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## Dot's 'Edzo' Kelly takes helm of US-Canada firefighters union

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Ed "Edzo" Kelly, a son of Dorchester with deep roots in both the local and national firefighting community, ascended to the highest fire union position in North America earlier this month when he was elected general president of the International Association of Fire Fighters.

He had previously served as general secretary-treasurer of the group.

In an interview with the *Reporter*, Kelly, who will officially assume office on April 9, said he is excited about his new responsibilities while feeling some wariness about the obligations that come with the new title.

"It's an honor to be elected to

represent such brave men and women who do such a special, noble calling for the citizens we swore to protect," he said. "Certainly, I was honored by the trust bestowed upon me by the membership; but there's also an awesome responsibility that comes with the position, and I certainly felt the weight of that immediately."

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Edward 'Edzo' Kelly with his wife Katie, daughter Maggie, and son Tommy. Photo courtesy Firefighters Union Local 718



Jack Studley, center, is shown with a group of young players in the Dorchester Street Hockey, which he started six years ago. The league, funded by the Martin Richard Foundation, plays at the newly-refurbished Garvey Playground in Neponset and includes over 100 kids and teens per season. This year's play begins on Sunday. Photo courtesy Jack Studley

## 5 years strong, Dot Street Hockey is setting up for the spring season

By KATIE PEDERSEN  
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Jack Studley was only 12 years old when he brought his idea for a kids-run street hockey league to life. Six years later, Dorchester Street Hockey is still going strong.

The way Paula Skalinski, a board member of Dorchester Street Hockey and director of Religious Education at St. Martin de Porres Parish, recalls it, the organization was born when Studley ap-

proached her at the parish's March Madness basketball competition in 2014. The year before, Studley had wanted to start a youth street hockey league using city grant money. Stymied by permitting issues, he came back with a plan.

According to Skalinski, Studley knew "exactly what he was going to do: the rosters, how many teams he was going to have, how many coaches he was going to have, who was going to ref. My girlfriend,

Denise Richard, was standing there and she had heard about it. She thought it was a great idea, and she said, 'Jack, I'd really like to get involved because Martin played street hockey, too, and loved it.' And that's how he got the funding from the Martin Richard Foundation.

"She gave him the grant for all the T-shirts, all the goalie equipment. Now, six years later, he's 18 years old,

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## Fed money allows T to reverse transit cuts, insists Lynch

By KATIE LANNAN  
STATE HOUSE NEWS SERVICE

The state's congressional delegation is "furious" about service reductions at the MBTA and plans to have "hard conversations" with transit officials and Gov. Baker about reversing them, US Rep. Stephen Lynch said on Monday.

Lynch joined Boston Mayor Martin Walsh for a press conference touting the \$1.9 trillion spending bill that President Biden signed into law last week, which includes \$30 billion in transit funding. Massachusetts is slated to receive more than \$1 billion in support of urban transit systems.

The stimulus package aims to "move the country and the state and our cities and towns here back to a more normal pattern of life," Lynch said.

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Senate Walsh vote expected Monday, P.4

## Florian Hall looking at a vaccinations ramp-up

By DANIEL SHEEHAN  
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Two weeks after setting up a Covid-19 vaccination clinic at Florian Hall, a team made up of Harbor Health Services staff, healthcare professionals, and National Guard personnel are envisioning a steady ramp-up of their vaccine rollout program via an anticipated supply boost from the federal government.

In noting that the site had boosted its number of daily shots to some 300-400 a day by last Friday, clinic officials estimated that around 1,500 people had been vaccinated at the Dorchester function hall through that day.

Mary Jo Brogna, director of Nursing at Harbor Health, told the *Reporter* last week that after a relatively slow

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## Judge looking to rule on exam school lawsuit by April 15

By ADAM GAFFIN  
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A federal judge said on Tuesday that he hopes to rule by April 15 on a lawsuit challenging the Boston School Committee's system for selecting

exam-school students without exams.

The timing of the ruling would allow for students to get notified of their selection this spring or might order officials to quickly come

up with a new way of selecting students for the schools before the fall.

At the Tuesday hearing, US District Court Judge William Young told lawyers for the three sides in the case

that Boston school kids deserve to know where they will be going to school next fall.

The three parties include a group of white and Asian-American parents who claim the

system now in place discriminates against them; the Boston Public Schools (BPS); and a coalition of groups led by the local NAACP branch who mostly support BPS. The

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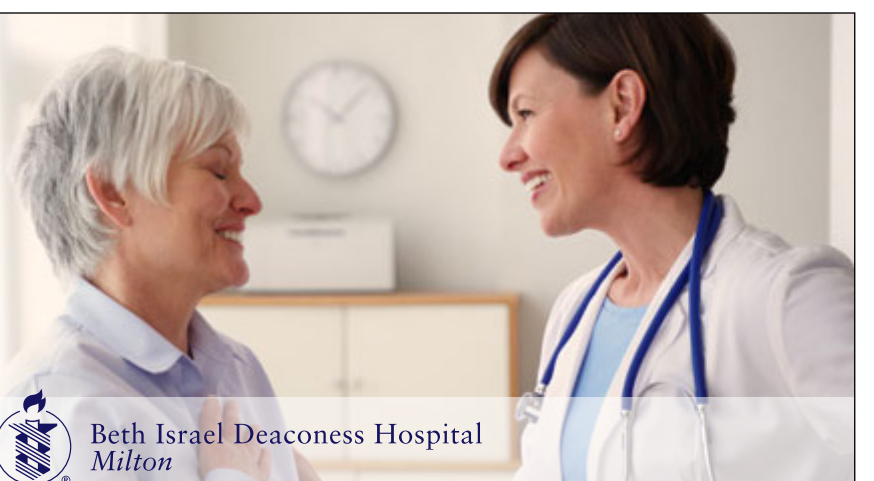
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Sidewalk dining return moved up to March 22



**Wind-driven fire displaces 23 people on Harvard Street**—Strong winds drove a fast-moving fire that impacted two homes on Harvard Street in Dorchester on Sunday afternoon. The blaze displaced nearly two dozen people from 14 and 18 Harvard St. A passing Boston EMS ambulance crew reported the fire, which was centered on the roof of 14 Harvard Ave. The cause of the fire remains under investigation. *BFD photo*

The start of Boston’s outdoor dining program, originally set for April1, has been moved ahead to March 22 due to the forecast for seasonable weather, Mayor Walsh announced last Friday.

The program that allows al fresco seating areas on city sidewalks and parking spaces also includes fast-tracked permitting and other assistance. City Hall said the program will run until December.

“Outdoor dining was one of the bright spots last summer and fall, and we’ve seen the benefits it has had on our neighborhoods: supporting local businesses, a safe and enjoyable experience for restaurant patrons, and an added resource for Boston’s small businesses during this challenging time,” Walsh said.

“I’m thrilled we are able to start this program even earlier, and I



**The Banshee’s curbside dining set-up as seen last June.**

look forward to businesses and residents taking advantage of it.”

The city will soon launch B-Local to help people find Black or women-owned local businesses. App users will be able to earn “Boston Points” that they can redeem like cash at participating businesses.

City Hall will reimburse businesses for Boston Points that are redeemed.

— STATE HOUSE NEWS SERVICE

UPCOMING CIVIC MEETINGS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

**The Ward 15 Democratic Committee** will interview three candidates during a virtual event on Sat., March 20 from 10-11:30 a.m.: John Barros, candidate for Mayor of Boston and City Council At-Large candidates David Halbert and incumbent Michael Flaherty. The interview of candidates for public office is part of the committee’s annual endorsement process.

A link to join by Zoom is posted on the group’s Facebook event page or follow them on Twitter: @Ward15B.

**The Saint Mark’s Area Civic Association’s monthly meetings** are held on Zoom on the last Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. Meetings are held monthly except July, August, and December. Members and other neighbors are welcome to attend. If you would like to attend a

meeting, please send an email to the civic association at smacadot@msn.com and we will send you a link to the meeting.

Mayor’s Cup Street Hockey Tournament starts April 20— Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department will host the 2021 Mayor’s Cup Street Hockey Tournament in partnership with the Boston Bruins Foundation during the April public school vacation week.The Tournament will begin April 20 and continue through the school vacation week. All games will be played at Joseph Moakley Park at 1005 Columbia Rd. in South Boston. To register or for more information, please contact Damien Margardo at damien.margardo@boston.gov or call 617- 961-3083.

**The BPDA is looking to commission a new temporary artwork mural in**

**Mattapan** as part of the city’s Plan: Mattapan planning initiative. The BPDA will coordinate and collaborate with the Mayor’s Office of Arts and Culture during the call for Artists Process—currently underway--and selection of the design for installation after selecting the artist or team of artists. This Call for Artists is open to all artists, national and international, with a strong preference for artists with a connection to Mattapan. BPDA budgeted \$15,000 for the creation and installation of the mural, which must be completed by the end of summer 2021. For more information, contact kenya.p.beaman@boston.gov or visit bostonplans.org to view the RFP.

**A new round of federal funding for fuel assistance** will allow ABCD, Greater Boston’s antipoverty agency, to increase

the maximum benefit for eligible households to \$1,110. The deadline to apply has been extended to May 28, enabling income-eligible households to address arrearages dating back to November 1. The increase means that the 16,000 households already signed up for fuel assistance with ABCD will benefit immediately. Last year ABCD provided fuel assistance to more than 25,000 households. ABCD pays the household’s fuel vendor directly. Residents can call 617-357-6012 or go to bostonabcd.org/fuel-assistance for more information.

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# Mattapan attorney Louijeune joins at-large race

BY MADDIE KILGANNON  
REPORTER CORRESPONDENT

Ruthzee Louijeune, a lawyer with roots in Mattapan and Hyde Park, has joined the widening field of candidates seeking an at-large city council seat. The 34-year-old daughter of Haitian immigrants said she is ready to bring her passion for community and experience as an attorney to combat the city’s wealth disparities with intentional housing and homeownership policies.

