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City outlines vision for future of preservation

By Dan Murphy

The city is now embarking on an ambitious vision for the future of preservation.

As Murray G. Miller, the city's director of the Office of Historic Preservation, outlined on Tuesday, March 12, at City Hall (and online) during his presentation, 'A Vision for Historic Preservation in Boston,' the city is now undertaking an in-depth analysis of all the processes and procedures within the Office of Historic Preservation itself. The review

a focus on uplifting underrepresented voices, as well as promote affordable housing and environmental stewardship.

(The Boston Landmarks Commission – the city agency charged with identifying and preserving historic properties - operates within the city's Office of Historic Preservation and includes the architectural commissions which oversee historic districts within the City of Boston.)

Longer-term priorities for the

will evaluate city policies with vision include overhauling the Landmarks Commission and replacing Article 85 of the Boston Zoning Code, which allows for demolition delay, as well as supporting efforts to revise the state legislative language for landmark designation in the City of Boston.

> Among the goals that Miller outlined for 'rethinking' Article 85 include "incentivizing the optimization of embodied energy and providing for intensification that leaves a smaller carbon foot

print"; "incentivizing interventions to mitigate climate change and facilitate energy efficiency actions in underserved communities"; and "preserving the history of Boston that is inclusive with a focus on underserved communities."

Commemoration Commission, which would advise the Mayor and appropriate city agencies on planning events to commemorate historic anniversaries for the City of Boston, would comprise three subcommittees, said Miller, including the Events, Exbibits, and Trails Subcommittee; the Timelines, Archives, and Curricula Subcommittee; and the Legislation and Preservation Tools Subcommittee, which would be charged with the reforms for the Article 85 process, as well as with completing a citywide survey of historic buildings.

Meanwhile, Miller said the city has a decade's worth of pending landmarks, some dating

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COYOTE SIGHTED ON BEACON HILL



PHOTO COURTESY OF ERIC MARBERBLATT

A coyote was seen wandering on Anderson St. on Wednesday morning. Shown above is a member of the animal control department catching the coyote to take it to be tested and make sure it is healthy to be relocated. For many residents seeing wildlife like wild turkeys and owls is becoming a common occurrence on the Hill. However having a coyote walk the streets was for many residents a first.

Greater Boston Veteran's inspirational Row Across the Atlantic begins in June

Bryan Fuller, a Greater Boston veteran and rowing record-holder will shove off from a dock in Charlestown in June, with plans to row from Boston to London as part of a team of four on an unsupported journey. He will highlight plans for the trip and answer questions at Cottage Park Yacht Club on Wednesday, March 27 at 7 p.m.

The crew will depart from a Charlestown dock near the Spaulding Rehab Hospital, heading for another dock near Big Ben in London. The unsupported journey will likely take at least fifty days.

Fuller, 54, is a seasoned adventurer from Brookline, Mass., where he operates Power Rowing, an indoor rowing gym. He brings a wealth of experience, having previously rowed the Atlantic from the other direction, leaving the Canary Islands off of Morocco for the Caribbean. Fuller captured the record as the

fastest American to make that more southerly crossing.

Fuller says he has a keen desire to "do the impossible," and plans to raise money for the veterans rowing program at Community

Rowing in Boston. He credits that program for not only teaching him to row, but also helping him survive his own PTSD.

(Fuller, Pg. 5)



Bryan Fuller plans to row from Boston to London with three others to be the first to take that route across the Atlantic. The unsupported trip starting in June is expected to take 50 days.

EDITORIAL

MARCH IS THE CRUELEST MONTH

Spring officially arrived this week, with March 19 marking the vernal equinox. According to meteorologists, "meteorological spring' began even sooner on March 1.

The poet Emily Dickinson extolled the arrival of March ("Dear March-Come in- How glad I am—"). But we always have viewed March as the ultimate tease. Emily Dickinson lived in Amherst, far from the coast, where ocean breezes off the still-frigid Atlantic -- water temps are their coldest in March -- can lower the dreaded wind-chill factor by 10 degrees even on sunny days.

For those of us who have been lifelong residents of Eastern Mass., March is the month on the calendar that we long for with great anticipation after the harsh winter season. But it always disappoints, like an object of desire who fails to live up to our expectations.

Admittedly, these past few winters have not been too tough to take, both in terms of the lack of cold and snow, which environmental scientists tell us is the beginning of a long-term trend of warmer winters because of climate change. Those milder winters have given us all the more reason to hope that March would be even more temperate compared to the past, but our hopes have been dashed by Mother Nature.

To be sure, we had some warm weather last week and the crocuses and snowdrops have been pushing through the ground for a while now, especially in the areas of our gardens in full sun. But the cold weather that is forecast for the coming week, with below-freezing temperatures every night and early-morning, is anything but a harbinger of the coming spring season.

One of the earliest memories of our childhood was learning the aphorism, "March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb." Despite the onset of climate-change, that saying remains as true today as it was

IT'S A SAD, SAD, SAD, SAD WORLD

It is fair to say that for everyone reading this editorial, the world is in a greater state of chaos than at any time in our lives.

Although the decades in the aftermath of World War II brought us the Cold War and two "hot wars" in Korea and Vietnam, plus the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, the world overall was a more orderly place, divided between the Western democracies and the Eastern European Communist autocracies. Everyone knew where they stood and played by the rules. Both sides possessed huge nuclear arsenals that could destroy the other 10 times over, but that equilibrium brought us relative peace thanks to the concept of mutually assured destruction, appropriately known by the acronym MAD.

Even during the height of the Cold War, we could laugh at movies such as "The Russians Are Coming, the Russians Are Coming," and the Beatles could make a parody of Chuck Berry's "Back in the U.S.A.' and the Beach Boys' "California Girls" with their song, "Back in the U.S.S.R."

But since the demise of the Cold War's hierarchy, turmoil has erupted in many places that had been relatively-peaceful. The civil wars that engulfed Somalia, Rwanda, and the former Yugoslavia in the 1990s presaged the terrible situations we have today.

Those relatively-contained civil conflicts have evolved into the ongoing cross-border wars in Ukraine, Gaza, Israel, Syria, and sub-Saharan Africa, where civilians are being bombed, murdered, raped, and displaced by the millions. No one is making jokes about the evils of Vladimir Putin and Hamas or the dire situation in Gaza.

In our own hemisphere, Haiti has collapsed into complete and total chaos, ruled by warring criminal gangs, and the Central American nations of El Salvador and Honduras are not far behind. In Mexico, the drug cartels effectively control large swathes of the country.

Venezuela has descended into desperate poverty despite having oil reserves that made it one of the wealthiest nations in South America just 10 years ago when its GDP was five times what it is today.

Even Chinese citizens are fleeing their country, where there is a huge crisis in the real estate market, because of economic stagnation that has brought record-high unemployment and a lack of opportunity to a nation that had known exponential growth for three decades.

