drinking in public. In addition, for those of us of Irish descent, the perception that being "Irish for a day" means drinking heavily is highly-insulting.

It is inevitable that with the high degree of public intoxication that is tacitly permitted by our public safety officials, there will be a tragedy. We urge our public officials to take steps ahead of time to stop this annual reign of dangerous mass chaos.

Old North Illuminated honors the Commander of the USS Constitution

By Michael Maler

Many know the USS Constitution as the oldest commissioned warship afloat in the world, and perhaps even of its victories in battle during the War of 1812 when the ship gained the nickname Old Ironsides. But alongside a glorious history of service, one of the most iconic ships in the U.S. Navy has a lesser-known history that might come as a surprise: one of diversity and the struggle for equal opportunity.

In a blog post on the USS Constitution Museum website, Robert J. Allison, historian, author, and professor of History at Suffolk University tells us that even before the ship left the United States to sail around the world in 1844, the crew was multi-national, composed of 195 foreigners and 220 native-born Americans. The Museum's list of the ship's crew over the centuries reveals that diversity aboard the Constitution was evident long before 1844, with its roots tied to Beacon Hill.

David Debias was born in Boston on Aug. 9, 1806. He lived with his parents on Belknap Street (now Joy Street) on the north slope of Beacon Hill—a predominantly African American community. The Museum points out that we don't know the real story of David's early life, but speculates that his father may have worked as a laborer along the waterfront which, given his eight-year-old son's limited prospects, may



uss constitution museum collection Public relations photo featuring YN 1/c Anne Malik, USNR (WR), 1945

account for the decision to send David to sea aboard the Constitution in December of 1814.

David was rated a "boy," the lowest ranking sailor on a ship. Most work aboard ship was dirty and monotonous, and David's duties would have included bringing gun powder from the magazine in the hold to the gun deck. In 1821, he sailed on the Constitution to the Mediterranean Sea before returning to the United States in 1824 to join the merchant service.

David's story embodies the struggle for equality among Black Americans against discrimination prevalent in the early 19th century. The path for women in the U.S. Navy has also been long and chal-

lenging. According to the Department of Defense, in 1917 Loretta P. Walsh became the first enlisted woman; however, it was not until 1986 that Rosemarie Lanam Wilamowski became the first enlisted woman to join the crew of USS Constitution. Lieutenant Commander Claire V. Bloom became the first female commissioned officer to serve in 1996, and most recently, when Commander Billie June (BJ) Farrell assumed command of USS Constitution in 2022, she became the first female commanding officer in the ship's long and storied history.

On Thursday April 11, 2024, Commander Farrell will be honored and present the Third Lantern Award keynote address at the Old North Illuminated's annual fundraiser "Lanterns & Luminaries," celebrating Paul Revere's famous "two if by sea" lantern signal. The event will feature festive music, a spirited performance of the poem "Paul Revere's Ride," a lantern-lighting reenactment with Paul Revere on horseback, and the ability to explore Old North's sanctuary and newly restored

Tickets can be purchased at the Old North Church's website (www.oldnorth.com).

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while envisioning their potential transformations in the future.

Programming runs from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., with extended day options also available.

Visit https://www.adventschool. org/summer.to register and for more information on the Advent School's summer programming.

Buckingham, Browne & Nichols School, a pre-K-12 private school in Cambridge, provides a valuable and enjoyable, ACA-accredited summer camp experience for campers from 4 years old through rising 12th grade every summer. This year's program runs from June 17 through Aug. 9.

Summer@BB&N offers specialty camps (such as Chess, VAC Enrichment, and Codemoji); sports camps (i.e. Crew, Soccer, Basketball, Volleyball, Fishing, and Ultimate Games), and its Classic Camp for pre-K through Grade 10, which provides rotating activities each day ,like arts and crafts, sports, theater, hands-on fun, water play, and archery. The Teen Camp also offers more time for activities, as well as off-site trips Each camp offering has a variety of weeks to choose from and is grade specific.

