

## Space Savers are Not Allowed in the South End

72 complaints filed with BOS311

BY SUE O'CONNELL

Since 2015, space savers during snow storms have been banned in the South End.

In other Boston neighborhoods,

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## 10 years of success

### Heart of Gold scholarship fundraiser

BY MICHELE D. MANISCALCO

Neighbors and their friends braved the frigid wind and snow to join the Blackstone/Franklin Squares Neighborhood Association (B/FSNA) at Estragon, 700 Harrison Avenue, to mark the 10th anniversary.

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Scholarship committee with Tito Jackson, center; and former recipient Alex Maizonett, second from right. Photo by Michele Maniscalco

## South End Honor Roll

### Boston College High School

Dylan Mullin 2020 of the South End achieved High Honors for the Second Quarter at Boston College High School. For High Honors Freshmen need a 3.6 quality point average and all grades "C+" or higher.

Noad Zacharias 2019 and Ryan Ridolfo 2019 achieved Honors. For Honors a student needs a 3.2 QPA and all grades "C-" or higher.

Boston College High School is



(Left to right) Dylan Mullin, Ryan Ridolfo, Noad Zacharias

Jesuit, Catholic, college-preparatory school for young men founded in 1863. The school enrolls approximately 1600 students from more than 100 communities in eastern Massachusetts.

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## Café Pride celebrates official launch at USES

BY MICHELE D. MANISCALCO

Settlements Harriet Tubman House, 566 Columbus Avenue, to savor appetizers and snacks and to mix and mingle to celebrate the official launch of Café Pride, the newest

About 60 people including seniors from the LGBT community, city and elected officials and special guest Mayor Martin J. Walsh came together at the United South End

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Mayor Marty Walsh. Photo by Michele Maniscalco

## Winter in the South End



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## Café Pride

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meal and social events sponsored by non-profit elder-services provider Ethos.

Café Pride, which had its “soft opening” on January 11, is a monthly, low-cost “supper club” for LGBT people of color and their friends which will offer entertainment, speakers and informative sessions. It is a new addition to both Ethos’s array of services for LGBT elderly and to its weekly and monthly senior meal gatherings that currently operate around the city.

Also in attendance were Emily Shea, Boston commissioner of elderly affairs and deputy commissioner Melissa Carlson; Boston Transportation Department commissioner Gina Fiandaca; Office of Neighborhood Services liaison Sam Chambers; City Councilor At Large Ayanna Pressley and state representative Elizabeth Malia (D-11th Suffolk), whose district includes parts of Jamaica Plain, where Ethos is headquartered, as well as Roxbury and Roslindale. Ethos executive director Dale Mitchell acted as host and emcee for the event.

Mayor Walsh recalled working with Mitchell and Malia as leading advocates for LGBT rights from his earliest days on Beacon Hill, noting that Malia urged him to join her legislative efforts because “we really need straight white males to join.” Walsh, who was first elected to the state legislature in 1997, recalled that he and 27 other of his straight, male colleagues were upset when marriage equality legislation was first crafted, then “softened” in an attempt to increase its

chances for passage.

Walsh proudly pointed out that Massachusetts enacted both universal health care and marriage equality in 2004. Alluding to the current political upheaval since the inauguration of the new president, Walsh said, “Remember, no matter how bad it gets, Massachusetts leads the way.”

Ethos, which is part of a system of 26 non-profits around the state dedicated to augmenting government services for seniors, provides a comprehensive range of services including health, fitness and nutrition; home care; assistance with home repairs; money management and transportation, hosts elder weekly and monthly cafés around the city offering seniors a tasty, nutritious meal and a chance to socialize.

Margery Gann, care management director at Ethos, said, “We try to make it a welcoming place and offer the diners what they want in terms of educational programs or entertainment.” Gann and Mitchell hope that this new monthly happening will raise awareness in the South End of Ethos’s wide array of services for LGBT and all elders trying to maintain themselves in their homes. “What we find is that most people don’t know what is available to it until you need it. The point is to keep people informed before they are having a crisis,” Gann observed.