It is estimated that 280 million people worldwide today are migrants, of whom 110 million are refugees, asylum-seekers, and others who are internally displaced people and in need of international protection. Both of those numbers are all-time records and are growing parabolically year-after-year.

The New York Times columnist and best-selling author Thomas Friedman has divided the post-post-Cold War world into two camps -- the nations of order vs. disorder. America remains a beacon, not only among the disorderly nations, but also compared to the industrialized world. We emerged from the pandemic as the strongest economy on earth, with an historically-low unemployment rate and a taming of post-COVID inflation that by far have outpaced our peers in Western Europe and elsewhere.

But despite our success, the news headlines each day inform us that the world today is a sad, sad place, instilling in all of us a sense that our relative strength and stability is fragile and cannot be taken for grant-

Letter to the Editor

THINGS ARE LOOKING GOOD FOR SWIMMERS THIS SUMMER

Dear Editor

Thanks to interagency collaboration between BPS, BCYF, the Public Facilities Department, and the Property Management Department, investments of City funding, and improved facilities assessment, the City is on track to have more pools open this year than in previous summers, including the BCYF Clougherty, Draper, Marshall, and Mattahunt. The BCYF Clougherty outdoor pool is in the midst of a two year renovation and is expected to open this summer with temporary restrooms and changing areas. More information will

be available as we get closer to summer. The BCYF Charlestown Community Center has an indoor pool which is open.

The City also has more opportunities for lifeguards through a residency waiver which allows us to hire more lifeguards and the lifeguard academy and hiring days that BCYF has been hosting in collaboration with the Office of Human Resources. Additionally, through the SwimSafe program the City is providing more free swim lessons for children in partnership with the YMCA of Greater Boston (9 pools), Boys and Girls Club (4 pools). Dorchester House (1 pool), and USA Swimming.

Sandy Holden

MassDOT launches second billboard design contest for MA college students

Special to the Sun

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (Mass-DOT) is announcing the launch of its second National Work Zone Awareness Week billboard design contest, exclusively for Massachusetts college students. The contest aims to raise awareness of work zone safety and encourage drivers to exercise caution when passing through active construction and maintenance projects.

"We're calling for all great ideas for our second annual National Work Zone Awareness Week billboard contest," said Transportation Secretary and CEO Monica Tibbits-Nutt. "Creative designs and advertisement are a powerful way to reach residents and remind them how to keep our construction crews safe."

National Work Zone Awareness Week (NWZAW) is an annual event that brings attention to work zone safety and education around preventing crashes and fatalities in these areas. The theme for NWZAW 2024 is "Work Zones are temporary. Actions behind the wheel can last forever." The main takeaway is while work zones may be temporary, the choices made by drivers in these areas can have far-reaching effects. Whether it's excessive speed, distracted driving, or ignoring traffic laws, poor behaviors exhibited behind the wheel can lead to severe injuries, fatalities, and long-lasting trauma for individuals and families.

MassDOT is taking an active role in promoting work zone safety to protect the men and women working out on the roadway and would like to invite all Massachusetts college students to create a billboard design that promotes the theme and encourages drivers to be cautious when driving through work zones. Massachusetts college students interested in participating should create a billboard design that includes the theme and promotes work zone safety. Review the MassDOT Digital Billboard Design Specifications before preparing your submission.

The contest is open to all students who are currently enrolled in Massachusetts colleges. The winning designs will be selected based on creativity, impact, and

ART DIR: KANE DIMASSO-SCOTT

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News in Brief

CITY SEEKING RESIDENT INPUT

The City of Boston is developing a five-year Consolidated Plan for an estimated \$143 million in funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and we want to hear your thoughts on the needs and priorities of the City. The funds may be invested in housing, homeless assistance and community development programs that serve low- to moderate-income residents over a 5-year period from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2029 through these HUD programs:

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME)
- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)
- Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)

To ensure robust citizen participation, we are offering multiple ways to provide input on the Plan and hope that you will help us get the word out by sharing this email with your contacts and community members. Please encourage them to visit the Consolidated Plan website, complete the Multilingual Survey for Residents, or the Survey for Organizations or submit comments by calling 617-635-0363 or by sending an email to mohcomments@boston.gov.

GIBSON HOUSE MUSEUM BENEFIT SET FOR APRIL 18 AT ST. BOTOLPH CLUB

The Friends of the Gibson House Museum invite you to its annual museum benefit, "The Sporting Life," on Thursday, April 18, from 6 to 8 p.m.at the St. Botolph Club at 199 Commonwealth Ave.

This fun and festive party will offer a nod to the Gibsons and other 19th-early 20th century families who spent much of their leisure time enjoying outdoor activities. The event will honor Community Boating, the oldest public sailing organization in the country, for its mission of breaking down the physical, social, and financial hurdles that sailing frequently presents and providing opportunities for people of all backgrounds and abilities to experience the joys of being on the water.

All proceeds will support the preservation and operation of the Gibson House Museum. Tickets are \$150 and may be purchased via the link above, or by sending a check with the names of your guests to: the Gibson House Museum, 137 Beacon St., Boston, MA 02116.

This year's Benefit features some fabulous raffle items, including tickets to the theater, restaurant gift certificates, a Community Boating membership, a pickleball set, and vintage treasures. You do not need to be present to win. More details, as well as a link to purchase raffle tickets, can be found at

https://www.thegibsonhouse.org/museum-benefit.

SOWA ARTISTS GUILD TO HOLD MARCH EVENTS

SoWa Artists Guild will hold its SoWa Sundays on March 24, and 31, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. All events will be held at 450 Harrison Ave.

Visit http://sowaartists.com, http://facebook.com/ SoWaArtistsGuild, or https:// w w w . i n s t a g r a m . c o m / sowaartistsguild/ for more infor-

'LIVE CLEAN & GREEN' ENVIRONMENTAL EVENT SET FOR APRIL 9 AT ELLIS EARLY LEARNING CENTER

The Ellis neighborhood is sponsoring a significant, environmental-focused event called 'Live Clean & Green' on Tuesday, April 9, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Ellis Early Learning Center at 66 Berkeley St.

At this tradeshow-like event, guests will have the opportunity to interact directly with the city's experts for each of the areas about how one can reduce their environmental impact, including information on free food-waste programs, clean energy, and clean drinking water. The event is hosted by the Ellis South End Neighborhood Association and the city's program managers, and will also include an appearance by special guest, City Councilor Ed Flynn. Light refreshment will be served.

WLP'S ANNUAL FUNDRAISER AND NETWORKING LUNCHEON SET FOR MAY 10

Women's Lunch Place Executive Director Jennifer Hanlon Wigon and M. Lee Pelton, President and CEO of the Boston Foundation, will have a fireside chat at WLP's annual fundraiser and networking luncheon, eat LUNCH give on Friday, May 10, in the Oriental Ballroom at the Mandarin Oriental, Boston. The luncheon begins at 11:30 a.m. and concludes at 1:15 p.m.

