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WARREN TALKS ISSUES IN DOT

Focus is on guns, opioids, and climate at Reporter forum

By Reporter Staff

US Sen. Elizabeth Warren addressed a range of national and local issues last Thursday evening at a town hall sponsored by the Dorchester Reporter. A gathering of about 400 people at the Boston Teachers Union hall listened and engaged with the state's senior senator as Reporter news editor Jennifer Smith moderated the forum.

Smith asked Warren to explain her plans to address gun violence, the national opioid crisis, and climate change, the latter a key issue for Columbia Point, the site of the town hall, where rising tides continually pose a threat to coastal structures and transportation routes alike.

Warren said that in her capacity as a senator, she is pushing for broader acceptance that “the science is real” when it comes to the impacts of climate change, so the country should abide by the Paris Climate Accord, from which President Trump has withdrawn. The Environmental Protection Agency should be helmed by a director who believes the department mission is “to make us all safer,” she said, adding that the states also need to double-down on resilient building, and the infrastructure funding

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The View from Below: US Sen. Warren speaks to Reporter News Editor Jennifer Smith, and a young woman takes it all in from the floor. Courtesy, The Warren Campaign

UMass purchase of Mt. Ida College prompts a local outcry on priorities

Collins decries private bailout

By Daniel Sheehan Reporter Staff

The decision by the University of Massachusetts to acquire Mount Ida College in Newton as a new satellite campus for UMass Amherst students has attracted the attention of a local legislator and state Attorney General Maura Healey while drawing sharp criticism from faculty and students at the university's campus in Dorchester.

The agreement, which was approved by the UMass board of trustees in a closed-door meeting last Friday, will

allow some 1,000 UMass Amherst students to be housed on the Mount Ida site, which will be known as the Mount Ida Campus of UMass Amherst.

In acquiring the 72-acre Newton campus, UMass will take on the private college's debt, estimated to be in the \$50 million to \$75 million range.

UMass Amherst Chancellor Kumble Subbaswamy said the “strategic move” will provide Amherst students with “internship, co-op and experiential learning” (Continued on page 12)

Question for city: How to deal with ‘unbuildable’ lots?

By Jennifer Smith News Editor

A permitting loophole that allowed a developer to build on a former city-owned lot once considered “unbuildable” has prompted the city to take a fresh look at how it monitors and sells off similar parcels citywide.

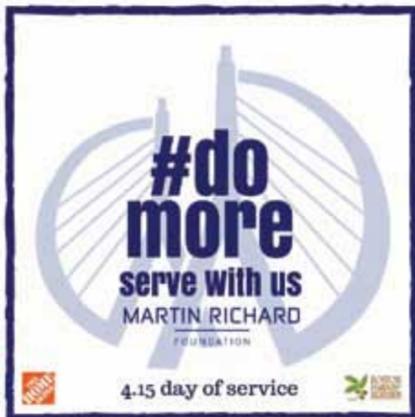
The lot in question — a 3,529 square foot parcel at 212 Westville St. — was sold to an abutter in 1996, a time when city officials were seeking to dispose of vacant land to create open space, not new buildings.

Starting in the 1990s, “there was great interest in getting rid of the

city-owned land,” Boston housing chief Sheila Dillon told the Reporter. “We do not have that orientation or opinion now.”

From the early 1990s through 2002, Dillon said, the city's Department of Neighborhood Development “sold over 400 parcels of land for small amounts of money, for open space.” The sales came with deed restrictions to match.

The parcel at 212 Westville St., which was sold in 1996 to the next-door neighbor at 214 Westville St. for \$750, came with three (Continued on page 5)



A day of service

The public is invited to join in on Sunday as the city of Boston observes One Boston Day, the anniversary of the April 15, 2013, bomb attack at the Boston Marathon.

In Dorchester, volunteers will fan out in the morning to multiple sites, from Dorchester Park and Roberts Playground to the Mather School and Ryan Park in Savin Hill. In the afternoon, the focus will shift to Town Field in Fields Corner for a “service village” from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. and a moment of silence, to be observed at 2:49 p.m.

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Junior coach, 10, shows peers how recess is about having fun, and a lot more

By Daniel Sheehan Reporter Staff

It's the penultimate day of spirit week at the Neighborhood House Charter School in Pope's Hill, and under fifth-grader Nia Buyu's sweatshirt is a custom tie-dye top that she modified herself. Scrawled on the front is the rallying cry that Nia and her basketball teammates chant when breaking from huddles: “NHCS, We the best!” On the back, a call and a response: “Who got spirit? Nia does!”

Nia, 10, is a junior coach with Playworks New England, part of a national nonprofit that aims to ensure that recess and safe, constructive play remain integral parts of every child's school day. Playworks has taken its cause to more than 30 schools in Boston and more than 140 across the region, using sports as a tool to help students develop healthier lifestyles and achieve greater academic, social, and emotional success. In the year



Nia Buyu: A leader and a role model.

Playworks New England photo since she became a junior coach, Nia has proven to be a leader and a role model for her peers.

“Being a junior coach, it comes with a lot of responsibilities,” she said in an interview.

Many of those responsibilities involve de-escalating and resolving conflicts that may arise during recess. She handles most of these problems with a technique called “rock it out/talk it out,” in which the two kids

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Remembering a Boston pioneer. Charles Austin. Page 8



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DOT BY THE DAY

April 12 - 17, 2018

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

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

• Catholic Schools Foundation 28th Annual City Scholarship Fund Dinner honors Bob Reynolds of Putnam Investments with this year’s *Carolyn and Peter Lynch Award* in recognition of his leadership, support and commitment to young people through Catholic education. Cathedral High School student and CSF Scholar Armani Lamin will be this year’s program speaker. 6:30-9 p.m. (cocktail reception, followed by dinner and program at Copley Marriott, 110 Huntington Ave., Boston.

Sunday (15th) – One Boston Day. In Dorchester, volunteers are needed to assist at one of many service sites organized through the Martin Richard Foundation. Visit: martinrichardfoundation.org/onebostonday to sign-up. A moment of silence will be observed across the city at 2:49 p.m.

• Irish Hearts for Orphans will host their annual benefit dance from 3-7 p.m. at the Marriott Hotel in Quincy. The benefit will feature set dancing and local music from the Kenny Academy of Irish Dance, Comhaltas Ceoloiri Eireann, Erin’s Melody, and Noel Henry’s Irish Showband. This year’s honorees include Rev. Daniel J. Finn. Register at nphusa.org/events/irishhearts.

Tuesday (17th) – The story of Cinderella is brought to life using household items, recycled objects and physical comedy at the JFK Library today at 10:30 a.m. as Bright Star Touring Theatre presents “Upcycled Cinderella.” Register at jfklibrary.org.

• The 2018 Mayor’s Cup Street Hockey Tournament in partnership with the Boston Bruins takes place over three days starting today at Fallon Field, 910 South St. in Roslindale. Teams will compete in two regions in Mite (ages 7 to 8) and Squirt (ages 9 to 10) divisions. Region 2 playoffs will take place Wed., April 18 at Garvey Playground at 340 Neponset Ave., in Dorchester. To register contact Billy Sittig at billy.sittig@boston.gov or call 617-961-3082.



IBEW Local 103 jumps in for Pressley – Ayanna Pressley’s campaign for Congress has scored a high-profile union endorsement. The Freeport Street-based IBEW Local 103, representing more than 8,000 workers along with thousands of retirees across Massachusetts, endorsed her campaign for the 7th Congressional District on Monday. In addition to volunteer support, the union nod brings great visibility in the form of IBEW’s digital board along I-93, above. Pressley, a Democrat who lives in Dorchester and represents Boston citywide on the city council, is challenging US Rep. Michael Capuano in the September primary election. “Ayanna has been a great leader on the Boston City Council and will provide the right kind of leadership we need in Washington. We look forward to supporting her campaign fighting for the people of the 7th District,” said Lou Antonellis, IBEW Local 103 business manager.