“I care deeply about creating a city that’s inclusive and affordable for all of its residents where the budget reflects what we say we value,” Louijeune told the *Reporter* in an interview.

A Columbia University, Harvard Kennedy School, and Harvard Law School graduate,



Ruthzee Louijeune

she is also a proud Boston Public Schools alumna.

That’s “where it all started,” said Louijeune, who attended the Charles H. Taylor School on Morton Street before graduating from Boston Latin School in 2004.

While at the Latin School, she had the opportunity to intern in state Rep. Marie St. Fleur’s office as part of the Ward Fellowship

Program.

“Ruthzee will be a great addition to the Boston City Council,” St. Fleur said in a statement. “Ruthzee will be a leader who matches great negotiation skills needed for systems change with great constituent services, and that is what I look for in my City Councillor.”

A Mattapan native who now lives in Hyde Park, she described herself as a passionate problem solver who is constantly connecting communities to each other. Her fluency in French, Haitian Creole, and conversational Spanish allows Louijeune to literally translate between communities across the city. “I feel comfortable in a lot of different environments,” she said.

She owns her own legal firm where she does con-

sulting and works on affordable homeownership agreements in Boston.

“I’m a lawyer, and I’m looking to use the full range of my skills,” Louijeune said.

She has worked with the Massachusetts Affordable Housing Alliance to prevent evictions and promote homeownership and hopes to continue that effort as a city councillor.

Louijeune also has served as senior counsel for Senator Elizabeth Warren’s presidential and Senate campaigns. On the weekends, she volunteers at the Guild Works in Dorchester, delivering food to people struggling with food insecurity who are quarantining with COVID-19.

Candidates for council at-large are required to get a minimum of 1,500 certified signatures from city voters to make the ballot. Nomination papers will be made available on April 13.

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Deeqo Jibril, who was a candidate for the District 7 council seat in 2017, is now running for the District 4 seat that will be left open with Andrea Campbell running for mayor.

In announcing her intent to run on March 6, she highlighted her

work as a neighborhood business manager at the city’s Economic Development Department and at Children Services of Roxbury. She also has worked as an advocate on behalf of families for ABCD Housing.

Jibril came to Boston as a Somali refugee when she was 12 years old and wants to be an advocate for the immigrant community in the city, particularly for Boston’s Somali population.



Deeqo Jibril  
Focus on immigrants

In 2017, she ran for the seat that Councillor Kim Janey ultimately won, but failed to make it past the preliminary election.

State Rep. Liz Malia has already thrown her support behind Jibril, who is one of close to a dozen candidates vying to represent District 4. “She brings the skills no one in this city



has: insight, experience, courage, leadership, and determination. She will be an incredible addition to the city council,” Malia said during a virtual campaign launch.

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The Massachusetts Nurses Association (MNA) has thrown its weight behind Councillor Annissa Essaibi George’s mayoral campaign.

“MNA nurses and healthcare professionals are proud to endorse Annissa Essaibi George for Boston Mayor because she stands with us for safer patient care and more equitable public health,” said Katie Murphy, MNA President and an ICU nurse at Brigham and Women’s Hospital in a statement released by the Essaibi George campaign.

“Just as MNA nurses and healthcare professionals have always been on the frontlines of healthcare – during the Covid-19 pandemic and beyond – Annissa has long dedicated herself to improving public health

## Report: Senate vote Monday on Walsh cabinet nomination

In what seems an end to weeks of speculation about timing, WCVB reported last Friday that the US Senate will vote on Mayor Martin Walsh’s nomination as Secretary of Labor on Mon., March 22.

Walsh, 53, a Dorchester resident and past union leader, is expected to be confirmed by the Democrat-controlled body. He breezed through his committee hearing on Feb 4, and a

week later, the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions voted 18-4 to “report favorably” on the nomination.

City Council President Kim Janey will take control of the Mayor’s Office after Mayor Walsh submits his letter of resignation to City Clerk Maureen Feeney and make history as the first Black and first female Boston mayor.

– KATIE TROJANO

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# Amid controversies, Baker approval rating sinks to 52 percent

**By MATT MURPHY  
STATE HOUSE  
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Gov. Baker's approval rating has tumbled since last August, but the Republican would still be the favorite if he decided to run for a third term in 2022, according to a new UMass Amherst/WCVB poll. The poll conducted by YouGov between March 5 and March 9 to mark the one-year anniversary of the pandemic found that 52 percent of residents approve of the job Baker is doing,

compared to 62 percent for President Joe Biden. That rating is down from 68 percent in October and high of 78 percent in the same poll taken last August. Baker would still go into a head-to-head matchup against Democratic Attorney General Maura Healey with a slight lead should he decide to seek another four years in office, according to the poll. The Republican has not said when he'll make his decision. Baker has consistently been

one of the most popular governors in the country over the past six years and led Healey in this survey, 31 percent to 28 percent, with 34 percent of the poll registered voters undecided. "To no one's surprise, Baker's approval ratings have dipped and this is true across all demographic and political groups in the state," said Tatishe Nteta, associate professor of political science at UMass Amherst and director of the poll. "Controversies over the

vaccine rollout, the return to in-person learning, and statewide lockdowns all did real damage to Baker's status as America's most popular governor." Baker held larger leads in other hypothetical contests with former US Rep. Joe Kennedy III (10 points) and former state Sen. Ben Downing, who entered the race last month and trails Baker by 31 percent to 12 percent some 20 months before the election. The poll found that Baker

has more support among Democrats (61 percent) and independents (43 percent) than with members of his own party, who gave him just a 38 percent approval rating. Additionally, Baker's approval rating was only slightly higher than that of the Legislature. Fifty-one percent of residents gave their approval for the job lawmakers are doing on Beacon Hill, while the disapproval rate for the House and Senate held steady from October at 31 percent.

## City Council elections attract additional candidates

by elevating and meeting the social, environmental, and emotional needs of all Boston residents." Murphy noted that Essaibi George had stood with the nurses in 2018 when Question 1 was on the ballot and has a thoughtful approach to public health. "Of all the candidates, she was really the most active on the issue," Murphy said. "Boston has some talented people running, and who knows who else may join the race." The MNA backed Marty Walsh during his mayoral runs. "Walsh and Essaibi George both understand that we have a very important contribution to make not only to our institutions, but also to the

health and development of our city," Murphy said, adding that the union felt it was important to back Essaibi George's campaign now. "It's important to be out there early rather than wait," she said. "We want to put our money where our mouth is and offer our support." Jonathan Spillane, a Hyde Park native, added his name to the pool of at-large city council candidates last week. Spillane, 29, recently took a leave of absence as City Councillor Kenzie Bok's director of budget in order to campaign. Currently a Beacon Hill resident, Spillane recently took the bar exam after attending Suffolk Law School. He



**Jonathan Spillane**  
**Focus on public safety**

is a graduate of Boston College and Boston Latin School. With family in the Boston Police Department, he said he believes he can bring a unique perspective on policing issues to the 13-member council. "We can reimagine the way that we can provide

public safety," he said. Spillane said he also wants to bring his background in commercial real estate and his experience with the Department of Neighborhood Development to the city council and elevate the discussion around affordable housing. Former state representative and current Massachusetts Civil Rights Commissioner Charlotte Golar Richie endorsed David Halbert's campaign for city council at-large last week. "David is a smart and principled problem solver who will drive an agenda that promotes racial and gender equity," Richie said in a statement released by

Halbert's campaign last Wednesday. "As City Councillor at-Large, he'll make sure that government works for all of the people of our city." Halbert's campaign has wasted no time in gathering endorsements from across the city, even before staffers can start gathering signatures in April to officially get on the primary ballot for September. Alejandra St. Guillen, who lost to Julia Mejia by a single vote when she ran for at-large in 2019, has already endorsed Halbert as has Ward 18 Chair Cecily Graham. Halbert lives in Dorchester with his wife and their two daughters. This is his second campaign for at-large after finishing eighth in the

2019 general election. As part of its annual endorsement process, the Ward 15 Democratic Committee will interview three candidates during a virtual event this Saturday (March 20) from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.: John Barros, a candidate for mayor, and City Council At-Large candidates David Halbert and incumbent Michael Flaherty. A link to join by Zoom is posted on the group's Facebook event page. You can also follow them on Twitter: @Ward15B. For daily, breaking news on city politics, follow @TheLitDrop on Twitter or visit DotNews.com/litdrop.

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# Dot’s ‘Edzo’ Kelly takes helm of US-Canada firefighters union

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Kelly explained that his work as general president will expand in scope beyond what his previous position entailed, and shift him more into the public eye.

“In my role as general secretary-treasurer, it was more inward-facing, if you will, and my responsibility revolved more along the lines of ensuring that the day-to-day operations of the IFF were being met. The role that I’ll be assuming April 9 as general president is more about service delivery. It’s about being more directly involved in the daily lives of the 325,000 firefighters and paramedics throughout North America, and their safety, their working conditions.

“So, I’m very excited about that,” he said, “and it’s something I take great pride in and something that motivates me immensely given the risk and sacrifice that comes with the profession.”

While Kelly’s office will be located in Washington, he said he’ll be on the move quite a bit: “We represent all of the United States and Canada, so it puts us in a spot where we do a significant amount of traveling.”

But he plans to still



Ed “Edzo” Kelly, shown to the right of Mayor Walsh during a press conference in 2019, has been elected general president of the International Association of Fire Fighters, which represents 325,000 firefighters and paramedics throughout North America. Photo courtesy Firefighters Union Local 718

maintain a close connection with his home neighborhood, as he has in recent years by doing such things as chief marshal in the Dorchester Day Parade in 2019. Reflecting on his time growing up in Dot, Kelly credited the community with molding him for life in the larger world.

