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TASTE OF THE NORTH END



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Modern Pastry table at the 26th Annual Taste of the North End. See Pages 6 and 7 for story and more photos.

Michlewitz allocates funds for climate resilience needs

By Phil Orlandella

One of the charms of Christopher Columbus Park is its location on Boston Harbor, according to the Friends of Christopher Columbus Park (FOCCP).

“Sitting in the Park on a pretty day watching the activities on the water is a unique and calm experience,” FOCCP

claims.

However, in recent years, the experience during heavy storms, which have flooded the park, making it unavailable, according to FOCCP.

“Thanks to the efforts of House Chair of Ways and Means State Representative Aaron Michlewitz, the 2020 budget for the Commonwealth includes \$250,000 to address climate resilience needs,”

FOCCP noted.

Also allocated were funding for Copps Hill Terrace and Cutillo Park both in the North End.

“These types of investments in our neighborhood parks are important, especially in the downtown neighborhood and will help make sure these areas are protected and activated for years to come,” Michlewitz said.

NEAA 2019 Baseball opening day recap

By Ralph Martignetti

Opening day for the North End Athletic Association (NEAA) 2019 Baseball season featured two competitive games, a 3-3 extra innings and a 5-4 comeback win.

The two major league games featured the defending 2018 Champions, the Regional Review Cubs versus the Tomasone Tigers.

The trio of the Tigers, Richard Wells, Max Haskell and William Previte combined for a pitching gem.

They were matched by Cubs pitcher Max Howard and Ryan McHugh.

In the second game, the Indians rallied from a 4-1 deficit to defeat the Cardinals 5-4.

The Indians got three innings

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Dock Square Garage design plans not accepted by BPDA

By Phil Orlandella

A proposal by Lenear Retail Properties to develop on the Dock Square Garage has been placed on hold by the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) basically because of its design, sending plans back to the drawing board.

The decision does not reflect the developer's opportunity to re-submit new design plans that the BPDA can improve.

The original plans called for construction of approximately 22,000 square foot, seven-story vertical addition to the existing structure and to add approx-

imately 30,000 square-feet of residential space to the lower level floors by a combination of horizontal expansion and conversion of the parking area.

The project as currently planned, will contain up to 250 multi-family (luxury) residential units and reduce the existing parking spaces to 650, some of which will be made available for occupants of the residential units planned for the development.

The garage will also be designed to accommodate valet services and mechanical lifts.

Reportedly, the developer is redesigning plans to meet the recommendations of the BPDA.

Mayor proposes \$1 million in renovations for Columbus Park Playground

By Phil Orlandella

A proposed \$1 million for the renovations of the Christopher Columbus Park Playground has been proposed by Boston Mayor Martin Walsh.

Renovations will include a play structure, safety resurfac-

ing, fencing, lighting, furnishing pathway repairs, drainage, signage and green infrastructure to mitigate future sea level rise.

Since the FY 20 budget is currently undergoing City Council Hearings to review there is no budget approved at this time.

Reportedly, the vote will take place in early June.

FOCCP holds elections of officers

By Phil Orlandella

Friends of Christopher Columbus Park (FOCCP) at the non-profit group's May 14 meeting elected Officers and Directors-at-Large.

FOCCP not only helps main-

tain the well-used park, but it develops many free events and programs for the public to enjoy.

Elected: President Joanne Hayes Rines, Vice President Ann Babbitt, Treasurer Ann DeLuca, Clerk Patricia Thiboutot, Director-at Large Susanne Lavoie and Director-at-Large.

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ANTI-VACCINE HYSTERIA PUTS ALL OF US AT RISK

The recent outbreak of measles in the United States is cause for concern for every American.

First and foremost, measles is a highly-contagious disease that places at risk anyone who is in the vicinity of someone who is infected with measles, whether it be on a plane, a ship, or the person standing next to you in line at the store.

Second, measles is a disease that can have severe complications for those who contract it, especially the very young, the elderly, and pregnant women. Though measles can lead to death in rare cases, there are many more complications, ranging from flu-like symptoms to encephalitis (the swelling of the brain) that can cause life-long cognitive and physical defects.

Third, the recent outbreak shows how dangerous our society can become for all of us when a small minority decides, for reasons ranging from religious beliefs to quack science, that they are not going to accept vaccinations for their children.

Vaccinations for smallpox, polio, measles, and other contagious diseases are the single-most significant reason why life expectancy in the developed world has increased exponentially in the past 100 years, even though rates of death from heart disease and cancer have remained roughly the same.

The spread of misinformation over the internet about the safety, reliability, and efficacy of vaccines is yet another example of how viral misinformation via social media is damaging our society.

Measles was declared eradicated in this country in 2000. Hopefully, our public health officials will address the situation swiftly, not only to eliminate the threat of measles itself, but also to ensure that the anti-vaccine contagion does not spread to other diseases that can have serious consequences for all of us.



GUEST OP-ED

How we're investing in the North End

By Mayor Martin J. Walsh

Every spring, we release our Capital Investment Plan which funds the critical improvements to our infrastructure and facilities in Boston over a five-year period. It is a reflection of our priorities, and is guided by the voices of over 15,000 residents who offered input for our city-wide plan, Imagine Boston 2030. Our Capital Plan funds the essentials of community life, such as our schools, streets, libraries, and parks, including climate and resilience projects. It's a commitment to all those who call Boston home and to our future generations.

