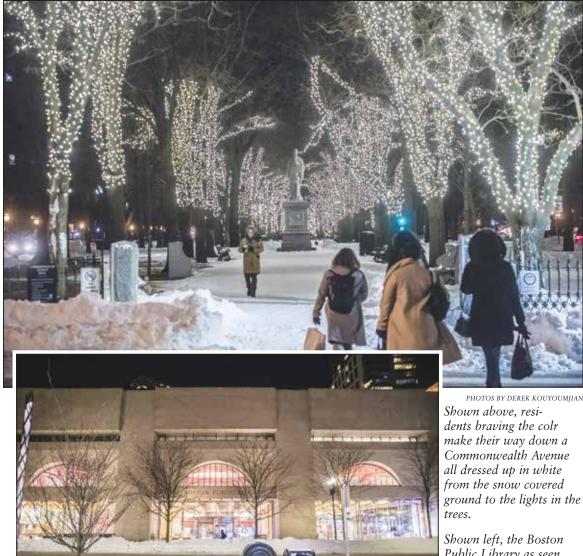


## NOR'EASTER LEAVES 2+ FEET OF SNOW IN BACK BAY



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Shown left, the Boston Public Library as seen from across the street with mounds of 2+ feet of snow in view.

## SELDC hears third advisory review for proposed building at 1395 Washington St.

#### By Lauren Bennett

The South End Landmark District Commission (SELDC) heard a third advisory review for a proposed multi-family building with retail on the ground floor at 1395 Washington St.

Architect Dartagnan Brown

went through some of the proposed changes, the biggest of which is the removal of the seventh floor that was presented at the last hearing, as height was a major concern.

"We are complying with the height now," Brown said. There is a 70 foot limit, and the proposed building is now six stories and would stand at at 69 feet, 11 inches. "We'll still keep the same ground floor presence," he said, but the Floor Area Ratio has decreased and the unit count has decreased from 35 to 33 units.

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## Boston City Councilors Mejia, Anderson, and Worrell introduce an ordinance to establish a Commission on Reparations

#### Staff Report

On Wednesday, Feb. 2, Boston City Councilors Julia Mejia, Tania F. Anderson, and Brian Worrell introduced An Ordinance Creating a Commission to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African Americans. This ordinance will formally establish a commission whose goal is to, among other things, collect data and document historic harms and inequities experienced by African Americans in Boston, create forums/spaces in the Boston community to gather/ share information regarding historic harms and conditions, and to develop a report with specific reparations proposals to address historic and contemporary

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# Women's rights trailblazer, Anne T. Barron, dies at 100

#### By Dan Murphy

Anne T. Barron, a trailblazer for women's rights in the 1970s following the passage of the Equal Rights Amendment, died on Friday, Jan. 21, at her Longfellow Place home. She was 100.

Born on Oct. 30, 1921, to Hermann Frankfort, an accountant, and Sara Nunez Vaz, a homemaker born and educated in Great Britain, Anne grew up in Brooklyn. She was awarded a scholarship to attend the erstwhile Traphagen School of Fashion in Manhattan after high school. By the time she graduated from the prestigious program, the U.S. had entered into World War II, however, and Anne was unable to find work in the fashion industry and returned to live with her parents.

Anne put what she had learned in art and design school to use during this time and turned her attention to creating artwork. She was also taking courses at Brooklyn College when she met her future husband, Edward Bar-

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# Upcoming walking tour focuses on Colonial New Englanders' drinking habits

#### By Dan Murphy

Colonial New Englanders drank roughly three times as much alcohol as Modern Americans, and an upcoming walking tour will explore this phenomenon before making its way to the Green Dragon, one of the city's most historic watering holes.

The program, called "Fox'd and Fuddled: Colonial Cocktail Walking Tour," takes place on Saturday, Feb. 19, with proceeds benefitting both of its sponsors – Historic New England and the West End Museum.

The tour begins at 3 p.m. at Otis House, located at 141 Cambridge St., with a brief, spirited illustrated introduction to the drinking habits of colonial New Englanders presented by Michael Maler, Historic New England's Metro-Boston regional site administrator.

Maler's presentation will examine why colonial New Englanders drank so much, as well as what and where they drank, specifically taverns.

"Taverns played a big part in the whole progression of how much they drank and became really the center of social, business, and political life," he said. "They encouraged more drinking to the point where there were laws enacted based on consumption for economic reasons and moral reasons – one of the most famous is the tax put on whiskey, which led to the Whiskey Rebellion.

What's particularly surprising is how much they drank on any given occasion, said Maler, where it was a birth, a death, the

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PHOTO COURTESY OF JEREMY BELL Jeremy Bell as Ambrose Gosling.

# EDITORIAL

# TEACHER SHORTAGE

## WAS INEVITABLE

An article in the Wall St. Journal this week highlighted yet another area of a labor shortage in the country that has been fueled by the COVID-19 pandemic:

"Burned out teachers are leaving the classroom for jobs in the private sector, where talent-hungry companies are hiring them-and often boosting their pay-to work in sales, software, healthcare, and training, among other fields. The rate of people quitting jobs in education rose more than in any other industry in 2021, according to federal data. Many of those are teachers exhausted from toggling between online and classroom teaching, shifting Covid-19 protocols and dealing with challenging students, parents, and administrators. According to LinkedIn, the share of teachers on the site who left for a new career increased by 62% last year."

It was inevitable that COVID-19 would impact the field of education.

Public school teachers have long been the most-underpaid and under-appreciated groups of workers in our country.

The pay for teachers has been substandard for decades in the U.S. compared to many other countries, but the teaching profession always has attracted those who truly have a love for teaching and who have been willing to work for less pay in return for what had been a rewarding career path.

But it has been only fairly recently that teachers have become a favorite foil for the usual suspects (i.e., Republican politicians) in our overheated political environment in which teachers are deemed the enemy and not worthy of respect.

Now, thanks to COVID-19, teachers have been pushed over the edge and are leaving the profession in droves for greener pastures where their skills, abilities, and work ethic actually are appreciated.

The Wall St. Journal article goes on to say:

"The exodus is worsening a nationwide teacher shortage and proving a boon to hiring managers in industries such as IT services and consulting, hospitals, and software development. Teachers' ability to absorb and transmit information quickly, manage stress, and multitask are high-demand skills, recruiters and careers coaches say. Classroom instructors are landing sales roles and jobs as instructional coaches, software engineers, and behavioral health technicians, according to LinkedIn.'

The Biblical admonition, "As ye sow, so shall ye reap," finally has caught up with us -- and teachers today now are able to take advantage of another, more-modern aphorism: "Take this job and shove it."

# PRES. BIDEN'S

## **SUPREME COURT PICK**

There has been criticism from the usual suspects regarding President Joe Biden's declared intention to choose a Black woman for the U.S. Supreme Court seat to fill that of Justice Stephen Breyer, who announced his imminent retirement last week.

We'd like to make two comments:

First, there are thousands of lawyers, of all races, ethnicities, and genders, who are qualified to be a Supreme Court judge. Statements such as those by U.S. Senator Roger Wicker of Mississippi that the selection of a Black woman constitutes "affirmative racial discrimination" are both absurd and offensive.

Second, we firmly believe that every institution in our democracy should reflect the diverse make-up of our country. It is axiomatic that the only way that the three branches of our government can be truly representative of our citizenry is to be composed of those who bring the unique life experience of every American to that institution.

We applaud Joe Biden's commitment to broaden the breadth of our

nation's highest court by appointing a Black woman for the first time in the court's history.

We look forward to the perspective that she will bring to the highest court in the land in this, the third decade of the 21st century, bringing us another step closer to fulfilling the promise of the words written in the Declaration of Independence 246 years ago.

# GUEST OP-ED

# America's crumbling bridges, can we save ourselves?

#### By Dr. Glenn Mollette

The Forbes Avenue bridge over Fern Hollow Creek in Pittsburgh's Frick Park collapsed last Friday morning, January 28th with several vehicles, including a Port Authority bus, on the span at the time. The bridge that collapsed is known as the Fern Hollow Bridge, used by an estimated 14,500 vehicles daily. (From Pittsburgh Action 4)

Ten people were injured. No one was killed when the bridge buckled at 6:39 a.m., officials said, though four people were hospitalized with injuries that were not life-threatening. President Biden who was ironically visiting the area warned that the country might not be so lucky next time. "We don't need headlines saying that someone was killed when the next bridge collapses," Biden said. (Washington Post)

"The most recent report using 2021 data showed more than 43,500 of the country's roughly 615,000 bridges were rated poor. That number is about 4,000 less than those reported to be in poor condition nationally in 2017." (WHYY Public Broadcasting)

In the last fifty years America has seen horrific bridge collapses.

• The Hyatt Regency Walkway, Kansas City, Missouri, 114 deaths, July 17, 1981.

• Big Bayou Canot, Outside Mobile, Alabama, 47 deaths, September 22, 1993.

• Silver Bridge. Between Point Pleasant, West Virginia and Gallipolis, Ohio, 46 deaths, December 15, 1961.

• Cypress Street Viaduct, Oakland California, 42 deaths, October 17, 1989.

• Sunshine Skyway Bridge, St. Petersburg, Florida deaths, May 9, 1980.

• I-40 Bridge, Webster Falls, Oklahoma, 14 deaths, May 26, 2002.

• Cline Ave, East Chicago Indiana, 14 deaths, April 15, 1982.

• I-35 West Bridge, Minneapolis, MN, 13 deaths, August 1, 2007.

• Schoharie Creek Bridge, Fort Hunter, New York, 10 deaths, 1987.

• Sydney Lanier Bridge, Brunswick, Georgia, 10 deaths, November 7, 1972 . (CNN. Com)

The cost of repairing 45,000 structurally deficient bridges, which are on average 68 years old, is \$41.8 billion, using data from the US Department of Transportation. 36% of all bridges need replacing, while 22% need structural work, 19% need rehabilitation work, 18% need widening or rehabilitation and 5% need deck work.(Global Construction Review)

As we consider rebuilding our bridges and other infrastructure, we have to face our current \$29 trillion gross federal debt. This is held by the public as well as by federal trust funds and other government accounts. We are our own biggest creditor with Japan being second and China third. \$29 trillion is greater than the size of the economies of China, Japan, Germany, United Kingdom and India combined. This amounts to \$87,000 per person in our country.

Researchers at Brown University estimate that the U.S. has spent \$5.8 trillion on the war in Afghanistan and other conflicts stemming from the September 11, 2001 attacks. That includes direct and indirect spending on everything from military equipment to homeland security to death gratuities for the families or slain American service members." (Watson.Brown.Edu.)

Will Russia's military maneuver on the Ukraine border cost America? Whenever there is a problem in the world we go regardless of the cost. The problem is we don't have any money, our bridges and other infrastructure are crumbling. We are in debt and dependent on Taiwan and China to even completely build an automobile. We have become a poor nation because of our indebtedness and dependence on foreign countries. A friend of mine received his Covid-19 test in the mail last week and even it was made in China.

If we don't rebuild our infrastructure, including regaining energy and technology independence, and manage our debt, we won't be able to help ourselves.

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### COMMISSION ON REPARATIONS (from pg. 1)

inequalities resulting from structures and policies which have produced harm. The ordinance was written by Dr. Jemadari Kamara, Chair of Africana Studies Department of UMass Boston, and Yvette Modestin, founder and director of Encuentro Diaspora Afro.

"This is about Black liberation, honoring those whose shoulders we stand on, and planning for those who come after us," said Yvette Modestin, who co-authored the ordinance alongside Dr. Kamara. "The self determination of the Black Boston community to define for ourselves what reparative justice looks like is crucial. But this is just the beginning. It's about mind, it's about feet, and it's about heart."

In October of 2021, the Bos-

ton City Council held a hearing on reparations and its impact on the civil rights of Black Bostonians, during which several community members came forward urging the Council to help create a commission to explore what reparations will look like in Boston. This ordinance is the result of that work.

"It should not be lost on us that we are filing this shortly after the passing of Senator Bill Owens, who pioneered reparations efforts way back in the 1980s," said Councilor Mejia on Wednesday. "We have an obligation to pick up where he left off. We are calling for this reparations commission today because of a history of segregation and injustice in Boston, and the way we have gone about addressing that is by centering the community and letting them lead the change."

"It is past time to compensate the descendents of those who were enslaved and forced to labor without pay for centuries, who suffered another century of legalized segregation, redlining, and other racist laws, and who continue to be victimized by current racism in jobs, policing, housing, education, and healthcare," said Councilor Anderson.

"Our nation has a long and painful history of slavery, segregation, and discrimination that has impacted countless Black and Brown people," said Councilor Worrell. "This Commission will finally create an official venue for these important conversations that will expose truth and lead to reconciliation and true equity within our City."

# Avram Goldberg, former president of Stop & Shop, dies at 92

#### By Sun staff

Mr. Avram Goldberg, former president of Stop & Shop, father of state Treasurer Deborah Goldberg, and a resident of the Back Bay, died on Sunday, Jan. 30. He was 92.

Born in 1930, Mr. Goldberg was married in 1950 to the future Carol Rabb Goldberg, whose family founded Stop & Shop in 1814 in Somerville. He would assume the role chairman of the Stop & Shop in 1985, while his wife served as president of the company. They both stepped away from their respective roles with the company in 1989. Mr. Goldberg had previously worked for Stop & Shop parttime while attending Harvard as a member of the Class of 1951, and Harvard Law School, where he graduated from in 1954.

"Our deepest condolences to the Treasurer, his loving wife of 73 years, Carol Goldberg, the entire family, and to everyone who knew Avram and enjoyed his bright presence," read a statement from Treasurer Goldberg's office.

Of his passing, Rep. Jay Livingstone said, "Mr. Goldberg was a very generous and giving man. He will be missed."

