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"Generational Spirit" mural

By Marianne Salza

"Generational Spirit," a vibrant, 30'x40' mural featured on the brick wall of the East Boston Social Center, can be prominently viewed from every bustling entrance into Central Square. It is the inaugural piece in HarborArts's newest initiative, Beautify Main Streets, in partnership with East Boston Main Streets.

"Part of Beautify Main Streets is to help capitalize and grow public art work, and hopefully create a legacy program that makes it more viable and sustainable," explained Matthew Pollock, Director, HarborArts. "This is the heart of the community in Central Square. We are super grateful to the Social Center for giving us their wall as a canvas for the mural."

HarborArts has produced over 30 murals in East Boston over the past three years; and Pollock is optimistic that a system will be created in the future to preserve and maintain existing paintings.

Pollock hopes that more local businesses, neighborhood groups, and non-profit organizations will accept the murals as gifts that can increase their visibility in the community. Pollock believes that public art can be a catalyst of conversation and economic growth.

As part of the mural's planning process, residents were asked what they felt was special about East



Artists, Silvia López Chavez and Felipe Ortiz, with their mural, "Generational Spirit," on display at the East Boston Social Center, in Central Square

Boston. Beautify Main Streets received responses such as: diversity, community, and neighbors looking out for one another.

"As an immigrant community, Eastie has been a welcoming neighborhood," said Pollock. "That's what inspired this piece."

"Generational Spirit"

depicts three generations, and represents the strength and vibrancy of East Boston families. This mural is the first collaboration of locally and internationally exhibited artists, Silvia López Chavez, of Chelsea, and Felipe Ortiz, of East Boston. The two have been painting from morning until dusk since the beginning

of September.

López Chavez and Ortiz's creative styles are incorporated into the contemporary piece that resonates with both of their cultural backgrounds. López Chavez grew up in the Dominican Republic, where she attended art

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Feedback and data discussed at PLAN advisory group meeting

By Michael Coughlin Jr.

On September 19, the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) met with its PLAN: East Boston Advisory Group to discuss the complete draft of the plan — "East Boston Tomorrow" — released at the beginning of the month.

As part of this meeting, BPDA staff went through an overview of the draft similar to the September 12 public meeting. You can visit the PLAN: East Boston webpage to view that meeting and the pre-

sentation.

In addition to the overview, BPDA staff revealed some feedback they had already heard on the draft and presented some data concerning that feedback and from other requests.

"We had the public meeting on the 12th; there was a lot of discussion at that meeting. Some people have taken the time to already submit their comments in writing to us, and we had some outstanding data requests from even before the public meeting."

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OHNC opposing project on Leyden Street

By Michael Coughlin Jr.

The Orient Heights Neighborhood Council (OHNC) opposed a project at 36 Leyden Street during its monthly meeting on September 18.

The project proposes demolishing the existing building on the site to erect a new eight-unit residential building with eight parking spaces. Of the eight condominium units, there will be one accessible and affordable unit, three two-bedroom, and four three-bedroom.

This project was initially presented to the OHNC earlier in the summer.

Since then, there have been some changes, according to Attorney Jeff Drago, who presented the project along with the Developer David Gradus and the Architect David Choi.

Since the team's last presentation, the project's unit count has dropped from nine to eight, the floor area ratio (FAR) has gone from 2.25 to 2.24, and the building's height has decreased from 37.66 feet to 35 feet.

Additionally, the front yard setback has increased from zero to four feet, there are additional landscape plans, and the fourth

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Tree Eastie to continue its work this fall

By Michael Coughlin Jr.

Tree Eastie, an organization that focuses on planting, ensuring the care and maintenance of, and educating residents about trees, has worked hard this year and will continue to help increase East Boston's low tree canopy this fall.

Over the last two years, the organization has planted over 250 trees to help the neighborhood with the lowest tree canopy in the City. Now, this fall, Tree Eastie is slated to plant over 50 trees in the community.

These trees will be planted throughout the neighborhood at places like Memorial Park, the Martin Pino Center, the

Belle Isle Marsh, and Excel Academy.

Moreover, Tree Eastie will also plant 300 daffodil bulbs in the community this fall. "We're just trying to add more color to the neighborhood, and it's great to be able to see that," said Tree Eastie Founder Bill Masterson.

In addition to all the plantings slated to take place, the organization is also running a tree giveaway for residents interested in planting trees in their yards.

This iteration of the giveaway comes off a successful one this past spring, which Masterson indicated had a great turnout.

"I'm hoping to be able to have a similar success-

ful tree giveaway this fall," said Masterson.

As part of the giveaway, residents can get a six to eight-foot tree to plant in their yards, and Tree Eastie will dig or help dig the hole for those who receive trees. If you want a tree for your yard, you can visit <https://www.treeeastie.org/get-a-tree>, click on "get a yard tree," and fill out a Google form.

Masterson also mentioned that he would soon go through the neighborhood associations and their Facebook pages to let them know more about how residents can get involved with the tree giveaway.

While Tree Eastie has

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MAKING THE SAVE



East Boston's Jenna DaSilva (8) dives to keep a ball in play in front of teammate Libero Liliana Vargas Bonilla (5). See Page 7 for more volleyball photos.

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News in Brief

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SEPTEMBER 30
LOCAL MUSIC
APPRECIATION DAY

The Boston Local Music Festival is back! First hosted in 2017, the Festival gives a platform for local musicians to perform their original songs. The celebration will include 7 bands performing from 11 a.m. - 6p.m. at the Parkman Bandstand in the Boston Common.

The artists represent a variety of music genres including rock, jazz, indie, blues, and punk. There is no cost to attend the family friendly event and the fun will go on rain or shine. Blankets, chairs, and picnics are encouraged, and dogs are enthusiastically welcomed.

This year’s festival will feature a full day of music from some of the best bands and solo musicians Boston has to offer. The eclectic group of acts includes Andrew Sue Wing, blindspot, Force us to Stop, The 94’s, How We Burn and Samposium.

The Parkman Bandstand is conveniently located near the Visitor’s Center, in between the Park Street and Boylston

Street T stops. Organizers encourage festival attendees to take public transportation to the event. For more information, please visit www.bostonlocalmusicfestival.com.

The Boston Local Music Festival will take place from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m., September 30, at Parkman Bandstand, Boston Common. The event is free.

HARBOR VIEW
NEIGHBORHOOD
ASSOCIATION
MEETING AGENDA

The next meeting of the Harbor View Neighborhood Association will be on October 2, 2023, at 6pm. The meeting is In Person only but will be streamed via Facebook for archival purposes. Attendance on Facebook does not qualify for voting. The meeting will be held in the Salesian Boys and Girls Club cafeteria, across from the Brooke Charter School on Byron Street. You can access the meeting from the front door on Byron Street or from the rear door on Wordsworth Street, which is the handicap entry, to avoid the stairs. Since we are in-

doors, masks are optional for those in attendance. La proxima reunion de Harbor View Neighborhood Association esta en segundo de octubre 2023 a las 6pm. La reunion esta en persona y via Facebook. La asistencia en Facebook no califica para vota. Llega a la cafeteria del Salesian Boys y Girls Club por la calle Byron al otro lado de Brooke Charter School. Pueda usar la entrada pricipal por la calle Byron o la entrada en calle de Wordsworth. La entrada de calle Wordsworth no tiene escaleras por personas con discapacidades. El cubre bocas sera opcional puesto que estaremos adentro.

Agenda
Welcome/Introduction (5min)
ONS Manuela (Mela) VillaGomez (5min)
Neighborhood announcements.
Announcements (5min)
Greenway Council, Tree Eastie, Rockland Trust Shredding Day October 28th. 9-12. 5th Annual Swing Fore Kids, Salesian Host at Winthrop Golf Club, October 16th. BPDA Meeting on 141 Addison Street Project, October 5th. 6-8pm. Hal-

loween House Decorating Contest.
Station 7 Police Report (15min) Captain Bickerton, Sgt. Cintolo, Officers Mosley, Alvarez and Figueroa.
OHNC and HVNA meeting with the BPDA on October 3, 2023, 6:15pm at the Madonna Shrine Function Hall. Focus on Plan: East Boston.
64 Homer Street (20min) Theresa Strachila, Program Manager Grow Boston: Office of Urban Agriculture, Office of Housing. She will continue our discussion on the future of the parcel. Updated feedback from neighbors and steps going forward.
58 Wordsworth Street (30min) 1st Presentation by Attorney and owner Jeff Drago. The proposal is to change the occupancy from a two-family to a three- family. Erect rear and third-story additions and rear decks. Renovate existing building.
The next meeting of the HVNA will be on November 6, 2023. Visit us at <http://www.facebook.com/groups/harborview-na> or check our website at harborvieweastboston.com.