Here in the North End, we're making investments across a wide range of projects, including parks and open space, streets and transportation, our schools' infrastructure, and our delivery of City services.

As you may know, the North End is highly exposed to sea level rise due to the low-lying coastline. To protect the neighborhood from climate change, we're continuing to

invest in resilient open spaces like Langone Park and Puopolo Playground. We're allocating \$12.2 million to make enhancements to the playground, basketball courts, baseball fields, softball field, bocce, lighting, drainage, and plantings.

We're devoting \$2.93 million for renovations to the Paul Revere Mall, including improved site furnishings, pathways, landscaping, utilities, and restoration work on the fountain and monument. We're funding a \$1 million playground renovation for the Christopher Columbus Park and \$200,000 for the design of the Cuttillo Park renovation.

With an eye towards the future, we're starting the final phase of construction for the Eliot School at 585 Commercial Street as part of our \$35.6 million investment. The renovated building will provide more classrooms, supporting the Eliot School's expansion as a K-8 School. Additionally, we're making a \$1.47 million investment to assess the physical conditions of the North End

Branch of the Boston Public Library and develop and implement an improvement plan.

The City of Boston is also investing in high-quality facilities to better service our residents, including \$3 million towards the design of the new North End Community Center. \$2.5 million will be allocated for the reconstruction of North Square, which will include the installation of public art.

Now that we've submitted Boston's budget, where do we go from here? First, to the City Council, where it will be reviewed and adjusted as necessary. After it's gone through that process and secured approval, it will go into effect, starting in July 2020 and running throughout the next 12 months. We hope you will continue to provide your valuable input on what we as a city can do to raise up your community. If you'd like to learn more about the Capital Plan and how this budget was created, please go to budget.boston.gov.

Martin J. Walsh is the Mayor of Boston

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OPINION BY PHIL ORLANDELLA

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF MEETING WITH THE MAYOR DIRECTLY

Mark the day, Tuesday, June 4 when Boston Mayor Martin Walsh will hold his annual Neighborhood Coffee Hour in the North End at Paul Revere Mall.

This is a great opportunity for residents and the local business community to meet directly with the Mayor to discuss neighborhood issues and make suggestions at the same time.

Many City Hall departments will also be available to answer questions and listen to any recommendations.

Hopefully, the community will take advantage of this annual event to express what's needed in the North End.

BE A PART OF THE GREENWAY CELEBRATION FUNDRAISER

The gem of the North End, Waterfront and Downtown area, the Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Greenway is celebrating its 10th year of providing

thousands of programs, activities and events many of them free to the public.

In order to continue these entertaining, educational events and activities for children, teens, adults and elderly, the Greenway Conservancy needs to fund raise.

Those that take advantage of the many, many offerings provided on The Greenway should participate in the fund-raising effort that will bolster the plans to create a bigger and better Greenway, if that's possible.

A celebration event will be held in the park on Thursday, June 6 at 6 PM. Be a part of the crowd!

KEEPING THE BATH HOUSE OPEN FOR SENIORS AN UPHILL BATTLE

North End residents push to have the City of Boston keep the Bath House first-floor open for senior citizens after a new Boston Center Youth and Families (BCYF) Neighborhood Center is relocated to another site appears to be a major endeavor but not one that can

become a reality.

Residents told the City that the proposed Mirabella Pool location was too far for seniors to get to, especially in bad weather situations and crossing a major street is a major problem for seniors.

These are solid facts that really need to be addressed before any site is designated.

However, the problem is that once a new site has been selected and fully developed, the Bath House building becomes surplus property and based on Request for Proposals (RFP), it's currently anyone's guess what will be housed in the 100+ year old community facility.

Based on advice offered by the City, the community's best chance to accomplish their goal is to support a non-profit agency to develop the building and build in a senior center into their proposal. But don't rule out a private firm doing the same.

This major community endeavor is going to have the full support of neighborhood agencies, organizations, residents and total assistance from the community's elected officials.

It is also important that the neighbors be directly involved when the RFP is drafted and before it is released for bids.

The BCYF will no longer manage the Bath House once a new center is built and operational because of staffing problems. That obviously rules one organization out.

Can this endeavor become a reality? No one can foresee until the ball starts rolling.

RUFF SPRING FUNDRAISER NEEDS COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Responsible Urbanites for Fido (RUFF) is currently holding its spring campaign in order to reach their goal and needs the community's help to fund the ongoing upkeep of the dog park located in the DeFilippo

Playground on the second and third levels.

An all-volunteer non-profit organization, RUFF was founded in June 2012 with a core message, from day one, has been to foster a community of responsible dog owners who take pride in the North End.

RUFF still organizes frequent cleanups of public parks and other community open spaces. They also put together many educational, health and civic events throughout the year.

RUFF has become a major player in the community and it would be great if the neighborhood and the business community would totally support this very active group of residents that help make the area clean and healthy.

Please give RUFFly what you can.

May activities continue at North End Library

By Phil Orlandella

There are still many activities that are scheduled to take place at the North End Library, 25 Parmenter Street this May.

