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A rendering shows what a newly proposed biotech building at the rear of the former Boston Globe property at 135 Morrissey Blvd. might look like from the vantage point of Savin Hill. Image courtesy Beacon Capital Partners

Developer of former Globe complex details plans for new biotech building

By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS
MANAGING EDITOR

The developers involved in the overhaul of the former Boston Globe headquarters at 135 Morrissey Blvd. are moving ahead with plans to place a new biotech building in the parking lot in back of the property between Patten's Cove and I-93 and adjacent to Savin Hill Court.

Beacon Capital Partners, part of the property's ownership team, laid out its intentions for a six-story building last year and early this month, the limited liability company involved in pushing the plans filed an environmental impact report with state officials that gives details on the project.

The Boston Planning and Development Agency is reviewing the project, with a comment period open until May 7.

At a meeting of the Columbia Savin Hill Civic Association last June, members said they preferred a six-story building rather than a four-story building that could be sited closer to neighborhood residences along the edge of the property. Others asked for a promise from the developer that after the six-story building, there would be no more construction on the lot.

There is "no intention of developing the site any further than we're proposing," a representative of the developers said at the meeting.

As to this month's filing, it noted that "the proposed building will contain a combination of laboratory and office uses. The specific type and mix of office and lab uses will be determined in response to evolving market conditions and developed in collaboration with future tenants."

The 305,000-square-foot building would have below-grade parking with 244 spaces, and 173 surface parking spaces will be eliminated.

The Globe sold the 16-acre property for \$81 million, and while the facility that once was home to a newsroom, business offices, and printing presses was initially slated to become creative and light industrial space, the owners are now housing biotech companies, Nobull, a fitness apparel company that does business with major sports leagues, a food hall, and a brew pub.

First known as "The Beat," as a nod to the reporters who once worked on beats inside the newsroom, the site has since been rebranded as "Southline Boston," a twin to "Southline San" (Continued on page 10)

Sounds of relief abound at 55 Morrissey Boulevard

By IZZY BRYARS
SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

For many local musicians, affordable rehearsal space is hard to come by. Even when they can secure a place to practice that fits their budgets, there's always the likelihood of the property being sold, developed, or demolished.

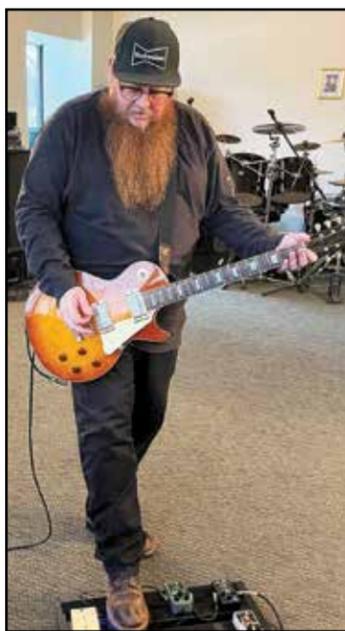
Jesse Weiss, a sound engineer and drummer in the band Pet Fox, was booted from two studios earlier this year before he found an interim practice space at 55 Morrissey Blvd., which was once home to a radio station company.

"There's been so much good music that has happened here

in Boston, and that continues to happen and there's a great community of people," Weiss said. "You know, we just need more venues. We need more places to play and we need more places to practice."

After some 700 musicians were displaced from an Allston Brighton space called the "Sound Museum" when a developer brought biotech companies to the site, close to 500 now have rehearsal space at 55 Morrissey after a quick revamp earlier this year by the nonprofit The Record Co.

The temporary rehearsal space was made possible by (Continued on page 5)



Jim Healey of Blood Lightning at the Record Co @55 Photo courtesy the artist

MBTA's new GM sees attention to 'basics,' and innovation as key tools for transit agency revival

By CHRIS LISINSKI
STATE HOUSE
NEWS SERVICE

Incoming MBTA General Manager Phillip Eng is walking into an agency where slow zones cover more than a quarter of subway tracks, service cuts persist on heavy rail and buses, and the chasm of a budget shortfall in the hundreds of millions of dollars looms just a couple of years away.

His bet is that a focus on the "basics" and empowering the agency's stretched-thin workforce – plus a healthy dose of what Gov. Maura Healey called a "spirit of optimism" – will begin to turn the tide for the beleaguered agency.

Eng, an engineer and longtime transportation executive who led the Long Island Rail Road for four years, introduced himself to Massachusetts on Monday hours after Healey's office announced that a months-long search settled on him as the best choice to lead the T.

He described himself both as a "people person" who would give MBTA staff the support and tools they need to improve from within and as someone who has a "need" to solve problems whenever he sees them due to his background in engineering.

"The status quo is not acceptable, and moving forward, we will be innovative, open to new ideas, and think of outside-of-the-box solutions, but this is also about bringing back the basics," Eng said. "Our job starts with making sure the T is safe and reliable, especially when it comes to communication. As a commuter myself, I know how frustrating it is when you can't" (Continued on page 12)



Phillip Eng was introduced as the new MBTA general manager on Monday. SHNS photo

Mel King, activist and Boston political pioneer, dead at 94

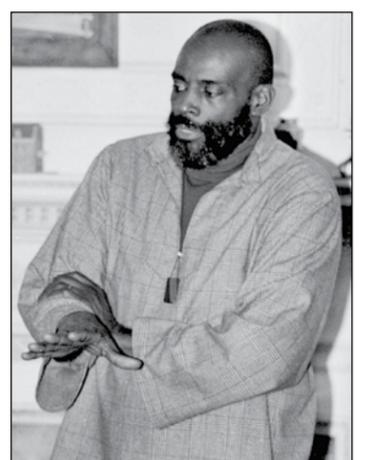
By MAX LARKIN
WBUR REPORTER

Mel King, perhaps the most prominent activist and Black politician of Boston's 20th century, has died at age 94.

His son, Michael King, said his father died in his sleep Tuesday afternoon at home.

In a city that touts its history as a temporary home to two giants of the civil-rights movement, King was 100 percent home-grown.

His name is revered by generations of activists and artists, like Jamarhl Crawford of Roxbury. Crawford said King was "our Nelson Mandela... ambassador-like, statesmanlike." (Continued on page 14)



Mel King is shown speaking during a 1979 forum at Dorchester's First Parish Church. Chris Lovett photo

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Police, Courts & Fire

Loaded handgun found in Walker Playground



Boston Police recovered a loaded 9mm handgun inside Walker Playground on Norfolk Street in Mat-tapan on Monday afternoon. Police were called to the scene around 2:45 p.m. by a resident who spotted the gun, which had apparently been discarded inside the city-owned park. The firearm and a loaded ammo magazine that was found nearby have been turned over to the BPD Firearms Analysis Unit for processing.

Three men were arrested by Boston Police near Four Corners on Monday evening after police pulled over their vehicle for a moving violation in Grove Hall. During their investigation, police say the discovered two loaded firearms in the car, which no one in the car was licensed to carry. Arrested at the scene were Jean Donovan Wildj, 20, and Kyvon Ross, 24, both from Dorchester, and Malik Swan, 21, of Roxbury. They were set to be arraigned in Dorchester District Court this week.

AAA Grocery, 181 Washington St. in Dorchester, was held up around 9:50 p.m. on Monday night (March 27) by a man in a black mask who showed a gun, got some cash, then ran down Erie Street. No arrests have been reported.

A 45-year-old Boston man was arrested last Friday night after he allegedly caused a disturbance inside the AMC movie theatre at South Bay. Police say the incident unfolded around 8:25 p.m. at 25 District Ave. after security at the theatre called police to assist with an unruly customer who had attempted to assault theatre staff.

As officers attempted to arrest the suspect – later identified as Freddie Bates – other “suspects” pushed officers to prevent his arrest, according to a BPD account. Bates was found to be carrying a loaded firearm on his waistband, for which he now faces illegal gun charges. A second person, a 16 year-old female, was also arrested after she was found trying to hide a gun that had been taken from one of the theatre security guards during the scuffle.

Both Bates and the girl were to be arraigned at South Boston District Court on a variety of charges.



The McDonald's restaurant on Gallivan Boulevard remains closed and fenced off this week as a renovation project gets underway. The Adams Corner location is “currently undergoing a remodel that will help to modernize the restaurant experience for the community, customers and the crew,” said company spokesperson Micah Lillard. “The project is currently slated to be completed in May.” *Bill Forry photo*

T sets April service changes for Red and Fairmount lines

The MBTA has announced service changes for the month of April that involve the Red Line and the Fairmount commuter rail in Dorchester along with routes along the Green, Orange, and Blue lines.

There will be no scheduled service changes during Marathon weekend, April 15-16.

The Red Line switches are due to the agency's “focus on rail and tie replacement work” during the month, the T said. This coming weekend, shuttle buses will replace service between Brain-

tree and JFK/UMass Stations to allow crews to work on multiple stretches of the branch line.

Evening trains next week through Thursday will be replaced with shuttle buses between North Quincy and JFK/UMass beginning at 9 p.m.

The Fairmount Com-muter Rail Line will be replaced with shuttle buses between South Station and Readville starting at around 9 p.m. this Friday and continuing over the weekend. Shuttles will resume at 9 p.m. the following Friday

(April 7) and run through the weekend of April 8-9 for bridge replacement work at the East Cottage Street and Norfolk Avenue bridges.

No bicycles are allowed on shuttle buses and regular commuter rail fares will be collected between Readville and Forge Park/495 Stations.

From Tues., April 18, through Thurs., April 20, evening trains will be replaced with shuttle bus service between Park Street and JFK/UMass starting at around 9 p.m., allowing crews to perform “pre-work activ-

ities” in preparation for weekend diversions April 22-23 and April 29-30.

Shuttle buses will also provide service between Kendall/MIT and JFK/UMass on the weekend of April 22-23 to allow for rail and tie replacement that will alleviate speed restrictions near South Station. During the weekend of April 29-30, shuttle buses will also provide service between Kendall/MIT and JFK/UMass for work around the First Street gate in Cambridge.

– IZZY BRYARS

Clean-ups, ceremonies set for One Boston Day

Boston will observe the tenth anniversary of the attack on the 2013 Boston Marathon on Sat., April 15, with a series of volunteer events, including community clean-ups in Columbia-Savin Hill and Franklin Park.

Two remembrance events will be held on Boylston Street, including a private early morning gathering and wreath laying at the memorial sites for the families who lost loved ones.

Honor guards, including the Boston Fire Department, Boston Po-



lice Department, Boston Emergency Medical Services, and Suffolk County Sheriff Department's Honor Guards, will be present at the memorial sites throughout the day, and at 2:30 p.m., there will be a set of events – the dedication of a new

commemorative finish line, the ringing of bells, and the unveiling of a One Boston Day marker on Boylston Street – to which the public is invited.

The Columbia-Savin Hill Civic Association (CSHCA) is organizing a clean-up effort from 2-5 p.m. as part of the day's schedule of events.

“Since 2013, our communities have continued to come together and give back in their own way to bring people a sense of purpose as reinforced with the Martin Richard

Foundation,” said Desmond Rohan, a board member of CSHCA. “The feeling of giving back in whatever way is a fulfilling feeling for anyone.

“It's also a great way to know your community and its citizens. Boston needs a little love after the winter months and our event of a community cleanup will make our neighborhood shine a little more as we head toward spring.”