The Haley House culinary arts training program provided Café Pride with delicious, light fare including flatbreads topped with spinach, caramelized onion and gorgonzola;

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(Top) Mayor Marty Walsh (Bottom) Dale Mitchell of Ethos. Photos by Michele Maniscalco



**Success**

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sary of its college scholarship program for South End youth, which awards scholarships to students living in the South End to help pay for books and supplies, computers, lab fees and other college expenses.

Mayor Martin J. Walsh was scheduled to appear, specifically to congratulate scholarship founder and former B/FSNA president Andrew Parthum on the success of the program, according to scholarship committee co-chair Lisa Jenks, but Walsh was unable to attend as he was surveying snowstorm conditions. District 7 city councilor Tito Jackson was able to attend.

Heart of Gold committee co-chair Lisa Jenks said in a follow-up e-mail, "We had over 100 people come out for South End kids in a blizzard. It was very inspiring and made for a casual event with neighbors in snow boots and ski jackets on a very cold and blustery winter night!"

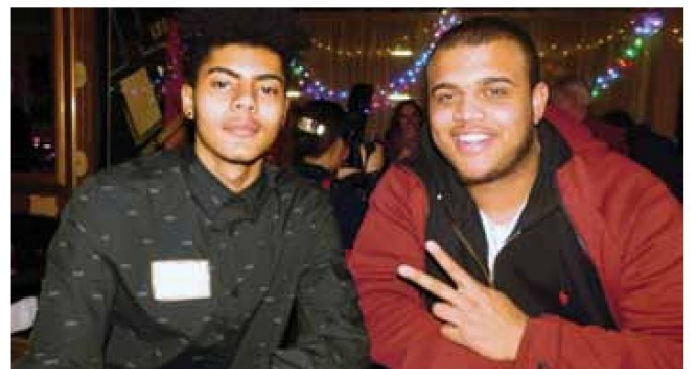
A proud and emotional Parthum remarked, "It's really special when you believe in something and others believe in it too and support it." The scholarship program has grown almost exponentially, awarding over 45 scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,500 since its beginning with a cocktail party in Parthum's Washington Street home 10 years ago.

The benefit included hot and cold appetizers, cocktail music and jazz by Shawmut Avenue resident and singer Jack Donahue accompanied by pianist Andy Lantz, who

substituted for the originally scheduled Hank Wonder Trio. David Wisholek, who with his partner, Christopher McBride, has remained active in the scholarship program despite moving to the suburbs, reported in a follow-up statement, "We raised over \$35,000 and still growing with donations coming in, including tickets sales. [It was] our second biggest grossing fundraiser. Considering the blizzard going on outside, we are THRILLED with the results."

One live auction item, which netted almost \$2,000 and sparked a fierce bidding war, was the Dinner Party for 8" package including personal chef services from Wild Carrot Cuisine, a \$250 gift card from Whole Foods to cover food, a \$200 gift certificate from Brix for wine and a \$150 American Express gift card to pay for flowers and peripherals. Now a student at Curry College, Alex Maizonett, the winner of the 2016 Andrew Parthum scholarship in the amount of \$2,500, attended with his friend Didier, who won a scholarship from the St. Stephen's Youth Program in which both were active.

Musing on the B/FSNA college scholarship program's impressive growth in the 10 years since its inception, founder Andrew Parthum wrote, "The fundraiser has exceeded my expectations. It's more successful than I ever imagined. It's great to help out these students. It's amazing how the fundraiser and scholarships have grown. Several years ago, people volunteered who could plan the fundraiser and were comfortable asking local businesses for donations. These skills I



(Top) Lisa Jenks, Andrew Parthum (Bottom) former scholarship winner Alex Maizonett and friend. Photos by Michele Maniscalco

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## Advice on Pets, Life, Love

BY MONICA COLLINS

Dear Dog Lady,

I recently attended the funeral of a man I did not know very well but liked him well enough so I gotttogether with him and his wife a couple of times a year. He was a character — a lawyer/Uber driver—and I appreciated his sense of humor. He also was a dog lover who died of a heart attack while he was walking his two dogs. At his funeral, his dogs were among the mourners, which shocked me a little to see the animals in the mortuary. Do you think this was appropriate?

—Bennett

Dear Bennett,

Some people might have been displeased by the animals' attendance at traditionally somber rites. However, the deceased must have loved his pets enough so their presence at the funeral would have been perfectly natural to him.