Five pull papers for Collins seat

Five men have pulled papers to run for the Fourth Suffolk district to replace State Rep. Nick Collins, who is seeking to fill the First Suffolk Senate seat left vacant by Linda Dorcea Forry this year. Democrats Ryan McGoff, former Collins staffer David Biele, for-

mer Walsh staffer Daniel Manning, William W. Higgins, Jr., and Matt Rusteika have thrown their hats in the ring so far to represent the district serving South Boston and sections of Dorchester.

Collins is the heavy favorite to win election

to the State Senate in a special election set for May 1. He will face unenrolled candidates Althea Garrison and Charles Osgood, Sr. On Tuesday, Collins was endorsed in the contest by Boston City Councilor Andrea Campbell.

– REPORTER STAFF

Body camera rollout in FY19 city budget

Boston Mayor Martin Walsh has put the city’s police department on course to have a permanent body-worn camera program in place as soon as this summer.

Walsh’s proposal to add \$14.6 million to the police budget in his proposed Fiscal Year ‘19 budget sets aside \$2 million for a body camera program. A pilot body camera program last year showed some positive results – with slight declines in the number of civilian complaints against police wearing body cameras – though a final results of the pilot program are forthcoming.

Oren Nimni, an attorney with the Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights and Economic Justice, said

body camera footage can lead to the truth in cases where police narratives conflict with those of victims.

“Body camera footage allows communities to hold the police accountable, and also police to know that there’s an additional check on them, there’s an additional mechanism for accountability, so they’re a little more cognizant of what they’re doing when they’re out in the field,” Nimni said.

Northeastern University will soon release the results of a study into the body camera pilot program.

Segun Idowu, co-founder of the Boston Police Camera Action Team, is also pleased, but added

that important questions remain: Which officers will wear the cameras? In what neighborhoods? And who will store – and who will have access to – the body camera footage?

Idowu said he wants his group to have a seat at the table in the development of a body camera policy, and so far there’s been no indication from the mayor’s office that this will happen.

“I would hate for the mayor to write a policy behind closed doors with BPD officials and the union, and then show it to us and then create another dramatic saga of what this program will look like,” Idowu said.

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UPCOMING CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETINGS • FULL LISTINGS ON PAGE 10

BPDA to vote on plan for old Globe site – BPDA will hold a public hearing on the proposed 135 Morrissey Boulevard project – the site of the former Boston Globe – during the monthly BPDA Board meeting on Thurs., April 12. After the public hearing concludes, the BPDA Board of Directors will be voting on the proposed project. The meeting will be held in the BPDA Board Room (room 900) located on the 9th Floor of Boston City Hall. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 3:30 p.m., but the section on 135 Morrissey Boulevard is scheduled to begin no earlier than 6:10 pm.

One Boston Day on Sunday – The City of Boston will observe One Boston Day on Sunday, April 15 – “an opportunity to recognize the good in our community, celebrate one another, and reflect on the spirit and resilience of the people of Boston that was exemplified in response to the loss and tragedies of April 15, 2013. In Dorchester, volunteers are needed to assist at one of many service sites organized through the Martin Richard Foundation. Visit: martinrichardfoundation.org/onebostonday to sign-up. A moment of silence will be

observed across the city at 2:49 p.m.

Recalling Dot in the ‘60s and ‘70s – Dorchester Historical Society free program examined “Dorchester in the 1960s and 1970s: Interesting Times” at 2 p.m. at the William Clapp House, 195 Boston St., Dorchester. Community organizer Lew Finfer and local historian Jim Vrabell discuss how Dorchester developed as a community up to and since that time.

McCormack Civic meets on April 17 – McCormack Civic Association in the Polish Triangle meets on Tuesday, April 17 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Teresa of Calcutta parish hall. More info at McCormackCivic.org.

Lower Mills Civic meets next Tuesday – The Lower Mills Civic Association meets this Tuesday evening, April 17 7 p.m. in the St. Gregory’s auditorium. Agenda items include police update, proposal for condos at 13 River St., construction proposal for 241 Gallivan Blvd., update on Molly’s proposal, Christine Poff speaks about Community Preservation Act.

Taste of Dorchester event assists MAHA – The 10th Anniversary of Taste of Dorchester event on Thurs., April

26 features 25 Dorchester restaurants, magician, silent auction, live jazz, and free parking. IBEW Hall, 256 Freeport St., Dorchester. Contact tcallahan@mahahome.org for more info.

CPA forum in Mattapan on April 23 – A Community Preservation Forum will be held on Mon., April 23 at Mildred Avenue Community Center, 5 Mildred Ave., Mattapan, 6 p.m. Input sought on Mattapan priorities for \$20 million in annual funding through the Community Preservation act to support historic preservation, parks, and affordable housing.

Mattapan-Dorchester Resident Meeting – The Mayor’s Office will host a Mattapan-Dorchester resident meeting on Wed., April 18 at 6 p.m. at the Mildred Ave Community Center, 5 Mildred Ave., Mattapan. Contact Roudnie. Celestin@boston.gov and Kenya.Beamon@boston.gov with any questions.

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City seeks 'short-term' public use of Uphams Corner building

By JENNIFER SMITH
NEWS EDITOR

The city is asking for suggestions from potential operators on how to, in the near term, activate for public use a former Bank of America bank building parcel that will be the site of an \$18 million new Uphams Corner branch of the Boston Public Library.

In a Request for Ideas (RFI) released last Thursday, Mayor Martin Walsh's administration calls for short-term activation possibilities for 555 Columbia Rd. a key parcel in the revitalization of Uphams Corner. Submissions are due by end of business on Fri., May 4.

The tan stone-fronted building was home to the Dorchester Trust Company a century ago, in 1917, and thereafter was cycled through bank ownerships before closing in 2014. The city purchased it in February 2017. City-hosted walkthroughs of the space are planned for April 12 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. and April 18 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

The city's hope is that this roughly 6,300-square foot structure will be used as a short-term project, starting this summer and continuing for 12 to 18 months. Anything done in the building would be "for the public and community benefit—as a community space for arts, innovation, and/or small business operations," the RFI specifies.

"It is important that as we plan for the future, we are making the best use of the



The century-old Dorchester Trust Company building in Uphams Corner.

spaces we currently have and using them in a way that meets the current needs of residents," Walsh said in a statement. "With the right activation in place, we believe this model could contribute to the immediate revitalization of Uphams Corner, and I look forward to seeing the ideas that will bring this space back to life."

Whoever takes over the space will be restricted to programming the first floor for public use only, according to the RFI, and the city would need to specifically agree to any use of the second floor for office space.

The invitation is part of

an early initiative by the city to find uses in the near future for several city—and city partner-owned parcels in the Uphams Corner area. The neighborhood is in the midst of a reinvention into the city's first "Arts Innovation District" as part of the Imagine Boston 2030 planning process.

"We're really excited about it because we're able to provide the building at no cost to the operator and have it serve as a community space," said Natalia Urtubey, the Director of Imagine Boston 2030.

For now, the RFI and similar activation projects are intended to start building com-

munity and arts spaces while broader visioning continues and before any Requests for Proposals (RFP) are sent out. It is "part of a larger strategy," Urtubey said. With walking tours, pop-ups, and other short-term uses, "how do we engage all these empty vacant spaces in a way that allows us to serve the community, bring visibility, and increase foot traffic for the neighborhood?"

The RFI describes the bank as "in good, working order" and specifies that any operator would take on the parcel "as is," footing the cost for any needed changes to bring it up to code. The selected operator would be

responsible for all operational and maintenance costs, including utilities, security, cleaning, and day-to-day needs.

Urtubey said the building is in good shape for a temporary usage, since the structure itself is not necessarily meant to be a permanent fixture. Both the bank lot and the large parking lot next door are planned for the eventual library.

The Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative (DSNI) is hosting a Pop-UP Pop-IN series at 572 Columbia Rd, the former Citizens Bank building that the DSNI community land trust worked with the city to purchase last year, to engage the community in the planning process for its future development.

Public meetings around the 555 Columbia Rd. site and neighboring parcels owned by the city or the DSNI land trust are being held to explore revitalization options around Uphams Corner.

City officials hope to conclude the meetings with RFPs for the bank building and future library, the Strand Theatre, and other nearby lots, which would modernize and enrich the creative community already in place in this Dorchester village.

