Josiah Quincy School students lobby for gun regulation measures

BY SHIRA LAUCHAROE

Students from Michael Andrews’ and Tho Hang Tran-Perou’s seventh grade humanities class at the Josiah Quincy Upper School lobbied for the passage of a gun control bill at the Massachusetts Statehouse on Dec. 8. With guidance from the Generation Citizen action civics program, students advocated for tighter arms laws by demonstrating their support for Senate Bill No. 1298, speaking before staff members of several offices.

“I felt that experiential learning is how you show how government works,” Andrews said. “To see what lobbying is, kids looked up all 39 senators and wrote and called everyone one. They put together an online petition to get signatures and designed fliers and infographics, and they have been canvassing in their neighborhoods.”

The class members presented their research on the bill to representatives from the offices of senators Cynthia Creem, Linda Dorcena Forry and Michael Moore, among others. Students said that the legislation will make the state a safer place.

“T’he bill is really important to prevent gun violence and trafficking,” student Mickey Yang said. “I have never experienced gun violence, but life is important, and these are innocent lives. They might be strangers, but they are humans.”

Bill S. 1298, sponsored by Creem, will strengthen gun control laws by placing a tax of 4.75 percent on gun storage and gun parts, with the proceeds going to the Firearms Prevention Trust Fund, which will address youth exposure to violence and train police to handle issues involving people with mental illness. The bill will also demand that purchasers of firearms electronically verify their identities at the location of a licensed dealer.

Massachusetts has the fourth tightest gun control laws in the country, according to the Giffords Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence, but there are still gaps in the system, Andrews said. On Dec. 6, the House passed the Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act, a bill that would allow citizens to purchase guns in states with looser laws and transport those weapons to parts of the country with stricter regulations, thereby overriding existing rules set by individual states.

In this current political climate, the views of young people are more important than ever, said Ellie Sanchez, Generation Citizen’s program manager for Massachusetts.

“I was very proud of the students,” Andrews said. “They really showed their knowledge but also their compassion. ... They showed that they are ready to lead.”

Wollaston T station closure starts Jan. 8

BY LING-MEI WONG

The Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) announced final plans for the closure of the Wollaston MBTA stop on Dec. 7, ahead of its 20-month closure on Jan. 8, 2018 until summer 2019.

Wollaston T station is the only Red Line station which is inaccessible for handicapped individuals. The project will include three new elevators, two new escalators, upgraded stairways, new bathrooms and efficient lighting.

“Safety is the priority as we replace Wollaston Station,” said MBTA Transportation Secretary Stephanie Pollack.

“Red Line trains will continue to be provided along the Red Line, but the trains will not stop at Wollaston in the interest of the safety of our customers.”

Free shuttle buses will run from Wollaston to Quincy Center and North Quincy stations, with stops at Hancock Street, Beale Street and Newport Avenue.

State Sen. John Keenan said, “The redevelopment of Wollaston Station, combined with a new Red Line fleet and updated signalization, will provide commuters with a reliable and efficient transportation system.”

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Boston monuments lack diversity

BY LING-MEI WONG

A discussion on Boston monuments from an equity perspective took place Dec. 11 at the Boston Public Library, attracting about 150 attendees. The event was co-sponsored by Boston City Council President Michelle Wu and the Boston Women’s Heritage Trail. “We in Boston are aware of our role as historic city, as we hold an important place in the story of our country and many of our communities,” Wu said. “As we look around the city and see statues and monuments, we may notice something’s missing.”

Author, historian and photographer Susan Wilson gave a brief history of Boston monuments to notable people in public spaces. Local Bostonians or "white men on pedestals" constitute the bulk of statues. There are far fewer statues of women and black people in Boston. Just one statue of a Chinese person exists, the bronze Confucius on Tyler Street undergoing repairs.

Wu moderated a panel with representatives from the Boston Women’s Heritage Trail, the Museum of African American History and the Chinese Historical Society of New England (CHSNE). CHSNE vice president Wing-kai To said, “History keeps being rewritten. We didn’t look at the Chinese because they were invisible, until after 1965.”

The Boston Women’s Heritage Trail began in 1989, when Meg Campbell’s school-age daughter visited the Statehouse, saw the countless male statues and asked where the women were. “It’s not just statues, but school names, street names and parks,” Campbell said. “I would like a moratorium on white men until we catch up, for women and people of color.”