# SELDC (from pg. 1)

At the last hearing, the team presented a seven story building with a metal panel base and a light gray colored brick for the facade. Now, the proposal has shifted to a more reddish-toned brick, and "we've really looked to break down the scale of the sixth floor in addition to eliminating the seventh floor," Brown said.

Brown then went through a list of things the team heard last time and has responded to, starting with the proposed floor heights.

He said that they have "adjusted the floor heights and headers to align with the building on the right, but understanding how the coursing of the mullions and the frame adjust to the building on the left."

Additionally, the cornice line that "separates between retail and residential" on the front facade has been widened to create a "very delineated ground floor base" and creates more opportunity for different signage options, Brown said. The windows have also been changed to reflect those of South End proportions, and the metal paneling has been removed from the ground floor proposal. Instead, cast stone will be used, "delineating between the retail and the residential in a much more deliberate manner," Brown said.

Lastly, the massing has been broken up and the "heavy framing" has been removed, and glass will be used instead of metal for the Juliette balconies.

Brown also said that the team is working with the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) to extend the sidewalk and curb in front of the building to enhance the pedestrian experience.

He spoke a little bit about the newly proposed materials as well, and how they will shift to darker colors and more reddish-toned brick instead of the light gray that had been previously proposed. The metal mullions will be a darker charcoal color on the retail portion of the ground floor, and a brass color on the residential entry, which is on the righthand side of the building.

"It's very clear that you guys listened and thought very hard about this," said Commissioner John Freeman. "It's wonderful how far it's come."

Freeman said that he likes the newly proposed materials, but had a couple of constructive comments to offer as well.

"The first most important thing you need to do in my mind is pick up something from the building on the left," he said, suggesting "either a parapet or something small in the detail." The building to the right of this proposed one is a more contemporary building while the one on the left is a historic building.

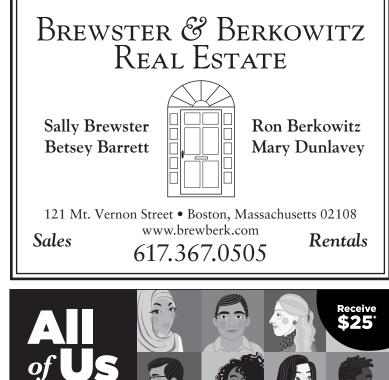
Additionally, Freeman said "I would like to see a little more articulation in the residential entry," as "South End residential entries are usually very articulated."

Commission Fabian D'Souza also said "I'm really happy with the amount of improvements," but made a comment about how before, the colors were too light, and he worried that now they may be too dark. He did acknowledge that "sometimes renditions can be inaccurate."

SELDC Chair John Amodeo said that for the materials on the top floor, "I would advocate for going warmer rather than cooler."

Amodeo said that "this has come a really long way. We're talking about an approvable project here, I think. We want you to come prepared to your first application hearing."

This project is currently undergoing Article 80 Small Project Review with the BPDA, so once the board approves the project, it will head to the Zoning Board of Appeal seeking relief for zoning violations. If that relief is granted, it will then come back before the SELDC for a design review and vote from the Commission.



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# EBNA hears liquor license request for new restaurant, chats with Jon Santiago

#### By Lauren Bennett

The East Berkeley Neighborhood Association (EBNA) held their Feb. meeting via Zoom on Feb. 1, where members and neighbors discussed a liquor license request for a new restaurant in the Troy, a business spotlight on Berkshire Bank, and had a conversation with State Rep. Jon Santiago.

#### LIQUOR LICENSE REQUEST:

Jim Cochener of Coda Restaurant Group and Tim Hawkins, General Manager of SRV Boston, came before the EBNA to talk about a new restaurant they hope to open in the Troy before the end of the year.

Coda Restaurant Group operates The Salty Pig and SRV, and are now looking to open a full service, "Mediterranean-focused" restaurant that will offer a raw bar, as well as other seafood and grilled items along with vegetarian options in a "sharedplate" style, Hawkins said at the meeting.

He said the hope is to transfer the all-alcohol license from Coda, which closed in 2020.

Hawkins said that the hours are "still a little bit muddy," but

the restaurant will probably open at around 4pm. He said that the license right now is until 1am, but there's "no way we'd be open until 1am every day."

There is also no set opening date, though the team is aiming for fall of this year.

Hawkins said that they are "hoping to offer a good value to the community" with a "casual price point."

The restaurant will have about 100 seats inside with an additional 16 seats at the bar, and around 20 on the patio on East Berkeley St.

EBNA President Leslie Fine brought up an issue with Area Four, the restaurant that was in this space but has since closed. She said that there were issues with the dumpster, including that "it was en eyesore because it was not monitored properly." Because it was overflowing, it created a problem with trash and rodents in the area, as well as an issue with odor in the summer. "Some of the people around there are concerned about that," she said.

The team said that they will ensure that is not a problem with their new restaurant, adding that they will speak with the landlord

the restaurant will probably open of the building to come up with at around 4pm. He said that the solutions to address that problem.

The team also said they will keep EBNA updated as plans become more concrete for this new restaurant.

#### BERKSHIRE BANK— BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Hans Bastien of Berkshire Bank spoke on behalf of the bank and answered some questions from neighbors.

"It's well-documented what we do from a philanthropic and charitable standpoint," Bastien said. "We do have quite a niche as far as working with not-forprofits in particular."

Bastien described Berkshire Bank as a "neighborhood bank" that gladly welcomes all in-person transactions while simultaneously offering a full range of online banking options.

"We are also a very traditional bank in the sense of how we deliver customer service," he said, adding that people can call the bank directly with any questions they may have.

The bank offers safe deposit boxes in multiple sizes, and reimburses ATM fees, "including foreign fees," he said.

A question was asked about

notary services, which Bastien said the bank does offer, even if a person does not have an account with Berkshire Bank.

Resident Jane Braydon expressed that she feels the bank "doesn't feel like a neighborhood bank anymore," because she said she noticed a number of new faces and people rotating in and out often instead of the same faces. She said that "a familiar face or two at the bank" is important to her.

"It certainly is challenging," Bastien said, as many industries are facing high rates of turnover right now. "What I will say is you may see changing faces," he said, but "there is a theme in terms of the culture that Berkshire tries to create."

#### CONVERSATION WITH JON SANTIAGO

State Rep. Jon Santiago said that though he has not officially announced his campaign for re-election, he intends to do so, and that because of redistricting, his district will now include the East Berkeley area.

The changes to the district maps will go into effect with this year's election.

Santiago lives in the South

End with his wife, who is 36 weeks pregnant with their first child. Aside from his role as a State Rep., he is also an emergency room physician at Boston Medical Center, has served as a Peace Corps volunteer, and is a captain in the Army Reserve.

He spoke about several issues he's worked on, including the crisis as Mass and Cass and "attempting to decentralize services." He said as a Sate Rep., he works to get funds for issues like this, and also works with the city on various issues. He said he has a "great relationship" with City Councilor Ed Flynn.

Aimee Coolidge thanked Santiago for his involvement with the community, and asked "from a clinical perspective," what he thought was the "best way to respond" to those dealing with addiction as well as what he thinks of safe injection sites.

Santiago said that not everyone has a true grasp on "how challenging the issues are for these patients," as many of them face mental health and housing issues on top of their substance use issues.

He said that it's not as sim-

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reading of a will, the founding of a new country, or any other "excuse."

"Then came temperance, which was the backlash against this, but that's another walking tour," added Maler.

Following Maler's presentation, the walking tour makes it way to the Green Dragon, where guests will meet Jeremy Bell, whom Maler describes as a "Beacon Hill celebrity."

Bell, now in his mid-50s, immigrated to the U.S. from Scotland around 30 years ago, and has lived on Pinckney Street for the last five or six years. During the pandemic, he was dubbed the "Pinckney Piper" for his habit of roving the neighborhood's streets while playing his bagpipes – something he did on 80 consecutive Saturday nights.

A multi-instrumentalist, Bell has returned to his steady gig, singing and performing Irish songs solo on acoustic guitar from 3 to 6 p.m. every Saturday and Sunday at Emmets Pub & Restaurant on Beacon Street. He also plays banjo on the occasions when he joins his son, violinist Calum Bell, as the younger Bell leads five or six other fiddlers for weekly sessions, which take place at Emmets every Saturday from 9 p.m. to midnight.

For the upcoming walking tour, however, Bell will adopt the persona of Ambrose Gosling.

Ambrose Gosling, who died at age 70 in 1757, was, along with his brother, James, one of the sons of William Gosling, an English wine and spirits merchant, and together, they helped build the company that would become Bermuda-based rum manufacturer Gosling Brothers Limited.

For the past 24 years, Bell has worked for Gosling Brothers while adopting Ambrose's guise for appearances at events, such as boat shows and stops on the PGA tour, where he talks about the history of the rum while donning 18<sup>th</sup>-century attire.

"As the costume shows, Goslings is an old Bermudian company, and there's so much history around rum, which links perfectly to Boston because there's so much history between rum and Boston – remember rum made Paul Revere fall off his horse," said Bell.

Gosling Brothers now operates under the leadership of Malcom Gosling, the seventh generation of his family to run the company to date.

At the Green Dragon, Ambrose Gosling will be serving Dark 'n Stormys, the Goslings' patented drink comprising its dark rum mixed with ginger beer, among other colonial cocktails, while offering up a pinch of George III's snuff, which was commonly paired with rum during colonial times.

Ambrose will also be serenading tour-goers with what Maler describes as "tastefully bawdy" colonial songs on concertina, a small free-reed instrument from the same family as the accordion.

"It's really fun of bringing history to life and learning about the history of colonial times by starting at a museum and ending up at a tavern," said Bell. "I love that Michael and Historic New England have moved out of the lecture hall and into the public tavern to bring colonial history alive with this fun event. The Green Dragon is also just a classic, very famous Irish bar, and if it goes well, we'll be doing more of these."

In the meantime, Bell was on hand playing his bagpipes for a scotch tasting on Jan. 28 at the Union Club, and an upcoming "Rum on the Hill" program with Bell as Ambrose Gosling at 1928 Beacon Hill is now in the works as well.

"Fox'd and Fuddled" also marks a return to in-person programming for Historic New England, which has gone largely virtual since the pandemic struck.

"Given the limited number of attendees and the protocols in place, it seemed like a good segue way into the things that people might be more comfortable, especially since we'll also be walking outside and [gathering in] places not filled to capacity," said Maler.

In 2011, Historic New England in Newbury sponsored a program called "Ales and

Tales," with participants taking on the role of the accused for recreations of the quarterly court trials from the 17th century. Dinner, with beer and ale, was also served as part of the program.

"This will be the same the same type of fun environment and interactive experience with Ambrose leading them in songs, and he's a storyteller akin to tavern entertainment that would've been commensurate with the colonial period," Maler said of the upcoming walking tour,

The "Fox'd and Fuddled: Colonial Cocktail Walking Tour" takes place Saturday, Feb. 19, from 3 to 5 p.m., starting at Otis House, 141 Cambridge St. Guests must be at least 21 years old, masked, and provide proof of vaccination, as well as ID. Admission is \$55 per person and includes one complimentary drink at the Green Dragon.

Visit <u>https://my.historic-</u> <u>newengland.org/12656/</u> <u>hgo-cocktail</u> to purchase tickets, or call Historic New England at 617-994-5959 for more information.

# Bay Village's Mike & Patty's looks to expand to JP

#### By John Lynds

A popular Bay Village sandwich shop that has made a name for itself among foodies is looking to open its fourth location in Jamaica Plain.

Mike and Patty's, owned by Ania Zaroda and Michael Gurevich, signed a lease last year to open up its latest location at the former Sorella's at 386 Centre St. Sorella's, the neighborhood's landmark breakfast joint, called it quits in March 2019 after 36 years in business.

Zaroda and Gurevich have launched an online crowdfunding site at https://mainvest. com/b/mike-pattys-boston to raise needed capital to get the business up and running. The duo has already raised \$52,000 towards a \$100,000 goal.

"The Jamaica Plain restaurant space requires minor remodeling as well as updated utilities and equipment," wrote Zaroda and Gurevich. "While we've self-funded two other locations, we believe Mike & Patty's Jamaica Plain - our largest and first dine-in location - is an exciting opportunity to bring the community into our business."

Funds raised will be used for construction costs to finish remodeling the restaurant space, code-compliant commercial kitchen equipment and initial operating expenses.

Those who decide to invest will be rewarded according to Zaroda and Gurevich.

A \$300 or more investment gets you a Mike & Patty's T-Shirt. Invest \$500 or more and you'll get a Mike & Patty's Hoodie. Those who invest \$1,500 or more get a full breakfast for 20 people. Invest \$2,000 or more and you'll receive tickets to the Mike &Patty's launch party. If you invest \$5,000 or more you'll become a "Sandwich King" and get a Mike & Patty's sandwich named after you and will run on the shop's menu for a minimum of one month. A \$10,000 or more investment gets you a Mike & Patty's sandwich of your choice every day for a year. For a \$20,000 or more investment the owners will throw a private party for you and 35 guests. Finally, with a \$25,000 or more investment you'll get Mike & Patty's sandwiches for life.

Owners Zaroda and Gurevich purchased the original Mike & Patty's location in Bay Village in 2012 and fell in love with the business of providing an amazing breakfast experience to both Boston locals and out-of-town visitors.

"Breakfast has always been our favorite meal of the day, and we've been able to expand our Tiny Sandwich Shop to two other locations in the greater Boston area," they said.

In 2018 Mike & Patty's expanded to Somerville and then to Newton in 2021.