“Being from Dorchester shaped who I am today, taught me to be loyal to my friends,

muster courage in the face of adversity, and do the right thing,” he said. Noting how the neighborhood seems to breed leaders – “A lot of leadership comes out of Dorchester, I think, because of how we grew up” – he pointed to outgoing Mayor Martin Walsh and others who have continually moved into prominent positions.

“I couldn’t be prouder of Marty Walsh, who

I’ve known going back decades and how his leadership has propelled him to the highest levels of government. In no small measure do I attribute his ability to lead from growing up on the streets of Dorchester,” said Kelly. “He’s done great things as a state rep from Dorchester, a labor leader, and as our mayor for working families like those living in Dorchester.”

He added that he would likely be interacting with Walsh’s office and others in the Department of La-

bor, and that he expects Walsh to work hard for the country’s firefighters.

“In his role as Secretary of Labor, he will take his Dorchester roots to Washington DC, and help rebuild our middle class in this country... he’s a staunch supporter of collective bargaining, which is something firefighters and paramedics throughout the US do not have the protection of, so I’m glad it’s something he will be a champion of.”

During his time in Boston, Kelly, who was born into a family of

firefighters, served with Ladder 17 and eventually as president of Boston Fire Fighters Local 718 IAFF, representing 1,600 uniformed members and 1,000 active retirees of the Boston Fire Department. As general president of the IAFF, he’ll be in charge of three hundred times as many people.


He sees his firefighting heritage and connection to the lower ranks as advantages in his new leadership role. “I take great pride in the fact that I’m a rank-and-file firefighter. Having a rank-and-file firefighter serving as president, who still has his boots on the ground, will always ensure that the best interests of our membership that puts its life on the line every single day is always at the forefront of the mission of the IAFF.”

Kelly thanked his family and acknowledged the values that his community has instilled in him.


“I’m very lucky to have a family that supports me, including my wife Katie, my daughter Maggie, and my son Tommy. I’m blessed that my parents, Jack and Noreen, taught me how to be a good person. I’m lucky to have my executive assistant, and proud Dorchester girl, Corrine Griffin coming with me to D.C...I just ask everybody to pray for the firefighters.”

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The Keystone apartment building, which can be seen from the Southeast Expressway, was originally built to house the Hallet & Davis Piano Company, and that is how Hallet Street received its name. The building later passed into the ownership of another piano company. In the early 1940s, the Keystone Manufacturing Company, which manufactured toys, moving-picture cameras and projectors, took over the building. By 1942, the company was contributing to the war effort; it converted its machinery from toy production to the making of radio filter boxes for jeeps and tanks. The photo, by Howard Hollem for the US Office of War Information, shows a toy truck that the company had been producing along with the new boxes for radio filters.

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An article published in The Boston Globe when the building was being



constructed in 1910 reported: “The building will be on a branch of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, and the Hallet & Davis piano company has a spur track of more than 1000 feet in length on its own property there. It will also have fine dock facilities, where coal and other supplies may be brought by vessel and unloaded upon its own land.”



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# Cristo Rey Boston's Perez named MIAA's 'Champion of Wellness'

By KATIE PEDERSEN  
REPORTER CORRESPONDENT

Since 2012, the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) has honored high school students or student-led organizations that “exemplify healthy life choices and demonstrate leadership by promoting wellness in their school community.”

Until this year, no Boston student had ever won the award. Jhoan Perez, a junior at Cristo Rey Boston High School, broke that streak last month. He was presented with the award in a ceremony on Feb. 16 outside the school on Savin Hill Avenue.

Perez earned the award for managing a running club for fellow students and teachers at Cristo Rey, a Catholic school that serves fami-

lies of limited economic resources.

When asked about the honor, he responded: “Glory to God. It feels amazing to know that I’m the first kid in Boston to receive this award. It’s a bit overwhelming, but I’m glad to represent Boston the best way I can. If any middle schoolers see this, maybe I can inspire them to do the same or even more.”

Perez thanked Sole Train, a Boston-based running and mentorship program, for getting him interested in health in middle school, and stressed the importance of staying active during the pandemic.

“Being in a time where we’re told not to go outside, or to put on a mask, and considering that it’s cold right now, it kind of defers the dream of wanting to exercise or

wanting to get better physically and mentally,” he said.

“And that’s understandable. But you have to overcome it and try. If you don’t want to run, then at least walk around your house or walk outside, and then when you feel more comfortable, kick it up a little.”

In addition to striving toward wellness goals, Perez excels in the classroom.

Said Caitlin Gemma, faculty adviser to the Running Club, and Perez’s history teacher: “Jhoan demonstrates leadership and excellence in his schoolwork and extracurricular activities. He is a pleasure to have in my class and in running club. He is a role model for his peers and is so deserving of this award!”



Jhoan Perez, a junior at Cristo Rey Boston High School, with his award outside the school last month. *CRB photo*

According to Cristo Rey Boston President Rosemary Powers, Perez “exemplifies the drive and leadership that will lead to future success.”

For his part, Perez has no plans to slow down, literally or figuratively. “My plans are to become an engineer—specifically,

an aerospace engineer—and from there to become an astronaut. I want to keep exercising and being the best person I can be.”

*Editor’s Note: Katie Pedersen works at Cristo Rey Boston as a science teacher.*

Amplify LatinX will honor METCO President/CEO Milly Arbaje-Thomas at a Women’s History Month virtual celebration of Latina leaders this week. Ten outstanding women will be honored.

“I am so honored to be selected as one of the significant Latina leaders to receive this award,” said Arbaje-Thomas. “So many of us are working to make a difference for children and families and create opportunities in the LatinX community and for all people during this challenging time.”

The festive Amplify LatinX virtual celebration takes place on Thurs., March 18 from 10 to 11 am. Please register for the event at <https://whm21.eventbrite.com>

A native of the Dominican Republic, Arbaje-Thomas holds bachelor and master’s degrees from Boston College.

Speakers at Advancing Latina Leaders include Yvonne Garcia, Chief of Staff to Chairman & CEO and Global Head of Communications, State Street; Jossie Valentin, State Policy Advisor, U.S. Senator Edward Markey; and Tariana V. Little, DrPH, CEO and Co-founder, EmVision Productions.



Kevin Cherry has begun duties as the new chief financial officer at Uphams Corner Health Center.

## Uphams Corner Health Center names Kevin Cherry as its CFO

Uphams Corner Health Center has hired veteran non-profit administrator Kevin Cherry as its new chief financial officer. He brings nearly 30 years of financial management experience in both the education and health care sectors, including recent CFO roles at St. Mary’s High School in Lynn, Mass. and the South End Community Health Center in Boston.

Cherry cited the pandemic’s immediate and

longer-term effect on communities of color as a motivation for accepting the new role at UCHC.

“No question that the impact of Covid on communities of color has certainly driven my passion to get back into community health,” said Cherry, who shared his own vaccination experience on social media to encourage others to get vaccinated.

He will oversee the finances of both the health

center and its related programs offering primary, home health care, and elder care services, including Program for All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE).

“Boston is my hometown, so I’m pretty excited to be back, working in the community,” he said.

Cherry is a graduate of Clark University in Worcester, where he also serves on the board of trustees.

## May 1948: St. Mark's Holy Name Society breakfast gathering



The Reporter received this photograph from a relative of one of the approximately 300 men shown attending St. Mark's Parish Holy Name Society's annual communion breakfast on May 23, 1948. The site is not mentioned. The all-male Holy Name Society and the corresponding Ladies Sodality were integral to the cohesion of Catholic parish life in Dorchester in the mid-to-late 20th century, but their roles diminished over time as latter-day worship practices superseded them. Today, there is no Holy Name Society at St. Mark's-St. Ambrose Parish.



Editorial

# Let’s plan now for Dot Day ‘22

First, the bad news, from the good people – volunteers, all – who run the Dorchester Day Parade Committee. Last Thursday, they posted this message on their Facebook page:

“We are hope you are all doing well. We know that the past year has been a difficult one for everyone due to the Coronavirus Pandemic. The Dorchester Day Parade Committee has decided to cancel the Dorchester Day Parade that was scheduled for June 6, 2021. We wish that we could all gather to celebrate Dorchester. At this time, the health and safety of our community members, participants, and neighbors are extremely important to us. We hope that we will be able to gather again in the near future to celebrate our community and each other.”

It was not unexpected. The Pride parade, typically held the Sunday after Dot Day, was cancelled more than a month ago. Boston Calling, the early summer music festival once staged at City Hall and, more recently, at Harvard, is off. There are no concerts or festivals on the books yet for Fenway or Gillette. And, of course, the traditional St. Patrick’s/Evacuation Day Parade in South Boston— which would have been held this coming Sunday— is not happening.

For all that, skipping Dot Day for the second consecutive year stings a little bit. Last year, the decision was a no-brainer, with the pandemic at full tilt. The spring of 2020 had brought widespread misery and fear. The obituary pages swelled with familiar faces from our own ranks. And our seniors were sealed away in their apartment buildings, cut off from nearly all interactions.

And, absent any sane or credible leadership from the White House, there was little confidence in what the rest of the year might bring.

This year is a different story. As of this writing, about one quarter of the city’s population has been at least partly vaccinated. Our elders— the most vulnerable— are emerging from their dreary isolation. Vacations are being booked. Cape rentals are through the roof. The golf clubs and tennis rackets are coming out of the sheds.

And increasingly, our kids are back in the classrooms and— at long last— our beleaguered teachers are getting life-saving shots.

By early April, every adult in Massachusetts who wants to get vaccinated should be able, at the least, to get an appointment for the medication. President Biden has promised that there’ll be sufficient supply of vaccines to schedule every American by May 1.

And yet, after all of the sacrifice of the last 12 months, we are left to serve up the annual celebration of Boston’s biggest and best neighborhood as a final offering to the marauding Covid virus. Insult, join injury.

In fairness, Dot Day doesn’t materialize in Lower Mills out of the early June ether. There’s a labor of many months involved by the aforementioned volunteers who typically meet year-round to make it a success.

