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It's a swan's world; we're just visiting



Tidal flooding opened up new parts of the neighborhood for a swan to explore near Savin Hill on Sunday. The same overflow caused massive traffic problems as Morrissey Boulevard was repeatedly closed over a five-day period—prompting new questions about how officials should deal with the persistent problem. Editorial, Page 10.

Peter K. McNamara photo

Picking up guitar skills at the Perkins

Free lessons available at Talbot center

By DANIEL SHEEHAN
REPORTER STAFF

If a guitarist from Dorchester makes it big as a rock star years from now, it'll be likely that Perkins Community Center in Codman Square is where he or she took the early steps on the road to success.

Begun over a year ago by two local musicians, Max Davis and Alex DeCosta, the free guitar



Max Davis and Alex DeCosta led a guitar class at the Perkins Community Center on Talbot Avenue last week.

Daniel Sheehan photo

class that meets once a week at the center offers kids an introduction to the instrument and a basic crash-course

curriculum.

Davis, 27, who is from Dorchester, and Decosta, of South Boston, came up with the idea for the

class from a desire to get actively involved on a local level. "That was a big thing, you know, just trying to give back to the community we're from," said the 27-year-old DeCosta. "Growing up in Southie, a lot of kids did hockey and football and stuff. I did that, too, but music was just the thing that kind of clicked with me...I wanted to create a situation where I could help another kid find music like I did."

Since the inception of the class, Davis and

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Dot's Henning mounts candidacy for DA

By JENNIFER SMITH
NEWS EDITOR

The field of candidates hoping to succeed Suffolk County District Attorney Dan Conley continues to expand. Gregory Henning, a 38-year-old Dorchester resident who has worked as a prosecutor in Conley's office for more than a decade, hopped on the campaign trail on March 1.

"Experience is really important for a role like this," Henning told the *Reporter* in an interview this week. "Chief enforcement officer in Suffolk County is a critical job, and



Greg Henning—The Dorchester resident has worked as a prosecutor since 2006.

Photo courtesy Henning campaign

having someone who knows how to run the office, who knows how to investigate crimes, who knows how to organize and structure the resources, to keep the community safe is something that's very, very important."

Henning, the son of the late iconic Boston newsman John Henning, is a native of Boston who has settled in Dorchester's Polish Triangle neighborhood. He has worked in the district attorney's office since 2006, with a break in the middle to teach. He said his

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From the Morrissey re-design mailbag: 'Let's get this going!'

The lane reduction remains key concern

By DANIEL SHEEHAN
REPORTER STAFF

Feedback from about 30 respondents to the latest public comment period – it ended last December – on the Morrissey Boulevard redesign project largely echoed those in the first comment period last July.

There were concerns that the lane reduction in the revamp plan will mean gridlock at critical times; some cited cyclist safety as a priority, while one dissenting commenter asked why all the worry about cyclist safety and space when cycling on the roadway is minimal for weeks at a time in winter; others cited, among other things, concerns about

pedestrian safety, the too-narrow shoulders laid out for the rehab effort, and upkeep of the new landscape after the project is finished.

The state's Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) hopes to transform the boulevard into an urban parkway from just below Kosciuszko Circle on the northern end to Neponset at the southern tip, eliminating a lane to add protected bike and pedestrian lanes and greenery, and shoring up the road against increasing incidents of flooding.

DCR's vision involves a complete renovation of the boulevard at a cost of more than \$40 million,

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Mattapan campus of St. John Paul II Academy to close

By BILL FORRY
EDITOR

The Mattapan campus of Saint John Paul II Catholic Academy will close its doors at the end of the school year, school officials told parents last Thursday. All students and most faculty will be absorbed into the other three academy campuses in Dorchester, according to Kate Brandley, the regional director of Saint John Paul II Catholic Academy.

"We believe this consolidation from four to three campuses at the end of this school year, will strengthen the Academy in many ways –academically, financially, and socially for all our students and families as we continue to build our school faith community," Brandley wrote in a letter to the parents.

The transition is not

entirely unexpected. Over the last three years, students in the three upper grades— 6,7,8— have been relocated from Mattapan to the Lower Mills campus. The Mattapan campus now has 102 students and serves 98 families, according to Brandley. All of them, she says, will be welcome to enroll at any of three campuses that will stay open— Neponset, Lower Mills, and Columbia. The Academy serves 1,150 students at the four campuses.

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DOT BY THE DAY

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A snapshot look at key upcoming events in and around the neighborhood for your weekly planner.

Saturday (10th)—The Irish Balladeers perform in a family-friendly St. Patrick’s Day celebration event at the JFK Library at 10:30 a.m. Visit jfklibrary.org.

• Zoo New England’s Franklin Park Zoo is calling for volunteers of all ages to become Frog Watch Citizen Scientists. FrogWatch trainings will be held today from 10a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Trainings are free with admission to the zoo and open to citizen scientists of all ages, with or without prior experience.

Sunday (11th) – 12th annual Dorchester Chili Cook-off, a major fundraiser for the Dorchester Day Parade from 4p.m.-7p.m. at the IBEW Local 103 Hall, 256 Freeport St., Dorchester.

• Mass Audubon’s Birders Meeting, the largest conference of its kind in New England, returns to the UMass Boston campus on Dorchester Bay with hundreds of birding enthusiasts gathering to hear the latest avian news from experts. To register and learn more, visit massaudubon.org/birdersmeeting.

• Bay Colony Brass presents Fire-Works! a concert of music for brass and organ at All Saints Church in Ashmont, 3 p.m. All Saints’ Music Director Andrew Sheranian joins the ensemble and is featured as soloist on organ. 209 Ashmont St., Dorchester. More online at baycolonybrass.org.

Thursday (15th) – Dorchester Historical Society hosts Dorchester Trivia Night starting at 7:30 p.m. at Dorchester Brewing Company, 1250 Massachusetts Ave., Dorchester. Suggested donation: \$5. Come test your knowledge of all things Dorchester.

• The Savin Hillbillies perform free concert at home.stead bakery and café, 1448 Dorchester Ave. from 6:30-9 p.m.

Saturday (17th) – Dorchester’s 11th annual St. Patrick’s Day Brunch will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish Hall, 800 Columbia Rd., Dorchester. The 2018 Dorchester Hall of Fame Inductees will include Fire Commissioner Joseph E. Finn, Sr. Barbara Gorham, SCH, The Marr Family. Special Guests: Governor Charlie Baker and Mayor Martin Walsh. All proceeds to benefit Mary Ann Brett Food Pantry. \$100 per person.

Sunday (18th) – St. Patrick’s Day/Evacuation Day Parade in South Boston, 1 p.m. Breakfast – hosted by Rep. Stephen Lynch and Councillor Michael Flaherty— starts at 10 a.m. at Ironworkers Local 7 Union Hall.

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Dot native who raped two boys and fled for 23 years, gets 12-14 years in prison

By Reporter Staff

A Dorchester man who fled the state 25 years ago after he was indicted for sexually assaulting two boys left in his care has finally been brought to justice.

John Hartin, 48, was convicted by a Suffolk Superior jury last Wednesday of five counts of child rape. He was sentenced to 12 to 14 years in state prison on Tuesday.

Hartin was indicted in 1993, but fled before he was brought to trial. He was arrested in Walkertown, North Carolina, in June 2016, where he had been living under the name Jay Matthew Carter.

Hartin was in a romantic relationship with a relative of one victim. The second victim was that boy’s friend. He sexually assaulted the two boys repeatedly over time, separately and together.

On Tuesday, the two victims— now grown men— confronted Hartin in a Boston courtroom before his sentencing.

The first victim man described his capture and conviction as “this



John Hartin

liberating sense of freedom.”

“For the first time in 23 years, I felt justice was done,” he said of the jury’s decision, according to District Attorney Dan Conley’s office. “It’s taken a toll on me and my family. I will always have to live with the nightmares. But I know he is locked away and he can’t hurt anyone else. I can only hope and pray no other child has to go through what I went through.”

The second survivor said: “When I was a 6-year-old boy, you took everything from me. You robbed me of my innocence and took my sense of security away from me.”

Prosecutors has pressed for a sentence of 25 to 30 years in state

prison, followed by 10 years of probation. Judge Linda Giles ordered him to prison for 12 to 14 years, tacking on the 10 years of probation with “orders to stay away from the victims, their families, and any child under 18 without a parent or guardian.”

DA Conley saluted the victims for their courage.

“For all they’ve grown, and for all the courage they’ve shown, these survivors told us that inside

them was still a scared and wounded child. I hope they take some strength from the jury’s verdict and the chance to finally confront their abuser, and I hope other survivors who haven’t yet disclosed know that they will always find a safe, supportive environment in our office.”

The search for Hartin included a billboard campaign, \$25,000 cash reward and a \$ profile on America’s Most Wanted.

BPS probes alleged threats at Boston Collegiate School

Boston Police said this week that they conducted a “thorough investigation” into reports of alleged threats made by a student at Boston Collegiate Charter School in Dorchester in recent week— and have “found no evidence that the threat was credible.”

Parents at Boston Collegiate Charter School were informed of the BPD involvement on Tuesday in an email, which explained that an “incident that alluded to the school” happened two weeks ago.

“Both the police and

the school found that there was no credible evidence supporting the threat,” read the letter from Jenna Ogundipe, the school’s

Chief Academic Officer. “The concern was resurfaced [Monday] night outside of school and police are once again investigating to ensure that there is no credible threat.”

On Tuesday, Boston Police confirmed with the *Reporter* that there was “no evidence” that the threat was credible.

– BILL FORRY

State trooper in I-93 shooting suspended

By Reporter Staff

A Massachusetts state police trooper was suspended without pay indefinitely last week after the Boston Globe reported he had a history of racist online posts.

Sheehan was already out on leave after he fired his rifle while police were rounding up a group that had been riding off-road bikes and all-terrain vehicles on I-93 near South Bay on Feb. 24. An ATV driver— who was charged for reckless driving and other moving violations— was

wounded in the foot in the incident.

The Boston Globe reported that Sheehan posted racist and offensive comments on a website called MassCops under the screen name “Big Irish.”

State Police Spokesman Dave Procopio said the department is investigating whether Sheehan is the author of the posts and will take further action “if warranted.” The Boston Globe says that Sheehan’s lawyer confirmed that Sheehan has admitted to authoring the

posts, which ridiculed people of color.

Dorchester state Rep. Evandro Carvalho, a candidate for District Attorney in Suffolk County, said that if the allegations against Sheehan are true “he should be fired immediately.” Gov. Charlie Baker, in statements to Mass Live, said that he agreed Sheehan should be fired if he was the source of the racist rants.

“This is an ongoing collection of thoughts and comments that have no place in law enforcement. No place in public

discussion. No place in our community, period,” Baker said.

The Lawyer’s Committee for Civil Rights and Economic Justice have demanded that Sheehan be terminated immediately.

“Trooper Sheehan is a danger to the community. His history of inflammatory racist language and improper use of force pose a threat to public safety,” said Sophia L. Hall, an attorney who speaks for the committee.

Associated Press reports contributed to this article.

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UPCOMING CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETINGS • FULL LISTINGS ON PAGE 12

Help plan Dorchester Park’s upcoming events – Help plan the 2018 Dorchester Park Season at a Thurs., March 8 meeting at the Lower Mills branch of the BPL, 27 Richmond St., Dorchester. Scheduled Park events coming up include a park cleanup on Saturday, March 24; Spring Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 31; Classic Car Show on Sunday, September 9. Meeting starts at 6 p.m.

EMK Institute welcomes President Obama’s photographer—Pete Souza, former Chief Official White House Photographer for President Obama, will be the special guest at Dorchester Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the United States Senate on Wed., March 14. Souza will share the stories behind the milestones depicted in his book, “Obama: An Intimate Portrait.” A book signing will follow. Two ticket options are available, including general admission (free) and general admission + book (\$40, \$35 for members). Seating is first-come, first-served, and some seats may have obstructed views. See emkinstitute.org

Clam Point Civic meets on March 12 – The Clam Point Civic Association meets on Mon., March 12 at 6:30 p.m. at Work Inc., 25 Beach St., off of Freeport St., Dorchester. Rep. Nick Collins and updates from Boston Police are on the agenda.

