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# **South Ender Co-Chairs Heroes in Health Care Gala**

SUBMITTED BY VNA

Loriann Meagher of the South End is serving as co-chair of the 13th annual Heroes in Health Care Gala, on Saturday, Nov. 10, at 6 p.m. at the Mandarin Oriental, 776 Boylston St., Boston, to benefit VNA of Boston

The Gala is VNA Care's signature fundraising event and has raised millions in essential funding for VNA of Boston's charitable care programs, as well as for palliative care

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(Left to Right) Loriann Meagher, Linda Hope-Springer, Debra Angeloni and Renee Picard Walsh. Photo by Roger Farrington

# A Romp with Sherlock

BY JULES BECKER

Sherlock Holmes fans know that Sir Arthur Conan Doyle killed off his famous super sleuth in the tale called "The Final Problem." Readers of the famous fictional adventures especially know that great public demand led Doyle to bring the legendary detective back to life in the story "The Adventure of the Empty House" with the explanation that he had faked his own death.

The late theater critic and Holmes aficionado Charles Marowitz was clearly so addicted to Holmes—and who is not?—that Sherlock's Last Case Huntington Theatre Company, Avenue of the Arts & South End, Boston, through October 28, 617-933-8600, 617-266-0800 or bostontheatrescene.com

he tried his own hand at a stage parody entitled "Sherlock's Last Case"(1984; 1987 on Broadway).

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# **Guest Opinion**

# **BPS Students To Northeastern:**

Be a community leader for excellent public schools

SUBMITTED BY
ST. SEPHEN'S YOUTH PROGRAMS
ORGANIZING TEAM

Northeastern University students and community organizers invited over 100 K-12 students and their parents from St. Stephen's Youth Programs to spend time on their campus and learn about Boston's PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) program.

During the field trip, students had opportunities to envision what their dream schools would look like, drawing ideas from film programs to sports to cafeterias and other standard elements of a school that many of their own schools lack. Students shared about books they would like to see at their schools and what their dream future jobs could be, and parents shared hopes they had for their children.

Along with BPS parents and Northeastern students, they wrote

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Pine Street Inn Registers Voters

INFORMATION PROVIDED BY PINE STREET INN

On Wednesday, Oct. 10 Pine Street Inn held a Voter Registration Forum. City Councillor Ayanna Pressley, who defeated US Representative Michael Capuano in last month's Democratic primary, also attended and spoke to the guests of the Women's Inn about the importance of registering and voting.

One of the goals of the event was to address misconceptions about voting rights. Many homeless individuals believe that if you do not have a home, or have been incarcerated, that you have lost your right to vote. Encouraging these women to register to vote and go to

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Advice on Pets, Life, Love

BY MONICA COLLINS

Dear Dog Lady,

I have a four-month-old Shitzu. The problem I'm having with him is that he chews on everything. My main concern is that he chews on electric cords. He has chewed on my computer cord and other cords. When I catch him, I tell him "no" and Itaphim with paper, Itry tokeep cords away from him but when I'm not around he gets to the TV and cable cords. Please tell me what I can do to stop him from chewing on everything especially cords

-Ms. Lady T

Dear Ms. Lady T,

Your four month-old puppy is totally clueless. With such a baby, you have to be responsible and think for the dog. You must keep him away from

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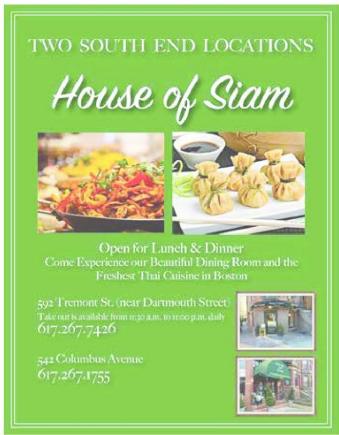
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anything capable of electrocuting, strangling, suffocating, poisoning and otherwise harming him. Getit? Crunchy cords taste like chicken to a puppy. Keep puppy away from anything you don't want him to gnaw. Also, invest in suitable dog chews, such as indestructible rubber Kong toys or bully sticks. Offer an alternative instead of swatting him – a mean and lazy method.