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school; later studying at Massachusetts College of Art and Design.
Ortiz, a native of Colombia, is also a Massachusetts College of Art and Design graduate whose work focuses on themes of migration.
“We want to share that love of boldness and color in this space,” said López Chavez, who has been painting murals for seven years. “One of the things I love about working in the community is learning about what is important to the particular neighborhood. Being a neighborhood of immigrants, East Boston is about welcoming people.”
According to López Chavez and Pollock,

passersby commuting to school, work, or Liberty Plaza have been curious and joyful when walking past the mural, thanking the team for beautifying the neighborhood.
“A lot of people are stopping and asking questions about what it means. They feel represented,” shared López Chavez, who maintains a studio space at Atlantic Works Gallery.
Attend the unveiling ceremony of “Generational Spirit,” on Wednesday September 27, from 4-7pm at the East Boston Social Center, 68 Central Square, East Boston. The celebration will be in conjunction with the East Boston Farmers’ Market in Central Square, 3-6:30 pm.

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floor of the building has been pulled back.
Drago also gave some context about how this building could fit into the area, saying, “The proposal isn’t the only multi-family residential in this area. There’s four-story across the street, there’s multi-family at the corner, and as you go up and down it, there’s also townhouse, there’s also two-family and some ones.”
After Choi went through floor plans and some renders, Gradus took the floor and talked about a concern that residents voiced at the last presentation — parking.

In speaking about parking, Gradus said, “At my end of Leyden Street, we actually have a ton of parking; it’s not so densely packed.”
After that statement, Gradus went through slides that displayed what he called an “amateur parking study.” In this study, Gradus seemingly took images from Google Maps showing the parking situation on the street during different years and designated open spots with black rectangles.
While the slides shown seemed to indicate that spots were available, some residents were not fond of the study, with the central question concerning the time the pictures were taken. To which Gradus said he did not know what time Google Satellite took its images.
Even with some push-back from residents about the study, Gradus maintained his position about there being available parking in the area.
“I’m there at all hours of the day, and again, at that end of the street, there’s always parking available,”

said Gradus.
One resident, who has lived in East Boston for 11 years and Orient Heights for the last five years, backed up Gradus, saying, “I drive through that street every day, and out of all the streets here, that’s probably the easiest one for parking.”
In addition to the parking study, Gradus also spoke about the need for housing in the area, calling Boston “severely under-housed” and said, “I think that we just cannot build a single or a two-family on a lot this large; we have to have families that want to live in the area.”
When the floor was opened for comments and questions, several topics were covered, including the cost of the condos, which Gradus said would be between \$500,000-\$600,000.
There was a comment commending the project for having an affordable unit. There was also a comment from an attendee that they were happy that the units were condos, but they also asked if they would actually end up being built as condos.
“The 100% goal is to build condominiums to add housing to the area, not apartments,” said Gradus.
Other comments about the project concerned the building’s height, the proposed roof decks, and more.
In the end, there were not enough votes from those in attendance for the project to gain the support of the OHNC, and the project was opposed 23-5, with one voter abstaining. The OHNC will meet again at its regular time on October 16.

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a lot of upcoming plans, the organization has also achieved some first-time successes this year.
For example, in June, Tree Eastie was granted permission by the City to cut tree wells along Meridian Street between Maverick and Central Squares. This enabled the organization to plant 11 trees in the area.
This was a big success; Masterson explained that, for the most part, Tree Eastie had been planting trees in wells that already existed.
With many of these existing wells filled, the organization sought more spaces to plant, especially in heat islands and places with heavy pedestrian traffic, like Meridian Street.
In what was a process that involved a lot of red tape, according to Masterson, the organization can now collaborate with the City to determine if an area can take on trees.
If a site can take on these trees, Tree Eastie contracts someone bonded by the City to cut the sidewalk to create wells and plant trees.
“I think it’s great for us to be able to now be more selective on where the


trees are going to be planted as opposed to just putting them into empty tree wells,” said Masterson.
Along with cutting tree wells, Tree Eastie also had another first this year, in which it collaborated with Boston Public Schools (BPS) to plant five trees at the Mario Umana Academy.
Masterson indicated how important it was to get trees in some of the schoolyards around the neighborhood to add shade for the kids.
“If I can find the right principal to work with to be able to plant trees on the campus, I’m really looking to do that,” said Masterson.
While all the planting done by the organization is essential, another significant aspect of Tree Eastie is educating residents about the importance of trees and how they can get involved.
This summer, the organization distributed over 2,000 brochures to residents, leaving door hangers on folks’ doors highlighting how vital trees are and how to get involved.
For example, trees reduce noise pollution, purify air, improve property


value, and even help reduce stress.
Additionally, residents can get involved in several ways, like the previously mentioned tree giveaway or other initiatives.
For example, Tree Eastie has an Adopt-a-Tree program where residents can sign up to water trees near their homes. Especially now, with over 250 trees planted, the need to maintain them is more important than ever. The organization will even provide water bags for the trees if they do not already have one.
“It’s great that we’re putting trees in the ground and adding more trees, but you really got to take care of the trees that are there right now because if you don’t take care of them, they’re going to die,” said Masterson.
To learn more about the program or to adopt a tree, visit <https://www.treeeastie.org/get-involved> and click the Adopt a Tree box.
Moreover, residents can get involved by requesting a street tree be planted in front of their house through 311, and in areas where a group of residents wants trees, you can get signatures together to

plant multiple trees in an area.
Along with all the planting, first-time successes, and educational work Tree Eastie has done, it has also accomplished other things this year through partnerships.
Tree Eastie, in conjunction with Eastie Farm’s Teen Climate Corps, had over 60 new street trees watered weekly. The organization’s volunteers also took care of fruit trees in the Rockies Urban Wilds, helping to distribute fresh cherries, pears, and apples to the community through Eastie Farm.
Tree Eastie has also received funding from organizations like DraftKings, TD Bank, and more to make many of these activities possible, which the organization is grateful for.
Even though Tree Eastie has made tremendous strides this year to bolster East Boston’s tree canopy, it is always looking for people to get involved.
If you want to learn more about Tree Eastie’s mission and how to get involved, volunteer, or donate, check out its entire website at <https://www.treeeastie.org/>.

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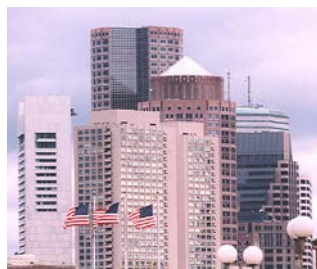
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ANARCHY IN CONGRESS

Imagine if a foreign government or some terrorist group were to hack into the U.S. government's computers and bring all of its operations to a halt. Everyone in the country would be outraged.

That is the scenario we are facing this week -- except that the "hack" that is threatening to shut down our government is not originating from some outside source, but rather is coming from an anarchist group of about 15 Republican members of Congress who are refusing to approve a budget by the October 1 deadline.

There have been government shutdowns in the past, most memorably those engineered by Republican Speakers of the House (Newt Gingrich and John Boehner), but those had clear lines of demarcation about competing visions of federal spending between the Republicans and the Democratic presidents (Clinton and Obama) at the time.

But the small group of Republicans who want to shut down the government today not only lack the support of the Republican leadership and their colleagues, but they also do not have any identifiable objectives.

A lot of the blame for this debacle lies with Republican House Speaker Kevin McCarthy, who had worked out a deal with President Biden and the Democrats in June regarding the debt ceiling that also encompassed the budget for the coming fiscal year.

However, McCarthy is being held hostage by these renegade members of his own party because of their threat to remove him from the speakership if he brings the budget to the floor for a vote -- and thus far, McCarthy has placed his political survival over keeping the government open.

About the only defense for McCarthy's fecklessness is that he himself recognizes that trying to reach an agreement with this group is a fruitless task: "This is a whole new concept of individuals that just want to burn the whole place down," McCarthy said last week.

The bottom line is that every American, thanks to the inept Republican leadership, is subject to the whims of a group of about 15 Republican members of Congress whose only real goal can best be described as a desire to bring about total chaos and anarchy to every corner of our country.

CAN NUCLEAR POWER SAVE THE PLANET?

As it becomes increasingly clear that renewable sources of energy -- wind, solar, hydropower, and hydrogen fuel cells -- are not going to become available on a large scale anytime soon, the only real hope for the U.S. both to reduce its use of fossil fuels and to provide a dependable source of power for the nation's electrical grid is nuclear energy.