Dear Dog Lady,

How can I best walk my dog among the snow piles? Cosmo, my boxer, doesn't know where to go—for business or pleasure.

—Jack

Dear Jack,

During these long snow days, Dog Lady imagines how easy it would be to be Cat Lady Purr—no walks, no worries. However, the dear dog must go out. So we teeter on mountains of snow and hope the beast chooses to go quickly on whatever patch of ice smells familiar.

A sensible walking tip? Wear Yaktrax (yaktrax.com) on the bottom of your boots to make tracks on slick surfaces. Dog Lady couldn't move without these ice grippers. Yaktrax are available online and in many sporting goods and shoe stores.

Dear Dog Lady,

I adopted a Maltese pup about a year and a half ago. The people I got him from recognized that they had not bonded with him and Freddie was spending too much time in a dog cage. Freddie and I bonded almost immediately. He still follows me around the house and generally doesn't let me out of his sight. When I leave him alone (nearly every day for a little while or longer), he cries. Sometimes I can hear him howling when I pull into the garage. My concern is that I am planning a trip to China and I really am worried about how he will do when I am gone for 17 days. He will be staying with my cousin who has a small dog that Freddie is best friends with. Do you have any suggestions on how I can prepare Freddie for my leaving?

—Rosemary

Dear Rosemary,

Here's a line to remember about dogs: "Distraction is the mother of reinvention." In general, make sure your Maltese has plenty of healthy chewies (bully sticks are great), and indestructible toys (say a Kong stuffed with peanut butter) when you're not home. Also, give Freddie a vigorous walk before you leave. When you come back home or when leave, do not acknowledge him. This might seem cruel but ignorance is bliss for dogs with separation anxiety. They make a big deal because we make a big deal of greeting them or saying goodbye. Ignore him coming and going. It will seem strange at first but your feigned obliviousness will help Freddie calm down and detach.

Now, about your trip: Go to China and don't

look back. Certainly, your cousin and her dog will keep Freddie amused. Leave her with stuff to distract him—particularly his food—and Freddie will be in fine fettle, especially with a dog pal. Dogs may love us but other dogs keep them grounded.

Dear Dog Lady,

There have been several news articles lately about the dangers of pets sleeping in your bed due to diseases that pets may give you accidentally. Animals can carry fleas and ticks, and can get infected and re-infected with intestinal parasites without proper veterinary medical care. Fleas, ticks, and intestinal parasites are common in pets of owners uneducated about the importance of basic veterinary medical care. And those parasites can lead to severe disease in children, pregnant women, people with certain diseases, and the elderly. As a veterinarian I like to promote the healthy bonds that people have with their pets, but it makes it difficult when you don't realize a pet can carry a debilitating or deadly disease.

—Dr. A. (MS, DVM)

Dear Dr. A.,

Thank you for this advisory. Dog Lady believes it's safe to assume that if you regularly see a veterinarian, the medical professional will ensure you and your dog are taking the proper precautions to stay free of parasites. Dog Lady has a new rescue dog, Dexter, and she does not allow him to share her bed. He sleeps in the bedroom with Mr. and Mrs. Dog Lady but he sleeps in his own crate where he is very safe and comfortable. Also, Dexter is not allowed to kiss Dog Lady on the face or lips. On walks, he, like many dogs, is a potty mouth, nosing and tonguing all sorts of disgusting things. Dog Lady doesn't want to stop him from doing what comes naturally but she doesn't want to share his saliva either. Alas, 'tis best not to kiss your dog.

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## Honor Roll

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### University of New Hampshire

Victoria Clark of Boston has been named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire for earning High Honors for the fall 2016 semester. Clark is majoring in Human Development & Family Studies.

Students named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire are students who have earned recognition through their superior scholastic performance during a semester enrolled in a full-time course load (12 or more graded credits). Highest honors are awarded to students who earn a semester grade point average of 3.85 or better out of a possible 4.0. Students with a 3.65 to 3.84 average are awarded high honors and students whose grade point average is 3.5 through 3.64 are awarded honors.

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### UMass Dartmouth

Helen Teklehaimanot of Boston, MA has been named to the Chancellor's List in recognition of earning a Fall 2016 semester grade point average of 3.8 or higher of a possible 4.0.