The schedule around the RFP — expected to be released this summer — will not be impacted by the short-term RFI process, Urtubey said. Any temporary programming would be in place until construction or other permanent structural transformation process begins.

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Suffolk DA candidates talk law and order in opening debate

BY ADAM GAFFIN
UNIVERSAL HUB

The candidates running for the office of Suffolk District Attorney took similar positions on Monday night on issues ranging from reducing the number of people who go through the criminal system to protecting law-abiding immigrants from ICE at a forum at English High School sponsored by JP Progressives and the Boston NAACP.

Where the five differed was on their backgrounds and how that would help them change the DA's office from the mold set over the past 20 years by Dan Conley, who is retiring in January. All are running for the Democratic nomination in the Sept. 4 primary, which will effectively choose the next DA.

One of the few major issues to show a sharp line between the candidates was where to draw the line between adults and young offenders, who, all agreed, should be offered every chance at rehabilitation rather than straight imprisonment.

Four of the five said they would prefer to see people as old as 25 treated differently than those older than that, based, in part, on scientific evidence that young people's brains



Evandro Carvalho

simply are wired differently.

But Linda Champion said the current cutoff of 18 is fine with her. By that age, she said, everybody should be able to tell the difference between right and wrong, adding that her daughter, 16, can certainly make the distinction.

Three of the five candidates — Rep. Evandro Carvalho, Champion, and Greg Henning — have worked as prosecutors in the Suffolk County DA's office; Rachael Rollins worked as a prosecutor in another county and at the US Attorney's office in Boston. And Shannon McAuliffe was a public defender before going to work at Roca, a non-profit group that seeks to rehabilitate gang members by getting them jobs.

Carvalho, now in his



Linda Champion

fourth year as a state representative, said that as an immigrant who lives in Uphams Corner, he knows the DA's office has to be fundamentally changed, that too many black and brown men are incarcerated by a "broken criminal-justice system." He said that as a state rep, he has been at the forefront of efforts to reform the criminal-justice system and has been the only one fighting for it.

Champion, whose mother was an immigrant, said she would focus on violent and financial crimes - and on protecting the rights of undocumented immigrants.

Henning, who has overseen gang and gun cases at the DA's office, said that his experience teaching for a year at a Hyde Park charter school is part of a career in which he



Greg Henning

has tried to get beyond prosecution and reach kids and young people before they become criminals. He pointed to his work teaching three classes - along with coordinating gang cases across the county - as an example of his leadership abilities, although he acknowledged he was a "terrible classroom teacher."

McAuliffe asserted that the "war on crime" and mass incarceration has not worked; in fact, she said, it has "made all of us less safe." She said she would end the practice of rewarding prosecutors for racking up convictions and try to figure out how to keep people out of the criminal system to begin with.

She noted that she started her legal career as a public defender in 1990 and added that she was the only one of the candidates to announce her bid before Conley said he was going to retire. "I don't run away from hard," she said. "I run toward hard."

Rollins pointed to her work as legal counsel to three large state agencies — Massport, the MBTA and MassDOT — and said that that makes her the most qualified to run a DA's office with some 300 employees.

Experience was the focus of a brief debate between Champion and Rollins. Champion said she did not think she would have to spend much time overseeing the 150 or so lawyers in the office, that it would be "easy," because they have proven to be a mo-



Shannon McAuliffe

tivated, well-qualified staff.

"I want to meet the 150 lawyers you supervised who are easy to work with," Rollins said.

In reaction to Carvalho, McAuliffe said that 28 years fighting for defendants' rights is at least as important as what he's been doing.

All five candidates said they largely supported a criminal-justice reform bill now before Gov. Baker - even Henning, despite a WGBH report last week that he opposed the measure - but all five said they would want it to go farther.

McAuliffe said the measure doesn't provide enough resources to prepare inmates for reentry into society, and added that she opposes provisions that call for incarceration of people convicted of possession of certain drugs. Addicts should be in rehab, not prison, she said, because time behind bars doesn't cure addiction.

Rollins and Carvalho agreed the state should be doing more to prepare inmates for reentry to society, and Carvalho noted that he has filed legislation to do just that.

Champion said the bill should have done more to treat people under 21 differently. For his part, Henning said he supports eliminating mandatory minimums for low-level drug offenses and taking steps to make it easier for young people who are convicted to find work after their sentences.

"Incarcerating fewer people is the goal," Henning said, through



Rachael Rollins

such things as diversion programs, in which certain suspects are sent to treatment or rehab programs rather than prison.

McAuliffe said she would make ending such disparities a priority, through such steps as bias training for assistant DAs and regular reviews of their work to help reduce the current "systemic racism."

Rollins said both the DA's office and local police departments need more minority employees.

At one point, Carvalho said he found himself near tears on a visit to a state prison last month, where he saw minority men "who look like me in prison," when many of them should have been given a second chance, not a prison term. He said he would immediately review the office's current plea and sentencing policies to ensure only hardened criminals are going to jail. "For me, this is a matter of life and death," he said.

"We overcharge people," Rollins said.

Carvalho pointed to the current "school zone" provisions of several crimes, in which additional charges can be brought against people for crimes committed near schools, as an example, since pretty much everywhere in Boston is near a school. "It's a tool to incarcerate black men and brown men," he said.

Adam Gaffin is the editor of Universal Hub, a community news and information site that covers the Boston area.

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Geneva Ave stores re-open after lengthy fix of sewer leaks

SIMÓN RÍOS
WBUR REPORTER

A block of shops on Geneva Avenue shut down by the city due to a sewage leak is back up and running, but business owners there say they're struggling to recoup losses incurred during the more than four weeks they were closed.

"It's a big hit," said Gabriel Rosa, who runs the grocer Rosa Market II. "We're behind."

Rosa said he continued paying rent despite being closed for more than

a month. But even worse, he said the shop lost at least \$1,000 in sales every day they were down, from February 6 to March 12. Even now that they're back in business, he reports sales are down as much as \$500 a day, as much of the clientele has gone elsewhere for their shopping.

Now he says his father, who owns the business, is considering selling it after opening nearly three decades ago.

The sewage leak affected the businesses at 481 to 487 Geneva Ave,

which include a restaurant, a barbershop, a hair salon, and a hair braiding shop. The city gave the order to shut down the food businesses after inspectors found an "imminent health hazard violation" in the raw sewage leak.

Badra Syed, the owner of the building and owner of at least seven other properties in the city, had said originally he planned to fix the problem in a week. Syed did not immediately respond to a request for comment Thursday.

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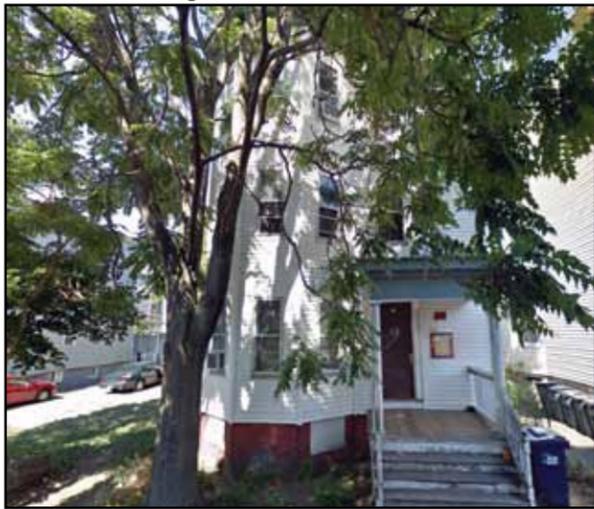
Question for city: How to deal with 'unbuildable' lots?

(Continued from page 1) conditions included in the deed. It noted that the premises are to be used for "open space purposes" like landscaping or off-street parking, that no structures would be installed on the premises, and that it should not be used for "unsightly storage or any hazardous purpose."

Fast-forward to 2017. Vivian Girard, a Fields Corner resident, wrote to elected officials in early March saying she was concerned about an possible uptick in substantial construction on small neighborhood lots once considered "unbuildable." He pointed to one example— 212 Westville St.— where a development company, Dot Realty, was building out an expansion to an existing three-decker next door. The project turned a modestly sized (2,742 square feet) three-decker into "three luxury condominiums," according to a real estate listing, by expanding its footprint with a 3,000-square foot addition.