Glover’s Corner planners hold March 8 office hours – The Boston Planning and Development Agency sponsors PLAN: Glover’s Corner neighborhood hours at Boys and Girls Clubs of Dorchester’s Paul R. McLaughlin Youth Center, 1135 Dorchester Ave. on Thursday, March 8 from 4-7 p.m. Meet the BPDA team and ask questions about the process and Glover’s Corner area data. More online at BostonPlans.org or call Cecilia Nardi at 617-918-4471 or Cecilia.Nardi@boston.gov.

City sponsors teen job fair on March 10 – Boston teens ages 15 to 18 interested in a summer job through SuccessLink, the Mayor’s Summer Jobs program, are encouraged to attend a Youth Job and Resource Fair on Saturday, March 10 at the Reggie Lewis Track & Athletic Center at Roxbury Community

College. The hours are 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Chili Cook-Off set for March 10 – The 12th annual Dorchester Chili Cook-off, a major fundraiser for the Dorchester Day Parade, is set for Sunday, March 11 from 4 p.m.-7 p.m. at the IBEW Local 103 Hall, 256 Freeport St., Dorchester.

Public meeting to discuss Dorchester Avenue re-development – Boston Planning and Development Agency hosts public meeting on Thursday, March 22 to discuss proposal for a mixed-use development on the current site of Dorchester Market and Tom English bar at 951-959A Dorchester Ave. The meeting will be held at St. Teresa of Calcutta parish hall, 73 Roseclair St., Dorchester from 6:30-8 p.m. For further info, contact John Campbell at 617-918-4282 or john.campbell@boston.gov.

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Forde challenges Murphy in re-match of Register of Deeds contest

By MADDIE KILGANNON
REPORTER CORRESPONDENT

Katie Forde of West Roxbury is mounting an electoral challenge to Steve Murphy for the Suffolk County Register of Deeds seat that he won two years ago. Murphy, a former at-large Boston city councillor, bested Forde in a crowded field in the 2016 election. Murphy topped the ticket with 11,030 to Forde's 9,203 in a contest that also included 3,544 blank votes cast. Five other candidates - Stephanie Everett, Jeffrey Michael Ross, Douglas Bennett, Paul Nutting, Jr., and Michael Mackan - collectively pulled in nearly 14,500 votes.

The county position is a largely administrative role that supervises land records in Boston, Chelsea, Revere, and Winthrop. But Forde - a self-identified progressive Democrat - sees the office as an opportunity to create more homeownership and to close the wealth gap.

"I'm not okay with what it is now, which is just this figurehead position that has basically been this landing pad for politicians who are finished elsewhere," Forde said in an interview with the Reporter this week. "You need someone in there who's



Katie Forde

not just in there for a retirement plan."

"There are parts of Dorchester that are thriving, but they've been over-gentrified and I think that if we can save some of the neighborhoods from what's happening as far as the un-affordability and everything else that's going on, that's what people want," she said.

Forde is a Texas native who moved to Massachusetts in 2005 to work for MassEquality, the national civil rights organization that successfully campaigned to protect equal marriage for all people. She now works mainly as a paralegal doing bankruptcy and family law. She lives in West Roxbury with her husband and twin girls.

In addition to challenging a well-known incumbent, Forde faces the additional hurdle of rallying public interest in a seat that few people likely know exist. The

register serves a six year term and after a pay hike in 2017 now receives a \$142,000 annual salary. This year's primary election will be held the day after Labor Day - Sept. 4 - and could result in even lower turnout numbers than 2016.

"When I ran in 2016, we didn't even have a register for a year and nobody noticed. So the registry kind of just

runs itself," said Forde. "It needs to be a launching pad type position where we're promoting homeownership within Suffolk County."

On Tuesday, her campaign noted that Forde had turned in 1,120 certified signatures, which will assure her a position on the September ballot. She is plugging endorsements of other Boston politicians including

City Councillor Matt O'Malley, State Representative Liz Malia and State Senator Sonia Chang-Diaz.

"There's been a lot more enthusiasm about the race because they understand that these down-ballot races matter," she said. "You need a register that is actively working with the federal government and working with the state govern-

ment to come up with better protections for consumers."

Murphy's office has held office hours for homeowners in the last year across the county, including one held at the Leahy Holloran Community Center last September. The Reporter reached out to Murphy for comment, but could not reach him for this article.

Dorcena Forry endorses Collins for Senate seat

By JENNIFER SMITH
NEWS EDITOR

State Rep. Nick Collins, the lone Democrat running for the First Suffolk Senate seat vacated in late January by Linda Dorcena Forry, secured his predecessor's endorsement at the campaign's launch last week.

"Nick is someone that knows the beauty of our city," Dorcena Forry said as she introduced Collins at his Florian Hall kickoff. "He knows that it is about connecting us. He understands the issues that connect us that whether you're from Mattapan or South Boston ... we stand together."

Dorcena Forry won the seat in 2013 in a special election, narrowly defeating Collins for the post. At the launch, the



Former Sen. Linda Dorcena Forry, Rep. Nick Collins, Ceferina Murrell, Patrick O'Brien and Sean Pierce, all of whom worked in Forry's Senate office, shown at Collins' campaign for Senate kick-off last week at Florian Hall.

Collins campaign highlighted the work the two colleagues have done over the past five years in the areas of economic equality, housing, public safety, education, and transportation.

Initially, Dorcena Forry said she would not be endorsing a successor, with both Collins and state Rep. Evandro Carvalho running for the post. Then Carvalho decided last week to pursue the newly available

Suffolk County District Attorney post instead.

Collins will be unopposed in the April 3 Democratic primary, but will face two independent candidates in the May 1 special election.

"Sen. Forry has been a champion for the people of Dorchester, Mattapan, Hyde Park, South Boston, and our entire state," Rep. Collins said in a statement. "It's an honor to have

Collins campaign photo

her support as I seek to continue the great work we've done together to build a better city for us all."

"I'm confident that we can enhance public transportation, improve our schools, build affordable housing, and create economic opportunity for all," he added. "I look forward to getting to work on these important issues as the next state senator for the First Suffolk District."

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Case alleging racial bias in BPD hair tests goes to trial

By ALANNA DURKIN-
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ASSOCIATED PRESS

Keri Hogan was nearing her dream of becoming a Boston police officer when a drug test using a sample of her hair came back positive for cocaine.

Hogan and a group of black officers who lost their jobs or were disciplined sued the city in 2005, claiming its hair test is discriminatory because black people's hair is more susceptible to false positives.

More than a decade later, the case that could have big implications for the practice of hair testing is heading to trial. The bench trial starts Monday.

"This is the test case that everyone is watching," said Lewis Maltby,

president of the National Workrights Institute, a New Jersey-based workers' rights nonprofit.

Hair testing companies tout their products as superior to urine screening because they can detect drug use much farther back and it's more difficult for users to cheat.

But experts have long been divided over the reliability of hair testing due to the difficulty in determining whether drugs were ingested or were absorbed into the hair from the environment.

"Hair is an excellent indicator of exposure" to drugs, said Dr. Peter Stout, president of the Houston Forensic Science Center, who isn't involved in the case.

"What starts to get difficult is determining from a hair result the route of that exposure."

Experts agree that cocaine binds to melanin, which is found in higher concentrations in darker hair. But whether hair testing is racially discriminatory remains contentious.

David Kidwell, a chemist who will testify on behalf of the officers, also says cosmetic treatments commonly used by black people can damage hair cuticles, which increases the risk that hair becomes contaminated by drugs in the environment.

But Psychemedics, the company that continues to perform testing for Boston police, rejects any suggestion that its

tests are racially biased. Psychemedics' wash procedures eliminate any possibility of a false positive, he said.

"We know that our science is rock solid and we stand behind it today as we have for the last 30 years," said Raymond Kubacki, president of Psychemedics, which also does drug testing for the New York Police Department.

Under Boston police's policy, officers who test positive for the first time can try keeping their job by admitting to drug use and entering a rehabilitation program while they're suspended and placed in an administrative position.

In 13 years of legal wrangling, the officers' case has gone up to the

1st Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals twice and has cost the city at least \$1.6 million to defend.

The appeals court, which revived the case in 2016, said a "reasonable" judge or jury could find that the department refused to adopt an alternative testing procedure that would have "met the department's legitimate needs while having less of a disparate impact."

That alternative, which Kidwell first proposed in 2003, is that police keep hair testing but only take disciplinary action if the officer also tests positive in a random urine screening program.

Attorneys for the city say that's unnecessary and problematic.

Hogan and the officers

insist they aren't drug users. Hogan, who had been working as a cadet and was offered a coveted spot at the police academy, subsequently took an independent hair test that came back negative, she said.

"To this day, I struggle with the feeling of stigma and embarrassment I face whenever I encounter a Boston police officer or former colleague. I can tell they do not look at me the same way," Hogan, now 39, said in an affidavit filed last month.

The Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Economic Justice, which is representing the officers, is seeking a court order that Hogan be admitted to the police academy.

Mattapan campus of St. John Paul II Catholic Academy to close

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Brandley says that consolidating the student body into the three campuses will not result in larger class sizes— and will, in fact, enhance services and programming for everyone.

"Our Academy and campus structures will allow us to offer you the same strong academics, quality teachers, more robust peer group for students, optimum class sizes, enrichment pro-

grams and many other amenities that you do not have access to today, to enhance your child's learning experience and further our dynamic program," she wrote.

Brandley told the *Reporter* that the Mattapan campus has been "extremely high performing" but has seen a decrease in enrollment over the last two years. Next year's anticipated enrollment is expected to decrease further, making

the decision to act now more pressing.

A large percentage of the Mattapan school's population are children of Haitian immigrants, some of whom may be impacted by the cessation of Temporary Protected Status under the Trump administration.

The Mattapan school building— formerly known as St. Angela's grammar school before the intra-neighborhood academy system was cre-

ated in 2008— will likely be redeveloped, according to SJPIICA board member Jim Walsh.

"It's a parish-owned property that we had a lease with, and the parish will work with the archdiocese to look at other potential uses. Nothing imminent, but it will be worked through over the coming months."

Walsh noted that the seventh and eighth grades that were once housed at the Mattapan

campus were transferred to the Lower Mills building in 2015. Last year, the sixth grade class at Mattapan also migrated to the Dorchester Avenue campus.

This change will benefit every single family in the Academy," said Brandley. "The more we have access to resources, the more can make sure families who really need financial support can get it."

Walsh added that the

board expects that the consolidation will— over time— allow for more investment in the existing campuses.

"The board wants to grow enrollment," he said. "Our families invest locally and we'd like to strengthen the outreach of Columbia and Lower Mills and Neponset. We want to be part of the community and we are looking at that enrollment and marketing strategy."



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Former prosecutor Henning mounts candidacy for DA

(Continued from page 1) knowledge of the office’s inner workings make him the best suited to implement progressive changes while respecting the processes in place.

The prosecutorial system can account for the full scope of defendants’ lives, and serve a role to divert and better support those who interact with it, Henning said.

“We do want to have a district attorney’s office that understands there are people who are deserving of a second chance, to avoid having a choice that they make negatively affecting their life for the rest of their life,” he said. “Having people work in and run the DA’s office who have seen throughout their career the full context of cases and understanding what causes people to commit crimes and also what leads them to these choices, helps us to assess who should get those chances and who can be considered to be more of a concern for the community.”

Henning grew up on Beacon Hill with his father, mother, and older brother. After receiving his bachelor’s in government at Harvard, he earned his law degree from the University of Virginia before returning to Boston.

He held a summer job

at a Boston law firm for one year while in law school, and another at the Suffolk district attorney’s office. The summer at the district attorney’s office was formative.

Reviewing prior convictions and working as an intern in the homicide unit put him in court watching cases play out. “You saw victim’s families who were affected by violence, and it grabbed me,” he said. “It was also a stark contrast set in relief to the law firm. Going to the law firm, it was paperwork, beautiful offices, beautiful view, great paycheck, but not for me very compelling as a reason to do the work.”

After getting his law degree, Henning returned to Conley’s office as an assistant DA working in Boston Municipal Court, then moved up to chief of the gun prosecution task force, and on to the major felony bureau. He then took the break to teach, and returned to the office to work in the senior trial unit. Since October 2016, Henning has been chief of the office’s gang unit.

He has lived in his Polish Triangle three-decker for about ten years, sometimes with a roommate, sometimes using the space as a temporary shelter for the young people he has mentored, and now with his girlfriend.

While in the major crime unit, Henning started volunteering with College Bound Dorchester at the Little House on East Cottage Street in 2009. One of the young men on the College Bound basketball team was a defendant whom Henning’s unit prosecuted while he was in the gun unit.