Please, do your research. Get a crate (politically correct word for cage) and read about crate training. Keep your puppy crated so you can train him properly. Also, you have to trust this guy fully before you let him roam.

It's a good start to write "Ask Dog Lady" but, please, read much more about dogs and their training. And spell the name of your dog's breed correctly, which is a sign of respect. The correct name is "Shih Tzu."

Dear Dog Lady,

I have a rescue dog, Millie, and she won't take a treat from my hand. She will eat one off my shoe, my knee, the floor or anyplace else but she won't accept a treat from my hand. Do you think she fears human hands because of a traumatic experience? What should I do to make things easier for her? Or does this matter? By the way, I look for your column and enjoy reading it very much.

—Harry

Dear Harry,

Chances are good Millie was dealt a bad hand somewhere along the line. You might never erase the sting but you can try. For one thing, when facing her, don't hold your hands up in a threatening manner. Accepting your hands strengthens the bond between you and your dog. When we communicate with our pet, we offer signs through our hands to sit, stay, roll over, and drop it.

A certified dog behaviorist might have more pointers on how your spooked dog can make friends with your hands but here's a starter strategy: Your hands must become the font of all good things for your dog. Make sure your hand movements are always smooth and non-threatening. When you go to pet your dog, do not dive bomb from above but scoop sideways, stroking the chest area between the two front legs.

You can always offer a treat but use your hands for sticky good. As a beginning exercise, rub them with a premium dog-delightful meat (Evanger's chicken or Merrick's turducken). Just sit in a chair and hold out your hands covered with sweet meat and see if Millie approaches. She'll probably be skittish at first but it won't take long before, yup, she's eating right out of your hand.

Write: askdoglady@gmail.com

#### **Pine Street Inn**

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the polls was especially important because they have a key perspective on housing and employment issues.

The Pine Street Inn conducted registration events on Tuesday and Wednesday at shelters in the South End and Jamaica Plain. Over the course of the past couple of days, Pine Street Inn has registered 70 individuals to vote. If you're 18 years old and a US citizen, you can vote in Massachusetts and a shelter address is accepted.

Pine Street Inn provides a comprehensive range of services, including permanent supportive housing, job training and placement, emergency shelter and street outreach to nearly 2,000 homeless men and women each day. Founded in 1969, Pine Street is the largest resource for homeless men and women in New England.



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#### Theater

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The result is a clever take-off that would not quite impress the likes of the villainous Moriarty but does prove diverting on the Huntington Theatre main stage under the generally sharp direction of Maria Aitken.

Doyle had killed off Moriarty, too, of course. There is no second life here for the iconic villain, but two Moriartys-one by letter and one in person-do arrive to challenge Holmes. The letter-complete with a vivid hornet metaphor and apparently from son Simeon Moriarty-promises revenge for his father's death.

Daughter Liza Moriarty asks Holmes to reason with her brother. Marowitz injects humor bordering on the absurd early on as Liza informs the always inquisitive detective that her father trained her to use carrier pigeons to deliver mail. There is witty banter here and elsewhere, though there are moments when the playwright needs to articulate Holmes' signature eccentricities without making him seem too coldly rational.

As always, Watson is contrastingly emotional. Marowitz colors that emotion with significant resentment about his Baker Street buddy's display of superiority with regard to the solutions of their adventures. At one point Watson edgily speaks of "the myth of Sherlock Holmes.

Hugh Landwehr's painstaking scenic design for the famed 221 Baker Street, London residence of Holmes-and Watson's except during the latter's married years-richly provides the tale's 1897 Victorian England

If there are occasional moments when the early going could do with faster pacing, Huntington Theatre's trademark seamless set changes-here to a dark, dank and ominous dungeon and back to the sleuth's home-do a lot to make things move.

Soon enough an unusual development ensues. Quite simply a surprising captor has



 $(Left to Right) \ Rufus \ Collins, Mark Zeisler; and \ Malcolm \ Ingram in Sherlock's \ Last \ Case, at \ Huntington Theatre \ Company. \ Photo \ by T. Charles \ Erickson)$ 

gagged and bound a very unlikely captive in a dentist's chair. Eventually expert knowledge about chemicals will prove a key factor in the liberation of that prisoner.

