Storybook Ball raised over $2.2 million

On Saturday, October 14, 2017, Mass General Hospital for Children (MGHIC) raised over $2.2 million in its 18th year of supporting pediatric health via its premier annual event, Storybook Ball.

Demi & Tate Ienstadt, Sonja Kelly & Steve Tomkewicz & Paige & Rick Supino & Wellesley co-chaired the event, which showcased the outstanding research and advancements at the MGHIC Food Allergy Center. Inspired by "Beauty and The Beast," Rafaeliel Even transformed.

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ASK DOG LADY

Advice on Pets, Life, Love

By Monica Collins

Dear Dog Lady,
I read your column every time I see it, even though I do not own a dog. I am a cat person, no offense.

However, an answer you gave about dog training last month hit home. I adopted a cat from the animal shelter a year ago.

I live alone so we needed a pretty good cat to be picked up. When she was nervous about the new environment, she would come within arm's length and let me scratch her around her head or down her back.

I pick her up carefully, which usually calms her down. If I pick her up, she is rigid. This really bothered me until I read in your column about the dog adopted from a puppy mill who feared being picked up and held.

I am a patient. If I pick my cat up, and she stiffens up and cries, I just put her down. I wonder what happened in her past. I just had to tell you that a reader's column helped me with my cat.

— Margaret

Dear Dog Lady,
I don't know if you're familiar with the cat's grace note. Our emotions are by nature, our kindness, our responsibility and our patient attention.

I think we can all agree on the important role dogs play in our lives.

— Margaret

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Mike Kelley for City Council,
District 2

Here's what you don't know about Mike Kelley. He has been active in community service and political activism his entire adult life.

At 18, Kelley had a job at Northwest Airlines (NWA), loading luggage. A member of the International Association of Machinists Union. He had a sweet job, with sweet benefits.

Kelley had other plans. While still at NWA, he applied and was accepted to the Human Rights Program.

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Lehr at MTW

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Visit More Than Words on Saturday, November 4th from 2:00 - 4:00 PM for a special event with New York Times bestselling author Dick Lehr.

The co-author of Black Mass brings us a gripping YA novel inspired by a true story of a young man's false imprisonment for murder—and those who fought to free him.

On a hot summer night in the late 1980s, in the Boston neighborhood of Roxbury, a thirteen-year-old African-American girl was sitting on a mailbox talking with her friends.

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raided talking to a man who called in to discuss his dog’s food aggression. The dog growled if touched on its rear quarters while eating. You thought this was a serious enough problem to suggest the man consult a dog behavior specialist.

Not to be a dummy, but why does he have to bother the dog while it’s eating? I understand such actions would be bad if the dog was eating and growled at everyone who walked by, but why should the dog tolerate being touched while eating? I recall the dog was a Border collie mix.

My family took in an abandoned Border collie mix when I was a child and she was a fabulous dog. She was very easy to train and because she was a great farm dog. She was great with people of every age and did not bite, snap or growl – except when she ate. Then, we had to leave her alone.

Apparently, she had some trouble with food in her first foster home. She only wanted to be fed outside and she watched the window to make sure no one was looking. We let her eat in peace. It wouldn’t occur to me to mess with a dog that’s eating.

—Colleen

Dear Colleen,
You bring up a good point. Dogs should be allowed to munch in quiet. If they growl because a human disturbs them while they chew down, well, just don’t rattle their fur in the midst of a meal. That’s good wisdom – up to a point.

The man who called in said he had gotten his Border collie mix as a 10-week-old pup. The aggression developed as the dog aged. This pattern is troubleshooting, which is why it is a good idea to consult a veterinarian or behaviorist before the dog becomes too much older. Something about the dog’s health or environment could be causing the behavioral reaction.

Dear Dog Lady,
I would like to get a dog and could use some help choosing one. I am a 66-year-old single woman, recently retired. I have a fenced yard. No kids or other pets (well, two parakeets). The dog would be alone for a couple hours maybe three days a week. I would like a dog for companionship and security and I wouldn’t mind a dog who barked at strangers.

I have previously had two dogs: a sheepdog-greyhound mix I had for 14 years and a collie-husky mix. I like big hairy dogs but think those days are over. I would like a dog that is less active (a couch potato lap dog) and needs less grooming. I am up for Frisbee in the yard and walks around the block. I would rather the dog not have a smashed-in face.

Can you give me any suggestions? I do want a dog but I haven’t met the right one yet. I have been to a few shelters and will get a shelter or rescue dog.

—Doris

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Back Bay’s Castle into a magical library and twinkling dining room with canary yellow tablescapes—a nod to Belle’s celebrated gown.

Co-Chairs Deni Berndt, Sonja Kelly and Paige Staphin kicked off the speaking program, which also featured Peter L. Slavin, MD, President, Massachusetts General Hospi-

tal; Ronald E. Kleinman, MD, Physician-
in-Chief, MGHHC, and Allan M. Goldstein, MD, Surgeon-in-Chief, MGHHC. Thanks to two special donors, the Dementz Lloyd Jr. Foundation and Brian and AdriaInThe Ball was matched up to $500,000.