"We fear that this is opening the flood gates to similar projects getting approved with little to no scrutiny," Girard wrote in his letter.

A close examination of the deed shows an important exception included



The property at 212 Westville St. near Fields Corner—sold to an abutter in 1996 for \$750 is shown before (left) and after a building project last year.



in the second condition, a loophole found in a number of such deeds at the time that allows for an "addition to the existing dwelling unit."

According to Inspectional Services Department spokeswoman Lisa Timberlake, the Westville permitting was approved "As of Right," meaning no variance or community notification process was needed to go ahead with the addition.

Many of the 400 or so lots sold in the 1990s are still intact, technically bound by the open space deed-restriction but not triggering normal zoning processes because of the addition rule.

"All of them did have language that allowed additions, so it could

be used for open space, some limited parking, and home additions," Dillon said. "I think people were thinking, if you want to put a family room alongside, or a shed; I don't think anyone anticipated that there would be [owners] building very, very large additions."

In any other circumstance, Dillon noted, the Westville construction would have needed zoning relief for the size of the structure. "We've been working since Westville to figure out a technology fix so any time one of these parcels are going to [city inspectors] for an addition, that if they trigger zoning relief, DND (the Department of Neighborhood Develop-

ment) is notified and we can certainly have an opinion at the Zoning Board of Appeal."

These days, DND still faces a conundrum with respect to very small lots. The city controls 488 lots classified as "unbuildable." They account for about 233 acres across Boston and make up about 39 percent of all DND-controlled land. Some are unbuildable due to their placement on ledges, under water, urban wilds, or conservation land; 116 of them are due to size; and others are in the process of being reviewed or transferred by the city.

The definition of an unbuildable lot has changed over the years, with increasing accep-

tance of smaller modular home sizes and a more severe land crunch across Boston's 48 square miles.

In remarks to the Boston Municipal Research Bureau last month, Mayor Martin Walsh said that 17,000 new units of housing have been completed since the 2014 launch of his Boston 2030 master plan, with an additional 9,000 units currently under construction and 26,000 units under review. Given the pace of population growth, policy makers are mulling whether the city's housing target of 53,000 new units by 2030 might need to rise.

So the tiny parcels are scarce cargo. Of the 1,270 city-controlled

lots — both buildable and unbuildable — only 306 of them are considered inactive. Many of them are clustered in areas like Dorchester, Roxbury, and East Boston.

While the city might still sell off, say, a four-foot wide parcel to an abutter, or the area around a tree planter, Dillon emphasizes that selling parcels of the Westville lot size for green space is a vestige of a bygone era, when Boston's growth was far slower.

"This hasn't happened since 2009," she said. "We are not interested — unless it is a very, very small side yard — in providing land of buildable sites for side yards. Land's too precious in the city."

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Savin Hill's DePina earns respect in the ring, and on his HVAC job

By DANIEL SHEEHAN
REPORTER STAFF

Savin Hill native and third year sheet metal apprentice Jon DePina makes his living with his hands — in more ways than one. As a member of Adams Street's Local 17 union, the 23-year-old spends most of the day performing installation and demo of HVAC systems — sheet metal systems involved in heating, ventilation, and air conditioning.

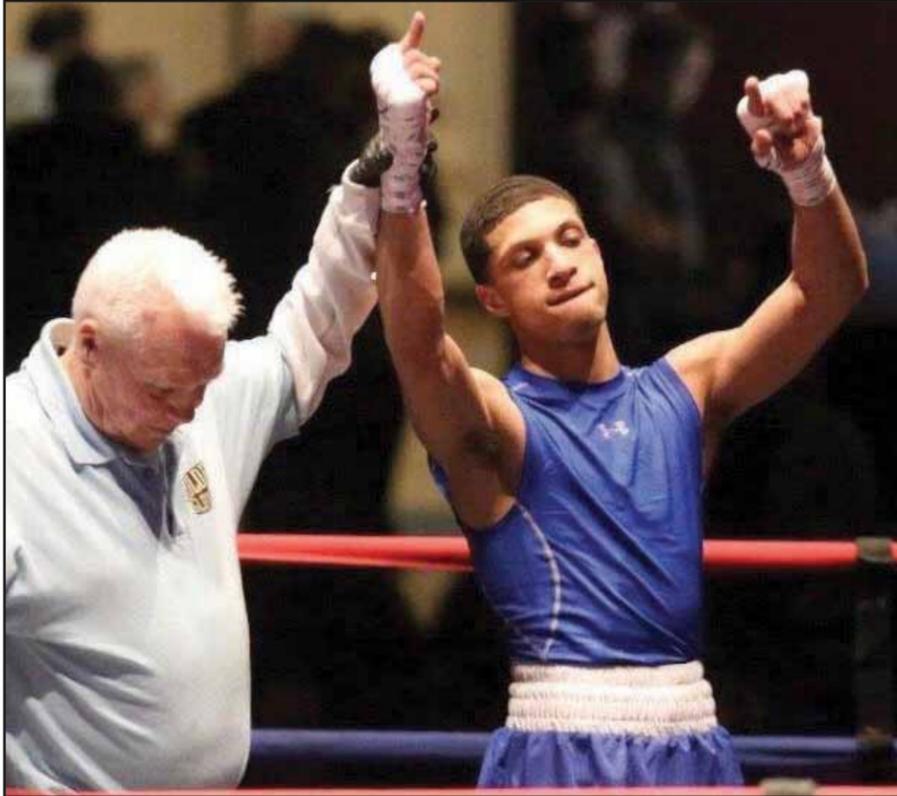
But after clocking out, DePina heads up to a gym in South Boston's Seaport where he moonlights as an amateur boxer, and a pretty good one at that.

After breezing through the Central New England regionals of the Golden Gloves amateur boxing tournament, DePina claimed the All-New England title at the finals in Lowell in January.

Now, DePina is preparing for the National Championships, which will take place in Omaha in May. It's America's largest amateur boxing competition, but faced with the prospect of squaring up against other regional champs from around the country, DePina seemed unfazed.

"I'm really confident," he said. "I feel like this is my year."

DePina started boxing after graduating from high school under guidance from his father. One day in the gym he was approached by Local 17 Training Director John Healy, who was struck



Jon DePina, shown after a victory in the New England regional Golden Gloves tournament this year, will box on the national stage for the first time next month.
Photo courtesy Sheet Metal Workers Local 17

by the young man's work ethic.

"John saw me working really hard and came over and that's how he got me interested in the union," DePina explained.

Healy says that same discipline shines through in DePina's work as an apprentice, where he often leads by example.

"He definitely is a leader and a mentor to some of the other apprentices," said Healy. "Jon has recommended and guided several Dorchester young men into the apprenticeship program

and changed their lives for the better."

Right now, DePina's pouring every ounce of his determination and willpower into an intense training regimen that forces him to balance his workday schedule with hours of conditioning, strength training, and sparring. Achieving that balance requires some sacrifices.

"It's tough," he admitted. "I'm dead all the time. Sometimes I'm going off of four hours of sleep. But you gotta do what you gotta do."

When he's not working

or training, DePina's studying the sport and watching tape of past fights. January's All-New England finals pitted him against more experienced fighters from Connecticut and Providence in a pair of tight bouts that he says could have gone either way. With support from family and Local 17 buddies in the crowd, DePina came out on top. But he knows he'll have to up his game for nationals.

"I've always pushed myself to be the best at whatever I do," he said. "So I'm just going for it."

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Thurs., Apr. 12, 3 p.m. — USCIS Information Hours at Boston Public Library; 3:30 p.m. — Drop-In Homework Help; **Fri., Apr. 13,** 10:30 a.m. — Preschool Movies. **Sat., Apr. 14,** 12 p.m. — Youth to Women and Manhood; 2:30 p.m. — Drop-In Career Help with the One-Stop Career Center. **Tues., Apr. 17,** 10:30 a.m. — Story Time; 12:30 p.m. — Drop-In Career Help with the One-Stop Career Center; 2 p.m. — April Vacation Week Crafts. **Wed., Apr. 18,** 11 a.m. — Toddler Story Time; 1 p.m. — Last Stop on Market Street: an Interactive Reading; 2 p.m. — April Vacation Week Crafts. **Thurs., Apr. 19,** 2 p.m. — April Vacation Week Crafts. **Fri., Apr. 6,** 10:30 a.m. — Preschool Movies. **Sat., Apr. 21,** 1 p.m. — Sankofa Group; 2:30 p.m. — Drop-In Career Help with the One-Stop Career Center; 3 p.m. — Comics in Color.

