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ITALIAN AMERICAN ALLIANCE CELEBRATES COLUMBUS DAY AT TALL SHIP PARK IN EASTIE



The Italian American Alliance at the 2024 Columbus Day Celebration at 1 East Pier Drive in Eeast Boston.



Marissa Babin had her photography on sale of historic Boston scenes.

Monday was celebrated as Columbus Day, and in the Italian community it's a means to celebrate their heritage with family, fun, and food. The Italian American Alliance Committee hosted a celebration at Pier 1 in East Boston, complete with a tall ship background.

Theresa Malichek selling beautiful handmade apparel. See Page 6 for more photos.

Bunker Hill 250 Coalition, Mayor Wu launch countdown to 250th anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill

Special to the Times-Free Press

The Bunker Hill 250 Coalition and Boston Mayor Michelle Wu to-

launched Bunker Hill: Revolution Ignited, a 250-day countdown to the commemoration of the 250th Anniversary of

the Battle of Bunker Hill, which took place on June 17, 1775, and signaled to the British and the world that the American patriots

Boston Mayor Michelle Wu delivers remarks at the 250-day Launch Countdown to the 250th Anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill that took place on June 17, 1775. At right is Rep. Dan Ryan of Charlestown. The event was held Oct. 10 in the plaza adjacent to the were resolved to their fight

for independence. Hosted by the National Park Service, Mayor Wu and representatives of the 35-member Bunker Hill 250 Coalition were joined by Representative Dan Ryan, Sen. Sal DiDomenico, National Parks of Boston Superintendent Michael Creasey, and students from the Warren Prescott School in Charlestown.

"Our nation's rich history is rooted in Boston, and the Battle of Bunker Hill marks one of the most pivotal moments in our path to independence," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "I am grateful for our

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Volunteers Needed

Taking a look at Tree Eastie's plans for the fall and beyond

By Michael Coughlin Jr.

Tree Eastie, a local nonprofit focused on strengthening the neighborhood's tree canopy—the lowest in Boston-through tree planting and maintenance while educating residents about the importance and value of trees, has a lot planned for this fall and into the future.

First, the organization founded by Bill Masterson has plans to plant 150 trees this fall. After planting those 150 trees, the nonprofit will have planted about 500 trees in the neighborhood over the past three years.

"That's a combination of street trees, which is really where we kind of started, park trees, which kind of came a little bit later, and then yard trees, which is sort of the newest thing that we're doing now," said Masterson.

Masterson said the 150 trees slated to be planted this fall will primarily be park and yard trees. Notably, earlier this month, Tree Eastie was able to plant 26 trees at Constitu-

tion Beach with help from a grant and volunteers from DraftKings.

"We had been trying to plant trees there for a while. It's a DCR (Department of Conservation and Recreation) property; we haven't been able to really get the right sort of people to be involved in the project, but we finally have,' said Masterson.

"The folks from DCR were just awesome. They helped us put all the things together that we needed,' he added, noting that they had to go before the Conservation Commission to get approval to plant the

In addition to the planting mentioned above, Tree Eastie, with a grant from TD Bank, will be planting 25 trees at Belle Isle Marsh on October 19th. Further, there are plans to plant with volunteers at Brophy Park and Memorial Park.

Moreover, Tree Eastie has received federal funds for expanding tree cano-

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Coletta Zapata highlights need for investments to fortify waterfront

Special to the Times-Free Press

Recently, Boston City Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata chaired a hearing to discuss implementing coastal resilience strategies for Boston's Waterfront. In partnership with dozens of waterfront organizations. Coletta Zapata worked with the Wu administration to establish the Office of Climate Resilience. During the hearing, Councilors learned about their scope of work, emergency preparedness during a hurricane or similar emergency, and efforts to find funding sources to fortify all forty-seven miles of the city's coastline. The hearing was co-sponsored by Councilor John FitzGerald (District 3).

"Storm surge and severe weather like Hurricane Helene and Milton remind us to move expe-

ditiously to protect Boston's coastal communities. These climate change-related events threaten our communities, open spaces, and infrastructure. We must fortify our coastline to protect our residents and businesses that stand to be displaced," said Coletta Zapata. "I'm committed to working with city. state, and federal partners to close funding gaps and implement solutions be-

fore it's too late." Previously, the City of Boston conducted resilience projects on a parcel-by-parcel basis and was largely dependent on subsidies from private development. The city holds ownership of a mere sixteen percent of the coastline, although it is working in collaboration to implement district-wide and larger scale solutions.

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EAST BOSTON LITTLE LEAGUE HOLDS AWARDS BANQUET

East Boston Little League held its awards banquet Oct. 10 at Spinel-

EBLL President Nick Free welcomed the players and their families to the event that celebrated a successful 2024 season.

District 1 Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata, a former East Boston High School softball star, presented a citation to EBLL officers in recognition of the organization providing an outstanding sports program for East Boston youths.

The guests enjoyed a delicious buffet dinner and cake for dessert.



Sam Mortimer and Saga Mortimer, pictured with their twin sons, Ethan Mortimer and Miki Mortimer, of the Minor League Pirates.



The championship tradition in East Boston Little League continued for Alycia Cali and her family. Cali, a superb candlepin bowler, is pictured with her sons, Frankie Vigliotta and Luciano Vigliotta, at the banquet. Her son, Anthony Vigliotta, was a two-time EBBL champion.