"Our mission is to create an unforgettable craft casual food



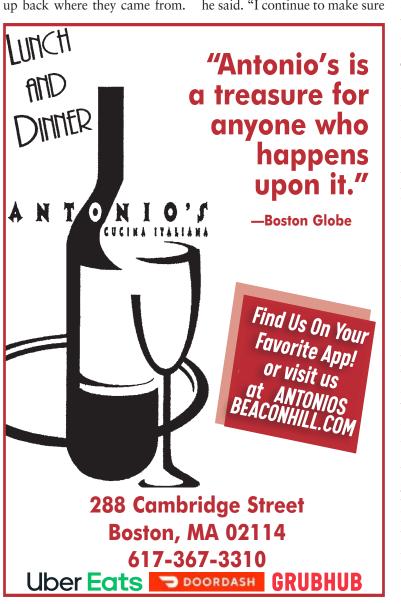
A sandwich from Mike & Patty's. Mike & Patty's looks to expand to Jamaica Plain this year.

experience that inspires guests to spread the word," said Zaroda and Gurevich.

Mike & Patty has been featured on the Phantom Gourmet and over the years Eater Boston wrote they had one of the best breakfast sandwiches in Boston, and Boston Magazine named Mike & Patty's Carolina Caviar sandwich one of the best in the city.

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ple as offering services to these patients, as many refuse and end up back where they came from.



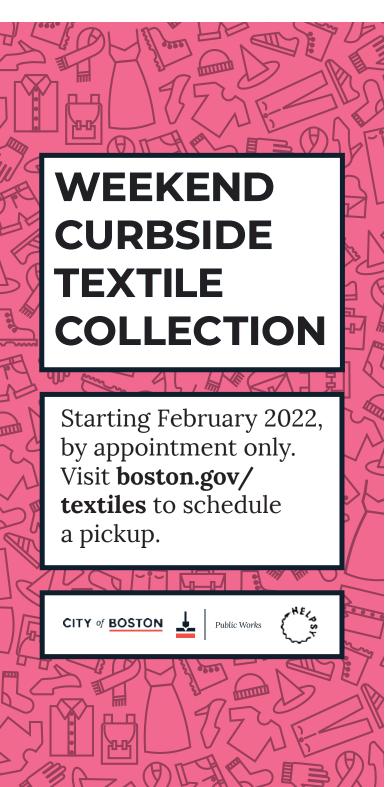
"You have to keep on asking and working and being empathetic," he said. "I continue to make sure their voices are elevated."

As for safe consumption sites, Santiago said "I do think they work," but he said that there are different models to look at. He said in places like Montreal and Toronto, they are "spaced out" and "really came out of the community health center movement" as well as the "needle exchange movement."

He said, "I think they are a potential option," but "from a policy perspective and a legal one," it would be challenging. "I think the political will in the State House is not there yet."

He said that with "several methadone clinics" as well as homeless shelters and the Boston Medical Center in the Mass/Cass area already, he "would not be in favor of putting [a safe injection site] in the South End." He said that as someone who is aiming to decentralize services, having a safe injection site in an area where so many other services are already concentrated would not help the issues.

Santiago encouraged residents to reach out to him at jon.santiago@mahouse.gov with any questions, comments, or concerns. Either he or a member of his team also try to make it to community meetings to get a feel for resident concerns as well, he said.



## SCENES FROM AROUND THE BACK BAY THIS WEEKEND





Shown above and below, snowy scenes from the Back Bay neighborhood.

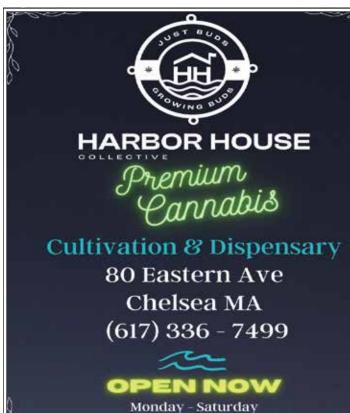




Friends stop for a selfie while skating in the Frog Pond in the Boston Common.







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## SCENES FROM AROUND THE BACK BAY THIS WEEKEND



A group of friends making their way through a snowy Public Garden.



The entrance to Copley Station, flanked by snow on all sides.



One resident made snow penguins alongside the ducks in the Common.



The Public Garden looking like a winter wonderland following the storm.

## COUNCILOR KENZIE BOK CHATS WITH SENIORS AT THE FENWAY COMMUNITY CENTER

Photos courtesy of Tracey Hunt of the Peterborough Senior Center

District 8 Councilor Kenzie Bok spoke with seniors from the Peterborough Senior Center at the Fenway Community Center on Jan. 27. "So great to chat with our @ oppeaceboston Fenway seniors @ @FenwayCommunity yesterday!" Bok tweeted on Jan. 28. "We talked about housing, transportation, & my work to get enhanced city snow clearance for pedestrians."



City Councilor Kenzie Bok chatted with Fenway seniors on Jan. 28.



Fenway seniors had a conversation with Councilor Bok about transportation, housing, and improving snow clearance in the city.

## ANNE BARRON (from pg. 1)

ron, who owned the bookstore next to the school.

After they were married, Anne and Edward settled at Clemson (S.C.) College, where Edward was stationed in the Army. The couple then decided to move to a small town after World War II, and Edward eventually bought a piece of a business based in Gloversville, N.Y., located in the Adirondacks, about 60 miles northwest of Albany, that manufactured leather goods, such as gloves and bags. Since Edward had personally designed a style of boots, the company started manufacturing and selling his patented leather boots.

The company eventually moved its boot operations to Malone, N.Y., a gloomy, perpetually cold town located about 12 miles south of the Canadian Border. At Anne's insistence, the couple relocated to Providence, R.I., in the early 1950s, when Edward got a job for a company there designing boots both for military personnel, as well as for civilians.

Edward later received a job offer to work at the Natick Army Labs, a military research-and-development workshop, and the couple relocated to Framingham, where they would live for the next 20 years.

In 1955, Anne found work at the U.S. Army's office on State Street. She worked there for about six to eight months before she was transferred to the Natick Army Labs, where Edward also worked and where she had wanted to be from the start. At Natick Army Labs, Anne also helped establish the Federal Women's Program, becoming its manager in 1974.

Anne joined the Business and Professional Women's Foundation, and in 1972, when the Equal Rights Amendment was passed by the U.S. Senate and sent to the states for ratification, she was at the forefront of the women's rights movement. (On Jan. 27 of this year, the ERA was also ratified as the 28<sup>th</sup> amendment to the Constitution.)

In 1977, Anne was elected chair of the Massachusetts Coordinating Committee for the National Observance of International Women's Year, and in this role, she traveled from one end of the state to the other alongside then-Massachusetts U.S. Rep. Margaret Heckler to educate women on the ERA,

That same year, Anne attended the Women's Rights Convention in Seneca Falls, N.Y. as well as the National Women's Conference in Houston, Texas, now considered a watershed moment for second-wave feminism.

Anne was also named the Woman of the Year by the Framingham B.P.W. Club in 1975. She also received the Most Outstanding Achievement in Providing Equal Opportunity in the Department of the Army in 1975 during a ceremony at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C.

Due to the efforts of Anne and other like-minded activists, women were assigned to the board of directors of some major corporations, she said, while major strides were also made regarding childcare. Anne and others also advocated for women to be hired as police and firefighters, which then seemed like a farfetched idea.

"The whole thing was to make people aware of the situation because you could go into any large company at that time, and you would find men mak-



Anne T. Barron is seen last October celebrating her 100th birthday.

ing big salaries and the women – forget about it," Anne told this reporter in October on the eve of her 100th birthday. "We made progress, but I wouldn't say that's changed anything for most women. Most [women] still think wrong, or not at all, and allow themselves to be used."

After two decades at Natick Army Labs, Anne left to take a position with the National Park Service as the EEO coordinator overseeing all the national park in New England. "Now, I was in a position to do something in government," recalled Anne. She personally visited all the national parks in her territory, where she successfully lobbied to get the NPS to hire more women.

On the eve of her retirement on Sept. 27, 1985. Anne received the National Park Service's outstanding achievement in the area of equal opportunity.

In retirement, Anne kept busy volunteering for myriad nonprofits and other organizations.

At the Museum of African American History, which later gave her a lifetime achievement

(ANNE BARRON Pg. 9)



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# District Attorney Hayden forms Community Advisory Committee

#### Staff Report

District Attorney Kevin R. Hayden announced the formation of a Community Advisory Committee to assist in the evaluation of the District Attorney's Office, its bureaus, units, and supervisory functions, and examination of the impact of key SCDAO policies.

"Community engagement will be the cornerstone of everything my administration does. I am delighted to have such a sterling group help review procedures and policies and make recommendations so that the Office will continue to be a guiding force in legal strategy and reform," Hayden said. "Community input is critical to building trust in this office. This process is focused on structures, functions, and results. I believe the staff here is filled with professional, talented individuals dedicated to serving the people of Boston, Chelsea, Revere and Winthrop. It will be important to have outside leaders and specialists who live, work and worship in Suffolk County provide their point of view as we move forward."

The volunteer committee of 18 will be co-chaired by Robert Gittens and Reverend Dr. Ray Hammond and will begin its work immediately.

Gittens is passionate about the welfare of children and families and has spent his career serving the public including as Commissioner of the Department of Youth Services, Secretary of Health and Human Services, and Vice President for Public Affairs at Northeastern and First Assistant District Attorney in the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office. He previously played a distinguished role in the community as Chairman of the Massachusetts Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee. He currently serves on the boards of the Children's League of Massachusetts, the Massachusetts Nonprofit Network and Commonwealth Care Alliance, and is the executive director for Cambridge Family and Children's Service.

Hammond co-founded Bethel A.M.E. Church with his wife, Gloria, and is the co-founder and chairman of the Ten Point Coalition, an ecumenical group of Christian clergy and lay leaders mobilizing the Greater Boston community around issues affecting Black and Latino youth, and an Executive Committee member of the Black Ministerial Alliance. He also serves as a trustee on many institutions, including the Yawkey Foundation, BMC Health System, the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation, and the MATCH School. He previously served as chairman of The Boston Foundation. Rev. Hammond is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and is the recipient of numerous honors and honorary doctorates.

Other members are:

• True-see Allah is the Director of Reentry at the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security for the State of Massachusetts and brings the lived experience of a returning citizen to the committee.

• Daniel Bennett, a CEO of companies in the private sector

including Liberty Forensics and a former Secretary of the Executive of Public Safety and Security who oversaw significant reforms at Bridgewater State Hospital and First Assistant of the Worcester County District Attorney's Office;

• Jim Borghesani, a communications executive who oversaw communications strategy for the successful 2016 ballot initiative to legalize marijuana, he has held several top communication positions in state government;

• Andrea Cabral, a former Secretary of the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security, and twice elected Sheriff of Suffolk County, and was Chief of the District Courts at SCDAO; she is currently CEO of a multi-state cannabis company;

• J.W. Carney, Jr., is a renowned criminal defense attorney who began his career as a public defender and is a contributing author to the treatises on Massachusetts Criminal Practice and has been listed in The Best Lawyers in America since 1998. Carney also has been a member of the Massachusetts Judicial Nominating Commission for 20 years;

• George Hardiman is an attorney with more than 25 years' experience, he was a prosecutor in SCDAO and also litigated securities fraud cases for the Secretary of State's office. He has been in private practice for almost 18 years.

• Lisa Howard is the Superintendent of Winthrop Public Schools and a past board member of the Massachusetts Administrators for Special Education, she is a lifelong resident of Win- R throp; C

• Nancy Hurley is an attorney focused on criminal defense and a member of the board of Suffolk Lawyers for Justice;

• Byron Knight, a former Suffolk ADA who joined the Patrick Administration as special counsel to assist in providing discovery with all parties affected by the Hinton Lab drug scandal and later served a Deputy Legal Counsel for Governor Deval Patrick, is a lawyer with a focus on criminal defense;

• Sandra M. McCroom is president and CEO of Children's Services of Roxbury, which provides comprehensive childcare services to economically disadvantaged families and previously served as for Criminal Justice in the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security;

• Kristen Palma is a former victim witness advocate at SCDAO who became public affairs director of the Massachusetts Office for Victim Assistance;

• Kourou Pich is executive director of HarborCOV, which provides services and opportunities that promote long-term stability for people affected by violence and abuse, she began work there in 1998 as the Cambodian advocate. Kourou has served as a consultant for the Women of Color Network since 2011;

• Paul Popeo is co-chair of Choate's litigation department who has served as a special assistant attorney general and special Suffolk ADA;

• Pastor B. Christopher Sumner is chief of operations executive at the Salvation Army Ray & Joan Kroc Community Center of Boston and associate Pastor at Jubilee Christian Church. Previously he's served as Executive Director of the Boston Ten Point Coalition the Blue Hill Boys and Girls Club of Boston;

• Marjorie Pauléon Tynes, an attorney and former Suffolk ADA and victim witness advocate, is a member of teaching team at Harvard's Trial Advocacy Workshop;

• Gladys Vega is executive director of Chelsea's La Colaborativa, who played leadership roles in organizing for immigrants' rights, welfare rights, tenants' rights, open space and the environment, multicultural and anti-racism programs and in numerous grassroots campaigns.

Suffolk County District Attorney Kevin Hayden's office serves the communities of Boston, Chelsea, Revere, and Winthrop, Mass. The office handles some 20,000 cases a year. More than 160 attorneys in the office practice in nine district and municipal courts, Suffolk Superior Court. Massachusetts Appeals the Court, the Supreme Judicial Court, and the Boston Juvenile Courts. The office employs some 300 people and offers a wide range of services and programs to serve anyone who comes in contact with the criminal justice system. This office is committed to educating the public about the services we provide, our commitment to crime prevention, and our dedication to keeping the residents of Suffolk County safe.