They have to raise money, which hasn’t happened over the last year. There are permits to be gotten, bands to be booked, and applications to be processed. It’s a lot of work for no reward other than the joy these men and women derive from pulling off the parade itself, which has become a true representation of this community’s diversity and dynamism.

If the next parade must be pushed to June 5, 2022, let’s prioritize making that day an absolute blow-out bacchanalia for the ages. In the meantime, this Dot Day doesn’t have to be like last year’s non-event. We can— and we will— celebrate responsibly in backyard barbecues and block parties.

But, let us resolve to set aside some of the beer money to make a donation to the parade committee. They’re going to need a full coffer to make Dot Day ‘22 something extra special.

- Bill Forry

Pat’s Pizza in Lower Mills re-opened for business last week after a hiatus of more than two months for renovations and expansion. The popular eatery added more table seating and larger food prep and cooking areas as it expanded into what had been a vacant, adjacent storefront. The co-owners, brothers Patrick and Brendan Newell, were on site last Thursday afternoon (March 11) welcoming customers back to the refurbished eatery. A brief video recording of the reopening was seen by more than 7,000 Facebook viewers at the Dorchester Reporter page.

Ed Forry photo



## How the pandemic has made treating addiction more difficult

By DENISE STUDLEY

“John,” a 48-year-old patient in the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center Addiction Psychiatry clinic who works in construction just outside Boston, managed to stay abstinent from alcohol for two years before the pandemic. He was stable on medication for his depression combined with psychotherapy and Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meetings. Then came Covid-19 and, for John,

a relapse of real consequence:

Chronic migraine pain led him to see a neurologist who recommended ibuprofen. But the pain was difficult to manage so he began to self-medicate with an opioid pain medication he bought from a friend at work. Within weeks, he went from taking the opioids as needed to taking them daily.

He also began using cocaine and drinking alcohol again. His work suffered, money became tight, and his ex-wife no longer let him see his kids on the weekends. John eventually went to detox four months ago and has been trying to pick up the pieces in his recovery since.

The medical staff at the detox facility changed his depression medication. They added three new ones, making it hard to know which was the most helpful. He had stopped seeing his therapist before his relapse because he felt stable, and she could not take him back because her clinic was full.

John’s health insurance was requiring weekly psychotherapy appointments in order to cover buprenorphine-naloxone (Suboxone), the medication for his opioid use disorder. He was paying over \$300 a month out of pocket, which he could not afford.

At the same time, he was trying to attend virtual AA meetings but found the technology to be spotty and the remote group work less effective. Despite these challenges, he has remained sober since his detox admission.

Many of our go-to resources for addiction treatment have changed or disappeared since March

2020. The number of detox beds decreased due to Covid-19 regulations. In-person intensive outpatient programs went virtual. AA meetings could no longer meet as a group, moving online instead. The increased need for mental health support has made finding and keeping a therapist challenging.

With stress levels heightened, anxiety and discomfort can lead to the use of poor coping strategies, like what happened to John, contributing to his relapse.

John, and many others, don’t like telehealth for many reasons. It’s harder to connect when you are not in the same room with others. There is a loss of structure, eliminating the benefit of getting out of the house and being with other people. While telehealth is a great idea and it has some advantages, it’s important to acknowledge that the patient experience is not the same.

In our division, we have had to be creative to help our patients stay engaged. We meet with our patients more often. We help our patients work through any technology issues that may arise. We have added brief check-ins to remind our patients that they are not alone in their battles against addiction. We know that Covid has made things harder, but we are in it for the long haul with our patients and we’re confident that we can get through this together.

While accessing care has been complicated during the pandemic, talk with your Primary Care Doctor if you are worried about your drug use. They may be affiliated with a medical center that has a specialty addiction treatment program. If you are worried about a family member, consider the Massachusetts Substance Use Helpline ([helplinema.org](http://helplinema.org)) for services local to your area.

Denise Studley, a Dorchester resident, is a nurse practitioner and nurse care manager specializing in addiction psychiatry at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center.

## Not all memory loss is the same

By JULIE WILLIAMSON  
SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

Remember that time a woman in the post office ran over to you, gave you a big hug, and asked about your children? You had no idea who she was, yet it was pretty clear that she knew you.

OK, maybe you don’t remember. But don’t jump to conclusions. Not all memory loss is a symptom of Alzheimer’s disease.

Memory problems and other symptoms of cognitive decline can range from the natural forgetfulness of normal aging to full blown dementia and be caused by a number of afflictions, not limited to Alzheimer’s disease, some of which are treatable and some not.

As healthy people age, they may miss an appointment here or there or forget someone’s name or face, but the memory lapse will not be significant enough to affect safety or normal activities. They may have some word-finding difficulty or the occasional misplaced item, but given enough time, they will figure it out.

Those with Mild Cognitive Impairment (MCI) may have trouble with familiar tasks, but not significant enough to affect their ability to eat, get dressed, or maintain proper hygiene. They can find it difficult to follow conversations, books, and movies, and be challenged by making decisions and solving problems. Loved ones may also notice mood swings, poor judgment, or withdrawal from social activities. Approximately 20 percent of people with MCI will return to normal cognitive function within a few

years, though some will remain at this stage and others will develop Alzheimer’s disease or other dementia.

Vitamin and hormone deficiencies, depression, medication side-effects, infections, and brain tumors can cause symptoms similar to dementia. If you are experiencing symptoms that you find troubling or that impact your daily life, see a doctor right away so that a treatable condition is handled correctly. If symptoms indicate MCI, Alzheimer’s, or other dementia-causing disease, early diagnosis will mean early access to support, treatments, and medication.

Scientists are actively studying MCI, especially since we know that those with Alzheimer’s disease or similar diseases may not show symptoms for many years. Greater Boston has two Alzheimer’s Research Centers, one is the Boston University Alzheimer’s Disease Center, with which Standish Village is affiliated, and the other is at Harvard Medical School. You can learn more about research participation and their current studies on their websites.

If you or a loved one are experiencing the symptoms of MCI or dementia and would like to connect with other families and caregivers, our virtual Caregiver Support Group meets monthly via Zoom. For more information, contact Director of Compass Programming Ericka Foley at [efoley@standishvillage.com](mailto:efoley@standishvillage.com) or call 617-298-5656. You can also find resources about MCI at [seniorlivingresidences.com/MCI](http://seniorlivingresidences.com/MCI).

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Moment of Paws

# It's National Animal Poison Prevention Week!



Dogs like Tsunami, a Pit Bull Terrier, need help to protect them from common household items that can be toxic or fatal if consumed.

Photo courtesy ARL Boston

As we celebrate spring, a number of activities usually define this time of year – cleaning, gardening, and social events that involve friends, family and food. It’s also National Animal Poison Prevention Week, a perfect time to inform pet owners and raise awareness to common household items that can be toxic or even fatal for our furry friends.

**Cleaning**– The ingredients to avoid in household cleaners are phenols – a parent compound used as a disinfectant. If the label says “disinfectant”, “antibacterial”, or “sanitizer”, chances are it contains phenolic compounds, which can be toxic to dogs and cats. Keeping our pets safe means reading labels to find pet-friendly products, diluting solutions, keeping pets out of rooms until surfaces are dry to the touch, and cleaning with care!

**Gardening** – Spring means flowers, and lilies are a spring staple for many households. However, lilies of any variety can be extremely toxic for our pets, especially for cats. Daffodils, tulips, chrysanthemums, and hyacinths are also dangerous flowers for pets and should be avoided.

If you’re looking to jump start your outdoor garden or yard for the coming season, keep in mind that there are a number of pesticides, fertilizers, and chemicals that are pet-friendly and should be utilized if your pets will be using the yard to frolic when the weather turns warmer.

**Food** – Not feeding our pets from the table promotes good manners, but also promotes good health, as many of the foods we eat are toxic to our pets. When it comes to food, it’s important to keep the following foods away from our pets:

**Citrus.** If ingested in significant amounts, it can cause stomach upset

or even nervous system depression

**Grapes and Raisins.** Although it’s unknown what the toxic substance is, the fruit can cause kidney failure

**Nuts.** Almonds, pecans, and walnuts contain high amounts of fat and can cause pancreatitis in pets

**Onions and Garlic.** These can cause gastrointestinal issues or even red blood cell damage

**Salt and Salty Snacks.** These foods produce excessive thirst and can lead to tremors, elevated body temperature, seizures, even death

Additionally, we all know that chocolate is a no-no, but there are plenty of other foods that are off the menu for pets. Along with chocolate, many foods contain the sweetener xylitol and if ingested, could lead to liver failure. Remember, more often than not, if it’s

on our menu, it shouldn’t be on theirs.

**Poison Control** – Fortunately, pet poison control hotlines are available and are ready to help. This is a service that is offered by a number of microchip companies, and the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) also has a poison control hotline, which can be reached at (888) 426-4435.

When you call a pet poison control hotline, the operator will gather information from you and depending on what they’ve ingested and symptoms they’re displaying, you can either treat at home, or bring your animal to a veterinarian for emergency treatment.

If it’s the latter, poison control will contact your veterinary office, relay the information, and a plan of treatment will be ready to go once you arrive.

Despite the safeguards we take, our pets are curious and, sadly, thousands of pets are impacted by ingesting something poisonous every year. Remember, should you suspect your pet has gotten into something they shouldn’t have, take immediate action; every second counts!

