World AIDS Day, December 1

World AIDS Day, designated on December 1 every year since 1988, is dedicated to raising awareness of the AIDS pandemic caused by the spread of HIV infection, and mourning those who have died of the disease. https://www.facebook.com/nalatlantachat

The 26th Medicine Wheel Vigil, Day Without Art
Friday December 1, 2017
Boston Center for the Arts, 599 Tremont Street, Boston
Vigil begins at 11:30 pm on Thursday November 30 and runs for the full 24 hours of Friday December 1, ending at Midnight.

In 1987 a small group gathered in San Francisco to document the lives they feared history would forget. This action served as the beginning of the Names Project, also known as the AIDS Memorial Quilt. Today, 30 years later, over 1000 artists, visual and performing, have re-invested in the power of that action to create a space to hold the human heart, a space to reflect, a space to remember, a space to see who we can be for ourselves and one another.

To honor this anniversary we can be for ourselves and one another.

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ASK DOG LADY
Advice on Pets, Life, Love
By Monica Collins

Dear Dog Lady,
Do dogs really improve your life? I hear that they can improve all the time, but I can only think of life with a dog as dirty and dangerous. When you have a dog, you have to walk it all the time. You can’t run away on a moment’s notice but must always arrange for the care and feeding of the animal. Also, the money you have to spend on a pet is significant.

—Olivia

Dear Olivia,
Hrm. Sometimes, Dog Lady doesn’t understand either, mainly because she is so dog indifferent for much of her life. Thank goodness there was a spiritual sea change. A dog helped Dog Lady stop drinking, smoking and to start living. Recently, while reading a newspaper article in Maine, Dog Lady came across this headline: “Getting a dog might not save your life, Swedish research says.” The story described how a group of Swedish academics analyzed data from detailed health records of 3.4 million people between the ages of 40 and 89 in that Scandinavian country. After dissecting the data, they reached the inevitable conclusion: Dogs bestow reasons to live. “People in possession of a pet were less likely to die of cardiovascular disease.” That can only be good news.

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Cathedral finishes with a winning season
By Patrick O’Connor

The Panthers ended the season with a Thanksgiving day win over Tech Boston Academy by a score of 28-6 and a record of 10-2. The team won the Division III North title championship on November 11, defeating Lynn Tech 23-6. A tough loss to Millis on November 17 in the play-off round ended their hopes of advancing to the Super Bowl.

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Holiday Stroll 2017
Celebrate the South End Streets
Wednesday, December 6th, 4-8 pm
Live music, giveaways, refreshments, and more.
Each participating store will have a red balloon at the door.

Hundreds of volunteers serve at Pine Street Inn
Submitted by Pine Street Inn

Pine Street Inn, New England’s leading organization dedicated to ending homelessness, served nearly 2,000 traditional holiday dinners on Thanksgiving Day. With over 200 volunteers supporting the effort throughout the week, Pine Street Inn served 2,000 traditional holiday dinners on Thanksgiving Day.

Photo courtesy of Pine Street Inn
We are the future of the LGBT community.

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BPDA | Public Meeting

ROXBURY STRATEGIC MASTER PLAN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

6:00 PM - 7:45 PM

980 HARRISON AVE
Boston Water and Sewer Commission, Training Room
Boston, MA 02119

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:
The Roxbury Strategic Master Plan Oversight Committee (RSMPOC) was developed to oversee projects that fall under the Roxbury Strategic Master Plan. Since last year's launch of PLAN: Dudley Square the RSMPOC meetings also include progress reports on the Initiative. All meetings are open to the public and community input is desired. RSMPOC meetings are held in the evening the first Monday of the month.

PLAN: Dudley Square workshops are typically every third Monday of the month, location varies.

Please come join your neighbors and the City of Boston to help shape the future of the neighborhood!

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disease or death from any cause during the 12 years covered by the study," which was published in Scientific Reports.

Researchers explain that increased physical activity on the part of dog owners contributes to better overall health. Also, the social interaction stemming from having a pet is very beneficial to mental and physical well-being. Of course, you're entitled to remain dog-less — at your peril.

Dear Dog Lady,

I have a seven-year-old Yorkie-poo (Yorkshire terrier/poodle mix). I just moved in with my fiance who has two dogs (a five-year-old boxer and a two-year-old border collie). Sometimes I feel like I am drowning in dogs. We both work eight hours a day and crate the dogs while we are gone. When we come home, they go a little nuts because they are so excited to see us. All three jump around and get a little out of control. Is there any way to control how hyper they get? I know that after being cooped up all day, they can't really help themselves, but the boxes get very hyper and almost knock over my own. I think this is dangerous and the behavior is inappropriate. Suggestion?

—Locezza

Dear Locezza,

I am not sure what you're asking. Are you asking for tips on how to keep your dogs calm when you're not home? If that's the case, you might want to try leaving them alone for shorter periods of time to get them used to being home alone. You could also try giving them some treats or toys to keep them busy while you're away.