#### ANNE BARRON (from pg. 8)

award, Anne served as a docent and would sometimes lend a hand in writing lectures for them.

Anne was also one of the founding board members of the Friends of the West End Branch Library and helped them organize used-book sales, as well as lectures and music programs.

For many years, Anne also served on the board of the Citywide Friends of the Boston Public Library, a volunteer, community-based group that supports all of the city's branch libraries.

And at the Otis House Museum, Anne worked on a project to locate surviving members of the Otis family and was able to add her artistic flair by creating a chart for the endeavor.

Anne also volunteered for a program that sent birthday cards to every Senior Health patient at Mass General Hospital. She helped send cards to around 2,000 patients annually, each of which had to be signed by their individual doctors, until the program was suspended after about 10 years due to a lack of funding.

Additionally, Anne volunteered for the National Park Service in the Charlestown Navy Yard, and she is a lifetime member of the Government Center Childcare Corporation, a state-licensed childcare services provider that offers day care programs for young children.

But despite her myriad accomplishments and accolades, Anne told this reporter in October that, above everything else, she most cherished the time she spent with family.

"What stands out the most in my life is my family," said Anne. "My family wanted to know what I was doing and whether they could help me out, and they always wanted to be present [for me]. If you're lucky enough to have family like I do, they're the best in the whole world and rise to the occasion, if necessary, as several friends I have would do, too."

Anne and Edward shared more than seven decades of marriage, before he died at the age of 100 on Oct. 21, 2018, and while they didn't have any children, they were very close with their extended family.

Anne spent her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday last October surrounded by 14 relatives who traveled from New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, California, Florida, and North Carolina to fete her at a dinner party at Anne's home at Longfellow Place, where she had lived as an original tenant since 1976.

President Joe Biden even sent

Anne a personally signed letter for her 100<sup>th</sup>.

"Your strength and perseverance helped shape this Nation into what it is today and defines what it means to be a member of the Greatest Generation," the letter reads in part. "This milestone serves as an inspiration to your fellow Americans."

City Councilor Kenzie Bok also offered Anne an official resolution on behalf of the Boston City Council in recognition of Anne's service to the National Parks and the West End community on Oct. 30, 2021, Anne's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Since Anne always had a special affinity towards giraffes, which she described as "quiet, majestic, beautiful animals," two of her relatives from Florida, Leah and Glenn Bergoffen, adopted a giraffe that lives at the Tampa Zoo and named it "Lilleeanne" in Anne's honor as a birthday present to her.

Every Friday, Anne joined family members for a Zoom call, and while inevitably at least one regular participant wouldn't be on any given call due to scheduling conflicts, they were all on hand for the last call, which took place shortly before Anne died on Jan. 21.

"It almost seemed like she waiting to say goodbye to us all," said Rick Gold, one of Anne's relatives from New Jersey who was also on hand for her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration.

The timing of Anne's passing also seemed apt, said Gold, since it was the same day that the first woman to command the USS Constitution, Cmdr. Billie J. Farrell, took charge of the warship.

# ABCD, city's EITC program in full swing in South End and Chinatown

#### By John Lynds

Most people don't want to think about it but it's the time a year to begin thinking about filing 2021 tax returns. For many working people in the South End and Chinatown there's some relief from the confusing process of figuring out taxes.

Action for Boston Community Development's (ABCD) South End Neighborhood Service Center, 554 Columbus Avenue; the

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Asian American Civic Association, 87 Tyler Street, 5th floor; or the Harrison Avenue Head Start & Children's Services, 595 Harrison Avenue are all offering free tax help. The offices will be opened Monday through Friday to help begin the tax filing process.

Taxes for qualifying residents can be done through appointment by calling the offices or by calling ABCD Connect at 617-348-6329.

ABCD President/CEO John Drew is urging residents who earned \$58,000 or less in 2021 to schedule an appointment at the Kennedy Family Service Center and take full advantage of the program.

Drew said this year EITC provides a married couple with three or more children earning up to \$57,414 and filing jointly with the maximum federal 2021 EITC of \$6,728 plus the state EITC of \$2,018 for a total EITC of \$ 8,746. For details regarding family size and payments, see bostonabcd.org/tax-assistance.

EITC can also be accessed retroactively for the previous three years, so eligible taxpayers can qualify for a sizable sum.

Drew noted that ABCD has worked with people buried under a mountain of debt, people who felt they were out of options and who didn't know they qualified for EITC. The IRS estimates one out of five eligible taxpayers will not claim EITC and will lose out on this important credit.

In addition, taxpayers who were eligible to receive the American Rescue Plan payment of \$1,400 but did not receive the full amount in 2021 can claim

the Recovery Rebate Credit against their 2021 income tax.

For two decades ABCD has worked in tandem with the Boston Tax Help Coalition. ABCD played a significant role in founding the coalition in 2001.

Last week, Mayor Michelle Wu urged qualified residents to take advantage of the free tax help.

"Boston residents can save hundreds of dollars per household through the Boston Tax Help Coalition's free tax preparation," said Wu. "Staff and volunteers will also help eligible residents receive the highest Earned Income Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit possible. These free resources are not only a valued resource to thousands of Boston residents, but serve as a model for similar programs around the country."

## LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE INVITATION TO BID FIRST CHURCH IN JAMAICA PLAIN - TOWER MASONRY REPAIRS (R2)

First Church in Jamaica Plain, the Awarding Authority, requests bids for structural masonry repair and restoration at the tower of their church at 6 Eliot Street, Jamaica Plain. Massachusetts, which is listed in the State and National Registers of Historic Places. The project is being partially funded with a grant from the Massachusetts Preservation Projects Fund (MPPF) through the Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC). All work must be performed in accordance with the documents prepared by and available from the architect: Spencer Preservation Group, 41 Valley Road, Suite 211, Nahant, Massachusetts 01908 (617-227-2675) and meet the Secretary of the Interior's "Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties". State law prohibits discrimination. Awarding of this contract is subject to Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity

auidelines Bids shall be evaluated on the basis of price, previous experience with similar types of construction projects, ability to perform the work in a timely manner, and references. All bids must be submitted to the architect no later than 5:00 PM, Thursday, February 17, 2022 to be eligible for consideration. 2/03/22

**LEGAL NOTICE** 公聽會通知

波士頓重建局(商業 名稱為波士頓規劃與 發展局「BPDA」) ,根據《波士頓分區 法規》(「法規」) 第80C-5節,特此通 知將於2022年2月10 日星期四下午5:40舉 行遠程公聽會,以考 慮SCD 380 Stuart Street, LLC.對於麻塞 諸塞州波士頓Stuart Street的1號規劃開發 區(位於380 Stuart Street) 提交的擬議 修訂和重述發展計劃 第一修正案。公聽會 將在波士頓城市電 視台(XFIFY第24頻 道、RCN第13頻道和 Verizon FIOS第962 頻道)進行電視轉 播,並在boston.gov 進行視訊直播。 市 民可在<u>https://bit.ly/</u> FebBPDABoard註冊 或透過電子郵件將證 詞寄至BRABoard@ <u>boston.gov</u>來參與 本次公聽會。透過 電子郵件發送的證 詞將在公聽會上宣 讀。擬議專案可在以 下連結查看http:// www.bostonplans. org/projects/ developmentprojects/380stuart-street • developmentprojects/380stuart-street <

#### 公开听证会通知 波士顿再开发管理局

d/b/a 波士顿规划发 展局("BPDA")根据 《波士顿分区法》(' 法规") 第80C-5条, 特此通知,将于2022 年2月10日星期四下午 5:40 p.m在网上举 行虚拟公开听证会, 并将在波士顿城市电 视台(Xfinity 24 频 道、RCN13 频道和 Verizon Fios 962频 道)和网站\_boston. gov上现场直播。听证 会将考 由SCD 380 Stuart Street , LLC 提交的拟建项目马萨 诸塞州波士顿Stuart Street 1号规划开发 区修订和重述发展计 划的第一修正案,项 目地点为380 Stuart Street。要参与听证 会,公众人士可通过 网站 <u>https://bit.ly/</u> <u>FebBPDABoard</u> 登 记,或者将您的意 见通过电子邮件发 送到 BRABoard@ <u>boston.gov</u>。通过 电子邮件发送的意见 将在听证会期间朗 读给与会人士。您 可在以下链接查看 拟建项目: <u>http://</u> www.bostonplans. org/projects/

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## **LEGAL NOTICE**

# Back Bay, surrounding areas weekly COVID positive test decreases for a third week

Deaths still increasing By John Lynds

It seems the city's "B Together" mandate that requires all employees and patrons at indoor venues to show proof of vaccination is having an impact on COVID infections in the Back Bay and across the city. The mandate, which kicked off early in January, has been in effect for nearly three weeks and the weekly COVID positive test rate has decreased in the neighborhood

(COVID-19 Pg. 11)

# Children's Winter Fest returns to Boston Common

#### Staff Report

Mayor Michelle Wu and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department present the annual Children's Winter Festival on the Boston Common Parade Ground on Thursday, February 24, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This family school vacation event is hosted in partnership with the Highland Street Foundation and L.L. Bean. The free and open to all festival will feature music, giveaways, various winter attractions, treats, and

crafts.. Additional support is provided by the Boston Globe, Dunkin', Xfinity, and Soxcessful. Visit boston.gov/winter-festival for online event information.

The festival will feature treats, promotions, and giveaways from Dunkin', L.L. Bean, the Boston Globe, Cabot Cheese, and Soxcessful. Attractions include a funhouse maze, the Snowzilla Jr. inflatable winter-themed slide, a Ski Lift photo op, an inflatable curling lane, All Star Challenge obstacle course, rides in the park on the Trackless Train, family dance classes, and hands-on games including Connect Four, Skee Ball, cornhole, horseshoes, Jenga, chess, and field games facilitated by Knucklebones.

The Boston Common Parade Ground is located at the corner of Beacon and Charles Streets. To stay up to date with news, events, and improvements in Boston parks, call (617) 635-4505, visit Boston.gov/Parks, join our email list at bit.ly/Get-Parks-Emails, and follow our social channels @bostonparksdept on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram.

## Get in shape with City of Boston's Winter Fitness Series

#### Staff Report

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department and the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) recently launched the 2022 Boston Parks Winter Fitness Series sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts with free virtual classes being held from now through April 30. Everyone is welcome regardless of fitness level.

Current winter offerings led

by certified fitness instructors include Afrobeats Dance, Chair Meditation, Chair Yoga, Dance Strength Training, and Fit. Zumba®. For class descriptions and more information including dates and times, please visit Boston.gov/winter-fitness.

The program is tailored to the various interests of residents with offerings including accessible, age-friendly classes as well as classes for those new to group fitness. By engaging in a citywide

effort to increase opportunities for physical activity, BPHC and the Parks Department aim to further reduce barriers to active living and achieve the goal of ensuring that Bostonians have ample opportunities to be active year-round.

Participants can visit Facebook and Twitter at @healthyboston and @bostonparksdept or call (617) 961-3047 for cancellations and class updates.

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Romero, Maggie A

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170 Commercial St #3

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1 Huntington Ave #313

47 W Cedar St

185 Marlborough St #3

435 Marlborough St #4

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ATTENTION TO DETAIL

## City accepting written comments regarding Fenway Park concerts

#### Staff Report

WATERFRONT/DOWNTOWN

The Mayor's Office of Consumer Affairs and Licensing has extended the deadline for written comments regarding the 16 proposed shows at Fenway Park this summer. The new deadline is Friday, February 4.

The Red Sox have asked for twelve new concerts in addition to four that were postponed due to the pandemic, for a total of 16 shows.

The shows will be between the hours of 5:00pm and 10:30pm on the following tentative dates that are subject to change:

- June 7-8
- June 10
- July 1-2
- July 14-16

• August 5-6—rescheduled Def Leppard/Motley Crue concert

- August 7
- August 18-20
  - September 8-rescheduled

Aerosmith concert • September 10-Red Hot

- Chili Peppers Written comments can be sent
- to: Kathleen Joyce, Esq., Executive Director

Mayor's Office of Consumer Affairs and Licensing

Room 809, Boston City Hall, Boston, MA 02201

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The overthrow in the last clue is in front of 274 Beacon Street and was built in 1929 and designed by architect George Clarke Whiting. Wikipedia defines an overthrow as, "...the crowning section of ornamental wrought ironwork which forms a decorative crest above a wrought-iron gate ... '

You'll find the next clue in the Fenway.

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## THIS WEEK'S CLUE

## **COVID-19** (from pg. 10)

and across the city once again.

Sadly, deaths from COVID in Boston increased once again and it is becoming more evident that the virus is becoming a pandemic of the unvaccinated.

Three weeks ago over nearly 2.4 out of every 10 residents tested for the virus last week turned out to be positive but last week only 1.2 out of every 10 Back Bay residents and residents in the surrounding area tested were positive.

Two hundred ninety one additional residents have been infected with the virus between January 24 and January 31 and the total number of cases in the area increased to 7,948 cases overall since the pandemic began.

The citywide weekly positive test rate also decreased last week. According to the BPHC 29,063 residents were tested and 17 percent were COVID positive--this was a 29 percent decrease from the 24 percent that reportedly tested positive for the week ending on January 24. The weekly positive test rate has now decreased 46 percent in Boston since January 17.

The statistics released by the BPHC as part of its weekly COVID19 report breaks down the number of cases and infection rates in each neighborhood. It also breaks down the number of cases by age, gender and race.

However, there were 36 additional deaths in Boston from the virus in the past week and the total COVID deaths is now at 1,624. Deaths increased 6 percent in Boston last week, two more than the 34 deaths reported by the BPHC two weeks ago.