A full list of events is available online boston.gov/one-boston.

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UPCOMING CIVIC MEETINGS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

The Neponset River Greenway Council and the Neponset River Watershed Association will sponsor a **Spring Bunny Hop along the Greenway Trail for kids young and old on Sunday, April 2 from 1-3 p.m.** There will be music from DJ Ed Regal, crafts, games and surprises! The Vintage Tractor and Construction Inc. will be displaying vintage tractors and construction machinery at this free event. Contact ripley@neponset.org for more info.

The BPDA hosts a virtual public meeting on Wed., April 5 at 6 p.m. on the **Dorchester Bay City project.** See bostonplans.org for meeting details.

The BPDA will host a virtual public meeting on Tuesday, April 11 at 6 p.m. to discuss proposed redevelopments at **114-122 Harvard St. and 18-24 Standish St.** in Dorchester. The meeting will include a 45-minute presentation of the proposal

by TLEE development and 45 minutes of public Q and A. See page 13 for more info on how to join the meeting or visit bostonplans.org.

The Dorchester Day parade is scheduled for Sunday, June 4 at 1 p.m. Participation forms are available on the website dotdayparade.org or email info@dotdayparade.org. Applications are now available for candidates the ‘mayor’ of Dorchester contest. The next parade committee volunteer meeting will be held on Tues., March 14 at Savin Bar and Kitchen, 116 Savin Hill Ave., Dorchester.

Codman Square Health Center is offering free tax preparation clinics for Boston residents at 450 Washington St., Dorchester throughout the tax season. Drop by the clinic on Mondays and Tuesdays from 4-8p.m. or Saturdays 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Call 617-822-8182 for more info.

The New England Women's Leadership Awards, hosted by the Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester, will be held on Mon., May 15. NEWLA was among the first events of its kind in the Boston area and so far has recognized 134 outstanding women. To learn more about NEWLA, visit bgc-dorchester.org.

First Parish Dorchester on Meetinghouse Hill will host a Dorchester Community Passover Seder on Sat., April 8, from 5.30 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the parish hall. The event is family friendly and all are welcome to participate in the Passover story and meal. Potluck food donations are welcome. For more information, call the First Parish office at 617-436-0527.

The 27th annual Mother's Day Walk for Peace will be held on Sunday, May 14 beginning at 8 a.m. at Town Field in Fields Corner, Dorchester. See [\[4peace.org\]\(http://4peace.org\) for more info on starting a team, donating, or sponsoring the event. **The 33rd annual Bayard Rustin Community Breakfast will return to the JFK Presidential Library and Museum on Sat., April 8.** The Breakfast is an event of Fenway Health – the state's leading provider of prevention and wellness services for people living with and at-risk of HIV/AIDS – for LGBTQ+ people from communities of color to inform, affirm, and empower all in the continuing HIV/AIDS crisis. The Belynda A. Dunn Award for Activism will be presented to Sheryl Lee Ralph, renowned actress of stage and screen and dedicated HIV activist. See \[fenwayhealth.org\]\(http://fenwayhealth.org\) for more info.](http://mothersdaywalk-</p></div>
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METCO turns to Legislature for help with program growth

By SAM DRYSDALE
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NEWS SERVICE

Hundreds of students and parents roamed the halls of the State House last Tuesday (March 11) to ask state lawmakers to support increased funding for the largest school integration program in the country.

Advocates want to bump up the Metropolitan Council for Educational Opportunity's (METCO) line-item amount in the fiscal year 2024 budget, despite Gov. Healey's recommendation to level-fund the program. Healey's version of the budget also does not renew a one-year \$500,000 earmark that advocates say it needs to implement a new racial equity system.

METCO is a "voluntary school desegregation" program that sends 3,103 Boston area students to 33 districts in surrounding suburban communities known for their high-achieving public schools. Of Boston-area METCO participating students, 64 percent are Black, 26 percent are Hispanic, and 3 percent are Asian.

"METCO was started 57 years ago, before many of us were even thought of, but we know that they were fighting for racial integration and discrimination was high," METCO caucus co-chair Sen. Liz Miranda of Boston said to launch the program's Beacon Hill lobbying day.

"In 2023 those things still exist ... We have huge housing and education segregation still



METCO students prepare to sing on the Grand Staircase during a lobbying day for the voluntary school integration program. Rep. Chris Worrell, a METCO graduate, poses for a photo with them. Sam Drysdale/SHNS photo

in the city of Boston, where 85 percent of the student population is Black or Brown. We know that kids need a chance; kids need a choice, and METCO gives them a choice."

The state-funded program is asking legislators for \$32.2 million in the fiscal 2024 budget – a \$2.8 million increase over last year, which they say will help keep up with inflationary costs and expand the program.

With the requested 11.4 percent increase over this year's appropriation, METCO says it could meet increased expenses associated with retaining staff and keeping up with increased

bus and travel costs, and expand enrollment to six new partner schools, adding an additional 116 seats for Boston-area students.

Healey recommended a \$28.9 million appropriation in fiscal 2023, compared to the \$29.4 million METCO received in fiscal 2023.

Her budget recommendation does not renew one-year pilot funding that the program received last year to "target racial gaps within our network of 33 schools." METCO staff say they used the funds to hire consultants to do network-wide assessment of racial

equity and create a system of "best practices."

If the state extends that one-time earmarked funding into next year, METCO CEO Milly Arbaje-Thomas said, the program could work toward implementing that blueprint, which would include equity audits and professional development in anti-racism, anti-bias, and culturally responsive teaching.

As to the governor's budget omitting more dollars to implement the newly developed practices, she said, "That was a bit disappointing because that \$500,000 is funding we had just gotten last year specifically for

racial equity work, which is the mission of the program," she added.

For the last few years, Arbaje-Thomas said, former Gov. Charlie Baker level-funded METCO and the Legislature bumped up the program's appropriations in their version of the budget. She said she is hopeful that lawmakers will meet their \$32.2 million request this year.

When first-year Rep. Chris Worrell took office two months ago, he became the only state representative who is an alumnus of the METCO program. Though he grew up in Dorchester, Worrell graduated from Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School.

He told advocates at the rally that the program is not only important for Boston-area students to get a better education, but that it also enriches communities with more diverse student populations.

As a teenager, Worrell encouraged a friend at Lincoln-Sudbury to run for school president; today, he is sitting in the Massachusetts House and that friend, Jared Nicholson, who won the race for class president, is the mayor of Lynn.

"So when I say METCO works – METCO works," Worrell said. "There are so many stories ... like that."

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Development reform surfaces in special elections, too



By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS
MANAGING EDITOR

Boston's 2021 mayoral race at varying points turned on the region's housing crisis and development boom, with the winner, Michelle Wu, promising to abolish the city's planning and development entity, known as both the Boston Redevelopment Authority, and after a 2016 rebrand, the Boston Planning and Development Agency.

On the campaign trail, Wu echoed her original call to toss out a "complicated system that only the most privileged and powerful can navigate." As she now sits in the mayor's chair, her plan remains in motion, with legislation pending on Beacon Hill to remake the agency and her chief of planning, Arthur Jemison, pursuing reforms from his office on City Hall's ninth floor.

But development remains a hot topic in the neighborhoods, and one candidate in the upcoming 9th Suffolk House special election is highlighting it as he runs to replace former state Rep. Jon Santiago, who was recently sworn in as Gov. Maura Healey's veterans' affairs secretary. The district stretches from Copley Square and the South End down to Dorchester's Columbia Road.

The South End's John Moran and Amparo "Chary" Ortiz are among the candidates. The Democratic primary is May 2, and the general election is May 30.

Moran, a Democrat and business consultant, notes that he moved to the South End 24 years ago when he and his partner were able to buy a small condo. "I want other people to have that opportunity, particularly people of color to have that opportunity," he said, adding, "I share the view of a lot of Bostonians that we need more housing of all types."

He also is calling for reforms to the development process, singling out the



John Moran said he officially made it onto the ballot for the special election to replace former state Rep. Jon Santiago. Image via Moran campaign

part of the process that remains outside of public view. "Lots of conversations go on way before any citizen gets any inkling of what's going on," he said.

Moran backs a "planning first" approach. "That means planning out Lower Roxbury, what do we want to see there, and make it easier for developers to build what we've said is allowable, rather than a parcel-by-parcel fight."

Like a number of Bostonians, he is familiar with parcel-by-parcel fights. He worked three years ago to oppose a proposal for a four-story building at 115 Worcester Street, with 55 residential condo units. One of the proponents, LIHC Investment Group, owns two existing buildings at the rear of the

property where they provide 181 units of low and middle-income rental housing. The new building would have added to the affordable housing numbers.

Moran said he supports the need for more housing, but that project didn't match a neighborhood of historic rowhouses. "It was ridiculous," he said. "It was totally out of scale for the neighborhood."

He spoke to Wu, then a councillor, about the proposal, and she convened a City Hall meeting with neighborhood residents and the developer. There hasn't been action on the project for a year and a half, according to Moran.

Now, he is focused on a tight timeline as the May 2 election approaches.

District 7 Councillor Tania Fernandes Anderson, who represents Roxbury and part of Dorchester, has endorsed him. (He hasn't asked Wu for an endorsement yet but spoke with her about his candidacy, he said.)

"I've been wearing out shoe leather making sure I knock on every door I can," Moran said. "We're doing thousands of doors a week to talk to voters. That's ultimately the only strategy that's going to win."

Council backs liquor license hike

The City Council unanimously signed off on a home rule petition allowing additional liquor licenses within Boston's borders. District 4 Councillor Brian Worrell was the lead sponsor of the petition, which heads to the mayor's desk.

After her expected signature, the petition will require additional approvals from state lawmakers and the governor to become law.

The petition allows the city's licensing board to grant up to three liquor licenses and two malt/wine licenses to specific neighborhoods by ZIP code, including ones covering Dorchester and Mattapan: 02121, 02124, and 02126.

Advocates say neighborhood restaurants need the licenses to better compete, and existing licenses are not equitably distributed throughout the city. For example, Mattapan only has 10 out of the existing 1,432 licenses in Boston.

"This vote is a major step forward toward bridging the equity gap for small business owners in Boston," Worrell said in a statement.

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Sounds of relief abound at 55 Morrissey Boulevard

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an agreement between the building's owner, the real estate investment firm Center Court Mass, LLC, musicians and volunteers at the #ARTSTAYSHERE Coalition, and the city of Boston. Center Court is developing the parcels of land that span from 35 Morrissey to 75 Morrissey to the north of the former Boston Globe headquarters, with plans for seven buildings, a mix of residential and commercial space, a new grocery store, and parks a short walk from JFK/UMass MBTA Station.

The project is under review by city planning and development officials.

The Record Co. will be temporarily housed in the 35,000-square-foot building that was formerly occupied by the Beasley Media Group. The inside rehab features 88 monthly rentable studios, security patrols and cameras, a common room, and a community kitchen.

Said Sasha Pedro, general manager of The Record Co.: "This was one of the first spaces like this in a long time on this side of the city. The drummer you hear right now, he walks over here every day because he lives nearby. Before, he had to drive like 45 minutes to practice."