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Thurs., Apr. 12, 3:30 p.m. — Drop-In Homework Help. **Sat., Apr. 14,** 10 a.m. — Friends Community Yard Sale; Vietnamese Bilingual Storytime. **Sat., Apr. 21,** 10 a.m. — Vietnamese Bilingual Storytime. **Mon., Apr. 23,** 3:30 p.m. — Drop-In Homework Help. **Tues., Apr. 24,** 3:30 p.m. — Drop-In Homework Help. **Wed., Apr. 25,** 3:30 p.m. — Drop-In Homework Help. **Thurs., Apr. 26,** 3:30 p.m. — Drop-In Homework Help.

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Thurs. Apr. 12, 2:30 p.m. — 90s Nostalgia; 3:30 p.m. — Drop-In Homework Help; 5 p.m. — Technology Basics Drop-In; 6 p.m. — Yoga. **Fri., Apr. 13,** 2:30 p.m. — Movie Friday. **Sat., Apr. 14,** 2:30 p.m. — Creole for Beginners. **Tues., Apr. 17,** 12 p.m. — Towering Tots; 2:30 p.m. — 90s Nostalgia; 5 p.m. — Computer Basics Class; Technolog Basics Drop-In. **Wed., Apr. 18,** 2:30 p.m. — Cartoon Afternoon; 4 p.m. — Grub Street: Spoken Word. **Thurs., Apr. 19,** 2:30 p.m. — 90s Nostalgia; 5 p.m. — Technology Basics Drop-In; 6:30 p.m. — Yoga. **Fri., Apr. 20,** 2:30 p.m. — Movie Friday. **Sat., Apr. 21,** 9 a.m. — USCIS Information Hours at Boston Public Library; 10 a.m. — 4Spirit/4You/4L Story Time; 2 p.m. — Teen Resume Building.

UPHAMS CORNER BRANCH

Thurs., Apr. 12, 3:30 p.m. — Drop-In Homework Help; 6:30 p.m. — Pajama Storytime. **Sat., Apr. 14,** 9:30 a.m. — Saturday Morning Stories (instead of cartoons). **Tues., Apr. 17,** 1:30 p.m. — Mike the Bubble Man. **Wed., Apr. 18,** 11:15 a.m. — Earth Day Story Project; 4 p.m. — Make and Take Plant Holders. **Thurs., Apr. 19,** 3:30 p.m. — Rosalita's Puppets presents Rachel Skullcap.

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Change is not on the menu at the Pit Stop on Morton Street

 BY SAMUEL WOHLFORTH
REPORTER CORRESPONDENT

The smoke from the outdoor oven at the Pit Stop Barbecue wafts throughout the neighborhood, all the way to the other side of the commuter rail tracks, even before the squat red building comes into view. The smell, a mixture of burning wood and charcoal and the brisket, sausage, and ribs sizzling in the blackened oven tucked behind the building, is enough to prick anyone's appetite, even the owner's.

"It makes me hungry sometimes," says Darrell Debnam with a laugh.

The Pit Stop has been a community institution since 1985, the year its original owner, Lawrence Jeter, opened the doors at the corner of Morton and Evans streets. After Jeter's wife fell ill in 2007, he sold the restaurant to Debnam, a Brockton resident, but not much about the food changed with the new owner.

"I tried to tweak a few recipes," Debnam says, noting that people have their own spins on classic recipes, but he soon learned that his customers had strong opinions about how barbecue staples should be served. Eventually, Debnam went back to Jeter's recipes: "If it ain't broke, don't fix it."

That's a good summary for how things work at the Pit Stop. The only major change Debnam and his family made after buying the Pit Stop was to move the barbecue ovens outside in the wake of multiple fires. Today, the restaurant is as it has always been: a tall counter with cornbread stacked high on one side and menus on the other,



a hot stove along the back wall, a few stools along the window, and standing room for only a few hungry customers at a time.

The house recipe for collard greens is essentially unchanged from when Jeter first opened the Pit Stop, and today it's the best-selling side dish. The weathered sign out front has lost some of its paint over the years, but the cartoon pig's head still announces the southern style barbecue to everyone driving by on Morton Street.

Outside, Debnam and his son tend to the long, sooty oven that belches a steady stream of thick blue smoke in their faces. "It's hard work," the father sighs, wiping beads of sweat off his face. He has thought about expanding the franchise; the restaurant already has regulars who come from as far away as Lynn, Peabody, and Brockton to grab trays of ribs and roast chicken. But the work of keeping the Mattapan restaurant running is enough to put those plans on hold, for now.

The Pit Stop is open Thursday through Saturday, 11 a.m. until midnight. The prep work doesn't start there, however. Preparing the ovens and meat for the week takes some of Tuesday and most of Wednesday, meaning even more long, hard hours of tending to spits of meat over the hot coals.

Luckily for Debnam,



Darrell Debnam, owner of Pit Stop Barbecue on Morton Street, cooks on a grill outside the restaurant. Samuel Wohlforth photo

he has a tight-knit team of family members

alongside him helping him keep the restaurant

running. "Even when we fight at work," he says,

"it's all hugs and kisses when we get home."

Dot's Laren Taylor advances in music competition



Laren Taylor

A Dorchester teen won a PBS-sponsored "Celebration of Music" talent competition last weekend in Boston and will be heading to Los Angeles later this year to appear in the national TV series finale. Laren England, 17, who goes by the stage name Laren Taylor, teamed up with Hull native Tori Jones to enter the competition as a duo.

After winning the competition through an online vote, England and Jones performed Sunday at the Wilbur Theatre alongside piano prodigy and co-host of the series Ethan Bortnick.

England, a junior at Boston Arts Academy, has already enjoyed

success in her solo career, performing the national anthem at Red Sox and Celtics games, releasing her music on Spotify, and walking the red carpet at the American Music Awards in November. She has one foot in the music industry door, but her win means she will be awarded the opportunity to record a single with Bortnick, as well as access to agents, managers, and recording companies in Los Angeles.

Both Laren and Tori also recently featured on Mix 104.1 15 seconds of fame with Matthew Reid. Laren's new music video for her single, "Here We Are," is now streaming on Vevo, YouTube, Spotify, and Amazon Music.

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At the Dorchester Historical Society, we are exhibiting a collection of photographs and mini-bios of World War I Dorchester residents to highlight these men and their service to our country. This article features **James M. Barnie**, whose family recently donated a wonderful collection of family papers to the Dorchester Historical Society. James was another Dorchester resident who sacrificed his life in the service of his country during World War I.

James was born in Leith, Scotland, to Alexander and Mary (Mainland) Barnie. He immigrated to the United States when he was five years old, and settled in Milton, Massachusetts, with his family. He had two sisters, Helen and Mary, and a younger brother, Alexander, who died as a young boy from diphtheria.



James M. Barnie

On June 3, 1908, James married a Dorchester girl, Miss Eva Pihlkrantz,

and moved with her to her family home in Dorchester at 15 Centre Court with Eva's father, Lars, and her sister, Wilhelmina. By 1909, they are a family of three, with the addition of a son named James. In the 1910 United States Census, James is listed as a painter and Eva as staying at home with her infant son. Their second son, Ralph Everett, was born in 1911.

James enlisted as a private in the US Army in October 1917. While serving overseas with Company A of the 6th Engineers, he was killed in action on Oct. 20, 1918. He previously had been involved in a number of military engagements, including Chateau-Thierry, the second battle of the Marne, and at Verdun.

After the war, the United States War Department organized the "Pilgrimage for War Mothers and

Widows," also known as "Gold Star Pilgrimages." These trips were funded and organized by the War Department to honor the mothers and widows of US servicemen who lost their lives fighting in WWI. Eva Barnie was invited to attend one such pilgrimage and on July 2, 1918, left New York for France, where she visited James's grave at the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery in France.