Major League Mariners players Toren Gleason, Jason Figueroa, Ira Rivera, and Jonathan Curet, pictured at the awards banquet.



District 1 City Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata presents City of Boston citations to EBLL President Nick Free and officers Tommy Welch and Brian Lynch, recognizing their tireless work and congratulating the three leaders on a successful season.



The Minor League Diamondbacks with coaches Tim Zeitler and Dr. Tommy Welch, Boston Region 1 School Superintendent.



One of East Boston's greatest athletes of all time, Krysten Hunt Buccella, pictured with her husband, Giovanni Buccella, and their sons, Luca Buccella and Lorenzo Buccella, at the EBLL awards banquets.



The Major League Reds with coaches Michael Guarino, Nick Free, and Ryan Curella.



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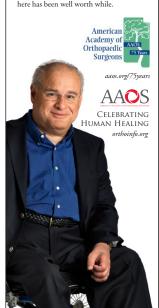
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As one of the last American children to contract polio, Jeffrey Galpin grew up in a world of iron lungs and body casts, alone with his imagination. His story would be dramatic enough if it was just about his battle with this dreaded disease.
But Jeffrey Galpin did more than survive

polio. He went on to a list of achievements

polio. He went on to a list of achievements in medical research—including being the principal investigator in applying the first gene therapy for HIV/AIDS.

Dr. Galpin actually credits his own incurable condition for giving him the focus that made him so passionate in his research. His story leaves us with two of the most contagious messages we know. Don't give up, and remember to give back. If Dr. Galpin's story inspires just one more person to make a difference, then its telling here has been well worth while.



EAST BOSTON LITTLE LEAGUE HOLDS AWARDS BANQUET



The Minor League Pirates with coach Craig Marcellus.



The Minor League Royals with coaches Andrew Rinaldi and Brian Lynch.



East Boston Little League's graduating players, front row, from left, are Holden Free, JJ Tritto, Delvin Hackett, and Sonny Screnci. Back row, from left are Henry Forbes, Ira Rivera, Nathan Droll, and Arianna Hernandez.



Neffo Cappuccio and his son, Christian Cappuccio, proudly displaying the trophy he received at the banquet.





The 2024 East Boston Little League champions, the Yankees, are pictured at the awards banquet proudly displaying their championship trophies and pullover sweatshirts. Front row, from left, are Sal Rinaldi, Sonny Screnci, and Gianni Fabbo. Middle row, from left, are JJ Tritto, Henry Forbes, Frankie Vigliotta, Delvin Hackett, and Noah Schnittjer. Back row, from left, are coach Anthony Forbes, Nathan Droll, and coach Josh Tritto.



Farm League players hold their trophies, pictured with coaches (from left) Bill Rinaldi, Krysten Buccella, Vicky Lynch, Steve Carney, and Gael Chan.



The Minor League Orioles with coaches Eric Gibson and Chris Prader.



DESCRIPTION:

The Planning Department is hosting a virtual Public Meeting for the proposed 151Liverpool Street project located in East Boston. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Small Project Change (SPC) that was filed and its potential impacts. The meeting will include a presentation followed by questions and comments from the public.

At this time, the Planning Department is continuing to host public meetings in a virtual setting for the health, safety, and accessibility of Boston residents. For more information and updates, visit bostonplans.org.

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OBAMACARE IS IMPORTANT FOR ALL AMERICANS

The revelation that family members of Republican vice-presidential candidate J.D. Vance used the Affordable Care Act (ACA) to obtain private health insurance is a cautionary tale for all Americans, especially those for whom the ACA is their only refuge for obtaining health insurance.

Vance's mother had been on Medicaid in Ohio, but when she earned too much money to remain on Medicaid, she was able to access affordable health insurance through the ACA.

Thanks to the ACA, a record 21 million Americans presently are able to obtain private health insurance. The provisions of the ACA also have expanded coverage for an additional 24 million low-income Americans for Medicaid.

But the ACA -- which also is known as Obamacare -- is a big deal for every American, even for those who are not on an ACA plan, for a number of reasons:

- -- The ACA requires that ALL health insurance plans in the U.S. must provide coverage for the children of policyholders up to the age of 26, which, as any parent knows, is a huge benefit for their children who either are still in college or who have started a job that may not offer health insurance or does so at a high cost;
- -- The ACA also requires that ALL health insurance plans in the U.S. must provide free or low-cost birth control to their policyholders, which is a huge benefit for women of all ages and their families;
- -- Most significantly for individuals, the ACA forbids ALL health insurance plans from either denying coverage, kicking somebody off their plan, or raising the rates for persons with a pre-existing medical condition such as heart disease or cancer. This is especially important for individuals who may try to change their jobs, but who have a health issue, and who would be unable to obtain health insurance without the protections of the ACA.
- -- In addition, by providing health insurance for all Americans, the ACA helps make America a healthier one, which not only benefits the health of every American both directly and indirectly, but also saves our nation money in the long run.

One of the first things Donald Trump tried to do in his first term in office was to repeal the major provisions of the ACA when the Republicans controlled both the House and Senate after the 2016 election. Fortunately, then-Arizona Senator John McCain, a Republican, gave his famous "thumbs down" on the roll-call, leaving the repeal one vote short by a vote of 51-49 (a deadlocked Senate would have left then-vice president Mike Pence in the position of breaking the tie and killing the ACA).