Pedro said the building's amenities allow for chance interactions and community opportunities. "A tenant upstairs bought like six dozen doughnuts and hot chocolate



Sasha Pedro, general manager of the Record Co., stands in an upstairs hallway of the studio space on Morrissey Boulevard. Izzy Bryars photo

for the whole building. And people came down and ate them and cleared out after like two hours. They all got to talk to each other."

Jim Healey, a vocalist and artist with the band Blood Lightning, said that rehearsal spaces are both a respite and creative havens for many musicians.

"And as the different bands come in and out, the room kind of grows. It becomes, and not to sound too goofy, its own living environment for the amount of time that you're there. It's not just four walls and, and posters

and dirty beer smell and such."

When the Sound Museum rehearsal space in Allston Brighton was set to be demolished and turned into a life science campus, musicians and volunteers with the Arts coalition asked the developer, IQHQ Inc., a real estate agency in San Diego, to help them find permanent replacement space. The agency worked to relocate to West Roxbury, but according to Ami Bennett, a Dorchester resident and volunteer with the coalition, many of the displaced musicians didn't want to leave Allston/Brighton.

IQHQ then pivoted to donating another property in Brighton, 290 North Beacon St., but this time the property was offered to the city of Boston. If the city owns the property, Bennett said, "it would never be sold or redeveloped or changed use, and something like this wouldn't happen again."

Under a city development process called Article 82, IQHQ's offer remains under review. But even if the offer is approved, the city would have to build out the new property, meaning displaced musicians could be without a space. Given that, the Arts Coalition went searching for a potential interim space and found the vacant property at 55 Morrissey Blvd.

Center Court's Matt Snyder agreed to let the group use the building for two years because it is not yet slated for development. "We offered the license agreement because it was a win-win for us and the musicians," said Snyder, who added that Center Court is "taking the long view" in terms of its investment on Morrissey Boulevard. "Not only do we want to do good business; we also want to be good neighbors and community partners," he said.

The Record Co. signed on to rehab the building over an eight-week stretch and operate it afterwards. The nonprofit aims, which was founded by Matt McArthur, aims to bring accessible studio space to musicians by providing rehearsal spaces and studios already built out with recording equip-

ment, leaving members only having to pay to rent a room.

McArthur "always sells it like, it's a community pool, but for music," Pedro said. "If you want to play basketball, you go to a basketball court. If you want to play soccer, you go to a soccer field. If you want to play music, where do you go? And the idea was to kind of build a community space that people could flock to to meet like-minded folk."

Weiss, the sound engineer and Pet Fox drummer, reflected on the past music scene in Boston, remembering his first gig at Great Scott, the Allston venue that closed in 2020 and now sits empty.

"I see a lot of vacant buildings. I see a lot of luxury condos," Weiss said. "And I don't really feel like that contributes to the culture of Boston, to making things more affordable, making things better for the city."

Healey, the Blood Lightning vocalist, calls the 55 Morrissey deal a successful attempt at curbing displacement.

"It's a great solution. It's not perfect, and I don't think there are any perfect solutions, unfortunately," he said. "But the fact that there was a solution, that #ARTSTAYSHERE, Mayor Wu, The Record Company, the owner of 55 Morrissey convened and really put their heads together and got it done in such a short amount of time is, while not a perfect situation, pretty good in the grand scheme of things."



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MassArt Art Museum exhibit features activist art of Dot native May Stevens

BY AMANDA BRYNN BIRBARA

SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

May Stevens, the Dorchester-born admirer of revolutionaries and a participant in radical groups such as Guerrilla Girls and Freedom Riders, believed that art, history, and politics intersect.

But it's her family history — her complex relationship with her mother and an inspirational woman — that shaped her ideology.

Stevens and the role of the women in her life are on exhibit at Massachusetts College of Art and Design's museum through the end of July. The exhibit, called "My Mothers," also celebrates the 150th anniversary of the college.

But it mostly pays tribute to Stevens's mother, Alice, and her "spiritual mother," Rosa Luxemburg, a Polish-born German Jewish revolutionary and agitator who was assassinated for her anti-war views in 1919.

"This is a series of work that we think is really powerful and beautiful, but hasn't received as much attention," said Chloé

Zaug, associate director of the MassArt Art Museum who works on the curatorial team for the "My Mothers" exhibit.

She said the name of the exhibit is "drawn from the way [Stevens] talked about these two figures" in her journals and interviews.

Stevens was also a notable Bostonian. She was born in Dorchester in 1924 and lived there for a short period of time before her family moved to Quincy. Her family's house still sits at 45 Bloomfield St. in Dorchester, where Stevens was first exposed to her parent's traditional gender roles. Although no relatives still reside there, the history of Stevens's time there is visible in Dorchester and now at MAAM.

The "My Mothers" exhibit includes Stevens's numerous paintings and recordings that feature her Boston accent and ephemera that include a Guerrilla Girls poster. Stevens was one of the unmasked activists from the group.

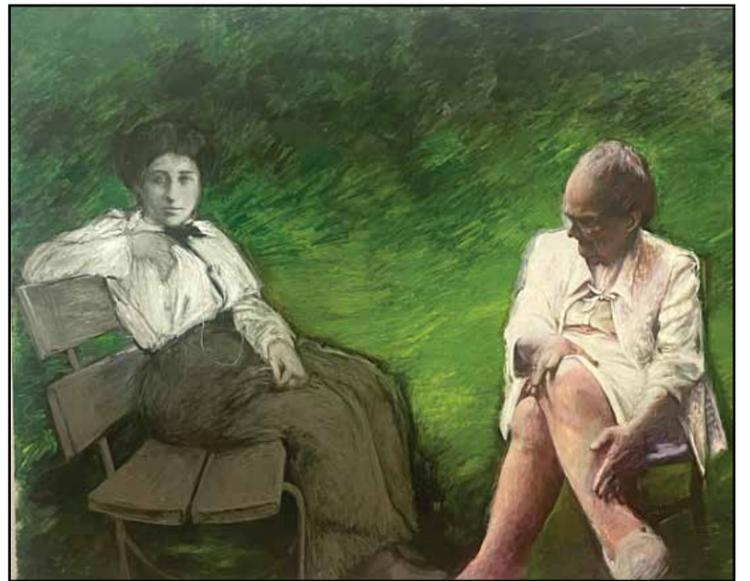
But it's the role of women in her life and how she depicts them that draw people to the museum. Inspired by

Luxemburg, Stevens used her artwork to protest the Vietnam War. She also channeled her mother — the homemaker who held her family together who later was a ursing home patient suffering from dementia. Her prior series, "Big Daddy," focuses on her reflections on her father's bigoted beliefs.

A lifelong feminist, Stevens believed in exploring issues that the public might not often see in the art world, Zaug said, adding, she is "trying to say these more intimate issues are really important, too, and worth talking about more broadly."

The paintings on display all feature Alice Stevens. One shows her pinning flowers onto her mother's white coat. "It's sadly tender, achingly so," said Becky Brannon, as she visited the exhibit recently. "It's really poignant that she memorialized that aspect of her mother's life because I'm sure it was the saddest."

Alexa Payne, a museum attendant since January 2022 and a student at Massachusetts College of Art and Design, said she was moved by



May Stevens's exhibit focused on two influential women in her life, her mother Alice Stevens, right, and her "inspirational mother," Rosa Luxemburg. Her work is on display through July at the MassArt Art Museum. Amanda Birbara photo

the way Stevens chronicled her mother's age and illness. (May Stevens herself also had dementia later in life).

She added that Women's History, especially in art, has long been "overshadowed by male counterparts." Very few people know about the equally significant work of May Stevens, that she was born in Dorchester, or that she had a long history of activism.

"Those histories are not the main event. You don't go

on a tour bus ride and talk about May Stevens, you talk about Paul Revere," she said. "Boston has such an incredible feminist history."

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Nonprofit Boston Beyond funding boosts after school programs in Dot, Mattapan

BY IZZY BRYARS

SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

For organizations like Mick Brunache's football and enrichment program in Mattapan for youth ages 7 to 17, the experience is about more than the athletics.

"It's about the mental health piece, the financial literacy piece, reading, and also these workshops that I provide," Brunache says, "all to build and bridge the gap between different neighborhoods throughout Boston."

In order to make things work, Brunache and other after school program directors rely on nonprofits like Boston After School and Beyond, also known

as Boston Beyond, an organization that helps provide out-of-school learning opportunities to youth across the city.

They're now getting that help, as 68 after school programs (20 of them in Dorchester) across Boston's 23 neighborhoods will share almost \$2 million in funding awarded to Boston Beyond through a 2022 state grant. The funding "is projected to support 7,178 students in quality enrichment and social emotional learning efforts," according to a press release last month.

"These activities and programs expose kids to people they might not

have met otherwise and help them develop a sense of belonging in the city," said Chris Smith, president and executive director of Boston Beyond.

The nonprofit works with 450 programs that serve around 25,000 young people city wide. "In essence, the entire city is a classroom for young people," Smith said. "And what they're being taught is skills such as critical thinking, teamwork, communication and perseverance. And they're having fun while they're doing it."

In addition to the football programs, Brunache's Panthers provide mental health and

financial workshops on days off from practice and games. With the funding he received, he was able to host a free clinic on March 5 that provided professional trainers and high school coaches to the 168 students athletes who attended.

And he can also feed and provide snacks for his players in Nxt Era Panthers — there is no 'e' in the name — through the grant funding as well.

"If you do your research, clinics around Boston cost anywhere between \$450 and \$500 which is highway robbery to these kids. Because of Boston Beyond we are able to provide free clin-

ics and opportunity and resources," Brunache said. "The grant that they awarded me made the program affordable. I don't want this program to ever be expensive."

Another grant money recipient, Donald "Deke" Houston, brings in kids from across the city to channel their energy toward martial arts and provide a form of anger management and discouraging gang activity at Boxing Power and Fitness in Fields Corner. "You have to broaden your horizons or you're stuck in the 'hood," he says.

Houston spoke to the range of kids who come together at his program. "I

have guys who, if you saw them, you'd think that they were professionals. Other kids that come in here and I tell them to wash their hands because it smells like weed sometimes. The Dragonball Z kids and the inmates, they all mesh together here."

He noted how it's important to provide kids with quality learning opportunities no matter their financial status and cited his longtime personal motto: "The best brings the best out of the best."

Houston hopes the funding that Boston Beyond can provide will do just that while encouraging others to recognize the importance of enrichment programs for childhood development year round, especially as Covid-19 recedes.

"The pandemic made it clear to everyone the risks kids face when schools are closed," Chris Smith said. "That's always been the case in the after-school hours in the summer months. So, a well mobilized community of programs increases public safety and creates opportunities for school, college and workforce readiness."

Like Smith, Houston hopes that his program will not only unite its youth but also inspire more community enrichment in place of other negative behaviors that often act as available substitutes.

"Violence is contagious, right?" he said. "But showing love and respect and camaraderie is contagious as well."



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Reporter's People News about people in and around our Neighborhoods



Above, Mayor Wu welcomed the championship-winning basketball teams from TechBoston Academy and the Jeremiah E. Burke High School for a celebration at City Hall on March 20. The TechBoston Academy girls' team won the City Championship and finished with a record of 18-6. The Burke boys won the City Championship and finished with a record of 19-5.