Visit https://bbnsummer.com for more information on the Summer@BB&N program.

Boston Ballet School, located at 19 Clarendon St. in the Back Bay, offers a creative and enriching summer program in a fun, lively, and supportive environment.

Expert faculty members will lead students, ages 3-16, in a comprehensive dance experience ranging from classical ballet technique to other movement enrichments that spark creativity and imagination. Besides its Boston location, BBS also has another state-of-theart studio in Newton.

For more information, visit https://www.bostonballet.org/education-artical/summer-camps/.

The Boston Children's School Summer-Fun-Program will begin its 42nd year on July 8 and continue for six weeks, ending Aug. 16, at 8 Whittier Place in the West End.

The program, designed for children between the ages of 3 and 8, is located at Charles River Park in the West End. The Boston Children's School has its own private playground, which allows children to play safely outdoors, away from the noise, congestion, and traffic. Inside, the facility is fully air con-



Children from the Advent School enjoying their time outside.

ditioned.

The program is organized by age, and each group is taught and nurtured by state certified teachers with the help of teacher interns from local area colleges and universities. All activities are designed to be developmentally appropriate for each age group.

Besides daily play activities, children can use the swimming pools on a daily basis at The Clubs at Charles River Park. The program also offers children science, music appreciation, and field trips.

Visit BostonChildrensSchool. Org for more information. Early registration is encouraged because space is limited.

If you have any questions about the BCS Summer-Fun-Program, please call Judy Langer, Program Director, at 617-367-6239 or 617-BCS-KIDS.

"e" inc., the environmental science learning center located 114 16th St., Suite 1030, in Charlestown, is again offering its Summer Science Discovery Program (SSDP), with three camp sessions.

The first week will focus on 'Earth – Air - Water - and – Fire' via Earth (Geology), Air (Harnessing Wind), Water (the Ocean), and Fire (Volcanos and Lightning). The second week focusing on 'Sustainable Transportation' will explore various modes of transportation, including why mass transit is essential to preserving the environment. The third week will focus on 'Backyard Habitats' by showcas-

ing the wide range of micro-organisms and eco-systems. Each week of SSDP will include a field trip on Wednesdays.

For more information on "e" inc., visit einc-action.org.

Essem Art Studio, located at 15 Tufts St., third floor in Charlestown, offers your children a magical summer art experience during its Essem Art Studio's Summer Minicamp sessions.

Fun themes for the sessions include Sweet Treats, Famous Artists, and Pop Art, among others, while ESSEM Studio will also offer pottery programs this summer, which will take advantage of the facility's new kiln.

Visit https://essemartstudio.com/studio-programs/ for more information.

Little Tykes Summer Camp, located inside the Nazzaro Center at 30 North Bennet St. in Boston, offers a fun day camp for kids ages 6-12, with sessions offered from July 1 through Aug. 16.

Campers will enjoy a variety of activities, such as Weekly swimming lessons and free swim at the Mirabella Pool; fishing lessons weekly at Langone Park; and

sports programs, including martial arts, daily at the center and local parks. Other offerings include weekly STEM programs at the center; daily arts and crafts; and weekly creative programming with North End Music and Performing Arts Center, such as percussion, dance, dramatics, music production, and more. The camp also offers weekly field trips to various sites, including Davis Farm Land, among other points of interest. Each weekly session costs \$250 per camper.

For more information on Little Tykes Summer Camp, call 617-470-5922 or visit nazzarocenter-council@gmail.com.

School of Fashion Design, located at 31 St. James Ave, second floor, in the Back Bay, is offering its Teen Program in Fashion Design

If you are interested in fashion and sewing as a hobby or considering majoring in fashion design, this program provides an introduction to the fashion design process, from conception to sketch to garment completion with no prior experience necessary. The curriculum offers a taste of SFD's adult Certificate in Fashion Design program taught by expert faculty.

Visit schooloffashiondesign.org for more information.

For those who need a little more academic attention during the summer, Dr. Katrina Tamvakologos (a.k.a. 'Dr. T'), an experienced teacher with a passion for education, and her Unlock Your Potential offer personalized tutoring for K-12 students at their Beacon Hill offices.