L’Merchie Frazier of the Museum of African American History said she hoped for greater representation for artwork and artists creating the work. “Many of us are not at the table to make the decision,” Frazier said. “Like anything else we believe in, we have to advocate.”

Embassy celebrates Japanese emperor

BY LING-MEI WONG


A birthday celebration in honor of Japanese Emperor Akihito took place Dec. 5 at the Statehouse. About 400 guests attended the celebration, hosted by Consul General of Japan Rokuichiro Michii and his wife Ikuko Michii.

“Since I arrived in Boston last fall, I have learned to appreciate three things: warm days of autumn in New England,” BAAFF director Benny Sato Ambush told the audience of nearly 150 attendees. (Image courtesy of Valerie Li.)

The Chinese Progressive Political Action (CPPA) group celebrated the holiday season on Dec. 12 at Double Chin.

Director Paul Watanabe spoke about the Japanese-American internment during World War II on Dec. 7 at the Old South Meeting House. (Image courtesy of Valerie Li.)

A screening of documentary “The Chinese Exclusion Act” gathered historians, immigrant advocates and artists on Dec. 7 at the Old South Meeting House. A 50-minute excerpt detailed how the 1882 Chinese Exclusion Act marked the first U.S. immigration law to discriminate against an ethnic group.

After the screening, director Benny Sato Ambush read an excerpt of “Hold These Truths.” Jeannie Sakata’s play is based on the true story of Gordon Hirabayashi, a Japanese-American who resisted internment during World War II.

Paul Watanabe, director of the Institute for Asian American Studies at UMass Boston, said, “The 1882 Act set a precedent for the Congress to pass more discriminatory bills to allow racial segregation and this led to the 1942 Japanese internment. ‘A Jap is a Jap’; racial affinity was not severed by migration.”

“For the Chinese Americans, Japanese Americans, Asian Americans, our Muslim brothers and sisters, the notion is no matter how long they’ve lived here, the place still doesn’t belong to you,” Watanabe added.

The event was hosted by the Chinese Historical Society of New England, Boston Asian American Film Festival (BAAFF), the Lyric Stage and other organizations.

Susan Chinsen, BAAFF director, said that “given the country’s political climate of the past year, people are really looking for a place to contribute to their community.”

The Chinese Progressive Political Action celebrated the holiday season on Dec. 12 at Double Chin. (Image courtesy of Sara Brown.)

Chinatown advocates celebrate voter rights

BY SARA BROWN

The Chinese Progressive Political Action (CPPA) group celebrated the holiday season on Dec. 12 at Double Chin. Residents and supporters celebrated the CPPA’s accomplishments over the year. CPPA volunteers were on the streets from July to November in Boston City Council Districts 1 and 2 to increase awareness and build power.

The group joined black and Latino partners in a collective Right to the City vote effort. There were more than 16,000 canvass attempts focused on 4,982 voters throughout District 1. CPPA outreach and voter education extended to 5,134 Boston households and 722 households in Newton. CPPA has 1,999 members supporting its “Remain, Reclaim, Rebuild” platform. CPPA made 2,135 completed voter contacts this fall.

CPPA is the political advocacy arm of the Chinese Progressive Association.
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Chinatown meeting roundup: CCBA, CSC, CRA, TCC

BY SARA BROWN AND LING-MEI WONG

The Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association of New England (CCBA) officer election took place Dec. 5.

Paul Chan was re-elected as president, along with Susan Chu for English secretary, beating Philip Huang and Simon Chan respectively. Felix Lui was elected as Chinese secretary over Henry Leung, while Nick Chau defeated Stephen Yang for auditor. Man Ho Chan was elected as treasurer over Paul Yip; Man Ho Chan was voted in as treasurer in August 2016 after Huang stepped down.

Ho Chan was voted in as treasurer in 2018. CCBA directors represent family associations, business groups and community organizations.

CSC

The Chinatown Safety Committee held its monthly meeting Dec. 6 at the DoubleTree Hotel.

Boston Police Department District A-1 Capt. Ken Fong reported there were 42 arrests, two robberies, three assaults and four car break ins. Crime in Chinatown is down 1 percent this year as opposed to last year.

Fong encouraged residents to be safe with holiday shopping. “Get packages mailed to your office, so it doesn’t sit on a porch outside all day,” Fong said.

CSC

The Chinatown Resident Association met Dec. 6 at the Josiah Quincy School.