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Use a fraction of your joint income to hire a dog walker who can come in during the day and give all the dogs a walk and a potty break—such a good investment for every living creature. Dog Lady loves crates—and dogs love them too—but, still, asking a dog to stay cooped up for eight hours a day without a break is inhumane. They are dogs, not pots birds. Look for replaceable water bottles through referrals from neighborhood dog owners, your local pet store or veterinarian’s office.

Also, when you and your family come in after a long day at work do not greet the dogs with loud drama. Go about your routines without a word. Let the pets out of their crates silently and matter-of-factly. Later, you can greet them with much on them. Remember, cranked up canine behavior fires up canine engines. Keep it all low key and you won’t be knocked over.

Dear Dog Lady,

When is testing for your dog too much? I have a new friend, she has a small nine pound dog, she feeds it chicken, spends thousands on the vet visitation (the dog paces and the owner). She doesn’t just sleep with it but licks it on the mouth constantly. She actually talks to it on terms of thinking there might be an actual conversation to be had. Where’s the balance here?

—Dennis

Dear Dennis,

Caring for a dog is too much when humans are excluded. Sounds as if your new lady friend is on the verge of breaking her dog’s breaking her dog’s attention. Can you be jealous of a nine pound gas passe? It must feel wildly foolish to ask you used of this question.

People love themselves in passions because you don’t want to face up to the real world. Your new lady friend may be babying this dog because she lacks other emotional sustenance. Depends on how patient you are but there may be room for you eventually. When she starts hugging the dog or trying to start an English conversation with her pet, you can make very clear you think such activity is foolish (as does Dog Lady, if it’s any comfort). Stick up for yourself with a sense of humor.

Send email to askdoglady@gmail.com.

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will be displaying a large section of the AIDS Memorial Quilt during the vigil.

Please bring an offering of remembrance to leave in one of the Medline Wishing Stones.

Day With(out) Art 2017: Alternate Endings, Radical Beginnings

Boston LGBTQA Art Alliance, Friday, December 1 at 12 PM - 4 PM

Marston Theatre

94 Millen St, Cambridge

Boston LGBTQA Art Alliance is pleased to partner with Visual AIDS and Queer Leeley Education, Activism, and Resources at Lesley University to present a Boston area screening of Alternate Endings, Radical Beginnings for the 28th annual Day With(out) Art on World AIDS Day, December 1, 2017.

Curated by Erin Christovale and Vivian Crockett for Visual AIDS, the video program prioritizes Black narratives within the ongoing AIDS epidemic, commissioning seven new and innovative short videos from artists Mykki Blanco, Cheryl Dunye & Ellen Spiro, Reina Gossett, Thomas Allen Harris, Kia LaBeija, Tiona Nekkia McCliss and Brenton Furlow.

The event will be followed by an informational panel from local health advocates and organizations curated by BLAA member, Kerra Landecy.

The event is free and open to the public.

World AIDS Day at the Massachusetts State House

Hosted by AIDS Action Committee, Sens. Julian Cyr and Representative Jack Lewis, Friday, December 1 at 12 PM - 2 PM

Massachusetts State House, 24 Beacon St, Boston.
Thanks and giving

Anoush’ella holds sold-out benefit

BY MICHELE D. MANUSCALCO

Anoush’ella was packed shoulder to shoulder on Monday, November 20 for Safe Steps in Karsakh, a fundraiser supporting the Halo Trust’s work to remove landmines in the heavily Armenian region of Nagorno-Karabakh.

Anoush’ella owners Raffi and Nina Pestionian, Armenians from Lebanon, are co-chairs of the Safe Steps campaign to sweep mines in a hard-hit village in Karsakh, and collaborated with the Armenian Business Network to organize the fundraiser, which is held during Thanksgiving week.

Photo by Michele Manuscalco

The $75.00 per ticket party featured a buffet including chicken mignon, babaganoush, walnut hats, tabbouleh, and other savory dishes as well as dessert and an open bar with Anoush’ella’s unique signature cocktails such as the date-flavored jackal martini. Attendees

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some Catholic churches and Hasidic study houses as they must have in his own time.

Now Huntington Theatre Company artistic director Peter DuBois is giving timely fresh expansion to Moliner’s cautionary play in an earnest and sometimes wildly talented by Ranjit Boli complete with eight-syllable verse and some sharp singing.

While a partial updating of this sharply sensitive reprise—cell phone props, for example, and Ariat Tovish’s largely modern dress costume design in his utmost, DuBois’s tightrope-like attempt to move between the age of Louis XIV and the present often succeeds.

While talented Alexander Dodge (“Pregnant Laughter”) fiddles very different endeavors with an elegant set that calls to mind 17th-century legend King Louis XIV, Moliner’s play depends most on the precarious relationship of Tartuffe and easily duped wealthy gentleman Orgon.