On-hand to share their story were Hopkinton residents, the Rockleda family, whose daughter Reese (5) is being treated at the MGHHC Food Allergy Center for her multiple life-threatening food allergies. Reese is currently participating in a clinical trial, and findings from that trial will contribute to furthering the knowledge of food allergies, for which there is currently no known cause or cure.

The evening with about 500 black-tie guests included dinner by The Catered Affair, a live auction emceed by Lenny Clarke, dancing by DJ Chris Rox and games, where winners took home prizes from luxury brands like Bluson Label, Bloomingdale’s, Capo, Lincoln, Locco, Paramount & Stockyard Restaurants, Daniel Dole Photography, Destination Love, North River Outfitters, PUMA, REMY, Rue La La, and Trinchero Family Estates.

Since 2000, the Storybook Ball has raised more than $25 million for research initiatives and patient care programs at MGHHC. Proceeds from Storybook Ball over the past decade have allowed MGHHC to provide extraordinary care to the youngest patients and their families; to recruit and support the best physicians, surgeons and researchers; and to speed the development of new technologies and cutting-edge research that can transform clinical approaches locally and globally. Visit www.storybookball.org for more.

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Dear Doris,

From your description of previous pets,

Dogs Lady suspects you’re not afraid of keeping a
dog—big, hairy, bushy, shepherd-mix

And, really, every dog has its inner-lap dog. You
can always find a car to smuggle.

You are making a great start by looking at
rescue and shelter dogs. It’s an excellent idea
to give a cast-off creature a fresh start. Terrier-
mixes are adorable, very dogged, compact-sized
and apt to be very smart.

You can do all the research in the world; you
can decide what works for you and what
doesn’t. Ultimately, the only thing that mat-
ters is your gut reaction to a hairy mug and
the hairy mug’s reaction to you. Choose to you
for going about the dog search in such a same,
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Anoush'ella celebrates its opening success

by Michele D. Maniscalco

South Enders eagerly awaited the opening of Anoush'ella, 75 West Newton Street, since the spring, and the new Armenian-Lebanese addition to the neighborhood has won over the neighborhood since September 12 opening with enticingly fresh ingredients, a unique spin on Middle Eastern classics, a warm yet sleek design and gentle pricing.

South Enders have responded with booming patronage and rave online reviews, and last week the restaurant received a nod on Zagat’s Top 10 Hottest Restaurants in Boston list. Owners Raffi and Nina Peteljlian filled their restaurant Wednesday, October 16, with about 50 friends, adoring residents, local chefs, members of the media and neighborhood leaders.

The restaurant’s large, front room and patio remained open to diners while the party went on and patrons, party guests and the Peteljlians mingled throughout the evening at the long, main dining table featuring geometric-shaped compartments filled with colorful, key ingredients such as Aleppo pepper, sautéed (thyme seasoning), black walnuts, rice and key limes covered in glass. Elsewhere, the restaurant has bar seating, banquettes seating in the back room and a cozy alcove for small groups.

A major innovation is the fully automated order and payment system in cash accepted. The restaurant, designed by Nina Peteljian with Jim Plati of Plati Associates, seats approximately 60 indoors and 34 on the patio. The restaurant’s name is an Armenian expression on that means “May it be sweet,” wished from hosts to diners.

Guests enjoyed a buffet of red bean lentil soup with tomatoes, cucumber and parsley, overnight braised beef, za’atar chicken topped with seaweed rice, and small cups of hummus, babaganoush and walnut harissa (North African hot pepper paste).

The Peteljian’s satisfied patrons’ sweet tooth with rice pudding with pomegranate, blueberry and strawberry, and sweet lebanese with mango, chocolate and pistachio. Patrons toasted the eatery’s success with a variety of exotic cocktails including a peach-thyme martini, a jackfruit martini, with date molasses syrup and vodka, the Arak 75 with Arak (Middle Eastern anise-flavored liquor), date molasses syrup and cardamom, hibiscus; the Bloody Anoush’ella with tomato juice, vodka, za’atar and Aleppo pepper; and the Whiskey Grapefruit.

Party-goer Ray Coderte, who is half Lebanese and Armenian, commented, “The thing I like about this is that it’s Armenian-Lebanese fusion. It’s pretty cool! The cocktails are pretty innovative.” Coderte attended with Kristen Kuchman, author of the blog, “The Boston Foodie.”

After approximately six weeks in business, Anoush’ella is expanding its offerings to include brunch from 10:00 AM-2:00 PM on Saturday and Sunday.

Photos by Michele Maniscalco
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with costumed families and Rutland Street was closed between longtime residents Richard Shibley, wearing a red and black robe, grilling and giving out free hot dogs.

Children flocked to the Boston Fire Department Engine 22 at 700 Tremont Street, while a traffic officer wore a gorilla mask directed traffic for the aid of trick or treaters.

Photos by Michele Maniscalco

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manhunt was on to catch the murderer, and a young African-American man was quickly apprehended, charged, and — wrongly — convicted of the crime.