During his recent debate with Kamala Harris, when Trump was asked about his plans to "replace Obamacare," Trump said he has the "concept of a plan" (which, as we all know by now, means that he has no plan). However, there is no doubt that if Trump is elected with a GOP-controlled House and Senate, Trump will try once again to kill the ACA.

The fate of the ACA is just one of the things at stake in this election, representing a clear choice between the Democratic and Republican candidates -- which is why getting out to vote is more important than ever.

HAS FLORIDA BECOME **UNLIVABLE?**

The damage caused by Hurricane Milton, the latest major hurricane to strike Florida, raises a very basic question: Is Florida no longer safe or affordable for human habitation? That may sound a bit extreme, but the reality is that extreme weather has moved from the realm of a rare occurrence to the norm in Florida.

Significant hurricanes have been a way of life in Florida forever, but the intensity, severity, and frequency of these catastrophic weather events have been increasing over the past few years thanks to the startling rise in both ocean and air temperatures because of climate change. Warm water is the jet fuel for hurricane development and Milton was a perfect example of that interaction. Milton originated in the Gulf of Mexico, just off the Yucatan peninsula, and intensified from a Category 1 hurricane to a Category 5 within 24 hours, the fastest-ever hurricane to do so.

Not only did Milton spawn tornadoes across Florida even before it made landfall that resulted in death and destruction far from where it came ashore, but it also caused record flooding in the middle of the state which still has yet to fully recede. There are areas in Florida where those who bought their homes only a few years ago are unable to sell them, even at steep discounts, in the aftermath of the hurricanes of the past few years.

Even for those whose homes have been relatively untouched by the catastrophic weather, the cost of home insurance has skyrocketed. The Wall St. Journal reports that home insurance rates in Florida are twice the national average and auto insurance is more than 50% above the national average. There is no doubt that as hurricanes continue to pound the peninsula, these costs will continue to rise exponentially, effectively making living there unaffordable for many Floridians, especially for senior citizens who are on fixed incomes.

The possibility of losing everything -- your home, your cars, and all of your belongings -- has made many question whether Florida is a desirable place to live, especially in one's so-called golden years. You may escape the worst effects of a hurricane for five or 10 years, but all it takes is one occurrence to lose everything you have.

We have written previously that there is no place on the planet where we are safe from climate change -- the devastating effects of Hurricane Helene in serene western North Carolina, hundreds of miles from the ocean, being the most recent example -- but Florida has become the proverbial canary in the coal mine, the forewarning of much-worse times to come. The trifecta of wind damage, flooding, and the high cost of liv-

ing have turned the Sunshine State into the State of Danger & Despair -- and with climate change bringing ever-higher ocean and air temperatures with no end in sight, the future promises to be truly apocalyptic.

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Living in Florida these days is like playing Russian Roulette,



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At the hearing, the Office of Climate Resilience revealed that it is leveraging three approaches to address coastal flooding:

- Ensuring plans are in place before, during, and following a
- Addressing key 2030 footpaths; and
- Transforming Boston's forty-seven miles of coastline.

The Office of Emergency Management shared they are conducting climate models to inform critical strategies to address appropriate vulnerability. Additionally, they are coordinating with all city departments to ensure an understanding of what will happen and the best mechanisms to prevent it in the event of a crisis. Subsequently, OEM shared that they cannot meet the need to address extreme weather events and large events and that they require a new command center to support their efforts.

"Thursday's hearing was a productive discussion outlining how Dorchester and the city as a whole will continue to prepare ourselves for coastal flooding. I will be using the information

from this hearing to engage with residents and businesses on how to better prepare ourselves for the next major coastal flooding event as well as to guide my continued work on the Morrissey Boulevard Commission, a critical project to protect ourselves from future disasters. I look forward to our continued work in protecting Boston's coastline, and building a more resilient city as a whole." said Councilor John FitzGerald (District 3).

Members of the administration present included:

- Brian Swett, Chief Climate Officer
- Christopher Osgood, Director of Climate Resilience
- Matthew Kearney, Deputy Chief of Emergency Man-
- Catherine McCandless, Senior Climate Resilience Project Manager
- John Sullivan, Chief Engineer, Boston Water and **Sewer Commission**
- Rich McGuinness, Director of Coastal Resilience and Infrastructure Delivery, Planning Department

Additionally, Councilors heard public testimony from representatives of partner organizations such as Boston Harbor Now, Stone Living Lab, Conservation Law Foundation, Mystic River Watershed, Save the Harbor/Save the Bay, and InnSure Corp. Waterfront partners advocated for a dashboard of resilience projects through the Office of Climate Resilience and coordination meetings with other municipalities and levels of government. They stressed the importance of community engagement in these efforts.

This docket was referred to the Environmental Justice, Resiliency and Parks chaired by Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata (District 1) of East Boston. A recording of the hearing can be found at: youtu.be/XXuc-

For additional information, please contact the Office of Councilor Gabriela Coletta by phone at (617) 635-3200 or by email at gabriela.ramirez@boston.gov.

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"We are thrilled to be capping off a year-long celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the ABAA in Boston," says Julie Roper, Management, LLC, who has managed the Boston Book Fair since 2015. "This milestone year marks a significant evolution of the organization, characterized by a shift in the diversity of its membership and the material it promotes. Notably in Boston, there has been an increase in women ABAA dealers and a younger, more diverse audience

at the Fair, reflecting an

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growth."

