## In and Around Boston

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In preparation for the upcoming 132nd Annual Meeting in Boston in May 2010, we have put together a list of restaurants, shops, attractions and mini-getaways to amplify what promises to be INTA's best Annual Meeting yet. Where possible, I have provided a link to the website of each destination mentioned in this article. Also note that this is a work in progress, so please continue to check back here for newly added tips and hot spots. And of course, if you have specific questions, please feel free to email me directly at rachelle.dubow@bingham.com. I hope you enjoy Boston, and all this city has to offer.



## Hotels

#### **Situation:**

You've been shut out of all blocked rooms at the INTA hotels - OR - You're the type who prefers to stay at a non-INTA hotel.

#### Fix:

#### **The Langham Hotel**

http://boston.langhamhotels.com/en/index.html - This hotel is located in the heart of the financial district, a short distance from the Convention Center (approximately \$7 cab ride), and features a hip restaurant/bar called BOND (great place to meet colleagues for 5pm cocktails or a night cap).

#### **Marriott Long Wharf**

https://www.marriott.com/hotels/hotel-information/travel/boslw-boston-marriott-long-wharf/ - This hotel is in a great location, a short distance from the Convention Center (approximately \$6 cab ride) and the shops/cafes of Faneuil Hall Marketplace and the historically Italian district (the North End).

#### The W Hotel

http://specialoffers.starwoodhotels.com/W Boston/so.htm - The W Hotel recently opened in Boston and provides all you expect out of this hip boutique hotel chain. Expect a \$7 cab ride to the Convention Center.

#### The Ames Hotel

http://www.ameshotel.com/#/home/ - Part of the Morgans Hotel Group (think: The Delano in South Beach, Miami and the Mondrian in Los Angeles), this hotel oozes hipness in a convenient downtown location. Expect an \$8 cab ride to the Convention Center.

#### **Nine Zero**

http://www.ninezero.com/ - For those who simply prefer hip boutique hotels, the Nine Zero is what you are looking for. This hotel was recently named one of Travel & Leisure Magazine's Best 500 Hotels in the World and is centrally located between the Convention Center (and Seaport/Financial District Hotels) and the Back Bay Hotels. Expect an \$8 cab ride to the Convention Center.

#### XV Beacon

http://xvbeacon.com/ - A step-up in hipness (and price) from the Nine Zero is XV Beacon (Fifteen Beacon). Travel & Leisure voted this hotel the #1 hotel in Boston. Like the Nine Zero, XV Beacon is centrally located between the Convention Center (and Seaport/Financial District Hotels) and the Back Bay Hotels. Expect an \$8 cab ride to the Convention Center.

#### **Liberty Hotel**

http://www.libertyhotel.com/ - Bigger than the Nine Zero or XV Beacon is Boston's newest hotel, the Liberty Hotel. This hotel is home to some of Boston's hotspots, including CLINK (a place to see and scene). The Liberty Hotel is also located between the Back Bay Hotels and the Convention Center (and Seaport/Financial District Hotels). Expect a \$9 cab ride to the Convention Center.

#### The Charlesmark

http://www.charlesmarkhotel.com/ - Looking for something a little less pricey in this economy? Check out The Charlesmark located in Copley Square in Back Bay. Expect a \$9 cab ride to the Convention Center (or walk to an INTA Shuttle Bus at one of the nearby INTA Back Bay hotels).

## Restaurants

Boston is packed with restaurants to suit everyone's culinary dreams. From the "joints" to the "expense account" eateries, Boston has something for everyone. The following are a few favorites, broken down by neighborhood:

## Financial District/Seaport

#### **Radius**

<u>www.radiusrestaurant.com</u> - An expense account favorite located in the financial district, this is a great place to reserve for an important client dinner.

#### **BOND**

http://boston.langhamhotels.com/en/restaurants/bond restaurant.htm - "A premiere destination for cosmopolitan dining, cocktails and entertainment. BOND is a shimmering yet hip setting for small plate dining options, distinctive cocktails and eclectic music."

#### Meritage

http://www.meritagetherestaurant.com/ - This New American restaurant on the waterfront (with views of the harbor), is the perfect place to take your most important clients (or prospects). The food is exceptional, the wine list impressive, the service top-notch, but among the most expensive restaurants in town.