Hanlon Wigon and Pelton will address the pressing issues of the housing crisis in Boston, including the shortage of affordable units and the critical need for safe, gender-specific housing for women in the community. The event will be held in the Oriental Ballroom at the Mandarin Oriental, Boston.

This luncheon will include a delicious meal, an opportunity to network with Boston's best and brightest leaders, and an inside look at the context behind Women's Lunch Place's life-changing work from two experts in their fields. There will also be a raffle with local prizes.

All proceeds from the fundraising luncheon will be donated to Women's Lunch Place.

Tickets cost \$200 each and are available online at womenslunchplace.org/elg, along with sponsorships, program advertisements, and opportunities to support the raffle.

MUDDY RIVER CLEANUP SET FOR APRIL 20

The Emerald Necklace Conservancy will be holding its 16th annual Muddy River Cleanup on Saturday, April 20.

The Cleanup is a part of the Annual Earth Day Charles River Cleanup, which takes place throughout the Charles River Watershed, and it builds on a national effort as part of American Rivers' National River Cleanup.

Visit https://www.emerald-necklace.org/volunteer/mud-dy-river-cleanup-2024/ to register and for more information

on the Emerald Necklace Conservancy's 16th annual Muddy River Cleanup.

CHARLES RIVER CLEANUP SET TO RETURN APRIL 19-20

Join the Esplanade Association for the 25th annual Charles River Cleanup - one of the largest Earth Day cleanups in the nation – on Friday, April 19, and Saturday, April 20.

Registration is now open for individual and corporate/large groups; sign up for one or both days online at https://esplanade.org/cleanup/.

FENWAY CDC ANNUAL MEETING SET FOR APRIL 25 AT SIMMONS UNIVERSITY

Fenway CDC's 51st annual meeting will take place on Thursday, April 25, from 5:45 to 8 p.m. at the Linda K Paresky Conference Center at Simmons University 300 The Fenway.

At this time, Fenway CDC will recognize its accomplishments, as well as bestow its annual Community Service awards. Steven Farrell, the group's new executive director, will also discuss his vision for the future.

R.S.V.P. to https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fen-way-cdc-51st-annual-meeting-tickets-847110800207?

PRESERVATION (from pg. 1)

back to the late 1970s, which don't have study reports but have been "identified as an extremely urgent priority." But the city currently has no resources available to clear out this backlog, he said.

The meeting was the second of many planned throughout the city on its vision for the future of historic preservation. Subsequent meetings, which would be specific to each community, would cumulatively incorporate feedback heard from the community at this and other subsequent meetings. The dates for upcoming meetings and other information will be announced on the city's website on this project, said Miller.

BILLBOARD CONTEST (from pg. 2)

relevance to the NWZAW theme. The contest ends on April 19, and the winning designs will be announced on May 1 during the 2024 MassDOT Transportation Innovation Conference. The top 3 designs will be displayed on a series of digital billboards along the highways in Massachusetts throughout the 2024 construc-

tion season. The winning designs will be awarded a scholarship generously provided by the Massachusetts Aggregate and Asphalt Pavement Association (MAAPA). As staunch advocates for roadway safety, MAAPA recognizes the crucial importance of promoting work zone safety and is dedicated to increasing aware-

ness about driving responsibly near work zones.

- 1st place: \$500 and 3-month billboard display (June, August, November)
- 2nd place: \$300 and 2-month billboard display (July, October)
- 3rd place: \$200 and 1-month billboard display (September)

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Culinary scene gears up for Marathon Monday with specials for runners and fans

Special to the Sun

As the excitement builds for the Boston Marathon, the city's dining establishments are lacing up to provide a feast of options. Several local restaurants and hotels are offering special dining experiences for Marathon Monday, and we've rounded up the top choices for you to enjoy the event in true Bostonian style.

Nash Bar & Stage

253 Tremont St., Boston, MA www.nashbarboston.com Opening early at 11:00 am on April 15th, Nash Bar & Stage will feature live music from 2:00pm to 5:00pm and will serve 26.2 brew on draft, complemented by blue raspberry and pineapple swirl soft serve mimosas. Located in the heart of Boston's Theater District, Nash Bar & Stage is a Southern hospitality-inspired venue, also offering dinner and late-night bites.

The Revere Hotel

200 Stuart St., Boston, MA www.reverehotel.com

From April 12-15th, Rebels Guild at The Revere Hotel invites guests to carb-load with a special menu featuring dishes such as Lemon Garlic Shrimp Scampi, Miso Salmon Bowl, and Lobster Mac and Cheese. Immerse yourself in a dining experience shaped by Boston's rebellious spirit.

Little Whale Oyster Bar

314 Newbury St., Boston, MA www.littlewhaleboston.com

For \$20 on April 15, Little Whale Oyster Bar offers Rosé & Sammy Specials, pairing a glass of rosé with a choice of sumptuous sandwiches. This seafood-centric spot is perfect for tourists and locals alike, seeking a New England flavor on the iconic Newbury Street.

Select Oyster Bar

50 Gloucester St., Boston, MA www.selectoyster.com

Select Oyster Bar, known for its high-quality seafood and raw bar, joins in with its Rosé & Sammy Specials for \$20 on Marathon Monday. The restaurant's location near the Marathon route makes it an ideal spot for enjoying the race day excitement.

The Liberty Hotel

215 Charles St., Boston, MA

Clink at The Liberty Hotel will feature a "Carb-Load" Menu on April 14th, with specialty pastas

www.libertyhotel.com

on offer. Marathon Monday at the hotel will include hydration and snack stations, as well as photo opportunities for runners, all set within the historic and luxurious atmosphere of the former Charles Street Jail.

Celebrate Marathon Monday by indulging in these culinary delights across Boston. For more details or to make reservations, please visit the respective websites or contact the establishments directly.

Catholic Schools Foundation receives match support for new donations

Special to the Sun

The Catholic Schools Foundation (CSF) is thrilled to announce a special initiative in support of their signature program, the Building Minds Scholarship Fund. Bill, CSF Trustee, and Jane Mosakowski will generously match one-to-one all new and increased contributions to the fund, up to \$500,000.

The Building Minds Scholarship Fund grants scholarships to over 3,500 low-income students each year who wish to attend Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Boston.

Bill and Jane's match gift

was announced ahead of CSF's upcoming 34th Annual Building Minds Scholarship Fund Gala, taking place at Boston Marriott Copley Place on April 11th, 2024. Thanks to their generosity, every new sponsorship, ticket purchase, and donation made will now have double the impact.

Bill Mosakowski, CSF Trust-

"Jane and I are honored to support the Catholic Schools Foundation's Building Minds Scholarship Fund.

Every child deserves the opportunity to build a brighter future. By matching new and increased contributions to the Building Minds Scholarship Fund, we hope to inspire others to join us in making a lasting impact on the lives of in-need students and their families in the Archdiocese of Boston."