*Dr. Edward Schettino is the president and CEO of the Animal Rescue League of Boston, and has a doctorate in Veterinary Medicine from the Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University. Pet questions? Email ARL at press@arl-boston.org.*

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JAMES DALY, JR.  
DATE OF DEATH: 01/10/2021

To all interested persons:  
A petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Carolyn C. Daly of Boston, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Carolyn C. Daly of Boston, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 04/27/2021.  
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.  
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DATE OF DEATH: 06/01/2019

To all interested persons:  
A petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Sharon L. Redd of Roxbury, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Sharon L. Redd of Roxbury, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

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Codman Square Health Center

COMMUNITY COVID-19 TESTING AT THE RUSSELL AUDITORIUM

70 Talbot Ave, Boston, MA 02124

CLINIC SCHEDULE:

MONDAY – FRIDAY

1 PM – 5 PM

The clinic will be closed May 31 for Memorial Day

COVID-19 TESTING IS AVAILABLE TO THE COMMUNITY BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. CALL (617) 822-8271 TO SCHEDULE.

Codman Square Health Center will conduct COVID-19 testing for any community member who wants to be tested, regardless of symptoms or contact with others.

Codman thanks the Most Worshipful George Washington Carver Grand Lodge, Inc. AF & AM, and John G. Jones Grand Chapter, Inc. OES, for providing assistance and space at Russell Auditorium to help Codman address community needs during the pandemic.

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Virtual Public Meeting

24 Ericsson Street

Tuesday, March 30  
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Zoom Link: bit.ly/3bT2GMh  
Toll Free: (833) 568 - 8864  
Meeting ID: 160 866 4171

Project Proponent:  
CPC Ericsson Street LLC

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The proposed project consists of the redevelopment of an approximately 156,816 square foot site off of Ericsson Street in the Port Norfolk area of Dorchester. The current proposal consists of multiple buildings and includes 120 residential units, approximately 23,400 square feet of office space, approximately 11,000 square feet of community/office flex space, approximately 3,600 square feet of retail space, a boathouse, and 159 vehicle parking spaces.

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# A three-decker for the times: Airtight – and solar powered

**By SIMÓN RIOS**  
**WBUR REPORTER**

Standing in front of her three-level house in Somerville, Lena Sheehan looks down at the construction of a new high school and transportation hub just a block away. “I can’t get over it, I haven’t been here in so long,” she says. “This is the new T – isn’t that brilliant, right beside the house.”

After immigrating from Ireland in the early 1990s, Sheehan and her husband bought this property on School Street in 1998 against the advice of friends. “It was a crazy idea really, because Somerville wasn’t the place it is now,” she says. “We were very young and naive; it was such a big risk.”

Then one day, she saw a good omen. Her husband found an album of old Irish music a previous tenant had left behind and played her a song about his tiny home village.

“It’s not a very nice song,” she says, laughing and humming the tune. “But he played it and the two of us were dancing around in the living room. And we were laughing. And I remember thinking, okay, that has to be a good sign – maybe this wasn’t a terrible mistake after all.”



A new-fangled take on old New England housing, the UMass Amherst submission that won “most innovative design” in the state’s recent three-decker design challenge. Courtesy UMass Amherst

Their bet on the house paid off. The city began to gentrify, and more than 20 years of rent from the three-story structure allowed them to buy two more rental properties, and their family home in Newton.

### Three-Deckers for the planet

Besides being an economic engine for families like Sheehans, the thousands of triple-deckers (or three-deckers, depending on who is speaking) across Massachusetts have a new significance – for the climate. State officials say if we’re going to reach carbon neutrality by 2050 – as Gov. Baker

has set out to do – triple-deckers have to play a role.

State Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs Kathleen Theoharides says the houses of today are here to stay, and they need to be updated. About 80 percent of the state’s current building stock will still be here in 2050, she says.

“Being able to reshape that building stock and make sure it’s in a condition where it can save people money through energy efficiency and really be a comfortable place to live, is a key part of this work,” she says.

Buildings are responsible for more

than a quarter of the state’s greenhouse gas emissions. Residential buildings with fewer than four units, including single-family homes, make up the bulk of those emissions.

Stephen Pike, CEO of the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center (MassCEC), says the clock is ticking toward 2050, and the pace of retrofitting needs to pick up in a major way.

“At this point, we’re probably doing a couple of thousand a year to a 2050 standard,” he says. “You can do the quick math: we need to be doing roughly 100,000 homes a year [over the next three decades]. And so, where do you start with that?”

One place to start is with our old friend the three-decker, and the solution du jour is known as a “deep energy retrofit.” That means insulating an entire building, sealing off air leaks and installing more sophisticated HVAC systems – ideally powered by solar panels.

That’s easier said than done. Triple-deckers weren’t built for energy efficiency, and making them so is a challenge. That’s why the state recently hosted a design competition to generate ideas.

One entrant was Travis Anderson, a local designer with the design-build firm Placetaylor, which specializes in energy efficient buildings. (Full disclosure: two years ago, I hired Placetaylor for help with a renovation.)

Anderson says retrofitting a triple-decker is like turning an old station wagon into a modern electric vehicle. “Instead of just trading the car in for a brand new one, we’re kind of stuck with having to figure this one out,” he says.

Anderson worked with experts at UMass Amherst on a submission called “(re)Facing the Future.” The proposal looks like a cross between 21st century modern and the classic three-decker we all know – featuring still-under-development window panels that let in light and collect solar energy.

The proposal uses a thermoelectric “smart façade,” creating an airtight seal around the building, insulating, harnessing solar power – and doing all the work on the exterior so as not to disrupt tenants. The price tag: \$329,952, plus \$34,000 for solar equipment.

That was just one of more than a dozen solutions to transform triple-deckers into buildings fit for a carbon-free future.

But one question looms above them all: How economically feasible is it to retrofit the state’s entire housing stock?

### Who’s going to foot the bill?

Out in Worcester, Taylor Bearden thought he had found a way to make it work. Bearden is a co-owner of Civico Development, a firm that has acquired 18 three-deckers in Worcester with the goal of making them as energy efficient as possible.

From the outside, the fresh paint, siding, and windows make Civico’s houses stand out from the rest of the neighborhood, showing how good these old buildings can look with a bit of investment.

Bearden walks into the basement of a three-decker in the Bell Hill neighborhood, where his company owns 10 of them, clustered together for a sort of “campus feel.”

He lists off the improvements: “All the old wiring is gone. The heating systems and the hot water, everything is brand new, all the plumbing is brand new. We’re not going to have a very expensive water

leak that’s going to displace tenants for three months as we repair. We don’t leave any of those hidden issues.”

Civico isn’t your typical property owner. Its business model is based on what he calls the “triple bottom line” of people, planet, and profit. And up until now, it has worked – the company found a way to bring triple-deckers into the future while seeing returns for investors.

But there’s a wrinkle.

Civico started buying and renovating in Worcester in 2017. At that time, Bearden says, it was feasible to buy a building and do a deep energy retrofit. Now, just four years later, the numbers don’t “pencil out.” Housing prices have increased so much, there’s little left to pay for improvements.

Before housing prices shot up, 50 cents of every dollar went to acquisition and 50 cents went to renovation,” Bearden estimates. “In current markets, maybe 10 cents of every dollar could go to renovation. And that’s not a recipe for making better housing.”

Civico is now finishing the company’s 18th, and final, three-decker in Worcester. The total cost for the eight-unit building – for a gut rehab and deep energy retrofit – is estimated at \$1 million.

Bearden thinks that as many as 6,000 three-deckers in Worcester alone would benefit from the same kind of investment. Boston has nearly 10,000 of them, and communities across the state have many more.

Bearden says his company has managed to convert its 18 building without subsidies. But to continue and expand this type of work, he says, builders will likely need government assistance.

Despite an array of incentives aimed at helping builders build green, experts say that if the state’s housing stock is going to reach carbon neutrality by 2050, it’s going to take billions in state and federal subsidies.

One bill in the Massachusetts Legislature seeks to retrofit a million homes over 10 years; President Joe Biden said during his campaign that he wants to upgrade four million buildings in four years, and weatherize two million homes.

But those are just proposals. Now that we know how to retrofit a triple-decker – we just have to figure out how to pay for it.

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## You’re Invited

In a public Zoom webinar, The Ward 15 (Dorchester) Democratic Party Committee will interview three candidates: John Barros, candidate for Mayor of Boston and City Council At-Large candidates David Halbert and incumbent Michael Flaherty.

**Saturday, March 20, 2021**

- 10:00 AM Committee business meeting
- 10:15 AM Interview with David Halbert
- 11:40 AM Interview with Michael Flaherty
- 11:00 AM Interview with John Barros
- 11:30 AM Adjourn

A link to join by Zoom is posted on our Facebook event page:  
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It is believed that the Ward 15 interviews will be the first public opportunity to hear from these candidates this Spring. The interview of candidates for public office is part of our annual cycle of activities in the endorsement process of the Ward 15 Democratic Party Committee.

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**BY COLIN A. YOUNG**  
**STATE HOUSE**  
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As he's done at most every press conference since vaccines became available, Baker again cautioned last Thursday that the limited supply of vaccine doses coming from the federal government prevents Massachusetts from vaccinating at the rate its systems could be operating at with unlimited supply. He said the state already has the capacity to vaccinate two or three times more people each day.

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# UMass should keep freeze on in-state tuition – Meehan

By COLIN A. YOUNG  
STATE HOUSE  
NEWS SERVICE

In recognition of the impacts the pandemic continues to have on people’s pocketbooks, University of Massachusetts President Marty Meehan will recommend a tuition freeze for in-state undergraduate students in the system next academic year, he announced on Tuesday.

“To lessen the financial

burden on our students and their families, many of whom have suffered from job losses, business closures, and other impacts of the COVID-19 crisis, I intend to recommend to the UMass Board of Trustees that we freeze tuition for in-state undergraduate students for the second consecutive year,” Meehan said in a video taped in a research lab at UMass Medical School.

In the video released as part of his State of the University address, Meehan also said UMass is striving toward having “near normal operations” in the fall with most students attending in-person classes and employees returning to campuses.

Last July, the UMass Board of Trustees approved a \$3.3 billion budget that froze 2020-21 academic year tuition,

the first such move in six years, which meant \$18.6 million in foregone revenue for the system. UMass also had to cut about 6 percent of its full-time equivalent workforce and furlough thousands of others to close a \$264 million budget gap.

