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RED SOX ROLLING RALLY THROUGH THE BACK BAY



Photos by Katy Rogers

Boylston Street was awash with confetti and Red Sox Nation on Tuesday morning as the rolling rally of Duck Boats made its way from Fenway and through the Back Bay to celebrate the Red Sox World Series championship. Hundreds of thousands of fans came to greet the champs, and get a glimpse of the best team in Red Sox history. Pictured here is the lead boat with the World Series trophy on Boylston Street, along with ace Sox reliever Craig Kimbrel – who was all smiles Tuesday.



Union Park home hosts destination location for Halloween

By Seth Daniel

If it isn't the Donald Trump effigy that catches the eye, then maybe it's that of Vladimir Putin. Or even Kim Jong-un. But it could also be Sarah Huckabee Sanders, or the bloodied up Lady Liberty on the operating table begging for someone to help her vote. In all reality, it's likely the whole package of political satire, under the moniker 'Capitol Hill Lunatic Asylum,' that catches the eye of young and old at the home on Union Park that has truly gone the extra mile this year for Halloween. The creator of all this Halloween fun is a third-generation Southender who grew up in the home, but preferred to remain

nameless due to the political nature of her Halloween theme. The resident said she grew up at the Union Park home in a Syrian-Lebanese family during a time when the South End was a much different place, and her home was a rooming house. While her father drove a taxi, her mother would tend to the roomers. While the resident started her creative Halloween displays in 2010 when she moved back with her husband from New York City, she said it was her mother who really began the tradition years ago. It's something that she has continued because it always made children and adults smile, and that's something that propels her

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BACK BAY, SOUTH END SHOW THEIR HALLOWEEN SPIRIT

Photo by Marianne Salza

► Caelan O'Sullivan, as Chase from Paw Patrol, hangs out in a tree during the Clarendon Street Playground Halloween Family Fun event in the Back Bay on Sunday, Oct. 28. The event prepared everyone for the big day on Oct. 31 – which saw the neighborhoods alight with excitement all evening.

Photo by Derek Kouyoumjian

▼ HAPPY, OR NOT, HALLOWEEN: Jack McCarthy shows off his "Star Wars" love by portraying a Tusken Raider who is far away in the South End from his Tatooine home during the annual SoWa Spooktacular on Sunday, Oct. 28, in the SoWa Art and Design District. The Halloween party ran in conjunction with the last Open Market of the year.



Early voting a hit at BPL's Copley Branch

By Lauren Bennett

This year, Boston voters can vote before Election Day comes around. A Massachusetts state law passed in 2014 requires that cities and towns hold early voting for the general election every two years. The first early voting period was in 2016. This year, early voting is taking place from Oct. 22 to Nov. 2. Anyone who is registered to vote in Boston can take advantage of early voting in the city at

any of the polling locations. The main polling place in Boston is City Hall, though there are a number of pop-up locations throughout the city to make it more convenient for people to cast their ballot. This year, the city offered a full weekend of early voting on Saturday, Oct. 27 and Sunday, Oct. 28. The most successful polling place over the weekend was the

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Car theft on the rise in Back Bay

By Lauren Bennett

Lock those car doors—theft from vehicles is happening at an alarming rate in the Back Bay. Of the 31 crimes listed on a hand-out provided at a Neighborhood Association of the Back Bay (NABB) Public Safety meeting on

Oct. 25, 17 were larceny from vehicle. Though the Back Bay is generally a safe neighborhood, theft from cars remains the number one crime, according to D-4 Officer Chris Shoulla. In one instance this past month,

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONS!!



EDITORIAL BVNA holds annual meeting

By Lauren Bennett

NO EXCUSES -- BE SURE TO VOTE, EITHER EARLY OR ON ELECTION DAY

This Tuesday, Nov. 6, is Election Day. Americans across the country will have the opportunity to choose a new House of Representatives in Washington and one-third of the members of the U.S. Senate in what commonly is referred-to as a mid-term election.

While every election matters, some are more important than others. Based on our experience -- we can feel safe in asserting that this is the most important mid-term election of our lifetime.

The question before the voters in the mid-term election is quite simple: Do you approve of Trump and want more of the same from the Republicans, or do you want to change with the Democrats?

However, regardless of your answer to that question, it is irrelevant if you do not get out to vote, an act that represents the purest expression of our approval or disapproval of our elected officials.

Early voting -- which began last week -- is available in every city and town across Massachusetts up to and including this Friday, Nov. 2. Simply go to your city or town hall and vote at your convenience any weekday this week-- there is no need to stand in lines and get caught up in the maelstrom at the polling places on Election Day.

On the other hand, if you enjoy the adrenaline rush that comes with going to the polls, then do so this Tuesday, Nov. 6.

But either way -- be sure to vote -- it never has been more important to the future of every American.

ON THE PITTSBURG SHOOTINGS

In the aftermath of the terrible shooting in a synagogue in Pittsburgh this past Saturday, Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf said, "These senseless acts of violence are not who we are as Americans."

We agree with Governor Tom Wolf.

While a majority of Americans still find these senseless acts abhorrent, the fact remains that there are more mass shootings in this country than in all of the rest of the world combined. Yes, there should be sensible gun control legislation to limit the number of guns, the sales of high-powered weaponry, and the easy availability of guns to those with criminal records and a history of mental illness, along with other laws that would not impinge on the Second Amendment.

However, even the most-stringent gun control laws will only go so far in reducing incidents of mass shootings in America. That's because the bigotry and hatred that exists among some of our fellow citizens is so ingrained -- and has been for a long time -- that the call for stricter gun control laws represents a simplistic solution to a complex problem.

The guy in Florida who sent the pipe bombs to Democratic office holders and other citizens exhibits a degree of mental illness and hatred that -- we are sorry to say -- is endemic among a growing segment of our citizenry.

We'll leave it to the sociologists and others to explain why there have been more and more of incidents similar to this in recent years. The economic dislocation of our middle class no doubt has fueled the rise of the hatred in the hearts of some Americans.

For those of us who came of age during the Civil Rights movement, the expansion of reproductive and other rights for women, and equality for LGBTQ persons, these past few years have been among the saddest time in our lives. We always had believed that America would become a better place for all of our citizens. Instead, we seem to be circling the proverbial drain in a downward spiral of hatred and prejudice.

The Bay Village Neighborhood Association (BVNA) held their annual meeting at the Revere Hotel on Oct. 30. Over 50 members and neighbors gathered for hors d'oeuvres, desserts, and cocktails before listening to updates from the Executive Committee about happenings and milestones over this past year.

"It's been a really fun year," said BVNA President Bethany Patten. She thanked the other members for all of their hard work over the year, especially former president Sarah Herlihy for showing her the ropes and being a mentor to her throughout her first year as president.

Patten said that the city is changing, with a number of growing trends towards urban living.

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a lunch box and some change were stolen out of an unlocked car, and in another instance, a car may have been unlocked and laptops and some ungraded schoolwork (probably a teacher's car) were stolen.

Sometimes it's not enough to just make sure your doors are locked. On Commonwealth Avenue, a rear car window was broken and a phone was stolen, and on Exeter Street, a window was broken and a backpack stolen. Golf clubs were stolen from two different cars this past month.

Shoulla said that brand-name backpacks, specifically Tumi brand, were among the hot items this month. One stolen backpack contained \$12,000 worth of dental equipment.

