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WU'S FUNDRAISING EVENT



Derek Kouyoumjian photo

Massachusetts State Rep Aaron Michlewitz held a fundraiser event for Mayor Michelle Wu at Cafe Paradiso. Shown are Cafe Paradiso owner Adriana DeStefano, and President of the Italian-American Heritage Month organization Richard Vita at a fundraiser event for Mayor Wu. See Pages 6-8 for more photos.

Wu announces youth jobs applications now open for 2024-2025 school year

Special to the Regional Review

Mayor Michelle Wu and the Office of Youth Employment and Opportunity (YEO) announced that youth job applications are open for the 2024 - 2025 School Year. Boston youth and young adults ages 14 - 24 can apply

at futureBOS, the hub for all youth employment opportunities throughout the City. The platform, led by YEO, allows young people to better navigate the application, onboarding, and hiring processes, ensuring that these employment opportunities are centralized. Jobs are available in various indus-

tries including nonprofit, arts and entertainment, STEM, local government, and healthcare.

"The City's youth job program provides incredible opportunities for Boston's young people to learn, grow, and opens doors for future career pathways," said Mayor

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NEWNC unanimously support all three agenda items

By Phil Orlandella

All three requests on the November North End/Waterfront Neighborhood Council (NEWNC) agenda were unanimously supported, according to President Kevin Fleming.

North End Lobster Company, 204 Hanover Street, holder of a wine and malt beverage license

has applied for a full liquor license with no operation changes, received support by NEWNC.

Also supported is a request by Dror Ashuah, owner of 431-439 Hanover Street, for a change of occupancy from children's center store and 11 apartments to two retail spaces and 14 residential units.

In addition, NEWNC supported an application for zoning relief

at 105 Washington Street for a change of occupancy from three offices and two apartments to only residential use (3 units) and interior renovations to the two units in the basement and first two floors.

The next NEWNC monthly meeting will be held on Monday, December 9 at 7pm at the Nazzaro Community Center, 30 North Bennet Street.

Inter Club Boston a soccer fan group based in North End

By Phil Orlandella

Two years ago, Gianfranco Iaia and Teodor Roci, while sitting in the Caffè Dello Sport on Hanover Street in the North End, co-founded a soccer fan club in the community that's based at 266 North Street.

When everything was said and done the Inter Club Boston came to be with 50 plus members and still growing.

Members are supporters and diehard fans of the Football Club Internazionale team Milano.

Each time their favorite team plays, club members and others (80-90) gather at the Club to loudly cheer for their team to win and enjoy some pizza and beer while



Gianfranco Iaia.

watching the game on a large screen projector.

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Eliot School students fill the community fridge at NEW Health Charlestown

Special to the Regional Review

Students at the Eliot School recently spent giving back to those in need. On November 13 and 14, Roughly 80 third and fourth graders filled the community fridge at NEW Health Charlestown. The school donated enough food to fill the fridge four times.

The Community Fridge is located just outside the Charlestown health center and is open at all times, stocked with free, healthy food for everyone in need. Throughout the month of November, the NEW Health Food Insecurity Program is initiating another #fillthefridge campaign to drive donations and combat food insecurity. NEW Health is asking residents to fill the fridge one day, post it on social media with #fillthefridge, tag @newhealth-boston and a friend to keep the chain going. If anyone is unable to donate food, they can consider making a monetary donation online.

NEW Health Public Affairs

Coordinator Danny Coakley educated the students on the general issue surrounding food insecurity in the neighborhood. More students are expected to fill the fridge in the coming weeks.

Acceptable Community Fridge food donations include: whole fruits and vegetables, commercially packaged refrigerated foods (eggs, milk, cheese, butter, tortillas, bread, bagged salad, etc.), and commercially packaged frozen foods (vegetables, fruits, prepared meals, etc.).

NEW Health's Food Insecurity Program, serving both its North End and Charlestown sites, was established in 2016. NEW Health is Charlestown's first full-service health center and is committed to improving the quality of health and life for its over 5,000 patients in the neighborhood. The health center continues to increase their food insecurity efforts to help families in need with the help of the community.

The Charlestown site is located at 15 Tufts Street.

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EDITORIAL

IS THE HOUSING PROBLEM SOLVABLE?

It is estimated that the U.S. presently is short of anywhere from four million to seven million housing units, including both rentals and single-family homes.

This is an astounding number that is growing larger every year. Housing production is lagging the demand that is being created by the family formation of the Gen Y (also known as Millennials) and Gen Z generations who are aging into adulthood.

The severe imbalance created by the increase in demand and the lack of supply -- which has been the trend in the U.S. for the past 15 years dating back to the financial crisis -- in turn has led to home and rental costs that far exceed a level of affordability for the majority of Americans.

We recently went on one of those real estate websites to look at our former family home in Chelsea which our parents purchased in 1965 for about \$20,000. The house, which is located in the Prattville section of the city, is a modest four-bedroom, 1700 sq. ft. home that last sold in 2011 for \$305,000. Today, that home has an estimated value of \$850,000.

To put those numbers in perspective, inflation from 1965-2024 increased 10-fold (\$1.00 in 1965 is worth \$10.00 today), but that home's value has increased by an astounding 42-fold. And from 2011 to today, inflation has increased by 40% -- but the value of that home has gone up by almost 300%.