A presentation on the Tufts Dental School lobby took place, which would start around January 2018.

TCC

The Chinatown Coalition met Dec. 14 at the Boston Chinatown Neighborhood Center.

BY RUOBING SU

Chinese stars showcase pop at Berklee

BY LING-MEI WONG

The Chinese Music Industry Meets Berklee event featured presentations by music experts and singers from China at Berklee College of Music from Dec. 2 to Dec. 5.

Guest speakers included senior executives from Baidu Music, China Music World, Modern Sky Entertainment, NetEase Music and other music labels. They discussed different genres of Chinese pop or “C-pop,” intellectual property and the Chinese music industry for aspiring artists.

The conference closed with a concert featuring Berklee vocalists and stars from China. They covered a wide range of genres, including pop, folk, rock, R&B and electronic dance music.

Berklee College of Music is the largest independent college of contemporary music in the world. Notable Asian Berklee alumni include Chinese-American singer, songwriter and actor Leehom Wang, and Korean pop star Psy.

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An information meeting will be held in the Couper Room at the Reuben Hoar Library, 41 Shattuck Street, Littleton at 10:00 P.M. on Saturday, January 6, 2018.

To encourage applicants with diverse backgrounds to apply for housing at Wildflower Meadow, the owner will utilize a Language Line Service, which provides translation services in a multitude of languages for those with Limited English Proficiency.

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Bring your friends and family!
Seniors celebrate Thanksgiving with food and music

BY RUOBING SU

Seniors gathered for Thanksgiving luncheon at the Hyatt Regency on Nov. 23. (Image courtesy of Ruobing Su.)

Over 150 seniors celebrated Thanksgiving with a hearty luncheon at the Hyatt Regency, hosted by Little Brothers Friends of the Elderly (LBFE) on Nov. 23. LBFE has worked with persons 70 and over who are without the benefits of family or adequate social contacts, regardless of race, nationality or gender. Twenty years ago, LBFE partnered with the Hyatt Regency by Logan Airport for an annual Thanksgiving luncheon to gather Boston seniors for great food and music. Seniors enjoyed a traditional Thanksgiving buffet, including turkey, green beans, pumpkin pies and apple pies. After lunch, the elders danced to songs from their youth.

“A lot of seniors came to me and told me how much they liked the party by holding my hands and saying ‘thank you,’ said Nikki Therrien, LBFE executive director. “Our annual Thanksgiving party is getting bigger every year. I guess that’s because of word of mouth; the seniors say to their neighbors how much fun they had and more people sign up for it.”

At the party, seniors of different races and nationalities came from all neighborhoods of Boston. Many Chinese seniors attended, who were mostly residents of Temple Plaza and Symphony Plaza on Massachusetts Avenue. Three Mandarin-speaking volunteers who study at Northeastern University helped the seniors board buses.

“We recognize that quite a lot seniors in the City of Boston are immigrants,” said Therrien. “About 19 percent of seniors are linguistically isolated. These are people that we need to be better at reaching out and working with.” Therrien said LBFE recruits multi-lingual volunteers by connecting with universities who offer social service programs or individuals who want to serve the community. So far, there are volunteers who visit seniors and speak Mandarin, Cantonese, Russian, Vietnamese and other languages.

Therrien said a mission of LBFE is to reduce the isolation and loneliness of the elderly. The Thanksgiving luncheon is one way it brings elders from different cultures together to enjoy the holidays.

On Christmas Day, LBFE will deliver meals to isolated elders. For more information, visit www.littlebrothersboston.org.

We are Boston took place Nov. 30 at the Westin Waterfront Hotel. (From left) Mohamad Ali, Roger Crandall, Pedro Martinez, Alejandra St. Guillen and Mayor Marty Walsh. (Image courtesy of Valerie Li.)

Two immigrant teens honored by Mayor Walsh at We Are Boston Gala

BY VALERIE LI

The 12th annual We Are Boston Gala celebrated the city’s diverse and inclusive immigrant communities at the Westin Waterfront Hotel on Nov. 30. Mayor Marty Walsh, along with the Office of Immigrant Advancement, welcomed more than 1,000 proud Bostonians with Caribbean-themed festivities.

Baseball Hall of Famer Pedro Martinez, who helped the Boston Red Sox secure the 2004 World Series Championship, received a standing ovation as he took the stage with emcee Maria Stephano, WCVB anchor.