At right: From left, Burke High School's Jaeshawn Rogers, Matt Drayton, and Chris Cruz examine signed Celtics basketballs. *Jeremiah Robinson/Mayor's Office photos*



Mrs. Sullivan of Fuller St. celebrates a century of life

Dorchester resident Anne Sullivan celebrated her 100th birthday on March 23. One of three children born to Irish immigrants from Co. Mayo, Ireland, she was raised in Beacon Hill and Hamilton, Mass. where her father worked as a chauffeur. She attended Girls' High School in Boston's South End and later volunteered to care for servicemen at the Chelsea Naval Hospital during the Second World War.

It was there that she met her future husband, Charlestown native Thomas Sullivan, before he returned to duty on the USS Elizabeth Stanton.

Once married, the couple bought a three-decker on Fuller Street for \$28,000, according to her daughter Linda Sullivan, one of six kids born to

Anne and Thomas, a retired Boston Police Officer, who died at age 71. Mrs. Sullivan worked at the Dorchester YMCA and served as Girl Scout troop leader.

"The Fuller street house was often filled with friends or cousins sleeping over for school vacations. We have lots of happy memories from that house," says Linda.

Later, Mrs. Sullivan worked as a benefits coordinator at Labouré College. She retired at age 86, but has stayed very active in the neighborhood, often walking along Dorchester Avenue in Lower Mills and Ashmont on her daily errands, with an occasional excursion on the Red Line.

"My mother continues to be the matriarch of the family with eight grandchildren and four great



Anne Sullivan, new neighborhood centenarian. *Photo courtesy Sullivan family*

grandchildren," says Linda. "An avid reader of fiction, she trades books with her daughters and grandchildren. She also keeps busy with her bills, her donations, her crossword puzzles, and a few Kent cigarettes a day."

She adds: "My sisters and I and our families are

so grateful to have our beautiful mother with us. We are so fortunate to have her in our lives. So, if you see that little lady with the white hair, and black coat pulling a plaid shopping cart on Dot Ave., don't forget to say hello."

- REPORTER STAFF

Dot's Lopes to direct health equity effort at Health, Hospital Assn.

The Massachusetts Health and Hospital Association has hired Isabelle Lopes as vice president of health equity. A Dorchester resident, Lopes most recently served as the senior director of equity, education, and engagement at Commonwealth Care Alliance.

For almost four years, Lopes was a senior project coordinator at the Boston Public Health Commission coordinating the efforts of former Mayor Tom Menino's task force for improving access to primary care for Boston residents, and worked on HIV/AIDS



Isabelle Lopes counseling at the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

In her new role at MHA, Lopes will lead the association's health equity agenda.

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The Very Full Stedman Home on Savin Hill

Daniel B. Stedman was an importer of crockery and glass with a business address of 10 Summer Street in Boston. In 1855, Daniel's wife, Miriam White Stedman, acquired land at the corner of Savin Hill Avenue and Grampian Way on the east side of Grampian Way. They built the home pictured in today's illustration on the hill about where 11 and 15 Grampian Way are located today. In 1866, the Stedmans acquired more



land to the east, extending their property all the way to Caspian Way. One of the featured insets on the 1858 Map of Norfolk County is the "Residence of D. B. Stedman, Esq. Savin Hill, Dorchester

land to the east, extending their property all the way to Caspian Way.

The 1870 US Census listed a large number of people living in the house: Daniel, 53, and Miriam, 47 as well as Daniel B. Stedman, Jr., 30, Susan L. Stedman, 30, Edward M. Stedman, 25, Josiah Sted-

man, 21, George Stedman, 20, Theodore M. Stedman, 17, Arthur W. Stedman, 15, and Georgianna Stedman, 10, Daniel B. Stedman, 3d, 4, Robert L. Stedman, 2, and Henry R. Stedman, 1, along with domestic servants Julia Hicks, 36, Nellie Mullen, 36, and Mary Coughlin, 26.

The house was taken down between 1894 and 1898, when the estate was subdivided into house lots.

Editorial

A Dot fan says T's new hire up to the job

Is Gov. Maura Healey's newest hire – Phillip Eng – up to the gargantuan task of “fixing” what's wrong at the MBTA? One lifelong Dorchester resident who worked closely with him in New York state government answers with an emphatic “yes!”



Phillip Eng

Rosemary Powers, who now leads the Cristo Rey Boston High School on Savin Hill Avenue, counted Eng among her colleagues when she served as an aide to former New York governor Andrew Cuomo. They also worked together at New York's Dept. of Transportation before Eng took over as the head of the

Long Island Railroad four years ago.

Powers has been a sharp critic of the MBTA. A rider herself, but more importantly as head of school at Cristo Rey, she sees how many of her students are late to class each day through no fault of their own.

When she heard that her former colleague was Healey's choice to lead the MBTA, she breathed a sigh of relief. “I can't imagine a better fit for this job,” she said.

For starters, she says, Eng is a proud public servant, transit professional, and engineer who enjoys a challenge. He doesn't wait for subordinates to bring problems to his door. He goes looking for them himself. “

He can diagnose what's wrong quickly. I'm sure you'll see him on platforms and storage lots and engaging with the riding public.”

Like many in her neighborhood, Powers has grown increasingly miffed over the T's mishandling of the bridge at the Savin Hill station, which has become a hazard for pedestrians and motorists as a repair project drags on without an end in sight. She keeps getting the same unsatisfactory answer from T officials, she says. The basic gist of it is: “We'll get back to you in six months.”

“Phillip won't give an answer like that. He'll be very responsive.”

Eng also won't be rattled by the intense spotlight of the Boston media or the frayed nerves of T riders, who are understandably ornery about their experience, she says. The New York system that Eng ran most recently is considerably larger than the MBTA and has just as many—if not more—pressures from politicians and pundits.

One advantage for the newcomer, according to Powers, is that “it's so bad that there's some easy things that he can do to make people feel better in the short term.”

True. But ultimately it will take a massive commitment of resources and focus from Eng's new boss — Gov. Healey — to follow through on the promised improvements.

Before it was known as the MBTA, the agency for many decades was simply the MTA. One might argue that it should revert to MTA — Maura's Transit Agency. Whether Phillip Eng rises to this challenge or falls short, the buck will, and should, stop at her desk in the executive suite. At the moment, that means a full-court press to get more new hires behind steering wheels and on repair crews to make up for a staffing shortage that is partly to blame for the T's sluggish performance.

We're rooting for them both to succeed.

— Bill Forry

Commentary

A hitchhiker reminisces about life, the universe, and everything else

By BILL WALCZAK
REPORTER COLUMNIST

It struck me when the year changed to 2023, that this April I would have been married to Linda, my first wife, for 50 years had she not been struck down by cancer seven years ago. We were married at 18.

In recent years, if a curious person found out that I married as a teen, the question of how we met would come up. When I'd say, “She picked me up hitchhiking,” I'd hear a gasp, or get a shocked look.

Hitchhiking isn't generally done today, nor has it been the case for several decades. On the rare occasions when someone puts a thumb out along the road, people speed by. But in my experience in the 1960s and 70s, hitchhiking is how young men (and some women) without cars got around.

But it was much more than a ride, it was an adventure. You'd get to meet people, hear their stories, and enjoy a conversation while heading to your destination. A lot of times, the driver would be tired and wanted someone for conversation and to keep awake. Others picked up hitchhikers because they also hitchhiked. For me, using my thumb on the side of the road was a cost-free way to see my cousins in Scranton, head to the beach on a hot day, make my way to concerts, anti-war demonstrations, and the Nixon counter-inaugural, or just visit friends.

Occasionally, I'd go on long trips. A friend and I wanted to see the Pacific Ocean before heading to college. When the state police in Kansas kicked us off the interstate, we wound up having an amazing adventure moving across the state on a two-lane highway, stopping at various towns, finding the pubs with watered-down beer for 18-to-21-year-old customers, meeting the locals, and getting someone to allow us to sleep on the floor of their living room.

At one point, we were picked up by three Black men in an old car who thought we were on the road looking for work. They stopped at a few places to show us mills that were hiring until we explained that we were only passing through on our way to see the Pacific, which we never saw because it took so long to get across Kansas.

Once, I hitched to Florida to visit a friend who I feared was suicidal because his father had died suddenly while they were estranged. That trip resulted in my arrest for “soliciting a ride,” but really for being a northerner with long hair in Florida's Duval County. They kept me in the holding cell of the jail for 14 hours until they released me on bail. I still remember the cop's threat, “If I wuz you, I'd get my northern ass across the state line as soon as you get outta here. You come back for trial, the judge will put you on the prison farm, just to cut your hair!”

I left the jail, visited my friend, arranged to pay the fine, and wondered what would have happened

to me if I were Black. It was quite an education for my 18-year-old self.

Yes, there were occasional scary rides. I remember jumping out of a car once while it was moving slowly when I sensed a scary driver, and I learned techniques for getting out early (“Hey, there's my exit!”) if needed.

But back to how I met Linda. I was in my first month in Boston after arriving in September 1972 for college from my childhood home in New Jersey. Two of my fellow graduates from St. Joe's High School also wound up in the Boston area for college, and we decided to check out Cape Cod. While we never actually saw the water, we did see, as Patti Page sang, “quaint little villages here and there.”

On our way back to Boston, a U-Haul van pulled over to pick us up at the Weymouth exit on Route 3. In the empty van were a dog, a teen male, and two young women. They had rented the van to pick up furniture for their new apartment on Lyndhurst Street in Codman Square. Being nice Catholic boys from New Jersey who wanted to meet local girls, we offered to help them move. They invited us back for an apartment-warming party a few weeks later.

I started dating Linda some weeks after that. Both of us got involved in the effort to support Cesar Chavez and his United Farmworkers Union as they organized Chicanos who picked lettuce. Our dates were standing in front of the old A&P grocery stores handing out fliers asking people not to buy iceberg lettuce. In the winter, we were asked if we wanted to help organize the lettuce boycott in Colorado, so we both dropped out of school and got married at St. Gregory's Church before heading to Colorado.

About 8 months later we came back to Codman Square. I've been involved there for 50 years.

A few years ago, I recruited a pro bono lawyer who offered to help the Codman Square Health Center with a real estate deal. He pulled up in a Mercedes convertible. His license plate read “Aug75,” so I asked him what happened then. He said, “I met my wife.” I asked, “How did you meet her?” He said, “She picked me up hitchhiking.”

Those of a certain age will probably be able to tell you about hitchhiking. I can't imagine that the practice will ever make a comeback, but in my youth it was fun, an adventure on which you could meet really interesting people, and get a broader sense of life in America.

Now, in my late 60s, I often think of how random life can be. If my friends and I arrived just a few seconds later, or that U-Haul a minute earlier, I would never have met Linda, we would never have had our son and daughter, never found our way to Codman Square, or lived our lives in our wonderful Dorchester community. That ride changed my life.

Bill Walczak is a Dorchester resident and former CEO of the Codman Square Health Center.

Letter to the Editor

A sense of community should count a lot

To the Editor:

When I moved to Dorchester three decades ago, the sense of community was palpable. Having moved from Manhattan, where we all lived in rental apartments and might have casually known the neighbor on either side of us but did not know anyone else in our building and had no green space or public amenity areas in which to congregate, we lacked a sense of community.

After moving here, imagine my surprise and delight when my neighbors invited me to their annual Halloween Haunted House and block parties. Much has changed since then. Neighbors moved, and new ones moved in. Halloween parties gave way to garden parties and other gatherings.