In addition to assisting students in the fundamentals of writing, such as composition, essay writing, and reading comprehension, in one-on-one or small-group tutoring.

Reading intervention tutoring is also available to children who may be experiencing some difficulty reading while tutoring focusing on developing their will teach students how to remember instructions, plan Executive Functioning Skills. Unlock Your Potential offers older students assistance with college applications as well.

For more information, visit www.uyptutoring.com, or contact Dr. Katrina Tamvakologos at 617-784-6753, or via email at Katrina@uyptutoring.com.





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The Advent School Design at Advent summer program offers three unique STEAM-based two-week sessions for children ages 5 through 12.

Summer 2024 Themes

Wonderstruck Wearables: 6/17 - 6/28 (There is no session on 6/19 as the school is closed during Juneteenth.)

City Remix: 7/8-7/19

Medieval to Modern: Design Through the Ages: 7/22-8/2

Each child learns proper tool use, engages in the design process, and builds prototypes out of recycled materials. Designers explore Boston daily, play games, and gather inspiration. The designers share their creations and prototypes with friends and family on the last Friday of each session at the Design Expo. Find out more at https://www.adventschool.org/summer.

BOSTON BALLET SCHOOL 19 CLARENDON ST. BOSTON, MA 02116 bostonballet.org/school

Inspire your creativity and



A Boston Childres's School student enjoying the sand box.

enrich vour summer at Boston Ballet School! In a fun, lively, and supportive environment, BBS expert faculty lead students ages 3-16* through a comprehensive dance experience ranging from classical ballet technique to other movement enrichments that spark creativity and imagination. Students will have a fun, enriching experience, foster personal growth, further their training and create lifelong memories with faculty and friends. Boston Ballet School has 2 state-of-the art studios in Boston and Newton.

For more information please visit: https://www.bostonballet.org/education-artical/summer-camps/

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Summer Fun Program

The Boston Children's School Summer Fun Program celebrates it's 42st year of providing exceptional summertime experiences and academic enrichment to children between the ages of 3 and 8 years old. The Summer Fun Program at The Boston Children's School is conveniently located at

Charles River Park, in the historic West End section of Boston. Our location is fully air-conditioned. The school has its own private playground, which allows children to safely play outdoors away from the noise, congestion and traffic of the city streets. Our location also allows children to explore the cultural richness of the City of Boston through field trips to museums, theaters, libraries and historic sites. The Summer Fun program is organized by age. Each age group is supervised, taught and nurtured by certified teachers, along with teacher interns from local area colleges. All activities are designed to be developmentally appropriate for each age group. Children can use the pool areas, on a daily basis, at The Clubs at Charles River Park. The Summer Fun Program also offers children yoga, music appreciation, science, arts and crafts, and interactive storytelling. Parent involvement and participation are always a part of the program, which begins July 8, 2024 and ends Aug.16, 2024.

If you would like your child to become part of the 2024 Summer Fun Program at the Boston Children's School, please call Judy Langer,

Program Director, at 617-367-6239 or 617-BCS-KIDS

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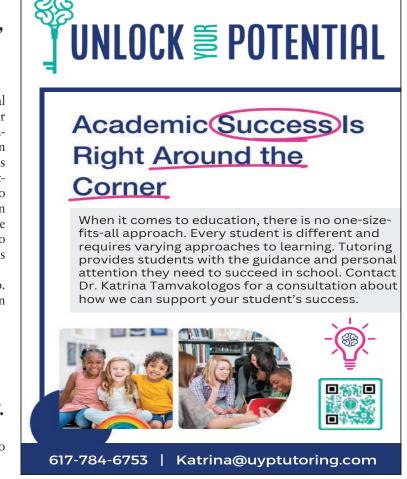
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Chelsea real estate broker Bowen helps couple achieve their dream

By Cary Shumai

Dave and Hayley Demeter truly enjoyed their experience living on Admiral's Hill and being part of the Chelsea community.