This year, Meehan said, the tuition freeze is “made possible by the support of federal legislative delegation, which recently passed the American Rescue Plan and our partners in both the state legislature and Governor Baker’s administration.”

Meehan’s recommendation must be approved by the UMass Board of Trustees to become effective and board chairman Robert Manning suggested in a press statement Tuesday that he’s on target with the freeze.

“President Meehan’s recommendation reflects his recognition that our students and their families have been dealing with significant financial hardship throughout this pandemic. The Board shares this concern, and also knows that the skilled management of university by President Meehan and our five chancellors makes this freeze possible,” he said.

## Orange Line train derails; 100 moved onto buses

One of the MBTA’s new Orange Line trains derailed in a work zone near Wellington Station on Tuesday morning, creating significant delays while passengers were shifted to shuttle buses, the agency said. A spokesman for the T said the northbound train derailed while crossing over to the southbound track and “moving at a slow rate of speed” around 11:40 a.m. Tuesday. About 100 passengers were on board at the time of the incident.

“The cause is under



investigation,” MBTA spokesman Joe Pesaturo said in an email. “There were no injuries. The train was crossing to the southbound track to accommodate ongoing Orange Line maintenance work.”

Employees are working to put the train back onto the rails, and shuttle buses will replace Orange Line service between Oak Grove and Community College stations in the meantime.

The T plans “a thorough damage assessment” to examine the train once it returns to a maintenance facility.

A string of high-profile derailments in 2019 prompted creation of an independent panel to examine safety at the MBTA. In December of that year, the group concluded that the T had a “questionable” approach to safety including frequent lapses in maintenance and inspections.

- CHRIS LISINSKI  
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## Judge looking to rule on school lawsuit by April 15

(Continued from page 1)

white and Asian-American parents sued BPS.

Citing Covid-19, the School Committee last fall approved a system for 2021-2022 by which the first 20 percent of seats at Boston Latin School, Boston Latin Academy, and the John D. O’Bryant School would be offered to students with the highest pre-Covid grades in BPS, charter, private and religious schools. The remaining 80 percent would be offered in rounds based on grades in individual Zip codes, starting with those Zip codes with the lowest median incomes for families with at least one child under 18 - an effort to help low-income students whose families

have been hit particularly hard by the pandemic.

Young gave all sides in the case until April 2 to file their written arguments. He said he would then schedule oral arguments for the following week, which would give him time to write an order.

Attorneys for BPS and the NAACP said that depending on what the lawyers for the White and Asian-American parents file, they might want to file statements by experts on the reasons to use the Zip-code-based plan this year.


Young reminded the attorneys that he’s not hearing the case in a vacuum, because school racial issues are not new in Boston and he has

already begun research on the case.

But he cautioned that that would mean he’d need to extend the date for his deadline past April 15 to consider them, and he will be reluctant to do that, because the students have a right to know what school they’ll be attending in the fall, as do their parents.

He noted that he is also mindful of the potential stress on BPS officials who might have to draw up completely new assignment plans on short notice. Those officials, he said, already have “the very difficult job of serving Boston’s school children.”


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See 3/31/21 on the BPDA Calendar for more info.

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# In Mattapan, home visitors get vaccines into elders' arms

By DANIEL SHEEHAN  
REPORTER STAFF

For the past two weeks, staff at the Harbor Health PACE center on Morton Street have been vaccinating at-risk seniors in Mattapan and neighboring communities as part of recent efforts by Harbor Health Services to stand up clinics at their Mattapan and Brockton senior care facilities.

So far in the state's vaccine rollout, logistical shortcomings have meant that those who need the vaccine most are often hardest to reach. But making vaccines available at the center's medical clinic was one way to circumvent some of those obstacles, explained Mardi McMahon, PACE's clinical director.

"Logistics are a nightmare with this vaccine for anybody. But for the elderly who can't get on a computer, who aren't computer-savvy, who have difficulty hearing on the phone, it's very



A happy recipient of the Covid-19 vaccine celebrated at the Harbor Health PACE clinic in Mattapan last week.  
Photo courtesy Harbor Health

challenging," said McMahon.

"But for our participants," she said, "we're used to providing care where they are, whether it be in assisted living, in an apartment, or in congregate housing. So that is something we've been used to providing. We have home care nurses

that go out and make visits on a daily basis to participants as needed."

Last Thursday, McMahon said they were beginning their second round of vaccinating participants. About 200 clients had already received both shots. She estimated that most participants in the program – roughly 400 in all – will be fully vaccinated by the end of March.

PACE took a multi-pronged approach to the outreach process, contacting seniors by mail

and phone and texting family members.

"The majority accepted, but there were some that declined," said McMahon, noting that her team followed up a second time with those who had initially opted against receiving the vaccine.

"We don't want to push people into something they're not comfortable with, but we like to give people a little bit of time to process it, and as more and more people in the community and their family members were vaccinated, I think they were more willing to accept it.

"We were very fortunate because we're associated with the health centers – Neponset Health Center, Geiger, the Harbor Health Center – and were able to obtain some vaccines."

Many seniors who were already coming to the Mattapan and Brockton sites for therapeutic activities, socialization programs, and other services simply made getting the shots a part of their visit. For those who were totally homebound, PACE staff went to their homes and administered the vaccine there. In either case, the clinic

provided transportation.

"We do have a lot of participants in assisted living facilities; they were vaccinated by CVS and Walgreens pretty early on. That really gave us a big boost and the ability to say 'let's just focus on our people who truly live in apartments, family homes, and what-not.'"

Participants who have already received the vaccine were "thrilled," said McMahon, who is looking forward to the center getting "back to where we were" before the pandemic.

"We used to have 60-80 people in the center a day, and now we're down to 25," she said. "Socialization and other activities we offer are really important, but during this time we've had to pick and choose who's at higher risk and limit who can be there, and we hate to do that."

Kathleen DiLorenzo, a South Weymouth resident, told the Reporter that she has benefitted from Harbor Health PACE's services in recent years while caring for her mother, Dorothy Wilson.

"My mom has been with the PACE program for seven years, and it's one of the best decisions I've made as a caregiver," said DiLorenzo. "Quite honestly, if it wasn't for PACE, she'd be in a nursing home...they always offer great support and in terms of the vaccine,

it was no different."

PACE made arranging for her mother to get the vaccine a quick and painless process, said DiLorenzo. Wilson, 91, was diagnosed with Alzheimer's 12 years ago, a reality that would have made navigating registration and vaccination logistics a herculean task for DiLorenzo herself.

"Being a caregiver for someone with complex needs, there's no time to be on the computer all day, schedule a vaccine, stand in line – that would have been very difficult if not impossible for me," she explained. "In my mom's case, she's a higher need patient...I try to respect her autonomy to the degree possible, but obviously I need to step in and take control of different situations."

"Having a partner in that has really helped to keep her at home and out of a nursing home," DiLorenzo said. "This year highlighted the value of that, when you consider what was going on in the nursing homes in this pandemic and how fearful everyone has been in that demographic, I had that peace of mind...I feel very privileged to have access."

For more information about the senior vaccine clinics operating at Harbor Health PACE's Mattapan (1135 Morton St.) and Brockton (479 Torrey St.), visit hhsi.us.

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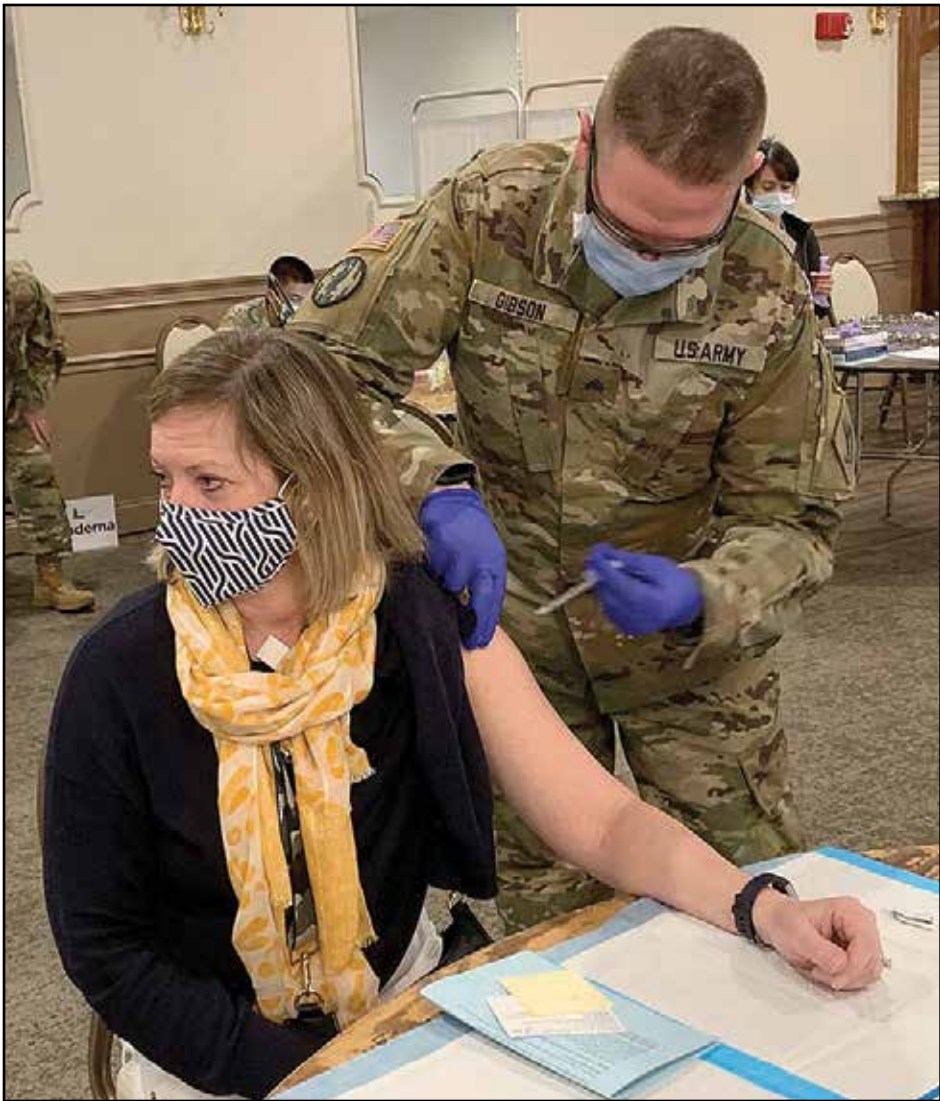
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# Florian Hall looking at a vaccinations ramp-up



Sgt. Thomas Gibson, EMT, administered a dose of the Covid-19 vaccine to Elizabeth Hoenscheid of West Roxbury at the Florian Hall clinic on Friday. *Daniel Sheehan photo*

(Continued from page 1) start due to supply chain issues, the center is primed to dole out 2,000 vaccines per week in the latter stages of this month.