"I've never seen so many car break-ins in one month," Officer Shoulla said. He stressed the importance of locking cars, as well as not leaving anything visible in your car that would make it more tempting to break in. He added that even leaving things in trunks could be risky, as people have found a way to open the trunk from the inside of the car if there is manual latch, so even if it's out of sight, it could still be stolen. This was the case with some of the golf clubs that were stolen, Shoulla said.

Charlie Neckyfarow of NABB said that as a resident of the Back Bay, he sees that this is a growing problem. "In the past, I got the impression that it wasn't often that people tried to break into a car," he said.

But he, too, has been the victim of car theft. About five years ago, he said that some change he used

She said that there are three times the number of Ubers on the streets than there were in 2013 as well as more residential units being built, and "being part of a neighborhood association is a way of engaging in those topics."

Rep. Aaron Michlewitz spoke about happenings at the State House, especially what's going on with the short-term rental legislation, as that is an important issue in the Bay Village neighborhood. Michlewitz said they're at the "one-yard line"--the bill has been passed, and the House and Senate agreed to parameters around taxation and legislation.

However, Gov. Charlie Baker sent the bill back with "four amendments packaged into one," Michlewitz said. He said that since they are now in informal session, nothing can pass unless every-

one agrees--both Democrats and Republicans. He added that they are negotiating with the governor about how to get this passed by the end of the year.

"We have a lot of work to do still; we have a long way to go," he said. "I need my constituents to be active, to be vocal, telling me exactly what you want me to hear."

Michlewitz encouraged those in attendance to attend his coffee hour on Nov. 3 at Berkeley Park in the South End.

Dan Moll gave an update on public safety in Bay Village over the past year. He said that 275 crimes happened in Bay Village, but "Part One crimes for our district were down by four incidents," he said. He said they have been focused on the "problem proper-

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for parking meters as well as a couple of golf clubs, were stolen from his vehicle.

"I reported it; I determined that you never leave anything in your car that someone would want to steal and you don't leave anything visible in your car that [might be stolen] and just [don't] leave your car unlocked," he said.

"I was flabbergasted [when I saw] the number of break-ins to cars," Neckyfarow said. He said he's seen high numbers of break-ins on police logs before, but this was especially high, and wants to get the word out to his neighbors to be cautious about what they leave in their cars.

Bicycles

Another topic of discussion at the public safety meeting was bicycles. "Bicycles are getting out of control," Neckyfarow said, with "teenagers racing on sidewalks."

A resident on Berkeley Street said that bikes are especially "out of control" on Berkeley Street, and that people are still riding on the sidewalk on Beacon Street even though there is a bike lane. "Kids are going to get hurt," he said.

Though bike riding on the sidewalk is not officially prohibited (except for in City parks and on the Commonwealth Avenue Mall), the Berkeley Street resident said he would like to see the laws regarding bicycles changed. He said he suggested to Boston Transportation Department Commissioner Gina Fiandaca that a sticker with the rules of the road should be placed on each BlueBike, Boston's public bike-share system.

"Bicycles were not a problem until two years ago--the ordinance needs to be changed," he said.

Officer Shoulla said that bikes in the city are a work in progress and "it's taking a little more time than it should."

Tresspassing on Berkely Street

The same Berkeley resident reported at the public safety meeting that for the past two to three weeks a person with long hair had been sitting on his front steps from about 3-5 a.m. every day. He said that he and his wife have had almost no issues regarding this sort of thing in the almost 40 years they have lived there. Though it has since stopped, he does not know the reason why the man was out there.

He said he spoke to his newspaper delivery person, who said he sees the person around the area. His whole inner entryway is full of heavy marijuana smoke, and he said he does not have a light on the outside of his building, only in the vestibule behind the front door. In addition to the marijuana smoke, he said that the person urinates on the property, puts his joints out on the masonry, and leaves debris.

Officer Shoulla recommended that the resident put up a "No Tresspassing" sign, as well as a motion light on the outside of the building for deterring people from hanging out on private property.

"We're shuffling the deck at this point," Shoulla said regarding homeless people in the area. Once they are moved along out of a neighborhood, they settle in a different one. He also recommended that people who live in apartment buildings bring in their neighbors' packages so there is nothing luring people to stop and approach private property.

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Northeastern University aids its students who were affected by Hemenway St. fire

Staff Report

On Saturday, Oct. 27, at 3:17 p.m. firefighters responded to a seven alarm fire at an apartment building at 104 Hemenway Street. Though the apartment building is not owned by any area schools, many Northeastern, Berklee, and Emerson College students called it home.

The fire was caused by an electrical problem, according to the Boston Fire Department Fire Investigation Unit, and over 100 residents were displaced.

"Thankfully no serious injuries and thankful for the coordinated team effort by all the agencies and universities who assisted," Boston Fire Department wrote on Twitter.

According to an article from News @ Northeastern, among those treated for smoke inhalation were seven Northeastern students.

In the aftermath off the fire, many are stepping up to help out these residents, especially those who are students. News @ Northeastern reported that all of the Northeastern students who resided in the building were given the opportunity to live in the East Village residence hall on St. Botolph Street.

"We're here to support our students," Madeleine Estabrook, senior vice provost for student affairs at Northeastern, told News @ Northeastern. "We're working tirelessly and with various agencies and various departments of the university to provide resources short term and get ready to have long-term answers for them as we work through this."

The students have been provided bedding, towels, school supplies, and toiletries, as well as free meals at the Stetson East dining hall, the article stated. Free textbooks and course materials are also being provided at the campus bookstore.

The article also says that "academic advisers and representatives of the We Care program, which provides support to students during challenging times, will notify the professors, advisers, and co-op employers of the affected students to request that the provide flexibility for upcoming assignments and exams."

"This was an extreme situation and we were pleased with the coordinated effort between the Boston Fire Department and numerous agencies," BFD spokes-

person Mark Sanders told News @ Northeastern. "NUPD played an instrumental role controlling the crowd as well as the traffic in unison with the Boston Police Department."

WBZ reported that there were not enough sprinklers to control the fire, and Boston Fire commissioner Joseph Finn said that was likely what caused the fire to spread to the top floor of the building.

Residents have not been able to return to the building, but Northeastern police officers went with students to retrieve any of their belongings that survived the blaze.

"When a calamity happens—on campus or abroad—let us embrace the opportunity to offer one another strength and support," said Northeastern President Joseph E. Aoun said in an email, according to News @ Northeastern. "In doing so, we do more than care for those in need—we build a collective resilience that makes our community stronger."

On Oct. 31, a Hemenway Fire Aid Drive was held at 150 Massachusetts Ave. to collect unused toiletries and household items for those affected by the fire.



Photo courtesy of the Boston Fire Department

Firefighters responded to a seven alarm fire that ripped through an apartment building at 104 Hemenway St. on October 27, displacing over 100 residents.

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ty" on Cortes Street. They have communicated with the property management people for that building to improve the situation.

Another big problem in Bay Village is graffiti, Moll said. "About 91 percent of graffiti that has been reported has been removed," he said. He added that they are working with the city on removing the rest. Heading into next year, he said that they hope to reduce petty theft and car break-ins, as well as put security cameras up throughout the neighborhood with the help of developers.

Patten added that the Boston Police Department has been "very

responsive" to concerns of the neighborhood, and she is "really impressed with their engagement."