Nuclear energy has had a bad rap for almost 50 years in this country thanks to the infamous Three Mile Island debacle in the late 1970s and then the Chernobyl disaster a decade later. But today's nuclear power ain't your grandparents'.

Future nuclear power generation would be provided by what are known as advanced Small Modular Reactors (SMRs). The U.S. government is providing incentives (through the Inflation Reduction Act) to develop these SMRs as safe and affordable nuclear power options for our grid.

We would note that almost 20 percent of our nation's power supply today comes from nuclear plants (in France, 68 percent of its power comes from nuclear plants). With energy demands increasing across the country for the foreseeable future -- electric vehicles for example, still need to use the grid to "fill up" -- the new nuclear power looms as the most obvious choice to remove fossil-burning fuels from our energy supply.

Boston Public Health Commission encourages people to get the flu shot ahead of flu season

The Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) is encouraging all residents ages six months and older to get their annual influenza (Flu) vaccination as flu season approaches. Flu vaccination is safe and highly effective at lowering the risk of illness and severe disease requiring hospitalization.

Getting the flu vaccine in September or October helps ensure strong protection from the virus before peak flu activity begins. As it gets colder, the risk for infection and severe illness increases.

The most common symptoms of the flu are fever, chills, cough, sore throat, stuffy or runny nose, muscle or body aches, headache, fatigue, and in some cases, vomiting and diarrhea. Flu is highly infectious and can lead to severe illness, hospitalization, and death, especially among higher risk groups, including children

younger than 5 years old, adults aged 65 and older, pregnant people, and people with chronic medical conditions.

"Getting your annual flu shot should be at the top of your fall to-do list because vaccination is the best way to decrease the risk of severe illness and hospitalization from the flu especially if you are older, very young, pregnant, or have a weakened immune system," said Dr. Bisola Ojikutu, Commissioner of Public Health and Executive Director of the Boston Public Health Commission. "If you are at higher risk and develop flu symptoms, reach out to your health care provider. Treatment may be available."

Flu vaccines are widely available throughout the city and are often covered by insurance, including MassHealth. Visit your local pharmacy, community health center, or contact

your primary health care provider to set up an appointment. The new flu vaccines are also available for free at BPHC's standing clinics at the Bruce C. Bolling Building in Roxbury and at City Hall. Walk-ins are welcome, no appointments or proof of insurance are needed.

- Bruce C. Bolling Municipal Building, 2300 Washington St., Roxbury
Open Thursdays - Saturdays from 12 pm - 6 pm
- City Hall, Haymarket Room (2nd Floor) 1 City Hall Square, Boston
Open Mondays from 7 am - 1 pm and Wednesdays from 12 pm - 5 pm

Additionally, residents can find other local flu and COVID-19 vaccination sites by using the CDC's vaccine finder tool.

If you do not have health insurance, or if co-pays are a barrier, call the Mayor's Health Line at 617-534-5050. Residents can also use the Health

Line for information on transportation services to vaccine sites.

The Bruce C. Bolling Building and City Hall are also offering free COVID-19 testing and will soon have the updated COVID-19 vaccine. On September 12, the CDC recommended updated COVID-19 vaccines for everyone ages 6 months and older to protect against the latest variants of the COVID-19 virus. The updated COVID-19 vaccines should be available within the coming weeks. BPHC will share more information about their availability soon. Most health insurances, including MassHealth, will cover the cost of the COVID-19 vaccine, but people can contact their provider with any questions. People can also call the Mayor's Health Line at 617-534-5050.

United Way and The Boston Foundation award \$570,000 from the Migrant Families Relief Fund

United Way of Massachusetts Bay and The Boston Foundation announced the first of two rapid distributions of \$570,000 to 12 community-based organizations from The Massachusetts Migrant Families Relief Fund. The fund was created last month in partnership to address the growing humanitarian crisis faced by migrants seeking asylum in Massachusetts and to support the local, trusted community-based organizations that have deployed an all-hands-on-deck effort to meet the essential needs of new arrivals in our region. The organizations receiving the first round of funding are focused in communities including Attleboro, Boston, Cambridge, Chelsea, Everett, Malden, Marlborough, Medford, Lynn, Lowell, Somerville, Waltham, Quincy, and Worcester, as well as state-wide organizations.

"The Massachusetts Migrant Families Relief Fund is playing a critical role in ensuring that families arriving in Massachusetts have their basic needs met," said Governor Maura Healey. We're grateful to The Boston Foundation and United Way of Massachusetts Bay for their leadership, and we thank the people and businesses of Massachusetts who stepped up to support this fund."

Funding will support services such as English as a Second Language classes, legal services, assistance with health care needs, housing assistance, programming for youth, school enrollment assistance, assistance with filing for asylum or other immigration support, access to medical appointments, connecting refugee families with advocates and social supports at shelter sites and providing essential needs like food, diapers, clothing, and hygiene items.

Six organizations will receive grants of \$75,000

each to sustain this work: Brazilian Workers Center, Everett Haitian Community Center, Immigrant Family Service Institute, La Colaborativa, MIRA Coalition and RIAN Immigrant Center. An additional six organizations will receive grants of \$20,000: Agencia ALPHA, ARISE, Association of Haitian Women of Boston, English for New Bostonians, New American Center and The Literacy Center.

"For an immigrant in a foreign country, access to basic goods like food, diapers, clothing, or a ride to a medical appointment, can be of great concern," said Dr. Gerald V. Gabeau, Executive Director of Immigrant Family Services Institute (IFSI-USA). "Through this fund, service providers like IFSI are able to provide newcomers with vital support that many of us take for granted. We are so grateful to everyone who contributed to the MA Migrant Families Relief Fund."

The outpouring of community support has quickly mobilized more than \$1.1 million for the Massachusetts Migrant Families Relief Fund, from corporate partners and foundations to individual donors. Lead partners include Barr Foundation, Klarman Family Foundation, Eastern Bank, Barbara and Amos Hostetter, Amazon, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts, Cornerstone Charitable Foundation, Bank of America, N.A., Trustee, John Hancock, Santander, The Boston Foundation and United Way of Central Massachusetts. WCVB-TV is also partnering to help raise awareness of the fund.

"Massachusetts has once again demonstrated a thoughtful and compassionate response to the dual crisis we have been experiencing impacting our housing and shelter systems as well as our

trusted community-based organizations that have been giving everything they've got to help ensure everyone arriving in Massachusetts has their essential needs met," said Bob Giannino, President and Chief Executive Officer at United Way of Massachusetts Bay. "Partners across government, nonprofit, corporate and philanthropic sectors have joined together to address this still-growing humanitarian crisis in a way that makes me proud to be a member of our Commonwealth."

"The response from across Massachusetts to meet the needs of the thousands of families seeking safe haven and housing in our state is an inspiring and important element of our overall response to what is a tremendous ongoing need," said M. Lee Pelton, President and CEO of the Boston Foundation. "This important partnership highlights the caring humanity of individuals, businesses, nonprofits and

civic leaders here and can provide a blueprint for a continuing response."

United Way and The Boston Foundation convened an implementation team to support trust-based, equitable grantmaking, align with emerging needs and opportunities, and center the voices of people most proximate to migrant families in Massachusetts. Working in partnership with community-based organizations and existing networks such as the Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugees Advocacy (MIRA) Coalition's New Arrivals Working Group, the statewide network of community foundations and United Ways, this team is reviewing current data, needs, opportunities, and conditions to inform grant allocations.

The Fund, hosted at unitedwaymassbay.org/migrantrelief, is continuing to accept donations

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2023 Governor’s Awards in the Humanities honorees named

Mass Humanities announces the recipients of the 2023 Governor’s Awards in the Humanities. The foundation will honor four individuals for their commitments to education, civil and human rights, community development and philanthropy on September 28 at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum in Boston.

Presented in partnership with Governor Maura Healey, Mass Humanities will recognize Margaret Burnham, Vanessa Calderón-Rosado, Kumble Subbaswamy and Elizabeth Bacon for their contributions to the humanities and improving public life in Massachusetts.

“Massachusetts is home to a thriving humanities sector that makes our state more enlightened, innovative and inclusive,” said Governor Healey. “I’m proud to present the Governor’s Awards in the Humanities to these four leaders in recognition of the exceptional contributions they have made in education, history, community development, philanthropy, civil rights and more. I’m also grateful to the Mass Humanities Board for their partnership and the incredible work they do to expand opportunities across our state.”