Our parents' mortgage in 1965 came at a four percent interest rate and required a downpayment of \$4000. Their monthly mortgage payment (without taxes) was about \$100 per month. Today, a young couple would need a downpayment of \$170,000 in order to buy that home and their monthly mortgage payment would be about \$4000.

Our housing crisis today often is portrayed as an affordability crisis for those in the lower-income brackets. But as the numbers above demonstrate, purchasing a home today is affordable only for upper-income couples who also have families who are able to assist them with the large down payment that is necessary to obtain a conventional mortgage.

Young people also face the same lack of affordability for rental housing. Almost nobody graduating from college today, even if they have a well-paying job, can afford an apartment on their own in Greater Boston or any major city. Doubling and tripling-up is the norm for young people unless they have financial support from their families.

The last time that the U.S. faced a crisis of this magnitude came in the years immediately after WWII. Housing production during the war years had stopped and the millions of returning GIs who were forming families were in need of housing. The principal solution at that time was the construction of multi-unit housing developments -- known colloquially as "the projects" -- in almost every community in the country.

Private developers (assisted by low-rate mortgages backed by the Veterans Administration and Federal Housing Administration) also filled the need with large-scale, cookie-cutter developments in the suburbs, the most notable example being the "Levittowns."

However, today the high costs of land acquisition, materials, and infrastructure improvements (including the need to comply with modern environmental regulations) make it all but impossible for home-builders to construct "affordable" housing, whether single-family homes or multi-unit rentals.

Affordable housing advocates often cite restrictive zoning ordinances in many suburbs as a bar to the construction of affordable housing, but even if someone could take a magic wand and eliminate zoning restrictions, new home construction would barely budge. Massachusetts has had a law (c. 40B) for many years which allows developers to bypass local zoning regulations if a community's housing stock is deemed less than 10% "affordable." But that law has barely made a dent in the supply of housing. Similarly, the MBTA Communities law that has garnered so much attention in the past year figures to have a minimal impact on the housing crisis.

If it's any consolation, the housing shortage is not unique to the U.S. It's a worldwide phenomenon, from Europe to Australia, with much of the developed world facing a dire housing shortage.

Shelter is a basic human need. For millions of Americans, especially young people, the reality today is that both the public and private sectors are failing to address the ever-growing problem of our housing crisis -- and the inevitable result inevitably will have profound consequences for the future of the country.

GUEST OP-ED

Logan Airport and Hanscom Field: A Tale of Two Environmental Reports

By Corinne Doud & Valinda Chan

During October, the Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs for the state of Massachusetts, Rebecca Tepper, approved two very important Massport assessment reports for New England's top two busiest airports: Boston Logan International Airport and Hanscom Field general aviation airport (not Hanscom Air Force Base). Environmental Status and Planning Reports (ESPRs) are prepared by Massport every five years and provide annual updates and long-range analysis of projected operations, passengers, and cumulative impacts of overall airport activity. Logan International Airport and Hanscom Field were both due for ESPR reports in 2022, but the multi-year process means that reports don't receive approval or denial until years after their submission, rendering them more retroactive than planning reports. Both Logan and Hanscom are currently facing community pushback for expansion efforts.

In autumn of 2023, Logan Airport quietly opened the expansion of its international terminal, a move criticized by Logan-Area residents as a misuse of resources during a major air pollution crisis in the area. At a rally on the airport's 100th anniversary, Chris Marchi, the long-time Vice President of the nonprofit Airport Impact Relief, Inc (AIR Inc) addressed the crowd saying, "We should not congratulate this airport while it poisons environmental justice communities. We should be avowing to change. Massachusetts needs to stop excusing environmental destruction for pet projects. When will this state's leaders finally disown claims that we need to accept environmental sacrifices for the survival of our economy?"

Air pollution, including pollution caused by aircraft emissions, is scientifically linked to major health problems in communities where exposure is high. A Logan Airport Health study found that children in East Boston are four times more likely to exhibit signs of asthma compared with children in other areas. In addition, the study found that adults who have chronic obstructive pulmonary

disease (COPD) are more likely to have lived in areas of high exposure to pollutants for long periods of time, such as near Logan Airport. The East Boston neighborhood next to Logan is a "hotspot" for many different types of cancer, suggesting environmental causes for these illnesses.

On top of exposure to harmful pollutants, East Boston has the lowest tree canopy coverage in the city, largely because of the infrastructure built for Logan Airport. This contributes to the urban heat island effect, or hotter temperatures. East Boston near Logan experiences the urban heat island effect worse than most other neighborhoods in the region on average. Because of the increase in temperature and worsening of heatwaves caused by urban heat islands, they often lead to an increase in heat stroke, heat exhaustion, and even heart attacks in affected communities according to MIT. As a result of all of this, community members in East Boston are far more likely to fall ill as a result of living near Logan Airport.

Meanwhile, Hanscom Field is facing a proposed expansion of private jet infrastructure to benefit the ultra-wealthy. The proposed Hanscom Field expansion would allegedly clear-cut about 20 acres of mature woods. According to an independent analysis by Industrial Economics Inc, it would add approximately 6,000 additional private jet flights annually, and about 150,000 tons of carbon emissions each year -- essentially to benefit a privileged few. If the

expansion proceeds, private jet emissions from Hanscom alone would cancel nearly 70% of all solar PV ever installed in Massachusetts. Advocates from Boston to the Berkshires and beyond decry this expansion for fueling the climate crisis.