A brilliant, young couple who met during their freshman year in 2003 at prestigious Ivy League school, Cornell University, and got married in 2013, the Demeters came to Chelsea after learning about Admiral's Hill from Dave's father, Steve Demeter.

"The way we came to Admiral's Hill was my father was familiar with Admiral's Hill because his mother was a nurse at the Chelsea Naval Hospital and my grandfather was coming back from World War II as a U.S. Naval veteran," explained Demeter. "They met at the Chelsea Naval Hospital on the Hill. They moved back to Oregon and then to Everett, and that's how we knew about Admiral's Hill."

One of the reasons Dave, who

works in real estate, and Hayley, who works at technology company in Boston, was that they wanted to be closer to the city.

The Demeters originally lived on Boatswains Way at the top of Admiral Hill. "We loved it. We saw that unit at night and fell in love with the Hill, the views, and the neighborhood," said Dave. "We lived there for four years and then we stumbled across this unit [at 51 Breakwater Drive]."

"We were just on a walk around the neighborhood," recalled Hayley. "There was an Open House for two townhouses, and because this was the end-unit, it was a no-brainer for us."

The Demeters purchased the townhouse at 51 Breakwater Drive five years ago, totally renovating the unit. Their affinity for life in Chelsea continued, notably dining at local restaurants.

"We loved living here on the

Hill," said Dave. "We love Chelsea. We love Chelsea Station Restaurant. Las Delisias on Broadway is one of my absolute favorites. New Bridge Café is great. Starbucks and Aloe Natural are superb choices. Lime, Ciao – Chelsea has awesome food establishments."

Dave said he has seen positive changes in Chelsea during the past ten years. "It's a great city. It's changed, because it's kept its small-city feel. We've made great friends in the neighborhood and in Everett and Charlestown. Admiral's Hill is the central point for our friends. We have a great park [Mary O'Malley Park]. It's such a great place for people to meet, with all the available parking as opposed to other communities."

A spectacular residence

Dave and Hayley Demeter have lived in a spacious and spectacular four-floor, three-bedroom, 2.5-bath, 2,434 square-foot, fully finished townhouse on the Hill.

The Demeters installed an amazing home office, a gym, and utility room on the first floor. The kitchen, which is five-centimeter marble with custom cabinetry,



Jeff Bowen (left) of E Realty Advisors joins Hayley Demeter and Dave Demeter inside their beautifully designed kitchen at the townhouse at 51 Breakwater Drive on Admirals Hill.

and living room are on the main floor, with a deck overlooking the backyard. The third floor has a master bedroom and a guest bedroom. The fourth floor has a third bedroom.

A decision to relocate

The Demeters are leaving Admiral's Hill and relocating to Essex (Mass.) where they have purchased a home. They have brought in well-known real estate agent Jeff Bowen to market their Chelsea townhouse at 51 Breakwater Drive.

"When we moved to Chelsea – well, you can't move into this city without knowing who Jeff Bowen is, just from real estate. When you're looking at real estate, Jeff is associated with all things Chelsea real estate. He came very highly recommended."

Bowen is excited about the opportunity to help the Demeters sell their amazing residence.

"It's a fabulous, corner-end unit," said Bowen, who attended Saint Rose School in Chelsea. "It's the largest unit in the whole Admiral's Hill row."

Bowen listed the Demeters' Admiral's Hill property on the market for \$900,000 and it sold in five days. "Chelsea is experiencing a resurgence," said Bowen. "The casino/resort has helped raise Chelsea's visibility. There are people who never would've come to this area that have now become familiar with all that Chelsea has to offer."

"We set a record with the property selling in five days, because of the work that Dave and Hayley have done with the property," said Bowen. "there are still 3 units left for sale."

(Jeffrey Bowen of E Realty Advisors Inc. can be reached for info and showings at 781-201-9488 and jeff@chelsearealestate. com AdmiralsHill.com)

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An evening
with
Ian Coss
Big Dig Podcast
Tuesday,
March 12
7:00 PM

The Big Dig was one of the largest and most controversial infrastructure projects in the U.S. which changed the Charlestown landscape and affected the community for many years.