Whether browsing or buying, the Fair offers something for every taste and budget-books on art, politics, travel, cooking, science, sport, natural history, first editions, Americana, fashion, music, children's books, and much more—appealing to a range of collectors and casual browsers. From the historic and academic to the religious and spiritual, from the exotic to everyday—the Fair represents every conceivable genre and subject. Attendees will have the unique chance to view rare and historic museum-quality items, offered by some of the most prestigious members of the trade. The event features fine and rare printed materials from around the world, including illuminated manuscripts, modern first editions, ephemera, photographs, maps, and autographs, as well as antiquarian books on a vast array of topics. In recent years, the

BIABF has increasingly captured the attention of novice and young collectors seeking one-of-a-kind offerings at more accessible price points. For those wanting to start a collection without breaking the bank, there will be dealers offering "Discovery" items priced at \$100 or

"In 2024, we reflect on our 75-year history and the transformative changes that have shaped the antiquarian book trade," says **ABAA** Executive Director Susan Benne. "Founded in the aftermath of

World War II, the ABAA emerged as a beacon of international cooperation among booksellers, with its formation mirroring a broader collaborative spirit in the world. We continue to adapt and innovate, embrace new forms of material, and expand our reach to serve an evolving community of collectors and enthusiasts. With a rich history and forward-looking approach, we remain at the forefront of the trade, poised to shape its future for generations to come." The Boston Book Fair is sanctioned by the Antiquarian Booksellers' Association of America (ABAA) and the International League of Antiquarian Booksellers (ILAB).

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12-7p.m. Free admission. Sunday, November 10, 11a.m.-4p.m. Free admis-

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pies through the Inflation Reduction Act to plant trees that must be on private property. The organization planted 25 yard trees in the spring and aims to plant 75 this fall.

"So, that's going to be 100 new yard trees, and they're not little saplings. I mean, these are going to be six to eight-foot trees," said Masterson.

While the nonprofit plans to plant trees on private properties such as the Madonna Shrine and Liberty Plaza, Masterson emphasized that residents can request trees for their yards.

"We source them, we mulch them, we stake them, we put a water bag on them, we give the residents directions on how to take care of them," said Masterson.

"It's just so exciting to see the smiles on these people's faces because they're getting a tree."

For those interested in getting a tree in their yard, visit https://docs. google.com/forms/d/e/ 1FAIpOLSf-OIf 6IZG-9pAOJiNotsC08F4VH-K00nuNEO7Quh18irP-NgpQ/viewform. It should be noted that the resident who requests the tree must sign an agreement and will be responsible for watering it.

Regarding maintenance, which is an essential aspect of the nonprofit's mission, Masterson indicated that State Representative Adrian Madaro was able to secure funds in the state budget to do more tree maintenance.

For example, Masterson said there are plans to do some maintenance in the Bennington Street Cemetery next spring. Also, there are plans to prune, mulch, and more between Central and Day Squares on Saratoga, Bennington, and Meridian Streets.

"It's great to be able to

plant a tree, but you got to be able to take care of it," said Masterson.

In addition to the aforementioned information, Tree Eastie is working with Boston University (BU) students on several other endeavors.

Will Fuller, a BU student, is part of a class of 16 to 18 students who have two projects, one of which is to work with Tree

The students in the Tree Eastie portion of the class are split into three teams. One team of students is working on social media and putting together advertisements. For example, these students are creating graphics, flyers, and a booklet with information about Tree Eastie's resources and more to get into the hands of residents. Another team will help with the actual tree planting.

Fuller's team is tasked with identifying vulnerable areas around East Bos-

Specifically, Fuller and his team have been looking at neighborhood maps and using tools to analyze things like the heat island index, tree canopy absence, and more.

"So we're able to go block by block and look at locations that we think would be ideal for outreach," said Fuller.

One of the tools Fuller and his team use is called the Tree Equity Score, which he described as "a marker of how equally distributed trees are in a specific neighborhood."

Fuller noted that the composite score for Boston as a whole with this tool is 89, but if you look closer at areas like north of Chelsea Street, the scores are below that.

In speaking more about what his team does, Fuller identified the end goal: "to raise awareness of the work that Tree Eastie is

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doing and also just try and individually reach out."

Fuller discussed some of the areas he and his team have analyzed. For example, he mentioned Central Eagle Hill's "decent amount of" tree canopy. However, he emphasized that even in the most well-planted areas, some portions are at risk of producing heat island effects.

Moreover, the Gove Street area and Jeffries Point stood out to Fuller as vulnerable and at risk of producing heat island effects.

The United States Environmental Protection Agency's website describes heat islands as "urbanized areas that experience higher temperatures than outlying areas," adding that "structures such as buildings, roads, and other infrastructure absorb and re-emit the sun's heat more than natural landscapes such as forests and water bodies."

Fuller explained that combating heat islands and their effects is critical. For example, planting in these areas can help reduce the risk of heat stroke. He also pointed out that it is vital to remember that issues like heat islands disproportionately impact communities of color due to practices like redlining.

Fuller and Masterson then discussed some of the benefits trees provide. Masterson explained that a prominent part of the organization's mission is to educate residents about the benefits of trees.