What hasn't changed is our sense of community. It's both a feeling and a set of relationships among people. Members of a community have a sense of trust, of belonging, and of caring for each other. That treasured feeling of community comes from shared experiences and is a feeling fundamental to human existence.

Sense of community is by no means unique to our neighborhood. It is shared by many other neighborhoods in Boston. When this feeling comes under assault by the single-minded advances of developers, is it any wonder that neighbors defensively push back? That happens because developers dictate change without regard for what residents believe will be best for their own community. This unilateral approach, often supported by the city, is the foundational cause of NIMBYism (Not In My Back Yard). Developers have only themselves to blame for resistance to their proposals.

The proposed development at 150 Centre St. is a prime example of how developers force inappropriately designed and sized buildings into neighborhoods, with no benefit to existing residents. The process is immensely disruptive and often destructive. This proposal offers nothing to foster a sense of community within the confines of the new building. How can it with shoebox sized rental units, no green space, and no common areas for socializing? Without an in-house community, the probability of residents integrating with the outer neighborhood is slim.

If from the beginning developers worked collaboratively, rather than dictatorially with neighborhoods, communicated honestly and truly listened, they would not encounter such heated resistance. If they developed neighborhoods and not just buildings, they could avoid fighting with the communities from which they profit. Developers must dramatically change their interactions with communities by working together respectfully, as collaborators rather than as adversaries.

The Melville Park neighborhood wants an affordable housing development for families with a path to ownership and financial stability, and long-term engagement with the community. We want committed residents who desire to be invested in the neighborhood. Instead, we are being faced with the prospect of more tiny rentals and temporary residents that do nothing to alleviate the long-term housing crisis for lower income families. Visit buildtogethershawmut.com for our vision. When will Boston require “smart development” for the long-term health of our city?

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Looking Up Longfellow Street

About the MBTA, Charlie Baker, and the media

By EDWARD M. COOK
SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

Dorchester and Longfellow Street are at the center of Sam Bass Warner’s “Streetcar Suburbs: The Process of Growth in Boston, 1870-1900.” Some 123 years later, the modern MBTA remains crucial to our community. Furthermore, the trials, tribulations, and failures of the MBTA affect all of us either directly or indirectly in many ways: access to work, street traffic, employees who are neighbors, noise and air pollution.

I recently read a summary of the Iraq War written last week by John Ganz on his Substack platform Unpopular Front and titled “How Start?” In his evaluation of how this war without a purpose came about he mentions the role of the media whose support of the war “was done, not out of fear of the secret police but out of sheer enthusiasm. Many of the nation’s journalists and writers gladly volunteered for that work. They set out to make sure an insane thing became common sense among the elite. In doing all this, they betrayed their role as intellectuals for the cheap rewards of clique, career or conceit.”

A friend, reflecting on this essay, said, “I did not feel relief when reading it. I felt anger.”

I compare the role of the national media’s failure on that large stage to the failure of the media in Massachusetts to hold former Gov. Charlie Baker accountable for the near collapse of the MBTA, which is unraveling at increasing speed as the slow zones multiply. In 2015, the newly elected governor announced that he expected that the success or failure of his administration would be judged by his success in improving the MBTA.

Rather than documenting the “reforms” of the MBTA by the Baker administration and comparing them to the recommendations of nonpartisan authorities on public transit systems, the local media, by and large, repeatedly crowned Baker as “the most popular governor in the US.” This fawning blindness gave Baker a pass for eight years regarding the continued deterioration of the MBTA.

For its part, the Federal Transportation Administration’s (FTA) gave the Baker administration a failing grade for its oversight of the T after a wide-ranging safety inspection that produced a 90-page report rife with failures of governance:

- An overemphasis on capital projects to the

detriment of regular operations and maintenance and without adequate staffing, training or supervision;

- A lack of adequate support of its safety management system;
- A lack of routine, consistent, and meaningful communications on safety issues;
- Inattention to meeting its own safety requirements or adequate ways to ensure them.
- A lack of active engagement by the Department of Public Utilities in oversight of the T’s safety requirements.

As to who appointed the T’s general manager and its board and the DPU’s commissioners from 2015 to 2023? It was the most popular governor in the United States. At the end of his term, Baker stated that the T was not a mess. Who in the local media questioned that assessment? Very few, if any.

We have a new governor now. A woman who won in a landslide victory and is wildly popular across

the state, a woman whom I personally endorsed and worked for. She has a mess on her hands that goes back decades, but which was exacerbated by Baker.

To paraphrase my friend’s reaction to Ganz’s piece on Iraq in 2003, I do not feel relief by reciting Baker’s failures toward the MBTA and the commuting public. I feel anger at the majority of the media who stood by in near total silence while the T went up in flames.

He dug a hole so deep that it will take the T many years to climb out of it, even if Healy acts forcefully. My fear is that in the face of her popularity and substantial credentials, the local media will continue their habit of fawning silence if she is slow to bring substantial resources to the T while it continues to collapse.

Our end of the Red Line, Longfellow Street, and Dorchester as a whole are as dependent on the oversight of the media as we are on Maura to act quickly and persistently.

Social workers press for school meals, sex ed

By CHRIS LISINSKI
STATE HOUSE NEWS SERVICE

During her previous career as a third-grade teacher, Rep. Brandy Fluker Oakley always made a point to keep snacks in her classroom. She knew that her students came to school hungry some days and did not have access to a meal once they got there, making it harder to focus on the lesson at hand. One student, Fluker Oakley recalled, would ask to be excused to go get a drink of water by saying he needed “oxygen for my brain.”

Her personal experience pushed her to cosponsor legislation that would permanently enshrine a pandemic-era universal school meals option in Massachusetts, and as social workers set out a week ago Tuesday (March 21) to press other lawmakers to support the bill (H 603 / S 261), Fluker Oakley said the effects of the pilot program have been obvious.

“When you talk to school leaders, schoolteachers, any school-based professional across the commonwealth, they rave about the different effects they’re seeing for their students in terms of success knowing that everyone has access to a healthy meal,” she told attendees at a virtual advocacy day hosted by the

National Association of Social Workers’ Massachusetts chapter.

The House and Senate have both approved legislation injecting more money to keep the program running through the end of the current year, and Gov. Healey sent them another spending bill that includes \$171 million.

Social workers also want lawmakers to approve bills dealing with licensure and training for the field, pre-trial release or probation for substance use treatment, and a long-discussed sex education reform proposal often dubbed the Healthy Youth Act.

“This is supported and informed by many observations of social workers and other professionals in the field, and it empowers young people in Massachusetts to learn about their bodies and their most basic physiology in appropriate and safe classroom settings,” Fluker Oakley said.

While social worker and lobbyist Kate Audette told attendees about the benefits of focusing advocacy on lawmakers rather than the executive branch, she also stressed the importance of remembering that pushing for legislative action is “not a sprint, it is a marathon.”

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Developer of former Globe complex details plans for new biotech building

(Continued from page 1) Capital Partners. Francisco,” a property also owned by Beacon ten’s Cove, is a 9.6-acre park owned by the state Department of Conser-



A view of the proposed building from I-93. Image via BPDA filing from Beacon Capital Partners

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The filing calls the new building a “natural progression” of the reuse of the former Globe site. “The Proponent is continuing the site’s transformation into an innovation campus comprised of creative office, technology, light manufacturing, warehouse and life science tenants,” the filing said, adding that demand for large-scale office and lab space has

continued to grow in the Boston market.

Construction is scheduled to start in 2024, create 400 temporary construction jobs, and be finished by 2026. Operations there could, some say, bring in as many as 800 permanent on-site jobs.

It’s estimated the advent of the new building could bring in nearly \$5 million in payments to the city tied to housing and job accounts, known as “linkage.” Additionally, the project could generate \$6.4 million in city real estate tax revenues.

Development continues to boom along the Morrissey Boulevard corridor. Next door to Southline heading north, there is the project known as 35-77 Morrissey that is calling for seven buildings, include residential units and space for offices

and labs.

Around the corner on Columbia Point, there’s “Dorchester Bay City,” a 36-acre development that involves the former Bay-side Expo Center and the Santander office building and the addition of 21.7 acres of new streets and open space.

The headquarters of the Boston Teachers Union will be replaced by a new two-story building, with a credit union, optical shop, and function area, while a BPDA-approved Dorchester Field House, a project spearheaded by local nonprofits, will bring a three-story, 79,000-square-foot facility to Mt. Vernon Street that will include athletic space, fitness, and a theater.

Most of the projects, like Southline’s expansion, remain under review by the BPDA.

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Real Estate Roundup

Fields Corner's O'Hearn building is under agreement

By SETH DANIEL
NEWS EDITOR

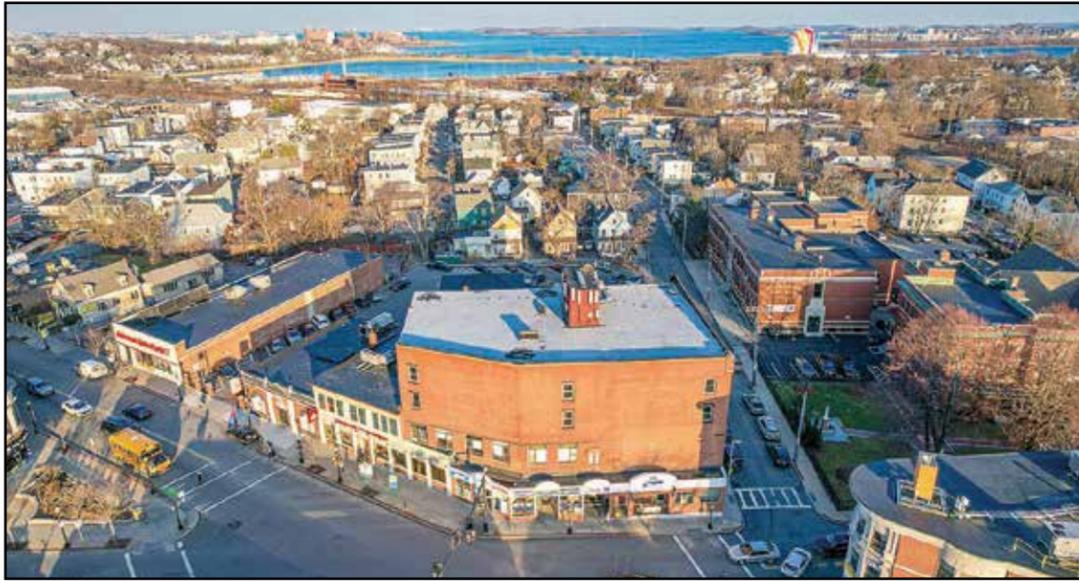
The O'Hearn building in Fields Corner, which houses the US Postal Service's 02122 office and other businesses, is under agreement with an unnamed buyer, according to several sources in the Fields Corner neighborhood, including listing broker Ramsay Fretz and Main Streets Director Jackey West Devine.

TLee Development, which had introduced a plan to renovate and reuse the building in 2021, is not the buyer, the sources said.

Fretz said the building owner is a family member of the late long-time owner, Richie Jerrier, a Dorchester native who passed away last year, who has worked in Dorchester many years and chose the current bid from several competing offers.