Ben Beck gave the Planning Committee update, and listed off properties that have been approved, are under construction, or are on the horizon. There are quite a few projects going on Isabella Street. "That whole street is going to be transformed, which is cool and well needed," Beck said. The focus for next year will be on the Motor Mart Garage project, which BVNA hopes to work with the developer on to negotiate how it will impact the neighborhood, as well as 67-69

Church St. and the Isabella St. church project.

Patten said this year has been a quiet one on the licensing front, with the neighborhood association opposing a proposal for bottle service for the W Hotel on Stuart Street, as well as opposing an increase in occupancy for a lodging house on Berkely Street due to worries that it could be converted into an Airbnb in the future.

Sen. Joseph Boncore also attended the meeting, and praised the level of engagement he sees when he comes to meetings in Bay Village. "When we have Impact

Advisory Groups, there are always people who want to be a part of it," he said.

"There's a lot going on on Beacon Hill," he added. "I get a lot of calls on issues." He also reminded everyone to vote, saying "I can't tell you how important it is at the federal level."

Joe Kuranda from the BVNA Parks/Public Spaces Committee said they have received funding approval to redo the Isabella Street Park. "Green spaces go so far for our neighborhoods," he said.

Nancy Morrisroe from City Services gave an update on the rat

problem, reminding everyone that the city can only bait public property, so anyone who sees rat burrows should report it, so "we can stay on top of the rat problem."

City Councilor At-Large Anissa Essaibi-George provided remarks about her work on the education committee, as well as on the Committee on Homelessness, Mental Health, and Recovery, before everyone moved back to the vestibule to mingle with snacks and drinks once more to celebrate another successful year of the BVNA.

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Copley branch of the Boston Public Library, bringing in 2061 voters. Overall, there have been 20,429 early voters as of Oct. 31, according to the Election Department—and there are still two more days to go.

"The Boston Public Library worked out really good for us in 2016 for early voting and we were happy to be able to reserve the space for early voting again this year, which worked out well voters who voted there," said Ky'ron Owens, Civic Engagement Coordinator for the Boston Election Department.

"We are thankful for our part-

nership with all of our Early Voting locations, some of which are our polling locations on Election Day as well," Owens continued. "We are ecstatic to see Boston Voters engaged in the electoral process and we hope to see more engagement throughout the rest of the Early Voting period and on Election Day, Nov. 6."

Owens added that a lot of the feedback the department has received so far has been "extremely positive."

City Hall remains the main polling place, and will be open for voting from 9: a.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 1 and 9 a.m. to

5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 2, but there are a few remaining pop-up locations. On Thursday, Nov. 1, polls will be open from noon-8 p.m. at: The Salvation Army Ray and Joan Kroc Community Center, the ABCD Thelma D. Burns Building, and The Blue Hills Collaborative.

Regular polling locations will be open for the general election on Nov. 6 for those who missed early voting.

The Sun checked in with incumbent state Senator Will Brownsberger as he prepares for another election. Brownsberger, who represents the Second Suffolk and Middlesex District, said he's

a supporter of early voting and "anything that makes it easier for people to vote."

Though he's running unopposed as the Democratic candidate for Senator in General Court, he said he's still nervous about the election as a whole—"I think there's a lot at stake," he said.

Brownsberger said that he "feels strongly" about the ballot questions this election, particularly Question 3, as well as the local ballot questions. "I hope democrats do well all over the country," he added.

Coming out of the election, he said he has a number of poli-

cy issues that he is focusing on, including criminal justice reform, climate change issues, and transportation improvement projects across the district. "I'm hopeful that we can make progress on the larger funding issues that we have for education and transportation," Brownsberger said.

But for now, Brownsberger is focused on the results on Nov. 6. He said, "I'm watching with bated breath to how the elections come out."

RED SOX ROLLING RALLY THROUGH THE BACK BAY



Confetti launched into the air as the rolling rally passed by fans.

Photos by Katy Rogers



Red Sox fans, young and old, made their way to see the great team roll down Boylston Street Tuesday.



Red Sox slugger Eduardo Nunez eyes the crowd as the rally passes down Boylston Street.

Esplanade Association board says ‘thank you’ to Rep. Livingstone

On Thursday, Oct. 25, the board of the Esplanade Association hosted a reception at the home of T.K. and Lianne Ankner to thank State Rep. Jay Livingstone for his contributions to the Charles River Esplanade, and to the neighborhoods of Back Bay and Beacon Hill.

At this intimate gathering, Livingstone met with EA supporters and spoke of some of his proudest moments while in the Legislature. He was acknowledged for his contributions to public access to the Charles River Esplanade, including advocacy for the completion of the Fanny Appleton Footbridge, inclusion of Commissioner’s Landing for funding in the Governor’s 2018

Environmental Bond Bill and his active role in planning for the future of the former Lee Pool site.

“As a Friends group to a state park, it is invaluable to have allies in the State House to help secure funding for major improvements to the park or advocate for the removal of impediments to public access,” said Michael Nichols, executive director of the Esplanade Association. “Rep. Livingstone understands the role the Esplanade plays in improving the quality of life for the people in his district and beyond and he has been a strong supporter of the park throughout his years in office. We were thankful for this opportunity to express our gratitude.”



Michael Nichols presents Rep. Livingstone with a framed photo as a token of the Esplanade Association’s gratitude for his support of the Esplanade.

Real Estate Transfers

BUYER 1	SELLER 1	ADDRESS	PRICE
BACK BAY			
273 Beacon Street 1 NT	Skinner, Paul	273 Beacon St #1	\$2,950,000
Diamond, Karen	Patsner, Bruce	1 Charles St S #1612	\$1,480,000
AKA RT	Devor, Richard C	160 Commonwealth Ave #517	\$650,000
Carey E Schwartz 2009 T	Veldtaende Partners LLC	282 Marlborough St #3	\$1,100,000
Wang, Xiaoke	Campbell, John T	38-40 Saint Botolph St #37B	\$240,000
Tsenden Lhamo RT	Jami M Linton RET	318 Commonwealth Ave #3	\$1,600,000
Steinberg-Soo, Choo C	Klainer, Suzanne B	390 Commonwealth Ave #302	\$795,000
BEACON HILL			
226 Causeway Owner LLC	Ire-Re Causeway LLC	226 Causeway St #226	
\$107,000,000			
Liu, Qilong	King, Vanessa E	234 Causeway St #910	\$1,055,000
Amenta, Joanne	Williams, Mark K	1-3 Chestnut St #5B	\$880,000
Esrawi, Malek	Concord Forum RT	9 Hawthorne Pl #2R	\$535,000
Vogel, Terri T	Mayer, John T	145 Pinckney St #618	\$554,000
SOUTH END/KENMORE/BAY VILLAGE			
Zhang, Jingyuan	Robbins, Emily J	560 Columbus Ave #5	\$560,000
Cheng, Jifang	Aucella, Ralph	39 Hemenway St #12	\$450,000
Myungsuk-Ro, Mike	Baucom, Jared	492 Massachusetts Ave #52	\$720,000
Liao, Haihui	121 Portland LLC	121 Portland St #605	\$510,000
Wang, Xiaoke	Campbell, John T	38-40 Saint Botolph St #37B	\$240,000
Burger, Brent A	Susannah Levine Jones	539 Shawmut Ave #2	\$769,000
Winter, Benjamin G	Winter, Susan W	26 Upton St #2	\$915,000
Dipierro, Cara M	Tenney, Karen M	192 W Brookline St #1	\$725,000
Tran, Dany	A&A RT	333 Washington St #423	\$130,000
Mooradian, Ellen W	Waggnner, Nancy	27 Worcester St #2	\$844,000
Regan, Brian	Schechter, David	118 Riverway #2	\$392,500
WATERFRONT/DOWNTOWN			
Mutawa, Ahmed A	Chapman, Tiffany D	80 Broad St #805	\$610,000
Gacicia, Ronald A	Izuta, Tatsushi	151 Tremont St #22D	\$1,040,000

City Council, union workers rail against National Grid at Council hearing

By Lauren Bennett

Gas provider National Grid came under fire at the City Council's Committee on Environment, Sustainability, and Parks hearing on Boston's gas infrastructure on Tuesday. According to Councilor Matt O'Malley, the company declined an invitation to testify at the hearing. O'Malley read a letter from National Grid into the public record.

