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The Neighborhood

Our Urban Wildlife:

Some we love, some we hate, some we eat, and some we don't even notice.



Apologies to Hal Herzog author of *Some we love, Some we hate and Some we eat*, an exploration of our complicated relationships with animals, particularly in our cities. As I pondered that and what Herzog had said, I decided that I needed to find out more about the wildlife in Cambridge:

Who are they? Where are they? What are Cambridge's policies regarding their management? [Read more](#). (by Jane Hilburt Davis)

Melville and Dowse in East Cambridge

When Herman Melville visited East Cambridge in 1860, he knew that stories about the frenzied pursuit of white whales did not travel very well. His total earnings from U.S. sales of *Moby-Dick*, which had first appeared in 1851, came to much less than he had realized from any of his previous books.



By the late 1850s, his literary career was in disarray, and his health was precarious. [Read more.](#) (by Ken Winston)

Meet Your Neighbors



Phil Redmond and Fong Chu, as original residents of The Esplanade, have enjoyed the building, staff and neighbors for almost thirty-three years. Phil explained that they moved back to Cambridge when he joined a computer software company. [Read more.](#)

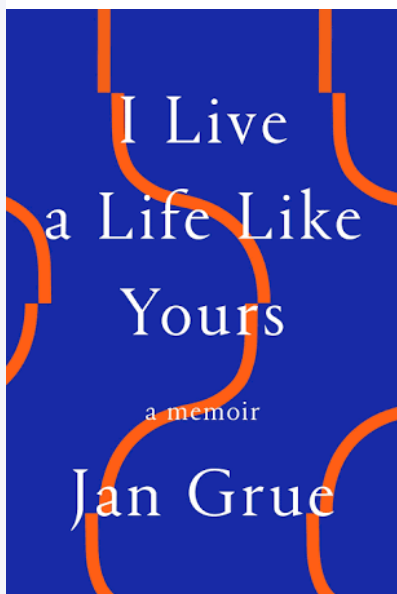
Neighbors in the News

We are inaugurating this new section with news about one of our

younger neighbors, **Kartik Pinglé**. Kartik was recently interviewed about his research on exoplanets for a [New York Times column](#) in April. Working with MIT Post Doctoral Fellow Dr. Tansu Daylan, Kartik and Bedford High School student Jasmine Wright discovered four exoplanets 200 light years away and published a paper about the planets in the peer-reviewed *Astronomical Journal* in January 2021. Kartik is now preparing to study dwarf stars using data from the recently launched James Webb Space Telescope.

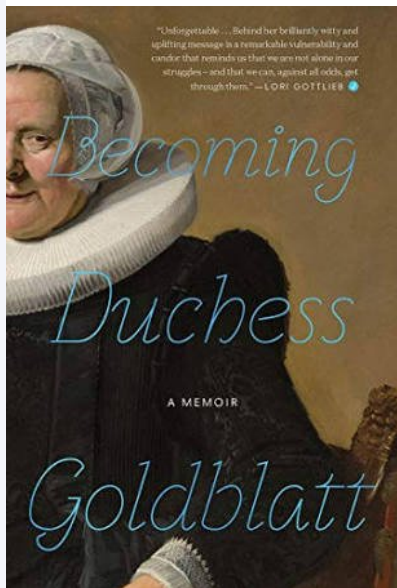
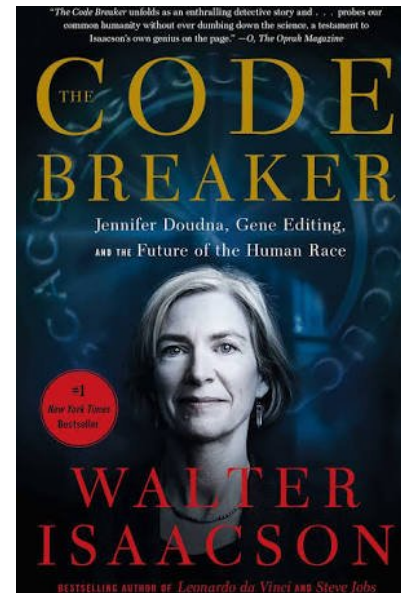
[Read more interviews with neighbors here](#)