#### O Ya

http://www.oyarestaurantboston.com/ - Recently named the #1 restaurant in America by the New York Times and one of the top 10 sushi restaurants in America by Bon Apetite Magazine, this tiny (as in, if you want to go, make your reservations as soon as you are able) Izakaya Sushi restaurant delivers one of the most delicious meals in town. The portions are tiny and the prices are hefty, but most say it is worth every last penny (Euro, Peso or Yen).

#### Sel de la Terre

http://www.seldelaterre.com/ - This upscale French Brasserie near the Waterfront (with another location in the Back Bay in the Mandarin Oriental Hotel) serves excellent Provençal cuisine, with a wine list that wont break the bank, and serves both lunch and dinner. The fresh baked breads are not to be missed!

#### **KO Prime**

http://www.koprimeboston.com/ - Located in the trendy Nine Zero Hotel, local celebrity Chef, Ken Oringer, outdoes himself with his take on a modern steakhouse. The restaurant is hip and trendy, and the bone-in rib eye is delectable!

Looking for something a bit more casual...

the Original Legal Sea Foods - <a href="http://www.legalseafoods.com/">http://www.legalseafoods.com/</a> - Located at 255 State Street, Legal Sea Foods is a Boston institution. Guests here enjoy waterfront dining

just steps from famous Quincy Market, funky Faneuil Hall, New England Aquarium, Rowe's Wharf, and the IMAX Theatre. This pier-side part of Old Boston, just steps from the bustling Financial District, neatly plays up the city's lucrative seafaring heritage with access to touring vessels, cruise ticketing offices, and the Boston Harbor Hotel. Both the famous Duck Tours and Old Town Trolleys stop conveniently at Long Wharf, allowing you to refresh yourself mid-tour with lunch at Legal.

## North End (Boston's "Little Italy")

#### Mama Maria's

http://www.mammamaria.com/ - Mama Maria's is meant to conjure up images of dining in old world Europe (Italy to be exact). This restaurant is a special-occasion favorite among Bostonians and is best described as classy and sophisticated. If you are looking to see and be scene, this is NOT your restaurant. If you are looking for an intimate evening paired with delicious food and wine, Mama Maria's won't disappoint.

#### Mare

http://www.marenatural.com/ - Mare boasts Boston's first all-natural and/or organic ingredient list, based almost entirely on deep water fish, cultivated shellfish and certified organic seafood from the U.S. and Italy. In addition to spectacular fare, the restaurant has a great trendy vibe, an A-typical North End restaurant.

#### La Galleria 33

http://www.lagalleria33.com/ - Described as cozy, warm and romantic, La Galleria, family owned and run, turns out excellent Italian food at prices that won't break the bank and is well-situated in the heart of the North End.

#### Lucca

http://www.luccaboston.com/ - A Wine Spectator Award of Excellence winner, Lucca is one of the more hip Northern Italian restaurants in the North End. Terrific food and a great location. Open for dinner, and lunch/brunch on Saturday and Sunday.

#### Prezza

http://www.prezza.com/ - A classy, edgy North End favorite, with a wine list boasting over 900 labels, Prezza delivers Italian fine dining at its best.

Looking for something a bit more casual.....

**Pizzeria Regina** - <u>http://www.pizzeriaregina.com/</u> - Located at 11 1/2 Thatcher Street, there is nothing glamorous about the décor, but the pizza is the best in Boston.

## **Back Bay**

#### L'Esplaier

http://www.lespalier.com/ - Housed in Boston's brand new Mandarin Oriental hotel and likely the most highly rated and acclaimed restaurants in Boston, L'Esplaier

dazzles. This upscale, sophisticated yet chic restaurant turns out delicious cuisine, boasts an incredible wine list (they have more than one bottle priced at over \$15,000!) and does everything it should to make you and your guests feel special.

#### **Sorrelina**

http://www.sorellinaboston.com/ - A sister restaurant of Mistral (in the South End), this über-chic, sophisticated-trendy restaurant turns out delectable food, great cocktails and is set in a magnificent space just across from the Westin Hotel (in Copley Place). If you like dining in a little black dress or showing off your new Prada shoes, this is the place for you.