Some of these benefits include improving air quality, increasing property value, curbing stormwater runoff, and much more.

To keep up with Tree Eastie, learn more about the benefits of trees, and how to get involved, visit https://www.treeeastie. org/.

THE TRACK AT SUFFOLK DOWNS TO HOST FOURTH ANNUAL TOUCH-A-TRUCK EVENT: TRUCK-OR-TREAT ON SATURDAY, OCT. 19

Suffolk Downs developer HYM is hosting Truck-or-Treat, its fourth annual family friendly touch-a-truck event, coming back this year with a Halloween twist, at The Track at Suffolk Downs on Saturday, Oct. 19. The event takes place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and families will get an up-close view of trucks, police cars, fire engines and more. It's the perfect time to wear your costumes and trickor-treat at all your favorite trucks for a special treat. Enjoy kids' activities, face painting, bubble making, food trucks, and music. The event is free, but registration in advance is suggested. Specially designed trick-or-treat bags will be provided, while supplies



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ITALIAN AMERICAN ALLIANCE CELEBRATES COLUMBUS DAY AT TALL SHIP PARK IN EASTIE

Monday was celebrated as Columbus Day, and in the Italian community it's a means to celebrate their heritage with family, fun, and food. The Italian American Alliance Committee hosted a celebration at Pier 1 in East Boston, complete with a tall ship background.

It was far from a sunny day in Boston, but the East Boston community gathered under the tent, complete with live musical entertainment, plenty of tasty treats, and an assortment of vendors for a little shopping if one desired.

Completing the event was a walk around magician, and photo ops with Christopher Columbus and Queen Isabella.



Members of the Italian American Alliance at their booth, Marisa DiPietro, Florence Guidara, and Rita Damigella.



Christopher Columbus and Queen Isabella (Mark and Man-Marie Pettiglio) with Janis DiLoreto Smith and Catherine Smith at Pier 1 Columbus Day celebration.



Lisa and Christopher Cappuccio enjoying some Italian food.



Darlene and Jim Giardina are celebrating Columbus Day at Pier 1 with family and friends.



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Sports

THE EAST BOSTON GIRLS TOP TECH BOSTON 4-0

The East Boston girls topped Tech Boston 4-0 in a Boston City League girls soccer match that was much closer than the

score indicates. The Jets pumped in three late goals after both teams battled up and down the pitch for most of the game. Sophomore Isabella Munoz scored a pair of goals, including one on a penalty kick.



Jacqueline Argueta (11) gets past a Tech Boston defender.



Isabella Munoz (10) makes her way through a trio of Tech Boston defenders.



Kim Anaya (2 gets off a kick close to the Tech goal but her shot is blocked.



Captain Valeria Nunez (19) defends against a Tech attack. See Page 8 for more photos.

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Isabella Munoz and Jacqueline Argueta (11) embrace after Munoz scored East Boston's fourth goal.



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Valle Martinez (8) tangles with a Tech defender as they fight for the ball.



Captain Elisen Bonilla (14) fights for control of the ball.



Captain Joanna Miranda (9) keeps an eye on the ball near midfield.



Kim Anaya (2) leaps as she attacks the Tech Boston net.







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OBITUARIES

Antonio D'Addieco

Of East Boston, formerly of Italy

Antonio D'Addieco of East Boston passed away peacefully in his home on Friday, October 11, 2024.

Antonio was born on June 15, 1930 in Taurasi (P.) Avellino, Italy, to his loving parents, Francesco and Florinda (Colella) D'Addieco. He immigrated to East Boston from Italy in 1970.

He was the beloved husband of Maria Elisa (Memmolo) D'Addieco, the devoted father of Fiorinda Tartaglia and her husband, Salvatore of Revere, Frank D'Addieco and Marilena D'Addieco. both of East Boston; dear brother of Immacolata Pizzano and her late husband, Antonio, the late Luigi D'Addieco and his surviving wife, Rosetta, the late Laura D'Addieco and her husband, Giuseppe Rizzo and the late Ida Cardillo and her husband, Giovanni; cherished grandfather of Orazio Tartaglia and his wife, Lauren, Antonio Tartaglia and Francesco Tartaglia and his wife, Gloria; adored great-grandfather of Nico



and Emmett Tartaglia. He is also survived by many loving nieces and neph-

Family and friends will honor Antonio's life by gathering at Sacred Heart Church, East Boston on Thursday, October 17th at 10 a.m. for a Funeral Mass celebrating Antonio's life. Services will conclude with Antonio being laid to rest at Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Antonio's name can be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 309 Waverley Oaks Road, Waltham, MA 02452. To leave an online condolence, visit www.ruggieromh.com.

Mary McDonald Of East Boston

Mary M. (Masciocchi) McDonald of East Boston, formerly of the North End of Boston, passed away on October 12, 2024.