Ian Coss is the host and producer of the acclaimed "The Big Dig," a nine-episode podcast from GBH News.

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Join us for an interesting virtual discussion with Ian.
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Bricco's iconic espresso martini will hit the shelves in a bottle

Espresso martini lovers will soon be able to experience the magic of Bricco's famous espresso martini at home with the highly anticipated launch of "DRINK-THAT" by Bricco. The bottled, ready-to-serve cocktail is set to launch regionally on March 12, 2024.

"DRINKTHAT" by Bricco is the creation of a passionate North End trio: restaurateur Frank DePasquale, his son/partner Joseph DePasquale, and longtime DePasquale Ventures head bartender Glenn Le Maitre, the mastermind behind Bricco's famous espresso martini. Glenn, a veteran bartender at Bricco for over 20 years, began concocting frozen espresso martinis while serving overseas in the Navy during the late 80's. Inspired by his love of the frozen drink and the joy it brought during his service, he spent the years following working in hospitality, honing his own recipe, and eventually perfecting the signature cocktail at Bricco. Widely regarded as the preeminent espresso martini in Boston, Bricco sells over 100,000 espresso martinis annually- thousands of which are poured by Glenn.

During the height of the pandemic and popularity of at-home bartending, the partners' long-standing aspiration to share their signature espresso martini with the world was ignited. Committed to providing a highly comparable, shelf-stable version of the

Bricco espresso martini, Glenn and Joseph began a years-long journey of meticulously replicating the award winning recipe's profile and flavor nuances- requiring dozens of iterations to achieve the perfect taste.

Composed of seven premium ingredients, including real espresso, "DRINKTHAT" offers a rich and complex flavor profile. Balanced notes of coffee, hazelnut, vanilla, and cacao culminate in a bold, yet smooth, lingering finish that evokes the iconic Bricco experience. Each bottle yields approximately six classic martinis, perfect for all social gatherings and individual indulgences.

"We're thrilled to finally share "DRINKTHAT" with the world," says Joseph DePasquale. "This isn't just any espresso martini; it's a true taste of the North End, a tribute to our community of Bricco espresso martini lovers, and the culmination of years of passion and dedication. We can't wait for everyone to experience the magic of Bricco everywhere."

Produced locally in Massachusetts by MS Walker with a suggested retail price of \$29.99, "DRINKTHAT" by Bricco will be available for purchase at retailers across the region starting March 8th. For more information, including updates, locations, and store availability, please visit www. drinkthat.com or follow @drinkthatespressomartini on Instagram.







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needs are what ultimately shapes her projects.

"I look at the clients' demands and wishes," she said. "If it doesn't work for them, then it's a problem."

One misconception surrounding the interior design business that Cavataio hopes to dispel is that the services are exorbitantly expensive. But in reality, she charges hourly rates, which allows her to take on less extensive jobs for clients with smaller budgets.

Most recently, Cavataio said the "overwhelming majority" of her work has entailed designing kitchens and bathrooms.

"I love doing kitchens and bathrooms because of the complexity of service," she said. "They need water and power, and have to be highly functional to be success-

Although Cavataio works in both old and new structures, most of her past projects were in Boston so she said she most often finds herself "working with old structures and renewing old buildings."

"In itself, preservation is a sustainable practice," she said.

For more information on Living Being Design, visit Livingbeingdesign.com, or call S. Christine Cavataio at 617-510-8659.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The Construction Look-Ahead through March 16 for the North Washington Street Bridge is as fol-

Scheduled Work

- Removal of temporary vehicle bridge and pile supports
- Demolition of old bridge struc-

Work Hours

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

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

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

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

The contractor is coordinating with the TD Garden and local police

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

- Bruins: March 7 at 7 p.m., March 9 at 3 p.m., March 11 at 7 p.m., and March 16 at 7 p.m.
 - Celtics: March 14 at 7:30 p.m.
- Other Events: March 8 at 8 p.m., March 12 at 3 p.m., and March 13 at 7:30 p.m.