Stop Private Jet Expansion at Hanscom or Anywhere, a coalition of over 95 organizations, is widely known for their work to halt the proposed expansion of Hanscom Field. Last fall they submitted a petition to Governor Healey urging her to halt the massive fossil fuel development, delivering over 10,000 signatures (now 14,000).

Recently, the coalition helped generate over 1,500 public comments to MEPA (Office of MA Environmental Policy Act) on the Hanscom developers' Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) from individuals and organizations, as well as government officials. These comments were overwhelmingly in opposition to the proposed expansion, many of them arguing that the proposed development was antithetical to state and federal climate goals for 2050. In June, EEA Secretary Rebecca Tepper rejected the Hanscom developers' DEIR and instructed them to file a supplementary report that more fully and accurately reported the expected environmental and climate costs of their project.

Secretary Tepper approved the Hanscom and Logan ESPRs, respectively on October 11 and

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INTER CLUB (from pg. 1)

On game days the noise level from the club carries out into the street and possibly further.

The club has two official partnerships with other Inter Clubs in Italy, Rome and Itri (Lazio)

President Iaia said the club is, "Striving to spark more interest by North End residents to learn more about the club, possibly become members or take part in the watch parties."

He said, "The club also envisions in gaging with other Inter fans in the North End and hopes to promote Italian soccer culture throughout the community."

Gianfranco believes, "It's critical to expose young fans to the Italian Soccer culture and heritage with the hopes that future generations can also enjoy such an important aspect of the worldwide game."

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October 18, stating that each report adequately complied with the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act. However, she included strong caveats with each approval.

Pointing to rising passenger levels and pollution at Logan Airport, the Secretary issued a strong directive to Massport to improve its environmental performance there. The Secretary also ordered Massport to plan additional pollution reduction strategies to address the growth of environmental impacts if passenger or flights outpace forecasts. This idea answers community requests for Massport to stop using inaccurate planning forecasts. She also asked Massport to address the health, air quality, and community impacts of Logan's operations, and required that the Port Authority create a working group with the community to identify ways to reduce Logan's public health impacts, develop air quality monitoring and pollution reduction programs, form partnerships to distribute air filters, create an idling reduction plan, and simplify and improve the pollution reporting process.

Logan Community Clean Air Coalition members are cautiously optimistic about this certificate. Chris Marchi said, "We are eager to work with the Secretary's staff to help Massport implement the full slate of the Secretary's requirements."

Approved just a week before the Logan report, the Hanscom Field report came with a requirement: a supplemental ESPR, to be filed before the 2027 ESPR report is due. According to the Secretary's certificate, this supplemental ESPR must include, "updated forecasts of aviation activity and associated air quality and noise impacts which take into account the proposed design of North Airfield Development project (EEA# 16654), which is currently under MEPA review. The Supplemental ESPR should also provide additional data on the energy use of terminals, hangars, and other buildings at Hanscom Field. As noted below,

future ESPRs should also expand on environmental justice and public health outreach and analysis, and consider Massport's obligation under MEPA to avoid or minimize, and, where appropriate, to mitigate, environmental impacts, and, under recently promulgated rules and regulations, to consider environmental justice principles through MEPA reviews."

What does this mean? It means that both the prospective Hanscom developers and Massport itself are now required by the EEA Secretary to provide substantial additional information, in the instance of the Hanscom developers, they will need to produce a Supplemental DEIR report for their proposed expansion. Separately Massport must submit both a Supplemental ESPR report for Hanscom and do extensive supplemental work for the Logan ESPR. These directives are considered interim wins by climate and public health activists who are working to rein in and mitigate the harms of Massport's Logan and Hanscom expansions.

Public efforts to hold Massport accountable to the myriad environmental and health costs, and climate impacts, of its operations is a classic David and Goliath tale, where the public stands against forces that threaten their future. As climate and clean-air activists across the state await the passage of a comprehensive Climate Bill at the State House, MEPA's response to Massport's ESPR reports provides another slingshot to carry into the ring.

Valinda Chan is Team Co-Coordinator and Corinne Doud is Leader of the Bedford Chapter Campaign to Stop Private Jet Expansion at Hanscom or Anywhere.

Corinne Doud of Mothers Out Front Bedford and Valinda Chan of Mothers Out Front East Boston. Mothers Out Front is a national organization of mothers and others working toward a livable climate and an equitable future for all children.

NEWRA approves five full liquor licenses conditionally

By Phil Orlandella

There were five North End restaurants seeking support from the North End/Waterfront Residents' Association (NEWRA) at its November public meeting held at the Nazzaro Community Center.

Apparently, this is the first time in the lengthy history of the community groups existence that five requests for full liquor licenses were on the same agenda.

NEWRA supported all five requests with suggested lower closing hour. There were no other operational changes proposed.

Carmelina's received support, 18-1.

North End Lobster Company was supported, 13-6 with a closing hour change from 1am to 12am.

Strega, Ill Panino and Pappare Ristorante received a favorable vote of 17-3 with closing hour of 12am.