Are the Moriartys involved? Will Inspector Lestrade-who seems to be even less of a player here than in many of Doyle's own tales - play an important part in the resolution of the case? Where will Holmes and Watson be in all of this? Marowitz's revelations lack the haunting qualities of a Doyle gem like "The Adventure of the Speckled Band," but they do supply the necessary answers. This critic, of course, never provides spoilers about any of those answers

One answer safe to provide is that Aitken's cast is first-rate. Rufus Collins has the right self-confidence and heightened attitude playing Holmes. Mark Zeisler is a standout capturing Dr. Watson's seething inferiority complex vis-à-vis Holmes and his gradual personality breakout. Their buddy moments are fully convincing.

Antoinette Robinson charms as the savvy vet somewhat reserved Liza. Robinson and Collins' early banter about her case has the

right elegance. Antonio Benoit Sturn brings the right menace to the role of Simeon. Malcolm Ingram catches Lestrade's relative cluelessness. Philip S. Rosenberg's nuanced lighting has the right muted light for the dungeon scenes.

In the later going, Watson is dubbed Sir John and Holmes Lord Sherlock. "Sherlock's Last Case" may not invite real honor, but Aitken and her stellar cast make the Huntington Theatre revival a lively romp.



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The event will be held at IBEW Local

letters to the president of Northeastern ask-

ing him to pay the full 2018 PILOT as well

as the unpaid PILOT assessment for the last

several years, Ekran Sharif, 18, a Boston high

school student, said "My school is basically on

Northeastern's campus and we can see new

buildings going up all the time. Northeastern

is a school too, they should care about Boston

Public Schools having enough money to

educate their students well enough to attend

Northeastern someday, but we don't even have

a cafeteria. We are calling on them to do the

According to the PILOT Action Group,

right thing by paying their full PILOT tax."

"The current Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PI-

LOT) program, beginning in 2012, covers

49 large nonprofit institutions with assessed

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103, 256 Freeport Street, Dorchester.

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The day will include three shifts of hands-on service activities, including packing book bags for elementary school children as part of the Foundation's initiative to advance its values of sportsmanship, inclusion, kindness, and peace through reading; assembling hygiene kits; and making sleeping mats for the homeless with "plarn" made from plastic

shopping bags.

. Volunteers are encouraged to bring high demand food items that will be donated to Food Bank 4 U, a food bank for students at Bridgewater State University. Those items include granola bars, canned chicken, Spam, black beans, cereal, oatmeal, beef stew, canned meat products, meat-based soups, canned salmon, rice, microwaveable meals in a bowl, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter and almond milk.

To volunteer, visit: http://www.martinrichardfoundation.org/event/autumnservice-day

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property value of over \$15 Million.

Nonprofits are expected to pay 25% of their potential property taxes based on their 2010 tax assessment. Institutions can and do offset 50% of their payment with a "community benefit" that is supposed to target residents of the city. However, over \$77 million of the requested PILOT contributions have been left unpaid, primarily by four universities: Northeastern, Boston College, Harvard, and Boston University.

From FY2012-FY2017, Northeastern has failed to pay over \$13 million in PILOT contributions. Northeastern just finished construction of a new \$225 million science and engineering complex, while still finishing FY2017 with a surplus of over \$66 million. In Boston, 70% of city income comes from property taxes, so a program like PILOT can have a huge impact in contributing to the city.

St. Stephen's Youth Programs as part of the PILOT coalition shares a deep appreciation for Northeastern University's commitment to contributing to local communities and excitement around the support that they have shown in the past.

They hope to see Northeastern continue to be a leader in Boston by committing to paying their full PILOT assessment. Students expressed awe at the facilities at Northeastern University's state-of-the-art campus and are hopeful about the possibilities the future could hold for their schools if Northeastern and other universities pay their PILOT commitment.