Information about her pilgrimage and other Barnie family information can be found in the Barnie family papers at the Dorchester Historical Society.

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Editorial

One Boston Day: A time to pitch in, a time to remember

In Dorchester, it's a bittersweet day. We remember those we lost five years ago, particularly eight-year-old Martin Richard, whose message of peace and kindness lives on through the good works of his family and the people whom they inspire.

On Monday, more than 100 runners will hit the Boston Marathon course to fulfill their mission of raising more than \$800,000 for the foundation in Martin's name. On the day before, though, it's the broader community's turn to pitch in. It'll be a busy morning and afternoon as volunteers fan out across the neighborhood to pitch in with rakes, brooms, and work gloves— giving a collective nudge to a reluctant spring.

The Richard Foundation and its partners have picked out service sites across Dorchester, including the Neponset River, Roberts Playground, Geneva Avenue, the King School, and Peabody Square. A full list can be found online at martinrichardfoundation.org/onebostonday.

In the afternoon, the volunteer crews have been invited to assemble at Town Field in Fields Corner for a "service village" that will feature live music, painting with Dot Art, and other projects— all geared toward building community in our part of the city. At 2:49 p.m., we will pause for a moment of silence to remember all of the victims of that horrible moment— and week— in 2013.

"One Boston Day has turned the Marathon into a movement our entire city has rallied around, spreading the message of kindness and goodwill across the world," said Mayor Walsh.

The Richard Foundation continues to lead us in that effort, and in doing so, brings great honor to our neighborhood and to the memory of Martin.

Peace. — **Bill Forry**

Charlie Austin told our stories, sang our songs

Charles Austin passed away on Tuesday at the age of 73. Austin, who was one of the first local news reporters of color on local television, grew up in Boston's northern suburbs and graduated from high school in Ayer. An Emmy Award-winning TV newsman when he was working for the old Westinghouse station WBZ, Ch. 4, Charles was noted for his deep, glorious singing voice and a warm Christian faith that revealed itself throughout his work.

I fondly recall having known him in our college years in the Boston folk music scene. Back then, in the mid-1960s, Charles was enrolled at the New England Conservatory of Music and I would see him perform at the old Unicorn Coffee House on Boylston Street. He was a member of a folk/gospel group called the Mandrel Singers, and even as a teenager he had this booming bass voice, a wonderful sound that I can hear as I am typing this remembrance. In a 1995 story in the Boston Globe, Austin said, "Singing gospel is a form of prayer. It's like someone once said, 'He who sings, prays twice.'"

Austin began work at Ch. 4 in 1968 as a film processor, and two years later he went on air with one of the most identifiable voices in Boston television. But he struggled with health challenges, beginning with an aneurysm at the age of 22 and later a stroke and prostate cancer. He retired from his TV role in 2000.

Charles leaves his wife and their three daughters, Amy, Lisa, and Danielle. Someday I hope to meet them and tell them just how much I admired this special man whom I knew during those long ago years when we both were young. — **Ed Forry**

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Paid family medical leave strengthens families, businesses, and the economy



First family photo taken in the Beth Israel NICU, then another last month.

Andy Brilliant photo

BY ROY LINCOLN KARP
SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

Two days after my daughter Lucy was born, I stepped into the hallway of the post-partum ward at Beth Israel to talk to my supervisor on the phone. Born more than three months before her due date, Lucy was on life support in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) and my wife was recovering from severe preeclampsia and a life-threatening condition called HELPP.

My supervisor told me that UTEC, my non-profit employer in Lowell, was giving me eight weeks of paid leave because of my difficult circumstances. I felt a huge weight lifted off my shoulders. Over the next few months, that time off was precious to me. It allowed me to visit Lucy in the NICU, attend daily rounds with her medical team, and help Courtney with breast pumping every three hours day and night.

I am grateful for the support I received from UTEC during that challenging time. Unfortunately, most workers don't receive such generous support from their employers. Many fall through a gaping hole in our social safety net: the lack of paid family and medical leave.

The United States remains one of the only countries in the world that does not require employers to compensate workers when they miss work to give birth, bond with a newborn or adopted child, recover from illness, or care for a family member with a serious medical condition.

This could soon change in the Commonwealth thanks to legislation proposed by state Sen. Karen Spilka and state Rep. Ken Gordon, and a grassroots campaign by Raise Up Massachusetts to get a similar measure on the ballot this November.

Under these bills, an employee facing a serious illness or injury could receive partial wage replacement for up to 26 weeks. An employee who needs to care for a seriously ill or injured family member or to bond with a new child could get up to either 12 or 16 weeks of family leave.

To pay for the program, employers would contribute premiums to a state-administered trust fund or a private insurance plan. They could also require their employees to contribute up to 50 percent of the cost.

Letter to the Editor

BPD Cam-Share program raises concerns on privacy

To the Editor:

I am a Clam Point resident who recently became aware of the Boston Police Department's (BPD) new Community Cam-Share program. Businesses sharing CCTV footage with police after a crime has been committed — and after police have issued a subpoena or warrant for the data — has been occurring for many years. Sharing video footage of an alleged crime aids law enforcement in arresting criminals and helps keep our neighborhoods safe.

But there are privacy issues about the new cam-share program that business owners and residents should be aware of.

Police cam-share programs have been popping up across the country under different names like 'ProjectNola' and 'Project Greenlight.' These programs begin with police asking businesses and homeowners to voluntarily link their CCTV cameras to a police department site and, after a year or two, making it mandatory. That isn't right.

These aren't typically contracts that allow both parties access to the footage. In this program, BPD retains all rights to video footage from a business camera.

Why? Why aren't business owners allowed to

release any footage or still images at their own discretion? What precautions are in place to ensure it won't be deleted or edited?

In November 2017, Captain Tim Connolly, commanding officer of District C-11, revealed to the *Dorchester Reporter* that the BPD hopes to eventually create a citywide surveillance network using community cam-share cameras.

The idea of mandatorily connecting every CCTV camera to a citywide surveillance center run by the Boston Regional Intelligence Center (BRIC) is disconcerting. It was recently revealed that the center has been secretly spying on residents' social media since 2014 — without City Hall's knowledge. How is that partnering with the community?

With violent crimes in Boston and across the country declining or at all-time lows, residents should be asking why we need more surveillance. Boston used to be known as the "cradle of liberty." We need to make sure we continue to live up to that name.

Joe Cadillic is a former private investigator, member of the civil liberties groups including *Digital Fourth* (warrantless.org), and a privacy and civil rights blogger. (<https://massprivatei.blogspot.com>).

Indeed, some larger companies have begun to offer paid leave benefits to better attract talent. These programs can also improve the bottom line by increasing staff retention, morale, and productivity. However, many small and mid-size firms that want to offer such benefits cannot afford to because of the high cost of long-term disability insurance.

As a result, the vast majority of workers are left out. Only 13 percent of private sector workers in the U.S. have access to paid family leave through their employers, and only 40 percent receive paid leave for their own illness or injury.

The situation is worse for lower-wage workers, only 6 percent of whom have access to paid family leave. Women also bear a disproportional burden under the current system because they are still more likely to be primary caregivers.

Studies of paid-leave programs in other states — such as California, Rhode Island, and New Jersey — have shown that fears initially expressed by the business community proved to be unwarranted. In a study of California's program, almost all employers surveyed reported the law had "no noticeable effect" or a "positive effect" on productivity, profitability, staff turnover, and morale.

AIM also has concerns about the overall cost of providing paid leave. But there are also huge costs in the current system. These human and financial costs — in the form of lost wages, lost jobs, and lack of appropriate rest and medical care — fall on workers. Spreading these costs among all employers and employees will strengthen working families as well as the economy.

Letter to the Editor

On Lower Mills project: Heed the past

To the Editor:

Roseanne Foley, the executive director of our City Landmarks Commission, knows what she is talking about and she cares very much about historic connectivity in this town and city that we love. Roseanne is a champion of historic preservation in Dorchester and across the city. As many know, Dorchester's architectural heritage is superb going back to the earliest days of the settlement of what are now the Suffolk and Norfolk counties. That heritage is especially distinctive at Lower Mills.