"It's disappointing, however not surprising," O'Malley said of National Grid's no-show. The company's five-month lockout of over 1,200 union gas workers has left many without healthcare and caused many to feel that the safety of the public is at risk without these skilled workers.

In 2016, members of the City Council and activists came together and created a gas leak ordinance, which was signed into law by Mayor Walsh. "National Grid took us to court," O'Malley said, "and it's that attitude that I find extraordinarily troubling. It's the attitude that National Grid's own workers have been dealing with for the last [19] weeks."

He added that twice as many gas leaks have slipped through the cracks over the past three months, and "the gas leaks in our neighborhood are a disaster for the health of the climate and the health and safety of people."

O'Malley said that Boston Gas reported that 42 percent of its infrastructure is leak prone and needs to be replaced within the next 17 years.

Councilor Ed Flynn said that the number one priority is public safety, and after the 60 fires and three explosions that killed an 18-year-old in the incident in Merrimack Valley, something needs to be done.

"The discussion today is not meant to cause panic," he stressed, but "we take public safety very seriously in our city."

Flynn asked Chief of Streets Chris Osgood if Boston is at risk due to the lockout, and Osgood responded that they will do "everything we can to support the [Department of Public Utilities] and ensuring the high public safety of our residents." Osgood said that DPU is the body that is responsible for overseeing the regulation of the gas infrastructure. DPU also declined the invitation to appear at the hearing.

Two union gas workers testified at the hearing, including John Buonopane, president of USW

Local 12012. Buonopane called National Grid's absence at the hearing "beyond disrespectful" and a "complete demonstration of their arrogance." He said that because National Grid is based in the United Kingdom, they are "indifferent about what happens in Massachusetts."

Buonopane said that the union workers receive on-the-job training out in the field and "know the history" of Boston's gas infrastructure, something that National Grid's replacement workers do not have.

"The state seems to have lost control over this public utility," he said. "Since the lockout has started, we have submitted hundreds of safety violations to the DPU."

"These problems persist while National Grid pretends the company is operating normally," Buonopane added. He said that their members had their healthcare terminated within the first week of the lockout. Now in its fifth month, there is "no end in sight," he said.

He said that National Grid make over four billion dollars in profit last year, but the union workers' employment insurance runs out in January.

Joe Kirylo, president of USW Local 12003, said, "The DPU is a joke, that's what they are. They have a lot of problems." He said he and his fellow members went to the DPU and demanded a meeting to talk to them about the safety problem in the communities.

He said that they hadn't heard from them in weeks, but three hours and 18 minutes after the Merrimack Valley incident, they agreed and said they would meet with them.

"The DPU really needs to help people and be separate from the gas companies," Kirylo said. "They need to be investigated, overhauled, and they definitely need more people."

He said that all of the grade one gas leaks were found by the union and not by National Grid, and added that he is not impressed with the training that National Grid is providing its workers.

Kirylo thanked the City Councilors for holding this hearing—"you're the first in the Commonwealth to step forward."

"We are not here over a contract," he said. "We are here over public safety and the endangerment of the citizens of Boston by National Grid."

O'Malley reiterated that the hearing was not meant to spark panic in citizens, "but we have to face facts."



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onward.

"I'm really only continuing my mother's tradition," she said. "My mother used to decorate every window all the way up with the old fashioned light bulbs. They used to be perfect, every bulb perfectly placed. People would ask my mom why she did all that. She would say because it brings joy to people. That's why I do it, too, because it makes people happy. Even before Trump was part of it and the political stuff, everyone was excited about it."

The current display is a far cry from her original efforts, which featured cobwebs and tombstones, while she gave out great candy. Now, that has slowly morphed into a political Halloween statement like none other. Two years ago, President Trump made his first appearance as a caricature. Last year, he was a skeleton with a Trump wig.

This year, after a trip to Assembly Row's Christmas Tree Shops in August – where the resident found a great deal on a haunted bride figure, she decided to go all out.

"I started in 2010 and every year it got bigger and bigger," she said. "First I did the windows for two floors and then the whole building. I do Christmas too. I got tombstones and gargoyles and skeletons. Last year, Trump was just a skeleton with a red tie that said 'High IQ.' This year I decided to go all out. I was an actress so the creative energy has to come out in some fashion. I play 'Thriller' and Bach's 'Fugue in D Minor.' It's really all for the kids around here.



This home on Union Park has attracted a ton of attention this year as residents and visitors pass by to see the unique Halloween political satire. The resident of the home is a third-generation Southender, and said she really went over the top this year – pantomiming the Trump administration – and carrying on her mother's tradition of decorating the home.

I like to give the kids something they can be excited about. Every year we try to get more and more kids and we had 1,200 last year. It's really become a destination like Beacon Hill now."

This year's display has a theme of a lunatic asylum, and Trump, Putin and Jong-un are placed on the bay windows above the garden. Below, Sarah Huckabee Sanders and Kelly Ann Conway act as nurses (one holding a strange yellow liquid that could be equated with the story about a type of shower in Moscow). On the operating table, Putin is preparing to dismantle Lady Liberty, who is shackled to the operating table and holding a sign that says 'Help

me vote.'

Every inch has a detail to be digested and processed.

The fun goes on and on and cobwebs and other Halloween décor ascend all the way to the top floor.

All in all, though it was exhausting, the resident said it all becomes worth it when people pass by and take it all in.

"This year was a whole new thing," she said. "The tombstones and cobwebs were one thing, but this was much more. I believe whatever you can do to make this place better or you can make people smile – even for a second – you're doing service. Life is what it is, but if you can help everyone smile a little bit – that's a service."

SOWA SPOOKTACULAR CLOSSES OUT OPEN MARKET SEASON

Photos by Derek Kouyoumjian

SoWa Spooktacular was the final Sunday of SoWa's Open Market season and a celebration of the upcoming Halloween – as well as all things autumn. Vendors and visitors were dressed in their favorite personas as a Halloween costume contest was held and fun was had by all.



Bostonians Josie Agner with her “Piglet” Lily keep an eye out for that “Hunny.”



Carrie Wagner shows off her artistry in her costume and illustrations.



South End residents David, Kaitlyn, and Ronda Morra were set to have an “Enchantment Under The Sea” theme going. However young Dylan was determined to tame dragons.



Rebecca Long of Rubbish Revival looks to lure customers to her tent.