By a vote of 17 in support and one abstaining, NEWRA supported a proposal by Dror Ashuah, 435 Hanover Street LLC for a change of occupancy from children's center store and 11 apartments to two retail spaces and 14 residential units. (ISD code requirements)

The next NEWRA monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, December 12 at 6:30pm at the Nazzaro Community Center, 30 North Bennet Street.

Columbus Park trellis lighting November 25

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department and the Friends of Christopher Columbus Park will host the 22nd annual holiday lighting of the trellis at Christopher Columbus Park in the North End on Monday, November 25, at 5 p.m.

Located at 110 Atlantic Avenue on Boston's historic waterfront, Christopher Columbus Park will be transformed into a beautiful holiday display when the park and its trellis are illuminated with 50,000 blue lights.

The celebration is sponsored by H.P. Hood, LLC and the Friends of Christopher Columbus Park. Additional support is provided by LEGO Discovery Center Boston, Celebrity Series of Boston, New England Coffee, and the Blue Man Group.

The trellis lighting ceremony at Columbus Park will feature a festive lineup of entertainment, with performances by students and instructors from the North End Music and Performing Arts Center (NEMPAC). Guests will enjoy holiday classics sung by vocalist Phadedra and the rich voice of lyric tenor Miguel Cabrera. Adding to the seasonal spirit, Northeastern University a cappella group, Pitch, Please!, will deliver unique renditions of holiday favorites. Special guests Santa Claus and Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer will make an appearance, delighting children and adults alike. The evening will be hosted by Sean Stellato, creating an unforgettable kickoff to the holiday season.

Refreshments will include egg-nog from H.P. Hood, clam chowder from Joe's Waterfront, baked goods from Drakes Cakes, coffee from New England Coffee, and hot chocolate and cookies from

the Boston Marriott Long Wharf. Visit the LEGO Discovery Center Boston table for a seasonal LEGO build and more!

Other 2024 holiday celebrations hosted by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department include the lighting of the ship in Martin's Park at the Children's Wharf Harborwalk on November 30, and the Boston Common tree lighting followed by the lighting of the trees on Commonwealth Avenue Mall on December 5.

The arrival of Boston's official 2024 holiday tree from Nova

Scotia will be celebrated on Boston Common at approximately 11 a.m. on November 26. This year's tree is a 30-year-old, 45-foot-tall white spruce donated by Liz and Hugh Ryan of Mattie Settlement, Nova Scotia.

Visit boston.gov/holidaylights for more information about the season's festivities. To stay up to date with news and events in Boston parks, sign up for our email list at bit.ly/Get-Parks-Emails and follow our social channels @bostonparksdept on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram.

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NEWS, NOTES AND WHATEVER By Phil Orlandella

JOSH KRAFT A MAYORAL CANDIDATE?

There is a strong rumor, as large as a football field that Josh Kraft, the son of Patriot's owner Robert Kraft is considering entering the political arena.

Speculation has the 57-year-old contemplating a run for the Mayor of Boston.

One sign of him possibly kicking-off a campaign is he reportedly purchased a condominium in the North End, making him a Boston resident.

Besides his father's support and many others, it's possible the Goat Tom Brady will be on the kick-off team.

Currently, the Mayor has not indicated a re-run, but is not expected to punt on 4th down.

NEMPAC HOLDS SPECIAL MUSICAL CONCERT IN N.E. GALLERY

A very special music lovers and friends of the North End Music and Performing Arts Center (NEMPAC) concert was held to commemorate the new community group's New Artist Series.

NEMPAC's vision of the series is to elevate the work and stories of professional diverse musicians in the City of Boston.

The concert featured Jose Soto, pianist and former NEMPAC faculty member, Berklee professor and professional musician.

Jose and his collaborators performed in a beautiful, intimate private art gallery in the North End, Bijou de la Vida Gallery, 390 Commercial Street, a hidden gem owned by NEMPAC Board Members and special friend Ramin Khoshatefeh.

During a brief intermission, Boston Bottle provided a sampling of South American wines and guests enjoyed mingling with community members over lite bites.

The special concert also included The Bosquejo en Riesgo's Quartet and Costa Rican Sonic Landscape.

KNIGHTS HOLD HOLIDAY VISIT WITH SANTA

North End Knights of Columbus Ausonia Council #1513 will once again hold its holiday visit with Santa and his Elves on Sunday December 15 from 1-3pm at 41 North Margin Street.

Photo availability with Santa and his #1 Elf. Take your own camera.

Children under 12, accompanied by a parent, will receive a Christmas gift and goodie bag

from Santa, children must be in attendance to receive a gift.

The Knights wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

NEAA PHR COMPETITION PRODUCES NATIONAL CHAMPION

Under the supervision of John Pregmon and Ricky Martignetti, the North End Athletic Association (NEAA) hosted a Major League Baseball Pitch, Hit and Run (PHR) competition at Puopolo Park this summer.

Pregmon said, "About 40 youth signed up for the North End/ Greater Boston event which was a free event."

The event, 7-8-year-olds softball winner was Mollie MacIntosh who registered in the North End scheduled event.

Mollie went on to compete at Fenway Park. "Where she made quick work of the competition held at the ball park," Pregmon said.

She proceeded to play in the PHR championship at the World Series in Los Angeles where she was crowned National Champion.

Mollie had her dad Mike along with her through the national champ's entire journey.

"She had several proud dad moments, culminating with Mollie capturing and taking home the award for her terrific effort in her division," Pregmon said.