“Coming from the Dominican Republic through baseball to the land of opportunity, I’m here today to support this cause because this country opened doors to people like me who didn’t have anything,” Martinez said.

The Mayor’s Office for Immigrant Advancement works to achieve social good for immigrant communities across the city. Caribbean immigrants, who come from one of the largest regions of origin for new Bostonians, make up 15 percent of Boston’s population.

“Tonight we recognize and acknowledge the contribution our Caribbean communities have made across Boston,” said Alejandra St. Guillen, director of Mayor’s Office for Immigrant Advancement. “Members of the Caribbean communities are playing central roles in the revitalization of the city.”

Walsh took the stage to announce this year’s Youth Action Awardees. Roxbury resident Alyah Tahlil and Dorchester resident Deina Da Costa Lopes were honored for their exemplary perseverance, courage and contributions to their community.

“Twenty-eight percent of the population of our city was born in another country,” Walsh said. “It’s important that we understand our country was founded on the belief everyone has the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.”

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- MBTA Contract No. G70CN02, ON-CALL COMMUTER RAIL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, for R.O.W. IMPROVEMENTS: DRAINAGE, WALL, CONCRETE REPAIR AND PLATFORMS VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT MASSACHUSETTS (CLASS 1 - GENERAL TRANSIT CONSTRUCTION PROJECT VALUE - $19,898,806.00).

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Work consists of providing construction-related services on an on-call basis to support state of good repair/reconstruction needs of the Authority. Work is anticipated to be performed throughout the MBTA service area in Massachusetts and will primarily consist of right of way improvement work.

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Top 10 tips to quit smoking

BY THE ASIAN SMOKERS’ QUOTELINE

1) Find a reason to quit: Do you want to breathe easier? Be around longer for your family? Save money? Whatever gets you fired up, write it down. A strong reason can get you started.


3) Call 1-800-Quit-Now: People who call the Quitline are twice as likely to quit for good. A trained advisor will help you make a personal plan and offer support along the way. It’s free, and it works!

4) Get support: Research shows that support while quitting can help you quit smoking. And your friends and family will enjoy cleaner air and a longer, happier life — wish you still in it?

5) Set a quit date: Choose a date when you will quit. This shows you are serious. And you’re more likely to try it.

6) Make your home and car smoke free: Having smoke-free areas can help you stop smoking. And your friends and family will enjoy cleaner air and a longer, happier life — wish you still in it?

7) Quit on your quit date: Sounds obvious, right? But what good is a quit date unless you actually try it to stop smoking? Planning is good — doing is even better.

8) Picture being a nonsmoker: After you quit, you have a choice to make. Are you a smoker who’s just not smoking for now? Or are you a nonsmoker? For nonsmokers, smoking is not an option in any situation.

9) Keep trying: Most people try several times before they quit for good. And increase your chance of quitting for good. Your health plan or Medicaid benefits may cover these products. Talk with your doctor about which quitting aids are right for you.

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Stop motion sickness in its tracks

BY TUFTS MEDICAL CENTER

Recently, we spoke with Dr. Robert F. Yacavone, a gastroenterologist at Tufts Medical Center, to get some answers about motion sickness.

“Motion sickness is not an illness or a disease,” Dr. Yacavone pointed out. “It is a syndrome — a collection of symptoms that occur in certain situations.”

The cause

We often associate motion sickness with automobiles, aircraft and ships. But, some people experience symptoms on simulators, like ones found at amusement parks, or with video games.

Why?

Motion sickness occurs when the brain receives conflicting information regarding motion and position from the inner ear, eyes, and nerves.

“In general, motion sickness symptoms come on because of a discrepancy in signals that are being sent to the brain regarding the presence or absence of movement,” said Dr. Yacavone. “We know that certain types of movement — low frequency, side to side or up and down, like a ship, plane or car — are most likely to cause motion sickness.”

Symptoms include: nausea, sweat, headaches, light-headedness, vomiting, fatigue or appetite loss. Fortunately, while these symptoms are unpleasant and uncomfortable, in most people they are not serious.

Who is affected?

Anyone is the short answer. But, physicians know that more women suffer from motion sickness before they ever begin the name of the game. There are plenty of preventative steps:

• Modify your environment: Do put yourself in a place where you can see the horizon and movement, i.e.: the front seat of a car or the deck of a cruise ship. Don’t read a book or watch a television screen while a car is moving. Retreating to the bathroom or retreating back to a wall isn’t a good idea either.
• Participate in the production of movement: Drive, if you are able, or at least sit in the front seat and look out the window.
• Position: Lying down flat or moving your head as little as possible can help.