- Margaret Burnham, of Boston, is an internationally recognized expert on civil and human rights, comparative constitutional rights, and international criminal law. As a Distinguished Professor of Law at Northeastern University, she is the founder and director of the Civil Rights and Restorative Justice Project at Northeastern and the first African American Judge in Massachusetts. Burnham is being honored for her dedication to exploring history, illuminating truth and confronting injustice in order to protect civil and human rights locally, nationally and internationally.

- Vanessa Calderón-Rosado, of Boston, is the CEO of Inquilinos Boricuas en Acción, Boston. She has had a long and multifaceted career demonstrating a commitment to the hu-

manities within education, community development, and philanthropy in Boston and across the state. Calderón-Rosado is being honored for her work that actively promotes Latinx culture and builds community through the arts in Boston’s South End and for her contributions to shaping a more equitable philanthropic ecosystem in Massachusetts.

- Kumble Subbaswamy, of Amherst, is the retiring Chancellor of UMass Amherst and a committed public education advocate. Subbaswamy is being honored for his commitment to education and transformative work at UMass Amherst. His work building a campus culture centered on social responsibility and inclusiveness are essential elements in the humanities.

- Elizabeth Bacon, of Worcester, is the coordinator of the Clemente Course in the Humanities, Worcester. She has been a long-time leader, on-the-ground coordinator, and advocate in the humanities. Her extensive contributions to the humanities includes her work at This is MYCity! and Worcester’s Blackstone Canal Horse and Wagon Tours. Bacon is being honored for her excellence in using history as a tool for community development and economic empowerment and tirelessly advocating for the humanities in her home city and across the state.

“Massachusetts is a better place because of the contributions made by this year’s Governor’s Awards honorees,” said Brian Boyles, Executive Director of Mass Humanities. “They continue to break barriers, elevate the voices of their communities, and contribute to our understanding of the Commonwealth and the nation. We thank Governor Healey for partnering with us this year to celebrate these transformational humanists.”

Since 2014, Mass Humanities has hosted the Governor’s Awards to recognize excellence in the humanities. Past awardees include: Callie Crossley, Henry Louis Gates, Jr., J. Hubie Jones, Margaret Marshall, Atul Gawande,

Ellen Dunlap, Jessie Little Doe Baird and Sonia Nieto among others.

Mass Humanities collaborates with the Office of the Governor to recognize individuals whose public actions enhance civic life in the Commonwealth through a deep appreciation of the humanities.

Proceeds from sponsorships, ticket sales and direct donations benefit the organizations and programs that Mass Humanities supports each year including Expand Massachusetts Stories, The Clemente Course in the Humanities, Reading Frederick Douglass Together and the Smithsonian Museum on Main Street traveling exhibit.

In 2022, Mass Humanities provided over \$1 million in direct funding to more than 100 organizations across the commonwealth. Read our 2022 Annual Report here.

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To support the 2023 Governor’s Awards, contact Jill Brevik, Manager of Annual Giving, at jbrevik@masshumanities.org.

Mass Humanities, a non-profit foundation based in Northampton, creates opportunities for the people of Massachusetts to transform their lives and build a more equitable Commonwealth through the humanities. Since its founding in 1974, the organization has provided millions of dollars to support thousands of humanities projects across Massachusetts. Established as the state-based affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Mass Humanities is an independent programming and grant-making organization that receives support from the NEH and the Massachusetts Cultural Council and private sources. For more information, visit www.masshumanities.org or connect on social media at:

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from the public that will be used to provide grants to Massachusetts-based nonprofit organizations actively assisting migrant families, with a focus on supporting those with a demonstrated capacity for cultural and linguistic competency. To complement and enhance public funding, grants are focused on building organizational capacity to meet current demand for services and to coordinate with existing shelter sites providing temporary shelter to migrant families. Funding is intended to increase capacity for the following services:

- Provide general operating funds to local community-based organizations providing direct services on already-stretched budgets and staff resources and support their capacity to coordinate with shelter sites to meet demand for services.

- Increase capacity to ensure individuals, children, and families have access to essential needs, such as temporary accommodations, food, clothing, diapers, hygiene items, and transportation.

- Support livelihood opportunities and assistance such as health screenings, translation services, legal assistance, work authorizations, ESOL classes, and other socio-economic and cultural integration supports with priority for communities with under-served shelter sites.

- Enhance community connectedness by supporting outreach that connects migrant families with opportunities for community integration, such as faith communities, schools, and mutual aid groups.

United Way of Massachusetts Bay and the Boston Foundation both have extensive experience managing emergency relief efforts, including the

distribution of tens of millions of dollars collectively during the COVID-19 pandemic. During that crisis, United Way partnered with more than a dozen cities and towns, including Chelsea, Haverhill and Lynn, to provide local response efforts, as well as with the Department of Early Education and Care to distribute more than \$20 million for school-community Summer Step Up programming, while the Boston Foundation distributed more than \$18 million through its COVID-19 Response Fund. The Boston Foundation has also managed emergency funds in response to the Haiti earthquake in 2011, and after Hurricane Maria devastated Puerto Rico in 2017, as well as a fund providing targeted support for the city of Chelsea, Mass., during and after COVID.

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FRESH AND LOCAL

Food in a flash

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Whether you cook for one, two, or a household, you should master some infallible, pantry-based food-in-a-flash dishes. This suggestion even goes for those who rely on take-out, delivery, or dining out. Sometimes the weather, time constraints, energy levels, or budget may require you to assemble a quick, inexpensive meal.

Begin by thinking about meals you like, with foods you keep on hand that you can pull together at the last moment. Then, consider how these favorites could be flashier in speed and appearance using shortcuts and great quality ingredients.

Prepare Ahead

Those who do a lot of cooking already have a pantry full of options for preparing a fast meal. However, those who seldom cook can get away with adding just a few items to their meager stores with a slow walk through grocery aisles.

Pay special attention to the frozen food section. Nutritionists and chefs agree that some frozen vegetables like peas, corn, spinach, and veggie mixes are great shortcuts. Penny has discovered frozen garlic and ginger packaged in one-teaspoon cubes. Those are perfect when she doesn't want to clean a cutting board and knife

to use the fresh versions.

The canned goods aisle is another place where we buy pantry basics to make our favorite food-in-a-flash meals. We always have cans of fish, chicken, and beans on hand. Recently, we've relied more on cans of salmon and tuna with added flavors and vegetables, which make them perfect as toppers for a salad or grain bowl or as a filling for tacos or quesadillas.

While you've often heard that we should eat fewer processed foods, the reality is that experts are actually talking about ultra-processed foods. Today, with more of us thinking this way and reading the lists of ingredients and



A can of "Moroccan Tagine Salmon" with chickpeas, onions, roasted zucchini, quinoa, olives, lemon, carrots, and fennel tops a bowl of brown rice for a quick and healthy supper.

nutritional information, we have more natural food options. For example, we buy frozen rice, which is just rice. You can purchase packages of grains, broths, beans, and other products with lower sodium and fat.

Fill the Freezer with Resources

We buy tortillas, naan, and multigrain bread, then freeze what we won't use in a few days. Frozen English muffins are easy to turn into toaster-oven pizzas. Save space for a stash of healthy meals you can microwave when you have no energy to cook.

We have a freezer drawer of individual servings of components for quick meals. Penny freezes single-portion cubes for later

use when she makes fillings for tacos, shepherd's pies, or a pot of chicken soup or pasta sauce. She can turn pieces of ham, sausage, and bags of leftover meat into a frittata or torta.

Speedy Substitutes

You might have time to cook pasta or rice if you remember to boil a pot of water the moment you walk into the kitchen. However, there are great substitutes that have much shorter cooking times than traditional pasta. Some ramen noodles, rice noodles, and other Asian bowl bases cook in as little as three minutes.

Fresh pasta takes less time in the pot than dried pasta. Jamie Oliver has created recipes using fresh

pasta sheets cut into various widths and added to the pan where he has prepared the rest of the meal.

Critical factors in preparing fast, healthy food are shopping well and mastering a few quick favorites. You can reduce cooking time using a toaster oven, induction burner, or microwave. Finally, we consider less cleanup an essential part of food-in-a-flash decisions. You can also use pre-cut ingredients, foil, parchment paper, and nonstick pans to make your food-in-a-flash.