Lecture: Special guest Lecture, Alex Goldfeld, President of the North End Historic Society will speak on North End churches from Clark's Square to Methodist

Alley on Saturday, May 18 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Author Talk: Popular speaker at the North End Library, Stephanie Schorow will illustrate the issues and history that created the controversial neighborhood, the Combat Zone, a stripped-down story of Boston's most notorious adult neighborhood in the Nation. The Author Talk will take place on Wednesday, May 29, from

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Ballet Storytime: Boston Ballet Storytime will relate to a famous ballet on dances from a Boston Ballet faculty member on Monday, May 20, at 10:30 a.m.

Computer Assistance: Every Wednesday from 1 to 2 p.m., by appointment, adults can participate in a computer assistance program.

Free brain health assessment offered from Cogniciti

Are you between the ages of 50 -85? Are you interested in a free Brain Health Assessment? If so, then this study is made for you.

A comprehensive brain health company named Cogniciti is focused on serving the aging population and would like to educate people about their brain health and provide a tool to screen for signs of mild cognitive impairment.

During the workshop, one of Cogniciti's highly trained team members will provide a group of 10 - 20 people with an over-

view of brain health, assist each person with completing their online Brain Health Assessment, and provide resources for further evaluation.

Each person will take their own individual assessment on a laptop computer that Cogniciti provides. The Brain Health Assessment entire process lasts only an hour with about 15-30 minutes to complete.

It includes seven exercises that measure different types of memory. Basic computer skills are needed in order to participate in the study.

When each participant has completed the study, they will have the opportunity to meet individually with the Cogniciti team member to discuss their individual score with the Cogniciti team and ask questions about their brain health, and receive brain health tips based on the latest research on memory and aging.

Two Sessions will be offered. Space is limited. Contact Laurie D'Elia for more info @ 617-635-5166

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NEWNC upcoming election scheduled for May 18

By Phil Orlandella

No agenda voting items were on the North End/Waterfront Neighborhood Council (NEWNC) agenda at the May monthly public meeting held at the Nazzaro Community Center, 30 North Bennet St.

NEWNC President John Pregmon reported on the upcoming election of Council members, scheduled for Saturday, May 18, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Center. Seven candidates are competing for six seats.

He also introduced the candidates who gave a brief presentation relating to their reasons for running for a two-year term.

State Sen. Joe Boncore was a guest speaker at the May 13 monthly meeting and presented an update on legislation he has sponsored or cosponsored in the Senate.

Friends of Cuttillo Park member Kirstin Hoffman presented an update on the status of the public space on Stillman Street.

House Ways and Means chair Aaron Michlewitz has proposed state funding for renovations and improvements for the small park tucked away between buildings.

Executive Director and Co-Founder David Meshoulam

of the Speak for the Trees Boston was the Council's Community Chat speaker.

The next NEWNC monthly meeting will be held on Monday, June 7 at 7 p.m. at the Nazzaro Community Center.

Ashley Leo and Tania Green running for NEWNC re-election

Tania Green.

Director of Marketing and Brand Development at Healthworks Group.

North End resident since 2011.

Volunteered at the Big Sister Association at the Elliot School.

Served on NEWNC since May 2017.

Accomplishments while serving on NEWNC.

Served as chairwoman of crime and public safety.

Created initiatives to drive Fake Monk Mafia out of the North End.

Consistently voted against any property changes that raised red flags.

Helped to ensure that the men disrespecting St. Leonard's peace garden faced consequences.

Aided in the blocking of Starbucks entering the gateway of the North End and changing



Tania Green.



Ashley Leo.

the building façade.

Election 2018 volunteer support.

City of Boston Love Your Block Clean Up Day 2018 and 2019.

The North End is the greatest neighborhood of all time, and it is a great privilege to be a part of it. My goal is to preserve the North End's magic and charm. Millions of people from all over the world choose to visit this beautiful and historical neighborhood every year.

It is our job to protect and preserve it. I am relentless and ruthless; I will always ask tough questions of people trying to come in or change this neighborhood. It's our responsibility to hold their heels to the fire and make sure they are working within the best

interest of this neighbor-

hood. I am thrilled to run for re-election, and I appreciate your vote!

Ashley Leo

Market Activation Manager at Pernod Ricard USA.

North End resident since 2009.

Served on NEWNC since May 2017.

Accomplishments while serving on NEWNC.

NEWNC liaison to RUFF North End Dog Group.

Participate in RUFF meetings and events.

Assist RUFF Chairpersons in event creation and fundraising activities.

Created and executed RUFF North End 'Yappy Hour' events in 2018.

Drive awareness to be respectful of the neighborhood

and clean up after your dog.

Aided in the blocking of Starbucks entering the gateway of the North.

End and changing the building façade.

Participated in City of Boston Love Your Block Clean Up Day.

Attend community events/meetings to ensure our voice as a neighborhood is heard by city leaders.

I have so much love and passion for my North End neighborhood. I met my husband here, we have a baby on the way, and are going to raise our growing family here. Our kids will be attending North End schools and will also be active members in the community. I joined this council in 2017 to have my passion become a voice in our neighborhood. I am eager to help make the North End an even better place than it already is. As a liaison to RUFF, I want to help make our neighborhood cleaner, and create events that allow neighbors to connect with each other. It is important that we bring members of our community together. I am excited to have the opportunity to run for re-election, and continue my efforts. I look forward to tackling concerns head on, and fight for what our neighborhood believes in.

A trip through Scollay Square presented at North End Library

By Mary Sanderson

The Friends of the North End Library continue to sponsor high interest programs for the North End community.