“We ended up getting a chance to talk, and he and I ended up coming to an understanding about what happened in his life, what happened to get him there, the choices he made, and what the outcome was,” Henning said. He coached and tutored the young man that year, “but it stuck in my mind as something that I wanted to focus on down the line.”

After his first five years as a prosecutor, he wanted to “try to get to the guys like him before they got caught up in the system.” He took a job teaching at Boston Preparatory Charter School in Hyde Park from 2011 to 2012, then worked as a senior advisor to Joe Kennedy III during the latter’s successful run for Congress in 2012 before returning to the district attorney’s office in the major felony bureau.

“Before that experience, I think I was cognizant of what the impact of my job was on people, but not as cognizant as

after I started doing the volunteering,” he said. “You become more aware of the impact of what you’re doing but also of the consequences of the choices of the person made leading up to it. So when I came back to prosecuting I had, I wouldn’t say a different lens, but a better understanding of what I wanted to accomplish and we could accomplish as prosecutors, completely different than when I had started in 2006.”

Along with the evolution in his thinking about prosecution, Henning left teaching but held onto his role as a support structure for several of his students. He has mentored more than 20 young people, whom he calls his “kids,” including former students and criminal defendants upon their release from custody. He has supported them by teaching them how to pay bills and taxes, take driver’s tests, work on resumes, and apply for jobs.

The system paints prosecutors as the opposition, Henning said, and trying to change that impression with some of the defendants was important to him. He made time to visit and talk with about a dozen defendants in custody and work with them when they were released, coordinating

with attorneys and social workers to help the defendants get into job training.

“It’s emotionally difficult to do, because it’s a lot of work you put in, in personal time, it’s not one work time,” Henning said. “One of them got murdered a couple of years ago, one of them is in state prison now, some of the guys that are out are having difficulty but they’re still fighting and struggling. But I think it’s a start and it’s something that kind of demonstrates my vision for how we can do our job better, to make our role as prosecutor to be part of the transition to them coming out of custody if they are in custody, but also giving someone the opportunity to get a second chance prior to being incarcerated or a second chance instead of incarceration would be to the benefit of everybody.”

A program Henning put in place during his time at the gang unit can be a “model” for changing prosecutorial practices to the benefit of defendants and the community, he said. It allows prosecutors to consider additional life context in mandatory minimum cases and possibly work with defendants to find options with reduced or no incarceration in return for diversion and

additional support.

If they have the capacity, Henning said, prosecutors can help assess defendants’ needs and direct them to appropriate resources.

He is familiar with the other two openly seeking the seat in the Sept. 4 primary — state Rep. Evandro Carvalho and defense lawyer and youth services manager Shannon McAuliffe. He and Carvalho, a former prosecutor, did not overlap for long in the district attorney’s office, but Henning has directed some defendants to Roca, the program with which McAuliffe works.

Like anyone who has worked in the same office for a decade, Hennings says he can identify numerous areas for improvement in the Suffolk County district attorney’s office. There is a bandwidth issue because of the sheer volume of information to assess in an era of security cameras, social media, video, and other digital records. He sees the potential for a unit focused on cyber crimes.

“I have lots of different ways where I want to change how we do things, and having a vision for how we want do it is important,” he said, “but I don’t think that vision is valuable unless you have the context of experience.”

Evacuation Day ceremonies set for Southie, Roxbury

Evacuation Day is observed in South Boston and Roxbury beginning at 9 a.m. with the annual Evacuation Day Mass at St. Augustine’s Chapel followed by a procession to Dorchester Heights, where General Washington placed artillery in 1776 to force the British out of Boston. The annual Historical Exercises begin at 10 a.m., featuring the Lexington Minutemen, the South Boston Excel Junior ROTC, the Allied War Veterans, and the Major General Henry Knox Lodge of Freemasons Rep. Evandro Carvalho will host exercises

at Fort Hill in Highland Park, Roxbury, begin at 11 a.m. with ceremonies by the Minutemen and local elected officials. State Representative Nick Collins will host lunch at the Shirley Eustis House, 33 Shirley Street, Roxbury, following the Fort Hill event. Shirley-Eustis House served as a Revolutionary War barracks during the Siege of Boston in 1775. For more information, please contact the Shirley-Eustis House at 617-442-2275 or email governorshirley@gmail.com.

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From the Morrissey re-design mailbag: ‘Let’s get this going!’

(Continued from page 1) funding that has not yet been fully committed to by state budget planners. But DCR did have \$3.2 million to begin the work, including the planning and design phase, which has been ongoing for the last two years.

The main goals of the Morrissey project, according to the agency, are to “provide more effective drainage and flood control; increase safety for all users; restore the historic character of the Parkway through implementation of landscape and urban design elements; improve accommodations for cyclists and pedestrians; improve access to abutting DCR parks and recreational properties; and maintain sufficient capacity for regional traffic.”

Another important purpose of the redesign is ending the flooding that regularly closes lanes on both sides of on the boulevard – last week’s storm damage and tidal events are the latest examples – by improving drainage and mitigating flood risks. DCR is also proposing dropping the speed limit on key stretches from 40 miles per hour to 35 miles per hour.

This most recent round of comment was set off last September after



A sailboat that came loose from its moorings banged up against the Harborwalk on Columbia Point on Monday. Daniel Sheehan photo

Mayor Martin Walsh – in comments to the *Dorchester Reporter* – expressed reservations about the project’s envisioned “lane-drop” provision and other design elements. Walsh said he wanted more outreach to established Dorchester civic associations before the design plan was solidified. “I have real concerns about three lanes down to two,” Walsh told the *Reporter*.

State engineers say fixes to the signaling and lane configuration should ease traffic pressures, but “it’s not a signaling problem; it’s a problem of congestion and confusion,” Walsh said.

The DCR responded to the mayor’s concerns by meeting with various neighborhood and civic associations last

fall where they presented detailed briefings on the initial design. It then re-opened a new comment period to solicit written opinions from the public. Of the 30 or so comments submitted, many expressed support for the plan.

Mike Blackwell of Milton voiced his support of the benefits the redesign would have for bicyclists: “Morrissey Blvd is a vital link between South Shore communities and Boston, and would be the preferred route for cyclists if it was safer,” he wrote. “Currently the shoulder is much too narrow (especially north-bound) and traffic too fast for safe cycling. A separated bike lane would be a tremendous improvement and encourage an increase in

cycling, which in turn could lead to a decrease in auto traffic.”

Meg Campbell of Savin Hill echoed these sentiments, writing, “Pedestrians, cyclists, and residents deserve a Morrissey Boulevard that is green, beautiful, and cyclist and pedestrian friendly for everyone.”

However, other residents said they were concerned about negative effects on traffic.

Don Walsh of Savin Hill wrote, “Reducing vehicle lanes makes no sense to me. I simply don’t believe that improved signalization will work. More gridlock will ensue,” he warned.

Tim Joyce of Crescent Avenue questioned the prioritization of a bike path over vehicular lanes: “Why do we all have to sit in traffic so we can look at a bike path that not many people use four months out of the year?”

For her part, Marta Carney of Savin Hill wrote to say that she is “excited about the new plans for the redesign,” adding: “A lot of neighbors want to bike safely in to Boston.” She added: “Also the turn-around at the Savin yacht club would be great.”

Another Savin Hill neighbor – Andrea Wirth – was enthusiastic. “I love your designs for the

improvement of Morrissey Blvd. Let’s get this going!”

Bill Walczak, a mayoral candidate in 2013 and a longtime Savin Hill leader, added his support for the project in an e-mail. “The extensive research into both why traffic backs up and how to solve it is convincing. With changes in the way traffic is moved along the boulevard, we can get a more efficient thoroughfare and get a nice amenity to our community at the same time.”

Lee Toma, a Milton resident who has been a leading activist for expanding the Neponset Greenway in Boston and Milton, supports the plan, noting that he has been “caught in floods there during rainstorms and high tides.” He also cited a number of obstacles that face both cyclists and pedestrians along the boulevard that pose a hazard to safe passage, including “narrow spots at the drawbridge gates, to uneven surfaces.”

With the latest comment period closed, the DCR says it “is exploring requests for short-term improvements along the parkway, which may include light signal adjustments and access improvements (i.e. crosswalks),” according

to Troy Wall, the agency’s director of communications. He added that there are plans to host a follow-up public meeting “in the coming months.”

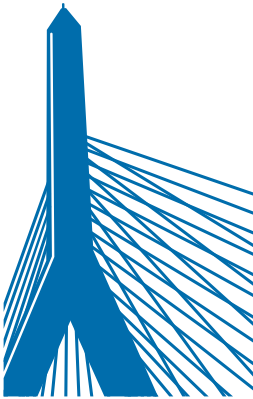
State Rep. Nick Collins, who is running unopposed for the Democratic nomination to be the next state senator representing Dorchester and South Boston, said this week that the last several days have served to remind everyone of the urgency of dealing with the Morrissey corridor. The roadway was closed repeatedly over the last week as the storm and high tide events swamped large sections of roadway, particularly between UMass and Freeport Street. The residual effects of the closures caused gridlock on neighborhood roads, particularly at Kosciuszko Circle.

In a phone conversation with the *Reporter* while he was stuck in Morrissey Boulevard traffic on Monday afternoon, Collins said, “This storm really highlights the importance of Morrissey Boulevard to the transportation network in Dorchester and throughout neighboring communities. So it’s important that we get this done soon and get this done right.”

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Painter Jodie Baehre turns brush on Dorchester in latest exhibition



Jodie Baehre’s latest exhibition at Ashmont Grill features large-scale depictions of trolley cars, three-deckers, and other hallmarks of Dorchester and Mattapan. Image courtesy Jodie Baehre

**By DANIEL SHEEHAN
REPORTER STAFF**

A new collection of paintings by local artist Jodie Baehre entitled “Dorchester” will be on display at the Ashmont Grill from March 15 through May 15. The exhibit, which will showcase the architecture and culture of the neighborhood through a series of acrylic urban landscapes, will officially kick off with an opening reception at the Peabody

Square restaurant on Tuesday, March 20 from 5-7 p.m.

A native of western New York, Baehre has painted scenes of urban life from cities of the Rust Belt such as Buffalo, Detroit, and Flint. Since moving to Boston in 2002, her focus has shifted to capturing the streets, buildings, and skylines of her new hometown, and specifically her home neighborhood of Dorchester.

Her work has been displayed at more than 30 exhibitions around Boston and remains on permanent display at the Boston Public Library, the Factory 63 gallery, Harvard University, and Massachusetts General Hospital.

Baehre’s latest series features large-scale depictions of trolley cars, three-deckers, and other hallmarks of Dorchester and Mattapan. Her style is marked by her fascination with color and light, the two aesthetic features that she says are most central to her art.

“Looking into a moment and knowing the exact time of day it is by the color hues and cast shadows is such an intimate image to take in as a viewer,” Baehre explained.

“Sometimes you feel

like you are intruding, but sometimes you are sharing that moment with the artist. It all depends on color and light. In my own work, I have been working towards this idea for a long time and light places a very important role in my work. I try and capture the vast diversity of the city, scattered light between buildings, its sounds, and ‘beat’ in my brush strokes and color choices. The complexity of the city provides constant inspiration allowing me to create portals to familiar places.”

The reception at Ashmont Grill is free and open to the public. RSVP by sending an email to jodiebaehre@hotmail.com. Learn more about the artist and her work at jodiebaehre.com

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ADAMS STREET BRANCH

Thurs., March 8, 10:30 p.m. – Baby & Toddler Time; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 4:30 p.m. – LEGO Builders Club. **Fri., March 9,** 9:30 a.m. – Baby & Toddler Playgroup. **Mon., March 12,** 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 4:30 p.m. – What is a Monument? A Youth Design Workshop. **Tues., March 13,** 10:30 a.m. – Preschool Story Time; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 4:30 p.m. – Kids’ Art Club. **Wed., March 14,** 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 4 p.m. – Fiber Arts Class for Youth. **Thurs., March 15,** 10:30 a.m. – Baby & Toddler Time; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 4:30 p.m. – LEGO Builders Club.

CODMAN SQUARE BRANCH

Thurs., March 8, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Mon., March 12,** 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Tues., March 13,** 10:30 a.m. – Quilt Making for Generations; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Wed., March 14,** 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Thurs., March 15,** 2 p.m. – Dorchester Career Access Points Library Hours; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help.