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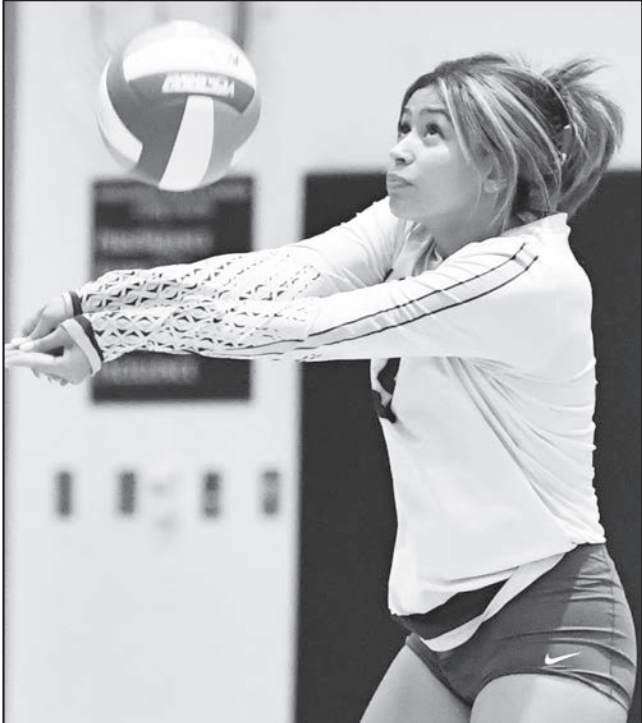
EAST BOSTON GIRLS IN VOLLEYBALL ACTION AGAINST WINTHROP

PHOTOS BY BOB MARRA

East Boston fell to neighboring rival Winthrop 3-0 in non-league volleyball action at Winthrop High School Friday.



CONCENTRATION: Samantha Martinez Mendoza (9) keeps her eye on the ball as she makes a return.



ALL MINE: Libero Liliana Vargas Bonilla (5) is in position to return a shot.



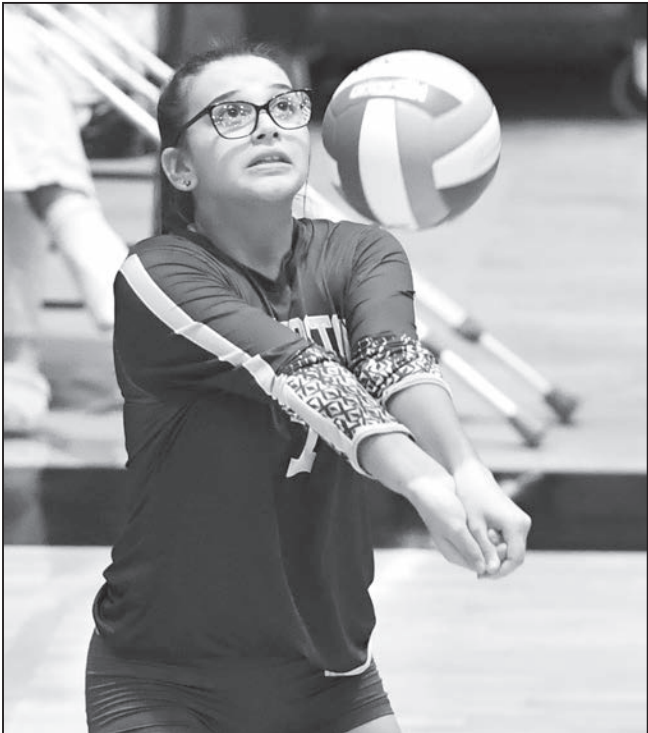
NO PROBLEM: Jordyn Vazquez controls a return shot.



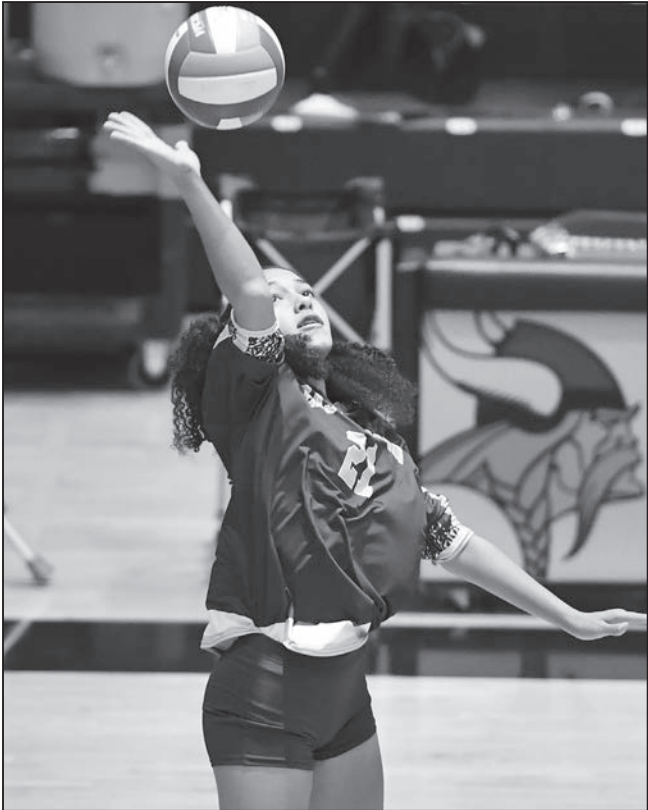
BACKUP PLAN: Emely Cruz Rodriguez (10) looks on and backs up Alexmayri Peguero Soto (11) on a play near the net.



NET CONTEST: Winthrop's Zoey Bogusz (1) battles East Boston's Alexandria Brangiforte (7) and Jordyn Vazquez (15) at the net.



WATCHING IT ALL THE WAY: Alexandria Brangiforte (7) watches the ball as she makes a return.



CONTACT POINT: Jordynn Copeland (21) readies a return shot.

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EAST BOSTON LITTLE LEAGUE HOLDS AWARDS BANQUET

East Boston Little League held its Awards Banquet Sept. 21 at Spinelli's.

EBLL President Nick Free welcomed the many players, coaches, parents, and families to the banquet. More than 160 guests enjoyed a delicious buffet and dessert, musical entertainment and raffle drawings, followed by the presentation of awards.

State Rep. Adrian Madaro, a graduate of East Boston Little League, congratulated league officials for their outstanding leadership of the organization.

The popular youth baseball organization celebrated its 70th anniversary season this year under the banner of Little League Baseball.

East Boston Little League players and families attended the Boston Red Sox game Sunday at Fenway Park, taking part in a pre-game parade on the field.



One of East Boston's greatest youth and high school softball players, Krysten (Hunt) Buccella and her 7-year-old son, Lorenzo Buccella, pictured at the 2023 East Boston Little League Awards Banquet.



Frankie Vigliotta, Luciano Vigliotta, and Anthony Cali, with their mother, Alycia Cali.



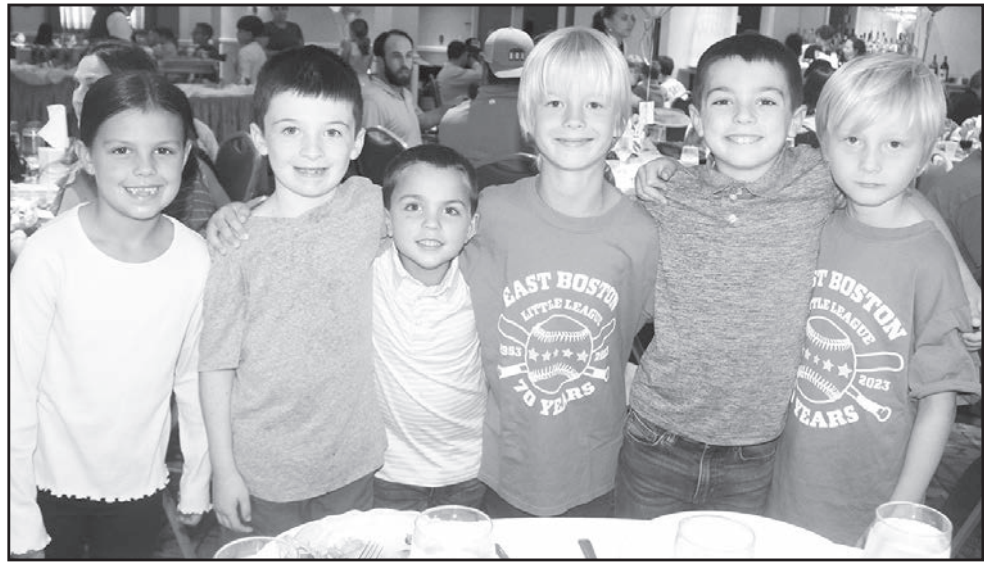
Danielle Gourdeau and her son, Jace Panzino.