Susan and Suri Nguyen show off strong female personas.



Calvin Grover made his costume based on the Native American legend of the Wendigo while his dad, Jason, and sister, Lily, based theirs on characters from their family's favorite game, Bioshock.



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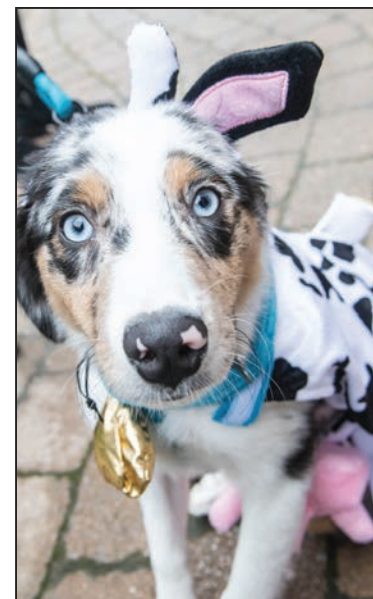
Art: Victorian Beach Scene sign. Rouen, Magnolia sign. Elyse Lord, Eugene Jan Maes, William Sloan Harbor scene.

Jewelry: Tiffany necklace, David Yurman, Parenti, Art Deco diamond, sapphire & 14kt watch, collection of women's & men's watches. American, English & French gold coins, Too Much to list!

Furniture: Mid century handmade style chairs, cowhide modern chairs, French display cabinet, Inlay Italian chest. & more.

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Benni was dressed up to have an “udderly” good time.

CLARENDON STREET PLAYGROUND HALLOWEEN FAMILY FUN



Tim and Jill Kacich with their sons, Clayton, as Harry Potter, Cole, as a zombie, and Chase, as a pterodactyl.



Hudson Lowry, as Harry Potter.

Photos by Marianne Salza

Friends swung on monkey bars and climbed a red tree during the Clarendon Street Playground Halloween Family Fun event on Oct. 28. Hosted by the Clarendon Street Playground Committee, the afternoon included a magic show, an antique apple press, and marshmallow spider webs.

"Today I am at a Halloween party. I'm having a great time," said Boden Forgét, 6. "I made apple cider. It was very fun. There is a game where you throw pumpkins in baskets and get candy. My favorite candy is a Hershey's bar."



Lewi and Zoe Eyob, Boden Forgét, and Elle Koskinen.



Marcia Quieros with Christian, Valentina, and Nicolas Ramirez



Maya, as a unicorn, enjoying Danny the Magician's show.



▲ Stella Kassabian, as Queen Elsa.
▼ Mason Spring connecting marshmallows and tooth picks to create a spider web.



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Boston Women's Memorial celebrates 15 years

Photos and Story by Lauren Bennett

Though it was a chilly, gloomy day, it did not stop a large crowd from gathering at the Boston Women's Memorial on Oct. 28 for its 15th anniversary.

Several women made remarks, speaking about how this memorial has impacted the city over its 15 years, and reminisced about when it was first unveiled in 2003. The memorial pays homage to Phyllis Wheatley, Abigail Adams, and Lucy Stone in the form of three bronze sculptures on the Commonwealth Avenue Mall.

Marie Turley, former director of the Boston Women's Commission, said that the project took from before 1992 until 2003, and required 150 different people engaged in different levels.

She thanked Mayor Thomas

Menino and Barbara Lee, president and founder of the Barbara Lee Foundation, for their generous donations to create the memorial, as well as the "Founding Mothers," a group of 150 people who "came together to change the conversation about women and women in art and the engagement of diverse women in the conversation of art in our city," she said.

Creating the Boston Women's Memorial was no small feat. Turley spoke of the original unveiling of the memorial, saying that there were four musicians, 20 women to unveil the statues, and 300 people in the audience. "The memorial took five committees, three appointing authorities, 12 city departments, 11 cultural institutions including the National Park Service and Mass. Historic, and hundreds of people to believe in



"Mercy Otis Warren" joined the the Girls Scouts of the Back Bay for a ceremonial cake cutting at the Boston Women's Memorial 15th anniversary.

it and support the work," Turley said.

Tania Del Rio, executive director for the Mayor's Office of Women's Advancement, said that this is an exciting moment for her and she is proud to offer support from the Mayor's Office of Women's Advancement for "anything that has to do with promoting women and making our contributions to public life visible."

There were only two statues of women in Boston for most of the 20th century, said Barbara Lee said when she got up to speak. It wasn't until 1999 that a statue of former slave and conductor of the Underground Railroad, Harriet Tubman, was erected in the South End.

Lee said she saw Mayor Menino and his wife at the unveiling, where the Mayor asked her if she would be a part of creating the Boston Women's Memorial. "I was totally honored and leapt at the chance," she said.

"Fifteen years later, I still feel a jolt of pride every time I pass by this spot that we're standing on today and I know I'm not the only one," she continued.

Over the past 15 years, people



Cheryl Brown-Greene as Obour Tanner, friend of Phyllis Wheatley.



Mary Smoyer as Antoinette Brown Blackwell, friend of Lucy Stone.

have gathered at the memorial to touch the statues and pose for photos, Lee said. "While so many of our monuments simply blend into the background, the Boston Women's Memorial quite literally stops people in their tracks," she said. Dozens of women stopped by the memorial on Election Day in 2016 to drop off flowers, notes, and their 'I Voted' stickers.

"I am deeply moved that this is a public space that inspires action as much as reflection, and that's how it should be. Women have always shaped our nation's history, and I am grateful that here in Boston, women are at last getting the respect and the representation they deserve, not only in art, but also in politics," Lee said.

Meredith Bergmann, the sculptor for the memorial, said that it has "succeeded in ways I never imagined to inspire and sustain our spirits." She added that she thinks the design of the memorial works, and that people are inspired by the quotations that are etched into the stones by each of the women. She said that the accessibility of the

statues has made these historical women "more real and alive than people from other centuries have any right to be, and the arrangement of the ladies around a central space makes the visitors self-aware and aware of others," she said.

After hearing from three women dressed as friends of Adams, Wheatley, and Stone reminisce about their dear friends in a spoken word performance, City Council President Andrea Campbell said a few words.

Campbell reminded the audience that there are six women on the Boston City Council, a first in the history of Boston.

"As we continue to move forward, even in the toughest moments for each of us, let's remember these women, let's remember the women who aren't here, who aren't visualized, and the fact that they laid down their lives for us to sit together in this park, for us to run for office, for us to reach our dreams and our God-given potential," she said, closing the program.



Mary Rudder as Mercy Otis Warren, friend of Abigail Adams.

RESIDENTS ATTEND BLO GALA

Suzanne and Peter Read, from Back Bay were attendees at Boston Lyric Opera's recent Opera Gala 2018, held at City Winery Boston. The Gala welcomed more than 200 guests for a VIP dinner and a post-dinner party, all to the sound of tenors, sopranos, bassos and mezzos singing opera's biggest hits. The Gala raised \$370,000 for BLO's education programs in Boston and throughout Eastern Massachusetts



Photo by Above Summit Photography

Deborah Belguendouz of Concord, Mass., with Suzanne and Peter Read of Back Bay, Boston at the cocktail reception during Boston Lyric Opera's Opera Gala 2018 at City Winery Boston.