FIELDS CORNER BRANCH

Thurs., March 8, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Fri., March 9,** 9:30 a.m. – Lapsit Storytime; Tiny Tots Sign Language; 10:30 a.m. – Reading Readiness. **Sat., March 10,** 11:30 a.m. – Dorchester Career Access Points Library Hours. **Mon., March 12,** 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Tues., March 13,** 3 p.m. – Let Freedom Ring: Music & Poetry of Black History; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 6:30 p.m. – Hatha Yoga. **Wed., March 14,** 10:30 a.m. – Preschool Films and Fun; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 4 p.m. – What is a Monument? A Youth Design Workshop. **Thurs., March 15,** 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help.

GROVE HALL BRANCH

Thurs., March 8, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Fri., March 9,** 10:30 a.m. – Preschool Movies. **Sat., March 10,** 12 p.m. – Youth to Women and Manhood; 1 p.m. – Hollywood Goes to School. **Mon., March 12,** 11 a.m. – Black History Heroes, Soldiers & Spies; 3:30 p.m. – Drop in Homework Help. **Tues., March 13,** 10:15 a.m. – ESL High-Beginner English; 10:30 a.m. – Preschool Story Time; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Wed., March 14,** 11 a.m. – Toddler Story Time; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 3:45 p.m. – Bits & Bots. **Thurs., March 15,** 3 p.m. – USCIS Information Hours at Boston Public Library; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help.

LOWER MILLS BRANCH

Thurs., March 8, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Fri., March 9,** 9:30 a.m. – Babytime. **Mon., March 12,** 3 p.m. – Let Freedom Ring: Music & Poetry of Black History; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Tues., March 13,** 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Wed., March 14,** 10:30 a.m. – Music & Movement; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Thurs., March 15,** 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help.

MATTAPAN BRANCH

Thurs. March 8, 2:30 p.m. – 90s Nostalgia; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 6:30 p.m. – Yoga. **Fri., March 9,** 2:30 p.m. – Movie Friday. **Sat., March 10,** 2 p.m. – Teen Resume Building; Writing About Family. **Mon., March 12,** 10:30 a.m. – HISET/GED Preparation Class; 2:30 p.m. – Cartoon Afternoon; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Tues., March 13,** 12 p.m. – Towering Tots; 2:30 p.m. – 90s Nostalgia; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 6 p.m. – Black History, Heroes, Soldiers & Spies. **Wed., March 14,** 10:30 a.m. – HISET/GED Preparation Class; 2:30 p.m. – Cartoon Afternoon; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 4 p.m. – Grub Street: Spoken Word. **Thurs., March 15,** 2:30 p.m. – 90s Nostalgia; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help.

UPHAMS CORNER BRANCH

Thurs., March 8, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 5 p.m. – Pajama Party!. **Mon., March 12,** 10:30 p.m. – Baby and Toddler Singalong; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Tues., March 13,** 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Wed., March 14,** 11:15 a.m. – Story Craft Program; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Thurs., March 15,** 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 6 p.m. – Bedtime Story program.

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Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts honored Tanisha M. Sullivan, Esq., of Dorchester at its 2018 Leading Women Awards in Boston on March 1. Sullivan serves as the President of NAACP, Boston Chapter; Head of Legal Industrial Affairs, Sanofi Genzyme and Sanofi North America. She is pictured with Girl Scout Ashley Villar of South Boston. More than 400 Girl Scout members, staff, volunteers, and supporters were in attendance. The inspiring event surpassed Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts’ \$210,000 fundraising goal.

Randy Goodman photo



Now on the menu: Lunch at The Industry

The Industry unveiled a new lunch menu last week, marking an expansion of its hours and a move towards providing more affordable options at the popular Adams Street establishment.

“We’re trying to bring in a new trend to the area,” explained new general manager Tony Hernandez. “We want it to be upscale, but not out of range.”

The new menu includes a variety of salads and gourmet sandwiches, including a burger, a chicken club, and a cod Reuben, along with vegetarian options, most priced within the \$10 to \$15 range. The restaurant, which was previously only open for dinner weeknights and brunch on the weekends, will now offer lunch daily from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Industry has already become a family favorite with its \$5 kids meals for children under the age of 12, a deal offered seven days a week that includes several gourmet, kid-friendly options.

Hernandez envisions other new events and

promotions that would build upon the restaurant’s close ties to the community, including a “local firehouse cook-off” featuring neighborhood firefighters as celebrity chefs.

“Each of them would have their dishes on the menu, people would vote and then the winner would stay on the menu for a month,” Hernandez explained. “And all proceeds from the dish would go to a charity of their choice.”

The idea is still only in its nascent stages, but Hernandez is hoping to connect with local BFD representatives to make the plan a reality.

“I’m excited, I think it would be really great,” he said.

The Industry is planning special St. Patrick’s Day line-up for March 17. The event will include a DJ from 1-4 p.m., Irish step dancers from Connolly Academy from 1:30-2 p.m. and a full Irish breakfast served from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

For reservations see theindustryonadams or call 617-297-9010.

– DANIEL SHEEHAN

YESTERYEAR ARCHIVE

DORCHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

At the Dorchester Historical Society, we have been featuring World War I servicemen in a number of short biographies throughout the year. At the culmination of the project, we hope to produce an online exhibit highlighting what these Dorchester citizens did in their service to their country.

The Doherty Brothers

These brothers were cousins to Tristram Campbell, whose biography was previously published, and the family asked if we might do a biography on the them, too, as they kindly shared some information, excerpts from which follow:

The boys were born to Boston natives Daniel Francis Doherty, listed variously as a merchant, a foreman, and a coal and wood dealer, and Augusta Bridget Williams Doherty.

John Andrew was born Sept. 4, 1894, Gerald Michael on Feb. 25, 1896 and Francis Raphael on June 25, 1898. The family also included an older brother, Daniel Jr. and a younger sister, Mary, along with a servant, Maggie Connolly of Ireland. They lived at 58 Forest St., off Blue Hill Avenue near Dudley Street before moving to 16 Mather St. in the early 1900’s where four more children – James, Augusta, Theodore, and Joseph – joined their parents and their siblings.

• John Andrew graduated from Boston Latin School and then Harvard College, where he was a quarterback on the football team, in 1916. He registered for the draft at age 22 in June 1917. He entered the officer’s training camp in Plattsburg, NY, in August 1917 and was commissioned 1st Lieutenant, US Army, on Nov. 27. He sailed to France in January 1918 and was assigned to Company L, 18th Infantry Regiment, 1st Division. He sadly was killed in action on July 18, 1918, near Soissons, in the Second Battle of the Marne. He is buried in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery,



Gerald at left with John at right.

Seringes-et-Nesles, France.

The playground at Town Field in Fields Corner was named for John A. Doherty in September 1920 and is now called the “Doherty-Gibson Playground” although there is no plaque or signage at the site at this this time.

• Gerald Michael, a Dorchester High grad, joined the May 28, 1917 at the Navy Yard. He served as a bugler at the District Enrolling Office, Boston and the Cadet School, Boston, from June 4, 1917 to Nov. 27, 1917, then with the Naval Aviation Detachment at MIT as the admiral’s bugler and a member of the Navy band. He was honorably discharged on May 27, 1921.

• Francis Raphael was 20 when he registered for the draft on Sept. 12, 1918, two months before the armistice was signed. He worked as a shipfitter’s helper at Bethlehem Shipbuilding Victory Plant in Squantum. There is no record of him actually called to active service.

The archive of these historical posts can be viewed on the blog at dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org.

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Better coordination is needed when Morrissey floods

Traffic in and around Dorchester ground to a halt for hours at a time over the last week as Morrissey Boulevard’s chronic and worsening propensity to flood during extreme high tides and stormy weather triggered massive congestion.

There’s only so much anyone can do about the weather. That said, this entirely predictable flooding was made significantly worse by an apparent lack of planning and cooperative execution by state authorities.

This cannot be allowed to happen again. The State Police and the state’s Department of Conservation and Recreation, who have the primary jurisdiction over Morrissey and Kosciuszko Circle, need to take steps now to ensure that future disruptive flooding events on Morrissey are better managed. They should engage with other city and state agencies— including Boston Transportation Dept., UMass, the MBTA, and the Columbia Point Associates — to create a simple set of protocols for what to do whenever Morrissey floods. From public alerts, expressway ramp closures, signage, to pre-positioning critical State Police assets at key intersections, we can — collectively — prevent the chaos and allow for a more orderly response to boulevard shutdowns.

The *Reporter* has a unique vantage point from which to observe and chronicle this particular problem. Our offices are situated on the top floor of the five-story Bayside Office Center affording us a bird’s-eye view of Kosciuszko Circle, parts of Morrissey, Columbia Road, Day Boulevard, I-93, and Mt. Vernon Street.

It is obvious to anyone looking on from up here that State Police assets— when deployed— have a dramatic impact on resolving gridlocks. Last Friday afternoon — with Morrissey entirely closed off between Freeport Street and UMass from about noon to 4 p.m. — traffic became progressively worse. There was no sign of a State Police presence at Kosciuszko Circle or at the various access roads around it. Vehicles that managed to make it off I-93 at Exit 11 had no choice but to inch along into the rotary nightmare. If they made the mistake of heading south toward Morrissey, they were forced to turn around and head back into the Circle.

The situation devolved like this for two hours without any apparent response from State Police. It unfolded even as UMass (BC High had wisely closed for the day, given the forecasted flooding) shut down abruptly at 1 p.m., unleashing an exodus of cars onto Columbia Point that made a bad situation exponentially worse.

Finally, around 4 p.m., a number of State Police vehicles showed up and troopers put order to the situation in a relatively short time. They slowly squeezed through and blocked the rotary at a halfway point, directing everyone onto Day Boulevard and unclogging the hopelessly snarled roadway. They simultaneously stationed troopers at surrounding intersections (like Mt. Vernon and Morrissey). As the flood waters receded and Morrissey became navigable again by automobiles, they waved southbound motorists on their way.

Which prompts the obvious question: Why wasn’t this operation employed earlier in the day? Why weren’t assets in place throughout the day to deal with what state officials knew was coming?

On Monday, when tides once again spilled seawater onto the boulevard and shut it down for much of the afternoon, we again watched as the same chaotic situation unfolded and motorists were trapped for hours in the mess. Twitter feeds that typically offer direction and a sense of timing from officialdom fell silent. State Police eventually

came in to sort it out well after the problem had descended into traffic madness.

All of which is more maddening because we’ve seen traffic management in this part of the city work fairly well in the past. In the 1980s and 1990s, when the New England Flower Show was staged at the old Bayside Expo, organizers and State Police coordinated to execute a well-oiled plan that moved traffic efficiently through the various obstacles.

Troopers controlled light signals and were stationed at the choke points. A commander monitored the situation from the top floor of the Bayside building that we’re in now. Signage was used to alert motorists. It was still congested, and

Off the Bench

He hears the footsteps, yet he blusters on

By JAMES W. DOLAN
SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

In rare moments of reflection he hears footsteps; they are steady, measured, and unrelenting, and they send a chill through his body because he knows that the many business deals he has made are unlikely to withstand intense scrutiny. For someone unwilling to release his tax returns, the thought of someone examining his finances explains his vigorous opposition to the Office of Special Counsel.



James W. Dolan

and fairness. Trump has every reason to fear what Mueller’s investigation may reveal.

Winston Churchill purportedly said: “With integrity, nothing else matters, and without integrity nothing else matters.” In other words, honesty, truthfulness, persistence, and character will eventually overcome obstacles. Without those values, discord, conflict, and dissension will triumph. We see in the adversarial relationship between Trump and Mueller a testing of that hypothesis. Mueller will

For two people, both Republicans, with privileged backgrounds, President Donald Trump and Special Counsel Robert Mueller could not be more different. One is immature, erratic, and undisciplined; a narcissist who values loyalty to him as the supreme virtue. The other is a Vietnam War veteran, a career public servant noted for his discipline, honesty, discretion,

Finding my way home on St. Patrick’s Day

By ROY LINCOLN KARP
SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

Our closest friends and family have gathered for an after party in the Honey Fitz room at Doyle’s. I am still in my rented tuxedo and Courtney is wearing her wedding dress, sneakers, and a Red Sox cap and veil her bridesmaids made for her bachelorette party.

We walk into the front room to grab some beers and the regulars give us a rousing cheer. The bartender hands us two pints, but declines our cash. He points to a woman a few seats down the bar who smiles as she lifts up her glass and says, “Love the hat, honey. Cheers!”