It seems that the problems of the proposed Lower Mills project can easily be resolved by having the development team acknowledge the historic context that Lower Mills offers and also look at examples of projects around town that seamlessly incorporate new buildings with old buildings, thereby strengthening the overall historic/contemporary settings.

An example of this idea, albeit on a larger scale, is located at the corner of Oliver Street

and Atlantic Avenue where pre-1840 buildings at the site are preserved and integrated into the larger massing of the new building.

Rather than erect another blah, blah monolithic structure there, the designers and the BRA appreciated the old buildings featuring the scale and class of their day. The dance harmony of the old and new makes one reflect on the old Atlantic avenue that begat the new beautiful building as part of a new context. It takes a knowledgeable, clever designer to pull it off, but in this case it works very well.

At the Lower Mills site, there is a similar opportunity: Once the 1740-era and other historic buildings are thoughtfully and carefully woven into the fabric created by the new building, the new building will become a new anchor as worthy and as important to this context as when the beautiful Lower Mills Village was first established.

Edward Roche
Dorchester

Elmont St. community gathers to support family of six facing eviction

By SAMUEL WOHLFORTH
REPORTER CORRESPONDENT

Early on the evening of Sat., March 31, some three dozen community activists, students, lawyers, and concerned neighbors gathered on quiet Elmont Street in Dorchester to protest Wells Fargo's decision to sell a family's home to a developer rather than to local organizations intent on keeping the family in the home they have occupied since 2001. Activists from local tenants' rights and anti-displacement group City Life/ Vita Urbana and a student spokesperson from the Harvard Legal Aid Bureau team representing the Masons, an African-American family of six, including two children, denounced Wells Fargo for the impending auction of their home.

Rally leader Antonio Ennis began by condemning Wells Fargo for its plans to sell the property to speculators despite multiple offers from community nonprofits to buy the house and let the family stay.

Family member Lavern Bridges-Daley said that the family, with the help of local community

development nonprofit Boston Community Capital, made an offer to Wells Fargo this past February that was rejected. "We've been here for such a long time," she said. "We know all the neighbors. We don't want everything to change because at one point we didn't have everything in order." Daley added that the family originally fell behind in their mortgage when medical issues befell the family's primary earner. "We just want to pay the mortgage and stay in our home," she said.

According to a statement read at the rally by Harvard Legal Aid Bureau student spokesperson Denise Gharthey, Wells Fargo is planning to auction the Mason family's home in May despite a federal judge ruling in 2012 that Wells Fargo could not legally foreclose on the Masons, and despite a later agreement struck between Daley, officials at the federal

Department of Housing and Urban Development, Wells Fargo, and representatives from non-profit organization Coalition for Occupied Homes In Foreclosure that would permit the Masons to repurchase their home.

Since the rally, Wells Fargo has assigned a new staff member to the Masons' case, raising hopes by some that the bank may be open to selling the house to Boston Community Capital after all, although nothing has been finalized.

Steve Meacham, coordinator of organizing for City Life/ Vita Urbana, connected Wells Fargo's attempt to evict the Mason family to the \$185 million that Wells Fargo was recently forced to pay as part of a 2016 settlement after the company fraudulently opened lines of credit for unsuspecting customers, and to the \$25 billion the bank was forced to pay to homeowners after the

2008 recession.

He used the occasions to call for the passage of the Jim Brooks Community Stabilization Act, which passed the Boston City Council earlier this week and is currently heading to the Legislature for a vote. The bill would require property owners to notify the city of Boston before they evict a tenant, require the city to notify tenants facing eviction of their rights, and, most controversially, end so-called no-fault evictions after a bank foreclosure. "The Masons' struggle is a perfect example of why we need the Jim Brooks Act," said Meacham.

As the rally wound down, Ennis led the crowd in one final chant: "Whose homes?" Ennis shouted into his megaphone. "Our homes!" the crowd yelled back. "What do we do when our homes are attacked?" "Stand up, fight back!"

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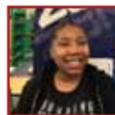
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ST. ANN'S 10K DINNER AT VENEZIA ON APRIL 12

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

CPA FORUM IN MATTAPAN ON APRIL 23

A Community Preservation Forum will be held on Mon., April 23 at Mildred Avenue Community Center, 5 Mildred Ave., Mattapan, 6 p.m. Input sought on Mattapan priorities for \$20 million in annual funding through the Community Preservation act to support historic preservation, parks, and affordable housing.

BPDA TO VOTE ON PLAN FOR OLD GLOBE SITE

BPDA will hold a public hearing on the proposed 135 Morrissey Boulevard project—the site of the former Boston Globe—during the monthly BPDA Board meeting on

Thurs., April 12. After the public hearing concludes, the BPDA Board of Directors will be voting on the proposed project. The meeting will be held in the BPDA Board Room (room 900) located on the 9th Floor of Boston City Hall. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 3:30 p.m., but the section on 135 Morrissey Boulevard is scheduled to begin no earlier than 6:10 pm.

MAYOR'S STREET HOCKEY TOURNEY BEGINS APRIL 17

The 2018 Mayor's Cup Street Hockey Tournament in partnership with the Boston Bruins takes place on April 17, 18, and 19 during the public school vacation week. Teams will compete in two regions in Mite (ages 7 to 8) and Squirt (ages 9 to 10) divisions. Please note that pre-registration for teams is required with a limit of eight teams per regional division. Region 1 playoffs will take place Tuesday, April 17, at Fallon Field located at 910 South St. in Roslindale. Region 2 playoffs will take place Wednesday, April 18, at Garvey Playground located at 340 Neponset Ave., in Dorchester. Winning teams will meet for the finals at Ryan Playground, located at 74 Alford St. in Charlestown, on Thursday, April 19. To register or for more information, please contact Billy Sittig at billy.sittig@boston.gov or call 617-961-3082.

GIRLS SPORTS FESTIVAL SET FOR APRIL VACATION WEEK

Mayor Martin J. Walsh, the Boston Parks and Recreation Department, and Boston Centers for Youth & Families invite girls from throughout the city to spend their April school vacation at the All Girls Sports Festival in Roxbury. The free four-day event will take place April 17 to April 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. daily. Activities will be held at the Reggie Lewis Track & Athletic



Kristen J. McCormack of Dorchester was one of the ten people honored as "Boston Harbor Heroes" at the annual Destination Boston Harbor gala, held at the Seaport Hotel on March 29. McCormack, a trustee of the William E. Schrafft and Bertha E. Schrafft Charitable Trust, was recognized for her work to "create the next generation of environmental stewards and non-profit leaders." About 400 corporate and civic leaders, elected officials, and community partners gathered for the event, organized by Save the Harbor/Save the Bay, the region's leading voice for clean water and continued public investment in Boston Harbor, the region's public beaches, and the Boston Harbor Islands.

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Center at Roxbury Community College, 1350 Columbus Avenue, and the nearby BCYF Madison Park Community Center, Building 4, 55 Malcolm X Boulevard. The All Girls Sports Festival features a variety of sport clinics and health and wellness workshops supported by local colleges, non-profits, and City of Boston agencies. Free lunch will be also be provided. Participants must be Boston residents ages 11 to 14 and should wear activity-appropriate clothing. To pre-register go to apm.activecommunities.com/cobparksandrecredepart. For more information, please contact Barbara Hamilton at 617-961-3093 or barbara.hamilton@boston.gov.

ART COLLECTION GOES ON DISPLAY AT ASHMONT GRILL

A new collection of paintings by local artist Jodie Baehre entitled "Dorchester" will be on display at the Ashmont Grill from March 15 through May 15. Learn more about the artist and her work at jodiebaehre.com.

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Kids Menu

Staycation options for your April break

By MAUREEN FORRY-SORRELL
REPORTER STAFF

We hope everyone has a wonderful April Vacation/Spring Break! Here are some awesome activities close to home to entertain the whole family. The Irish Cultural Center in Canton is hosting a free Parent/Toddler Morning every Tuesday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Parents can kick back with tea or coffee and a snack while kiddos take part in a different activity every week. This week's activity is Irish Step Dancing with Liam, who will teach little ones the basics of Irish dance and music. This is such a fun activity for everyone- definitely make the jaunt down Rt 138 to check it out!