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News Briefs

DIA DE MUERTOS CELEBRATION COMING TO COPLEY SQUARE

The City of Boston is teaming up with Boston's Consulate General of Mexico to present a two-day Dia de Muertos (Day of the Dead) celebration on Nov. 1 and 2 in Copley Square from noon to 9 p.m. A formal event and speaking program is scheduled for Nov. 2 at 5 p.m.

Dia de Muertos is celebrated in traditional Mexican homes where dearly departed family members are remembered by altars lovingly decorated with photographs, papel picado paper decorations, offerings of fruit, favorite food and drink, and candles.

Guests are invited to send photos of their loved ones to be displayed on the altar in Copley Square and join in the Copley Square events on Nov. 1 and 2 to celebrate Dia de Muertos and those whose memories we keep alive.

Photos can be submitted online at boston.gov/dia-de-muertos. Donations of picture frames can be made at Boston Centers for Youth & Families locations at Paris Street in East Boston, Grove Hall in Dorchester, Curtis Hall in Jamaica Plain, and Tobin Community Center in Mission Hill.

The celebration also includes masses of fragrant orange cempasúchil marigolds, also called the

flor de muertos ("flower of the dead") in Mexico and used in the Day of the Dead every Nov. 2. The marigolds, with their bright orange color and scent, are thought to guide the spirits home. The City of Boston's Dia de Muertos altar in Copley Square will contain 500 pots of marigolds, grown from seed and tended to since August by Boston Parks and Recreation Department horticulturalists.

FENWAY STUDIOS OPEN STUDIOS, FOOD DRIVE

The Fenway Studios building will hold its annual Open Studios on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 10 and 11, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Open Studios provides a rare opportunity to meet and talk with artists as well as to see the inside of this National Historic Landmark. Fenway Studios is the oldest purpose built structure in the country designed solely as artist studios.

This year, Fenway Studios are very proud to host its 10th annual Food Drive to benefit the Greater Boston Food Bank; they are celebrating this decade of dedication with our neighborhood friends at The Lansdowne Pub. As an additional incentive to bring a non-perishable food item to the Open Studios. Those who do will receive a thank you surprise.

IBA 50TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

On Nov. 3, renowned chefs, dignitaries, civic leaders and community members will come together to celebrate the 50th anniversary of leading community developer IBA, the largest Latina-led nonprofit in Greater Boston. Hosted at the Edward M. Kennedy Institute, the Gala will celebrate IBA's journey and monumental impact in the areas of housing, education, youth development, economic opportunity and the arts, and honor 50 leaders who have contributed to the organization along the way.

Featuring numerous award-winning chefs, including recent "Chopped" champion and Envoy Hotel Head Chef Tatiana Rosana, the Gala has drawn support from globally renowned figures. In particular,

award-winning composer, performer and lyricist Lin-Manuel Miranda and his foundation have generously donated tickets to Hamilton this fall.

The evening's cocktail reception and chef showcase will also feature delicious cuisine from popular chefs that hail from Boston and beyond.

"We are extremely grateful for the overwhelming support we have received from our sponsors and look forward to an evening that celebrates 50 years of IBA - the incredible journey of our organization and impact it has had on thousands of low-income residents," said Vanessa Calderón-Rosado, CEO of IBA. "The Gala is a culmination of the past year that has paid homage to our historic roots and founders, and looks towards another 50 years of community

empowerment."

SOUTH END/BAY VILLAGE FALL CLEAN UP

The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services will host the Annual Fall Clean Up in partnership with Love Your Block, Public Works and the Boston Parks Dept. on Saturday, Nov. 10. Please keep in mind that this falls on Veterans Day weekend. Please send an email to faisa.sharif@boston.gov to register for the clean up.

You will need to specify:

-Where your clean up site is; Please note if the site includes an official City of Boston park

-How many volunteers

-Trash pick up location

The annual clean up runs

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GETTING IN THE HALLOWEEN SPIRIT



Photo by Jon Seaman

The Anello family of Back Bay - Mike, little pumpkin Charlie (8 months), and Nikki - were among the thousands of residents and visitors who made their way to Boston Common for Halloween fun and activities on Oct. 19 as Mayor Martin J. Walsh, the Boston Parks and Recreation Department and the Skating Club of Boston hosted the annual Fall Pumpkin Float at the Frog Pond.

The celebration was presented by key sponsors Highland Street Foundation, HP Hood LLC, Polar Beverages, and the Floating Hospital for Children at Tufts Medical Center. The media sponsor was Magic 106.7, with additional support provided by Boston Cares.

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BPS STUDENTS CALL ON NORTHEASTERN TO BE A PILOT PROGRAM LEADER

Students and Allies Ask University to Pay City Property Tax Assessment to Fund Schools

Over 100 elementary, middle and high school students went on a field trip to see what a state-of-the-art library looks like and ask Northeastern to join us in fighting for excellent schools for all. Northeastern supports the community in so many ways, and we are asked them to be our partners in taking their leadership in neighborhood collaboration to the next level in order to increase justice and equity for the young people of Boston. Northeastern, with an endowment of almost \$800 million, is one of the city's wealthiest institutions. As a non-profit, it is exempt from paying

property taxes, which is the main way Boston funds public schools. Ekran Sharif, 18, a Boston high school student, said "My school is basically on Northeastern's campus and we can see new buildings going up all the time. Northeastern is a school too, they should care about Boston Public High Schools having enough money to educate their students well enough to attend Northeastern someday, but we don't even have a cafeteria. We are calling on them to do the right thing by paying their full PILOT tax."

According to the PILOT Action Group, "The current Payment in

Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) program, beginning in 2012, covers 49 large nonprofit institutions with assessed property value of over \$15 Million. Nonprofits are expected to pay 25 percent of their potential property taxes based on their 2010 tax assessment. Institutions can and do offset 50 percent of their payment with a "community benefit" that is supposed to target residents of the city. However, over \$77 MILLION of the requested PILOT contributions have been left unpaid, primarily by four universities: Northeastern, Boston College, Harvard, and Boston University." Northeastern just finished con-

struction of a new \$225 million science and engineering complex, while still finishing FY2017 with a surplus of over \$66 million.

Upon hearing that Northeastern is only being asked to pay 25 percent of its 2010 assessment, Dacia Morales, parent of a BPS elementary school student, said "How can they say they care about justice and education if they won't even pay that tiny amount of what they could owe the City of Boston?" To date, Northeastern has paid only 29 percent of its requested PILOT taxes, meaning \$17.4 million that could have gone to public education, healthcare, or

affordable housing, instead stayed in Northeastern's coffers.

WHAT: Students making art and having fun at Northeastern's state-of-the-art campus.

WHO: Students, Parents, Teachers and Community Members in support of BPS students and full funding for public education in Massachusetts, in particular the PILOT Program.

WHEN: Friday, Oct. 12, 2018, 4-5:15 p.m.

WHERE: Krentzman Quadrangle, Northeastern University, 360 Huntington Ave., Boston, MA 02115

For the Record

From the Oct. 30 Zoning Board of Appeals hearing, City Hall:

•Groundwater Overlay: 215 West Canton St. (South End), Applicant: Susan Blinn
Replace patio drain to prevent water backup into home. Remove patio block and dig

down to expose drain. Licensed plumber to replace drain pipe. New 46" high block retaining wall and paver stones to be installed. Perimeter footprint of the patio remains the same.