The most recent offering, a rapt audience of over 50 people gathered at the library to hear the entertaining history of Scollay Square.

Author David Kruh discussed his book "Always Something Doing: Boston's Infamous Scollay Square" by presenting a comprehensive photo journey of the area both past and present. He began by reaching back to its early origins, through its colorful era as an entertainment mecca, to its current incarnation as Government Center/City Hall Plaza.

In the second half of the 1800s, the Square was quite refined. It was home to Tremont Row - housing high end shops,



Over 50 people gathered at the library to hear the entertaining history of Scollay Square.

dance studios, photography studios, and dentists (where ether was

first used in dental practice) - and the Sears Crescent Building.

The area was home to a number of firsts - electrified trolleys in 1887, and the first subway line in the nation from Park to Boylston and on to Scollay

Square with "cut and cover" construction in 1897.

The Square housed the first motion picture house in 1906. The Howard Athenaeum ("the Howard" as it became affectionately known) was built, home to a great variety of entertainment. Since many women attended the shows, renovations had to accommodate "ladies rooms" for the burgeoning clientele.

Over the years, the area changed dramatically to cater to the immigrants' interests - theaters, lunch counters, tattoo parlors and bars. Sailors would make a "bee line" for the Square as soon as they disembarked from their ships.

The Howard was now showing what the general public wanted - burlesque, variety shows and vaudeville. Burlesque went through a transformation to a less refined "bump and grind" style.

Joe and Nemo's across the street from the Howard was another landmark as it turned in to a hugely popular restaurant.

In the mid 1900s, the Square went through its latest major transformation. The past was effectively erased.

Different mayors left their fingerprint, ultimately resulting in the demolition of the area and the building of City Hall Plaza. Securing massive federal funding, demolition was begun in 1960, and a national competition was held to design a New City Hall.

The current design was the winner. The City Hall and Government Center that stands today was completed in 1968 - the latest chapter in this once colorful area of downtown Boston.

This program was funded by the Friends of the North End Library.

IN BRIEF By Phil Orlandella

LOVIN' SPOONFULS HOLDS COOKING DEMO

A nutritional/healthy cooking workshop was presented by Lovin' Spoonfuls to the seniors at the North End/West End Neighborhood Services Center.

Catherine Pedike, Education Coordinator impressed the seniors and staff with her impressive cooking skills and culinary perfection.

She set up a cooking demonstration and cooked a meal of barley "risotto" and lemon chicken and vegetables.

Attendees Took Home Bags of Fresh Produce Also Sponsored by Loving Spoonfuls and the Greater Boston Food Bank.

SPONSORSHIPS, VOLUNTEERS AND DONORS MAKE NEAA BASEBALL POSSIBLE EACH YEAR

Opening Day for the 2019 North End Athletic Association (NEAA) Baseball Season provided the opportunity for players participating in the many programs offered by the non-profit organization throughout the day highlighted by two major league games.

Ceremonies pay tribute to the Saint Anthony's Feast Society for their many years of sponsorship. President Paul D'Amore tossed out the first pitch.

Joining Paul on the mound were Boston City Counselor Lydia Edwards, former NEAA President Ted Tomasone and NEAA Baseball Coordinator



Photo by Phil Orlandella

North End Music and Performing Arts Center (NEMPAC) student Hannah McKeena performed the National Anthem.

John Romano.

Baseball Commissioner Ralph Martignetti, in chilly weather umpired both major league games.

North End Music and Performing Arts Center (NEMPAC) student Hannah McKeena performed the 'National Anthem' joined by a color guard from the United States Coast Guard base located on Commercial Street. Hannah received a standing ovation.

All the players, families and other spectators through the program were treated to hamburgers, hot dogs, sausage pepper and onion sandwiches, potato chips and water.

There was also face painting, balloon making and a raffle for some great prizes including Red Sox tickets.

President Romano commended all the volunteers, sponsors and other donors that make the baseball program possible every year.

LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS SPONSOR TRIP TO ROCKPORT

Through the sponsorship of Senator Joe Boncore, Senator Sal DiDomenico, House Chair of Ways and Means, Representative Aaron Michlewitz and City Counselor Lydia Edwards, North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center members will participate in a trip to Rockport.

The trip is limited to 50 people and a \$25 fee which covers lunch, all gratuities and snacks. To reserve a spot, you must call 617-523-8125 no later than Wednesday, May 20 for the trip on Friday, May 29.

Lunch options are baked haddock, grilled chicken sandwich, fish and chips or grilled salmon. Soft drinks or coffee are included with the meals. Sides will be at the discretion of the restaurant. Alcohol, desserts and any additional items will be

charged.

Pickups for the trip are at 9 a.m. at the Paul Revere Mall, Hanover Street and 9:20 a.m. at the Amy Lowell Apartments, West End.

TWO DESTINATION SITES OPEN ON THE GREENWAY

Trillium Garden on The Greenway has returned for a third season.

Since it's inaugural season in 2017 the Garden has become an iconic downtown destination during many months of operation on The Greenway.

Located on the corner of High Street and Atlantic Avenue, across from Rowes Wharf the popular open-air Garden is open on Wednesday through Friday 2 PM to 10 PM, Saturdays 11 AM to 10 PM and Sundays 12 PM to 6 PM.

The Trillium Brewery Company has partnered with The Greenway Conservancy to place this destination stop on the Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Greenway.