That was Oct. 2, 2004, and the Sox had won both games of a double header on the last day of the season. Later that month, they broke the “Curse of the Bambino,” winning their first World Series title in 86 years. One of my groomsmen, my old college friend Hugh Mannering, asked me how I enjoyed the four short weeks when our wedding day was the happiest day of Courtney’s life.

In those honeymoon years between the wedding and parenthood, Doyle’s was our locale. When we debated moving to a place down the street, we wrote “Closer to Doyle’s” at the top of the “pros” column. We loved stopping in on summer evenings to catch a few innings and chat with neighbors while surrounded by historic murals and political memorabilia.

We always made a point to go there on Election Night and see all the local pols make their appearances. On the night of the special election to fill Ted Kennedy’s Senate seat in 2010, Rachel Maddow and Chris Matthews did their MSNBC broadcasts live from the bar and we became part of the “local color.”

These were the years when Courtney was working at the State House, so we always went to Doyle’s to celebrate Evacuation Day. We would walk down the street at 9:30 a.m. and grab the coveted seats at the main bar before the grandfathers in their thick Irish sweaters had finished their bangers and black

it could be a slow-moving experience, but it worked.

We need our state leadership to step up here and make sure there’s a plan going forward. The root problem — the routine flooding and inaccessibility of Morrissey Boulevard — is not an unexpected event. The tide charts are precise and the National Weather Service has an excellent track record of telling us what’s coming day to day.

When the boulevard turns into a riverway, it shouldn’t result in a regional crisis. Let’s make sure this problem gets the common-sense approach that it deserves.

– Bill Forry

not succumb to pressure or intimidation and Trump cannot understand how anyone could be motivated by something other than money and adulation.

The footsteps are getting louder as plea deals are made to obtain incriminating testimony. Where Mueller’s methodical investigation is taking him is anyone’s guess. Presumably aware of his problems, Trump chose to assume the risk of exposure sure to follow if elected. His need for power and attention prompted him to throw the dice.

The integrity theme has long been a mainstay in literature and movies. It’s the good guy against the bad guy; the corrupt mayor of a western cattle town being confronted by the noble federal marshal who was sent to clean up the mess and restore order and stability. The good guy usually wins. That story now is being played out on a much larger scale. The forces are much bigger and more complex, but it’s essentially the same conflict.

Mueller even looks like the image of the federal marshal — tall, lanky, taciturn, and fearless. Trump is central casting’s idea of the corrupt mayor — flashy, loud, and boisterous. The mayor tries to rally his supporters while the marshal quietly goes about his job. In the end, the disgraced mayor is forced to leave town. That’s the way it’s supposed to end.

But in the meantime, Trump will continue to hear footsteps, knowing Mueller is quietly examining aspects of his background not previously disclosed that he would prefer remain secret. How close they will come remains to be seen. Regardless of the outcome, efforts to discredit Mueller will fail. He has earned the valued reputation as a man of integrity.

pudding and before the line of college kids started to snake around the block.

When the band started up, I shamelessly requested all the songs with lyrics I had memorized. During my freshman year in college, Hugh (of the Irish wit) had burned some Irish music onto CDs for me. This was my homework. We had made plans to backpack through Ireland that summer and he wanted me to prepare for sing-a-longs in the pubs.

Though not Irish myself, something in the music spoke to me. I especially loved Christy Moore’s political ballads and the rousing tales of Irish rebellion and solidarity by the Wolfe Tones. Over the years, Courtney and I sought out live Irish music and Brian O’Donovan’s “Celtic Sojourn” events became the soundtrack of our Saturday afternoons.

Now that we’re parents, we don’t get over to Doyle’s that often, and we certainly don’t sidle up to the bar at 9:30 in the morning on St. Patrick’s Day. But we’ve kept up other traditions. Every March 17, we make Irish soda bread, colcannon, and, of course, corned beef, which lies at the culinary crossroads of our Irish and Jewish cultures. Then I play those CDs that Hugh made for me 25 years ago.

Last December, our three-year-old daughter, Lucy, really got into Irish Christmas music. We were well into January before we convinced her that there were other kinds of Irish music. Now she enjoys the Makem & Spain Brothers.

On most afternoons, we have a dance party. I ask her what kind of music we should play, and she shouts back, “Irish music!” Because of her gross motor delays, I still hold her hands while her hips sway to the sounds of fiddles, flutes, and harps.

Then a slow ballad comes on. It’s titled “Slán Abhaile,” a traditional Irish farewell meaning “safe home.” I pick up Lucy and we “ballroom dance” while Courtney looks on. Lucy laughs as I twirl her around the living room. I smile back at her and think to myself, I have found my way safely home.

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CRC disproportionately affects minorities: While mortality rates in the U.S. have decreased over the past 10 years, research has revealed this decline to be slower among African Americans, who continue to show higher death rates and shorter survival periods. Among Latinos, CRC screening has been reported to be lower than among other ethnic groups, a fact that increases the risk of undiagnosed and untreated CRC.

Early detection is critical to effective treatment and increases chances of survival. If you are aged 50 or older, it is now time to begin getting screened for CRC. If you are Black/African-American, the American College of Gastroenterology recommends that you begin screening at age 45. Talk to your doctor and discuss your family's medical history, even if you are not old enough for screening.

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12th annual Dorchester Chili Cook-off, a major fundraiser for the Dorchester Day Parade on Sunday, March 11 from 4p.m.-7p.m. at the IBEW Local 103 Hall, 256 Freeport St., Dorchester.

SENATE CANDIDATES TO SPEAK AT FIRST PARISH CHURCH

A coalition of Dorchester civic associations plan to host a “candidates night” for the three Senate candidates on Monday, March 19 from 6-8 p.m. at First Parish Church, 10 Parish St., Dorchester. The Dorchester Reporter is a co-sponsor of the event.

MEETING TO PLAN DORCHESTER PARK SEASONAL EVENTS

Help plan the 2018 Dorchester Park Season at meeting on Thurs., March 8 at 6 p.m. at the Lower Mills branch of the BPL, 27 Richmond St., Dorchester. Scheduled Park events coming up include a park cleanup on Saturday, March 24; Spring Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 31; Classic Car Show on Sunday, September 9. Plus your ideas for other park celebrations. Facebook: Dorchester Park Boston.

PROGRAM ON IRISH PEACE PROCESS AT EMK INSTITUTE

Author and filmmaker Maurice Fitzpatrick traces Irish political leader John Hume’s historic role leveraging Irish-America and U.S. politics to become Ireland’s greatest peace-maker in a moderated conversation with the *Boston Globe’s* Kevin Cullen on Monday, March 12 at 6 p.m. at the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the United States Senate in Dorchester. See emkinstitute.org.

EVACUATION DAY OBSERVANCES ON MARCH 17

Evacuation Day is observed in South Boston and Roxbury beginning at 9 a.m. with the annual Evacuation Day Mass

at St. Augustine’s Chapel followed by a procession to Dorchester Heights, where General Washington placed artillery in 1776 to force the British out of Boston. The annual Historical Exercises begin at 10 a.m., featuring the Lexington Minutemen, the South Boston Excel Junior ROTC, the Allied War Veterans, and the Major General Henry Knox Lodge of Freemasons Rep. Evandro Carvalho will host exercises at Fort Hill in Highland Park, Roxbury, begin at 11 a.m. with ceremonies by the Minutemen and local elected officials. State Representative Nick Collins will host lunch at the Shirley Eustis House, 33 Shirley Street, Roxbury, following the Fort Hill event. Shirley-Eustis House served as a Revolutionary War barracks during the Siege of Boston in 1775. For more information, please contact the Shirley-Eustis House at 617-442-2275 or email governorshirley@gmail.com.

GLOVER’S CORNER PLANNERS HOLD MARCH 8 OFFICE HOURS

The Boston Planning and Development Agency sponsors PLAN: Glover’s Corner neighborhood hours at Boys and Girls Clubs of Dorchester’s Paul R. McLaughlin Youth Center, 1135 Dorchester Ave. on Thursday, March 8 from 4-7 p.m. Meet the BPDA team and ask questions about the process and Glover’s Corner area data. More online at BostonPlans.org or call Cecilia Nardi at 617-918-4471 or Cecilia.Nardi@boston.gov.

WINTER FARMERS MARKET IN CODMAN SQUARE

Every Saturday from until March 31 from 10-1 p.m. at The Great Hall in Codman Square, 6 Norfolk St., Dorchester, MA. Free admission. For updates and further information, check out their Facebook at dorchesterwinterfarmersmarket and Twitter @dorchesterwfm.



Boston Baroque visited the Fields Corner Branch of the Boston Public Library last month and presented two performances of Vivaldi’s “The Four Seasons” for young children, followed by an instrument petting zoo. Above, Andrew Arceci from Boston Baroque showed Joshua, age 4, a cello. The Classics for Kids program launched in 2016.

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Jumpstart program pitched as antidote to early literacy woes

By MICHAEL P. NORTON
STATE HOUSE
NEWS SERVICE

Elizabeth Meca of Dorchester remembers one of the points when she realized a unique educational opportunity was helping her four-year-old daughter, Olivia.

“She goes, ‘You have an A in your name just like I do,’” Meca said.

Olivia grew her literacy skills last year with the help of a volunteer from Jumpstart, a program that recruits more than 800 Massachusetts college students and adults to enhance early education opportunities for low-income students in Boston, Brockton, Lawrence, Lowell, Somerville and Worcester.

“They come through the door and they’re

like superheroes,” Meca said at a briefing at the State House on the program, which is seeking \$500,000 in state funding this year.

Gil Alzate served as a Jumpstart volunteer while attending UMass Boston after serving in the U.S. Marine Corps, and said the program helped him continue to serve as he transitioned from the military to civilian life.

“It was definitely interesting to go into the classroom - being a Marine and all stoic - and now I’m reading this book and being all playful,” he recalled.

“What really stands out to me is the importance of giving back to your community,” added Alzate, who is now pursuing his MBA

at Babson University.

Rep. Jim O’Day of West Boylston, who plans to push for Jumpstart funding during this spring’s House budget debate, said the importance of early education became “very clear” to him during his 25 years as a social worker at what was then called the Department of Social Services.

Reaching children early with literacy and social programs pays long-term dividends, including reduced poverty and incarceration rates, O’Day said, recalling his time as a social worker when he encountered children between the ages of 2 and 4 who had no social interaction and very little guidance.

“There is a small piece of our population that we lose,” he said. “I mean we just lose them at a really,

really early age and it’s painful and it’s sad and it’s a whole bunch of negative things.”

O’Day told Jumpstart supporters they have an ally in Education Committee Co-chair Rep. Alice Peisch. “I know that she wishes she was here,” he said, noting Peisch was attending memorial services for Rep. Peter Kocot of Northampton, who died last week.

Additional funding could help Jumpstart expand into Chelsea and New Bedford, Jumpstart President Naila Bolus said, and help the state address the fact that only 47 percent of Bay State third graders were reading at grade level based on the 2017 MCAS. The numbers are lower for economically disadvantaged students (30 percent) and black

children (29 percent) and Hispanic/Latino students (29 percent), according to Jumpstart. “Here in the Commonwealth the future of education is about equity,” Bolus said. “We have the best schools in the country, some of the highest performing districts, and yet we have a persistent achievement gap and we have some of the worst literacy rates in the country.”

Headquartered in Boston, Jumpstart operates in 14 states and organization officials

say there’s a demand for expansion, but a need for funding to do it.

Dr. Mark Wagner, director of the Binienda Center for Civic Engagement at Worcester State University, said 110 students there have gone through Jumpstart in the past three years, providing great training for early education students as well as students studying other topics.

“It’s turning our students into leaders,” he said. “That’s bigger than something on a resume.”

Warning icons to appear on all marijuana products

The image of a marijuana leaf has been banned from appearing on the packaging or advertising for pot products, but the Cannabis Control Commission voted Tuesday to require the image of a marijuana leaf be displayed on every legal marijuana product sold in Massachusetts.

The leaf will appear as part of an icon intended to warn consumers that the product contains THC, the psychoactive compound that gives marijuana users a high feeling. The CCC approved two icons Tuesday that will be required on all marijuana products. The CCC’s warning label will be the only allowed use of a marijuana leaf on packaging.

“The statute ... requires that all labeling of packing include two distinct symbols – the first indicates the product contains marijuana and the second is a symbol that indicates that the product itself is harmful



for children,” CCC Executive Director Shawn Collins said.