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## NOR'EASTER LEAVES 2+ FEET OF SNOW IN BACK BAY



Shown above, residents braving the cold make Commonwealth Avenue all dressed up in white from the snow covered ground to the lights in the

Shown left, the Boston Public Library as seen from across the street with mounds of 2+ feet of snow in view.

## SELDC hears third advisory review for proposed building at 1395 Washington St.

#### By Lauren Bennett

The South End Landmark District Commission (SELDC) heard a third advisory review for a proposed multi-family building with retail on the ground floor at 1395 Washington St.

Architect Dartagnan Brown

went through some of the proposed changes, the largest of which he said is the removal of the seventh floor that was presented at the last hearing, as height was a major concern.

We are complying with the height now," Brown said. There is a 70 foot limit in the area, and

the proposed building is now six stories and would stand at 69 feet, 11 inches. "We'll still keep the same ground floor presence," he said, but the Floor Area Ratio has decreased and the unit count has decreased from 35 to 33

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## Boston City Councilors Mejia, Anderson, and Worrell introduce an ordinance to establish a Commission on Reparations

#### Staff Report

On Wednesday, Feb. 2, Boston City Councilors Julia Mejia, Tania F. Anderson, and Brian Worrell introduced An Ordinance Creating a Commission to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African Americans. This ordinance will formally establish a commission whose goal is to, among other things, collect data and document historic harms and inequities experienced by African Americans in Boston, create forums/spaces in

the Boston community to gather/ share information regarding historic harms and conditions, and to develop a report with specific reparations proposals to address historic and contemporary

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# Women's rights trailblazer, Anne Barron, dies

#### By Dan Murphy

Anne T. Barron, a trailblazer for women's rights in the 1970s following the passage of the Equal Rights Amendment, died on Friday, Jan. 21, at her Longfellow Place home. She was 100.

Born on Oct. 30, 1921, to Hermann Frankfort, an accountant, and Sara Nunez Vaz, a homemaker born and educated in Great Britain, Anne grew up in Brooklyn. She was awarded a scholarship to attend the erstwhile Traphagen School of Fashion in Manhattan after high school. By the time she graduated from the prestigious program, the

U.S. had entered into World War II. however, and Anne was unable to find work in the fashion industry and returned to live with her parents

Anne put what she had learned in art and design school to use during this time and turned her attention to creating artwork. She was also taking courses at Brooklyn College when she met her future husband, Edward Barron, who owned the bookstore next to the school.

After they were married, Anne and Edward settled at Clemson

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# Upcoming walking tour focuses on Colonial New Englanders' drinking habits

#### By Dan Murphy

Colonial New Englanders drank roughly three times as much alcohol as Modern Americans, and an upcoming walking tour will explore this phenomenon before making its way to the Green Dragon, one of the city's most historic watering holes.

The program, called "Fox'd and Fuddled: Colonial Cocktail Walking Tour," takes place on Saturday, Feb. 19, with proceeds benefitting both of its sponsors -Historic New England and the West End Museum.

The tour begins at 3 p.m. at Otis House, located at 141 Cambridge St., with a brief, spirited illustrated introduction to the drinking habits of colonial New Englanders presented by Michael Maler, Historic New England's regional Metro-Boston site administrator.

Maler's presentation will examine why colonial New Englanders drank so much, as well as what and where they drank, specifically taverns.

"Taverns played a big part in the whole progression of how much they drank and became

really the center of social, business, and political life," he said. "They encouraged more drinking to the point where there were laws enacted based on consumption for economic reasons and moral reasons - one of the most famous is the tax put on whiskey, which led to the Whiskey Rebellion.

What's particularly surprising is how much they drank on any given occasion, said Maler, where it was a birth, a death, the

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PHOTO COURTESY OF JEREMY BELL Jeremy Bell as Ambrose Gosling.

# EDITORIAL

# TEACHER SHORTAGE

## WAS INEVITABLE

An article in the Wall St. Journal this week highlighted yet another area of a labor shortage in the country that has been fueled by the COVID-19 pandemic:

"Burned out teachers are leaving the classroom for jobs in the private sector, where talent-hungry companies are hiring them—and often boosting their pay—to work in sales, software, healthcare, and training, among other fields. The rate of people quitting jobs in education rose more than in any other industry in 2021, according to federal data. Many of those are teachers exhausted from toggling between online and classroom teaching, shifting Covid-19 protocols and dealing with challenging students, parents, and administrators. According to LinkedIn, the share of teachers on the site who left for a new career increased by 62% last year."

It was inevitable that COVID-19 would impact the field of education.

Public school teachers have long been the most-underpaid and under-appreciated groups of workers in our country.

The pay for teachers has been substandard for decades in the U.S. compared to many other countries, but the teaching profession always has attracted those who truly have a love for teaching and who have been willing to work for less pay in return for what had been a rewarding career path.

But it has been only fairly recently that teachers have become a favorite foil for the usual suspects (i.e., Republican politicians) in our overheated political environment in which teachers are deemed the enemy and not worthy of respect.

Now, thanks to COVID-19, teachers have been pushed over the edge and are leaving the profession in droves for greener pastures where their skills, abilities, and work ethic actually are appreciated.

The Wall St. Journal article goes on to say:

"The exodus is worsening a nationwide teacher shortage and proving a boon to hiring managers in industries such as IT services and consulting, hospitals, and software development. Teachers' ability to absorb and transmit information quickly, manage stress, and multitask are high-demand skills, recruiters and careers coaches say. Classroom instructors are landing sales roles and jobs as instructional coaches, software engineers, and behavioral health technicians, according to LinkedIn."

The Biblical admonition, "As ye sow, so shall ye reap," finally has caught up with us -- and teachers today now are able to take advantage of another, more-modern aphorism: "Take this job and shove it."

# PRES. BIDEN'S

## SUPREME COURT PICK

There has been criticism from the usual suspects regarding President Joe Biden's declared intention to choose a Black woman for the U.S. Supreme Court seat to fill that of Justice Stephen Breyer, who announced his imminent retirement last week.

We'd like to make two comments:

First, there are thousands of lawyers, of all races, ethnicities, and genders, who are qualified to be a Supreme Court judge. Statements such as those by U.S. Senator Roger Wicker of Mississippi that the selection of a Black woman constitutes "affirmative racial discrimination" are both absurd and offensive.

Second, we firmly believe that every institution in our democracy should reflect the diverse make-up of our country. It is axiomatic that the only way that the three branches of our government can be truly representative of our citizenry is to be composed of those who bring the unique life experience of every American to that institution.

We applaud Joe Biden's commitment to broaden the breadth of our nation's highest court by appointing a Black woman for the first time in the court's history.

We look forward to the perspective that she will bring to the highest court in the land in this, the third decade of the 21st century, bringing us another step closer to fulfilling the promise of the words written in the Declaration of Independence 246 years ago.

# GUEST OP-ED

# America's crumbling bridges, can we save ourselves?

#### By Dr. Glenn Mollette

The Forbes Avenue bridge over Fern Hollow Creek in Pittsburgh's Frick Park collapsed last Friday morning, January 28th with several vehicles, including a Port Authority bus, on the span at the time. The bridge that collapsed is known as the Fern Hollow Bridge, used by an estimated 14,500 vehicles daily. (From Pittsburgh Action 4)

Ten people were injured. No one was killed when the bridge buckled at 6:39 a.m., officials said, though four people were hospitalized with injuries that were not life-threatening. President Biden who was ironically visiting the area warned that the country might not be so lucky next time. "We don't need headlines saying that someone was killed when the next bridge collapses," Biden said. (Washington Post)

"The most recent report using 2021 data showed more than 43,500 of the country's roughly 615,000 bridges were rated poor. That number is about 4,000 less than those reported to be in poor condition nationally in 2017." (WHYY Public Broadcasting)

In the last fifty years America has seen horrific bridge collapses.

• The Hyatt Regency Walkway, Kansas City, Missouri, 114 deaths, July 17, 1981.

• Big Bayou Canot, Outside Mobile, Alabama, 47 deaths, September 22, 1993.

• Silver Bridge. Between Point Pleasant, West Virginia and Gallipolis, Ohio, 46 deaths, December 15, 1961. • Cypress Street Viaduct, Oakland California, 42 deaths, October 17, 1989.

• Sunshine Skyway Bridge, St. Petersburg, Florida 35 deaths, May 9, 1980.

• I-40 Bridge, Webster Falls, Oklahoma, 14 deaths, May 26, 2002.

• Cline Ave, East Chicago Indiana, 14 deaths, April 15, 1982.

• I-35 West Bridge, Minneapolis, MN, 13 deaths, August 1, 2007.

• Schoharie Creek Bridge, Fort Hunter, New York, 10 deaths, 1987.

• Sydney Lanier Bridge, Brunswick, Georgia, 10 deaths, November 7, 1972 . (CNN. Com)

The cost of repairing 45,000 structurally deficient bridges, which are on average 68 years old, is \$41.8 billion, using data from the US Department of Transportation. 36% of all bridges need replacing, while 22% need structural work, 19% need rehabilitation work, 18% need widening or rehabilitation and 5% need deck work.(Global Construction Review)

As we consider rebuilding our bridges and other infrastructure, we have to face our current \$29 trillion gross federal debt. This is held by the public as well as by federal trust funds and other government accounts. We are our own biggest creditor with Japan being second and China third. \$29 trillion is greater than the size of the economies of China, Japan, Germany, United Kingdom and India combined. This amounts to \$87,000 per person in our country.

Researchers at Brown University estimate that the U.S. has spent \$5.8 trillion on the war in Afghanistan and other conflicts stemming from the September 11, 2001 attacks. That includes direct and indirect spending on everything from military equipment to homeland security to death gratuities for the families or slain American service members." (Watson.Brown.Edu.)

Will Russia's military maneuver on the Ukraine border cost America? Whenever there is a problem in the world we go regardless of the cost. The problem is we don't have any money, our bridges and other infrastructure are crumbling. We are in debt and dependent on Taiwan and China to even completely build an automobile. We have become a poor nation because of our indebtedness and dependence on foreign countries. A friend of mine received his Covid-19 test in the mail last week and even it was made in China.

If we don't rebuild our infrastructure, including regaining energy and technology independence, and manage our debt, we won't be able to help ourselves.

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### COMMISSION ON REPARATIONS (from pg. 1)

inequalities resulting from structures and policies which have produced harm. The ordinance was written by Dr. Jemadari Kamara, Chair of Africana Studies Department of UMass Boston, and Yvette Modestin, founder and director of Encuentro Diaspora Afro.

"This is about Black liberation, honoring those whose shoulders we stand on, and planning for those who come after us," said Yvette Modestin, who co-authored the ordinance alongside Dr. Kamara. "The self determination of the Black Boston community to define for ourselves what reparative justice looks like is crucial. But this is just the beginning. It's about mind, it's about feet, and it's about heart."

In October of 2021, the Bos-

## **SELDC** (from pg. 1)

units.

At the last hearing, the team presented a seven story building with a metal panel base and a light gray colored brick for the facade. Now, the proposal has shifted to a more reddish-toned brick, and "we've really looked to break down the scale of the sixth floor in addition to eliminating the seventh floor," Brown said.

Brown then went through a list of things the team heard last time and has responded to, starting with the proposed floor heights.

He said that they have "adjusted the floor heights and headers to align with the building on the right, but understanding how the coursing of the mullions and the frame adjust to the building on the left."

Additionally, the cornice line that "separates between retail and residential" on the front facade has been widened to create a "very delineated ground floor base" and creates more opportunity for different signage options, Brown said. The windows have also been changed to reflect those of South End proportions, and the metal paneling has been removed from the ground floor proposal. Instead, cast stone will be used, "delineating between the retail and the residential in a much more

deliberate manner," Brown said. Lastly, the massing has been broken up and the "heavy framing" has been removed, and glass will be used instead of metal for the Juliette balconies.

ton City Council held a hearing

on reparations and its impact on

the civil rights of Black Bosto-

nians, during which several com-

munity members came forward

urging the Council to help create

a commission to explore what

reparations will look like in Bos-

ton. This ordinance is the result

that we are filing this shortly

after the passing of Senator Bill

Owens, who pioneered repa-

rations efforts way back in the

1980s," said Councilor Mejia on

Wednesday. "We have an obliga-

tion to pick up where he left off.

We are calling for this repara-

tions commission today because

of a history of segregation and

injustice in Boston, and the way

we have gone about addressing

that is by centering the commu-

"It should not be lost on us

of that work.

Brown also said that the team is working with the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) to extend the sidewalk and curb in front of the building to enhance the pedestrian experience.

He spoke a little bit about the newly proposed materials as well, and how they will shift to darker colors and more reddish-toned brick instead of the light gray that had been previously proposed. The metal mullions will be a darker charcoal color on the retail portion of the ground floor, and a brass color on the residential entry, which is on the right hand side of the building.

"It's very clear that you guys listened and thought very hard about this," said Commissioner John Freeman. "It's wonderful how far it's come."

Freeman said that he likes the newly proposed materials, but had a couple of constructive comments to offer as well.

"The first most important thing you need to do in my mind is pick up something from the building on the left," he said, suggesting "either a parapet or something small in the detail." nity and letting them lead the change."

"It is past time to compensate the descendents of those who were enslaved and forced to labor without pay for centuries, who suffered another century of legalized segregation, redlining, and other racist laws, and who continue to be victimized by current racism in jobs, policing, housing, education, and healthcare," said Councilor Anderson.

"Our nation has a long and painful history of slavery, segregation, and discrimination that has impacted countless Black and Brown people," said Councilor Worrell. "This Commission will finally create an official venue for these important conversations that will expose truth and lead to reconciliation and true equity within our City."