Former East Boston softball star Vicky (Rinaldi) Lynch, with her husband, Brian Lynch, and their son, Timmy Lynch.



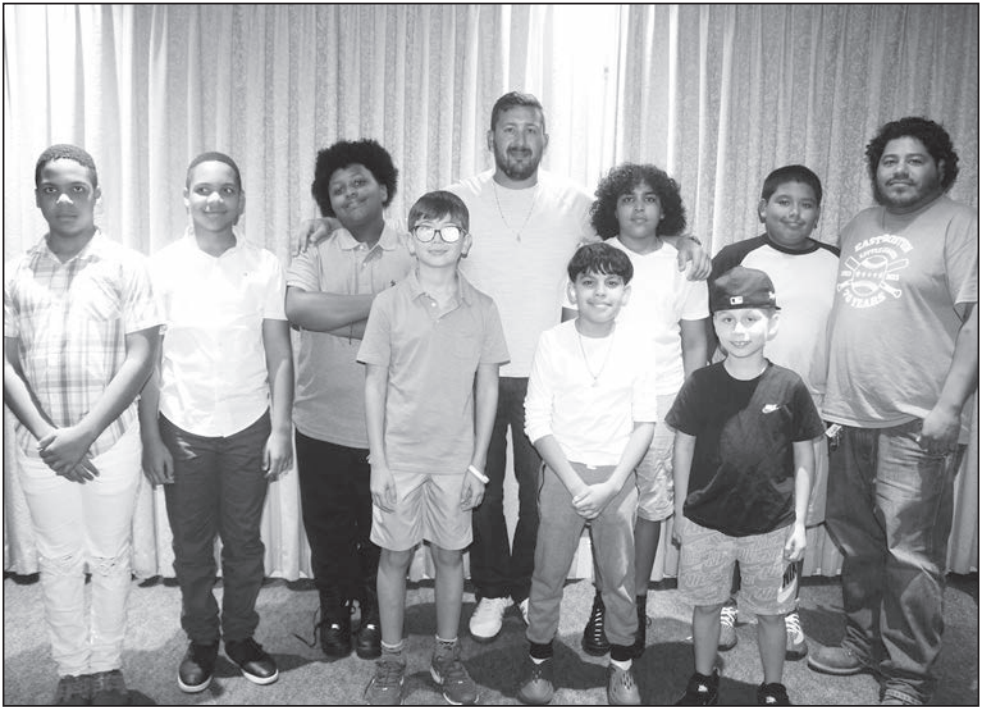
Orioles players with Neffo Cappuccio and Lisa Cappuccio (front row) and (back row), Brian Doherty, Yesenia Martinez, Christina Gibson, Ashley Prader, and Chris Prader.



Enjoying the East Boston Little League Awards Banquet at Spinelli's are baseball players Talia Forbes, Timmy Lynch, Vinny Rinaldi, Miki Mortimer, Sal Rinaldi, and Ethan Mortimer.



East Boston Little League President Nick Free (right) with players, Ira Jones Rivera, Giacomo Courtney, Holden Free, Catcher Free, Oliver Kros (who won a special EBLL anniversary jersey during the prize drawing), and Simon Kros.



The Mariners, East Boston Little League champions for the 2023 season. Front row are Jake Poirier, Adrean Santiago, and Ryan Nee. Back row are Matias Costa, Leonardo Costa, Ira Rivera, Coach Brandon O'Brien, Armani Cruz, Sebastian Cosme, and Coach Edwin Cosme.

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EBLL President Nick Free congratulates graduating players Oliver Kros, Thomas Granara, and Joshua Brownwell.



East Little League Royals teammates and also classmates, Joey Bicknell, Talia Forbes, and Aaliyah Copeland.



Ty Coleman and Jennifer Coreas (back row), with Richard Deutsch and Giana Deutsch.



State Rep. Adrian Madaro (left) congratulates East Boston Little League officials Erik Roberts, President Nick Free, Tommy Welch, and Brian Lynch at the awards banquet that honored the league's 70th anniversary of its founding in 1953.

MIT convenes industry leaders to address challenges and opportunities across the value chain

On September 25, Boeing, Delta Air Lines, Massport, Pratt & Whitney, and World Energy came together with experts from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) to discuss paths towards achieving a future where aviation can connect the world with drastically reduced environmental impacts.

The industry leaders and MIT researchers gathered at Gate 19 in Boston Logan's Terminal A. With a backdrop of departing

planes, they discussed the environmental challenges of the sector. "Aviation connects people, cultures, and economies – yet there is scientific consensus around its environmental impacts. Addressing the environmental challenge is a tough problem and a defining moment for the industry," Florian Allroggen, MIT's Executive Director for Aerospace Climate & Sustainability, summarized.

In a collaborative discussion, the industry and

science leaders agreed to work collaboratively, guided by the latest science, to address the environmental footprint of flights. They established that aviation's environmental footprint must be tackled holistically; this includes addressing the CO2 emissions of airplanes and improving our understanding of impacts and mitigation measures for non-CO2 impacts such as contrails, the white line-shaped clouds that form behind aircraft.

The attendees affirmed that this event was the start of a shared journey. Spearheaded by MIT, the companies will continue to provide thought leadership in the MIT Zero-Impact Aviation Alliance.

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Eliot Droll, with East Boston Little League players Joey Bicknell and Luciano Vigliotta (front row), Dave Droll, Nathan Droll, and Frankie Vigliotta (back row).

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echoed Ingram. "Reading is fundamental, and this event is absolutely a part of the solution to help us have better schools."

The BTU is committed to promoting equitable literacy, culturally relevant curriculum and the freedom to learn real history. Over the last decade, the Union has distributed more than 400,000 books to families and educators across the City at this annual welcome back to

school event as well as additional smaller Reading Opens the World events.

"We look forward to this Back to School Book Fair every year, and are so grateful to those who have helped us distribute more than 400,000 books over the last ten years," said President Tang, who planned the very first fair in 2013. The fair has continued to grow in size each year and is a particularly important commu-

nity initiative considering recent events. "Across the country, we've seen a dramatic uptick in school boards banning books, especially those focused on topics that reflect the experiences of our students, families and communities. We're proud to stand up against these practices and provide our community with culturally relevant and important stories, as well as tips and tools to promote literacy."

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Nickelodeon and VStar Entertainment Group present PAW Patrol Live! “The Great Pirate Adventure.” This action-packed, music-filled production is based on the top-rated animated preschool series PAW Patrol, produced by Spin Master Entertainment and airing on Nickelodeon. Guests will see Ryder and his team of pups embark on a pirate-themed adventure to uncover hidden treasure. Do not miss this PAWsome opportunity to see the whole pack in this live touring stage performance. Tickets for all five performances in Boston are on sale Friday, September 29 and may be purchased at pawpatrollive.com.

In PAW Patrol Live!

“The Great Pirate Adventure,” Mayor Goodway is getting everything shipshape for a big Pirate Day celebration in Adventure Bay. When Cap’n Turbot falls into a dark and mysterious cavern, it’s PAW Patrol to the rescue! Chase, Marshall, Rubble, Skye, Rocky and Zuma save Cap’n Turbot and discover a secret pirate treasure map that leads them on an epic adventure. Things get ruff when Mayor Humdinger wants to find the treasure first for Foggy Bottom. The pups need all paws on deck for this pirate adventure, including help from the newest pup who’s all ears... Tracker! Using their heroic rescue skills, problem solving and teamwork, the pups

set sail to save the day. No job is too big, no pirate pup is too small!

PAW Patrol Live! “The Great Pirate Adventure is the perfect way for families to create lifelong memories and provides kids the opportunity to experience in-person theater. Since its debut in the Fall of 2016, PAW Patrol Live! has been seen by over 4.3 million people, providing fans in over 40 countries with an unforgettable Broadway-style production. The performance is an interactive live stage show, encouraging audiences to learn pirate catchphrases, dance the pirate boogie and help the pups follow the treasure map and solve picture puzzles throughout their mission!

What: PAW Patrol Live! “The Great Pirate Adventure” is back and on a roll to Boston!

When: Friday, Jan. 19, 2024 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 20, 2024 10:00 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 21, 2024 11:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

Where: Boch Center Wang Theatre located at 270 Tremont St., Boston, MA 02116

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ing,” said Kristina Ricco, a Senior Planner with the BPDA.

One significant item fostered a lot of conversation, and it came from a data request concerning how many parcels in the proposed East Boston Residential (EBR)-2 subdistrict have a width greater than or equal to 50 feet.