#### Abe & Louie's

http://www.abeandlouies.com/ - I fell in love at this restaurant (literally - I met my husband here) so it holds a special place in my heart. For a steak house it is quite youthful and hip, and where I would take a client for a fantastic lunch or dinner. Like most steak houses you can't go wrong with the steaks, seafood or lobster. And the wine list is impressive as well. They also have private dining facilities upstairs that can host groups of up to 70 seated or 125 for a cocktail reception.

#### The Bristol

http://www.fourseasons.com/boston/dining.html - Great place for a breakfast meeting, or to meet up for a cocktail with a client. The martinis are spectacular and they make, arguably, the best burger in town - but serve it in a way that screams "five star" service. As the Four Seasons is not an INTA hotel, this is a great place to get away from the hustle bustle of the meeting.

#### Casa Romero

http://www.casaromero.com/ - This authentic Mexican Restaurant located down a side alley off of Newbury Street is truly a hidden gem. A meal here will not break the bank, and is sure to please even the most discerning Mexican food aficionado. The margaritas are the best in town.

#### Clio

http://www.cliorestaurant.com/ - A recent competitor on the Food Network's Iron Chef America, chef Ken Oringer works magic in Clio and sushi bar, Uni. The sushi bar is tiny, the food is incredible and is matched with an impressive list of sakes.

#### Grill 23 & Bar

http://www.grill23.com/ - Named by both Playboy and Maxim Magazine as one of the 10 best steakhouses in America, this is a great place to plan a dinner with clients or colleagues. The steaks are cooked perfectly, the wine list is enormous, and the bar gets a decent scene as well.

Looking for something a bit more casual.....

**Post 390** - <a href="http://post390restaurant.com/">http://post390restaurant.com/</a> - a recently opened venue just next door to the old Back Bay Post Office. Described as an "urban tavern", a recent visit on a Friday

night was met by a bouncer outside to control the throngs of well-heeled and perfectly coiffed patrons who gathered at one of the two bars in this massive duplex space.

#### **South End**

#### Hamersley's

http://www.hamersleysbistro.com/ - Arguably the best French Bistro in Boston, Chef-Owner Gordon Hamersley turns out tremendous fare. And on a nice day or evening, there is patio seating, so you can people watch while sipping on your Sancerre.

#### 28 Degrees

http://www.28degrees-boston.com/flash.html - I LOVE this place. My go-to place for a killer martini and small plates, with one of the hippest vibes in town. If the weather is nice, there is a great patio area as well. I would be sure to use the services of any firm hosting their reception here (hint hint).

#### Mistral

http://www.mistralbistro.com/index.shtml#start - One of the hottest tables in Boston, and described as sexy, hip, sophisticated and seductive, if you splurge on one meal in the city, many would say this should be the place. The tuna tartare is world famous (or at least city-wide famous), and both the bar and dining room are scenes to be seen.

#### **B&G Oysters**

http://www.bandgoysters.com/ - While this restaurant is small in size, it makes up for it with its spectacular selection of the freshest shucked oysters in town. Located in the hip South End, they have a garden dining patio which feels like a secret hideaway (read: take off your badge and loosen your tie).... If you are seeking just a nice glass of wine and a small bite, check out its sister restaurant across the street, The Butcher Shop - http://www.thebutchershopboston.com/#

#### **Sibling Rivalry**

http://www.siblingrivalryboston.com/ - Sibling Rivalry combines the simple elegance of classical cooking with the rich, bold flavors of Modern American cuisine. Chef's David and Bob Kinkead created a 'dueling' menu that showcases their talents with different interpretations of seasonal ingredients. This hip South End restaurant boasts outdoor dining in the nice weather and a great bar as well.

Looking for something a bit more casual.....

Franklin Café - <a href="http://franklincafe.com/">http://franklincafe.com/</a> - This is the original of the now three Franklin Café restaurants (the other accessible one located in South Boston closer to the convention center, and an excellent place for Brunch). The original South End restaurant takes no reservations, but the food (described as American comfort food) is superb. The South End eatery is small, but the vibe is cozy hip.