The 34th Annual Building Minds Scholarship Fund Gala is the single largest fundraiser held by CSF, raising over \$4M annually for low-income students to attend Catholic Schools across Boston and the surrounding communities.

Drawing together approx-800-1,000 members imately of the Greater Boston business community and beyond, the event will be chaired by Renee,

CSF Trustee, and Mike Minogue, President & CEO of Minogue Consulting, LLC, and Retired Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer of Abiomed.

Some of the most recognized and influential names in the Commonwealth will be in attendance to honor Rick Henken, President & CEO of the Schochet Companies and former president of the CSF Board of Trustees.

Gala attendees will also have the opportunity to meet over 100 CSF scholars who will be present at the event to share more about their great experiences with the organization and to display school projects they have been working on throughout the year.

Mike Reardon, CSF's Executive Director, commented:

"At the Catholic Schools Foundation, our top priority is the education of our scholars. We're proud to say that 100% of CSF Scholars graduate high

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school, and an impressive 98% matriculate to college.

The Building Minds Scholarship Fund transforms the lives of these in-need students by providing them with a quality Catholic education that will open the door to a wealth of opportunities.

Your support, along with the generous match from Bill and Jane Mosakowski, will help us to continue making a difference in their lives and build brighter futures for CSF scholars. It all starts with you."

The Catholic Schools Foundation would like to thank Bill and Jane Mosakowski for their remarkable commitment to the Building Minds Scholarship Fund. For more information on CSF's 34th Annual Building Minds Scholarship Fund Gala and how you can double your donation, visit www.csfboston. org/34annualgala.

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2 Charlesgate West Public Meeting

APRIL

6: 00PM - 7: 30 PM

Zoom Link: bit.ly/48Tv8rt

Toll Free: (833) 568 - 8864

Meeting ID: 161 480 3716



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Se encuentra disponible el servicio gratuito de interpretación de la información brindada en estas reuniones. Si necesita servicios de traducción, contáctese con: scott.greenhalgh@boston.gov) (617.918.4271). La reunión está programada para el 4/4/2024. Por favor, solicite los servicios de interpretación a más tardar 5 días antes de la fecha de la reunión.

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Period: 4/22/2024

Website

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Teresa Polhemus, Executive Director/Secretary



Notice of Self Storage Sale Please take notice Prime Storage - Boston South End located at 100 Southampton St., Boston, MA 02118 intends to hold an auction to sell the goods stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will

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on 4/9/2024 at 12:00PM.

3/21/24, 3/28/24

Lyric Stage Boston presents 'The Drowsy Chaperone'

Special to the Sun

Lyric Stage Boston charms its way into spring by presenting the fun and fizzy musical comedy The Drowsy Chaperone with Music and Lyrics by Lisa Lambert and Greg Morrison and Book by Bob Martin and Don McKellar.

Directed and Choreographed by Larry Sousa° with Music Direction from Matt Stern, the winter blues will melt away and audiences will be delighted by the jubilations of a good old-fashioned musical comedy that will bring smiles, laughs, and much needed joy. old record crackling away is the perfect cure for the "blues" for a charming but lonely "Man in Chair", our guide into the world of the show-within-a-show, The Drowsy Chaperone. His favorite cast album from the Jazz Age comes to fizzy life complete with a self-admiring showgirl, her ginsoaked chaperone, a saucy Latin lover, a bumbling best man, a clueless soon-to-be groom, and a cornucopia of characters from a befuddled producer, to a dippy hostess and gangsters posing as pastry chefs. This bubbly love letter to musical theater spar-

A comfortable chair with an direct cure for the "blues" for a wedding (or two). kles with one show-stopper after another, mix-ups, mayhem, and a wedding (or two).

Director Larry Sousa° says, "The Drowsy Chaperone pulls off a particularly clever trick: While the show on stage is busy entertaining us with sparkling 1920's musical panache, the actual main event is simmering under the surface, waiting for just the right moment to land a punch to the gut.

It hits me every time. We hope you feel it too, and tell everyone you know: Come to The Drowsy Chaperone for the hilarious, toe-tapping, light-hearted musical love story – and stay for the sucker-punch. It might hurt a little...but it's so satisfying."

Performances begin Friday, April 5 and run through Sunday, May 12.

Featuring Joy Clark*, Yasmeen Duncan, Kristian Espiritu*, Danny Feldman, Maureen Keiller*, Mark Linehan*, Cristhian Mancinas-Garcia, Paul Melendy*, Katie Pickett, Nick Potts, Ilyse Robbins, Kathy St. George*, Carolyn Saxon*, Damon Singletary*, Jared Troilo*, and Todd Yard.

- * Member of Actors' Equity Association, the Union of Professional Actors and Stage Managers in the United States
- ** Represented by United Scenic Artists, Local USA 829 of the IATSE
- ° Stage Directors and Choreographers Society

Five Dollar Fridays

On Friday, April5, Lyric Stage offers Five Dollar Friday which makes tickets affordable for all for \$5 each. There will be a limited number of \$5 tickets available for sale with code DROWSY5. Five Dollar Fridays are possible through the generous support of Jan and Stuart Rose.

"Lyric for All" Affordable Price Options

In an effort to integrate live theater into the lives of all residents of Greater Boston, Lyric Stage offers multiple options including \$30 Under 35, advanced Student Tickets, Senior Tickets, and partnerships with MassWIC and EBT Cardholders that allow audiences to visit as often as they like. More information at: https://www.lyricstage.com/tickets/lyric-for-all/

Artists' Group of Charlestown kicks off their 2024 events with Clean Slate

Special to the Sun

On Friday, March 22nd, the StoveFactory Gallery re-opens with the Artists' Group of Charlestown (AGC) 2024 Spring Exhibition entitled Clean Slate.

This exhibition is curated by AGC Member/StoveFactory Gallery Committee Member, Sioux Gerow, and will include a body of work of art from all forms of media. Clean Slate is a juried exhibition inspired by the change of season. The goal of this exhibition is to present artwork that embodies newness in growth, potential and emergence. More than 150 submissions from nearly 60 artists in an open and public call for art were considered.

Clean Slate also includes two special Guest Jurors, Martha Starr and Kathrine Hackle. Both are AGC Members, StoveFactory Artists, and members of the StoveFactory Gallery Committee. With Sioux, they helped aid in the difficult task of reviewing all of the art submissions, and helped ensure that the pieces in



detail from FACTS About Aging by Sioux Gerow.

the exhibition fit in the theme of the show and were high quality. Clean Slate opens with a reception on Friday, March 22nd from 5:00 – 8:00 PM. It will continue to run the following Saturdays and Sundays March 23rd & 24th, April 6th & 7th, and April 13th & 14th, from 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM. Closed Easter weekend, March 30th and 31st.

About the StoveFactory Gallery and Artists' Group of Charlestown:

The StoveFactory Gallery is a 950-square foot space in a renovated 19th century factory building with exposed beam ceilings, white walls, and windows.