One icon is a red triangle with a black marijuana leaf inside; underneath the triangle are the words, “CONTAINS THC.” The second symbol is a red octagon, like a stop sign, that says “NOT SAFE FOR KIDS” inside.

The CCC picked those icons, commissioners said, because they thought the red shapes would be more visible and because a marijuana leaf is a recognizable shape.

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Community Health News

Ride-share pilot proves popular with disabled

By Andy Metzger
State House
News Service

Taking on-demand trips with Uber and Lyft has been so popular among some of the MBTA's disabled customers that one in five of those participating in a pilot program have stopped using The Ride, the T's regular paratransit service, according to the T.

The pilot program is due to expire April 1, and T officials did not make a decision about its future when it was up for discussion Monday. T staff recommended the program continue through June, at least, with discussions about the future of the service to occur during budgeting for fiscal 2019.

Calling it a "pet project of the governor," Massachusetts Senior Action Council Executive Director Carolyn Villers predicted the pilot will continue.

"There's a lot we have to figure out," Villers told the News Service after Monday's meeting of the MBTA Fiscal and Management Control Board. Ideally, the dispatch and scheduling for all Ride

customers would mimic the ease with which the pilot participants can now hail a car, Villers said.

After becoming dissatisfied with vendor Global Contact Services, the MBTA this year went looking for a new company to handle calls and dispatching for The Ride.

"The new vendor will be expected to implement new technologies and operational best practices to reduce cost to serve and improve customer satisfaction as well as on-time performance," MBTA General Manager Luis Ramirez said in January.

About 4 percent of Ride customers are active participants in the pilot program, according to

the MBTA.

"We've come to see this as an enormously powerful tool," said Gov. Charlie Baker a year ago, when he announced the pilot would be made available to all users of The Ride.

When eligibility for the pilot was expanded, Brian Shortsleeve, who was then in charge of the T and is now on the control board, said he hoped use of the ride-hailing apps for paratransit trips would reduce the overall cost of the program.

The popularity of the program has cut into its potential for cost-saving, according to Director of Transportation Innovation Ben Schutzman.

Rides using Uber and Lyft are cheaper than

traditional trips through The Ride, but those savings were offset by higher usage, according to Schutzman. In the pilot, participants took 43 percent more trips overall while their trips through The Ride went down by 27 percent.

With a subsidy of up to \$40 per trip, the MBTA found the pilot members were roughly 1 percent cheaper on average, saving the T about \$2,800 per month. Under the

pilot, participants pay \$2 and then the T covers up to \$40 of their trip. Ordinary trips through The Ride cost \$3.15 or \$5.25.

Under a popularity metric known as a Net Promoter Score, the pilot landed at 85, beating out popular tech companies Apple (72) and Amazon (69). The pilot eclipsed public transit in general (12) and the MBTA (-11) under the metric that measures customer

satisfaction, according to Schutzman.

More needs to be done to increase the supply of wheelchair-accessible vehicles, according to Schutzman. Villers echoed that, warning that if the on-demand service does not become more accessible for all paratransit users, there will be a "second tier" of service for some, which she said is an unacceptable outcome.

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Neighborhood Notables

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BOSTON STATE HOSPITAL COMMITTEE MEET ON MARCH 15

The Boston State Hospital CAC meets on Thurs., March 15 from 6-8 p.m. at the Foley Building, 249 River St., Mattapan. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

WOMEN OF COLOR CANCER SURVIVOR WORKSHOP ON MARCH 17

Women of Color with Cancer and Cancer Survivor Health Wellness and Beauty Support Group hosts workshop from 12-1:30 p.m. at Kroc Community Center, 650 Dudley St., Dorchester. Free admission. Lunch will be provided. Limited seating. Registration required: <http://bit.ly/2F5bcpq>

MARCH 22 BPDA MEETING FOCUSES ON DOT AVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Boston Planning and Development Agency hosts public meeting on Thursday, March 22 regarding a proposal for a mixed-use development on the current site of Dorchester Market and Tom English bar at 951-959A Dorchester Ave. The meeting will be held at St. Teresa of Calcutta parish hall, 73 Roseclair St., Dorchester from 6:30-8 p.m. For further info, contact John Campbell at 617-918-4282 or john.campbell@boston.gov.

CITY TO HOST SUMMER JOB AND RESOURCE FAIR

Boston teens ages 15-18 interested in a summer job through SuccessLink, the Mayor's Summer Jobs program, are encouraged to a Job and Resource Fair on Sat., March 10 from 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. at the Reggie Lewis Track & Athletic Center at Roxbury Community College, 1350 Tremont St. The Job Fair will feature over 100 employers, game stations that will bring you up to speed on essential job skills, youth resource tables with important information and opportunities for teens, raffles, swag bags for the first 200 youth who RSVP, free food, music and more! For more info on SuccessLink, visit boston.gov.

ST. PAT'S BRUNCH RAISES FUNDS FOR FOOD PANTRY

Dorchester's 11th annual St. Patrick's Day Brunch will be held on Saturday, March 17 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish Hall, 800

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SAINT ANN-SAINT BRENDAN COLLABORATIVE

Join the Saint Ann-Saint Brendan Collaborative's latest in depth eight-part study on Divine Mercy on March 1, 8, 15, 22; and April 5 and 12 all at Saint Brendan Rectory from 7-8 p.m. For questions please contact Andrew Genovese Director of Faith Formation at agenovesedff@gmail.com.

CAPE VERDEAN-JEWISH PASSOVER SEDER

Save the date to celebrate the connections and shared history between the Cape Verdean and Jewish community on Wed., March 21 at 6 p.m. at Hibernian Hall, 3rd Floor Ballroom, 184 Dudley St., Roxbury. Music and food. Free and open to the public. For more info and to register, visit their website at capeverdeanjewishseder.com.

DOT DAY 10K CASH DRAWING

Dorchester Day Parade Committee 10k Cash Drawing at Florian Hall, 55 Hallet St., Dorchester at 7 p.m. on Fri., April 6. Limited number of tickets (300) will be sold for \$100 each. Proceeds from the event support the June 3 Dot Day Parade. Contact Kelly Walsh at kellywalsh@dotdayparade.com or 888-734-2356 for tickets.

DOUBLE DUTCH CLINICS AT MADISON PARK

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department is hosting a series of free Double Dutch Clinics for ages 9-18 at the BCYF Madison Park Community Center, 55 Malcolm X Blvd., Roxbury in the gym at Building 4. These free clinics provide instruction in the fundamentals of jumping rope and rope turning. The sessions will be held from 2-4:30 p.m. on Sat., March 10 and 24, and April 7 and 14. Teams will compete in the Mayor's Cup Double Dutch Tournament on Sat., April 21 from 10-4 p.m. Doors will open at 9. No pre-registration is required for the clinics. Community centers and youth groups are encouraged to bring their youngsters to the clinics and are invited to schedule dates and times for regular participation in the program. For more information please call Larelle Bryson at 617-961-3092 or email larelle.bryson@boston.gov.

JFK LIBRARY FORUM ON EUNICE KENNEDY

On Tuesday, April 3, a JFK Library Forum will be held on Eunice: The Kennedy Who Changed the World starts at 6 p.m. featuring former Boston Globe columnist Eileen McNamara and journalist Larry Tye. See jfklibrary.org for more.

APRIL 8 CONCERT AT ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

Armida Quartet, presented by Ashmont Hill Chamber Music, will perform in concert at Peabody Hall, All Saints' Church on Sunday, April 8 at 4:30 p.m. Widely known for their "absolute dedication to the music" and already recognized as "one of today's greatest chamber music groups" (Hamburger Abendblatt), the Armida Quartet joyously discovers musical conversations across centuries. This concert begins the highly acclaimed Berlin group's first North American tour. Tickets (\$25) available at the door or at ahchambermusic.org. EBT card holders \$3. Children under 13 admitted free.

ST. ANN'S 10K DINNER AT VENEZIA ON APRIL 12

Saint Ann Neponset's 34th Annual \$10k Dinner benefiting Parish Youth will be held on Thursday, April 12 at Venezia, 20 Ericsson St., Dorchester. 6 – 7 p.m. cocktails / 7 p.m. dinner and drawing. \$150 for a numbered ticket and \$50 for a companion ticket. Donations are tax-deductible as allowed by law. Tables will be reserved for parties of 10. Call or e-mail 617-825-6180 saintannoffice@gmail.com or see saintannneponset.com.

FREE TAX CLINICS IN CODMAN SQUARE

Taxpayers who earned less than \$54,000 in 2017 can have their taxes prepared, and claim important tax credits such as the Earned Income Tax Credit, at free tax clinics held at the Wellness and Fitness Center, at 450 Washington St., running into April. Hours are Mondays and Tuesdays from 4-8 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. The free tax preparation is offered by the Codman Square Health Center in partnership with the Boston Tax Help Coalition.

DORCHESTER YOUTH SOCCER SPRING 2018 SEASON

Registration open until Mon., March 18. Registration will not be accepted after that date. Unpaid registrations will be deleted by the system. Age divisions and playing format: (K-1 and K-2) U6, 5v5 up to 12 players roster, Girls and boys separated. (1st and 2nd) U8, 5 V 5 with 10 players roster, Girls and boys separated. (3rd and 4th) U10 Co-ed played 6 v 6 with 12 players roster. (5th and 6th) U-12 Co-ed played 8 V 8 with 15 players roster. (7th and 8th) U-14 Co-ed played 8 V 8 with 15 players roster. Register at dysoccer.com.

CITIZENSHIP CLASSES AT NOTRE DAME ED CENTER

New citizenship classes will be held on Mondays and Tuesdays starting this month at Notre Dame Education Center in South Boston. Call 617-268-1912.

BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY'S HOMEWORK HELP

Boston Public Library's free Homework Help program is underway offering free afterschool help and mentorship provided by high-achieving high school students. The program, offered Monday through Thursday from 3:30 -5:30 p.m. is open to students in grades K-8; no registration required. Boston Teacher's Union tutors are also available during select weekdays from 4-6 p.m. for students in grades K-12. Visit bpl.org/homework.

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REPORTER'S CALENDAR

Thursday, March 8

• BPDA sponsors PLAN: Glover's Corner neighborhood hours at Boys and Girls Clubs of Dorchester's Paul R. McLaughlin Youth Center, 1135 Dorchester Ave. from 4-7 p.m. Meet the BPDA team and ask questions about the process and Glover's Corner area data. More online at BostonPlans.org or call Cecilia Nardi at 617-918-4471 or Cecilia.Nardi@boston.gov.

• Help plan the 2018 Dorchester Park Season at a 6 p.m. meeting at the Lower Mills branch of the BPL, 27 Richmond St., Dorchester. Scheduled Park events coming up include a park cleanup on Saturday, March 24; Spring Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 31; Classic Car Show on Sunday, September 9. Plus your ideas for other park celebrations. Facebook: Dorchester Park Boston.

Saturday, March 10

• Boston teens ages 15 to 18 interested in a

summer job through SuccessLink, the Mayor's Summer Jobs program, are encouraged to attend a Youth Job and Resource Fair today at the Reggie Lewis Track & Athletic Center at Roxbury Community College. The hours are 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

• The Irish Balladeers perform in a family-friendly St. Patrick's Day celebration event at the JFK Library at 10:30 a.m. Visit jfklibrary.org to register.

• Zoo New England's Franklin Park Zoo is calling for volunteers of all ages to become Frog Watch Citizen Scientists. Frog Watch trainings will be held today from 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Trainings are free with admission to the zoo and open to citizen scientists of all ages, with or without prior experience.

Sunday, March 11

• 12th annual Dorchester Chili Cook-off, a major fundraiser for the Dorchester Day Parade from 4 p.m.-7 p.m. at the

IBEW Local 103 Hall, 256 Freeport St., Dorchester.

• Mass Audubon's Birders Meeting, the largest conference of its kind in New England, returns to the UMass Boston campus on Dorchester Bay with hundreds of birding enthusiasts gathering to hear the latest avian news from experts, learn more about specific species, and reconnect with like-minded nature lovers "Early Bird" registration (\$65 Mass Audubon member; \$70 nonmember) runs through Wednesday, February 28, then regular pricing (\$75 member; \$80 nonmember) will be in effect through today. To register and learn more, visit massaudubon.org/birdersmeeting

• Bay Colony Brass presents Fire-Works! a concert of music for brass and organ at All Saints Church in Ashmont, 3 p.m. All Saints' Music Director Andrew Sheranian joins the ensemble and is featured as soloist on organ, while Bay

Colony Brass presents classics like Jupiter from Holst's The Planets, the Grand March from Aida, and Handel's Music for the Royal Fireworks. Also on the program is Kent Philip Baker's The Common Good, winner of Bay Colony's 1st annual call for scores, among other great pieces. 209 Ashmont St., Dorchester. More online at baycolonybrass.org.