## **Shopping**

## **Newbury Street and Copley Place**

Newbury Street, located in the Back Bay just across from the entrance to the Public Gardens, is an eclectic mix of shops, cafes, art galleries and salons. Touted at the most expensive street in the world, shops include Ralph Lauren, Chanel, Armani, Donna Karan, Burberry, Cartier, Loro Piana, Kate Spade, Bang & Olufsen, Valentino, Marc Jacobs and Ermenegildo Zegna, and many more. There are also some trendy boutiques including Stil, Intermix, Calypso, Queen Bee, Riccardo and others. On Boylston Street, which runs parallel to Newbury Street, you'll find Gucci, the Apple Store, and the entrance to the Prudential Center shops, featuring Saks Fifth Avenue, more shops and restaurants and the cat walk to Copley Place (where you'll find Neiman Marcus, Louis Vuitton, Tiffany, Christian Dior, Jimmy Choo and more). You could devote an entire day to shopping in this one area, or just a few hours. I recommend starting your shopping trip at the top of Newbury Street (at Arlington Street, by the Taj Hotel) and working your way up Newbury Street, taking a left onto Gloucester Street and entering the Prudential Center shops through the plaza. From the Prudential Center shops you can cross over through to Copley Place and cap your shopping excursion off with a glass of wine at the bar at The Palm restaurant or a martini at the Oak Bar in the Fairmont Copley Plaza hotel across the street.

#### **Faneuil Hall**

A popular stop on the Freedom Trail, this open-air mall features Quincy Market in the center flanked by the North Market shops and the South Market shops on either side. There are loads of dining options and shopping options in Faneuil Hall. Dining options include counter service in Quincy Market, a remake of Cheers (the original being on Beacon Street between Beacon Hill and Back Bay, on the ground level of the Hampshire house see: <a href="http://www.cheersboston.com/pub/">http://www.cheersboston.com/pub/</a>), Kingfish Hall (celebrity chef Todd English's restaurant see: <a href="http://www.toddenglish.com/">http://www.mccormickandschmicks.com/</a>), McCormick & Schmicks (see: <a href="http://www.mccormickandschmicks.com/">http://www.mccormickandschmicks.com/</a>) and Houston's (see: <a href="http://www.hillstone.com/#/restaurants/houstons/">http://www.hillstone.com/#/restaurants/houstons/</a>). Shopping options include chain stores like the Gap, Banana Republic, Ann Taylor and Victoria's Secret as well as novelty and souvenir shops galore. In addition, should your schedule permit, there is a BosTix kiosk in Faneuil Hall allowing you to purchase same-day half-price tickets to local shows and events (<a href="http://www.bostix.org/">http://www.bostix.org/</a>).

## **Harvard Square**

For the adventurous folks, Harvard Square is an easy (well - fairly easy) subway ride destination "on the other side of the river" in Cambridge. From the Convention Center you take the Silver Line to South Station and change to the Red Line (in the direction of Alewife) to Harvard Station. Those staying in the Back Bay can take the Green line from Arlington or Copley to Park Station and Change to the Red Line (in the direction of Alewife) to Harvard Square. Or you could spend \$15-20 and take a cab! Once in Harvard Square you can visit the famed Harvard Yard, University Bookshop (the Coop),

and shop along the streets of Harvard Square where there are a number of boutiques and cafes. Check out this website closer to the Annual Meeting for events happening in Harvard Square: <a href="http://www.harvardsquare.com/">http://www.harvardsquare.com/</a>

#### The South End

The South End is to Boston what Chelsea is to New York - which means great restaurants and hip boutiques. New retail shops offer a range of home furnishings, men's and women's clothing, stationery, specialty foods and spa services. You can take the Silver Line from South Station (get off at Union Park Street Station. To get to Tremont Street, take a right onto Union Park Street until you come to Tremont Street). Ladies, check out Turtle (<a href="http://www.turtleboston.com/">http://www.turtleboston.com/</a>),

Sooki (<a href="http://sookiboston.com/">http://sookiboston.com/</a>), and Parlor (<a href="http://www.shopparlor.com/">http://www.shopparlor.com/</a>), just to name a few. Gents, check out Uniform (<a href="http://www.uniformboston.com/">http://www.uniformboston.com/</a>) and Bobby From Boston.