•155 Warren Ave. (South End), Applicant: Scott Peltier

Enlarge existing roof hatch, rebuild interior staircase to roof hatch, renovate existing roof deck per approvals from South End Landmarks Commission. Section 8th 780CMR 1009.13 Stairways. Stairways to Roof: 1009.13 Stairway to roof. In buildings four or more stories above grade plane, one stairway shall extend to the roof surface, unless the roof has a slope steeper than four units vertical in 12 units horizontal (33-percent slope). 1009.13.1 Roof access. Where stairway is provided to a roof, access to the roof shall be provided through a penthouse complying with Section 1509.2.

•235 Northampton St., Applicant: Hezekiah Pratt

Extend first floor living space into basement with new bedrooms and bath. Renovate basement with new walls, flooring, ceiling, concrete slab, plumbing, HVAC, and electrical work. Work as per plans.

•36 Dwight St., Applicant: Alpine Advisory Services

Construct Rear decks and Roof Deck Per Plan to Amend issued permit.

•200-202 Ipswich St., Applicant: 1241 Boylston, LLC

Erect a 184-room hotel with a ground floor restaurant. Project will include approximately 105,000 sq. ft. of building area and will be eight (8) stories with maximum height of 90 feet. There will be approximately 82 parking spaces in one below-grade level. Existing building to be removed by other permit.

•275A-275 Shawmut Ave., Applicant: Socrates Abreu

Remove proviso for "take out for this petitioner only." No work to be done.

•111-115 Newbury St., Applicant: Peter Kalutkiewicz

Change of occupancy to include Body Art/Permanent Cosmetics.

•294 Newbury St., Applicant: Nao Rouhana

Change the legal occupancy from seven apartments, beauty salon, two stores and a yogurt store to seven apartments, beauty salon, two stores and Japanese restaurant. Remove proviso granting relief to this petitioner only.

From the Oct. 31 License Board meeting, City Hall:

•SMITH AND WOLLENSKY RESTAURANT, 101 ARLINGTON ST., Back Bay. Holder of a Common Victualler 7 Day All Alcoholic Beverages License has petitioned to transfer the license and location from the above - To: MHF Devonshire V, LLC d/b/a Hyatt Centric Boston at 54 Devonshire Street Boston, MA 02109; 13 floors and a sub-basement with 5 entrances and exits. 9 rooms on the 1st floor, 30 rooms on the 2nd through 10th, 28 floors on the 11th through 13th, and 25 in the sub-basement. Total sq ft = 89,600, 6,400 sq ft per floor. Matthew S. Alemany, Manager. 2:00 AM Closing Hour. Secondly, has petitioned to change the license type - From: Common Victualler All Alcohol License To: Innholder All Alcohol License. Lastly, has petitioned for a management agreement between MHF Devonshire V, LLC and Devonshire Restaurant Group, LLC.

A City Council hearing will be held on Nov. 2 at 12:30 p.m. in City Hall on elder scamming, Iannella Chamber.

From the Nov. 6 South End Landmarks meeting, 5:30 p.m., City Hall:

VIOLATIONS:

•415 Massachusetts Ave. Proposed Work: Ratification of unapproved exhaust pipes and labels installed on the side of front stoop

•205 West Newton St. #3 Proposed Work: Ratification of unapproved installation of white vinyl windows at dormer level.

DESIGN REVIEW

•200 West Brookline St. #3 Proposed Work: At front façade level two, replace 2 original two over two, wood curved sash windows and 1 original, wood, two over two window with JB Proper Bostonian two over two wood windows (1 straight sash, 2 curved).

•11A Taylor St. Proposed Work: (Continued from 10/02/18 Hearing) At front façade, relocate recessed front door to the bottom of the front stairs.

•Shawmut Avenue Proposed Work: (Continued from 8/07/18 Hearing) At rear façade levels one and three remove 1 window from each floor and replace with a patio door.

•29 Rutland Sq. Proposed Work: At front façade levels G,1,2,3 replace 8 original (6 curved, 4 straight sash) wood, two over two windows and 2 non-original (Fl. G & 1) two over two, wood windows with wood, two over two windows (8 curved and 2 straight sash).

•74 Appleton St. Proposed Work: At side el facing a public way, dismantle existing roof deck and install new roof deck in the same footprint with a black metal rail.

•439 Tremont St. Proposed Work: At commercial storefront, replace existing awning fabric and blade sign design using existing hardware.

•60 West Rutland Sq. Proposed Work: At front yard install new iron fence around existing garden fence.

•17 Cazenove St. Proposed Work: Demolish existing roof deck and construct new deck.

•2 Ringgold St. Proposed Work: Replace front bead board door and door frame with wood panel door and side lights. Install new wrought iron fence. Install new range hood exhaust flue. (See additional work in admin review section).

•554 Massachusetts Ave. Proposed Work: At front façade garden level, restore windows to original size. At rear yard facing a public way, replace wood picket fence, at rear el repair roof deck with wood rail. (See additional work in admin review section).

SE Intersection of Columbus and West Springfield St. Proposed Work: At the southeasterly Corner of the referenced intersection, replace the existing DAS node with a new DAS node.

•1401 Washington St. Proposed Work: At front façade, install new commercial signage.

•603 Tremont St. Proposed Work: At Tremont Street Storefront sign band install store signage.

•26 Chandler St. Proposed Work: At Chandler Street storefront, replace main entry (non-original) metal double doors with revolving door. At all levels above the commercial storefront, replace metal 1 over 1, aluminum windows in kind.

•Multiple Locations Proposed Work: At various locations; remove existing standard light pole and replace with six sided metal pole with integrated cell antenna.

•1400 Washington St. Proposed Work: At front façade, replace existing pavers in entry court. At rear façade install new cooling tower, at all facades replace existing metal hand rails. At all facades, replace supplemental exterior lighting.

•103 Appleton St. Proposed Work: At front façade parlor level, replace 2 curved sash two over two wood windows with 2 curved sash two over two wood windows.

•22 Milford St. Proposed Work: At front façade floors two and three, replace 6 two over two, wood windows in kind.

•8 Rutland Sq. Proposed Work: Construct Roof deck.

•431 Shawmut Ave. #3 Proposed Work: At front façade floors level 1, replace 2, two over two, original, wood, curved sash windows with two over two, wood, curved sash windows.

•2 Worcester Sq. Proposed Work: Replace original front double door with new wood door.

•79 Rutland St. Proposed Work: At front façade dormer level, replace two wood two over two windows with two wood two over two windows. Install mechanical equipment penthouse on roof. (See additional work in admin review section).

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEWS OF:

71 Appleton St.; 3 Casenove St.; 298A Columbus Ave.; 474 Columbus Ave.; 21 Lawrence St.; 532 Massachusetts Ave.; 541 Massachusetts Ave.; 554 Massachusetts Ave.; 562 Massachusetts Ave.; 1 Ringgold St.; 2 Ringgold St.; 19 Rutland Sq.; 79 Rutland St.; 253 Shawmut Ave.; 255 Shawmut Ave.; 5 Taylor St.; 41 Warren Ave.; 161 W. Brookline St.; 209 W. Canton St.; 232 W. Canton St. #3; and 232 W. Canton St.

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a.m. for Bay Village and 9 a.m.-12 p.m. for South End. Tools can only be picked up by a registered participant. All participants must register by 5pm on Wednesday, Oct. 31st, 2018.