“Our supply chain has been challenging with the state. We get notified on Friday what our vaccine supply is going to be for the following week, so that has kind of limited the operation to figure out how many appointment slots we can open up,” she explained.

“We don’t want to open up too many and then have to call people and cancel, so that’s been one of our biggest challenges.”

Vaccinations at Florian Hall are currently available to eligible Harbor Health patients and non-patients by appointment only, with time slots being scheduled during either a morning (8:30-11:45 a.m.) or afternoon (1-3:45 p.m.) window Monday through

Friday. After starting out administering shots of the Moderna vaccine, Florian Hall clinicians now possess supplies of both the Moderna and Pfizer brands of injections.

Within the next two weeks, additional supply line reinforcements from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) will bolster dwindling reserves.

“We got notified yesterday (March 11) that we qualify for HRSA supply so we’ll have the ability to get supply directly from the federal government, which is terrific,” Brogna said on Friday. “We’re looking forward to that so we can vaccinate more people...this is great news for Harbor, great news for Dorchester.”

Thomas Matta, a clinical pharmacist and Dorchester resident, has been on hand at the clinic in recent weeks helping

to train National Guard service members and other staff on the basics of inoculation.

Matta, who said he has helped run flu vaccine clinics in the past, explained that his role involves “helping to make sure they understand the do’s and don’ts, helpful tips on how to administer the vaccine, what to do if a situation arises that’s not going according to plan, how to draw up doses, how to verify doses.”

Some medics in the National Guard have experience administering vaccines, Matta noted, while most EMTs have medical training but need some guidelines when it comes to giving shots. “With Pfizer, you have to add a dilutant, so

we show them how to appropriately add the dilutant while keeping it sterile. We’re making sure we’re putting an emphasis on sterility.”

Matta added that the clinic’s recent HRSA designation “means we can target the Dorchester community even more. We’ll have the ability to be more large scale...the biggest thing is serving the community, serving one of the hardest hit, most economically diverse neighborhoods in Boston.”

John Hall, a 68-year-old who grew up in Dorchester but is now a Weymouth resident, described his experience

getting the vaccine as “wonderful” as he sat in the observation area at Florian last Friday. For Hall, and several others who found the streamlined process at Florian to be “super easy,” the smaller localized site offers a quick alternative compared to the state’s mass vaccination sites and sometimes unwieldy registration systems.

“I had been waiting for two months on the phone. Well, I work during the day, but my girlfriend was getting really frustrated. One morning she woke up at 4 to book a slot and they were already all gone. Then a friend of mine suggested

this location and called them, and we both made appointments for today.”

Hall noted that the occasion was jarring in comparison to his previous memories of Florian Hall, the familiar gathering place down the street from where he grew up.

“It’s very strange,” he said, “because I’ve been here so many times when there were functions going on, with parties and bands.”

In the end, Hall’s reaction to finally getting the shot was one of relief. “It’s been a long year,” he said.



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## Nearly 1 million fully vaccinated across state

By the end of the day last Sunday, the Department of Public Health reported, 2,535,295 doses of Covid-19 vaccines had been administered in Massachusetts and 914,927 people had completed their inoculation regime.

The department said 1,620,368 people have received at least one dose of the Moderna or Pfizer vaccines, both of which require two shots. That’s up by about 6,000 people from the report DPH issued Sunday.

Officials said 853,934

people had received both doses of the Moderna of Pfizer vaccines by the end of the day Sunday, up by about 5,700 people from the day before. There are 60,993 people in Massachusetts who had gotten the single-shot Johnson & Johnson vaccine, an increase of only 677 people from the day before.

Gov. Baker has said the state was expecting to get an initial shipment of J&J doses followed by a lull in deliveries of the one-dose vaccine while production is ramped up.

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# New plan floated for Port Norfolk development build-out

**By BILL FORRY  
EDITOR**

A developer's proposal to build a new complex of residences and mixed-use buildings on the Port Norfolk waterfront will get a new hearing this month. The Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) has scheduled a virtual public meeting for Tues., March 30, at 6 p.m. to re-

view City Point Capital's plans for 24 Ericsson St., which includes what is now the MarineMax/Russo Marine site next to Venezia restaurant and function hall.

According to a meeting notice published in today's *Reporter*, the latest iteration of the project would include "multiple buildings" and "120 residential units,

approximately 23,400 square feet of office space, approximately 11,000 square feet of community/office flex space, approximately 3,600 square feet of retail space, a boathouse, and 159 vehicle parking spaces."


Earlier versions of the project — dating back roughly four years now — have been met with resistance from some Port Norfolk residents, much of it centered on traffic issues, too-tall buildings, and the absence of a plan to protect the neighborhood from flooding.



Architect's rendering of the revised Port Norfolk development.

jump-start private investment on the 156,816 square-foot property. Labor unions and some Port Norfolk residents have also indicated strong support, citing the potential for jobs and an economic lift for the peninsula.

The March 30 meeting will be held via Zoom. A comment period on this version of the project will be open through April 30. For more information, contact Raul Duverge, the BPDA project manager, at 617-918-4492 or [raul.duverge@boston.gov](mailto:raul.duverge@boston.gov).



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### The Harbor Health, PACE Program

The Harbor Health, PACE Program (Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly) understands that caring for an aging loved one can be exhausting and overwhelming. The physical, emotional and mental stress of being a caregiver can wreak havoc even on the most resilient. It is important to recognize the signs and symptoms of caregiver stress and take immediate action to prevent caregiver burnout. Caring for a loved one can be a rewarding experience but you must take the necessary steps to preserve your own health and well being or you will not be able to care for anyone else.

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There are many local resources and support available for caregivers. The Harbor Health, PACE Program has been committing to providing comprehensive care to older adults with chronic health care needs while maintaining their independence and dignity at home. This dedicated team of healthcare professionals works with caregivers to develop the most effective plan of care for their loved ones. Call 617-533-2497 or go to [www.hhsi.us](http://www.hhsi.us) to learn more about the eligibility and rewards of the PACE Program.

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## Walsh: City provided 6.8m meals over last year

The City of Boston has distributed 6.8 million meals to youth and older adults in need since the start of the pandemic one year ago, Mayor Walsh's office announced Monday.

The Boston's Public Health Commission declared a public health emergency on March 15, 2020, launching into an effort to help residents access essential services and supports. In the year since then, the city and partner organizations have distributed 25 million pounds of food to those in need, according to statistics Boston published Monday.

The city provided 5.6 million prepared meals across 91 meal sites and delivered another 1.2 million to residents' homes, officials said, plus deliveries of 207,000 grocery bags and 123,000 produce and grocery staples boxes.

"Ensuring access to nutritious food is a critical piece to our response to the pandemic, and a key part of Boston's equitable response to this pandemic," Walsh said in a statement. "Since the beginning of the public health emergency, we knew that reaching all Bostonians in need was vital to ensure everyone's well being, especially as we asked individuals to stay home and as more people faced financial challenges."


- CHRIS LISINSKI  
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## Six-foot rules for schools revisited

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) is revisiting its guidance that schools maintain 6 feet of distance between students in the classroom after a study published last week on the efficacy of social distancing in Massachusetts schools found little difference in infection rates when 6 feet or 3 feet of distance is enforced with mask wearing.

The study was published in the journal *Clinical Infectious Disease* and could impact back-to-school planning in Massachusetts where Commissioner Jeff Riley has instructed all elementary schools to reopen for full-time, in-person learning by April 5.

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**BGCD Partners with Elevate Youth for Cross-Country Skiing Trip:** Since September, BGCD has been partnering with Elevate Youth to provide safe outdoor activities for our members. Activities include a Hiking Club with outings to the Blue Hills, Orienteering sessions to local parks and this weekend a group headed to the Weston Ski Track to enjoy Cross-Country Skiing. For the next outing the group will return to the Blue Hills for a hike to the Summit. In addition to all of the outdoor activities, a separate cohort of 40 BGCD families are taking part in the E.A.T. Initiative Cooking Class with the next class taking place on March 25th. Thanks to our program partner Elevate Youth for making these opportunities available for our members and families. For more information on the Hiking Club please contact Brendan McDonald at [bmcdonald@bgcdorchester.org](mailto:bmcdonald@bgcdorchester.org).

**FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE:**  
**LOOKING FOR BGCD ALUM! BGCD Announces Kick Off of Alumni Association - Register Now:** BGCD is excited to kick off the registration for our new Alumni Association. If you are a former member and would like to join our newly formed Alumni Association please visit - <https://www.bgcdorchester.org/alumni/> to register. The Alumni Association is an opportunity to stay connected, attend social events and support the work of BGCD. There is a \$25 annual membership, while those ages 18-22 can register for free. We have a group of 50+ Alumni helping to lead the group in our first year with a goal of 1000 in the coming months. As we move forward we will host a Reunion event, explore opportunities to volunteer and keep everyone up to date on all happenings at the Club. For more information, please reach out to [alumni@bgcdorchester.org](mailto:alumni@bgcdorchester.org).