In addition, the Conservancy agreed to a new partnership with City Winery Boston to bring an open-air Wine Garden to Dewey Square on The Greenway this

summer. The regular hours of operation will be on Wednesdays and Fridays

3:30 to 10 p.m., Saturdays 1 to 9 p.m. and Sundays 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Boston's first outdoor wine garden has already opened on May 15.

NORTH END GIRL SCOUTS COLLECTING FOOD ITEMS

North End Juniors Girl Scout Troop #72158 is on a mission to assist the ABCD North End food drive by collecting items for the Center's food bank that serves local residents and others in need.

They have set up a drop off area and the Nazzaro Community Center, 30 North Bennet Street through Monday, May 20 until 5 PM each day and asks donors to check expiration dates.

Donations being collected include: tuna, canned vegetables, granola bars, sardines, soups and stews in cans, rice, pasta, jar sauce, peanut butter, jelly, crackers, canned beans, cooking oils, instant mashed potatoes, canned fruit that is lower in sugar, deodorant, body wash, bars of soap, and shaving cream.



Photo by Phil Orlandella

Boston City Councilor Lydia Edwards, Paul D'Amore, John Romano and Ted Tomasone participated in the baseball opening day program.

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2019 TASTE OF THE NORTH END



NEW Health booth at 2019 Taste of the North End.

Story and photos by Matt Conti

Continuing a longstanding neighborhood tradition, the 26th Annual Taste of the North End brought top elected officials and hundreds of festival-goers for a night of food and charity on Friday, April 26, at the Steriti Memorial Ice Rink in Boston's North End. Joining the crowd were Congressman Stephen Lynch, Gov. Charlie Baker, Mayor Marty Walsh and local elected officials including State Sen. Joe Boncore, State Rep. Aaron Michlewitz and City Councilor Lydia Edwards.

Event organizers Donato Frattaroli of Il Molo and James Luisi, CEO of NEW Health

co-chaired the event. This year's 2019 "Restauranteur Award" was presented to longtime Taste of the North End supporters, The Picariello family (accepted by Rosaria Picariello) owners of Hanover Street's iconic bakery, Modern Pastry. Receiving the 2019 TONE Community Supporter Award was Dr. Elizabeth Turnock from NEW Health.

Of course, it wouldn't be the Taste of the North End without showcase samples from more than 30 popular North End eateries with a wide array of delectable appetizers, cheeses, entrees and desserts. Revelers also sipped on refreshing libations from area wine and beer distributors.

Billy Costa, radio personality and NESN's Dining Playbook host, was the emcee for the event that included a high-end silent auction with iconic local photographs, hotel and restaurant packages, tickets to Boston sports events and memorabilia.

The Taste of the North End benefits the North End Waterfront Health Center's critical medical and social service programs, as well as other local organizations such as: the Eliot School, St. John School,

Harvard-Kent School, North End Against Drugs, North End Athletic Association (NEAA) and the North End Music & Performing Arts Center (NEMPAC).



Crowd at 2019 Taste of the North End.



(L-R) State Sen. Joe Boncore, Gov. Charlie Baker, Councilor Lydia Edwards, NEW Health CEO James Luisi, Il Molo's Donato Frattaroli, Mayor Marty Walsh and State Rep. Aaron Michlewitz.



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2019 TASTE OF THE NORTH END



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All the restaurants and vendors gather at the 2019 Taste of the North End



Steriti Skating Rink filled for 2019 Taste of the North End.



NEW Health and TONE organizers work the raffle basket raffle



Photo: Matthew J. Conti / MattConti.

(L-R) City Councilor Lydia Edwards, Mayor Marty Walsh, TONE Co-host Donato Frattaroli, Mass. First Lady Lauren Baker, Dr. Elizabeth Turnock, Modern Pastry's Rosaria Picariello, TONE Co-host and NEW Health CEO James Luisi, Mass. Governor Charlie Baker, State Rep. Aaron Michlewitz and State Senator Joe Boncore.




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COMMUNITY NEWS

CARDINAL O'MALLEY TO CELEBRATE MASS AT SAINT LEONARD CHURCH

On Sunday, May 26, the 12 noon Mass at Saint Leonard Church will be celebrated by Cardinal Sean O'Malley, Archbishop of Boston.

He will also bless the new pipe organ and wooden-carved statues of St. Francis and St. Clair, founders of the Franciscan family.

BEEHIVES PLACED ON THE GREENWAY

Celebrating 10 years of The Greenway, The Greenway Conservancy has announced the 2019 installation of beehives on the park.

Building on The Greenway's 2016 creation of the organization's Pollinator Ribbon, the beehives are part of the Conservancy's sustainable park initiatives which include organic land care and the creation of a wildflower meadow on the block north of the park.

PIPE ORGAN RECITAL

To celebrate the installation of the new pipe organ at Saint planet Church in organ recital by internationally renowned Maestro David Reccia Chynoweth will be held on Friday, May 24, at 6 p.m.

DEFENDING BASEBALL CHAMPS TIE

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NATIONAL ANTHEM

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PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING

The next North End/Boston Police Public Safety meeting will be held on Thursday, June 6, at 6 p.m. in the Nazzaro Community Center, 30 North Bennet Street.

NEWNC MONTHLY MEETING

The North End/Waterfront Neighborhood Council (NEWNC) public meeting will be held on Monday, June 10, at 7 p.m. at the Nazzaro Community Center.