BACK BAY HAPPENINGS

•The next NABB Wine Tasting will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 6, in the Ayer Mansion—a rare Tiffany gem on 395 Commonwealth Ave. Step back in time to America's Golden Age for a tasting of great wine in one of only three surviving Tiffany residential commissions. The event will take place at the Mansion from 6:30-8:30 p.m. To R.S.V.P., a payment of \$33.50 must be made by Saturday, Nov. 3.

•NABB will hold its next Licensing and Building Use Committee meeting on Monday, Nov. 5, at 7 p.m. at the Lenox Hotel. For more information, contact Elliott Laffer at lbu@nabbonline.com

•NABB's Architecture Committee's next meeting is on Nov. 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the Clausen Room of the New England College of Optometry, 424 Beacon St. For more information contact Sue Prindle at archtecture@nabbonline.com

•Save the Date! The Fausa Christmas Luncheon will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 11, at noon in The College Club, 44 Commonwealth Ave. It is hosted by Nancy Thornley.

SOUTH END DATES

•Novelist and short-story writer Jessicas Keener will discuss her most recent work, "Strangers in Budapest," a 2017 Indy Pick, on

Tuesday, Nov. 13, at 6:30 p.m. The best-selling author of an earlier novel, "Night Swim," and the short-story collection, "Women in Bed," Keener will be introduced by Boston's At-large City Councilor, Annissa Essaibi-George. The recipient of a Massachusetts Cultural Council Grant for fiction, Keener was listed by the editors of the Pushcart Prize under "out-standing writers."

•The South End Forum will meet for its next quarterly meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 13. It will be moved back one week due to the election on Nov. 3.

•Eight Streets Neighborhood Association will have its regular meeting on Tuesday Nov. 13, at 7 p.m. in Project Place on Washington Street. The agenda includes ISD representatives coming to talk about rodent control.

•The East Berkeley Neighborhood Association (EBNA) will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 20 for its regular meeting in Project Place.

•Ellis South End Neighborhood Association will have its Fall Clean-Up on Nov. 10 from 9 a.m. to noon. Stop by the Boston Center for the Arts Plaza to pick up rakes, brooms, shovels and bags to help spruce up the neighborhood.

•The IAG for the Exchange South End project will re-convene on Nov. 14 at 6 p.m. in the former Flower Exchange building, 540 Albany St., to discuss next steps in implementation of the public benefits. This is a new process in the South End for distributing and discussing how to mitigate developments.

•The artist building at 535 Albany St. will be having an open

house with 20 artists showing work on Nov. 2 from 5-8 p.m.

•IBA will hold a community meeting on Monday, Nov. 5, at 6 p.m. to discuss the transition of the Boston Housing Authority homes on West Newton Street into the portfolio of IBA. The plan has been in place for some time, but now movement is starting to happen on the long-anticipated project.

FENWAY TIMES

•Upcoming Fenway Park Events: Saturday, Nov. 10, & Sunday, Nov. 11, —Spartan Race, 10,000 expected, times TBA

Saturday, Nov. 17—"The Game" Harvard v. Yale, 35,000 expected, noon-3:30 p.m.

•There will be a public meeting regarding the 60 Kilmarnock Street project on November 7 at 8:00 pm in Room C101 in the Main Campus Building at Simmons College, 300 Fenway. The proposed project includes a total of approximately 443 residential units in two buildings with ground floor retail space, and 250 below-grade and surface parking spaces.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Mayor Martin J. Walsh announced that applications are being accepted by the Citizens Nominating Panel, for two open positions on the Boston School Committee, opening in January 2019. The deadline to submit applications is Nov. 13.

The Boston School Committee is the governing body of the Boston Public Schools.

GARDEN CLUB OF THE BACK BAY INVENTORIES FRONT GARDEN TREES



Back Bay residents may have seen members of the Garden Club of the Back Bay standing in front of their gardens over the past few weeks. Armed with a camera, measuring tape and custom clipboard, the volunteers recorded each tree's species and condition and estimated its height and diameter. Tree Committee member Laurie Thomas coordinated the project. "I estimate that we have about 1,000 front garden trees. It took us 25 sessions, or about 50 hours, to collect all the information. Our most popular species by far are magnolias and dogwoods. The hardest part was avoiding cars as we stood in the street to study and photograph the tallest trees. We heard many positive comments from neighbors and doormen." The Tree Committee's next step will be to review and double-check the data, and then add it to the Garden Club's website, BackBayTrees.org. Once completed, the website will be a database for all alley trees and front garden trees on private property.

The seven members of the School Committee are Boston residents appointed by the Mayor to serve four-year staggered terms. The Mayor appoints members from a list of candidates recommended by a 13-member Citizens Nominating Panel composed of parents, teachers, principals and representatives of the business and higher-education communities. The Committee also includes a non-voting student member of the

Boston Student Advisory Council.

The School Committee meets approximately twice per month during the school year to adopt, review and modify policies and practices that support teaching, learning and improved student achievement. With the exception of executive sessions, Committee meetings are open to the public, feature public comment periods and are broadcasted on Boston City TV.

D-4 POLICE NEWS

THICK AS A BRICK

On Tuesday, Oct. 23, at around 1:10 a.m., police made an onsite arrest at Banyan Bar, located at 553 Tremont St., for an attempted commercial breaking and entering.

Plainclothes officers, who were on directed patrol in the area due to a string of recent break-ins, set up surveillance in an unmarked vehicle at approximately 12:54 a.m., and approximately two minutes later, observed an unknown male suspect turn the corner from Tremont Street onto Clarendon Street before stopping directly in front of one of the bar's side windows. The suspect was then seen removing a brick from his jacket pocket, which he then proceeded to throw through the window.

When police approached the suspect, he attempted to walk away in the opposite direction on Clarendon Street. Police immedi-

ately intercepted the suspect, read him his Miranda rights and placed him in handcuffs.

Officer asked the suspect why he threw the brick through the window, to which he responded that he was an alcoholic, and was attempting to reach liquor bottles that were visible from outside. The suspect also told police that he had stolen liquor from the establishment "four of five times" using the same manner, the last time being about two weeks earlier.

The suspect was then transported to District 4 headquarters, where he was booked on charges of attempted breaking and entering to a non-residence during the nighttime and destruction of injury of personal property.

Police also learned that the suspect had a straight warrant out of Boston Municipal Court, and the Warrant Unit was duly notified.

GAME OVER

On Tuesday, Oct. 23, at about 11:49 p.m., police working the Fenway Park detail made an on-site arrest at Boylston and Jersey streets.

Officers responded to Game On, a bar located at 82 Lansdowne St. for a report of a suspect attempting to gain entry to the establishment. Police recognized the suspect as an individual who had been removed from the bar several times already that night, but repeatedly returned and demanded entry to the establishment.

After the suspect was repeatedly denied admittance to the bar, he caused a disturbance in front of the establishment by yelling and screaming, as well as threatening staff members.

Police advised the suspect to leave the premises and told him he was no longer welcome at the

establishment, at which time the suspect pointed his finger in an officer's face and cursed at him.

Officers again advised the suspect that he would be placed under arrest if he continued to act this way, but he refused to leave and continued to curse at them.

Police placed the suspect under

arrest and transported him to District 4 headquarters, where he made threats towards officers during the booking process.

The suspect was charged with disorderly conduct, disturbing the peace, trespassing and threats to commit a crime.

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