The data showed that of the 1,043 parcels sampled, 340 are greater than or equal to 50 feet wide. This is an important data point to consider because, in the draft plan, the EBR-2 subdistrict would allow for buildings with six units for parcels with a width greater than or equal to 50 feet.

However, the issue with this, as pointed out by an attendee at this meeting, is that the BPDA has advertised as recently as its September 12 public meeting that six units would be allowed in the subdistrict for lots greater than 50 feet in width — not greater than or equal to 50 feet.

“In every single meeting, including the meeting the other night on the 12th and every single presentation except for one, it says more than 50 feet wide, greater than 50 feet wide and, when it’s been explained to the neighborhood, it’s been greater than 50 feet wide,” said

the attendee.

Ricco explained that this was not meant to be a change and chalked it up as a semantics issue.

“When we say side-yard setbacks are five feet or greater, it includes the number five, and so, I think, from a practical perspective, we always meant that greater than 50 feet included the number 50 because 50 feet and one inch is greater than 50 feet,” said Ricco.

Even with Ricco’s explanation, the attendee still strongly requested that the plan reflect greater than 50 feet by increasing the number to 51 or 55 feet.

“I don’t think there’s any understanding in this community at all that single and two-family homes would all of a sudden be eligible to have six units and potentially an ADU (additional dwelling unit) on top of it. That is not a discussion we’ve had,” said the attendee.

In addition to data being provided from requests, data was also presented that coincided with feedback the BPDA has heard about the plan.

One item of feedback that the BPDA shared was requests to reduce the allowed building depth in the EBR-1 subdistricts.

The proposed subdis-

trict, currently the lowest-density residential district, presently has a proposed allowed building depth of 50 feet. However, there has been a request to lower that to 40 feet.

Ricco explained that there is a target non-conformity number of 20%, and in an analysis of 384 buildings, mainly in the EBR-1 subdistrict at the top of Orient Heights Hill, it was revealed that 133 buildings have a depth greater than or equal to 50 feet.

“37% already sort of exceeds our target non-conformity of 20%,” said Ricco.

Additionally, Ricco explained that if the BPDA dropped the allowed building depth to 40 feet, the target non-conformity in this area would be raised to 62%.

It should be noted that this analysis could not be performed in all EBR-1 subdistricts because it was measured by hand, according to Ricco.

Another piece of feedback the BPDA has gotten was to reduce the proposed total allowed gross floor area in EBR-1 subdistricts from 5,000 square feet to 4,000.

Similarly to the previous feedback, an analysis was done. However, this feedback was analyzed

through assessing data rather than by hand. Also, this analysis could be performed on a wider area, which included all EBR-1 subdistricts.

Of the 658 parcels sampled, 145, or 22%, have buildings with greater than or equal to 5,000 square feet. Whereas 271, or 41%, of the parcels have buildings with greater than or equal to 4,000 square feet.

Ricco explained, “We are right at the target non-conformity for GFA (gross floor area) if we left that number at 5,000 square feet.”

Additionally, there were some requests for the EBR-3 subdistrict. First, there was feedback to change the EBR-3 subdistrict boundary regulating Orient Heights Boston Housing Authority property to remove parcels along Faywood Avenue.

Another request was to change the boundary of the EBR-3 subdistrict along Marginal Street to remove properties east of the Shipyard.

While much of the feedback presented at the meeting focused on the neighborhood residential areas chapter, Nick Schmidt, a Transportation Planner, reviewed some feedback on the plan’s squares and corridors sec-

tion.

Although Schmidt indicated that most of the recommendations in this section have been well-received, he did acknowledge there have been questions about the Bennington Street recommendations.

“Our stance on that is, yeah, of course, there’s definitely traffic on Bennington Street, but even back in our 2019 analysis, we’ve felt that it was well within the road diet, going down from four lanes to like two or three,” said Schmidt.

“It’s within the range, in terms of traffic volumes, that it could work,” he added before also saying that if the recommendations for Bennington Street were to become a project, an updated analysis would be done.

For the remainder of the meeting, those in attendance provided feedback and asked questions, a lot of which dealt with transportation recommendations. Some topics included leveraging the use of the ferry, the price disparity between tolls and fares for other forms of transportation, and much more.

It is important to note that although the BPDA has started getting feedback on the draft plan,

there are no plans for interim changes to the draft.

According to Ricco, any changes to the plan would be consolidated and released in an update to the plan in advance of the BPDA’s public close-out meeting in November.

Currently, there is still tons of time to leave your feedback about the complete draft plan, as the comment period is open until October 27.

Also, for those in Orient Heights and Harbor View, if you want to give your feedback directly to the BPDA or learn more about the plan, you will have the opportunity to do so in person.

The Orient Heights Neighborhood Council is holding a meeting on October 3 in tandem with the Harbor View Neighborhood Association to discuss the draft plan at the Madonna Shrine Function Hall at 6:15 p.m., in which the BPDA will be in attendance.

To view the completed draft plan, leave feedback, and view past meeting material and recordings, visit the PLAN: East Boston webpage at <https://www.bostonplans.org/planning/planning-initiatives/plan-east-boston>.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
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Suffolk Probate And Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
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Alejandra M. Marin Montoya
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You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.
WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
SUFFOLK, SS.
PROBATE COURT

Case No. 21E0007
To Heirs of the late Robert Salamone, of East Boston. In said County of Suffolk and to all other persons interested. A petition has been presented to said Court by: Marie Pirrello of 85 Mountain Ave. Revere, MA 02151, Angela Buchan of 85 Mountain Ave., Revere, MA 02151, Josephine Parziale of 19 North Ave., Revere, MA 02151, Dolores Paluso of 7671 Granville Dr., Tamarac, FL 33321, Richard DiPerri of 40 Grandview Ave., Revere, MA 02151, James Edward Kearns of 23 Grand Champion Rd., Wilmington, NC 28412 and Frank J. Forti of 3 Mersea St., Saugus, MA 01906 representing that all petitioners hold as co-tenants in common with undivided part or share of certain land 192 Paris Street, East Boston, Massachusetts, in said County Suffolk and briefly described as follows: TO THE HONORABLE JUSTICES OF THE SUFFOLK COUNTY PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT, RESPECTFULLY REQUEST, That Marie Pirrello of 85 Mountain Avenue, Revere, MA 02151, Angela Buchan of 85 Mountain Avenue, Revere, MA 02151, Josephine Parziale of 19 North Ave., Revere, MA 02151, Dolores Pagliuso of 7671 Granville Dr., Tamarac FL 33321, Richard DiPerri of 40 Grandview Ave., Revere, MA 02151, James Edward Kearns of 233 Grand Champion Rd., Wilmington, NC 28412, and Frank J. Forte of 3 Mersea Street, Saugus, MA 01906, collectively referred to in this petition as “Petitioners”,

which term shall include each of those named above, represent that: All Petitioners, are co-tenants in common with an undivided share of the following described land: 192 Paris Street, East Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts. Common title to the land is derived under the deed of Angelina Salamone, (grantor), to Robert Salamone, (grantee) dated September 21, 1993 in fee simple, with quitclaim covenants recorded at Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in book 18545, p. 123, (referred to in this petition as the “land”) and subsequent deeds, and wills of inheritance, detailed below, for which petitioners pray equitable partition. Certified Copies of Deeds, Wills and original Trusts tracing ownership succession from 1993 Salamone Deed to present enclosed and marked as the following exhibits: PETITIONERS The names and addresses of each petitioner, co-tenants in common, their proportion and nature of their respective shares are as follows: 1. Deed of Angelina Salamone to Robert Salamone, owner of a one hundredth (1/100th%), interest under deed see (Exhibit A), enclosed. 2. Certified copy of the will of Robert Salamone dated March 2, 1994; leaving to Marie Pirrello, Josephine Forti and Stella DiPerri a one third (1/3) interest each see, (Exhibit B). 3. Angela Buchan of 85 Mountain Avenue, Revere, MA 02151, remainderman, owner of a one sixth

(1/6th), interest under deed from Marie Pirrello and Marie Pirrello of 85 Mountain Avenue, Revere, MA 02151, owner of a life estate by same deed, dated February 19, 2003, Suffolk County Reg. Of Deeds Book 30609, p. 315, see Exhibit C, attached. 4. Josephine Parziale of 19 North Ave., Revere, MA 02151, remainderman, owner of a one sixth (1/6th), interest under deed from Marie Pirrello, dated February 19, 2003, Suffolk County. Reg. of Deeds Book 30609, p. 315, see Exhibit C, attached. 5. Dolores Pagliuso of 7671 Granville Dr., Tamarac, FL 33321, Suffolk County Reg. Of Deeds Book 30690, p. 210, see Exhibit D, attached. 6. Richard DiPerri of 40 Grandview Ave., Revere, MA 02151, owner of a one twelfth (1/12) interest under deed from Stella DiPerri, dated February 27, 2003, Suffolk County Reg. Of Deeds Book 30690, p. 210, see Exhibit D, attached. 7. James Edward Kearns, of 233 Grand Champion Rd., Wilmington, NC 28412, owner of a one twelfth (1/12) interest, estate of inheritance, from the will of Stella Kearns, (wife), see certified Will of Stella Kearns, Exhibit E, attached. 8. Frank J. Forti of 3 Mersea Street, Saugus, MA 01906, owner of a one third (1/3) estate of inheritance, under the will of Josephine Forti, (wife), d/o/d 9/17/02, see, Exhibit F, attached. Ownership interest of Josephine Forti from the Will of Robert Salamone, (Exhibit B).