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Jaylen Hunter-Coleman(left), coach Roland and Jaylin Williams-Crawford (right).



The home game was stopped for a moment to honor sophomore Jaylen Hunter-Coleman and junior Jaylin Williams-Crawford as they both reached 1,000 points, thus far with the Charlestown High School boys basketball team last Friday evening, March 1. The Townies pummeled the team from Dighton-Rehoboth 85-34 in the first round of the Division 3 state title championship. As we go to press this week Charlestown, 18-3 will take on Abington in the second round.

Boston voters support Biden, Trump in primary

By Dan Murphy

As was the case throughout the Commonwealth, President Joe Biden and former president Donald Trump topped the ballot with Boston voters during the Super Tuesday presidential primary on Tuesday, March 5.

According to the city's unofficial election results, President Biden was the top vote-getter on the Democratic side, garnering around 77 percent of the ballot (40,141 votes cast). 'No Preference' accounted for nearly 14 percent of the ballot (7,288 ballots cast), while Minnesota Congressman Dean Phillips and author Marianne Williamson garnered more than 4 percent (2,238 votes) and nearly 3 percent of the ballot (1,492 votes), respectively.

On the Republican side, Trump garnered more than 51 percent of the ballot (9,428 votes). Former South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley, who was expected to suspend her campaign yesterday in the wake of unencouraging Super Tuesday primary outcomes nationwide, trailed Trump with nearly 45 percent of

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the ballot (8,195 votes). Other accounted for the remaining less Republican candidates, including 'No Preference' and write-ins,

than 4 percent of the ballot.



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The top elected officials in Massachusetts will join host State Senator Sal DiDomenico (D-Everett) at the head table for the Annual DiDomenico Foundation St. Patrick's Day Celebration on Friday, March 8 beginning at 6:30pm at the Bunker Hill Knights of Columbus in Charlestown. This has become of the most anticipated events of the year.

In addition to Governor Maura Healey and Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll, over 75 federal, state, an elected officials have con-

firmed they will join State Senator Sal DiDomenico (D-Everett) at the head table at the annual political kick-off of the St. Patrick's Day roast including: Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley, Attorney General Andrea Campbell, Massachusetts State Senate President Karen Spilka, Boston Mayor Michelle Wu, State Auditor Diana DiZoglio, Cambridge Mayor Denise Simmons, Chelsea City Manager Fidel Maltez, Middlesex County District Attorney Marian Ryan, Suffolk County Sheriff Steve Tompkins, Suffolk County District Attorney Kevin Hayden,



The Annual DiDomenico Foundation St. Patrick's Day Celebration is one of the most popular St. Patrick's Day traditions in the Greater Boston area.

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In addition to a traditional Irish dinner, the night will include live Irish music, bagpipers, and Boston's best comedians to enhance the political humor. There will also be complimentary valet parking at the event.

This year's Golden Shamrock Award recipient is Catherine D'Amato, the CEO of the Greater Boston Food Bank. She will be honored for her steadfast and tireless work to fight food insecurity throughout our region. Catherine is a national leader on closing the hunger gap and has been instrumental in President Biden's White House Challenge to End Hunger And Build Healthy Communities.

This event is one of the most popular St. Patrick's Day traditions in the Greater Boston area and Senator Nick Collins (D-South

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Boston), the host of the Annual South Boston St. Patrick's Day Breakfast, will also be at the event.

For tickets (\$40.00 per person) and event information, please call (617) 387-3327. Proceeds will go to The DiDomenico Foundation, which funds educational scholarships for graduating high school students, as well as a large toy drive during the holiday season for domestic violence and homeless shelters throughout the Greater Boston.

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Psychopomp Ensemble, duo-pianists Chi-Wei Lo, and Xiaopei Xu, presented an energetic recital of "Dance Music of the Germania Musical Society." at St. John' Episcopal Church on

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