The following UMass Dartmouth students have been named to the Fall 2016 Dean's List in recognition of earning a semester grade point average of 3.2 or higher of a possible 4.0.

Raymond Chen and Selina Diaz.

UMass Dartmouth distinguishes itself as a vibrant public university actively engaged in personalized teaching and innovative re-

search, and acting as an intellectual catalyst for regional economic, social, and cultural development. UMass Dartmouth's mandate to serve its community is realized through countless partnerships, programs, and other outreach efforts to engage the community, and apply its knowledge to help address local issues and empower others to facilitate change for all.

### University of the South Sewanee

Daniel Callahan Oakley of Boston has been named to the Dean's List at the University of the South for the Fall 2016 term. To earn a place on Sewanee's Dean's List, a student must earn a minimum grade point average of 3.625 on a 4.0 scale. Daniel Callahan Oakley is the son of Eileen & Daniel C. Oakley.

The University of the South, familiarly known as Sewanee, comprises a nationally recognized College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and a distinguished School of Theology. Located on 13,000 acres on Tennessee's Cumberland Plateau, Sewanee.

### Wentworth Institute of Technology

The following local students have made the Dean's List at Wentworth Institute of Technology for the fall 2016 semester.

Wei Cheng Liang, Yong M. Chen, Aaron Paternoster. Founded in 1904, Wentworth Institute of Technology is an independent, co-educational, nationally ranked institution offering career-focused education through 17 bachelor's degree programs in areas such as applied mathematics, architecture, business management, computer science, computer networking, construction management, design, and engineering.

The dedicated guest was impressed with the sidewalk conditions as she walked from Back Bay Station to Estragon. "I found that basically everybody had shoveled their sidewalks and I wondered whether there is a community collaboration for shoveling. I saw one person with a snow blower going all the way down the block. It was unbelievable that I could actually see the sidewalk."

B/FSNA continues to accept donations for the college scholarship program. Donations are tax deductible and can be submitted by regular mail or on-line. Checks can be made out to B/FSNA Scholarship and mailed to: Blackstone/Franklin Square Neighborhood Association, PO Box 180940, Boston, MA 02118 and on-line donations are accepted at <https://mkt.com/blackstonefran klin scholarship>.

### Café Pride

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jerk chicken, curry chicken or vegetarian wraps; empanadas; antipasto, salad and chocolate cookies. Gann explained, "It keeps us true to the mission when we purchase from Haley House. Not only do they do a nice job, but it's easy to meet needs for people who are

vegetarian or have other [dietary restrictions]."

Café Pride will return to the Harriet Tubman House on March 8 at 4:00 PM with dinner, congenial company and programming to be determined. The suggested donation is \$5.00 and reservations are required. To reserve a space at the Café Pride table, please call Ethos at 617/522-6700. For more information on Ethos, please visit [www.ethocare.org](http://www.ethocare.org).



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# Peters Park Graffiti wall deadline Feb. 26

## Request for Proposals

ALA (African Latino Alliance) Collective, City Lights, Washington Gateway Main Street, Friends of Peters Park, and Old Dover Neighborhood Association, in coordination with the Boston Art Commission, invite Boston artists to submit conceptual designs for consideration for a mural in Peters Park in the South End on the Peters Park Art Wall.

Call released: Thursday, January 26, 2017

Deadline: Sunday, February 26, 2017  
Eligibility

This RFP is open to all professional artists, artisans, or teams (hereinafter, referred to as "artists"), with experience in public art, site responsive design, project management, and working with youth.

## About the Art Wall

In 2016, Mayor Martin J. Walsh launched Boston Creates, Boston's cultural plan. Following the Mayor's leadership in elevating arts and culture in the City of Boston, we are excited to continue the tradition of the Art Wall into the future with a neighborhood project that aims to celebrate and preserve a history of culturally relevant art for the next wave of artists and community youth.

The Peters Park Art Wall was proclaimed a legal graffiti wall in 1986 under Mayor Raymond Flynn in order to decrease vandalism in the South End. Local artists, in partnership with local organizations and businesses, seek to continue the tradition of curating and programming the Art Wall both for the enrichment of the neighborhood as well as the preservation and celebration of this area's diverse cultural history.