PARTY IN INTEREST-Non Petitioner Diane Clerico of 19 Talbot St., Apt. (111) Saugus, MA 01906, owner of a one twelfth (1/12) interest under deed from Stella DiPerri, dated February 27, 2003, Suffolk County Reg. Of Deeds Book 30690, p. 210, see Exhibit C, attached. There are no liens or encumbrances on the land appearing of record or otherwise known to Petitioners or apparent from an inspection of the Land. Therefore, the Petitioners pray that the land be partitioned according to M.G.L. c.241, ?? 1-7, inter alii. We request a commissioner be appointed to make the partition by sale, either public or private, and conveyance of all or any part of the land which the Court finds cannot be advantageously divided, for not less than Eight Hundred and Twenty-Five Thousand \$825,000.00 Dollars. The commissioner to then distribute and pay over the net proceeds of any sale in such manner as to make the partition just and equal according to law. Present circumstances would dictate partition by sale is more equitable than partition by physical division for the reason that the land includes a single building that cannot be physically divided to accommodate ownership interest. Petitioners further pray the court finds they are entitled to judgment for their respective share of sums reasonably spent: (i) maintaining and preserving the land from December 2020, when vacated, forward, (ii) for the costs of this action and legal

fees, and d (iii) for costs of partition, which judgment we pray be secured by an equitable lien of the partition sale proceeds against the interest of the non-petitioner; Party in Interest Diane Clerico, whose refusal to contribute her respective share of maintenance and preservation of the land or participate in selling of the land, precipitated this action. For such other and further relief as the Court deems proper. Setting forth that the following described part - of said land may be sold at private sale for not less than \$825,000.00 (Eight Hundred and Twenty-Five Thousand) dollars and praying that partition may be made of all the land aforesaid according to law, and to that end that a commissioner be appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyance of all, or any part of said land which the Court finds cannot be advantageously divided either at private sale or public auction and be ordered to distribute the net proceeds thereof. If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Boston before ten o’clock in the forenoon on the 9th day of November 2023.
Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this 19th day of September 2023.
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Kaji Aso Studio gallery hosts free concert by Oscar Jiang

On Saturday, September 30, at 7pm Oscar Jiang will play a program of music by Chopin in the Kaji Aso Studio gallery alongside a special exhibition of large acrylic artworks by founder Kaji Aso titled “Dreaming of Space”. These works painted in 1998 by Kaji Aso (1936-2006) were recently acquired by the gallery. Chopin was a well-regarded composer by Kaji Aso, so the music and paintings will be very complimentary.

The concert is free and please RSVP to administrator@kajiasostudio.com The artworks will remain on display through October 27th and gallery hours are by scheduled appointment. Please contact the same email.

Australian pianist Oscar Jiang obtained his Bachelor of Music degree from The Juilliard School in New York in 2020, studying with Finnish pianist Dr. Matti Raekallio, and is currently undertaking studies in Boston

at the New England Conservatory of Music, under the guidance of Professors Alexander Korsantia and Dang Thai Son.

Oscar has won numerous prizes and awards in national and international piano competitions, including the award for The Best Performance of a work by Chopin at the 2015 Lev Vlassenko Piano Competition and others. His latest working project for 2023 is an album of selected works of Chopin’s piano music,

recorded on an original 1849 Broadwood piano.

Kaji Aso Studio programming is supported in part by grants from the Mass Cultural Council through the Cultural Sector Recovery Grants for Organizations program; by the Boston Cultural Council / Reopen Creative Boston Fund, administered by the Mayor’s Office of Arts and Culture; and by the Mission Hill / Fenway Neighborhood Trust.



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LARGE CROWD ATTENDS 31ST BIRTHDAY RECEPTION FOR DISTRICT 1 COUNCILOR GABRIELA COLETTA

CARY SHUMAN PHOTOS

Many supporters, colleagues, and friends attended a birthday reception for District 1 City Councilor Gabriela Coletta on Sept. 20 at The Bell In Hand Tavern, Boston.

Residents from across Coletta's district (East Boston, Charlestown, and North End) packed the upstairs function room to celebrate the popular councilor's 31st birthday.

Several of Coletta's colleagues in government, including State Sen. Lydia Edwards, State Rep. Adrian Madaro, House Ways and Means Chair Aaron Michlewitz, State Rep. Dan Ryan, City Council President Edward Flynn, and City Councilors Michael Flaherty and Sharon Durkan attended the event.

Edwards lauded Coletta's outstanding record of public service in her introductory remarks.

Edwards said, "I'm just so excited that all these neighborhoods are coming together, because that is essentially what Gabriela Coletta is: a bridge builder."

"Gabriela is not only the city councilor today, but she's been serving this City Council district since she was the Chief of Staff and actually served parts of the district when she worked for Rep. Madaro as well and Chair Michlewitz," continued Edwards. "I couldn't think of a better transition than from a staffer to an elected official, and a perfect, shining example of what that looks like is Gabriela Coletta. Her door is al-

ways open. She is literally a welcoming, humbling, kind human being, and at your service. And it's her birthday, so let's sing, Happy Birthday."

Coletta, who is unopposed on the November 7 ballot, thanked the large crowd for their support and happy birthday wishes.

"I have a confession to make – it's my birthday month," Coletta said, smiling. "My birthday was Sept. 4, but there's always a reason to celebrate, right? There's always a reason to bring people together. I am humbled and I feel so blessed to so many supporters and so many friends here."

Coletta, who has been a very effective voice for her district, spoke about how much she enjoys being a city councilor and having the opportunity to help people each day in her work.

"I absolutely love being a city councilor," said Coletta. "I love municipal government. I love the inner workings of it. I love the fact that you can change someone's life just by answering a call and being there and being responsive. I love the fact that you could better someone's life through good, thoughtful policies and excellent constituent services. That is municipal government."

Coletta told the admiring crowd, "It has been such a true pleasure to represent East Boston, Charlestown, and the North End."



District 1 Councilor Gabriela Coletta, with Boston Firefighters Local 718 Union Representative Randy Greeley.



House Ways and Means Chair Aaron Michlewitz was among the distinguished guests wishing District 1 Councilor Gabriela Coletta a happy 31st birthday.



State Sen. Lydia Edwards praised District 1 Councilor Gabriela Coletta in her introductory remarks and led the singing of "Happy Birthday" to her former City Council chief of staff.



Boston District 1 Councilor Gabriela Coletta and Joe Savage.



Pat Capogreco, District 1 Councilor Gabriela Coletta, and Fatima Litim.



District 1 Councilor Gabriela Coletta, Luis Garcia, and Sebastian Zapata.



District 1 Councilor Gabriela Coletta, with Dimitra Dimopoulou and her daughter, Maria Muscato.



District 1 Councilor Gabriela Coletta, with Jonae Barnes (left) and Kim Trask (right).



Martin Serrano, District 1 Councilor Gabriella Coletta, and Chief of Staff to Sen. Paul Feeney, Keith Drucker.



District 1 Councilor Gabriela Coletta, with Neighborhood Liaisons Jack Imbergamo (left) and Sebastian Parra (right).

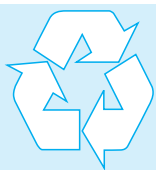


A contingent of friends and supporters from the North End attended the birthday reception. From left, are Keith Drucker (of Sen. Paul Feeney's office), District 1 Councilor Gabriela Coletta, Karen D'Amico, Patrick Lyons, Michael Benetti, Malaka Lucien, Neighborhood Liaison Ciara D'Amico, and Brian Senior.



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