The beloved wife of the late John McDonald, she was the devoted mother of Joanne Watson and her husband, Phil of Winthrop, Marie McDonald of East Boston and the late John Marinella and his surviving wife, Lisa of Bridgewater; dear sister of the late Americo Masciocchi, Jennie Masciulli, George Masciocchi, Anthony Masciocchi, Elena Imperato and Albert Masciocchi; cherished grandmother of eight grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren. She is also survived by many loving nieces and neph-

ews. Family and friends will honor Mary's life by gathering at the Ruggiero



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East Boston on Thursday, October 17th from 4 to 8 p.m. and again on Friday morning at 8:30 a.m. before leaving in procession to St. Joseph - St. Lazarus Church in East Boston for a 10 a.m. Funeral Mass. Services will conclude with Mary being laid to rest with her beloved husband at Woodlawn Ceme-



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Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend visiting hours today, Wednesday, October 16th from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza Beechwood Home for Funerals, 262 Beach Street, Revere for Mary A. Forgione, who died on Thursday, October 10th at Beverly Hospital following a brief illness. She was 96 years old. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. in St. Anthony of Padua Church, 250 Revere St., Revere. Interment immediately following will be in Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden.

Mary was born in Boston on April 4, 1928. She was proudly raised by her Italian immigrant parents in East Boston. She was educated in Boston Public Schools and was a graduate of East Boston High School, Class of 1946.

Following high school, she went to work at Forbes Lithograph where she worked as a photographer, a successful career that spanned over 40 years.

Mary was a proud resident of East Boston for over 84 years. She later moved to Admirals Hill and lastly Brooksby Village in Peabody. Mary was completely devoted to her family and loved being in their company, especially during the holiday season.

A person of grace and style, Mary will be remembered for her love of books and writing. An avid reader, she was rarely without a mystery book in hand.

She was also known for her beautiful, heartfelt thank-you notes, each one handwritten with care, reflecting her warmth, thoughtfulness, and deep



many, were a testament to Mary's sincerity and personal touch in every interaction. Always impeccably

dressed, Mary loved to shop and had a flair for fashion that was uniquely her own-elegant, sophisticated, and fabulous. Her sense of style was not just about appearance, but a reflection of her personality. She was the devoted

daughter of the late Salvatore Forgione and Antoinette (Pastore) Forgione; the loving sister of the late Martin Forgione, Anthony Forgione, and Anne Maher; the treasured aunt of Nancy Sposito, Roy Maher, Robert Maher and the late Catherine Maher and Linda Coppola. She is also lovingly survived by many grandnieces, grandnephews, great grandnieces, and great grandnephews.

Please omit flowers. Instead, you may make a donation in Mary's memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN

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Sabina Taylor

Her vibrant personality and shimmering presence lit up the lives of everyone she met

Sabina T. (Canto) Taylor, a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, friend, and joyous soul passed away peacefully on October 9, 2024, at the age of 85 surrounded by her loving family. Born on November 7,

1938, in the North End neighborhood of Boston. Sabina was the daugh-

ter of Edward and Phylis Canto. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, John Taylor. She is survived by three children: John (the late Anita), Edward (Elizabeth), Judith (Bobby) and son-inlaw, Richard. She was the proud grandmother of four Richard grandchildren: (Larissa), Joshua (Jack), Ethan (Morgan) and Evan.

She enjoyed spending time with her favorite puppies, Joey and Lio as well as her many nieces and nephews. She was also a cherished sister to Camille (Lou) and Ann (Al) and was preceded in death by her brother, Edward (the late Angela). Sabina's vibrant per-

sonality and shimmering presence lit up the lives of everyone she met. She was a dedicated member of Mt. Carmel and Sacred Heart parishes, a friend

to her Red Hat Society sisters and Mt. Carmel Mothers' Club members and

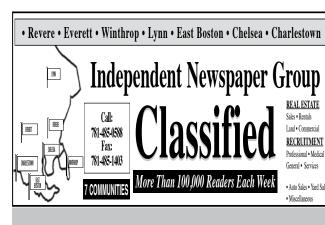


known as Queen Isabella during the East Boston Columbus Day Parade She was a hard worker and built many forever friendships while working at the China Roma and Extension 102. Sabina's love will continue to shine in every life she has touched.

Family and friends celebrated her life on Tuesday, October 15th in the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for-Funerals, 262 Beach St., Revere. A funeral service in the funeral home was followed by interment in Woodlawn Cemetery, Ev-

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Wu announces new details on applying for liquor licenses

Special to the Times Free Press

Mayor Michelle Wu announced an update on the distribution of the 225 new liquor licenses that Boston plans to award over the next three years to create new small businesses and enhance cultural and economic activity in City neighborhoods. The City secured these licenses after Mayor Wu and the Boston City Council filed a home rule petition that was passed by the Legislature, and signed by Governor Maura Healey in September 2024. This expansion is the first siglicenses in Boston since 2014, and is intended to support a diverse range of new and existing businesses across the City.

Unlike most existing licenses, which need to be purchased from a current license-holder and can be costly, these licenses will not need to be "purchased" by the applicant from another business at the price set by that business, but will instead be issued directly by the City's Licensing Board. The law creates three categories of licenses, designed to serve different types of applicants: Neighborhood Non-Transferable

censes (198 total); Community Space (Outdoor, Theater and Nonprofit) Non-Transferable Licenses (15 total); and Citywide Transferable Licenses (12 total).

"These much needed liquor licenses will be transformative in strengthening our local economy and bolstering vibrancy for our communities," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "We thank our partners at the state and local levels who have pushed to advance this legislation and work continuously to ensure growth for our neighborhoods. The City will be intentional to ensure these

liquor licenses represent economic opportunities for our restaurants and entrepreneurs."