Reading



I Live a Life Like Yours, a memoir by Jan Grue, was published first in Norway, where it won the Norwegian Critics Prize for Literature and was nominated for the Nordic Council Literature Prize; it was the first Norwegian nonfiction book to be so honored in fifty years. [Read more](#) (reviewed by Janet Aserkoff)

For those of us who are intrigued by the rapidly unfolding advances in medical science, Walter Isaacson's *The Code Breaker*, Jennifer Doudna, *Gene Editing and the Future of the Human Race* fills the bill. [Read more](#) (reviewed by Susan Barron)



I must admit that when I was a third of the way through *Becoming Duchess Goldblatt* I was starting to regret my choice for our book club. The author seemed like such an unpleasant person, I had to wonder if she had any friends at all and why was I reading about her unpleasantness? But.... [Read more](#) (reviewed by Eileen Glovsky)

[Read more book reviews here](#)

Eating



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Sheet-Pan Shrimp with Tomatoes, Feta and Oregano (Mark Bittman)

The perfect, simple weeknight recipe – ready in 10 minutes. Serve with a hearty salad for a tasty meal. Serves 4. Find the [Recipe here](#).

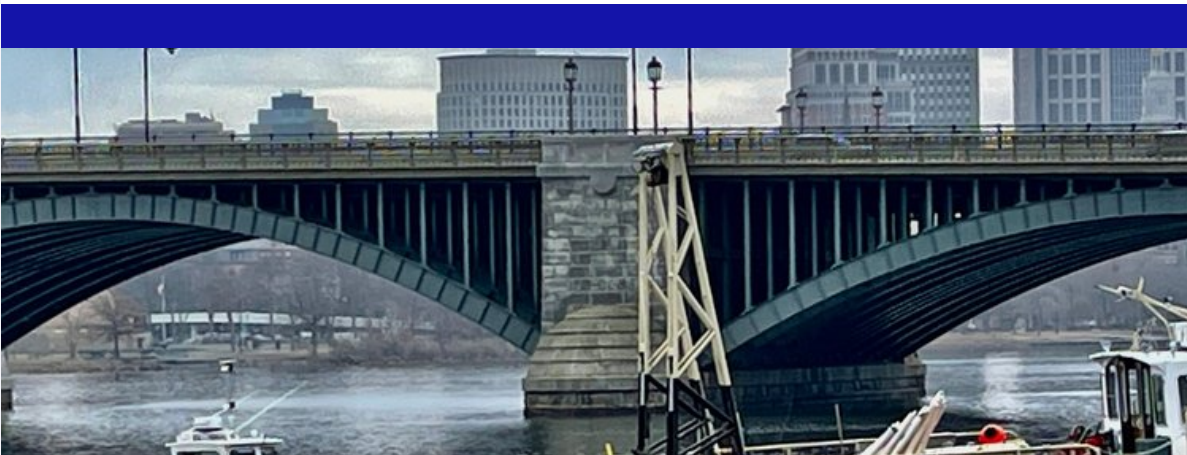
HELP WANTED!

PLEASE come to our aid: email your favorite recipes and restaurant suggestions to Susan (sbbarron@gmail.com) for inclusion in the next ECG Newsletter **EATS** column.

Opportunities

Esplanade Community Listserv Now Set Up For All Our Residents

The Esplanade Community Group (ECG) is pleased to announce that we have started a Listserv for the benefit of everyone who lives at the Esplanade and chooses to participate. Learn about [listservs](#) and how to sign up for ours [here](#).





Return of the wetland: March 17

See the [Gallery of Esplanade pictures here](#)

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Missed any of our newsletters or updates? Catch up on them [here](#).

Want to share opportunities or news of transitions with your neighbors? Send to [Esplanade Community](#).

Esplanade neighbors and newcomers to the building, whether owners or renters, are welcome to be part of the ECG and to receive our Updates, newsletters, and invitations to ECG events. Please pass along this update to new folks. To get on (or off) our mailing list just email [Esplanade Community](#).

Have ideas for these newsletters and updates? Want to write something? Send to [Jessie](#), [Mary Jo](#) or [Jane](#). Next newsletter in March.

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