St. Stephen's Youth Programs promotes equity in education, employment and opportunity through long-term relationships with young people and their families and communities. For more information visit www.ssvpboston.org







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# **Guest Opinion**

# **USES Vision 125**

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United South End Settlements (USES). founded in 1892, has served the rich, diverse, and ever-evolving South End community for over 125 years, Today, the South End is considered vibrant and welcoming by many. However, micro-segregation has created barriers that continue to mask the struggles of many of our neighbors.

The South End has the greatest wealth

disparity in the City of Boston, with 41% of residents living in subsidized housing and 36% of children living below the poverty line. In our continued effort to deliver on the vision of our settlement house roots - an inclusive and welcoming community where neighbors come together and lift each other up - we began a rigorous strategic planning process in August of 2016 to align our limited resources with programs that provide the greatest impact and outcomes for children and families living in poverty.

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# **God's trans-affirming** vote on Question 3

BY REV. IRENE MONROE

Across the country, there are epic battles in many states to either pass or not pass transgender bathroom bills. Here in Massachusetts, the bluest of blue states, we're asking voters to vote "YES" on Question 3, Gender Identity Anti-Discrimination Veto Referendum, to prohibit discrimination based on gender identity in public places-such as hotels, restaurants, and stores.

Rallies to get Bay Staters to vote "YES" on Question 3 has been taking place throughout the Commonwealth. After speaking at one of the rallies in Copley Square one Sunday morning, an onlooker asked me the following question: "Rev, you're a minister. How does the church and God feel about transgender people? Will they go to hell?"

Trans issues in our churches are not addressed enough. However, trans activism has taken place in both Catholic and Protestant churches and synagogues across Massachusetts. Sadly, Pope Francis has compared transgender people to nuclear weapons. His reason is that transgender people destroy and desecrate God's holy and ordained order of

"Let's think of the nuclear arms, of the sibility to annihilate in a few instants a very high number of human beings," Francis stated in 2015 in an interview with the National Catholic Reporter "Let's think also of genetic manipulation, of the manipulation of life, or of the gender theory, that does not recognize the order of creation."

With pronouncements like that, especially from a pope, it's easy to think transgender

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#### Gala

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provided by VNA Hospice & Palliative Care. The Honorary Gala Chairs, and Presenting Sponsor of the event, are Amy and Joshua Boger. John R. Greed, president and CEO of Mutual of America, is Fund the Mission chair.

This year's Heroes are Agios (to be accepted by Dr. David Schenkein, CEO); Thomas A. Croswell, president and CEO of Tufts Health Plan; and Dr. Joan Y. Reede, dean for diversity and community partnership of Harvard Medical School

Meagher is the founder and executive managing director of LRM Consulting. In addition, she also served on the VNA of Boston board of directors for many years.

"Lori has been involved with the Heroes in Health Care Gala since the event began in 2006, and we are grateful for her insights and support," said Laura Wise, manager of fund development for VNA Care.

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people are damned to Hell.

Freedom for All Massachusetts has been addressing the faith issue by working in collaboration with Action for Transgender Equality, a collective of clergy and faith-based institutions working as part of the "Yes" on 3 ballot campaign. Passage of the bill, sadly, hangs in the balance because voters are split on the issue although there is no link between antidiscrimination rules and bathroom-related crimes in Massachusetts.

However, people of faith -who can be moved to vote "Yes" on Question 3 -want to knowwhere can they find in the Bible visibility as well as acceptance of transgender people.

The good news is that there are several trans-affirming stories in the Bible. My favorite story is about Philip the Evangelist and the Ethiopian eunuch conversion to Christianity

We can deduce from this pericope that the teachings of Christ circulated widely across the world and Christ's teachings spread, at least one way, throughout the continent of Africa through the Ethiopian Eunuch. Traveling south from Jerusalem to Gaza, Phillip meets the Ethiopian Eunuch, a court official of the Queen of Ethiopia, in his chariot reading was from a part of the scroll of Isaiah that theologians commonly refer to as "the Third Suffering Servant Song." The Ethiopian eunuch had traveled to Jerusalem to worship and was headed home. God tells Philip to follow the Ethiopian to baptize him so that he can spread the good news of Jesus.

While traveling down the road together, Phillip explained the Isaiah text and the Ethiopian asked to be baptized. When they came upon some water, Philip baptized him.

