



**Upcoming Events** 

## **ABOUT US AT GGHMS.**

Greater Grove Hall Main Streets is committed to promoting a diverse business district while maintaining our neighborhood's historical character. We encourage innovative and creative techniques to foster economic development that enriches the lives of business owners, employees and residents of our community.

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## THIS MONTH'S FEATURED BUSINESS.

### **BOSTON'S BIG EASY**

owned by Mr. Jerome Frazier

624 Blue Hill Ave Boston, MA 02121 b/t Columbia Rd & Franklin Park Rd

Price Range \$\$ \$10-\$30

### <u>Hours</u>

Mon - Thu: 5:00 am - 8:00 pm Fri - Sat: 5:00 am - 9:00 pm Sun: 9:00 am - 6:00 pm



We want to welcome Chef Darow Patton and his restaurant to the Greater Grove Hall neighborhood. Boston Big Easy serves authentic Cajun and Creole cuisine and brings a taste of New Orleans to Boston. Chef Darrow Patton brings a taste of New Orleans to Boston with his Cajun/Creole style cooking.

## THIS MONTH'S FEATURED BUSINESS.

## **GOT SOLE** owned by Mr. Joel Harper

493 Blue Hill Ave Boston, MA 02121

**Hours** 

Mon - Sat: 12:00 pm - 7:00 pm

(617) 708-1022



We want to welcome Joel Harper and his Gotsole to Grove Hall. Got Sole is a premier sneaker, footwear, urban apparel and headware retailer. They specialize in the latest sneakers and other footwear from the giants in the industry, the best in urban fashions from well know brands and a wide variety of hats -- fitted, snapback, strapback and five panels. Brands include New Balance, Globe, Nike, Adidas, Sector9, Gold Coast, G-Shock, P.A.P Clothing, Society, Levis, NorthFace, Converse, Scope, New Era, Meister, Flud, Nixon, Landyachtz, Venturi, Keds, Clae and many more!

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- \* The Social Media Accelerator, Tuesday May 13th 10:00 am to 4 pm EDT, Suffolk University, 120 Treamont St. Boston Ma 02108 (Free).
- \* The Greater Grove Hall Main Streets and Grove Hall Trust Business Breakfast, May 15th 8-10 am, Grove Hall Community Center, 51 Geneva Street.
- \* "The Next Big Thing" : An upcoming beauty pageant for curvaceous women. May 17th @ The Russell Auditorium on Talbot Avenue.
- \* The Boston Main Street Annual Awards, June 26th.



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# BUSINESS BREAKFAST

Thursday, May 15 2014

### Greetings!

The Grove Hall Trust and Greater Grove Hall Main Streets will be hosting the Grove Hall Small Business Owner's breakfast Thursday, May 15 2014. This meeting will allow business owners to receive current information on the services available through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Office of Small Business, while meeting other business owners of the Grove Hall community. As a small business owner of the Grove Hall community you are a vital resource and valued tremendously.

Place: Grove Hall Community Center, Dorchester, MA. 02121

(located on 51 Geneva Avenue)

Time: 8:00 am to 10:00 am

Date: May 15, 2014

RSVP: Michael Williams (617-869-7418) or Ed Gaskin (617-460-2326)

Before: May 13, 2014

### The following Agencies will be present to speak:

- Grove Hall Trust
- Greater Grove Hall Main Streets
- Executive Director of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Office of Small Business and Entrepreneurship

We look forward to seeing you and please bring information about your business

If you have any questions please feel free to contact either Ed Gaskin, or

Michael Williams at the numbers listed above. Hope to see you next Thursday!

Respectively,

Grove Hall Trust & Greater Grove Hall Main Street

Address: PO Box 96, Grove Hall, MA. 02121 Website: grovehalltrust.org

## "THE NEXT BIG THING"

An upcoming beauty pageant for curvaceous women.

May 17th @ The Russell Auditorium on Talbot Avenue.

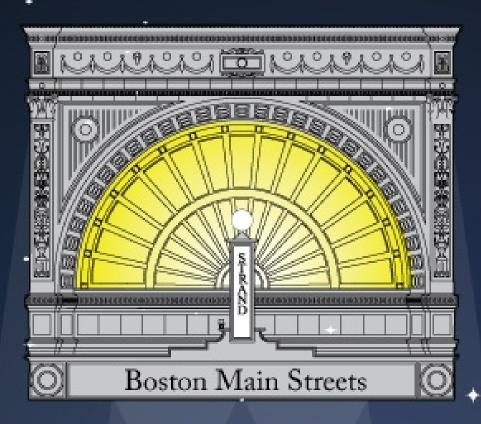


Persons depicted in above image:

-Nicole Flynt Thomas, President & Co-Founder of Escape Image Consultants

-Edward Gaskin, Executive Director of Greater Grove Hall Main Streets

-Danita Lee, Co-Founder of Escape Image Consultants



## SAVE THE DATE

Mayor Martin J. Walsh and Boston Main Streets present

The Boston Main Streets Annual Awards Ceremony

The Strand Theatre June 26, 2014 at 6:00pm

## **Greater Grove Hall Main Streets in the News!**

## 4/03/14 - Bay State Banner "Grove Hall text polling pilot project."

Ed Gaskin, executive director of Grove Hall Main Streets, is working with the Department of Neighborhood Development to coordinate the text polling, which is provided by mobile survey company Textizen.

### **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

What type of businesses would you like to see in the area?

We are testing a new technology in Grove Hall, see BayState Banner article, to get more citizen's input on the types of businesses we would like to see fill our empty store fronts. You vote by texting one of three choices or, if you have a better idea, you can text in your own suggestion.

## What business would you like to see here?

Text the **letter** of your answer

617-945-8873

## You Can Help Greater **Grove Hall Main Streets** in under 60 seconds

Greater Grove Hall Main Streets and the City of Boston's Office of Buiness Development are working together with this site's property owner to better understand what neighbors want to see here.



CLOTHING STORE Clothing, gifts, or other boutique



RESTAURANT



FOOD/SHOP

## I have another idea...



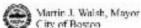
#### How does this work?

Text your answer to have your response recorded. You'll ge. a series of 4 follow-up questions. Your privacy is important to us. We won't sell or share your phone number

### Questions or comments?

Fmail obd@textizen.com











Business Development

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4/17/14 - Bay State Banner

"Mayor Martin Walsh announces increase in Boston Main Streets funding."

"I appreciate the fact that Mayor Walsh recognizes the importance of small businesses in the community," added Ed Gaskin, executive director of Greater Grove Hall Main Streets in Dorchester.



## **NEWS FEEDS:**

4/03/14 - Bay State Banner
"Grove Hall text polling project."

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4/09/14 - Peter Howe, NECU.com
"Mayor Marty Walsh comes to Grove Hall to announce Wicked Free WiFi program for Boston."

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Ed Gaskin, Executive Director of GGHMS Kara Miller, Dept. of Neighborhood Development

4/09/14 - *Michael B. Farrell, Boston Globe* "Boston spreads free Wi-Fi hotspots."

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4/15/14 - Sampang.org
"Mayor Walsh increases funding for Boston's Main Street Districts."

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4/17/14 - Martin Desmarais, *Bay State Banner*"Mayor Marty Walsh announces increase in Boston Main Streets funding."

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