For three decades, graffiti artists, community members, and inner-city youth have

come to view the Peters Park Graffiti Art Wall as a safe outlet for creative and cultural expression:

"My son plays baseball in the little league based there. Seeing that art at every game helped root us, realizing that part of my culture is proudly represented here. Long live graffiti on this wall." - Franklin Miller (Facebook post, Sept. 2016)

ALA Collective, City Lights, and their network of artists and associates have played a significant role in creating a space where local graffiti writers and other visual artists can showcase their artwork at the Peters Park Graffiti Art Wall, resulting in community events, culturally relevant murals, and a rich history of inner-city youth learning mural painting techniques and life-building skills from progressive graffiti artists.

"Luis: ... then [we] got the opportunity to paint on some prestigious walls. Especially Peters Park in the South End. So many people wanted to paint there. It started with a crew there [ALA Collective], and some type

of partnership with a guy at City Lights. He protected us, and when the police took our paint, he went and got it back." (Graffiti Kept Me Alive. Jan. 2015).

ALA Collective, City Lights, Washington Gateway Main Street, Friends of Peters Park, and Old Dover Neighborhood Association, in coordination with the Boston Art Commission, are seeking applications for mural concepts reflecting the traditional and cultural experiences of Boston and the South End community, to replace the existing mural. Selected mural concept to be executed by the submitting artist(s) and a selection of Boston city youth in May 2017.

\$10,000 is budgeted for artist fees and materials, with an additional \$500 toward payment for youth.

Apply online at: <http://bit.ly/2j3Vqzu>  
Please direct all questions to the Boston Art Commission at [BAC@boston.gov](mailto:BAC@boston.gov).

## Space Savers

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Residents are allowed space savers, items placed in shoveled out public parking statements to indicate that the space is "saved", for the first 48 hours after a snow emergency.

The elimination of the space saver tradition was presented to city officials by the South End Forum, representing all 15 of the South End's community groups.

In the past, the South End Forum also set up a fund to help people whose cars were

damaged after removing a space saver.

So what to do with your car? Visit <https://www.boston.gov/winter-boston> for information.

So what do if you have a non-emergency complaint or question? Dial 311.

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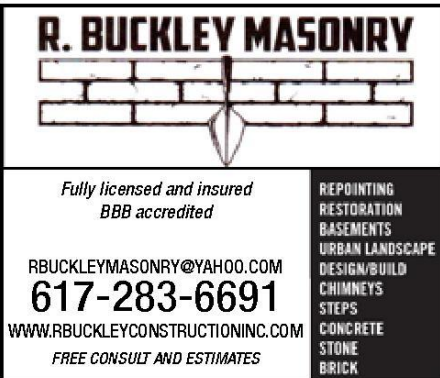


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## Public Meeting

# 1065 TREMONT STREET PHASE II

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23**  
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

**1 SCHROEDER PLAZA**  
Boston Police Headquarters  
Roxbury Crossing, MA 02120

**PROJECT PROPONENT:**

Boston Real Estate Collaborative, LLC and Urban Core Development, LLC

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

Boston Real Estate Collaborative, LLC and Urban Core Development, LLC propose to construct a six-story, residential development totaling approximately 31,500 square feet. The proposed project will have twenty-eight (28) rental units including four (4) IDP Units.

An alternate date of Thursday, March 2 at 6:30 PM is scheduled in the event of inclement weather on February 23.

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## Community Workshop

# PLAN: DUDLEY SQUARE

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27**  
5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

**980 HARRISON AVENUE**  
Boston Water and Sewer Commission,  
2nd Floor Training Room  
Roxbury, MA 02119

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

The workshop on February 27th will continue planning for city-owned land in Dudley Square. The agenda will consist of a refining and prioritizing value statements collected throughout the engagement process for inclusion in the Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for this land that will be produced in the coming year.

There will be opportunity for attendees and stakeholders to engage in productive dialogue with City/BPDA team members and each other on elements of the material being shared as part of the meeting.

PLAN: Dudley Square is an initiative to think strategically about the types of uses and the scale of development best suited for the future of Dudley Square and Roxbury. The goals of this study are to provide an inclusive community engagement process, create an updated vision with the community, and establish an implementation plan that will lead to the issuance of RFPs for publicly-owned parcels in Dudley Square.

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