# Avram Goldberg, former president of Stop & Shop, dies at 92

#### By Sun staff

Mr. Avram Goldberg, former president of Stop & Shop, father of state Treasurer Deborah Goldberg, and a resident of the Back Bay, died on Sunday, Jan. 30. He was 92.

Born in 1930, Mr. Goldberg was married in 1950 to the future Carol Rabb Goldberg, whose family founded Stop & Shop in 1814 in Somerville. He would assume the role chairman of the Stop & Shop in 1985, while his wife served as president of the company. They both stepped away from their respective roles with the company in 1989. Mr. Goldberg had previously worked for Stop & Shop parttime while attending Harvard as a member of the Class of 1951, and Harvard Law School, where he graduated from in 1954.

"Our deepest condolences to the Treasurer, his loving wife of 73 years, Carol Goldberg, the entire family, and to everyone who knew Avram and enjoyed his bright presence," read a statement from Treasurer Goldberg's office.

Of his passing, Rep. Jay Livingstone said, "Mr. Goldberg was a very generous and giving man. He will be missed."

The building to the right of this proposed one is a more contemporary building while the one on the left is a historic building.

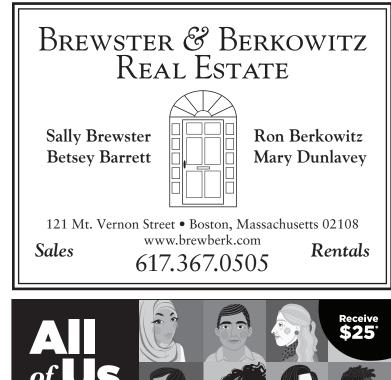
Additionally, Freeman said "I would like to see a little more articulation in the residential entry," as "South End residential entries are usually very articulated."

Commission Fabian D'Souza also said "I'm really happy with the amount of improvements," but made a comment about how before, the colors were too light, and he worried that now they may be too dark. He did acknowledge that "sometimes renditions can be inaccurate."

SELDC Chair John Amodeo said that for the materials on the top floor, "I would advocate for going warmer rather than cooler."

Amodeo said that "this has come a really long way. We're talking about an approvable project here, I think. We want you to come prepared to your first application hearing."

This project is currently undergoing Article 80 Small Project Review with the BPDA, so once the board approves the project, it will head to the Zoning Board of Appeal seeking relief for zoning violations. If that relief is granted, it will then come back before the SELDC for a design review and vote from the Commission.



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# EBNA hears liquor license request for new restaurant, chats with Jon Santiago

#### By Lauren Bennett

The East Berkelev Neighborhood Association (EBNA) held their Feb. meeting via Zoom on Feb. 1, where members and neighbors discussed a liquor license request for a new restaurant in the Troy, a business spotlight on Berkshire Bank, and had a conversation with State Rep. Jon Santiago.

#### LIOUOR LICENSE REOUEST:

Jim Cochener of Coda Restaurant Group and Tim Hawkins, General Manager of SRV Boston, came before the EBNA to talk about a new restaurant they hope to open in the Troy before the end of the year.

Coda Restaurant Group operates The Salty Pig and SRV, and are now looking to open a full service, "Mediterranean-focused" restaurant that will offer a raw bar, as well as other seafood and grilled items along with vegetarian options in a "sharedplate" style, Hawkins said at the meeting.

He said the hope is to transfer the all-alcohol license from Coda, which closed in 2020.

Hawkins said that the hours are "still a little bit muddy," but at around 4pm. He said that the license right now is until 1am, but there's "no way we'd be open until 1am every day."

There is also no set opening date, though the team is aiming for fall of this year.

Hawkins said that they are "hoping to offer a good value to the community" with a "casual price point."

The restaurant will have about 100 seats inside with an additional 16 seats at the bar, and around 20 on the patio on East Berkelev St.

EBNA President Leslie Fine brought up an issue with Area Four, the restaurant that was in this space but has since closed. She said that there had been issues with the dumpster, including that "it was an eyesore because it was not monitored properly." Because it was overflowing, it created a problem with trash and rodents in the area, as well as an issue with odor in the summer, Fine said.

"Some of the people around there are concerned about that," she said.

The team said that they will ensure that this is not a problem with this restaurant, adding that

the restaurant will probably open they will speak with the landlord of the building to come up with solutions to address that problem.

The team also said they will keep EBNA updated as plans become more concrete for this new restaurant.

#### **BERKSHIRE BANK**— **BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT**

Hans Bastien of Berkshire Bank spoke on behalf of the bank and answered some questions from neighbors.

"It's well-documented what we do from a philanthropic and charitable standpoint," Bastien said. "We do have quite a niche as far as working with not-forprofits in particular."

Bastien described Berkshire Bank as a "neighborhood bank" that gladly welcomes all in-person transactions while simultaneously offering a full range of online banking options.

"We are also a very traditional bank in the sense of how we deliver customer service," he said, adding that people can call the bank directly with any questions they may have.

The bank offers safe deposit boxes in multiple sizes, and reimburses ATM fees, "including foreign fees," he said.

A question was asked about notary services, which Bastien said the bank does offer, even if a person does not have an account with Berkshire Bank.

Resident Iane Braydon expressed that she feels the bank "doesn't feel like a neighborhood bank anymore," because she said she noticed a number of new faces and people rotating in and out often instead of the same faces. She said that "a familiar face or two at the bank" is important to her.

"It certainly is challenging," Bastien said, as many industries are facing high rates of turnover right now. "What I will say isyou may see changing faces," he said, but "there is a theme in terms of the culture that Berkshire tries to create."

#### **CONVERSATION WITH JON SANTIAGO**

State Rep. Jon Santiago said that though he has not officially announced his campaign for re-election, he intends to do so, and that because of redistricting, his district will now include the East Berkeley area.

The changes to the district maps will go into effect with this vear's election.

Santiago lives in the South End with his wife, who is 36 weeks pregnant with their first child. Aside from his role as a State Rep., he is also an emergency room physician at Boston Medical Center, has served as a Peace Corps volunteer, and is a captain in the Army Reserve.

He spoke about several issues he's worked on, including the crisis as Mass and Cass and "attempting to decentralize services." He said as a State Rep., he works to get funds for issues like this, and also works with the city on various issues. He said he has a "great relationship" with City Councilor Ed Flynn.

Aimee Coolidge thanked Santiago for his involvement with the community, and asked "from a clinical perspective" what he thought was the "best way to respond" to those dealing with addiction as well as what he thinks of safe injection sites.

Santiago said that not everyone has a true grasp on "how challenging the issues are for these patients," as many of them face mental health and housing issues on top of their substance

(EBNA, Pg. 5)

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reading of a will, the founding of a new country, or any other "excuse."

"Then came temperance, which was the backlash against this, but that's another walking tour," added Maler.

Following Maler's presentation, the walking tour makes it way to the Green Dragon, where guests will meet Jeremy Bell, whom Maler describes as a "Beacon Hill celebrity."

Bell, now in his mid-50s, immigrated to the U.S. from Scotland around 30 years ago, and has lived on Pinckney Street for the last five or six years. During the pandemic, he was dubbed the "Pinckney Piper" for his habit of roving the neighborhood's streets while playing his bagpipes - something he did on 80 consecutive Saturday nights.

A multi-instrumentalist, Bell has returned to his steady gig, singing and performing Irish songs solo on acoustic guitar from 3 to 6 p.m. every Saturday and Sunday at Emmets Pub & Restaurant on Beacon Street. He also plays banjo on the occasions when he joins his son, violinist Calum Bell, as the younger Bell leads five or six other fiddlers for weekly sessions, which take place at Emmets every Saturday from 9 p.m. to midnight.

For the upcoming walking tour, however, Bell will adopt the persona of Ambrose Gosling.

Ambrose Gosling, who died at age 70 in 1757, was, along with his brother, James, one of the sons of William Gosling, an English wine and spirits merchant, and together, they helped build the company that would become Bermuda-based rum manufacturer Gosling Brothers Limited.

For the past 24 years, Bell has worked for Gosling Brothers while adopting Ambrose's guise for appearances at events, such as boat shows and stops on the PGA tour, where he talks about the history of the rum while donning 18th-century attire.

"As the costume shows, Goslings is an old Bermudian company, and there's so much history around rum, which links perfectly to Boston because there's so

much history between rum and Boston - remember rum made Paul Revere fall off his horse," said Bell.

Gosling Brothers now operates under the leadership of Malcom Gosling, the seventh generation of his family to run the company to date.

At the Green Dragon, Ambrose Gosling will be serving Dark 'n Stormys, the Goslings' patented drink comprising its dark rum mixed with ginger beer, among other colonial cocktails, while offering up a pinch of George III's snuff, which was commonly paired with rum during colonial times

Ambrose will also be serenading tour-goers with what Maler describes as "tastefully bawdy" colonial songs on concertina, a small free-reed instrument from the same family as the accordion.

"It's really fun of bringing history to life and learning about the history of colonial times by starting at a museum and ending up at a tavern," said Bell. "I love that Michael and Historic New England have moved out of the

lecture hall and into the public tavern to bring colonial history alive with this fun event. The Green Dragon is also just a classic, very famous Irish bar, and if it goes well, we'll be doing more of these."

In the meantime, Bell was on hand playing his bagpipes for a scotch tasting on Jan. 28 at the Union Club, and an upcoming "Rum on the Hill" program with Bell as Ambrose Gosling at 1928 Beacon Hill is now in the works as well.

"Fox'd and Fuddled" also marks a return to in-person programming for Historic New England, which has gone largely virtual since the pandemic struck.

"Given the limited number of attendees and the protocols in place, it seemed like a good segue way into the things that people might be more comfortable, especially since we'll also be walking outside and [gathering in] places not filled to capacity," said Maler.

In 2011, Historic New England in Newbury sponsored a program called "Ales and Tales," with participants taking on the role of the accused for recreations of the quarterly court trials from the 17th century. Dinner, with beer and ale, was also served as part of the program.

"This will be the same the same type of fun environment and interactive experience with Ambrose leading them in songs, and he's a storyteller akin to tavern entertainment that would've been commensurate with the colonial period," Maler said of the upcoming walking tour,

The "Fox'd and Fuddled: Colonial Cocktail Walking Tour" takes place Saturday, Feb. 19, from 3 to 5 p.m., starting at Otis House, 141 Cambridge St. Guests must be at least 21 years old, masked, and provide proof of vaccination, as well as ID. Admission is \$55 per person and includes one complimentary drink at the Green Dragon.

https://my.historic-Visit newengland.org/12656/ hgo-cocktail to purchase tickets, or call Historic New England at 617-994-5959 for more information.

# Bay Village's Mike & Patty's looks to expand to JP

#### By John Lynds

A popular Bay Village sandwich shop that has made a name for itself among foodies is looking to open its fourth location in Jamaica Plain.

Mike and Patty's, owned by Ania Zaroda and Michael Gurevich, signed a lease last year to open up its latest location at the former Sorella's at 386 Centre St. Sorella's, the neighborhood's landmark breakfast joint, called it quits in March 2019 after 36 years in business.

Zaroda and Gurevich have launched an online crowdfunding site at https://mainvest. com/b/mike-pattys-boston raise needed capital to get the business up and running. The duo has already raised \$52,000 towards a \$100,000 goal.

"The Jamaica Plain restaurant space requires minor remodeling as well as updated utilities and equipment," wrote Zaro-da and Gurevich. "While we've self-funded two other locations, we believe Mike & Patty's Jamaica Plain - our largest and first dine-in location - is an exciting opportunity to bring the community into our business."

Funds raised will be used for construction costs to finish remodeling the restaurant space, code-compliant commercial kitchen equipment and initial operating expenses.

Those who decide to invest will be rewarded according to Zaroda and Gurevich.

A \$300 or more investment gets you a Mike & Patty's T-Shirt. Invest \$500 or more and you'll get a Mike & Patty's Hoodie. Those who invest \$1,500 or more get a full breakfast for 20 people. Invest \$2,000 or more and you'll receive tickets to the Mike &Patty's launch party. If you invest \$5,000 or more you'll become a "Sandwich King" and get a Mike & Patty's sandwich named after you and will run on the shop's menu for a mini-

mum of one month. A \$10,000 or more investment gets you a Mike & Patty's sandwich of your choice every day for a year. For a \$20,000 or more investment the owners will throw a private party for you and 35 guests. Finally, with a \$25,000 or more investment you'll get Mike & Patty's sandwiches for life.

Owners Zaroda and Gurevich purchased the original Mike & Patty's location in Bay Village in 2012 and fell in love with the business of providing an amazing breakfast experience to both Boston locals and out-of-town visitors

"Breakfast has always been our favorite meal of the day, and we've been able to expand our Tiny Sandwich Shop to two other locations in the greater Boston area," they said.

In 2018 Mike & Patty's expanded to Somerville and then to Newton in 2021.

"Our mission is to create an unforgettable craft casual food



A sandwich from Mike & Patty's. Mike & Patty's looks to expand to Jamaica Plain this year.

experience that inspires guests to spread the word," said Zaroda and Gurevich.

Mike & Patty has been featured on the Phantom Gourmet and over the years Eater Boston wrote they had one of the best breakfast sandwiches in Boston, and Boston Magazine named Mike & Patty's Carolina Caviar sandwich one of the best in the city.

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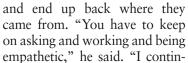
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He said that it's not always as simple as offering services to these patients, as many refuse

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ue to make sure their voices are elevated."

As for safe consumption sites, Santiago said "I do think they work," but he said that there are different models to look at. He said in places like Montreal and Toronto, these sites are "spaced out" and "really came out of the community health center movement" as well as the "needle exchange movement."

He said, "I think they are a potential option," but "from a policy perspective and a legal one," it would be challenging to make them a reality in Boston. "I think the political will in the State House is not there yet," Santiago said.