The Artists' Group of Charlestown (AGC), a non-profit organization, was founded in 1996. With grants, generous donors, and dedicated member volunteers, the AGC exists to fulfill its mission: to showcase artists' works and to promote high-quality cultural programming for the local community. The StoveFactory Gallery and Studios are the home of the Artists' Group of Charlestown, where almost all of their programming is held.

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FULLER (from pg. 1)

Joining Fuller are John Lowry, 55, a childhood friend and an orthopedic rehabilitation doctor from Danvers, Mass.; Klara Anstey, 51, a marketing professional and coastal rower from Wales, UK; and Elizabeth Gilmore, 40, a record-holding river rower and indoor rowing world

champion from Richmond, VA. Together, they aspire to set a new speed record for the crossing. Their progress will be monitored by the Ocean Rowing Society.

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Their vessel is a specially designed, 28-foot ocean rowing boat. It contains two tiny sleep-

ing quarters and will be equipped

with essential supplies, including a water desalinator, freeze-dried food, emergency beacons, and advanced communication gear.

Boston Mayor Michelle Wu will see the team off and present them with a gift to bring to the Mayor of London, to mark this historic moment.

April service changes: MBTA continues work to improve reliability across the system

The MBTA today announced Rockport lines. The MBTA will service changes in April on the Silver, Orange, Blue, Red, Kingston, Middleborough, Greenbush, Haverhill, and Newburyport/

continue working to maintain its infrastructure and improve reliability across the system.

Riders can find more informa-

tion on service changes through in-station signage, in-station public announcements, and at mbta. com/alerts. Transit Ambassadors and MBTA staff will be available

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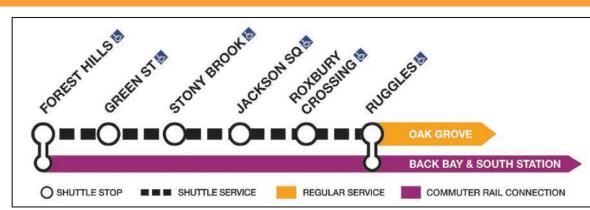
MBTA, @MBTA_CR, and @ MBTA_CR_Alerts for up-to-date service information.

ON THE ORANGE LINE

- Orange Line service will be suspended between Forest Hills and Ruggles stations during the weekends of March 30-31, April 6-7, April 20-21, and April
- Free and accessible shuttle buses will make all stops between Forest Hills and Ruggles.
- The Commuter Rail will be fare-free between Forest Hills,

Ruggles, Back Bay, and South Station. Riders should note that regular Commuter Rail fares should be purchased beyond Forest Hills.

• This service change is in place for crews to perform critical signal and switch improvement work.



ON THE NEWBURYPORT/ROCKPORT COMMUTER RAIL LINE

Commuter Rail Line service will be suspended between North Station and Swampscott during the weekend of April 6-7 and for

Newburyport/Rockport nine days from April 20-28.

• Shuttle buses will make stops between Swampscott, Lynn (within the busway at the legacy station), and North Station.

Chelsea passengers are asked to utilize the Silver Line 3 for service to the downtown area. A dedicated diversion schedule will be in effect and available on

mbta.com soon.

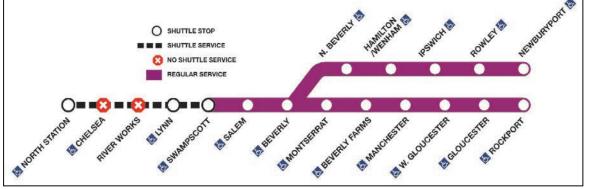
- Passengers should note that this service change overlaps with a planned shuttle bus diversion on the Blue Line. More information is available above and at mbta.com.
- This service change allows for crews to perform Positive Train Control (PTC) / Automatic Train Control (ATC) work. PTC/ ATC is a federally mandated safety system that sends signals to trains about potentially unsafe conditions, automatically slowing and stopping a train if needed.

MBTA previously announced service changes in

March. More information is available here.

The MBTA understands how these service changes affect riders' daily travels during this period, but we are committed to improving your travels long term with more reliable, timely, and safe service. We thank riders for their patience as we deliver this important work and for continuing to ride our system.

For more information, visit mbta.com or connect with the T on X (the site formerly known as Twitter) @MBTA and @MBTA_ CR, Facebook /TheMBTA, Instagram @theMBTA, Threads @ thembta, or TikTok @thembta.



ON THE HAVERHILL COMMUTER RAIL LINE

- Haverhill Commuter Rail Line service will be suspended between Ballardvale and North Station during the weekend of April 6-7 and for nine days from April 20-28.
- A dedicated diversion schedule will be available soon on mbta.com.
- Free and accessible shuttle buses will replace train service between Reading and Oak Grove where passengers can connect to Orange Line subway.
- A free and accessible shuttle bus will also provide service between Reading and Anderson/ Woburn for connections to the Lowell Line and Haverhill Line.
- Regular Commuter Rail fares will be collected between

Haverhill and Ballardvale.

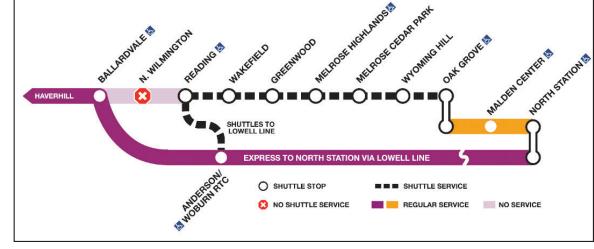
- The shuttle service between Reading and Oak Grove will stop in Wakefield, Greenwood, Melrose Highlands, Melrose Cedar Park, Wyoming Hill, and Oak Grove.
- North Wilmington Station will not have shuttle bus service with passengers encouraged to utilize Lowell Line service at Wilmington Station instead.
- Train service for passengers between Ballardvale and Haverhill will be re-routed along the Lowell Line after Ballardvale, making one additional stop at Anderson/Woburn and then running express to North Station. Riders desiring service to or from

Reading and Oak Grove should

disembark at Anderson/Woburn and board the shuttle bus service.

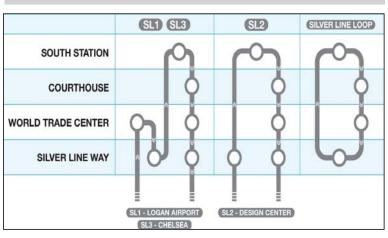
- Bus Route 137 will be fare
- This service change allows crews to perform Automatic Train Control (ATC) work. ATC is a federally mandated safety

system that sends signals to trains about potentially unsafe conditions, automatically slowing and stopping a train if needed.



- Red Line service will be suspended between Broadway and Ashmont stations on the Ashmont Branch and between Broadway and North Quincy stations on the Braintree Branch during the weekend of March 30-31 as previously announced as well as the weekend of April 6-7
- Free and accessible shuttle buses will make all stops between Broadway and Ashmont / North Quincy.
- There will be free fares at Broadway and North Quincy stations with the fare gates open. Riders boarding Mattapan Line trolleys at Ashmont also do not have to pay a fare.