"The NEAA was super proud to hold this event," he said. "We are also super proud of our champ Mollie who participated in the



Mollie Macintosh PHR winner.

North End event," Pregmon concluded.

ARMENIAN HERITAGE PARK EVENT HELPS ABCD WINTER DRIVE

A Giving Thanks! Together in Celebration event took place at Armenian Heritage Park on The Greenway.

The Let's Meet at the Park activity included Skip Tobin on guitar singing favorite songs.

Those that attended were able to write a wish on a ribbon for the Wishing Tree and delight in seasonal refreshments.

The entertaining event also doubled as a winter hat, scarf or gloves for the ABCD Winter Drive.

It was an enjoyable time that also helped provide needed clothing for Boston residents.

REP. MICHELWITZ SPEAKS AT FOCCP QUARTERLY MEETING

State Representative Aaron Michelwitz was the guest speaker at the quarterly meeting of the Friends of Christopher Columbus Park (FOCCP).

First elected in 2009, the representative has chaired the House Ways and Means Committee since 2019. He has also served as Chair of the Joint Committee on Public Service, Elation Laws and Chair of the Boston Legislative Delegation.

Rep. Michelwitz represents the Third Suffolk District which includes the North End and Waterfront communities.

He shared information on recent legislation that's been assed and issues that his committee and House are working on.

FOCCP said they were excited to have the representative speak at their meeting.

SANTA TO ARRIVE AT COLUMBUS PARK

Santa Claus will land in Columbus Park, thanks to the North End Athletic Association (NEAA).

After he lands on Sunday, December 8, about 12:30pm and meets and greets everyone that's at the park to welcome his arrival. The Jolly Old Gent from the North Pole will lead a parade through the park and the North End. Many cartoon characters will join Santa on his travel through the community.

The NEAA has provided the special holiday for many, many years.

AUTHOR TALKS: THE GREAT BOSTON FIRE

Friends of the North End Library (FONEL) held another book author presentation on Wednesday, November 20.

Stephanie Schorow, author of the Great Boston Fire of 1842. The fire was barely contained after two days of spreading rapidly across the city, becoming one of the most expensive fire disasters in America.

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NEAA Soccer Program concludes with awards ceremony

By Phil Orlandella

A highly successful North End Athletic Association (NEAA) soccer season for girls and boys ages 4 to 12 came to an end on November 2 with an awards ceremony for all players (190) involved to celebrate

what NEAA Coordinator John Romano called “another fantastic season of fun soccer for all.”

Fall soccer began in September with 190 players in three age groups.

Practices were held on Tuesdays and Thursdays depending on the age group. All games were held

on Saturday mornings at Puopolo Park.

This season there was an added bonus. “Four games were played against the Hill House Soccer Program for 9–12-year-olds,” Romano said. Games were scattered throughout the season on Thursdays.



Scenes from the NEAA soccer season.

A SHORT STORY ABOUT A MOTORCYCLE AND A SUDDEN TURN.

When she was a young college student, Elisabeth Marra had a serious motorcycle accident that ultimately changed her life. Two years after the crash, her painful open fractures had failed to heal. Then she heard about a new and complex surgery pioneered by a surgeon who used a patient's own stem cells to concentrate the healing process. This time, her surgery and subsequent therapy were successful.

Elisabeth's experience caused her to redirect her own career aspirations. Inspired by the medical professionals who helped her reclaim her active lifestyle, she changed her major to study physical therapy—a profession where her own experience could help other patients prevail through difficult recoveries.

We tell Elisabeth Marra's story here to illustrate two of the most profound messages we know. Don't give up, and remember to give back. If reading it inspires just one more person to achieve something special, then its telling here has been well worth while.



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MAYOR MICHELLE WU'S FUNDRAISING EVENT IN THE NORTH END

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State Rep. Aaron Michlewitz held a fundraising event for Mayor Michelle at the Cafe Paradiso.

State Rep. Aaron Michlewitz introduced the Mayor, who talked about her time in office and plans for the future.



Executive Director of the Nazzaro Center Marlo Imbergamo D'Anna with Boston Mayor Michelle Wu and State Rep. Aaron Michlewitz.

Boston Mayor Michelle Wu with Massachusetts State Rep Aaron Michlewitz and Cafe Paradiso owner Adriana DeStefano..



Cafe Paradiso was filled with constituents waiting to meet and support Boston Mayor Michelle Wu.



The DiFronzo Family with Boston Mayor Michelle Wu and State Rep. Aaron Michlewitz.

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MAYOR MICHELLE WU'S FUNDRAISING EVENT IN THE NORTH END

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NEMPAC Board Chairman Douglas Bowen Flynn, Executive Director Sherri Snow, and President of enLabel Global Services Ramin Khoshatefeh with Boston Mayor Michelle Wu.



Boston City Councilor Sharon Durkan and Matt Rubin, resident at Harbor Towers.



Boston Mayor Michelle Wu greets a supporter.



Boston Mayor Michelle Wu takes a selfie with Massachusetts State Rep. Aaron Michlewitz and the throng of supporters behind them.



University Of Massachusetts President Marty Meehan with Boston Mayor Michelle Wu.



Richard Walsh, President and CEO of Walsh Brothers with Boston Mayor Michelle Wu.



Boston Mayor Michelle Wu with Hal Michlewitz, Massachusetts State Rep. Aaron Michlewitz's father.