## **Attractions**

#### **ICA**

The Institute of Contemporary Art just moved into its new home on the Boston Waterfront. An impressive collection of Contemporary Art in an architecturally beautiful space. <a href="http://www.icaboston.org/">http://www.icaboston.org/</a>

#### **Fenway Park**

No trip to Boston is complete without a visit to Fenway Park - home of the World Champion Boston Red Sox. Boston is, at its heart, a sports town, and Red Sox Fans (aka - Red Sox Nation) are among the most avid sports fans in the country. While there are no home games scheduled during the Annual Meeting, if you stay an extra night in Boston you can catch the Sox take on the Kansas City Royals. Click here for the schedule and to buy tickets:

http://boston.redsox.mlb.com/schedule/index.jsp?c\_id=bos&m=5&y=2010 Fenway Park opened in 1912 and is the oldest Major League baseball stadium in the country still in use.

#### **Museum of Science**

Featuring an Imax Theater, Planetarium and Laser light show, as well as an impressive array of permanent and special exhibits, The Museum of Science has something to please everyone and will bring out the scientist in you. <a href="http://www.mos.org/">http://www.mos.org/</a>

## **Aquarium**

Founded in 1969, the New England Aquarium is a global leader in ocean exploration and marine conservation. The Aquarium is one of the premier visitor attractions in Boston, with over 1.3 million visitors a year, and a major public education resource. Some of my favorite exhibits include the penguins, the central water tank (home to massive turtles, sharks and fish) and the Sea Lion show. http://www.neag.org/index.php

## **Swan Boats/Boston Public Gardens**

The Boston Public Gardens host the most beautiful flower plantings east of Retiro Park in Madrid. Enjoy people watching from one of the many benches, or take a ride on the Swan Boats to see the park from the lagoon. If you are in Boston with your children, the Swan Boats are always a big hit! <a href="http://www.swanboats.com/index.html">http://www.swanboats.com/index.html</a>

#### **Duck Tours**

You've never toured Boston in anything that comes close to Boston Duck Tours. The fun begins as soon as you board your "DUCK", a W.W.II style amphibious landing vehicle. You'll cruise by all the places that make Boston the birthplace of freedom and a city of firsts, from the golden-domed State House to Bunker Hill and the TD Bank Garden, Boston Common and Copley Square to the Big Dig, Government Center to fashionable Newbury Street, Quincy Market to the Prudential Tower, and more. And just when you

think you've seen it all, there's more. It's time for "Splashdown" as your ConDUCKtor splashes your DUCK right into the Charles River for a breathtaking view of the Boston and Cambridge skylines, the kind of view you just won't get anywhere else. <a href="http://www.bostonducktours.com/tour\_main.html">http://www.bostonducktours.com/tour\_main.html</a>

#### **Freedom Trail**

The Freedom Trail is a 2.5 mile red-brick walking trail that leads you to 16 nationally significant historic sites, every one an authentic American treasure. Preserved and dedicated by the citizens of Boston in 1958, when the wrecking ball threatened. The Freedom Trail today is a unique collection of museums, churches, meeting houses, burying grounds, parks, a ship, and historic markers that tell the story of the American Revolution and beyond. <a href="http://www.thefreedomtrail.org/visitor.html">http://www.thefreedomtrail.org/visitor.html</a>

## **Pre- or Post-Meeting Getaways**

Knowing that many attendees travel from quite far distances to attend the Annual Meeting, many opt to make a vacation out of part of their stay. This section identifies seven destinations all within 2-2.5 hours of travel from Boston. I have identified hotels, bed and breakfasts, and restaurants where I have stayed over visited personally, so the recommendations are based on my experiences, but certainly there are many great options at each destination. If you had a place in mind that is not on my list below and want some inside tips, send me an email at rachelle.dubow@bingham.com, and I'll be happy to share my thoughts.