Dick Lehr, a former reporter for the Boston Globe’s famous Spotlight Team, who investigated this case for the newspaper, now turns the story into a novel, a page-turning story about the daughter of the imprisoned man, who persuades a reporter and a lawyer to help prove her father’s innocence. What pieces of evidence might have been overlooked?

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The “Dog” Bites

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time, SpeakEasy Stage Company, Roberts Theatre, Calderwood Pavilion at the Boston Center for the Arts, November 26, BostonTheatreScene.com, 617-228-7000

By Julien Beck

There is something curious about the play SpeakEasy Stage Company’s presentation of "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time." Simon Stephens, never actually referring to autism through protagonist Christopher Boone, closely seems challenged by Asperger’s Syndrome. Many theatergoers at the Opera House were opening of the Tony Award winner earlier this year followed Christopher’s singular odyssey with a standing ovation. Given this, the critic actually found the back and bite of the intimate SpeakEasy Stage production more fully effective than those of the striking tour.

Sherlock Holmes famously knew that the legendary death deduced that the dog had to be dead because it did not encounter a stranger. By contrast, the Swindon, Wilts, dog Wellington in the title of the play and the 2003 Mark Haddon novel on which it is based deduces that the dog is still alive. Mathew sewn Booze up, holmeline to find it live. Christopher’s quest eventually challenges his social skills as well as his deductive powers. If Booze discovers the identity of the killer by the end of the first act, mere personal mystery occupies his second act experiences. That more personal, second act finds Christopher struggling with experiences that would rarely direct other characters—namely, traveling on the British underground (subway), working with local maps and dealing with London streets. Eventually, Boone’s non-comprehensive methodology sinks a way well on advanced math level testing as well as reaching his new London-based mother Judy and a piece of a method of truth with his loving parents.

A surprise gift from his father, a big, full-size audience tools that seem theoretical, surprise somewhat, by less, but Stephen play nevertheless is still an act to understand a straightforward but subtle respect for different perspectives about life and people.

This critic empathized most with Christopher and his journey narrated by SpeakEasy Stage artistic director Paul Desgauliers at the Roberts Theatre—here reconfigured to give audience members a general feel for the story. Christopher and his mother, in particular, have a lot to laugh about this year—both in its pacing and sound, which make the short play fascinate.

Scott Purcell as Christopher and ensemble perform in "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time." (Photo by Nitte Scott/SpeakEasy Stage Company)

Kelley

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Campaign’s (HRC) first Youth College for Campaign Training, HCO is the nation’s largest LGBT, gay, bisexual, and trans and queer civil rights organization. HCO sent Kelley to work on President Bill Clinton’s Whirlwind Tour in 1992, in Michigan. He returned to his job at NWA a changed man.

Kelley went on to serve as: Mayor Tom Mertz’s South End and Bay Village Neighborhood Coordinator and as the Livingston in the LGBT Community.

The District 2 seat has historically been held by a South Boston resident, James Kelly from 1990-2007, and Bill Louden from 2007-2017. While the other candidate in the race, Ed Flynn, son of former Mayors Ray Flynn and, no surprise, a South Boston resident, is capable and reliable public servant, with a strong history of constituent services, the district also needs thoughtful and visionary representation.

That’s why South End News endorses Mike Kelley for District 2 Boston City Council.

Mayor Walsh has more work to do

There is a lot that Mayor Marty J. Walsh has done right. Boston has more housing units, the city has become a city of "Yes!" attracting General Electric, and inviting Amazon to bring their second headquarters to Boston. Boston Public Schools have a new superintendent, and more learning opportunities for students.

And City Hall finally has embraced a data-driven approach to constituent services, and a new website.

While Walsh deserves criticism for Boston’s bid for the Olympics, and The Great Ox of Boston 2014, these mistakes are a symptom of his openness to new ideas and opportunities for the city.

Walsh’s challenger, City Councilor Tito Jackson, has done an exceptional job articulating the areas where Walsh could do better. There has been a housing boom, but not in all neighborhoods. Crime and violence plague some parts of the city. Justice and equality for many of Boston’s minority communities is not moving forward fast enough. Walsh, the Boston NAACP released a "report card" for Mayor Marty Walsh. Three were an A, but five grades were a C+.

Walsh has earned your vote for another term, and the opportunity to better express his vision for the Boston Public Schools, increasing affordable housing, addressing crime, and restoring social justice issues.

South End News endorses Mayor Marty Walsh for a second term.

Kim Janey for Boston City Councillor, District 7

Kim Janey is a children’s education activist with a proven track record of advocacy in the community, and was born and raised in the district. She served on Massachusetts Women’s Political Caucus, the Boston Ward 12 Democratic Committee and is a founder of the voting rights group MassVOTE, and served on the board of directors for 10 years. She is an active member of the Boston NAACP and serves on its education committee.

Janey will be a great addition to the council, working on issues important to the Boston Public School system, housing, public safety.

The South End News endorsing Kim Janey for Boston City Councillor, District 7, which includes Roxbury and including parts of Jamaica Plain, the South End, and Allston.

South End News endorses incumbent Michelle Wu, Annaos Premley, Michael Flaherty and Antinna Ellis-George for re-election to the Boston City Council.
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