He said that with "several methadone clinics" as well as homeless shelters and the Boston Medical Center in the Mass/Cass area already, he "would not be in favor of putting [a safe injection site] in the South End." He said that as someone who is aiming to decentralize services, having a safe injection site in an area where so many other services are already concentrated would not help the issues.

Santiago encouraged residents to reach out to him at jon.santiago@mahouse.gov with any questions, comments, or concerns. Either he or a member of his team also try to make it to community meetings to get a feel for resident concerns as well, he said.



## SCENES FROM AROUND THE BACK BAY THIS WEEKEND



The Church of the Covenant at the corner of Newbury and Berkeley Streets.



Friends stop for a selfie while skating in the Frog Pond in the Boston Common.



The Restoration Hardware building on Berkeley Street.

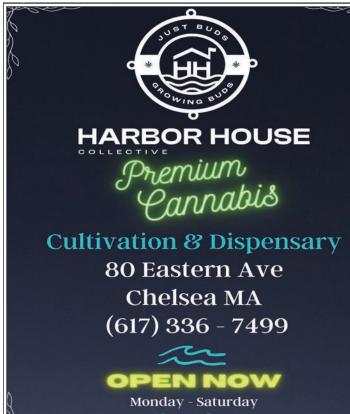




Residents make their way down Newbury Street.



Residents make their way down Comm. Ave. mall with their furry companions.



10 am - 8 pm Sunday 10 am - 5 pm



## SCENES FROM AROUND THE BACK BAY THIS WEEKEND



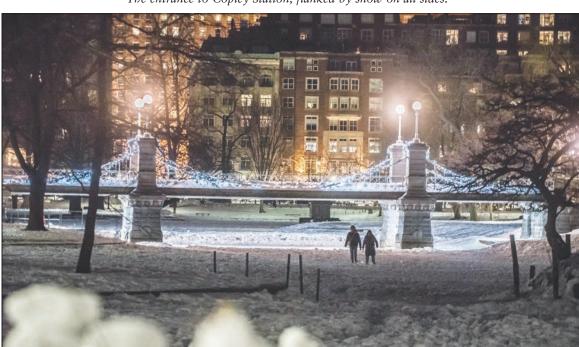
A group of friends making their way through a snowy Public Garden.



The entrance to Copley Station, flanked by snow on all sides.



One resident made snow penguins alongside the ducks in the Common.



The Public Garden looking like a winter wonderland following the storm.

## COUNCILOR KENZIE BOK CHATS WITH SENIORS AT THE FENWAY COMMUNITY CENTER

Photos courtesy of Tracey Hunt of the Peterborough Senior Center

District 8 Councilor Kenzie Bok spoke with seniors from the Peterborough Senior Center at the Fenway Community Center on Jan. 27. "So great to chat with our @ oppeaceboston Fenway seniors @ @FenwayCommunity yesterday!" Bok tweeted on Jan. 28. "We talked about housing, transportation, & my work to get enhanced city snow clearance for pedestrians."



City Councilor Kenzie Bok chatted with Fenway seniors on Jan. 28.



Fenway seniors had a conversation with Councilor Bok about transportation, housing, and improving snow clearance in the city.

## ANNE BARRON (from pg. 1)

ron, who owned the bookstore next to the school.

After they were married, Anne and Edward settled at Clemson (S.C.) College, where Edward was stationed in the Army. The couple then decided to move to a small town after World War II, and Edward eventually bought a piece of a business based in Gloversville, N.Y., located in the Adirondacks, about 60 miles northwest of Albany, that manufactured leather goods, such as gloves and bags. Since Edward had personally designed a style of boots, the company started manufacturing and selling his patented leather boots.

The company eventually moved its boot operations to Malone, N.Y., a gloomy, perpetually cold town located about 12 miles south of the Canadian Border. At Anne's insistence, the couple relocated to Providence, R.I., in the early 1950s, when Edward got a job for a company there designing boots both for military personnel, as well as for civilians.

Edward later received a job offer to work at the Natick Army Labs, a military research-and-development workshop, and the couple relocated to Framingham, where they would live for the next 20 years.

In 1955, Anne found work at the U.S. Army's office on State Street. She worked there for about six to eight months before she was transferred to the Natick Army Labs, where Edward also worked and where she had wanted to be from the start. At Natick Army Labs, Anne also helped establish the Federal Women's Program, becoming its manager in 1974.

Anne joined the Business and Professional Women's Foundation, and in 1972, when the Equal Rights Amendment was passed by the U.S. Senate and sent to the states for ratification, she was at the forefront of the women's rights movement. (On Jan. 27 of this year, the ERA was also ratified as the 28<sup>th</sup> amendment to the Constitution.)

In 1977, Anne was elected chair of the Massachusetts Coordinating Committee for the National Observance of International Women's Year, and in this role, she traveled from one end of the state to the other alongside then-Massachusetts U.S. Rep. Margaret Heckler to educate women on the ERA,

That same year, Anne attended the Women's Rights Convention in Seneca Falls, N.Y. as well as the National Women's Conference in Houston, Texas, now considered a watershed moment for second-wave feminism.

Anne was also named the Woman of the Year by the Framingham B.P.W. Club in 1975. She also received the Most Outstanding Achievement in Providing Equal Opportunity in the Department of the Army in 1975 during a ceremony at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C.

Due to the efforts of Anne and other like-minded activists, women were assigned to the board of directors of some major corporations, she said, while major strides were also made regarding childcare. Anne and others also advocated for women to be hired as police and firefighters, which then seemed like a farfetched idea.

"The whole thing was to make people aware of the situation because you could go into any large company at that time, and you would find men mak-



Anne T. Barron is seen last October celebrating her 100th birthday.

ing big salaries and the women – forget about it," Anne told this reporter in October on the eve of her 100th birthday. "We made progress, but I wouldn't say that's changed anything for most women. Most [women] still think wrong, or not at all, and allow themselves to be used."

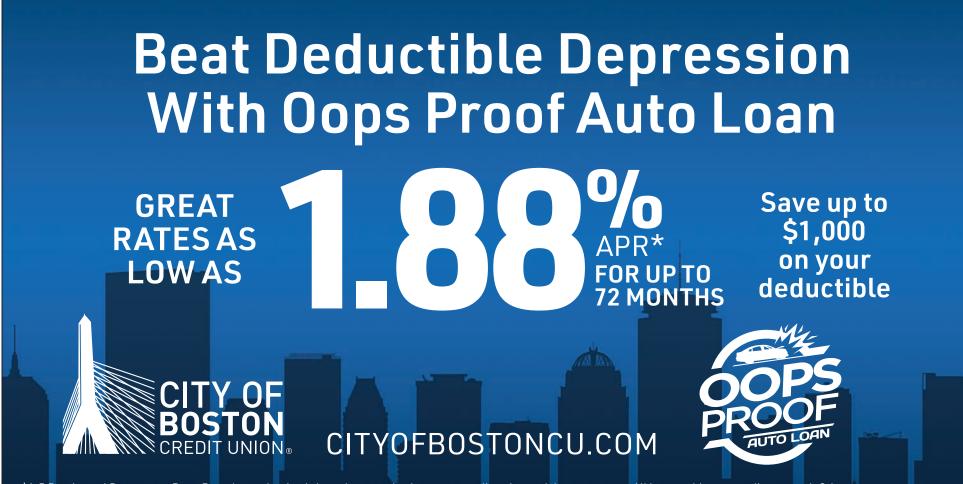
After two decades at Natick Army Labs, Anne left to take a position with the National Park Service as the EEO coordinator overseeing all the national park in New England. "Now, I was in a position to do something in government," recalled Anne. She personally visited all the national parks in her territory, where she successfully lobbied to get the NPS to hire more women.

On the eve of her retirement on Sept. 27, 1985. Anne received the National Park Service's outstanding achievement in the area of equal opportunity.

In retirement, Anne kept busy volunteering for myriad nonprofits and other organizations.

At the Museum of African American History, which later gave her a lifetime achievement

(ANNE BARRON Pg. 9)



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# District Attorney Hayden forms Community Advisory Committee

#### Staff Report

District Attorney Kevin R. Hayden announced the formation of a Community Advisory Committee to assist in the evaluation of the District Attorney's Office, its bureaus, units, and supervisory functions, and examination of the impact of key SCDAO policies.

"Community engagement will be the cornerstone of everything my administration does. I am delighted to have such a sterling group help review procedures and policies and make recommendations so that the Office will continue to be a guiding force in legal strategy and reform," Hayden said. "Community input is critical to building trust in this office. This process is focused on structures, functions, and results. I believe the staff here is filled with professional, talented individuals dedicated to serving the people of Boston, Chelsea, Revere and Winthrop. It will be important to have outside leaders and specialists who live, work and worship in Suffolk County provide their point of view as we move forward."

The volunteer committee of 18 will be co-chaired by Robert Gittens and Reverend Dr. Ray Hammond and will begin its work immediately.

Gittens is passionate about the welfare of children and families and has spent his career serving the public including as Commissioner of the Department of Youth Services, Secretary of Health and Human Services, and Vice President for Public Affairs at Northeastern and First Assistant District Attorney in the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office. He previously played a distinguished role in the community as Chairman of the Massachusetts Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee. He currently serves on the boards of the Children's League of Massachusetts, the Massachusetts Nonprofit Network and Commonwealth Care Alliance, and is the executive director for Cambridge Family and Children's Service.

Hammond co-founded Bethel A.M.E. Church with his wife, Gloria, and is the co-founder and chairman of the Ten Point Coalition, an ecumenical group of Christian clergy and lay leaders mobilizing the Greater Boston community around issues affecting Black and Latino youth, and an Executive Committee member of the Black Ministerial Alliance. He also serves as a trustee on many institutions, including the Yawkey Foundation, BMC Health System, the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation, and the MATCH School. He previously served as chairman of The Boston Foundation. Rev. Hammond is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and is the recipient of numerous honors and honorary doctorates.

Other members are:

• True-see Allah is the Director of Reentry at the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security for the State of Massachusetts and brings the lived experience of a returning citizen to the committee.

• Daniel Bennett, a CEO of companies in the private sector

including Liberty Forensics and a former Secretary of the Executive of Public Safety and Security who oversaw significant reforms at Bridgewater State Hospital and First Assistant of the Worcester County District Attorney's Office;

• Jim Borghesani, a communications executive who oversaw communications strategy for the successful 2016 ballot initiative to legalize marijuana, he has held several top communication positions in state government;

• Andrea Cabral, a former Secretary of the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security, and twice elected Sheriff of Suffolk County, and was Chief of the District Courts at SCDAO; she is currently CEO of a multi-state cannabis company;

• J.W. Carney, Jr., is a renowned criminal defense attorney who began his career as a public defender and is a contributing author to the treatises on Massachusetts Criminal Practice and has been listed in The Best Lawyers in America since 1998. Carney also has been a member of the Massachusetts Judicial Nominating Commission for 20 years;

• George Hardiman is an attorney with more than 25 years' experience, he was a prosecutor in SCDAO and also litigated securities fraud cases for the Secretary of State's office. He has been in private practice for almost 18 years.

• Lisa Howard is the Superintendent of Winthrop Public Schools and a past board member of the Massachusetts Administrators for Special Education, she is a lifelong resident of Win- R throp; C

• Nancy Hurley is an attorney focused on criminal defense and a member of the board of Suffolk Lawyers for Justice;

• Byron Knight, a former Suffolk ADA who joined the Patrick Administration as special counsel to assist in providing discovery with all parties affected by the Hinton Lab drug scandal and later served a Deputy Legal Counsel for Governor Deval Patrick, is a lawyer with a focus on criminal defense;

• Sandra M. McCroom is president and CEO of Children's Services of Roxbury, which provides comprehensive childcare services to economically disadvantaged families and previously served as for Criminal Justice in the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security;

• Kristen Palma is a former victim witness advocate at SCDAO who became public affairs director of the Massachusetts Office for Victim Assistance;

• Kourou Pich is executive director of HarborCOV, which provides services and opportunities that promote long-term stability for people affected by violence and abuse, she began work there in 1998 as the Cambodian advocate. Kourou has served as a consultant for the Women of Color Network since 2011;

• Paul Popeo is co-chair of Choate's litigation department who has served as a special assistant attorney general and special Suffolk ADA;

• Pastor B. Christopher Sumner is chief of operations executive at the Salvation Army Ray & Joan Kroc Community Center of Boston and associate Pastor at Jubilee Christian Church. Previously he's served as Executive Director of the Boston Ten Point Coalition the Blue Hill Boys and Girls Club of Boston;

• Marjorie Pauléon Tynes, an attorney and former Suffolk ADA and victim witness advocate, is a member of teaching team at Harvard's Trial Advocacy Workshop;

• Gladys Vega is executive director of Chelsea's La Colaborativa, who played leadership roles in organizing for immigrants' rights, welfare rights, tenants' rights, open space and the environment, multicultural and anti-racism programs and in numerous grassroots campaigns.

Suffolk County District Attorney Kevin Hayden's office serves the communities of Boston, Chelsea, Revere, and Winthrop, Mass. The office handles some 20,000 cases a year. More than 160 attorneys in the office practice in nine district and municipal courts, Suffolk Superior Court, Massachusetts Appeals the Court, the Supreme Judicial Court, and the Boston Juvenile Courts. The office employs some 300 people and offers a wide range of services and programs to serve anyone who comes in contact with the criminal justice system. This office is committed to educating the public about the services we provide, our commitment to crime prevention, and our dedication to keeping the residents of Suffolk County safe.

#### ANNE BARRON (from pg. 8)

founding board members of the Friends of the West End Branch Library and helped them organize used-book sales, as well as lectures and music programs.