"It is under agreement and likely will be closing in May," said Fretz. "I am not able to share who the buyer is, but it is a local investor and redeveloper who has done a lot of other projects and churches and unique buildings...It was the right fit and we had multiple offers to sift through. This one respected the historic nature of the parking lot in the back, which is quite important. It should be interesting."

Fretz, of Compass Real



The former O'Hearn Storage building in Fields Corner has been put under agreement for purchase by a local developer who is yet to be named. The broker on the deal said they had multiple offers to choose from and the current owner chose the prospective buyer specifically. Redevelopment attempts have been numerous in the past, but none have yet been successful.

Photo courtesy Compass Realty

Estate, said the owner chose the buyer because that person understands the Dorchester market and doesn't want to do something too much out of the norm, or build something too "boxy." He noted that the building was on the market for \$6.2 million, but he said he could not divulge the price that is now on the table. He said his understanding is that the proposed buyer is happy with the current tenants, which is

one reason for the purchase.

West Devine said she has heard from people working on the sale that the potential owners don't have a specific plan for the building. The USPS has a lease that runs through 2025.

The property at 1444 Dorchester Ave. includes three stories on top of the Post Office, a dental clinic, and convenience stores. The property also includes a parking lot in the back that contains the

late 18th century Field House – a property whose historical significance is up for debate and that was a key obstacle to the TLee Development plan, a proposal to retain ground floor retail and build out 40 units of affordable home ownership in the existing building and add a five-story annex on the parking lot.

Savin Hill Walgreens site sold

The Walgreens Company,

headquartered in Illinois, has sold its Savin Hill store to an LLC connected to Miami developer Joseph Sanz, of Orion Investment and Management. The 1100 Dorchester Ave. property went for \$4.85 million on March 3. Several emails to Sanz from the Reporter were not returned.

According to Orion's website, "Sanz specializes in the acquisition and disposal of commercial real estate, working in conjunction with both European and domestic investors, as well as acting as a principal to many transactions."

\$2.4m for Norfolk St. construction yard

A construction yard along the railroad tracks at 291 Norfolk St. owned by Mark Madden recently sold for \$2.4 million to an LLC associated with a Roslindale construction business under the direction of Daniel and Andrew DeRoma, with a listed address of 45 Grew Ave., Roslindale, home to Fred DeRoma & Sons construction company.

An inquiry from the Reporter was not returned from the company regarding the purchase. Fred DeRoma & Sons was the general contractor on the 2019 MassDOT pedestrian and traffic improvement project at the junction of Gallivan Boulevard and Morton Street.

Biotech venture firm to set up operations inside former Globe HQ

A Chicago-based biotech venture capital firm, Portal Innovations, plans to launch operations early next year inside the former Boston Globe headquarters at 135 Morrissey Blvd.

The firm, which says it specializes in "early-stage life sciences venture creation and investments" plans to take up

22,000 square feet of space, and then expand to 58,000 square feet in the first half of 2024.

Portal Innovations will be partnering with another company, ZoE Life Sciences, and Beacon Capital Partners, the real estate investment firm that is part of the ownership team behind the revamp of the former Globe headquarters, on

building out the space.

"Boston is home to world-class universities, premier life sciences venture capital firms, and an unsurpassed pool of diverse talent," John Flavin, founder and CEO of Portal Innovations, said in a statement. "Portal is eager to support entrepreneurs and founders by providing its

Crafted Capital model of seed capital investment, access to strategic lab space, and management expertise to de-risk these early-stage ventures."

Fred Seigel, CEO of Beacon Capital, said the former Globe headquarters offers a "fully developed life sciences ecosystem in a single building that will catalyze the next phase of Bos-

ton's impact on life sciences."

The entire building, rebranded as "Southline Boston," spans 700,000 square feet, and includes a food hall, gym, roof deck, and a brew pub.

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T's new GM sees attention to 'basics,' innovation as revival tools

(Continued from page 1) get accurate information about when your train is arriving, when it's delayed, and how long that delay may be."

He leaned on his specific career experience during his inaugural press conference, pointing out that he started his tenure as LIRR president shortly after that commuter rail agency posted its worst on-time performance in decades and departed having achieved its best-ever performance.

"It had the similar kinds of concerns from

the riding public, a lot of distrust of the workforce, a lot of distrust of the service, and people were taking their cars and driving," he said. "Little by little, we invested in the key things that were causing the most delays to the public. We were not only fixing them, we were addressing the root cause of what created those issues. Sometimes, you need to spend some money to save some money, and we were doing that."

He added: "It was not just a list of things to fix. It was a culture change with

a new sense of urgency that became embedded in the management, in the workforce."

Healey, who on Monday called Eng "probably the most important appointment" of her first three months in office, said his success at improving the LIRR's performance and a previous stint as interim president of the New York City Transit agency are "why we have picked him."

"He recognizes and understands the challenges that we face. He understands the urgency with which we must act,

and he's ready to take on the challenge as he has throughout his career," she said.

After addressing a wall of cameras and fielding questions, Eng and Transportation Secretary Gina Fiandaca hopped aboard one of the newest Green Line trains to head into Boston, where they toured the MBTA's operations control center and met with staff.

Their trip traversed roughly two dozen of the 200-plus slow zones in place across the system. MBTA data indicate those restrictions collectively slowed travel on 27 percent of all tracks as of Monday.

Eng named safety and infrastructure conditions among his top priorities, both of which are firmly in the spotlight following a Federal Transit Administration investigation last year that flagged multiple safety risks across the agency including a massive deferred maintenance backlog.

Another key issue he will face is staffing. The MBTA has struggled to attract enough workers, with recent hiring efforts falling flat, and its short-handed ranks contributing to ongoing bus and subway service cuts.

Healey has targeted hiring 1,000 new workers in her first year in office as a goal, and Eng said he also wants to figure out how to make life easier for staff already at the T, about a dozen of whom flanked him and administration officials at Monday's press conference.



After introducing himself to Massachusetts at a Riverside Station press conference on Monday -- and making clear that he's a Mets fan, not a Yankees fan -- incoming MBTA General Manager Phillip Eng hopped aboard a Green Line train to head into Boston for more meetings with T staff.

Chris Lisinski/SHNS

The MBTA has received sizable one-time financial injections from the federal and state government in recent years, but operating budget gaps lurk on the horizon with ridership still significantly depleted below pre-pandemic levels.

Amid debate over whether state lawmakers need to rethink the T's funding, Eng said he will "work with whatever resources are given" to him.

He will relocate to Massachusetts (his daughter attends Northeastern University) from his native Long Island and start his new role at the T on April 10.

Healey's office said Eng will earn a salary of \$470,000, plus an annual retention bonus of \$30,000 and potential performance bonuses of 10 to 20 percent each year.

"We are going to work every day to provide the service that the public expects. I had the chance to talk to a lot of riders today, and while they are frustrated, they love riding the T," he replied. "They

are looking forward to us making positive steps, and once we start to show that, I think the frustrations that people are feeling -- it will start to turn. It took a little bit of time at Long Island Rail Road, but it did turn."

Some T-watchers cautioned against putting too much stock in the arrival of a new general manager, no matter how impressive Eng's or anyone else's resume might be.

Brian Kane, executive director of the MBTA Advisory Board that represents cities and towns with T service, said he does not "expect a miracle from Phil Eng." He pointed to the 2017 hiring of Luis Ramirez as another instance where officials hoped to "bring this outside perspective to bear." Ramirez left after about 15 months on the job.

"Any change or improvements are going to take a long time," Kane said. "We cannot dig our way out of 30 years of deferred maintenance in one, two or even three years."

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T finally adds JFK/UMass upgrade to list of projects

By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS
MANAGING EDITOR

The MBTA, struggling with slowed-down trains and crumbling infrastructure across the system, has finally placed an overhaul of JFK/UMass Station on its to-do list.

Last week, the agency released a five-year financial plan aimed at funding all of the public agency's capital projects from fiscal year 2024 to fiscal year 2028. The plan is updated annually, and the latest version adds \$2.3 million for a planning study that would "increase safety, accessibility, and climate resiliency through station redesign, new stairs and elevators, and busway alteration" at JFK/UMass.

"This is the first step toward a full station redesign," said T spokeswoman Lisa Battiston.

The transit hub, which serves the Red Line, bus riders, and commuter rail customers, has been in tough shape over the last few years, with shuttered walkways and staircases at various points.

Last year, after engineering consultants said they had "structural concerns,"

the agency shut down for four months of repair

stairs that take passengers from the busway up and over to the Red Line.

Separately, a walkway that leads passengers from Columbia Road to the station's lobby also had structural issues, leading to a fencing that didn't come down for nearly two months as it waited to get repaired. Another staircase off Sydney Street was closed for months last year.

Just this week, the MBTA alerted riders to an out-of-service escalator, on the Ashmont-side platform leading up to Columbia Road, due to "maintenance."

The station, originally known as "Columbia," first opened in 1927. In the 1980s, it was renamed after the JFK Presidential Library and Museum on Columbia Point and the UMass Boston campus. Shuttle buses serving both institutions regularly arrive and depart from the busway that also serves three bus lines that take riders to Jamaica Plain, Kenmore Square, and Forest Hills.

While the station has undergone some updates in the decades since, local civic leaders and lawmakers like state Rep. Dan Hunt have pushed

for a full-scale overhaul. The McCormack Civic Association's Michael McColgan said the station needs a "rehab or modernization," noting that JFK/UMass is "in a vast center of educational institutions and museums." That was in 2019.

Even as repair workers have been shuttling in and out of the station, developers have pushed proposals up and down the Morrissey Boulevard corridor, touting access to the Red Line. The new residential units and commercial spaces, from the multibillion "Dorchester Bay City" project on the site of the old Bayside Expo Center property and towers replacing the old Channel 56 building, down to apartment complexes rising next to Boston Bowl, could add thousands of new riders to the system in the coming years, if developers get the necessary city and state approvals and economic tailwinds.

Hunt welcomed the planning news but noted the small number attached. Members of the public can weigh in over the next month, as part of a comment period.



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Mel King, legendary activist and political pioneer, dead at 94

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The writer Junot Díaz — a colleague of King’s at MIT — called King a person of “visionary emancipatory importance.”

“Boston always be going on about the Kennedys, but they should really be building monuments to Mel King,” he said.

King was a tireless organizer for decades — a natural leader, friends said — fighting against apartheid and multiple wars, and in favor of affordable housing, good paying jobs and more. Already in 1978, Ruth Batson, who started the METCO program, told WGBH she wasn’t aware of a promising city initiative that King hadn’t started or helped along — and always in a collaborative spirit.

“He doesn’t want to stomp all over people,” Batson said. “He believes

in teaching as you go along, so that we all come along together — maybe in disagreement sometimes, but with understandings all the time.”

King learned to co-exist from the start. He was born in 1928 to Caribbean immigrants, one of 11 children. It was a humble but happy upbringing, and shaped the sensibility of Mel King the man.

As a child, King recalled that he was once followed home by a man who was hungry and cold. Right away, his father — a dock worker and union secretary — welcomed the man indoors.

“He came in and was fed, and warmed, and given some food on his way,” King told WGBH in 1983. “I’ll never forget that my father said, ‘No matter what you have, you always have enough to share.’”

King shared his whole life with Boston; he only ever left the South End at length for his four years at Claflin College, a historically Black institution in South Carolina. But at times, Boston took from him.