Wednesday, March 14

• JFK Library presents forum from 6-7:30 p.m. on "Nine Irish Lives: The Fighters, Thinkers and Artists Who Helped Build America." Register at jfklibrary.org.

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Thursday, March 15

• The Irish American Partnership will host their annual St. Patrick's Day Breakfast from 8-10 a.m. at the Boston Harbor Hotel. This year's breakfast will feature keynote speaker Irish Minister for Rural and Community Development Michael Ring, T.D., as well as guest speaker Dr. Maeve Liston, Coordinator of the Irish American Partnership's STEM Program. Reserve seats online at irishap.org.

• The Savin Hill billies perform free concert at home.stead bakery and café, 1448 Dorchester

Ave. from 6:30-9 p.m.

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• The Charitable Irish Society will host their 281st St. Patrick's Day Anniversary Dinner at 6 p.m. at the Seaport Hotel. RSVP online by March 13 at www.charitableirishsociety.org.

Picking up some guitar skills at the Perkins

(Continued from page 1) DeCosta, have identified three stages of progress through the curriculum after which students emerge with, at the least, an invaluable musical foundation on which they can build going forward.

"They come in with no training at all, and about six months later they leave knowing at least a couple songs, the names of the strings, you know, the basics of how to play a guitar," explained Davis.

He and DeCosta, who play in bands of their own, put on benefit shows to collect money to buy guitars for students who don't have one. "We usually send them home with guitars, too, so they can practice when they're not here," said Davis.

Over the course of an hour, the tutors lead a group of kids ages 8-13 in various rudimentary



Davis, left, and DeCosta, center, lead students in a lesson at Perkins Community center.

Daniel Sheehan photo

finger-picking, chord strumming, rhythm, and tempo exercises. A favorite exercise among several students involves practicing the opening chords to Nirvana's "Smells Like Teen Spirit,"

an endeavor that mainly introduces them to the fun of dead strumming, or percussively strumming while using your other hand to deaden the strings.

"It exposes them to

different genres they might not have heard," said Davis.

While none of the kids is shredding solos as of yet, both teachers acknowledged that a base of familiarity will help down

the road should interest in music resurface in the students' teen years, as it did for them.

"I think it's really good that we're just providing kids with some fundamental knowledge of the

guitar and introducing them to basic elements of music," said DeCosta.

Learning how to play an unfamiliar instrument can be intimidating, but, as Davis put it, having the class in a comfortable, familiar environment "gets a rid of a lot of the scariness of it."

The guitar class, which is free, meets every week from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Perkins Center. For more information about programming, call 617-635-5146.

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE & FAMILY COURT
SUFFOLK PROBATE & FAMILY COURT
24 NEW CHARDON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02114
CITATION GIVING NOTICE
OF PETITION FOR
APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN
FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON
PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304
Docket No. SU17P16906D
IN THE MATTER OF:
KALVIN N. HO
of BOSTON, MA
RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Van T. Nguyen of Boston, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Kalvin N. Ho is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Van T. Nguyen (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.
The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.
You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 03/15/2018. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.
Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Felix D. Arroyo
Register of Probate
Date: February 13, 2018
Published: March 8, 2018

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SERVICE
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STATE OF
NORTH CAROLINA,
CUMBERLAND COUNTY
In the General Court of Justice,
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Family Law Court
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KRISTIAN ARACENA
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vs.
JOSE EMILIO
ARACENA NOESI
Mr. Jose Emilio Aracena Noesi:
Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action.
1. Annulment
You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than 16 April 2018 and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.
This, the 8th day of March, 2018.
/s/ Mr. Robert L. Schupp
Attorney for Plaintiff
P.O. Box 582
Willow Spring, NC 27592
Register of Probate
Published: March 8, 2018

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE & FAMILY COURT
SUFFOLK DIVISION
24 NEW CHARDON STREET
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Docket No. SU18D0291DR
DIVORCE SUMMONS
BY PUBLICATION and MAILING
PERLA B. ROSA ORTIZ
vs.
GERSON M. ORTIZ PIZARRO
To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for irretrievable breakdown of marriage. The Complaint is on file at the Court. An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.
You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: Perla B. Rosa Ortiz, 606 Dudley St., Dorchester, MA 02125-1146 your answer, if any, on or before 05/03/2018. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.
Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: February 28, 2018
Felix D. Arroyo
Register of Probate
Published: March 8, 2018

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE
Docket No. SU18P0216EA
ESTATE OF:
EDWARD D. O'CONNELL
DATE OF DEATH: August 11, 2017
SUFFOLK DIVISION
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Paul R. O'Connell of Nashua, NH. Paul R. O'Connell of Nashua, NH has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.
The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
Published: March 8, 2018

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE & FAMILY COURT
SUFFOLK PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
24 NEW CHARDON STREET
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617-788-8300
NOTICE OF PETITION
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Docket No. SU17C0612CA
IN THE MATTER OF:
BRANDY M. TWINE
of Dorchester, MA
To all persons interested in petition described:
A petition has been presented by Brandy M. Twine requesting that: Brandy M. Twine be allowed to change his/her/their name as follows:
BRANDY M. MIRACLE
IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT
THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT BOSTON ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON 03/22/2018.
Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
February 23, 2018
Felix D. Arroyo
Register of Probate
Published: March 8, 2018

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE & FAMILY COURT
SUFFOLK PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
24 NEW CHARDON STREET
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NOTICE OF PETITION
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Docket No. SU17C0578CA
IN THE MATTER OF:
WENDY N. MARTIN
of Roxbury, MA
To all persons interested in petition described:
A petition has been presented by Wendy N. Martin requesting that: Wendy N. Martin be allowed to change his/her/their name as follows:
NOEMI SAAFYR PAZ
IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT
THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT BOSTON ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON 03/22/2018.
Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
February 27, 2018
Felix D. Arroyo
Register of Probate
Published: March 8, 2018



Registration **NOW OPEN** to all players
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Key Dates

Thursday, March 15th	Registration DEADLINE; players not registered by this date will be placed on a Waiting List
Tuesday, April 3rd	Teams will be formed and players will be contacted by coaches
Saturday, April, 21st	OPENING DAY (details TBD)

IMPORTANT – REGISTRATION ENDS ON MARCH 15:
DON'T MISS THE DEADLINE

How to Register

For players ages 4 – 12: www.DorchesterLittleLeague.org For players ages 13 – 16: www.DorchesterBabeRuth.org



Spring Training/Tryouts:

Attendance at these sessions is strongly encouraged, and for players age 8 and up, it is mandatory to attend **AT LEAST TWO** of the tryouts to be eligible for placement on a team

Date	Location	
	Dorchester Boys and Girls Club	Marina Bay Sportsplex Tryouts**
Sunday, March 11th	Age 4 10-11 am Age 5-6 11-12:30 pm Age 7 12:30 – 2 pm	8-9:30 am Ages 8-12 Last Names M-Z 9:30-11 am Ages 8-12 Last Names A-L 11-1 pm Ages 13-16
Sunday, March 18th		8-9:30 am Ages 8-12 Last Names A-L 9:30-11 am Ages 8-12 Last Names M-Z 11-1 pm Ages 13-16
Sunday, March 25th		8-9:30 am Ages 8-12 Last Names M-Z 9:30-11 am Ages 8-12 Last Names A-L 11-1 pm Ages 13-16

****IMPORTANT:** Players who register but do not attend the requisite number of tryouts (applies to ages 8-16) AND who have unpaid balances will NOT be placed on a roster.

Changes to Standards for Bats:

Little League & Babe Ruth Baseball have implemented new rules regarding what bats can be used for the 2018 season and beyond. As of January 1, 2018 the new USA Baseball Bat Standard will apply to all bats used at all Majors, Minors, and Babe Ruth levels. Bats that were approved for the 2017 season will no longer be acceptable for use during practices or games. Senior/Teen level (BBCOR bats) and Tee Ball bat rules are not changing. The bat your player used last year will not be allowed in the 2018 season and beyond. All approved bats will have the USABat logo on it. For more information and an approved bat list visit USABat.com. Please note: Players ARE NOT required to buy a bat. All Dorchester Baseball teams will be equipped with new bats this spring.

Send Questions, Concerns and Comments to:
DorchesterLittleLeague@gmail.com DorchesterBabeRuth@gmail.com





Marr-Lin Swim Team: The Marr-Lin swim team practices weekly and participates in swim meets with other Boys & Girls Clubs in the area, like the Beanpool Swim Meet that took place last weekend. BGCD came in first place!



3D Arts: Members in our 3D Art class on Thursday evenings use recycled materials and found objects to create works of art. Other classes include Drawing, Painting, Messy Art, Illustration, and our MFA Class.

CONNECT THE DOT

Career Speaker: As part of our ongoing College Fellows program Brian Endicott, Training Manager with Feeney Brothers Excavation, LLC, in Dorchester, spoke about careers in the utility construction field as well as potential employment opportunities at Feeney Brothers. The College Fellows program is open to High School students and helps prepare participants for life after graduation. In March we will host sessions for our Juniors/Seniors on 3/6, our Freshman/Sophomores on 3/20, and our next career speaker on 3/27. In addition, we have recently started a new group for middle school students. College Fellows also includes college tours, assistance with scholarship searches/applications, essays, financial aid, and more. For more info contact Tricia Chapple at pchapple@bgcdorchester.org.

FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE

NFTE Summer Program: BGCD is pleased to partner once again with NFTE (Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship) and Suffolk University to offer a two-week intensive Entrepreneurship Academy this summer, made possible by support from the Citi Foundation. NFTE's Entrepreneurship Academy is designed to unlock the entrepreneurial mindset in youth as each participant builds a full plan for an original business idea, with a chance to win up to \$25,000 on a national stage. The program will run July 16-27 at Suffolk University for members in grades 8-12. Applications are now available and are due by April 1st. Spots are limited, and will be filled on a first come basis, so be sure to register early. For more information please contact Joel Figueroa at jfigueroa@bgcdorchester.org.

DID YOU KNOW

Challenger Sports: Challenger One on One Swim sessions are officially underway with two weeks complete of the 6-week program. In partnership with the Martin Richard Foundation, the program takes place at our Marr Clubhouse from 9AM - 12PM each Sunday. Once the swim season is over we will join the Savin Hill Baseball League to complete our four-sport cycle, which also includes basketball and soccer earlier in the year. Challenger Baseball will take place on Sundays and will be open to children of all abilities. Youth with disabilities will team up with buddies to play the game together. If you have any questions or would like to learn more about the Challenger Sports program please contact Madeleine Butler at mbutler@bgcdorchester.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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UMass Beacons earned first-ever NCAA tourney spot with title win

By Reporter Staff
UMass Boston women's basketball team made their first-ever NCAA tournament appearance last weekend after defeating UMass Dartmouth to win the Little East Conference Tournament Championship. The Beacons lost to St. Joseph's College (Maine) 61-56 in Amherst LeFrank Auditorium. UMass Boston anticipates returning 15 players for next season, after putting together what was arguably the best season in program history, with a record of 25-3. The highlight came on Feb. 24 when the Beacons upset the Corsairs

of UMass Dartmouth by a score of 65-56. The tournament victory marked the Beacons program record 25th of the season and the 50th career win for third-year head coach Kristina Baugh (50-32). After seeing their 12-point halftime lead cut to one at the end of three quarters, UMass Boston battled for their season in the final 10 minutes. LEC Most Outstanding Player of the Tournament Joie Grassi (Plymouth, Mass.) gave the Beacons the lead for good with 2:33 to play and Grassi added five of the Beacons 15 points over the final 6:10 in regulation. Grassi was superb from the start. She re-



The UMass Boston women's basketball team celebrated their Little East Conference Tournament Championship on Feb. 24 in Dartmouth, Mass. UMass Boston photo

corded 10 of her game-high 26 points in the opening quarter and added a team-high nine rebounds. The freshman forward went 8-18 from the field and 9-10 from the free throw line. She tacked on two assists, one steal and two blocks. Fellow freshman Geanna Williams (Cromwell, Conn.) also put together one of the best games of her career. Charged with trying to slow down UMass Dartmouth's Nakira Examond, Williams finished with 10 points on 5-6 shooting and eight rebounds in 23 minutes. Freshman Shania Osborne (Fairfield, Conn.) also helped slow down Examond and chipped in five points and six rebounds. Examond, the reigning LEC Player of the Year, finished with 25 points and a game-high 16 rebounds. Senior Leah Douty added 15 points in 37 minutes for the Corsairs, who had been 16-0 against LEC opponents prior to today.