Deceased John J. McNeill, a gay Jesuit priest, and theologian affirmed the story of the Ethiopian eunuch as "the first baptized gay Christian. This scripture reveals to many progressive Biblical scholars that God welcomes and affirm gender-variant individuals. Eunuchs were castrated, homosexual, and intersex men. Today the terms could easily translate to mean sexual minorities, referring to LGBTQ individuals. The term means "the keepers of the bed, "These gender- variant men served and guarded the women in royal palaces and wealthy households.

Also, the story of the Ethiopian eunuch highlights that the early beginnings of Christianity welcomed not only sexual minorities but also different races, and ethnicities. The Ethiopian eunuch is an example of a queer foreign black man as the first non-lewish convert to Christianity.

During the "Trans Catholic Voices" breakout season at the Dignity USA conference in 2017, an African American transwoman pointed out that Francis statements about transpeople denythem of basic human dignity and perpetuates violence against them. The life expectancy for black trans is 32 years old.

In her closing remarks, the African American transwoman in "Trans Catholic Voices"

asked for help from advocates and allies in the room that nearly brought me to tears.

"Trans lives are reallives. Trans deaths are real deaths. God works through other people. Maybe you can be those other people.

In Jim Crow America restrooms were a hot-button issue, as today, and a battleground for equal treatment. The Civil Rights Act of 1964 outlawed discrimination based on national origin, race, hue, gender, and religion. The law mandated desegregation of all public accommodations, including bathrooms. The Obama administration expanded the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to protect LGBTQ Americans, However, in February Trump's administration revoked federal guidelines permitting transgender students from using gender-appropriate facilities" which aligned with their gender identity.

How churches feel about transgender people will vary. How Trump's administration treat transgender citizens must stop. "YES" on Question 3 is doing God's work which is the work of justice.



#### USES

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The Vision125 strategic planning process, led by a team of Wellspring consultants, engaged over 100 stakeholders in exploration of the following questions:

- Who is our target population?
- What is our intended impact? How do we achieve this impact?
- How do we align our real estate to achieve our impact?
- What is our business model to achieve
- What are our strategic priorities?

Over the past 125 years, USES has learned to reinvent and revitalize our organization to continually meet the needs of the community through eras of change. We believe that as families stabilize and take advantage of opportunities for advancement, their children

are better able to develop the skills needed for educational and workplace success in the 21st century, which will ultimately allow them to break the cycle of poverty.

In May of 2017, the board voted on USES's renewed mission - to harness the power of our diverse community to disrupt the cycle of poverty for children and their families. With this cornerstone, we are focusing on four priorities that are outlined in our Strategic Plan, evolving our program model, demonstrating our impact, creating state-of-the-art facilities, and building a sustainable future.

Together, we have the capacity to set children up for a bright future. As we move forward in uniting community to strengthen families, our friends and supporters will be vital to our success.

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Docket No. SU18D1778DR

Suffolk Probate

and Family Court

24 New Chardon Street

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Kathleen M. Flores

Ramon Flores

Upon motion of plaintiff for an order directing the defandant to appear, plead, or answer, in

accordance with Mass.R.Civ.P/Mass.R.Dom. Rel.P.Rule 4, it appearing to the court that this is an action for Divorce 1B

Defendant(s) cannot be found within the Commonwealth and defendant(s) present whereabouts are unknown. Personal service on defendant is therefore not practicable, and defendant(s) has, have not voluntantly appeared in this action.

It is Ordered that the defendant(s) is/are directed to appear, plead, answer, or otherwise move with respect to the complaint/petition herein on or before the return day of November 22, 2018.

If you fail to do so the Court will proceed to a hearing and adjunctation of this matter

Megan H. Christopher, Justice of Probate and Family Court

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** 

In the matter of: Kaila Elizabeth Dion

To all persons interested in petition described

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been presented by Kaila Elizabeth Dion of Boston, MA

Requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Kaila Dion Legare

Docket No. SU18C0439CA Suffolk Probate

and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street PO Box 9667 Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10.00AM on the return day of 11/01/2018. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: October 3, 2018 Felix D. Arrovo, Register of Probate

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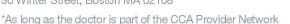
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