Constituents Mike Magner and Tim Sheridan.



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MAYOR MICHELLE WU'S FUNDRAISING EVENT IN THE NORTH END

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6M Group Principal William Caulder with Boston Mayor Michelle Wu.



Boston Mayor Michelle Wu with Massachusetts State Rep. Aaron Michlewitz, owner of Cafe Paradiso Adriana DeStefano, and Boston City Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata .



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Boston Mayor Michelle Wu with Massachusetts State Rep. Aaron Michlewitz and his wife Maria.



President of CME Energy Bill Martin, Ryan Dempsey, and Ken Halloran.



Boston Mayor Michelle Wu with constituent Patricia Romano.

Greater Boston Food Bank's 19th annual Chain of Giving

Special to the Times

The Greater Boston Food Bank (GBFB), the largest hunger-relief organization in New England, held its 19th annual Chain of Giving event, an annual tradition uniting elected officials, local advocates, business leaders and community members to raise awareness and mitigate holiday food insecurity. The event, sponsored by Biogen and National Grid, draws attention to the persistence of food insecurity in the state and GBFB's Hunger Free Holidays campaign.

As GBFB strives to offer nutritious and culturally sensitive food to families in need this holiday season, Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll, Boston Mayor Michelle Wu and GBFB President and CEO Catherine D'Amato shared remarks highlighting the critical need to address food insecurity in the Bay State. Over 150 participants then formed a human chain to pass nearly 1,200 turkeys from a delivery truck through GBFB's warehouse that would later be donated to families in need. This represents only a portion of the 46,000 turkeys and other holiday and daily food items the nonprofit expects to distribute to pantries across Eastern Massachusetts throughout the holidays.

"The holidays are a time for celebration with family and friends, but many families in Massachusetts are struggling to provide for their basic needs. Our neighbors in financial distress are often having to make tough decisions between buying food or paying for housing, healthcare, or transportation," said Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll. "That's why our administration takes a community-wide approach to hunger and we work hand in hand with community partners like GBFB every day. In Massachusetts, we work hard, we work smart, and we work together

to be there for our neighbors in need. And we will double down our work on the root causes of food insecurity, to end hunger once and for all."

State Treasurer Deb Goldberg, Commissioner Jeffrey McCue of MA Department of Transitional Assistance, Suffolk County District Attorney Kevin Hayden, as well as several other state and local officials joined the tradition, alongside the beloved mascots for the Red Sox and Patriots.

"The Greater Boston Food Bank provides vital support for our residents who are facing food insecurity, and I am so grateful for their continued dedication to creating a healthy and nourished community," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "The Chain of Giving is a wonderful and inspiring tradition that provides essential relief to our residents who lack resources during the holiday season, and I look forward to continuing our partnership in order to end food scarcity in the city."

Following the Chain of Giving, GBFB celebrated the opening of its new refrigeration unit with a ribbon-cutting ceremony as part of the organization's efforts to rightsize its warehouse to support the state's historic need for food assistance. The new unit stores 400 pallets of perishable food; including highly sought-after and nutritious items such as produce, eggs, and dairy, allowing GBFB to distribute up to an estimated eight million additional meals each year.

Food insecurity has solidified as a post-pandemic, everyday lived experience for 1 in 3 Massachusetts residents – nearly 2 million individuals – according to GBFB's annual study on food access and equity. The event and accompanying fundraiser come at a time of sustained hunger brought on by an unsustainable cost of living and intersecting affordability crises in

NEWS BRIEFS

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES FOR FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION

The Healey-Driscoll Administration announced that applications are being accepted for \$2 million in grants to support fire and life safety education for children and older adults, the people most vulnerable in the event of a fire at home.

The Student Awareness of Fire Education (SAFE) and Senior

SAFE grant programs are administered by the Executive Office of Public Safety & Security and the Department of Fire Services. They send local firefighters to schools, community groups, senior centers, councils on aging, and other venues to teach age-appropriate safety lessons to children under 18 and adults 65 and older.

"The SAFE and Senior SAFE grants are a smart investment in fire protection, fire prevention, and fire safety for the most vulnerable members of our commu-

nities," said State Fire Marshal Jon M. Davine. "I want to thank Governor Healey, the Executive Office of Public Safety, and the Legislature for supporting these programs, and I encourage every fire department to apply."

The SAFE grant program has contributed to the steepest decline in child fire deaths in Massachusetts history. In 1994, there were more than two dozen child fire fatalities; the SAFE grants were

housing, groceries, healthcare and childcare. The study also revealed disparities in food access among households of color, LGBTQ+ households, and those with children.

"With soaring costs of housing, food, and daycare, these financial burdens often force families to make tough choices, like sacrificing meals to meet other essential needs," said Catherine D'Amato, GBFB President and CEO. "While these stresses may peak during the holidays, families need food year-round, not just at Thanksgiving. Massachusetts can achieve hunger-free status, but it requires collective action. Let's work together to advocate for policies that ensure food security for all."

Wellesley Girl Scout Troop Wins Nally Award
Each year, GBFB honors outstanding young people who have championed hunger-relief in their communities with the Nally Award. Established in 2006, the award is named after Danny and Betsy Nally, who at ages 8 and 6, started their very first turkey drive for GBFB. This year's Nally Award was presented to Wellesley's Girl Scout Troop 64049, who graciously donated their cookie sales profits to GBFB after learning about the impact of childhood hunger.