ON THE SILVER LINE



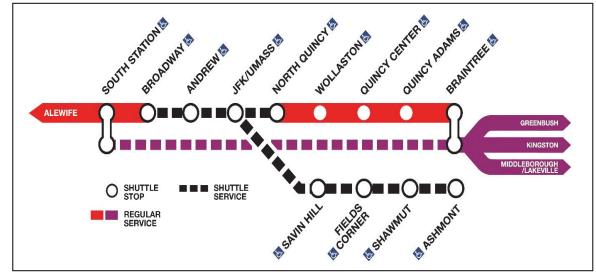
- Silver Line Routes 1, 2, and 3 will operate at the street level beginning at approximately 8:45 PM through the end of service on April 6.
- Riders can make connections at the following street-level stop locations:
- Connections for South Station can be made on Summer Street @ Atlantic Avenue (at the Federal Reserve Building)
- Connections for Courthouse Station can be made at Congress Street @ Thompson Place.
- Connections for World Trade Center Station can be made on Congress Street @

World Trade Center Station.

- Connections for Silver Line Way Station (outbound) can be made at 601 Congress Street.
- Connections for Silver Line Way Station (inbound) can be made at Congress Street @ The Renaissance Hotel (between D Street and Harborview Lane).
- This service change will allow for the removal of the overhead wire system from the west side of D Street to the end of Silver Line Way. Silver Line buses operate on battery power in this area, making the overhead wires no longer necessary.

ON THE RED LINE

• This service change is in place to allow crews to perform necessary work as part of the Dorchester Avenue Bridge Replacement Project. Originally built in 1925 and last rehabilitated in 1975, the bridge will be replaced to protect its structural integrity and ensure reliable service. When complete, this project will result in safer, more reliable Red Line service. The MBTA will also perform upgrade work to the Red Line signal system.



ON THE KINGSTON, MIDDLEBOROUGH, AND GREENBUSH COMMUTER RAIL LINES

- Kingston, Middleborough, and Greenbush Commuter Rail line service will be suspended between South Station and Braintree Station during the following days and times:
- As previously announced, beginning at approximately 7:30 PM through the end of service on Friday, March 29, and continuing all day from start to end of service during the weekend of March 30-31.
- Beginning at approximately 7:30 PM through the end of service on Friday, April 5, and con-

tinuing all day from start to end of service during the weekend of April 6-7.

- Free and accessible shuttle buses will replace trains between South Station and Braintree. Express shuttle buses will operate directly between South Station and Braintree. The diversion schedule will be available online soon at mbta.com/Commuter-Rail.
- Passengers should note that bicycles are not allowed on shuttle buses, and regular Commuter Rail fares will be collected

between Kingston, Middleborough, Greenbush, and Braintree stations.

- Keolis Customer Service Agents, MBTA staff, and Transit Ambassadors will be on site at impacted stations to support riders.
- This service change is in place because these Commuter Rail lines run adjacent to the Red Line where Dorchester Avenue Bridge Replacement Project work is taking place.

ON THE BLUE LINE

- Blue Line service will be suspended between Bowdoin and Orient Heights stations beginning at approximately 8 PM through the end of service each day from April 9-11.
- Free and accessible shuttle buses will make stops between Government Center and Orient Heights.
- Riders should note that shuttle buses will not stop at Bowdoin station. Riders can instead utilize shuttle buses at Government Center, which is about a quarter mile away (or about a four-minute walk).
- This service change is in place as part of the MBTA's Track Improvement Program.

Crews will perform track and tie replacement work with the goal of removing speed restrictions near Aquarium Station. Crews will also maximize the outage by performing signal work and station amenity upgrades, including new lighting, painting, tiling, and power washing, and more.

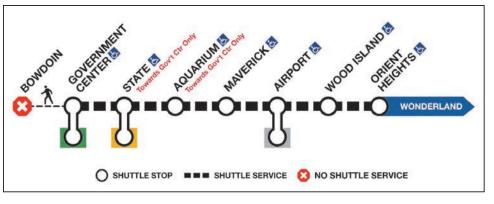
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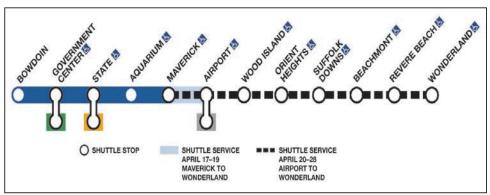
Blue Line service will be suspended between Maverick and Wonderland for three days from April 17-19 and between Airport and Wonderland for nine days from April 20-28.

• Free and accessible shuttle buses will make stops at all stations.

• This service change is in

place as part of the MBTA's Track Improvement Program. Crews will perform track and tie replacement work with the goal of removing speed restrictions on the Blue Line; infrastructure upgrades; station amenity upgrades like new lighting, painting, tiling, and power washing; and more





CITY PAWS

Irish Dogs

Big or Small: Bred to Work

All these dogs were bred to work for hunting, retrieving, and destroying vermin. The largest, The Irish Wolfhound

is said to be able to run down and kill a wolf. Despite its size and background, the breed is described as quiet, affectionate, loyal to its family, and, with proper training, good around children and other dogs.

Our first experience with a Wolfhound was when we walked our very feisty Westie Sassy around our suburban neighborhood. Down the street trotted Toby, a pony-size Wolf-

(Irish Dogs Pg. 9)



The AKC reported, "Irish Wolfhounds were documented in Rome as early as the year 391 A.D. They were presented to the Roman Counsel as gifts..."

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Since March is a month when we celebrate all things Irish, we'd like to introduce you to a few dog breeds originating in Ireland. Some, such as The Irish Wolfhound, Irish Setter, Irish Red and White Setter, Irish Water Spaniel, and Irish Terrier, carry their heritage as part of their breed names.

A few carry an Irish place name, such as the Glen of Imaal Terrier, Kerry Blue Terrier, and Kerry Beagle. However, you

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6:00 a.m. Sunrise Gathering on the Charles

66 Marlborough St @ Berkeley

might be surprised to learn that the very popular Soft-Coated Wheaten Terrier also traces its ancestry to the Emerald Isle.

We've met quite a few Wheatens, Irish Setters, and Wolfhounds over the years. All three made the top 100 in the American Kennel Club's (AKC) Most Popular Dog Breeds list at numbers 66, 71, and 89, respectively. We've had rare sightings of the Kerry Blue, Glen of Imaal, and Irish Setter but have never had the opportunity to see the others in the fur.

