

QUINCYAN OF THE WEEK!



Clinton Begley will be leaving Quincy soon and it will be a big loss for our city. He has left a path of successes in his wake. Clinton is the son of Phillip and Monica Begley. Growing up in Quincy he attended Adams Elementary school and graduated from QHS.



He currently works for Investment Planners. Although he has really enjoyed his time working with such talented and gracious people, he has recently accepted a position at Georgia State University in Atlanta for the summer. After nearly 14 years of working in an office environment he is switching gears and will be focusing on his passions for the environment and facilitating the growth and development of others. While in Atlanta, Clinton will be planning and leading outdoor trips (backpacking, kayaking, rafting, climbing etc) for the Student

Recreation department of Georgia State. Having just attained an Associates Degree in Psychology from John Wood, he feels it is important to keep the education train rolling and in August will be departing from Atlanta and heading north to Missoula, Montana to attend the University of Montana's school of Conservation Sciences toward a degree in Recreation Management. Over the last 14 years, he has maintained several entrepreneurial endeavors, from web and print design, to audio production, event promotion and freelance writing and photography. He will continue to pursue these endeavors as time and energy allows.

Begley has been proud to be a part of several events within the community. He put together several concerts for touring and local bands, organizing compilation CD's of Quincy musicians and has been part of the Maine Art Collective's various gallery showings and exhibits.

Most recently, he had a lot of fun creating the Chophouse Hijack project and has been really impressed by the level of excitement by the community about the campaign. Clinton says "Quincy has always been fertile ground for any endeavor with a little bit of spark, so it's been really great to witness the kind of support that we have seen surrounding Chophouse Hijack. We've got just over 500 followers on facebook and have had turnouts ranging between 40-110 people at our various Hijackings." The result has been great support for local restaurants.



In a similar vein, he has been really surprised and impressed by the level of continued support for The Big Dam Film Festival. In 2006, he approached Christopher Mackenzie about putting an independent film festival together in town and together they made it happen. Three years ago



they handed over the planning responsibility to a Young Professionals Quincy committee and they have done a great job of keeping the event going a full six years later. “I’m really glad that this is something Quincy has grabbed a hold of and supported for this long.” Begley said.

Aside from his miscellaneous community endeavors, he has also served on the Friends of the Washington Theater Committee, and most recently, as a Cornerstone Foundation for Families board member. Clinton was also part of the “Dancing With Local Stars” fund raiser which was an overwhelmingly success.

Quincy and QuincyBuzz hate to see Clinton move on but wish him well in his future endeavors and know where ever he goes he will make great contributions to the area.