NEWRA MONTHLY MEETING

The next North End/Waterfront Residents' Association (NEWRA) monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, June 13, at 7 p.m. in the Nazzaro Community Center.

THE GREENWAY CELEBRATES 10TH

A celebration of The Greenway's ten years on the Park be held on Tuesday, June 6, at 6 p.m. The fundraiser will benefit the innovative programming in the decades to come.

COMBAT ZONE PRESENTATION

Combat Zone, the stripped down town streets of Boston's Most Notorious Neighborhood one of an adult entertainment districts in the Nation will be hosted by the Friends of the North End Library on Wednesday, May 29, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

UNDER THE STRAWBERRY MOON

American Heritage Park on The Greenway invites supporters, partners and friends to meet and greet under the Strawberry Moon on Thursday, June 27, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Participants can walk the moonlit labyrinth and enjoy Vicki Lee's chocolate dipped strawberries, refreshing MEM Ice Tea and the Berlee Jazz Trio.

NSC TRIP TO ROCKPORT

A Rockport Day Trip will be held by the North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center (NSC) on Wednesday, May 29. Limited to 50 people, must pay the \$25 fee by Wednesday, May 22. To reserve a spot call 617-523-8125.

BIKE TO WORK FESTIVAL

Boston's National Bike To Work Day Festival, part of the 2019 Boston Bike series program will take place on Friday, May 17, from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. starting at City Hall Plaza.

NSC BOUNA SERA

ABCD North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center (NSC) will hold its 9th annual Bouna Sera, an evening with friends on Thursday, October 3. For details call 617-523-8125.

GARDENING ON THE GREENWAY

Gardening on The Greenway's Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy and Crescent Gardens takes place each Wednesday from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Volunteers are welcome.

NAZZARO CENTER NEW HOURS

The BCYF Nazzaro Center will be changing its hours of operation during the summer months due to staffing issues as well as the operational needs of the Mirabella Pool.

The schedule is as follows: Monday-Friday 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturdays & Sundays closed. The schedule will remain in effect from June 15 to September 2, 2019.

FOCCP MONTHLY MEETING

Friends of Christopher Columbus Park (FOCCP) will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 11, at 6:30 p.m. at the Mariners House, 11 North Square, 2nd Floor.

NEWNC ANNUAL ELECTION/MAY 18

North End/Waterfront Neighborhood Council (NEWNC) will hold its annual election of board members on Saturday, May 18 at the Nazzaro Community Center, 30 North Bennet Street from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. All residents are encouraged to vote.

GREENWAY TO CELEBRATE 10TH YEAR ON THE PARK



A celebration for The Greenway's 10th year will be held on Thursday, June 6 at 6 P.M.

The fundraiser supports continued innovation on The Greenway in the decade ahead.

The special event will honor Gov. Charlie Baker for his leadership on behalf of The Greenway Conservancy since its inception.

Co-chaired by Alli and Bill Achtmeyer and Laura and Bob Reynolds, the celebration is expected to attract many attendees.

Table sponsorships and individual tickets are currently on sale.

The Conservancy is seeking friends and neighbors to take part in the tenth anniversary of what is called a "Gem of a Park."

NEAA 6-8 league off to a good start

By Ralph Martignetti

In the opener of the North End Athletic Association (NEAA) 6-8-year-old league, the Muckdogs took on the Raptors.

Both teams played well for the first time out and the coaches ran the game smoothly.

ly.

Game two feature the Lady Cardinals versus the Lady Cubs.

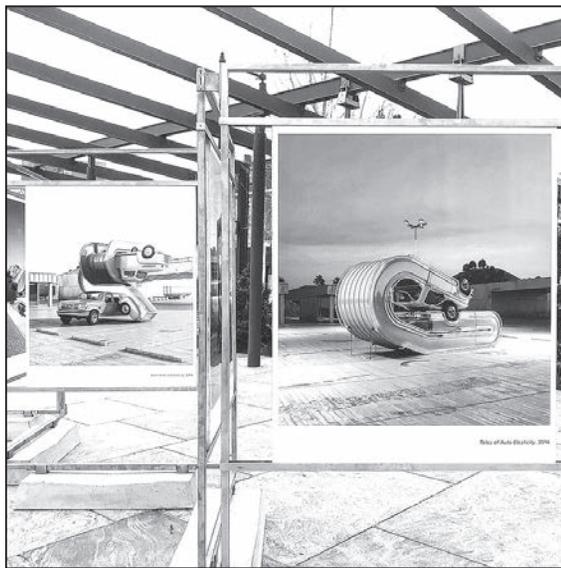
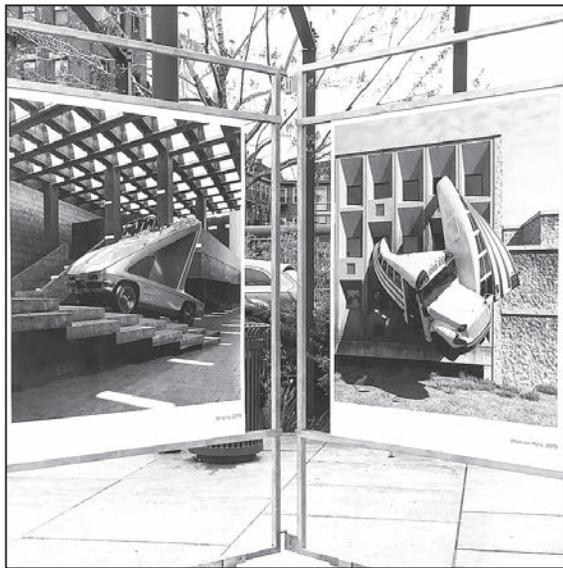
The girl's teams played in mid-season form as they smash the ball all over the park.