"Our team, alongside the Licensing Board, are prepared to utilize this once-in-a-generation opportunity to fulfill Mayor Wu's economic development vision for closing the wealth gap through the support of diverse and unique entrepreneurs and the sustaining of vibrant neighborhoods," said Segun Idowu, Chief of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion. "By working with advocates, businesses, practitioners, policy makers, and residents, we will ensure each of these liquor licenses is awarded to small business owners or organizations that strengthen the fabric of our communities by creating shared prosperity through the creation of new jobs and neighborhood investment."

To be considered in the first round of new awards, completed applications must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on Friday, December 6, 2024 to the Licensing Board. The Board will continue to schedule hearings on a rolling basis, but will defer decisions on awards until all applicants have been heard and reviewed. For completed applications submitted after the December 6, 2024 deadline, the Board will hold its next round of review in the Spring of 2025.

The 2024 law aims to support the growth and creation of restaurants and other businesses in neighborhoods across Boston To evaluate the initial round, the Licensing Board will consider an applicant's core business proposal and how the license award will advance the City's goals to support neighborhood economic development and add to our City's diverse and vibrant culture. This includes how awards would enable the applicant to enhance the cultural

and economic activity of the neighborhood, create new businesses and economic opportunity across diverse communities, support wealth generation for less-resourced entrepreneurs, and promote emerging and diverse businesses and communities to advance the City's commercial offerings.

"These new licenses aren't just permissions to serve; they're a small sip in a big cocktail of neighborhood economic redevelopment," said City Council President Ruthzee Louijeune. "By empowering local entrepreneurs, particularly in our Black & Brown communities, we are laying the foundation for a more vibrant Boston where every corner of our city can imbibe."

"These liquor licenses are a transformative opportunity for restaurants in our underserved communities, and I'm committed to making sure the distribution is equitable, and fair," said City Councilor Brian Worrell, who authored the home-rule petition to gain more liquor licenses in 2023. "In the 13 main ZIP Codes, there are more than 500 existing food businesses that could be eligible for a license, and we need to ensure every restaurateur is aware of this opportunity."

"We're excited to partner with Mayor Wu and her team to help our city's chefs and entrepreneurs create the next generation of great restaurants in neighborhoods across Boston," said Steve Clark, President and CEO of the Massachusetts Restaurant Association. "These liquor licenses are an incredible opportunity to build small businesses and vibrancy across the City and enhance Boston's reputation as a culinary destination."

"The historic cap of around 1,400 liquor licenses in Boston has long limited opportunities for entrepreneurs in underserved neighborhoods, particularly those inhabited by persons of color. The 2014 legislation spearheaded by now-Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley was a critical step toward addressing this inequity,' said Nia Grace, Restaurateur & Experience Architect | Grace By Nia; Co-Founder, Black Hospitality Coalition; Board Director, Meet Boston, "With the recent introduction of 250+ new liquor licenses, we are witnessing a transformative moment for our city, as it opens doors for existing hospitality leaders and newcomers alike to establish their businesses and contribute to a vibrant culinary landscape."

To help interested applicants, the Licensing Board is hosting virtual office hours every other Wednesday from 3pm to 5pm to provide one-on-one application assistance from Licensing Board staff. In addition, Licensing Board staff are available to provide support at City Hall Support is available on a drop-in or appointment basis. To make an appointment please email: licensingboard@boston. gov. The Licensing Board also has a full guide to apply for a new license on its

website.

Below are the types liquor licenses available:

quor licenses available: Neighborhood Non-Transferable Licenses (198 total): Each year, for the next three years, the City will have an additional five licenses (three all-alcohol licenses, and two beer and wine licenses) to offer to applicants across each of 13 zip codes in 10 City neighborhoods: Charlestown, Dorchester, East Boston, Hyde Park, Jamaica Plain, Mattapan, Roslindale, Roxbury, the South End, and West Roxbury. A separate set of three all-alcohol licenses can be issued to applicants located in the Oak Square

These licenses will be available to the applicant restaurants, bars, and other venues, and are not transferable, which means the license cannot be sold to another business and will be returned to the Licensing Board if the business ceases to operate.

neighborhood of Brighton.

Community Space (Outdoor, Theater and Nonprofit) Non-Transferable Licenses (15 total):The City can issue up to 15 restricted licenses for designated community spaces, which includes outdoor spaces, theaters with fewer than 750 seats, and non-profit organizations in the city. These licenses are also non-transferable, which means the license cannot be sold to another business and will be returned to the Licensing Board if the business or organization ceases to operate. Citywide Transferable

Licenses (12 total): The City can issue up to 12 licenses for all-alcohol service that have no geographic restriction and can be issued to applicants with premises anywhere in Boston. These licenses are designated as transferable to another business. but will be evaluated on the strength of the proposal that is submitted to the Licensing Board. To achieve the goals of the program, the Board will give additional consideration to applications that include commitments to operate a business for a term of years.





CITY PAWS

Fall art walks with dogs

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Many of us enjoy walking our dogs through Mother Nature's colorful autumn artwork. In the Greater Boston area, you can combine a nature walk with a stroll through some significant art collections and craftsmanship created by humans.

deCordova Sculpture Park and Museum

We highly recommend a dog-friendly outing at the deCordova Sculpture Park and Museum. This property is now part of the Trustees of Reservations, and the grounds are dog-friendly as long as they are on a leash and you pick up after them.