## **Cape Cod**

Approximately 1.5 - 2 hours from Boston (depending on when you leave, your final destination and your mode of transportation), "The Cape" as it is known to locals offers beautiful beaches, great resorts and great seafood. Ask 10 different Bostonians which part of The Cape is their favorite, and you'll get 10 different answers. The following two are my favorites:

#### Chatham

A true New England beach community, Chatham is located at the southeast tip of The Cape. With a quaint town, vast pristine beaches, beautiful hotels and great restaurants, Chatham has something for everyone. Featuring Cape Cod National Golf Club and some of the most luxuriously appointed rooms on The Cape, The Wequassett Resort & Golf Club is sure to please. See: <a href="http://wequassett.com/">http://wequassett.com/</a>. If you are traveling with children, I recommend The Chatham Bars Inn. See: <a href="http://www.chathambarsinn.com/">http://www.chathambarsinn.com/</a>. The resort is beach-front, with long stretches of beach, a kid-friendly pool and plenty of activities.

If I had only special one meal in Chatham, it would be at Twenty-Eight Atlantic at the Wequassett Resort (see link above). Enjoy new-American cuisine in a beautiful dining room with the most spectacular views of Pleasant Bay.

#### **Provincetown**

Known for its bohemian atmosphere, beaches, cafés and gay village, Provincetown (or "P-Town", as its called by locals), is located at the extreme tip of the Cape. P-Town is accessible by car or by Ferry, departing from The World Trade Center in downtown Boston (For ferry schedule see: <a href="http://www.baystatecruisecompany.com/">http://www.baystatecruisecompany.com/</a>). While there are a few hotels in P-Town, I'd recommend staying at a Bed & Breakfast. Check out Carpe Diem Guesthouse & Spa (<a href="http://www.carpediemguesthouse.com/">http://www.carpediemguesthouse.com/</a>) or The Carriage House (<a href="http://www.thecarriagehse.com/">http://www.thecarriagehse.com/</a>).

If I had only one meal in P-Town, it would be at The Mews. <a href="http://mews.com/">http://mews.com/</a> The dining room boasts incredible views of the bay, while the upstairs café is a bit more laid back. And the food is just spectacular.

#### Martha's Vineyard/Nantucket

You can reach these Islands via a Ferry from Woods Hole (Martha's Vineyard - see: (www.islandferry.com) or Hyannis (Martha's Vineyard and/or Nantucket - see: (www.hy-linecruises.com)) or by air from Logan airport (see: www.flycapeair.com).

• Nantucket - A small island off the coast of The Cape, Nantucket oozes New England beach-town charm. With gorgeous beaches, tremendous restaurants, great shopping and tons of options for outdoor activities, Nantucket will please even the most discerning traveler. Should you plan your trip to take place before the Annual Meeting, you will be able to partake in Nantucket's 14th annual Nantucket Wine Festival, running from May 19-23, 2010! See: <a href="http://www.nantucketwinefestival.com/html/default.asp">http://www.nantucketwinefestival.com/html/default.asp</a>. Nantucket has many options for places to stay, from resorts like The White Elephant (located in the center of town) (<a href="http://www.whiteelephanthotel.com/">http://www.whiteelephanthotel.com/</a>) and The Wauwinet, an off-the-beaten path water-front Relais & Chateau property, (<a href="http://www.wauwinet.com/">http://www.wauwinet.com/</a>), to quaint Bed & Breakfasts like Union Street Inn (<a href="http://www.unioninn.com/">http://www.unioninn.com/</a>).

If I had only one special meal on Nantucket, it would be at Company of the Cauldron. <a href="http://www.companyofthecauldron.com/index.html">http://www.companyofthecauldron.com/index.html</a>. Note: There are no choices on the menu and only two seatings for dinner which is prix fixe and made from the freshest available ingredients. Log onto the restaurant's website 1 week before your reservation to see what the menu will be. Dining here is an experience not to be missed.