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**DID YOU KNOW:**  
**BGCD's Walter Denney Youth Center Celebrates 18th Anniversary:** This week, Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester is celebrating the 18th Anniversary of the opening of our Walter Denney Youth Center. The Denney Center is one of our three Clubhouses in Dorchester and is located in the Harbor Point community. Our Clubhouse has grown so much over the years, most recently opening our new Early Education & Care Center. The Club is always evolving and finding new opportunities to serve our families. The Denney Center is currently hosting Learning Hubs for members during out of school learning time. We want to congratulate Queenie, Tara, Chad and all of the staff at the Denney Center who make this Club so special and welcoming. We are so thankful to our BGCD family and community for the continuous support you have shown us, without you we would not be where we are today.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**


Let's Get Ready SAT Prep  
February 23 - April 29

Christopher Kimball's Milk Street  
Cooking Class  
March 22

College Fellows  
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Career Exploration Series  
March 24

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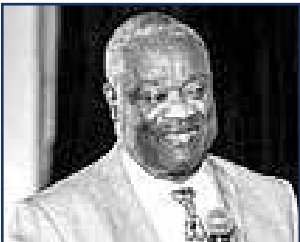
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RECENT OBITUARIES



**CLAIRVILLE, Reynald**, 63, of Randolph. Husband of Marie (Casimir) Clairville. Father of Reginald Clairville. He leaves behind a host of family and church family (namely Free Pentecostal Church of God).



**CURRY, Ursel**, 85, of Mattapan. Daughter of the late George A. Wells

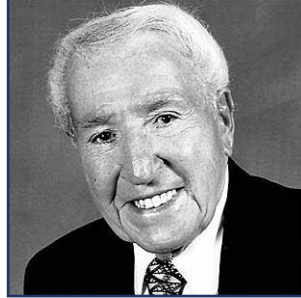
and Ursel L. Wells. Wife of the late Willie “Sarge” Curry. She is survived by her children: Carlene D. Curry, Gregory W. Curry (Anne-Katharina), and Coretta L. Curry; grandchildren: Mercedes Roberson, Carolyn Curry, Mitchell Curry, Kathleen Curry, and Julian Curry; nieces and nephews: Pamela Westbrooks, Linda Wright, Robert Westbrooks, Kimberly Brunson, Kyle Wells (Carla), Kara Wells, Kristyn Wells, Milton Irving. Ursel was employment in the Boston Public Schools Food Service Department. She later earned a certificate in food management and managed the cafeterias of Madison Park High School in Roxbury, Hernandez Middle School in Jamaica Plain, and Levenberg Middle School in Mattapan. She retired from the Boston Public Schools in 2002 after more than 25 years of service.



**DORSAINVIL, Jacquelyn Leona (Cave)**, 77, of Mattapan to the late Thomas (TC) and Hilda (Gittens) Cave. Jackie worked as a Paraprofessional for the Boston Public Schools until her retirement in 2015. Jackie worked in the district schools including Dorchester High School and retiring at the Josiah Quincy Upper High School. She co-founded Off the Wall Caterers. Jackie is preceded by her husband, Rene (Winnie) Dorsainvil; parents, Thomas and Hilda Cave, sister, Marilyn Cave; oldest son, Dana Cave; oldest granddaughter, Dayna Cave and cousin Florence Gaskin. Jackie is survived by her youngest son, Leon Dorsainvil Cave of Boston; step-children Jennifer Brock (Duncan) of Boston, and Darnell Anderson of Boston; Daughter-in-law, Janice Cave (Dana); and 6 grandchildren.



**FOLAN, Julia (Walsh)** of Dorchester born in Kieran, Rossaveel, Galway, Ireland. Wife of John “Sean” Folan. Mother of Sean Folan and his wife Tricia of Dorchester, Patrick and his wife Cathy of PA, Stephen and his wife Tara of Dorchester, Brendan and his wife Heidi Folan of NH, Julie and her husband Robert Cass of Quincy, Peggy Folan of Dorchester and Liam and his wife Cailyn Folan of Quincy. Sister of Bridie Toohig, Mary Dixon, Stephen Walsh, Brian Walsh and Nancy Boyes all of England and the late Sean and Padraic Walsh. Also survived by 14 grandchildren.



**FOYE, Richard J. “Dick” “Sonny,”** 86, of Braintree. Dick was born, raised, and educated in Jamaica Plain. He had lived in

Braintree for the past seven years, previously in Quincy, and earlier in Dorchester. U.S. Army veteran. He was the owner and operator of Foye & Letendre Landscaping of Quincy for forty years. Husband of Kathleen F. (Mackey) Foye and the late Mary T. (Heanue) Foye. Father of Donna M. Somerville, Nancy A. Elliott, John F. Foye, all of Quincy, and the late Richard J. Foye, Jr. Stepfather of Patricia Tellier Gaut and her husband Adron of San Diego, CA. Brother of James Ryan of Norwood. Son of the late Helen Lazzarro. Dick is also survived by many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Donations in Richard’s memory may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, 209 W. Central St., Suite 220, Natick, MA 01760.



**FREEMAN, Aidan Michael** Of Stoughton, suddenly at the age of 7 years after a courageous battle with Rett Syndrome. Son of Tracy E. (Kerr) Freeman and Michael F. Freeman. Brother of Abigail and Alexander Freeman. Grandson of Anne E. (Dudley) Kerr of Randolph, Frederick A. Freeman of Foxboro, and the late Richard H. Kerr and Elaine (Pitts) Freeman. Nephew of Richard Kerr and his wife Karole Rose Kerr of Easton, Christine Freeman of Foxboro, and his late Godfather Keith R. Kerr, and his late uncle James Freeman. He was a member of the Kennedy Day School, where he excelled. Donations in Aidan’s memory may be made to rsangels.org for Rett Syndrome.



**KAMINSKY, Irene J. (Burzak)**, 100, of Dorchester, formerly of New Kensington, PA. Wife of the late Andrew Kaminsky. Mother of Andrea K. Barton of Dorchester. Grandmother of Stacey A. and William A. Sr. Great-grandmother of William Jr.

**LYDON, Barbara Ann** of Milton, formerly of Dorchester. Daughter of the late Philip F. Ly-



don and Hannah Keady Lydon. Sister of the late Mary M. “Peggy” Lydon. Cousin of Mary Martin of Holbrook, Philip Lydon of Middleboro, Barbara Hogan of Walpole, Ann McKenna of Harwich, and Kathleen Riley of Quincy. Also survived by a large extended family and many friends. Donations may be made in her memory to the Alzheimer’s Association at alz.org



**MCCARTHY, Helen (Walsh)**, 93, of Dorchester. Wife of the late Florence “Finn” McCarthy. Mother of Edward McCarthy and his wife Helen of Franklin, Finbarr McCarthy and his wife Paula of Dedham, Maureen O’Donnell and Roy of Norfolk, Eileen Coughlin and her late husband Robert of Pembroke, Patricia Ferraro and her husband Christopher of Milton, Richard McCarthy and his wife Maureen of Marshfield, Helen C. McCarthy and her husband Declan Hourihan of Dorchester and the late Denis McCarthy and his Donna of Marshfield. Sister of Mary Driscoll of Milton and the late Richard, Michael, and Edward Walsh. Also survived by 17 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Donations may be made in her memory to St. Gregory’s Church, 2215 Dorchester Ave., Boston, MA 02124.

**MILANO, Jane E. (Monahan)** originally from Dorchester, currently of Milton, and a longtime resident of West Roxbury and Manomet. Wife of the late Vincent M. Milano. Mother of Stephen of Atlanta, Peter and his wife Maureen of West Roxbury, Christopher and his wife Kathleen of Reading, Julie Lombardo and her husband Jon of Milford. Nana to 9; great-grand mother to 1. Sister-in-law of William Looney of South Weymouth, predeceased by sister, Janet and her husband Robert Tobin, sister, Nancy Looney, brother, Thomas Monahan and his wife Betty Ann, and many nieces and nephews. Former first grade teacher, for 23 years, at Holy Name Parish School in West Roxbury. Donations

may be made to the Immune Deficiency Foundation primaryimmune.org or Holy Name Parish School holynameschool.org




**NIGRO, Daniel J.**, 78 of Newton, formerly of East Boston and Ocala, Florida. Husband of 58 years to Loretta J. (Ferranti). Father to Denise McNair and her husband Darren of Dorchester, Danielle Khitrik, and her husband Roman of Newton. Proud Pa of three grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He is survived by his brother James R. Nigro of Salem. Contributions can be made in Daniel’s memory to: Care Dimensions, mailed to 75 Sylvan Street, Suite B-102, Danvers, MA 01923.



**RILEY, Richard G.** of Dorchester. Son of the late Walter V., Jr. and Anna C. (Linehan) Riley. Brother of Dennis Riley and his wife Patricia of East Bridgewater, Paul Riley and his wife Dorothy of Braintree and the late Walter V. Riley. Uncle of Dennis Riley, Daniel Riley, Shawn Riley and Kathleen Riley. Please make remembrances to Seasons Hospice and Palliative Care, 1 Edgewater Dr., Suite 203, Norwood, MA 02062.



**VU, Ky Dinh**, 72, of Dorchester. A son of the late Quang Vu and Sao Thi Phi. Ky is survived by his wife Oanh Thi Nguyen of Dorchester, son Kenneth Vu of Dorchester, daughter in-law Cathy Loi-Vu of Dorchester, 2 grandchildren, sisters Sac Vu of Medford, Tai Vu of Quincy, Thoa Vu of Medford, and Dao Vu of Woburn. Ky was a communicant of St. Ambrose and St. Marks’ Church in Dorchester.



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