The Trustees tell you what to expect at this venue. "The Sculpture Park occupies the entire campus: 30 acres of beautifully landscaped lawns, forests, fields, gardens, and terraces on a rolling site along the shore of Flint's Pond in Lincoln, Massachusetts. At any given time, approximately 60 sculptures are on display in the Sculpture Park.'

Spend some time exploring their website to plan your visit. Check the current hours and regulations, bring a picnic, print a park map, or keep one on your phone. If you have a specific question, give them a call.

The Artwalk Project

Click over to www. theartwalkproject.com and discover a curated collection of more than a dozen recommended art walks around the area. On the site, you'll find maps for each walk, basic information, and details about each artwork and the art-

For the past few months, we have been exploring the Chinatown Art Walk since this is a neighborhood we love and visit often. As with many places you are familiar with, we tend to walk on the same streets to the same places. This walk has helped us

walk new streets and learn more about the people and their cultures.

College Campus Art

MIT offers a wondrous collection of art on its sprawling campus. In addition to the Art Walk Projects' Kendall Square map, MIT has a wealth of information if you search for MIT Public Art.

The school estimates that the campus "...feaand I.M. Pei."

ton University's campus is beautiful in the fall and boasts a remarkable collection of art and architecture. Searching for "Public Art at BU" will take you to all the information you need to find and learn more about their outdoor artwork.

Northeastern University divides its outdoor artwork into murals and 3D. For example, if you

tures more than 3,500 noted works of contemporary art and landmark buildings designed by legendary architects like Frank Gehry Across the river, Bos-

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Duchess Poppy and Lady Cha Cha accompanied us on the MIT art collection tour.

Several parks include artwork, and their maps include basic information on each work. The most extensive collection is on the Boston Common, Public Garden, and Commonwealth Avenue Mall. The Friends of the Public Garden has taken the lead in caring for this collection, and you'll find additional information about it on their website.

While the deCordova requires a drive, all the other collections mentioned are accessible by public transportation. You can combine these with different activities in the area or plan to dedicate a walk to see all or some of each. There are even a couple of dogs in the artwork that you can see if you can spot them!

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Luis Alfredo Reyes Defendant To the Defendant: The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown. at the Court.

The Complaint is on file An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. SEE Supplemental

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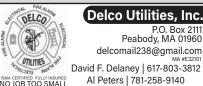
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community partners who are working hard to highlight and commemorate these historic events and look forward to seeing all the ways we connect Boston's history to our stories today."

"Charlestown played a significant role in America's fight for independence, and the members of the Bunker Hill 250 coalition are committed to preserving this important part of American history. During the next 250 days leading up to the 250th Anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill, we invite everyone to learn more about this important event and its importance to the Revolution," said Amanda Zettel of the Bunker Hill 250 coalition.

At the event held at the Bunker Hill Monument in front of the statue of William Prescott, who led the Provincial soldiers, the Bunker Hill 250 Coalition unveiled a model of the countdown kiosks that will be installed at Charlestown's Sullivan

and Thompson Squares. These kiosks and the Bunker Hill 250 website BunkerHill250.org will bring public awareness to the upcoming statewide educational events and programs related to commemorating and understanding the importance of the historic battle and how we can learn from it today. National Park Service rangers and the Charlestown Militia fired a ceremonial musket volley to mark the beginning of the countdown.

"The next 250 days and the 250th Anniversary commemoration on June 17 provide the opportunity to remind Boston, America, and the world that Charlestown was the site of one of the most pivotal moments in the creation of American liberty and how the work of building freedom and democracy continues to this day," said Rep. Dan Ryan.

Michael Creasey, Superintendent of the National Parks of Boston, which is a member of the Bunker Hill 250 coalition said, "Two and half centuries after the Battle of Bunker Hill and the American Revolution, the American project is not finished, and over the next 250 days and beyond, each one of us in every generation since that battle can ask ourselves: how we can shape the future, contribute to our country, and improve the lives of others."

"The Battle of Bunker Hill, the USS Constitution, and the Freedom Trail all call attention to Charlestown's role in the development of our nation, and we are excited that more people in Massachusetts, America, and the world will be learning more of this important history and visiting sites in Massachusetts like Bunker Hill over the next year," said Kate Fox, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism.

As we celebrate the 250th anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill, we're not just honoring history; we're also in-



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Sen. Sal DiDomenico, Bunker Hill Parade Committee Chair Arthur Hurley, Charlestown Preservation Society President Amanda Zettel, Rep. Dan Ryan, and Charlestown Liaison Elaine Donovan are pictured adjacent to the sign noting the 250th anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill that will be observed on June 17, 2025.

vesting in our future," said Massachusetts Secretary of Economic Development Yvonne Hao. "By attracting visitors from around the world, we're creating opportunities for businesses across Massachusetts. Together, as Team Massachusetts, we can leverage this milestone to showcase our

state's vibrant economy, talented workforce, and unmatched quality of life. Let's make this anniversary a catalyst for growth and prosperity.

The United States will commemorate the 250th Anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill on June 17th, 2025. The Battle was one of the nation's

most important events. While the American patriots were defeated at the Battle of Bunker Hill, they proved they could hold their own against the superior British Army. The fierce fight demoralized the British and accelerated the movement toward American independence.



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Rep. Dan Ryan speaks at the special event launching the countdown of 250 days until the



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