UNIVERSALIST

Readings of renewal and hope. Bring a poem if you like. 11:00 a.m. Service: "Resurrecting Hope" Rev. Dr. Stephanie May | Music by the First Church Boston Choral Ensemble Learn more: firstchurchboston.org/easter

CLEAN SLATE

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EBNHC appoints Gioioso as VP of Campus Operations

Special to the Sun

East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC), soon to be NeighborHealth, announced the appointment of John Gioioso, CFM, MCR as Vice President of Campus Operations. Bringing with him over 30 years of experience in the healthcare and financial asset management sectors, Gioioso will support and advance the health center's commitment to expanding access to care and providing a patient-centered healthcare experience in its facilities.

As Vice President of Campus Operations, Gioioso will be responsible for overseeing the operation of more than 20 properties owned and leased by EBNHC for patient care and administration, as well as spearheading new development and renovation projects in the communities EBNHC serves, including East Boston, Revere, Everett, and Boston's South End.

Former Vice President of Campus Operations Stephen

John Gioioso.

Fraser will be instrumental in helping transition John into his new role and will continue to work closely on a part-time basis with EBNHC leadership to execute special projects across the EBNHC campus as he transitions into retirement.

"With campus locations across Greater Boston, we are confident that John's extensive knowledge and experience will help ensure that our health system provides

an exceptional environment for patient care," said EBNHC Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Dr. Ryan Boxill. "We at EBNHC would also like to extend a great deal of gratitude and thanks to Stephen for his many years of service which have been invaluable in creating an environment that facilitated exceptional care to our patients."

Prior to joining EBNHC, Gioioso oversaw project management for Mass General Brigham's Northshore Physician Group's clinic locations. In this role, he expertly managed new development and renovations, while working with both contractors and the community to promote best-in-class standard operating construction procedures. Gioioso is also well-versed in tenant fit-ups and built environment enchantment project management from his time with commercial real estate firm Keypoint Partners.







Reception: Friday March 22, 5:00 - 8:00

GALLERY HOURS: Saturday and Sunday 12:00 - 5:00



March 23 + 24 | April 6 + 7 | April 13 + 14 | Closed Easter Weekend

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IRISH DOGS (from pg. 8)

hound, with his person. Sassy, who was highly territorial, gave a sharp bark and a low growl. Toby took one look at her, made a U-turn, and moved away at a much faster pace.

Unfortunately, we could only get to know Toby when Sassy was not with us. Worse, the encounter gave Sassy the mistaken confidence that if she scared away that giant, she could take on horses, cows, and any other large animal she met.

On the other end of the size scale, the AKC writes about the small but mighty Glen of Imall Terrier: "They were bred to hunt small prey, such as rats, as well as larger targets, such as foxes and badgers (which could weigh more than the dogs, at up to 40 lbs). According to legend, Glens also had a role in the kitchen, turning a specially designed meat-cooking device called a turnspit—think of a dog-operated rotisserie."

Irish Dog Names

We may have a few Irish dogs in the area, but many more dogs have Irish names. In our

neighborhood, we've known dogs named Shamrock, Murphy, Erin, Quinn, Fiona, Bailey, Riley, Killian, Brady, Finn, and Finnigan. Perhaps it's this area's Irish heritage or just a love for the sound of Celtic words.

Dog's in Irish Pubs

If, like us, your imagined view of an Irish pub includes dogs sitting beside the men at the bar or under the tables, it's not current. That image comes from popular culture and another age.

From the 1950s until the rules changed in 2017, owners of establishments that served food were only allowed to let service dogs inside. Today, the law is about the same as it is in Boston and some surrounding towns and cities. It is up to the restaurant or pub owner to decide if they will allow companion animals, and they must meet a set of rules to do so.

Do you have a question or topic for City Paws? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest. com with your request.

GIOIOSO (from pg. 8)

"As an East Boston native, I am excited to bring my expertise to a community so close to my heart," said Gioioso. "I look forward to ensuring that EBN-HC's properties continue to be well-maintained and represent the best in community-based patient care."

In addition to his leadership role at EBNHC, Gioioso is an adjunct professor at Boston University and Wentworth Institute of Technology. Gioioso holds a masters' degree from Cambridge College with a concentration in facilities management. He received his bachelor's degree in management from Suffolk University and his associate's degree in management from Northshore Community College.

Community College.
East Boston Neighborhood Health Center is one of the nation's largest Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and the largest community-based primary care health system in Massachusetts, serving over 120,000 people and recognized by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) as a National Quality Leader. For more than 50 years, EBNHC has

offered access to comprehensive

primary care, specialty care and emergency care for patients in the Commonwealth. In a first-of-its-kind merger in 2020, EBNHC joined forces with the South End Community Health Center and expanded services to patients who live and work in Boston's South End and Roxbury neighborhoods.

borhoods. EBNHC champions innovative care models to actively bridge health equity gaps in our low-income and immigrant communities with services unique from other health care providers in our state. In addition to primary and specialty care, EBNHC operates Massachusetts' only satellite Emergency Department, which is the fourth busiest ED in Boston and is co-located with advanced radiology, including CT scan services, same-day Behavioral Health Urgent Care and an integrated pharmacy. Today, EBNHC remains dedicated to promoting and sustaining healthy communities, families, and individuals both in and out of the exam room by providing accessible, person-centered, compassionate, and high-quality

health care services.

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Join the Gibson House Museum and the Forbes House Museum for tea!

Special to the Sun

Tea was a favorite beverage in 19th century Massachusetts, savored by men and women alike for entertaining and relaxing.

Join the Gibson House Museum in Boston and Forbes House Museum in Milton as they welcome visitors for a joint program of enjoying and appreciating tea.

Visit the Gibson House on Saturday, April 6, at 11 a.m. or Sunday, April 7, at 4 p.m. for an engaging tour that explores the world of tea through the lens of 19th century domestic life and global trade. Then, join the Forbes House on April 21 for an afternoon tea service at 2 p.m., complete with assorted teas, scones and cakes.

"There are many stories and

themes we don't often get to explore on our house tours, so we are thrilled to dive into the 19th century world of tea in partnership with the Forbes House," Said Sarah Hagglund, museum and program coordinator at the Gibson House Museum. "This program is the perfect opportunity to show just how well our museums pair together."

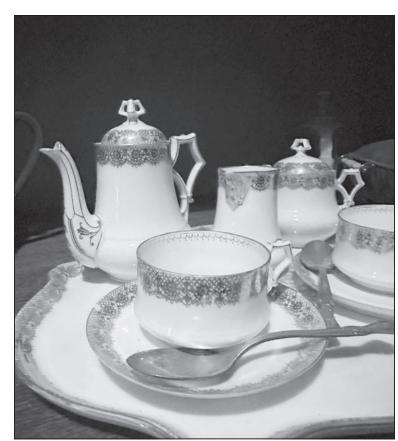
The Gibson House Museum, located at 137 Beacon St. was home to three generations of Gibson family members and their household staff between 1859 and 1954. The museum preserves the 19th-century rowhouse and its collections, relating the lives of the Gibson family and their employees in a way that resonates in the 21stcentury.