The troop of 15 fifth graders, who have typically donated cookie sale funds toward wildlife-related causes, was shocked to learn that other children in their community – their age and younger – face hunger. After doing their own research, they agreed to donate to GBFB to help end hunger here.

To learn more about The Greater Boston Food Bank or to join its annual Hunger Free Holidays campaign, visit GBFB.org/holidays.

The Greater Boston Food Bank (GBFB) is the largest hunger-relief organization in New England



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Shown (left to right) are Boston Mayor Michelle Wu, GBFB President & CEO Catherine D'Amato, Massachusetts Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll, and Massachusetts State Treasurer Deborah Goldberg.

and one of the largest food banks in the country. For nearly half a century, GBFB has fueled Eastern Massachusetts' hunger-relief system, putting nearly 90 million healthy meals on tables across the region each year. Over 600 community-based pantries and other local partners in 190 cities and towns depend on GBFB to provide access to healthy food for 600,000 people every month. GBFB is committed to the belief that access to healthy food is a human right regardless of an individual's cir-

cumstances. Through policy, partnerships, and providing free, nutritious, and culturally responsive food, GBFB is committed to addressing the root causes of food insecurity while promoting racial, gender and economic equity in food access. Together, we have the power to end hunger here. For more information and to help us help others, visit us at GBFB.org, follow us on Facebook, Twitter (@gr8bosfoodbank) and Instagram, or call us at 617.427.5200.

Holiday Open House

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Friends of the North End Library
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DATE: Saturday December 19, 2024

WHERE: 25 Parmenter St.
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TIME: 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
The NEMPAC Children's Choir
will be performing Holiday songs

JOBS (from pg. 1)

Michelle Wu. "This program has grown tremendously over the past few years and brought job opportunities to thousands of youth across the city, and I encourage all young people in Boston to apply for the coming year."

futureBOS (which includes opportunities from the SuccessLink program) is designed to not only recruit and hire youth, but also ensure that the employment experience is engaging and meaningful, and advances young people's professional and personal development. Research from Northeastern University demonstrates that SuccessLink, the City's youth employment program, positively impacts a range of economic, academic, and criminal justice outcomes for youth. Recognizing the importance of this work, Mayor Wu and the City invested \$18.7 million in youth jobs last year. Bolstered by these funds, YEO expanded and improved the program to increase efficiency and streamline the process for youth and their families. The program

has since experienced record highs in the number of young people employed each summer with 9,357 youth hired in Summer 2023 and 10,427 in Summer 2024, the highest in the program's history.

"We had a tremendous record-breaking Summer and are excited to bring these opportunities for youth into the school year," said Allison Vernerey, Executive Director of the Office of Youth Employment and Opportunity. "Our office has already started supporting youth hands-on for the season and we look forward to maximizing the reach, quality, and impact of youth employment year around!"

futureBOS participants have also expressed satisfaction with the program. Ninety-four percent feel better prepared to enter the workforce, 90% leave the program with references for future employment, 83% feel prepared to achieve future educational and career goals, and 97.3% would recommend this job opportunity to a friend.

These accomplishments are a result of Boston's collaborative approach to developing a holistic and inclusive youth workforce development system. To increase coordination and alignment among the City's youth employment providers, YEO has deepened partnerships with more than 200 City agencies, non-profits, higher education institutions, and lead entities – Action for Boston Community Development, the Boston Private Industry Council, Artists For Humanity, and the State's Commonwealth Corporation YouthWorks – to offer high-quality employment opportunities to youth year-round.

"School-year employment can be an excellent after-school activity. It allows students to develop workplace skills like communication and collaboration while allowing them to imagine themselves in different environments," said Neil Sullivan, Executive Director of the Boston Private Industry Council, "and the paycheck doesn't hurt either!"

Last summer, Mayor Michelle Wu made an extraordinary promise, guaranteeing a summer job to every eligible Boston Public School (BPS) student who wanted one. Building on this commitment, YEO increased its collaboration with BPS through strategic engagement and outreach. As a result, over 50% of 2024 summer youth jobs participants were BPS students. YEO will continue its partnership with BPS to prioritize students during the 2024-2025 school year.

"I am grateful for the collaboration between the Boston Public Schools and the Office of Youth Engagement and Opportunity, which has ensured that every BPS student who wanted a summer job was able to access one, giving our students an invaluable opportunity to gain real-world working experience, and explore careers and professions that they are passionate about," said Boston Public Schools Superintendent Mary Skipper. "I am excited that this crucial partnership will provide

more access to youth employment opportunities for BPS students, especially during the school year."

YEO will continue its partnership with Bank On Boston and the Center for Working Families to provide youth with financial education, instilling healthy financial habits that will last a lifetime. Bank On Boston provides free financial workshops on various topics including credit building and banking basics. The full schedule can be found here.

Job applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. Youth are strongly encouraged to apply early, ideally by December 1, 2024. There is a step-by-step guide available online to help youth navigate the application process. Youth can also visit the office in person, Monday - Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at 1483 Tremont Street in Roxbury, or call 617-635-4202 for additional assistance. For more information, visit boston.gov/futureBOS.