Prevention

Stopping the symptoms of motion sickness before they ever begin is the name of the game. There are plenty of preventative steps:

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• MBTA Contract No. T27CN02, FENWAY PORTAL FLOOD MITIGATION PROJECT, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS
– (CLASS 1 - GENERAL TRANSIT CONSTRUCTION and PROJECT VALUE - $8,236,145.00).

– Submitted at www.bidx.com until two o’clock (2:00 p.m.) on January 11, 2018.

– Immediately thereafter, in a designated room, the Bids will be opened and read publicly.

Work consists of flood gates at Fenway Station, flood doors at the Miner Street tunnel portal, overhead catenary system modifications, pump room rehabilitation, mechanical building for ventilation and access, monitory camera system at the portal and along the MBTA ROW, track crossing repairs and signal system modifications.

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Sampan HEALTH

Quitting smoking takes time. (Image courtesy of Adobe Stock.)
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This is a lottery for the 18 affordable Single Family Homes being built at Goddard Highlands Phase 2 (near 70 Kelsey Drive, Stoughton MA). These 18 homes will be sold at affordable prices to households with incomes at or below 80% of the area median income. The first affordable homes will be ready early 2018.

The affordable homes at Goddard Highlands Phase 2 consist of three house types of 1,816 sq ft, 1,872 sq ft and, 2,016 sq ft. All house types have 2.5 baths, two surface parking spaces (no garages) and unfinished basements. Homes feature 4BRs, central A/C, forced hot air heating, hardwood flooring in Dining Room, Foyer and Kitchen, Ceramic Tile floors in bathrooms, and carpeting in all remaining areas. Goddard Highlands is a new community that will eventually consist of 512 beautiful single-family homes (42 homes were already built in the first phase) on beautiful wooded lots in Stoughton, Massachusetts. Located only minutes from downtown Boston, Routes 24 & 128, and the Stoughton commuter rail station, Goddard Highlands offers a unique opportunity for the discerning homebuyer who desires ultimate convenience.

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- The Maximum Household Asset Limit is $75,000.

For more information on the Development, the Units or the Lottery and Application Process or for reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities, please visit: www.s-e-b.com/lottery or call 617.782.6900x2. A Public Info Session will be on December 4th, 2017 at 6 pm for members of the community.

Applications and Info Packets also available in the Stoughton Public Library (at their temporary location or call 617.782.6900x2. A Public Info Session will be on December 4th, 2017 at 6 pm in the Stoughton Town Hall (10 Pearl Street, 1st floor Fitzpatrick Room). The lottery will be on February 6th, 2018 at the same location.

Applications and Required Income Documentation must be received by 2 pm on January 19th, 2018. Applications postmarked by January 19th, 2018 must be received no later than 5 business days later.

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- MTBA Contract No. W46CN04, SOUTH SHORE PARKING GARAGES REPAIRS BRAINTREE AND QUINCY ADAMS RED LINE STATIONS, BRAINTREE AND QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS, – PROJECT VALUE: $87,889,000.00 (CLASS I, GENERAL TRANSIT CONSTRUCTION and CLASS 7 – BUILDINGS $30,000,000).
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- Immediately thereafter, in a designated room, the Bids will be opened and read publicly.

Shanghai Dance Theatre debuts tale of rare bird in Boston performance
BY LING-MEI WONG

Dance drama “Soaring Wings: Journey of the Crested Ibis” tells the story of the rare crested ibis and its reemergence after man-made urbanization. The balletic performance marks the Boston debut of the Shanghai Dance Theatre on Jan. 11 to 12, 2018 at the Boch Center Shubert Theatre.

Chinatown celebrates Christmas

The Wang YMCA held a party on Dec. 3. (From left) James Morton, Pat Barnwell, District 2 Councilor elect Ed Flynn, Caroline Flynn, Man Ho Chan. (Image courtesy of Ling-Mei Wong.)

Nonprofit American Chinese Christian Educational and Social Services celebrated Christmas with more than 200 Tai Tung Village residents and friends on Dec. 2.

Boston Mayor Marty Walsh stopped by the Chinatown Gate on Dec. 3 to light a Christmas tree. Santa Claus visited the good boys and girls of the Wang YMCA in Chinatown.

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