Boston Youth Lacrosse opens season at Moakley Park

By Reporter Staff
Boston Youth Lacrosse— a consolidation of the South Boston Youth Lacrosse and the Dorchester Youth Lacrosse programs— will open its outdoor practice season this Saturday for boys (weather permit-



Players with the Boston Youth Lacrosse Association at Moakley Park.

ting) at Moakley Park at 12-2 p.m. The Dorchester and South Boston programs have each been around for close to 20 years. Both programs felt it would be better to merge the programs under one banner and increase the numbers of players. "Over the past 20 years, we have had many of our players play at top private schools in the area," said Bob Ferrara, the league's director. "And many play for the Boston Latin Boys and Girls teams. After high school our players have gone on to play in many different colleges. As coaches, we believe kids should be exposed to as many sports as possible." Teams are a first come first serve program, according to Ferrara, who said there are no tryouts. "The first 20 players that sign up for each of the teams are on the team. Twenty players is the ideal number of players to make sure each player gets enough playing time and has a positive experience," he said. The league sells new lacrosse sticks for \$30 and will provide equipment on a "first come, first serve basis starting with the youngest teams." Players in grades 1-4 will practice Saturday from noon- 1 p.m. Grades 5-8 will practice from 1-2 p.m. If it is bad weather, teams will practice at the Condon Community School in South Boston at 2:30 (grades 1-4) and 3:30 p.m. (grades 5-8). Parents and guardians can register at the Boston Youth Lacrosse Association at bostonyouthlacrosse.org. Or email Bob Ferrara at rwferrara@gmail.com with any questions.

Meet our next Senator on March 19th!

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Meeting on Globe site rehab focuses on Patten’s Cove, neighborhood connections; developer pledges cooperation

By JENNIFER SMITH
News Editor

Rehab work at and around the former Boston Globe site – now envisioned as an urban innovation campus to be called The BEAT – will include significant contributions by the developer for the care of the adjacent state-owned Patten’s Cove, attendees at a public meeting on the project were told last week.

According to Nordblom Co., the developers of the 135 Morrissey Blvd. parcel, “Adopting the Park” will constitute a long-term arrangement with the current and any future property owners of the onetime Globe property. Ownership of the park itself will remain with the state Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), but the maintenance agreement will be attached to the campus.

Initial work, or the Day One cleanup, should run about \$45,000, Nordblom estimates. Much of that work will be tree pruning, done by a licensed arborist with permission from DCR, with ongoing care obligations involving grass cutting, leaf raking, and the like. The upkeep will

likely cost about \$50,000 per year, according to Nordblom.

“The biggest thing for people is the fact that that commitment is going to travel with the building, so if there’s any sale, the document will travel,” said Savin Hill resident and Impact Advisory Group member Paul Nutting. The cove was his primary interest at the Thursday night meeting, and he feels the development team should put together an advisory group focused solely on any changes to the public park.

“DCR will retain strict control over the park, and view it as an ‘urban wild’ that should not be over-manicured,” Nordblom noted in an email.

The BEAT’s parking lot will connect through multimodal pathways to the cove and to neighboring Savin Hill side streets, though there is not expected to be a vehicular connection. One resident advocated for opening Wave Avenue to the parking lot, allowing access through the site. According to Nordblom, “The vast majority felt it was better closed, or apps such as Waze would cause massive cut-through traffic.”



A Department of Conservation and Recreation rendering of a stretch of Morrissey Boulevard that may see a lane drop next to Patten’s Cove.

Another small neighborhood feature, the tiny playground at the end of Wave Avenue, was constructed by the Globe when they locked the gate to its parking lot. The newspaper maintained the play area after that.

“Audience members reminded [the] group that there is a large, new playground on the other side of Savin Hill, and that this small one might be a place for kids to hang out,” Nordblom’s summary said.

Of both the Wave Avenue connection

and the playground maintenance, Nordblom said that it would do “whatever the neighborhood would like” by either improve them or removing them.

Public response to the Nordblom initiative has been largely positive throughout the outreach process to date. As Nordblom plans to work with the shell of the Globe building, it expects a quicker turnaround on construction than if it demolished the structure. The company plans to include amenities like open workspace, food and

beverage options, and a brew pub, along with flexible office space for tenants ranging from smaller start-ups to high-tech robotics.

The central atrium could be a space for public and community meetings, the Nordblom team has said, and residents have asked for clarity of how they would go about arranging to use it.

Based on his initial observations, Nutting says that “people are thirsting for more things that they can use. So in addition to the brew pub, people would like

to see a daycare center open to people other than tenants, a gym open to people other than tenants, other food options for people other than tenants, et cetera.”

The public comment period on current proposals is open until next Monday, March 12. Comments can be submitted online at the bostonplans.org project page, where full site plans can be read, or by email to project manager Raul Duverge at Raul.Duverge@boston.gov.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 22

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PROJECT PROPONENT:

959 Dot LLC

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

959 Dot LLC is proposing a mixed-use development located at 951-959A Dorchester Avenue. The proposal is a five-story building consisting of 38 residential units with 26 off-street, garage parking spaces, and 6,670 square feet of commercial retail space for a market and a restaurant. The project site is currently the Dorchester Market and the Tom English Bar.

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BRAUDIS, Mary Lou (McPartlin) of Dorchester. Wife of Paul F. Braudis. Mother of Susan E. Callahan and her husband William of Braintree and Paul F. Braudis Jr. and his wife Beth of San Antonio, TX. Grandmother of Brian Braudis, Kathleen Callahan, Meaghan Callahan and Shannon Poirier. Sister of Catherine Ann McPartlin of Dorchester. Daughter of the late Patrick J. and Mary E. (Ryan) McPartlin. Donations in Mary Lou's memory may be made to National Kidney Foundation, 30 East 33rd Street, NY, NY 10016 or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

CAHILL, Maura J. (Scanlan) of Quincy. Wife of the late John. Mother of James J. Cahill and his wife Mary of Hingham, Shaun P. Cahill and his wife Lisa of Sandwich, Mary B. Judge and her husband James of Boston, Donal G. Cahill and his wife Claire of Cohasset, Gerard M. Cahill and his wife Laurie of Sandwich, Margaret McCue and her husband Phillip of Hingham, Kathleen A Denis and her husband Daniel of Hanover, Patrick J. Cahill and his wife Bridget of Hanover and the late Noreen Kelley. Mother in law of Paul Kelley of Hanover. Sister of Paschal Scanlan of England, Rev. Liam V. Scanlan of Ireland, and the late Sean, Seamus, Eamon, Henry and Tomas Scanlan. Also survived by 25 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. Donations may be made in her memory to The Sisters of Missionaries of Charity, 401 Quincy St. Dorchester, MA 02125.

DANIELLO, Lucy age 89 of Medfield, formerly of Dorchester. Daughter of the late Francesco and Saveria (Baldassare) Daniello. Sister of Michael Daniello, Mary LaPlante and the late Emilia Magistro. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

GUARINO, Gloria of Milton, formerly of Dorchester. She is survived by lifelong and beloved companion Evangeline "Van" Chumacas, formerly of Haverhill. She is predeceased by 8 siblings of which she was the youngest. Aunt of the late Janet (Guarino) Coull of Quincy, James Noel Guarino of FL, Robert Guarino of VT, Richard Guarino of Marstons Mills, the late Gerald Guarino of FL, Douglas Guarino of FL, Glenda Rocchi of Plymouth, Elaine Heredeon of Salem, Denise Heredeon of NH, Thomas R. Caliri and Richard M. Caliri both of Marshfield. Also survived by many grand nieces and nephews. She also leaves her devoted and compassionate long time care giver Alicia Forte of Dorchester. Donation's in Gloria's and Van's names may be sent to Alzheimer's Association, 309 Waverley Oaks Rd, Waltham, MA 02452.

HERVEY, Perry Jr. of Dorchester. Husband of the late Anna B. Hervey. Father of Mark, Wanda, Pamela and Darrel Hervey all of Boston. Son of Charlotte Hervey of Methuen. Brother of Lynn Hervey-Jumper of Salem, NH. He is survived by 3 grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

McCLAIN, Robert E. "Bob" of Abington, formerly of Dorchester. He was pre-deceased by beloved wife of 56 years, Jean (Callow) McClain, his parents, Margaret (Horgan) and George McClain, his son, Edward McClain, his brothers, John and George McClain and his sisters, Mary Cunningham, Margaret Lally, and Eleanor Hurley. He is survived by his wife, Barbara A. Curtin McClain. His children: Robert E. McClain, Jr. of Norton, John McClain of Brookline, Richard McClain of Milton, Dennis McClain of Hyde Park, Scott McClain of Brockton, Jaime Peterson of Wrentham, Paul McClain of Rockland, and Neil McClain of Kingston. Also survived by 18 grandchildren, several great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and the Blankenship family. Donations may be made in his memory to the Trailside Museum, Raptor Program, 1904 Canton Ave., Milton, MA 02186 in memory of his wife, Jean Callow McClain. Everyone knows Jean and Bob's great love for animals, especially "Mickey."


MURPHY, Jane F. (O'Neill) of Brockton, originally from Dorchester, at the age of 82. Born and raised in Boston, Jane was a graduate of Mt. St. Joseph Academy in Brighton, Class of 1953. Jane worked as a housekeeper for the Archdiocese of Boston for over 30 years, working primarily in St. Nicholas Church in Abington and St. Edith Stein Church in Brockton. She took great enjoyment in being a CCD Teacher for more than 20 years at St. Nicholas Church. Jane worked tirelessly for the Pro-life movement locally and nationally, frequently participating in the March for Life on Washington, DC in January. She also lent her time and talents to the League School of Boston in many different capacities. A devoted wife, mother and grandmother, Jane will be greatly missed by all who were blessed to have known her. Jane was the wife of the late Joseph M. Murphy. Mother of Mary Jane Murphy and her husband Thomas Salvucci of Bridgewater, Joseph M. Murphy, Jr and his wife Robin M. of Mansfield, Katherine M. Murphy and her husband Gregory O. of Brockton, Patrick J. Murphy of Pembroke, John J. Murphy and his wife Kathleen M. of No. Attleboro and Daniel J. Murphy of Brockton. "Grammy" to Angela, Michael, Christopher, Brenna, Jack, Maura, Abigail and Aidan. Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made in Jane's memory to the New England Villages, 664 School St., Pembroke, MA 02359.

REYNOLDS, Catherine A. (Connelly) 92, of Brockton, formerly of Milton. Wife of the late Charles F. Reynolds. Mother of James G. Reynolds and his late wife Beverly, Mary A. Manzi and her late husband Alan, all of Brockton and the late Charles F. Reynolds and his wife Mary P. Reynolds of Dorchester. Nana of Meghan, James, Kelly, Kristen, Lauren, Craig, Catherine and Caroline and Great Nana of Mason, Joseph, Emily and Isabella. Catherine is predeceased by her six siblings and is the loving Aunt of many nieces and nephews.

SULLIVAN, Julia P. (Pallotta) of Weymouth, formerly of Charlestown, at age 97. A Dorchester native, she lived in Charlestown for 30 years before moving to Weymouth. A social worker for many years for the MA Dept. of Public Welfare. Wife of the late Dennis J. Sullivan (Ret. Capt. BFD), Julia was the mother of Dennis J. Sullivan and his wife.

ST. GEORGE, Florence P. 83, of Derry, NH. She was born in Dorchester in 1934. Daughter of the late John and Vivian (Mullaly) Powers. Florence had resided in Derry for the past 22 years, formerly living in Malden, MA. She adored her grandchildren and loved to spend time with her family. She also enjoyed bingo and crafts. She is survived by her two daughters, Elizabeth St. George of Stoneham, MA, and Patricia St. George of Derry, six grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, two brothers, Thomas Powers of N. Weymouth, MA, and John Powers of Lottsburgh, VA. She was predeceased by her son, Richard M. St. George, Jr. and siblings, Richard Powers and Mary Reeves.

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