When King was in his mid-twenties, then-Mayor John Hynes labeled King’s cherished South End neighborhood as a slum. The Kings and hundreds of other families were evicted. Twenty-four acres — blocks King remembered in his 1981 book, *Chain of Change*, as a cosmopolitan blend of shops and churches, Jewish and Armenian and Black and white families — were bulldozed.

That loss angered King, but it also propelled him into activism. In 1968, he led the construction of a famous “tent city” to block more such “urban renewal.”

In the late 1960s, King threw himself into a new and militant mode

of struggle. He was prepared to defend the new stance, saying that Black America had learned hard lessons from American history — from the mass killing of Native Americans to the internment of the Japanese.

“The alternatives of extermination and concentration camps are our frame of reference,” he said.

Ever the optimist, King added that there was a better option on the table: the unconditional acceptance of African-Americans into a diverse and equal society — a revival of the lost world he’d loved as a child.

“I’m not talking about that ‘melting pot’ kind of thing,” King said in 1968. “I’m talking about integration at the seats of power and decision-making. Without that, the rest of what we talk about is a sham.”

King got his own seat at the table in 1973, when he was elected to

represent Suffolk County’s ninth district in the Massachusetts House of Representatives. Shortly after arriving on Beacon Hill, he fought for his right to wear a dashiki on the floor of the House. Six-foot-five, bald, bearded and radical, King raised some eyebrows.

But he tended to win people over. Gov. Michael Dukakis remembered “this guy, who was strong and outspoken, and had all kinds of courage. But he was also a very effective legislator!”

In his first term as governor, Dukakis worked — and sometimes warred — with King, whose agenda was broad and often surprising. He worked to expand community farming, protect community television, and to source clean and healthy food from across the state.

But that cooperative, progressive vision didn’t always mesh with a parochial city, as when King failed to negotiate a last-minute deal to stave off the violent, mid-1970s blowback around court-ordered school desegregation.

Across the table was Ray Flynn, then the representative for an

inflamed, largely Irish South Boston. The two were known to each other: they’d been rivals and teammates on the city’s basketball courts.

In 1983, Flynn and King squared off again, as the two unlikely finalists in the race to replace Kevin White as mayor. The press sold them as a matched pair of public school grads from working-class origins.

King bristled at the comparison. Flynn had fought against busing and abortion rights. King was an anti-racist and feminist well ahead of his time, who attracted a “rainbow coalition” to his campaign. Still, on election day, Flynn won with nearly two-thirds of the vote.

Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley, a Chicago native, said King was a life-changing mentor and model in her adoptive home.

“He [was] supportive and encouraging, but doesn’t just endorse an idea because you have one,” Pressley said. “I have certainly been a better lawmaker for his counsel ... but more importantly, I hope that I’m on task to be a better person.”

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State may see flood of new drivers, fees

**By SAM DRYSDALE
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NEWS SERVICE**
If all 200,000 newly eligible undocumented immigrants apply for a driver's license next fiscal year, their applications would far exceed the number of first-time license applications the Registry of Motor Vehicles issues every year.

On average, about 120,000 people in Massachusetts get a driver's license for the first time each year, according to the Department of Transportation.

Under the new law passed last year, which was upheld by voters who shot down a repeal effort at the ballot box, Massachusetts residents without legal status will be eligible to apply for a license for the first time on July 1.

With a few months to go until this new group of people will become eligible all at once, the

RMV is preparing for an influx of applicants.

The Registry anticipates hiring approximately 140 new workers and has already started that vetting process and planning for July, according to the RMV.

For some agencies, such as the MBTA, that

are facing worker shortages and hiring struggles, the state is offering sign-on bonuses for new workers. But the RMV said it is currently not considering this tactic to fill the extra 140 positions.

The fiscal year 2023 state budget included about \$9 million for ini-

tial start-up costs for the Registry and Gov. Healey is recommending that \$28 million be spent in

fiscal year 2024 to implement the law.

The Healey administration has repeatedly

said that standard RMV fees will offset the investment to bolster the Registry's capacity.

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LEGAL NOTICES

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
SUFFOLK, ss.
DOCKET No. SU23E0026**

TO: All Interested Persons:
A Petition has been presented to said Court by Cheryl Soto of 15 Cedar Hill Terrace, Holbrook, MA 02343 in the County of Norfolk, and Rita Lemar-McNeil of 4350 East Orchid Lane, Gilbert, Arizona 85296 representing that each holds as joint tenant a 10% undivided part or share of certain property lying in Dorchester, in the County of Suffolk and briefly described as follows:
The land with buildings thereon, situated in that part of Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, known as Dorchester, being No. 64-66 Elm Street, situated on the Westerly side of said Elm Street, bounded and described as follows:
Beginning at a point in the Westerly line of Elm Street at the Southeastly Corner of the granted premises and the Northeastly corner of land now or formerly of McKay, thence running: WESTERLY - on said land of McKay, sixty-five (65) feet, thence turning and running NORTHERLY - on land now or formerly of Greenwood, ninety-nine (99) feet, thence turning and running EASTERLY - on said land now or formerly of Kent, sixty five (65) feet to said Elm Street, thence turning and running SOUTHERLY - on said Elm Street, ninety-nine (99) feet to the point of beginning Said premises contain 6,455 square feet of land, more or less.
The title to said land is derived through intestate inheritance from the Petitioners' Father, Hugh David Mattison Sr., who took title with his wife, Rita Mattison, as tenants by the entirety via quitclaim deed dated October 23, 1968, and recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, Book 8237, Page 709. Rita Mattison died on November 6, 2016. A certified copy of her death certificate has been filed with the petition.
Title remained solely with Hugh Mattison, Sr. of Dorchester until his death on October 28, 2019. A certified copy of his death certificate has been filed with the petition. He died without a will.
The Suffolk County Probate and Family Court adjudicated on or about January 28, 2020, that Hugh Mattison, Sr. died intestate and that he left ten living children who are the heirs to his estate (Suffolk County Probate and Family Court Case No. SU19P1587EA). A copy of the Court's Order and Decree dated 1/28/2020 is attached to the petition.
The land is all of the real estate held under that common title.
Your petitioners further represent that the names and residences of all the tenants in common and their respective shares and proportions and the nature thereof, are as follows:
Cheryl Soto, 15 Cedar Hill Terrace, Holbrook, MA 02343, 10% Share, Tenant in common.
Rita Lemar-McNeil, 4350 E. Orchid Lane, Gilbert, AZ 85296, 10% Share, Tenant in common.
Hugh D. Mattison Jr., 18 Leston Street, Boston, MA 02126, 10% Share, Tenant in common.
Roy A. Mattison, 66 Elm Street, Boston, MA 02121, 10% Share, Tenant in common.
L.A. Mattison, 73 Stanton Street, Boston, MA 02124, 10% Share, Tenant in common.
Barbara J. Mattison, 66 Elm Street, Boston, MA 02121, 10% Share, Tenant in common.
Charles L. Mattison, 66 Elm Street, Boston, MA 02121, 10% Share, Tenant in common.
Darlene T. Hodges, 10 Howe Street, #2, Boston, MA 02125, 10% Share, Tenant in common.
Rasean Benton-Mattison, 10 Woodruff Way, Boston, MA 02126, 10% Share, Tenant in common.
Edward L. Mattison, 74 Holland Ave., Cheektowaga, NY 14225, 10% Share, Tenant in common.
Setting forth that the petitioners desire that all said land may be ordered to be sold at private sale of auction for not less than SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$650,000.00) and praying that partition may be made of all the land aforesaid according to law, and to that end, that commissioner be appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyance of all, or any portion of said land, which the Court finds cannot be advantageously divided, either at private sale or public auction, and be ordered to distribute and pay over the net proceeds thereof in such manner as to make the partition just and equal.
If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said Court at Boston before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the 27th day of April, 2023 the return date of this citation.
Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, Judge of said court, this 13th day of March, 2023.
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Register of Probate Court
Published: March 30, 2023

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
SUFFOLK PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
24 NEW CHARDON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02114
617-788-8300
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE
Docket No. SU23P0569EA
ESTATE OF:
DORIS A. SMITH
A/K/A: DORIS ALTHEA SMITH
DATE OF DEATH: 01/23/2023**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Barbara A. Hughes of Providence, RI. Barbara A. Hughes of Providence, RI has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.
The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
Published: March 30, 2023

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Probate & Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU23P0551EA
ESTATE OF:
JACQUELINE M. GARCIA
DATE OF DEATH: 11/08/2002**

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Tracey M. Garcia-Billy of Jamaica Plain, 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: Tracey M. Garcia-Billy of Jamaica Plain, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in 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 04/28/2023.
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.
UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)
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.
Date: March 17, 2023
Vincent Procopio
Register of Probate
Published: March 30, 2023

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Probate & Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU23P0592EA
ESTATE OF:
EDNA GREENE MURRELL
DATE OF DEATH: 10/06/2022**

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Janice L. Bowen of Clayton, NC requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Lesley E. Murrell of and Janice Bowen of Clayton, NC be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in 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 04/28/2023.
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Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: March 15, 2023
Vincent Procopio
Register of Probate
Published: March 30, 2023

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Probate & Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU23P0643EA
ESTATE OF:
JACQUELINE L. WATTS
DATE OF DEATH: 02/05/2023**

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Shannon K. Cully of South Weymouth, 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: Shannon K. Cully of South Weymouth, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in 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 04/19/2023.
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Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: March 22, 2023
Vincent Procopio
Register of Probate
Published: March 30, 2023

Notice is hereby given that a Community Outreach Meeting for a proposed Marijuana Establishment is scheduled for Thursday, April 13 at 6:00pm via Zoom. The proposed Marijuana Retail establishment is anticipated to be located at 1953 Dorchester Avenue, Boston, MA. There will be an opportunity for the public to ask questions.
Event Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/7453058141> (<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/7453058141>)
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Stk# BH80672A, 4 dr., 4 cyl., auto, p/s/b, a/c, 32,240 mi.	
2019 Honda CR-V LX	\$23,398
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2016 Honda CR-V EX-L	\$23,498
Stk# BH80754A, 4 dr., 4 cyl., auto, p/s/b, a/c, 93,682 mi.	
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BGCD Marr-lin Swim Team Hosts Beanpool Meet: See details below.



BGCD Members Hold Surprise Party for SVP Mary Kinsella Scannell's 35th Anniversary: See details below.

CONNECT THE DOT:

BGCD Marr-lin Swim Team Hosts Beanpool Meet: Earlier this month, the Marr-lin Swim Team at Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester hosted the Annual Beanpool Meet with 5 other teams joining in. Members took part in individual events and team relays of all ages. We would like to congratulate our individuals and relay teams for placing first in their respective races!

A big congratulations to our very own Marr-lins who took home the overall top spot with 605 points in this highly contested meet. Thanks to all the swimmers who took part in the meet which included an outstanding number of close races.

For more information on the Marr-lin Swim Team, please contact Aquatics Director, Doreen Manna at dmanna@bgcdorchester.org.

FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE:

BGCD Members Hold Surprise Party for SVP Mary Kinsella Scannell's 35th Anniversary: Over the last couple weeks, Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester has been celebrating our Senior Vice President of Education & Programming, Mary Kinsella Scannell's 35th Anniversary with the Club!

Last week, our members celebrated her anniversary with a surprise party filled with decorations, homemade cards, and cupcakes. They had a great time celebrating Mary and all that she does for our members, staff, families and everyone at the Club!