"We're excited to partner

with another independent house museum that highlights how 19th-century stories can continue to appeal today," said Heidi Vaughan, the Forbes House Museum's executive director, in a press release. "The Gibson House tour is a terrific complement to our afternoon tea on National Tea Day."

Built in 1833, the Forbes House Museum at 215 Adams St. in Milton has been a National Historic Landmark since 1966. The house belonged to four generations of the Forbes family, who were prominent in the 19th-century China Trade and also generous philanthropists and avid collectors. Inspired by the family legacy, the museum fosters discourse around civic engagement and cultural awareness.

Tickets are \$50 for members and \$60 for non-members and



COURTESY OF GIBSON HOUSE MUSEUM

Enjoy house tours and afternoon tea at the Gibson House and Forbes House.

include both the house tour and afternoon tea. Space is limited;

tickets are available at www. thegibsonhouse.org/events.

FBI Boston Division recovers and returns 22 historic artifacts to Japan

Special to the Sun

The FBI Boston Division has recovered 22 historic artifacts that were looted following the Battle of Okinawa and has orchestrated their return to the Government of Japan, Okinawa Prefecture. These artifacts had been missing for almost 80 years. A formal repatriation ceremony will be held in Japan at a later

The 22 artifacts, some of which date back to the 18th and 19th centuries, represent a significant piece of Okinawan history and include six portraits, (three of which were one piece and appear to have been divided into three pieces), a hand drawn map of Okinawa dating back to the 19th century, and various pieces of pottery and ceramics.

In 2001, the Okinawa Prefectural Board of Education, as a result of its participation in the U.S. Department of State's International Visitor Leadership Program, registered some of these artifacts with the FBI's National Stolen Art File (NSAF), a database of art and cultural property that have been reported stolen

to the FBI by law enforcement agencies in the U.S. and abroad.

"It's incredibly gratifying when the FBI is able to recover precious cultural property that has been missing for almost 80 years," said Jodi Cohen, Special Agent in Charge of the FBI Boston Division. "This case highlights the important role the public plays in recognizing and reporting possible stolen art. We'd like to thank the family from Massachusetts who did the right thing in reaching out to us and relinquishing these treasures so we could return them to the people of Okinawa."

Last year, a family (who wishes to remain anonymous) was going through their late father's personal effects and came across what appeared to be very valuable Asian art. Their father was a World War II veteran, but never served in the Pacific Theater. In an effort to identify the provenance of the artifacts, they checked the National Stolen Art File and determined that at least four of the items were missing 18th century portraits that had been listed in the database.

Included with the artifacts was

an unsigned, typewritten letter stating these items were collected

(FBI RECOVERY Pg. 11)

SERVICE DIRECTORY





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Real Estate Transfers

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BACK BAY Bjm Realty LLC	Chheng, Sunnuarith	182 Beacon St #9	\$950,000
Calabia, Diana	286 Beacon St Unit 9 Nt	286 Beacon St #9	\$1,300,000
Robbins, Seth	Loretta T Attardo RET	324-332 Beacon St #166	\$1,500,000

BEACON HILL

Balmtorth, Jonh B	2 Hawthorne PI #2-56	\$500,000
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Brown, Deborah B	6 Whittier Pl #17A	\$420,000
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Dale 3rd, Louis	Howland, Charles A	298 Columbus Ave #3	\$1,100,000			
Ep3 Investment LLC	251 West Newton St Nt	251 W Newton St	\$3,900,000			
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485 Harrison Ave Rt	Steven J Cohen RET	485-495 Harrison Ave #609	\$3,550,000			
Verity, Jon	Avery Jr, Mark F	2 Rollins St #D205	\$422,478			
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WATERFRONT/DOWNTOWN

Adrienne F Dion REŤ	Sullivan, Brendon	220 Commercial St #5C	\$900,000		
Miller, Laura	Dagene, Francesco M	25-27 South St #1	\$1,100,000		
Lam, Man S	Bui, Irene D	151 Tremont St #15S	\$810,000		

FBI RECOVERY (from pg. 11)

an unsigned, typewritten letter stating these items were collected in Okinawa during the last days of World War II.

The FBI conducted a logical investigation and was able to authenticate the artworks.

"It's an exciting moment when you watch the scrolls unfurl in front of you and you just witness history, and you witness something that hasn't been seen by many people in a very long time," said Geoffrey Kelly, an FBI Boston Special Agent, and Art Crime Team member. "These artifacts are culturally signifi-

cant, they're important pieces of Japan's identity. These were especially important because they were portraits of Okinawan kings dating back to the 18th, 19th centuries. This case really illustrates part of the work we do on the Art Crime Team. It's not always about prosecutions and putting someone in jail. A lot of what we do is making sure stolen property gets back to its rightful owners even if it's many generations down the road."

The National Museum of Asian Art at the Smithsonian Institute assisted the FBI in ensuring that the artifacts were properly packaged for transport back to Japan.

"The FBI reached out, asked us for some help making sure they knew how to care for the works and that they had a safe place to store them while they worked out the repatriation details," said Danielle Bennett, head of collections management at the National Museum of Asian Art at the Smithsonian Institute. "It's an honor to be able to help the works go back to their home."

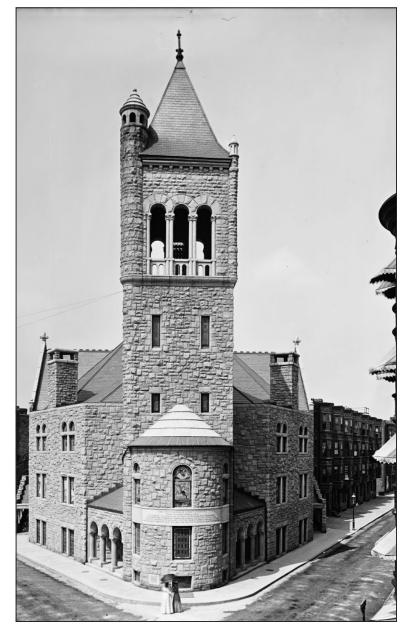
The FBI also thanks the U.S. Army Civil Affairs & Psychological Operations Command (Airborne) 38 G Monuments Men and Women, the Naval Criminal Investigative Service, and the U.S. Air Force for their assistance in securing and transporting the artifacts to Okinawa Prefecture, Japan.

On Friday, March 15, 2024, Denny Tamaki, the Governor of Okinawa Prefecture, announced the return of the artifacts to the people of Okinawa, Japan, in a news conference stating "it is very meaningful that the FBI, along with others in the U.S. Government, have cooperated to realize this return."

Attention to Detail

PHOTOS AND TEXT BY PENNY CHERUBING

THIS WEEK'S ANSWER



The bell tower in the last clue is on the Mother Church on the Christian Science Plaza. Today's answer is a historic photo from a time before the plaza was created and the church was set in a neighborhood of homes.

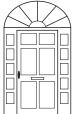
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