Once again, the coaches kept the game moving smoothly.

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The Auto Show exhibit on The Greenway

By Phil Orlandella

A public art exhibition: The Auto Show is currently on display on The Greenway.

The Greenway Conservancy's 2019 exhibition consists of both loaned and

commissioned artworks that explore the automobile and the imaginative qualities of construction and movement in transportation.

The photo exhibit is a computer-generated graphics by Chris Labrooy that can be seen between North and Prince

Streets in the North End.

Labrooy is an artist and designer who lives and works in Scotland and his work can be seen across the UK, Europe and the United States advertising, editorial and publishing for his many clients.



NEAA (from pg. 1)

of lights out pitching from Alessandro Parisi and a clutch hit by Michael Murphy.

Adam Whitney and Desmond O'Hearn contributed strongly on the mound for the Indians.

Dom Grover made the play of the game saving the victory for the Indians.

The Cardinals were led by Jo Jo Brienze who belted his first two homeruns of the season and solid pitching from

Anthony Sapienza, Matt Griffin and Alex Puopolo.

Brienze is expected to take a run at the all-time homerun record of 11 set in 1974 by Pasquale Russolillo.

'Inside the Combat Zone' book talk at the Library

By Patricia Sabbey

The Friends of the North End Library are once again presenting an intriguing book talk. Author, Stephanie Schorow, will be at the North End Library on May 29, at 6:30 p.m. to talk about her book, Inside the Combat Zone.

Her presentation will tell about 'the Stripped Down Story of Boston's Most Notorious Neighborhood'. Boston histo-

ry is a story of opposites. How does a neighborhood with its roots in Puritan Boston become 'one of the most notorious adult entertainment districts in the nation'?

The Friends' programs have been standing room only this year.

This program is funded by the Friends of the North End Library.

For more information concerning the Friends of the NE Library, please email: info@

FriendsNELibrary.org or go to our website: www.FriendsNELibrary.org for membership information and a listing of other programs.

Also, remember the library's continuing improved daily book sale on the shelves near the front door and in the back of the library. The book sales are the source of the library's funds to pay for these exciting programs. Buy a current best seller book -leave a favorite book you have read.

Old North May schedule of activities

By Phil Orlandella

During the month of May the historic Old North Church is celebrating the intersections of tourism and preservation, arts and active citizenship, the history of rebellion and exploration of modern patriotism.

This month, from the opening of the first ever photography exhibit, to a disciplinary performance to help see the Old North with fresh eyes, and a speaker series event examining how colonial writs of assistance instigated the American Revolution and continue to inform contemporary search and seizure laws.

• May 16 | 6 to 9 p.m.

NSDAR Paul Revere Chapter Boston Preserved event in support of Old North Church and

Historic Site

• May 17 thru July 15 | 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

"Rally Point: Bravery and Action" photography exhibit on display in Patriots Corner

• May 21 | 6:30 p.m.

Reciprocity Collaborative Open Investigation and Performance at Old North Church

• May 23 | 6 to 8 p.m.

"Rally Point: Bravery and Action" Photography Exhibit Free Opening Reception

• May 29 | 12 p.m.

Songs of Liberty: Legacy High School Choir, Bismarck, North Dakota performs

• May 29 | 6 p.m.

Speaker Series: The Child Independence is Born | Lecture and Community Conversation with James Farrell.

Old North Lantern Ceremony best yet

By Phil Orlandella

The 2019 Lantern Ceremony at the Old North Church was the most successful yet, the historic church indicated.

Participants shared in a lively reading of "Paul Revere's Ride" by local news anchor Latoyia

Edwards, create a firsthand account of the night of April 18, 1775 read by Rick Musiol and Congressman Lori Trahan.

Sponsors of the special event were: Citizens Bank, Boston Tea Party Ships and Museum, Massachusetts Convention Center Authority, and RSM.



Photos courtesy Old North Church

Pictured from top left: Paul Revere prepares to ride; 2019 Lantern Carrier Matt Conti of the North End Waterfront; Latoyia Edwards reads Longfellow's "Paul Revere's Ride"; Patriots enjoy the reception.

BE THE TALK OF THE TOWN

The Regional Review is interested in publishing the memories of North End residents in print. If you or someone you know would like to share your experiences, please send email to regionalreview@comcast.net

Visit www.northendregionalreview.com

Love Your Block North End Neighborhood clean-up a success

On Saturday, May 4, dozens of North End neighbors participated in the City of Boston's annual neighborhood cleanup also known as Love Your Block organized by the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services.

Volunteers started the morning with coffee and doughnuts provided by State Rep. Aaron Michelwitz and then hit the

streets to clean the community. Various neighborhood organizations and groups were represented at the cleanup; the North End Waterfront Neighborhood Council, Friends of Cuttillo Park, and the Eliot K-8 middle school students to name a few.