• Martha's Vineyard - Arguably a bit more laid back than Nantucket, annual vacationers will tell you that "everything's just better on the Vineyard." U.S. Presidents Bill Clinton and Barak Obama both have made the Vineyard a summertime vacation destination. With loads of cute shops, cafes, restaurants and miles of beaches, the Vineyard offers a host of activities. Like Nantucket, there are both hotel and Bed & Breakfast options, including: The Hob Knob (http://www.hobknob.com/), Harbor View Hotel & Resort (www.harbor-view.com), and Lambert's Cove Inn (www.lambertscoveinn.com)

If I had one special meal on the Vineyard, it would be at The Sweet Life Café in Oak Bluffs. <a href="http://www.sweetlifemv.com/">http://www.sweetlifemv.com/</a>

## Kennebunkport, Maine

This famous vacation spot of the Bush family (for better or worse), Kennebunkport offers a quaint New England town, great seafood, local shops and relaxation. Kennebunkport is a 2 hour drive from Boston and offers great accommodations, such as the Relais & Chateau property, The White Barn Inn (<a href="http://www.whitebarninn.com/">http://www.whitebarninn.com/</a>), Hidden Pond (<a href="http://www.hiddenpondmaine.com/">http://www.whitebarninn.com/</a>), and The Captain Lord Mansion (<a href="http://www.captainlord.com/rooms.html">http://www.captainlord.com/rooms.html</a>). For a true New England lobster roll, The Clam Shack is a required destination (see: <a href="http://www.theclamshack.net/">http://www.theclamshack.net/</a>).

If I had only one special meal in Kennebunkport, it would be at The White Barn Inn (see link above), "the only AAA Five Diamond, Mobil Five Star restaurant dining North of New York City."

## **Newport, Rhode Island**

Newport is a famous New England summer getaway and is most famous for the mansions sprawled out along the Cliff Walk (a 3.5 mile paved and un-paved walkway that borders the shoreline). There's lots to see and do in Newport, including great local shops, Bed & Breakfasts, restaurants, the Tennis Hall of Fame and of course, tours of the mansions along Cliff Walk. Some of my favorite mansions include Vanderbilt's "The Breakers", a 65,000 square foot (6,000 m²) summer home designed by renowned architect Richard Morris Hunt and "Marble House" (where The Great Gatsby was filmed). Favorite places to stay include: The Chanler at Cliff Walk - <a href="http://thechanler.com/">http://thechanler.com/</a>; Castle Hill Inn (a Relais & Chateau property) - <a href="http://www.castlehillinn.com/">http://www.castlehillinn.com/</a> - the Jazz brunch on Sunday is not to be missed; and, for those who prefer B&B's and/or want to stay in the heart of Newport, The Hilltop Inn - <a href="http://hilltopnewport.com/about.html">http://hilltopnewport.com/about.html</a>.

If I had only one meal in Newport is would be at The Mooring, a Newport institution featuring great seafood and waterfront dining. <a href="http://www.mooringrestaurant.com/">http://www.mooringrestaurant.com/</a>

# Mohegan Sun and MGM Grand at Foxwoods Casinos, Connecticut Mohegan Sun

A mere hour and forty minute drive (or bus ride) from Boston, (as opposed to the near-six hour flight to Las Vegas) Mohegan Sun hosts 2 casinos, great tables and slots, a sports book, great restaurants, spa, accommodations, night club, decent shops, and A-list headliners at the Mohegan Sun Area.

http://www.mohegansun.com/gateway/index.html.

If I had only one meal at Mohegan Sun it would be at Michael Jordan's Steakhouse. http://www.mohegansun.com/dining/mj-steakhouse.html

#### **MGM Grand at Foxwoods**

A short 10 minutes from Mohegan Sun is the newer MGM Grand at Foxwoods, which features a casino, spa, A-list entertainment and nightclub, as well as great restaurants. <a href="http://www.mgmatfoxwoods.com/index.aspx">http://www.mgmatfoxwoods.com/index.aspx</a>. For both properties, click on the "Entertainment" link to see who will be playing the weekends before and after the Annual Meeting.

If I had one meal at MGM Grand at Foxwoods it would be at Shrine.

<a href="http://www.mgmatfoxwoods.com/ShrineAsianKitchen.aspx">http://www.mgmatfoxwoods.com/ShrineAsianKitchen.aspx</a>
Shrine turns into a very hip nightclub around 10pm.

I hope this summary has been helpful to you as you plan your visit to Boston for the 132nd Annual Meeting. I am happy to answer any questions you have about the information on this webpage or about Boston in general. Please feel free to email me at <a href="mailto:rachelle.dubow@bingham.com">rachelle.dubow@bingham.com</a>.