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CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT

Docket No. SU20P1266PM

Estate of: Magdalena Goode Pierce

A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by Public Guardian Services, LLC of Braintree, MA requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account, as Permanent Conservator and other such

relief as may be requested in the Petition. IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 12/03/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: October 29, 2024

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CITATION ON PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Docket No. SU24C0476CA

In the matter of: Tiago Frago Aires de Queiroz A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Tiago Frago Aires de Queiroz of Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Tiago Aires Queiroz

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purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at:Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: October 16, 2024

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CITATION ON PETITION FOR

CHANGE OF NAME

Docket No. SU24C0428CA

In the matter of: Tristan Scott Moore

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Tristan Scott Moore of Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Nova Nicole Scott

IMPORTANT NOTICE Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at:Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 12/05/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: November 07, 2024

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The following is the Greenway Conservancy's Horticultural team report:

A unique aspect of The Greenway is that all horticulture is managed ecologically and organically—no synthetic pesticides or herbicides are used in our gardens. This means our lawns are safe for all to enjoy, and the birds and insects that call The Greenway home thrive without exposure to



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Volunteers working on projects in the North End.

harmful chemicals. Being close to Boston Harbor, our commitment to organic practices also prevents

any dangerous runoff into the water. We maintain our landscape with battery-powered equipment, a sustainable choice that's healthier for our team to operate and eliminates exhaust and greenhouse gasses.

In 2024, we focused on increasing biodiversity by introducing a "soft landing" beneath tree canopies, planting native perennials that provide essential food and shelter for caterpillars. We also ensured that our maintenance practices within our gardens benefited native insects and pollinators. We held off on cutting back large plants where insects may be nesting, and routinely tracked our Pollinator Homes throughout the park.

We also renovated Dewey Square lawn, replacing traditional



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Greenway Horticulture Team.

turf with a grass and microclover blend that requires less mowing, less water, and naturally enriches the soil with nitrogen. In addition, we increased the tree diversity in the park by planting new native species which included the pink flowering dogwood and pink flowering Carolina silverbell (an Arnold Arboretum introduction). Over in Mary Soo Hoo Park, a unique Chinese fringe tree with a slender, upright shape and fragrant summer blooms now adds texture and color year-round.

Volunteers provided the necessary support to make all of these new projects possible. Monday through Friday, volunteers weeded, planted, and maintained our

gardens. They also continued to track the migratory patterns of birds, butterflies, and the bloom cycles of our plants. This year, volunteers spotted three new species of butterflies that have never been observed in Downtown Boston!

As we continue to add new plantings and organic horticulture to enrich the visitor experience and elevate diversity within our gardens, we invite you to join us in supporting The Greenway and our Horticulture program. With your help, we can keep this green oasis thriving in downtown Boston for everyone to enjoy. Support The Greenway today to help us grow and sustain a greener, more connected community.

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launched the following year and child fire deaths never again reached even half that number. Massachusetts recently went more than two and a half years without losing a child to fire.

The Senior SAFE grants were created in 2014 to provide education, smoke and carbon monoxide alarm installation, and other services to reduce fire-related fatalities among older adults, who now represent the age group most likely to die in a fire.

Fire departments of every city, town, fire district, and eligible state authority can apply to share in funding for SAFE grants, Senior SAFE grants, or both. Departments must meet certain requirements, including mandatory fire data reporting, to be considered. The Notice of Funding Opportunity, grant application, and eligibility requirements are available on the Department of Fire Services' website. Applications must be submitted by 5:00 pm on December 10, 2024.

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The Henry David Thoreau Scholarships are up to \$26,000 four-year scholarships awarded to eight students graduating from public or private high schools in Massachusetts. High school seniors awarded the Henry David Thoreau Scholarships can enroll in any college and university in the world while they major or minor in an environmentally related field. Henry David Thoreau Scholars are encouraged to enroll in internships or study abroad to broaden their awareness and understanding of environmental issues.

Henry David Thoreau Scholars have studied a wide variety of environmentally related areas, including biology, epidemiology, oceanography, international affairs, and environmental law, and upon completing their undergraduate degrees, they became members of the Henry David Thoreau Society.

The Henry David Thoreau Foundation further assists its scholarship winners by identifying environmentally related internships, offering internship stipends, and providing networking opportunities. Upon graduation from college, Henry David Thoreau Scholars are inducted into the Henry David Thoreau Society. A sign of success of the Henry David Thoreau Foundation's mission to foster environmental leadership is the support past scholarship winners provide to present scholarship winners.

To learn more about the Henry David Thoreau Foundation and the Henry David Thoreau Scholarships, please visit thoreauscholar.org. Students have until February 1, 2025, to apply.

NEW Health is proud to announce the recipients of the Foster and Elaine Wilson Community Scholarships

For the John Foster Scholarship, we're thrilled to congratulate Abadit Wineh, a dedicated Community Health Worker at NEW Health since 2022. Abi's unwavering commitment to service has been remarkable, and we're excited to support her as she pursues her master's in public health at UMass Lowell. The John Foster scholarship is designed for employees like Abi who are passionate about advancing their careers in healthcare.

For the Elaine Wilson Scholarship, we're honored to recognize Juliana Vitello, whose deep dedication to women's health and labor and delivery nursing has truly moved us. As she works toward her nursing degree at Emmanuel College, we look forward to seeing her continue making a difference



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