Our mission is to provide opportunities for all Bostonians to become civically involved

in our community. We envision Boston as being a place where all Bostonians can volunteer their time maintaining and improving their city, one block at a time.

For more information on LOVE YOUR BLOCK, visit boston.gov/loveyourblock.



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Due to Coast Guard regulations, each ticketholder's name must be provided by May 9th, and a photo ID will be required to gain entry.

For further information please contact Lisa Santarpio/

Advancement Office at lsantarpio@sjsne.com or 617-227-3143 x 103.



NEWS AND NOTES By Phil Orlandella

BOSTON/KYOTO SISTER CITIES PARTNERSHIP

Resigning off the Sister Cities 60th years of partnership and collaboration between Boston and Kyoto Japan took place on April 26.

A signing ceremony to renew the agreement, reflecting on the partnership and looking forward to a creative and collaborative future together were a part of the ceremony.

"Boston and Kyoto are both leaders and the life sciences and hubs for education and celebrate strong neighborhood identities," Mayor Martin Walsh said.

RENTAL HOUSE VOUCHES RELEASED

The release of 1,000 new rental housing vouchers for chronically homeless residents and families in Boston has taken place.

Vouchers are funded through the Federal Housing Choice Voucher cap program through the US Department of Housing and Urban Development making an increase of vouchers to 13,500.

"These vouchers are more than a friend subsidy, they represent a foundation for stability, support and self-sufficiency," Mayor Martin Walsh said.

COMMUTER RAIL LOCOMOTIVE OVERHAUL

The MBTA's Fiscal and Management Control Board has exercised a contract option to initiate the overhaul of 27 additional commuter rail locomotives.

The additional overhauls are part of a strategy to improve locomotive reliability in the near term while simultaneously study ways in which the entire Commuter Rail network can function in the future through Rail Vision.

NEW VETERANS' COMMISSIONER

Mayor Martin Walsh has appointed the first Puerto Rican Commissioner of Veterans' Services, Robert Santiago, who will take on an important role by making sure veterans in the city are well supported and that their service to the country will always be appreciated, according to the Mayor.

2019 BOSTON BIKE PROGRAM SERIES

A full calendar of Boston's 2019 Bike Program Series that was expanded from May to October has been scheduled by the Boston Transportation Department.

The series will kick off on Friday, May 17 from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. with Boston's National Bike to Work Day Festival

starting at City Hall.

Fun on bike opportunities will also include the 15th annual Hub On Wheels Bike Ride in September.

"It's great to see so many people enjoying a healthy bike ride to get to their destinations in the City," Mayor Martin Walsh said.

For a full listing of bike events visit Boston.gov/bike-to-work-day.

CHARLIECARDS PICK UP LOCATIONS

The City of Boston is partnering with the MBTA to offer CharlieCards at City Hall and several Boston Public Library locations.

"I am pleased that we're able to make it easier for Boston residents and others to pick up a CharlieCard and take advantage of the T to move around the City," Mayor Martin Walsh said.

Columbus Park Playground cleaned, re-sanded

By Phil Orlandella

Inclement weather could not prevent the Christopher Columbus Park from coming to life with many kids and parents that helped re-sand the very popular children's playground

on the park.

The group not only cleaned up and re-sanded the area they enjoyed the new sand toys donated by Joe's American Bar and Grill.

Participants enjoyed pizza donated by Joe Bono of Bonevento Pizza.

KinderCare joined in providing activities and donated snacks.

Children enjoyed climbing on the Boston Fire Department engine 8 Ladder 1 that was on the scene.

Photos provided by FOCCP.



Children and parents helped re-sand the Columbus Park children's playground.



FOCCP members and the manager of Joe's American Bar and Grill display sand toys donated by the Waterfront business.



Children enjoyed climbing on Boston Fire Department Engine 8 Ladder 1.

CENTURY BANK SPONSORS SENIOR LUNCHEON

By Phil Orlandella

Century Bank on Hanover Street, North End sponsored the recent North End/West End neighborhood's arrival of spring and Pasquetta (Little Easter), catered by Spinelli's.

A group of seniors from the Blackstone Apartments, West End, also participated in the special event.

Seniors enjoyed chicken parmigiana, green salad and pasta and received canvas bags also donated by Century Bank.



Maria Stella Gulla, Director ABCD NE/WE NSC, greets the crowd.



Maria Stella Gulla Director ABCD NE/WE NSC and Lee Phenner from ABCD Public Information.



Lunch Sponsored by Century Bank.



Volunteer Susan and Case Manager Qi behind the scenes in the kitchen.



Julia NSC staff member socializes with clients.



Joseph Galvao of Century Bank.



West End neighbors.



BHNS Summer Program

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Available for children 3.5-6 years old, these full-day programs (5 days, 8:30am-2:00pm) still include plenty of outdoor time and water play, as well as a performance for families at 1:30pm each Friday. Extended Day available until 3:30pm each day. Visit www.bhns.net/summer-program to learn more.

Story Theater Camp

Swimmy (June 17-21)

Little Engine That Could (June 24-28)

Children will engage in bringing these stories to life through learning their lines, creating scenery, making costumes, getting comfortable on stage, and more!

Yoga and Mindfulness Camp

Play with Me (July 22-26)

Children will take a mindfulness journey through the five senses in this unique program that will integrate expressive movement and storytelling activities.



Joseph Galvao, Century Bank Manager, hands out bags.



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