The opportunistic title character means to ingratiate himself with Orgon and eventually marry his daughter Mariane, whose heart belongs to her flame Valere. Although the play’s first act speaks of a society whose guests build on each other’s accomplishments, Flowers of Babylon, several members of Orgon’s family are savvy enough to see through double-dealing Tartuffe where Orgon does not. The most formidable opponent, Orgon’s second wife Elmire, fittingly prepares to oust Tartuffe with a deception of her own, one that will expose him as a conceded Orgon watcher. That deception reveals Tartuffe’s lecherous readiness to violate such commandments as the injunctions against adultery, stealing, and coveting.

Comedian Brett Gelson, sporting a thick beard and often wearing a large black fry and matching black attire, as Tartuffe, can seem like a cross between a Middle Eastern sage and a New Age guru. Gelson may hammer a crucifix but sometimes suggests a Hasidic leader in his demeanor and gesture.

Audience members may differ as to whether his Tartuffe is elative enough to be fools Orgon. Still, his timing and physical comedy gifted so little to make his performance convincing. By contrast, strong Broadway veteran Frank Wood (“City Bourgeois,” “Side Man”) as Orgon has the right economical defending Tartuffe but could be more for during his all too moments. Talented choreographer Daniel Pelzig’s (“Huntington’s earlier “Valerie’s”) touch seems evident in Gelson’s dance-like opening around Orgon.

Pelzig also enhances the mover of Orgon’s blood relatives and in-laws as they react to Tartuffe, his ideas and his actions. The closing dance ensemble distinctly contrasts with the opening stylized exposition moves of the characters.

Melissa Miller captures Elmire’s treachery in dealing with Tartuffe’s duplicity. Matthew J. Harris has Elmire’s brother Cleante’s mix of comic observations and brotherly caring. Paula Plim is properly dominating and surprising as Madame Bertelle, Orgon’s mother. Jane Farchi finds all of maid Darian’s perceptivity.

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included San Francisco-based Amy Currrin, head of development for the Rainbow Trust, Jack Antonian, founder of the Armenian Business Network, Middlesex County Sheriff Peter Koutoujian, state legislators David Muradian, local playwright Joyce Van Dyke, whose "Deportation/A Dream Play" dealt with the Armenian genocide, and public relations specialist Christopher Haynes of CBS Communications. With a matching donor, the benefit raised over $15,000 according to Currrin.

In his remarks, Antonian thanked the Persians for their ongoing support and for their hospitality in hosting the event and lending the authenticity of the Persian community. "We're very proud of them," he said. Safe House for Kids was ABN's second annual Thanksgiving-week fundraiser.

"It was a great way to end Thanksgiving week, and we are all doing well, thank God, so how about giving thanks and thinking of others less fortunate than we are. This is going to continue every year," he explained. He also noted the value of the $15,000 take in the target region.

"While $15,000 might get us a bus or a motorcycle here, it goes a long way in Khashab. Both Antonian and Currrin talked about the devastating losses in Khashab due to the landmines..."

The City of Boston in Public Safety Commission December 13, 2009

In the ongoing petition, the largely DARESSEZI, notarized by the Notary Public in the City of Boston, seeks “to change her name from Crisden Jones Lee to Cristen Jones Lee.” The petition is supported by a letter from the notary, who states that she has been assisting the petitioner for over a year.

Cristen Jones Lee be allowed to change her name as follows:

Ayla Er

If you desire to object thereto, you may file a written notice with the Secretary of Probate at 25 State Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02109, on or before 9:00 a.m. on November 1, 2010.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Pine Street Inn

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five pound turkey (close to 2,000 serving), along with mashed potatoes (500 pounds) and gravy (51 gallons), stuffing (452 pounds), cranberry sauce (212 pounds), corn and peas (521 pounds), and an assortment of traditional pies (205). In addition to those having dinner at Pine Street’s headquarters in the South End and other shelter locations, the

90+ tenants of Pine Street’s permanent housing locations celebrated the holiday in 41 residences throughout Boston and Brookline. For instance, this is the first Thanksgiving in many years that they spent in a home. Pine Street’s Outreach teams will deliver holiday meals to men and women on the streets.

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The Final EA and Section 4(f) Determination and the FONSI are available on the project website: www.mass.gov/MassDOT/SouthStationExpansion. FRA and MassDOT collected comments on the Draft EA and Draft Section 4(f) Determination for 30 days ending on May 27, 2017. Written responses to comments are provided in the FONSI.

The purpose of the SXXX project is to expand South Station terminal capacity to meet current and anticipated future commuter rail and intercity rail service needs. To use federal funding, the SXXX project underwent the federal environmental review process required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The EA discloses the potential environmental impacts of expanding South Station, and FRA determined that the project would not have a significant adverse impact on the quality of the human and natural environment.

In addition to the project website, the Final EA, Section 4(f) Determination and FONSI are available for viewing at multiple libraries listed on the project website. To request a copy of the documents, please contact Steve Woolfie, Deputy Director, MassDOT Office of Transportation Planning, at Steve.Woolfie@state.ma.us or at (857) 368-8890.