Thank you Mary, for all that you've done, and all that you continue to do. We are all so lucky to have you as you inspire the next generation of leaders. Congratulations on this extraordinary achievement!

DID YOU KNOW:

Tickets On Sale Now! BGCD to Host 30th Anniversary of NEWLA: On May 15th, BGCD will host the 30th Anniversary Celebration of our New England Women's Leadership Awards at the Seaport Hotel Boston. Emceed by award winning WBZ news anchor, Lisa Hughes and Event Chair, Pooja Ika, Founder & CEO of eternalHealth, we will celebrate amazing women of the past 30 years as well as our 2023 honorees. BGCD created NEWLA to provide mentorship to our girls and was one of the first events in the Boston area that celebrates the accomplishments of women. For 30 years, we've been leading the way and forging new paths for our youth and families. This is a great way to support BGCD and to be inspired by the work and generosity of so many. Look out for our 2023 honoree announcement soon! Visit www.bgcdorchester.org/newla for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

National Swim Championship in St. Petersburg, FL
March 31 - April 2

Good Friday - BGCD Closed
April 7

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RECENT OBITUARIES

ROBERT J. JEPSEN, JR.

Robert J. Jepsen, Jr. of Dorchester "The Port", passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on March 19, 2023.

Beloved husband for 71 years of Mary (Sim) Jepsen. Bob and Mary met walking on Neponset Ave in 1946.



Loving father of Ann Marie Dubois and her husband Michael of Maine, John Jepsen and his wife Joann of Connecticut, Joseph Jepsen and his wife Char of Arizona, Patricia McPherson and her husband Steve of Wakefield, Kathleen Horten and her

husband Jeff of Brewster, Stephen Jepsen and his wife Dana of Maryland, Michael Jepsen and his wife Dottie of Rockland, James Jepsen of Boston, Christopher Jepsen and his wife Carolyn of Norwell, Mary Catherine McLaughlin and her late husband Paul of Rockland, and the late Joanne Jepsen. Dear brother of Virginia Lane, Janet Mogilinicki, and the late Joseph Jepsen. Cherished grandfather of 26 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren. Also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, and friends. Robert was a proud veteran of the United States Army.

Visiting hours were held in the John J. O'Connor & Son Funeral Home, 740 Adams St. (near Gallivan Blvd.), Wednesday from 4-8 pm. Funeral Mass in St. Ann's Church, NEPONSET, today at 12 o'clock. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in memory of Robert. Interment in Cedar Grove Cemetery.

Williams High School, 40 Independence Avenue, Braintree, MA 02184.

**DRISCOLL, James E. "Jimmy"**

of Dorchester. Husband of Patricia "Patsy" (Flynn) Driscoll. Father of Ryan Driscoll, Brendan Driscoll, and Allison Kowlski and her husband Joseph, all of Dorchester. "Gumpa" to 2. Brother of Maureen Crowley, Frank Driscoll, Joan Macdonald, Terri Daly, Tom Driscoll, Ellen Ranton, Paul "Harry" Driscoll, and Ann Callahan. Brother-in-law of Brian Flynn. Jimmy is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and friends. Please consider making a donation to either Mal's Pals Foundation (mal-spalsfoundation.org) or to Dorchester Youth Hockey, c/o Phil Olsen, 38 Laban Pratt Rd., Dorchester, MA 02122, in memory of Jimmy.

**GLENNON, Debra E. (Eddington)**

of Dorchester, formerly of South Boston. Wife of Leo F. Glennon Jr. Mother to Christopher Eddington and his wife Tina of Holbrook, Sara Glennon and her partner Rich of Weymouth, Amanda Glennon Desrosier and her husband Jason of Whitman. Sister of Pamela Flynn of Holbrook. Grandmother of 4. Please consider a donation to the American Diabetes Association 99 Brookline Ave. Boston, MA 02215.

**GRIFFIN, Maureen Meade**

of Dorchester. Wife of Robert Kerril Griffin. Daughter of the late James P. Meade and Mary A. (Queally) Meade. Sister of Peter G. and his wife, Roseanne Meade of Florida, Cathleen Meade of Dorchester, Patricia M. and her husband, William Meahl of Florida, James P. and his wife, Terri Meade of Dorchester, and the late Eileen M.

and her husband, James Daily. Sister-in-law of Mary Anne and her husband, James Murphy of Dorchester, Kathleen and her husband, John Fitzgerald of West Roxbury and James and his wife, Nancy Griffin of Peabody. She leaves behind many nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews, and the late Amy Daily. Donations in Maureen's memory may be made to Make a Wish Foundation atwish.org

**KAHN, Thelma, H.**

94, of Dorchester, formerly of Arlington and Port Charlotte, FL. Daughter to Fanny and Hyman Kreem. She is predeceased by her 3 sisters, Annette, Helene, and Estelle. Wife to the late Ernest Kahn. Mother to Lisa Ann Hodges and her husband Joe. She leaves behind a slew of dear friends both here in MA and also in FL. Donations in Thelma's memory may be made to the American Heart Association at heart.org/donate

HENDERSON, Michael A.

45, of Pembroke, formerly of Dorchester. Father of Charles M. "Charlie" and Liliana J. "Lily" Henderson, and their mother Anna Henderson of Pembroke, and his son Michael J. Henderson of Marshfield. Son of Paul A. Henderson Jr. and his wife Diane Henderson of Rockland, and the late Jeanne A. (O'Donnell) Henderson. Brother of Tamme and her husband John Chojnowski of West Roxbury, Jenny and her husband Jonathan Sullivan of Scituate, and April and her husband Scott O'Hara of Weymouth. Michael is also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins, and countless friends.

**HORAK, Jaroslav "Jerry"**

69, of Dorchester. Father of Jennifer Ferrick of Hull. Son of the late Joseph and Maria (Giszka) Horak. Brother of Maria Kelly and her husband James, Joseph Horak all of California, John Horak and his wife Karen of Lynn, and the late Milena Horak. Grandfather of 1. Donations in memory of Jerry may be made to a charity of one's choice.

**HYLAND, Richard M.**

80 of Dorchester. He was born to Dorothy (Garvey) and Francis Hyland. Brother of Ann Reaney of Braintree and her partner Manny Fortuna.

He is survived by a host of relatives and friends. Please make donations in Richard's honor to the Alzheimer's Association at alz.org.



REGIS, Etienne, 65, of Dorchester. Son to Eliza Regis and the late Roger Valery. Former husband of Marie Carole Morency Regis. Father of Jennifer and Catienna Elizabeth Regis. He is preceded in death by his father Roger Valery, sister Madeline Vallery, niece Samantha Beauduy and nephew Evantz Raymond and cousin, Claude Regis.

**WALKER, Shawn**

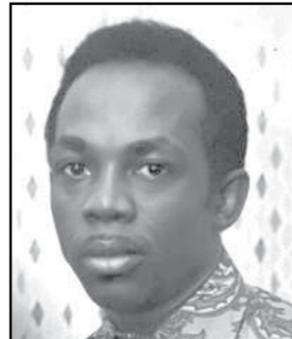
48 of Dorchester. Shawn is survived by his fiancée Katie Lawson of Andover, his mother Dennice Walker of Dorchester, brother of twin sister Sharon Walker of Mattapan, Donnie Whalen and Anna Walker of Dorchester. Father of Eric Mills of Dorchester, and Shawn Walker, Jr. of Davenport, Florida. Grandfather of 2. He is also survived by a host of nieces and nephews, three aunts, three uncles, extended family and many friends. Shawn was predeceased by his grandparents Elbert and Anne Walker.

**WALL, James "Jimmy"**

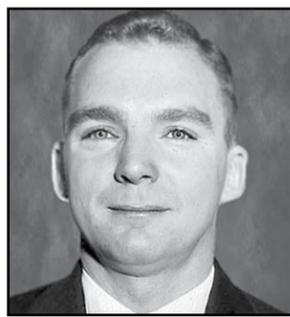
61, of Dorchester. Husband of Katherine (Chichester) Wall. Father of John and his wife Jordan, of Morrisville, North Carolina; and Kristen and boyfriend Greg LaPlant, also of Dorchester. Son of the late John Wall and Patricia Currihan. Brother of John Chase, of Assonet; Brian Currihan and wife Nancy, of Bridgewater; Patricia Field and husband Brian, of Assonet; Mary Wilson, and husband Kenneth of Providence, Rhode Island; and the late Paul Currihan, Donald Currihan, Stephen Currihan, Thomas Currihan, Kathleen Macomber, and Karen Currihan. Jimmy also leaves behind many loving brothers- and sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, and dear friends. In honor of Jimmy's dedication to the Mighty Quinn and his fight against childhood cancer, donations can be made to The Jimmy Fund.

MAHONEY, Michael T. "Mikey"

21 of Weymouth formerly of Dorchester. Son of Michael Mahoney of Quincy and Elizabeth (Stapleton) Mahoney of Weymouth. Brother of Shannon Mahoney of Weymouth. Grandson of Paul Mahoney of Braintree, and the late Barbara (O'Brien) Mahoney. Also, the late Richard and Gloria (Sherman) Stapleton. Also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Donations in memory of Michael may be made to Samaritans, Inc. P.O. Box 610189, Newton Highlands, MA 02461, samaritanshope.org or South Shore Humane Society, P.O. Box 850187, Braintree, MA 02185, southshorehumane.org

**MARS, Gabriel**

of Dorchester. Son of the late Gustave and Ursule Mars. Husband of Denise Mars and father to Marpha Daly Mars, Gabrielle Mars Devis, Carl Samuel Mars, Dana Rebecca Mars Neptune. Father-in-law to Mario Devis and Jean Baptiste F. Clark Neptune. Grandfather to 9.



CHARLTON, Thomas A., 93, a longtime resident of Braintree, originally of Dorchester. Son to the late Mary Ann (Hickey) and Thomas E. Charlton. Husband of the late Anne M. (McInnis) Charlton. Father of Scott T. Charlton and his wife, Janice of Salem, Heidi A.

Tobin and her husband, James of Newton, Aimee C. McIntyre and her husband, Paul of Cary, NC, Erik T. Charlton and his wife, Diana of Hermosa Beach, CA, and Kurt T. Charlton and his wife, Loriann of Braintree. Grandfather of 12. Great-grandfather to 3. Thomas is survived by his sister Mary Petrucelli of Hingham. He was predeceased by his siblings Dorothy Lovett, Richard Charlton, and Alice Kelley. "Uncle Tommy" to over thirty nieces and nephews. US Army veteran. Donations in Thomas' memory may be made to Archbishop

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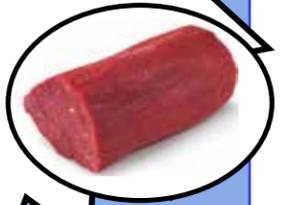


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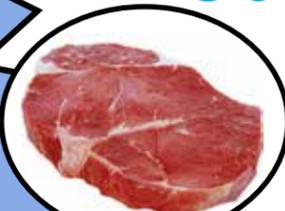
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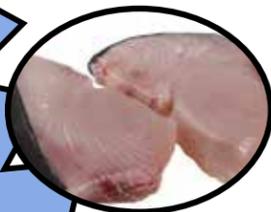
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