For many years, Anne also served on the board of the Citywide Friends of the Boston Public Library, a volunteer, community-based group that supports all of the city's branch libraries.

And at the Otis House Museum, Anne worked on a project to locate surviving members of the Otis family and was able to add her artistic flair by creating a chart for the endeavor.

Anne also volunteered for a program that sent birthday cards to every Senior Health patient at Mass General Hospital. She helped send cards to around 2,000 patients annually, each of which had to be signed by their individual doctors, until the program was suspended after about 10 years due to a lack of funding.

Additionally, Anne volunteered for the National Park Service in the Charlestown Navy Yard, and she is a lifetime member of the Government Center Childcare Corporation, a state-licensed childcare services provider that offers day care programs for young children.

But despite her myriad accomplishments and accolades, Anne told this reporter in October that, above everything else, she most cherished the time she spent with family.

"What stands out the most in my life is my family," said Anne. "My family wanted to know what I was doing and whether they could help me out, and they always wanted to be present [for me]. If you're lucky enough to have family like I do, they're the best in the whole world and rise to the occasion, if necessary, as several friends I have would do, too."

Anne and Edward shared more than seven decades of marriage, before he died at the age of 100 on Oct. 21, 2018, and while they didn't have any children, they were very close with their extended family.

Anne spent her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday last October surrounded by 14 relatives who traveled from New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, California, Florida, and North Carolina to fete her at a dinner party at Anne's home at Longfellow Place, where she had lived as an original tenant since 1976.

President Joe Biden even sent Anne a personally signed letter for her 100<sup>th</sup>.

"Your strength and perseverance helped shape this Nation into what it is today and defines what it means to be a member of the Greatest Generation," the letter reads in part. "This milestone serves as an inspiration to your fellow Americans."

City Councilor Kenzie Bok also offered Anne an official resolution on behalf of the Boston City Council in recognition of Anne's service to the National Parks and the West End community on Oct. 30, 2021, Anne's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Since Anne always had a special affinity towards giraffes, which she described as "quiet, majestic, beautiful animals," two of her relatives from Florida, Leah and Glenn Bergoffen, adopted a giraffe that lives at the Tampa Zoo and named it "Lilleeanne" in Anne's honor as a birthday present to her.

Every Friday, Anne joined family members for a Zoom call, and while inevitably at least one regular participant wouldn't be on any given call due to scheduling conflicts, they were all on hand for the last call, which took place shortly before Anne died on Jan. 21.

"It almost seemed like she waiting to say goodbye to us all," said Rick Gold, one of Anne's relatives from New Jersey who was also on hand for her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration.

The timing of Anne's passing also seemed apt, said Gold, since it was the same day that the first woman to command the USS Constitution, Cmdr. Billie J. Farrell, took charge of the warship.

# ABCD, city's EITC program in full swing in South End and Chinatown

#### By John Lynds

Most people don't want to think about it but it's the time a year to begin thinking about filing 2021 tax returns. For many working people in the South End and Chinatown there's some relief from the confusing process of figuring out taxes.

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Asian American Civic Association, 87 Tyler Street, 5th floor; or the Harrison Avenue Head Start & Children's Services, 595 Harrison Avenue are all offering free tax help. The offices will be opened Monday through Friday to help begin the tax filing process.

Taxes for qualifying residents can be done through appointment by calling the offices or by calling ABCD Connect at 617-348-6329.

ABCD President/CEO John Drew is urging residents who earned \$58,000 or less in 2021 to schedule an appointment at the Kennedy Family Service Center and take full advantage of the program.

Drew said this year EITC provides a married couple with three or more children earning up to \$57,414 and filing jointly with the maximum federal 2021 EITC of \$6,728 plus the state EITC of \$2,018 for a total EITC of \$ 8,746. For details regarding family size and payments, see bostonabcd.org/tax-assistance.

EITC can also be accessed retroactively for the previous three years, so eligible taxpayers can qualify for a sizable sum.

Drew noted that ABCD has worked with people buried under a mountain of debt, people who felt they were out of options and who didn't know they qualified for EITC. The IRS estimates one out of five eligible taxpayers will not claim EITC and will lose out on this important credit.

In addition, taxpayers who were eligible to receive the American Rescue Plan payment of \$1,400 but did not receive the full amount in 2021 can claim

the Recovery Rebate Credit against their 2021 income tax.

For two decades ABCD has worked in tandem with the Boston Tax Help Coalition. ABCD played a significant role in founding the coalition in 2001.

Last week, Mayor Michelle Wu urged qualified residents to take advantage of the free tax help.

"Boston residents can save hundreds of dollars per household through the Boston Tax Help Coalition's free tax preparation," said Wu. "Staff and volunteers will also help eligible residents receive the highest Earned Income Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit possible. These free resources are not only a valued resource to thousands of Boston residents, but serve as a model for similar programs around the country."

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First Church in Jamaica Plain, the Awarding Authority, requests bids for structural masonry repair and restoration at the tower of their church at 6 Eliot Street, Jamaica Plain. Massachusetts, which is listed in the State and National Registers of Historic Places. The project is being partially funded with a grant from the Massachusetts Preservation Projects Fund (MPPF) through the Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC). All work must be performed in accordance with the documents prepared by and available from the architect: Spencer Preservation Group, 41 Valley Road, Suite 211, Nahant, Massachusetts 01908 (617-227-2675) and meet the Secretary of the Interior's "Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties". State law prohibits discrimination. Awarding of this contract is subject to Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity

auidelines Bids shall be evaluated on the basis of price, previous experience with similar types of construction projects, ability to perform the work in a timely manner, and references. All bids must be submitted to the architect no later than 5:00 PM, Thursday, February 17, 2022 to be eligible for consideration. 2/03/22

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#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

# Back Bay, surrounding areas weekly COVID positive test decreases for a third week

Deaths still increasing By John Lynds

It seems the city's "B Together" mandate that requires all employees and patrons at indoor venues to show proof of vaccination is having an impact on COVID infections in the Back Bay and across the city. The mandate, which kicked off early in January, has been in effect for nearly three weeks and the weekly COVID positive test rate has decreased in the neighborhood

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# Children's Winter Fest returns to Boston Common

#### Staff Report

Mayor Michelle Wu and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department present the annual Children's Winter Festival on the Boston Common Parade Ground on Thursday, February 24, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This family school vacation event is hosted in partnership with the Highland Street Foundation and L.L. Bean. The free and open to all festival will feature music, giveaways, various winter attractions, treats, and

crafts.. Additional support is provided by the Boston Globe, Dunkin', Xfinity, and Soxcessful. Visit boston.gov/winter-festival for online event information.

The festival will feature treats, promotions, and giveaways from Dunkin', L.L. Bean, the Boston Globe, Cabot Cheese, and Soxcessful. Attractions include a funhouse maze, the Snowzilla Jr. inflatable winter-themed slide, a Ski Lift photo op, an inflatable curling lane, All Star Challenge obstacle course, rides in the park on the Trackless Train, family dance classes, and hands-on games including Connect Four, Skee Ball, cornhole, horseshoes, Jenga, chess, and field games facilitated by Knucklebones.

The Boston Common Parade Ground is located at the corner of Beacon and Charles Streets. To stay up to date with news, events, and improvements in Boston parks, call (617) 635-4505, visit Boston.gov/Parks, join our email list at bit.ly/Get-Parks-Emails, and follow our social channels @bostonparksdept on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram.

## Get in shape with City of Boston's Winter Fitness Series

#### Staff Report

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department and the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) recently launched the 2022 Boston Parks Winter Fitness Series sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts with free virtual classes being held from now through April 30. Everyone is welcome regardless of fitness level.

Current winter offerings led

by certified fitness instructors include Afrobeats Dance, Chair Meditation, Chair Yoga, Dance Strength Training, and Fit. Zumba®. For class descriptions and more information including dates and times, please visit Boston.gov/winter-fitness.

The program is tailored to the various interests of residents with offerings including accessible, age-friendly classes as well as classes for those new to group fitness. By engaging in a citywide

effort to increase opportunities for physical activity, BPHC and the Parks Department aim to further reduce barriers to active living and achieve the goal of ensuring that Bostonians have ample opportunities to be active year-round.

Participants can visit Facebook and Twitter at @healthyboston and @bostonparksdept or call (617) 961-3047 for cancellations and class updates.

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122 Marlborough St

481 Beacon St #43

12 Hereford St #2

24 Anderson St

**31 Phillips St** 

21 Beacon St #5K

16 Hancock St #4F

87 Pinckney St #4

73 Revere St #4

8 Whittier Pl #4J

8 Whittier Pl #5E

120 Broadway #15

217 W Canton St #1 1091 Boylston St #26

114 Fenway #14

1 Taylor St #A

126 Jersev St #402

1154 Washington St #9

170 Commercial St #3

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1 Franklin St #5504

200 Lincoln St #302

129-131 Fulton St

1 Huntington Ave #313

47 W Cedar St

185 Marlborough St #3

435 Marlborough St #4

416 Commonwealth Ave #508

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BY PENNY CHERUBINO THIS WEEK'S ANSWER

ATTENTION TO DETAIL



## City accepting written comments regarding Fenway Park concerts

#### Staff Report

WATERFRONT/DOWNTOWN

The Mayor's Office of Consumer Affairs and Licensing has extended the deadline for written comments regarding the 16 proposed shows at Fenway Park this summer. The new deadline is Friday, February 4.

The Red Sox have asked for twelve new concerts in addition to four that were postponed due to the pandemic, for a total of 16 shows.

The shows will be between the Aerosmith concert hours of 5:00pm and 10:30pm on the following tentative dates that are subject to change:

- June 7-8
- June 10
- July 1-2
- July 14-16

• August 5-6—rescheduled Def Leppard/Motley Crue concert

- August 7
- August 18-20
  - September 8-rescheduled

• September 10-Red Hot

- Chili Peppers Written comments can be sent to:
- Kathleen Joyce, Esq., Executive Director

Mayor's Office of Consumer Affairs and Licensing

Room 809, Boston City Hall, Boston, MA 02201

Phone: (617) 635-4165

Email: MOCAL@boston.gov

The overthrow in the last clue is in front of 274 Beacon Street and was built in 1929 and designed by architect George Clarke Whiting. Wikipedia defines an overthrow as, "...the crowning section of ornamental wrought ironwork which forms a decorative crest above a wrought-iron gate .... "

You'll find the next clue in the Fenway.

Do you have a favorite building or detail you would like featured? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your suggestion.

## THIS WEEK'S CLUE

## **COVID-19** (from pg. 10)

and across the city once again.

Sadly, deaths from COVID in Boston increased once again and it is becoming more evident that the virus is becoming a pandemic of the unvaccinated.

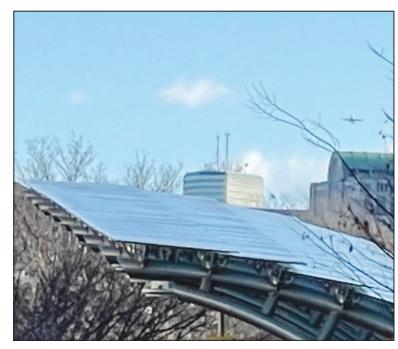
Three weeks ago over nearly 2.4 out of every 10 residents tested for the virus last week turned out to be positive but last week only 1.2 out of every 10 Back Bay residents and residents in the surrounding area tested were positive.

Two hundred ninety one additional residents have been infected with the virus between January 24 and January 31 and the total number of cases in the area increased to 7,948 cases overall since the pandemic began.

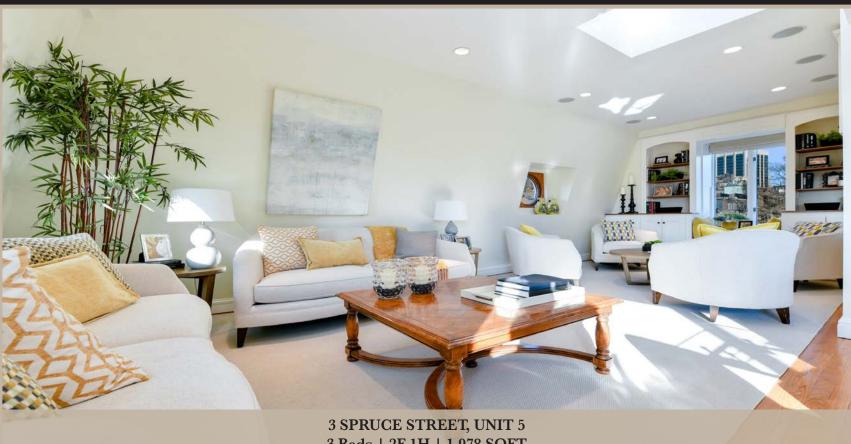
The citywide weekly positive test rate also decreased last week. According to the BPHC 29,063 residents were tested and 17 percent were COVID positive--this was a 29 percent decrease from the 24 percent that reportedly tested positive for the week ending on January 24. The weekly positive test rate has now decreased 46 percent in Boston since January 17.

The statistics released by the BPHC as part of its weekly COVID19 report breaks down the number of cases and infection rates in each neighborhood. It also breaks down the number of cases by age, gender and race.

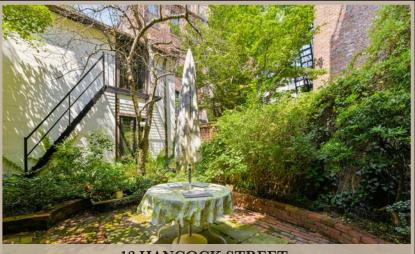
However, there were 36 additional deaths in Boston from the virus in the past week and the total COVID deaths is now at 1,624. Deaths increased 6 percent in Boston last week, two more than the 34 deaths reported by the BPHC two weeks ago.



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