On Thursday April 19 at 10:30 a.m., be sure to join Outdoors RX to "Search for Signs of Spring at Ronan Park. Assemble at the flagpole at the Mt Ida Rd entrance. The following day, Friday, the fun moves to Scarborough Pond in Franklin Park for some good old fashioned "ponding". Meet at Schoolmaster's Hill Picnic Area right off of Circuit Drive.

Friday, April 13 at 10 a.m. — Songs for Children with Morton Hyams at the Fields Corner BPL. Sing along with Morton Hyams as he plays music for young children.

Friday, April 13 at 6:30 p.m. — Bangladeshi Student Association of UMass Boston welcomes you to celebrate Bangla New Year 1425. Enjoy cultural program, and delicious traditional dinner. UMass Boston, 100 Morrissey Blvd.

Tuesday, April 17 at 9 a.m. — Calling all Wildlife Explorers to Franklin Park Zoo. Register today for the four-day April school vacation education program! Geared toward kids 7- 11, this exciting program will include a variety of fun activities including animal encounters, arts and crafts, behind-the-scenes tours, and games! 617-989-3742

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Saturday, April 21 at 11:30 a.m. — Gardner Museum Tour for parents. The tour is about 45 minutes, geared towards adults, and welcomes hungry babies, crying babies, sleeping babies, and parents on maternity/ paternity leave, stay-at-home moms and dads, and any other caretakers. Advance registration is highly recommended. Tickets available at Eventbrite.

Sunday, April 29 at noon — 3rd Annual Hike 4 Autism event at Franklin Park, Cross Country Course in Boston, MA. This event will provide families affected by autism with community resources, food and entertainment as well as a memorable outdoor

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UMass purchase of Mt. Ida College prompts a local outcry on priorities; Collins decries 'private' bailout

(Continued from page 1) ing opportunities" by establishing a pipeline to Boston area companies. But the deal – first

revealed in reporting done by Mass Live last week – has boiled into a major controversy for the UMass system.

On Tuesday, state Rep. Nick Collins of South Boston told the *Reporter* that he is "not happy" with the university's

decision. "I'm really concerned about where UMB is on the list of priorities," said Collins, who is running for a seat in the state Senate this spring. "I'll be meeting with the UMass President, and I'm going to be clear about my frustration."

Collins went on. "UMass Boston is an incredible university in Dorchester, and a real lifeline to the city. This deal begs the question if we have our priorities straight. When you have a campus in crisis, that should be the top priority, not bailing out private institutions."

UMass Boston student body president Katelyn Mitrano said that her peers are "outraged" by the news. "Once again the university system forgets about the Boston campus and our students," Mitrano said in a statement to the *Reporter*. "It is disheartening that UMass Boston students have been forced to bear the burden of a budget deficit caused by administrative decisions approved by the Board of Trustees with no financial assistance from the president's office, the board, or any other UMass campus. However UMass Amherst can purchase an entire college campus standing only a few miles away from the existing Boston campus at a cost of tens of millions of dollars."

She added: "By doing this the university system is directly cutting into UMass Boston's market share, creating even more competition

for students, donors, internships, and job opportunities in Boston's already aggressive higher education landscape."

Governor Charlie Baker told reporters on Tuesday that he was "stunned, shocked, amazed and really disappointed" to learn of the "current state of play at Mount Ida." However, Baker directed his remarks at Mount Ida's leadership, not at UMass's involvement and spending.

Mount Ida's short-notice closure leaves many of its students with uncertain futures. Most will be offered automatic admission to UMass Dartmouth, which is more than an hour's drive away from Newton, a solution that presents logistical problems for many students. Other enrolled students will be left without a program that accommodates their majors, while many incoming freshman are scrambling to change their college plans.

On Monday, state Attorney General Maura Healey said her office would examine the acquisition to make sure Mount Ida students have fair and appropriate opportunities to complete their education.

"Our interest is ensuring that Mount Ida students are protected in this process and able to access the best information and resources to make decisions," said Emalie Gainey, a spokesperson for Healey.

UMass president Martin Meehan told the *Boston Globe* that the

decision to purchase Mount Ida was made independently by the Amherst campus – and that the overall system would not "prevent UMass Amherst from developing a campus that they've worked hard at for years. If Boston wanted to acquire a parcel and had the capacity, they could do it as well," he said.

Meehan said the Mount Ida students are the top priority for UMass officials, and they will be able to finish their studies at the other university campuses.

"Our number one concern has been with the students at Mount Ida," Meehan told the State House News Service in a phone interview.

Mitrano, the student body president at the Boston campus, said many students believe that the Amherst move is a response to Boston's growing campus.

"With a new residence hall, a new chancellor, construction coming to a close, and a budget that is nearly balanced, I sincerely believe that UMass Amherst, the board of trustees, and President Meehan are afraid of the potential of UMass Boston to become the next 'flagship campus.' All parties involved are doing everything they can to maintain Amherst's status rather than truly working as a system in the best interest of both their students and the Commonwealth," she said.

State House News Service contributed to this story.



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Community Health News

Carney Hospital's president to leave for non-profit post

By **BILL FORRY**
EDITOR

The president of Carney Hospital will leave his position this summer to become president and CEO of Rogerson Communities, a non-profit that specializes in providing health care and affordable housing to low-income elders and families in greater Boston.

Walter Ramos, who joined the Carney in July 2015 after a three-year stint as the CEO at Dot House Health in Fields Corner, will begin working at the Rogerson company in July. He is still serving as president at Carney. It is not yet clear who will succeed him — and when — at the Dorchester Avenue hospital campus, which is owned by Steward Health Care.

In a message sent to Carney employees on April 2, he described the job offer as “a new opportunity has been developed and put before me in such a way which has made it difficult for me to do anything but accept it.”

Ramos, 55, will succeed Rogerson's current president and CEO, James F. Seagle, who has led the organization



Walter Ramos: Moving on in July.

for 45 years. “Walter is an excellent choice to take the reins and help Rogerson navigate the social economics of the coming decades,” said Seagle in a statement. “We are absolutely confident that he is the right leader for Rogerson as we embark on our next chapter with renewed focus, strong financials,

strategic partnerships, and an incredible team of loyal staff, Board and donors.”

Seagle will take on a new role at Rogerson,” advocating on a national level for funding production of affordable housing.” Rogerson manages “over 29 properties and programs” worth more than \$500 million.

In his message to Carney colleagues, Ramos pointed to accomplishments during his tenure that “have established a new and sustainable Carney Hospital for its patients and our community.”

“We have seen significant investment in our facility and campus over the last few years, which has allowed Carney to establish itself as the hospital for our community to receive high-quality

healthcare locally,” he said. “Most importantly, I believe Carney has had a culture shift that points towards a future for this institution that is optimistic. Optimistic about the trajectory of Carney and an expansion of its mission to provide high-quality healthcare to our community where

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FAIRY HOUSE BUILDING IN FRANKLIN PARK

Boston Parks and Recreation Department will host the fifth annual Fairy House Building family event on Thursday, April 19 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at Schoolmaster Hill in Franklin Park. Local children and families are invited to help by building tiny homes. This free event will include outdoor nature play, storytelling, books from ReadBoston, plant education from the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, scavenger hunts with the Appalachian Mountain Club's Outdoors Rx program, a visit from New England Aquarium, and face painting. Children are encouraged to wear their favorite fairy and elf costumes to encourage their tiny guests to alight in Franklin Park. Natural materials will be provided, and youngsters are welcome to explore their surroundings to find natural elements such as sticks, stones, and leaves to adorn their fairy houses. There will also be a fairy puppet show at 11:30 a.m. Schoolmaster Hill is located on Circuit Drive between the William Devine Golf Course Clubhouse and Shattuck Hospital. For more information, please call the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at 617-961-3047, or visit online at boston.gov/parks.

MAYOR WALSH HOSTS OPEN HOUSE IN ROXBURY

Mayor Martin J. Walsh will host a City Hall Open House in on Monday, April 23, 6-8 p.m. at the BCYF Shelburne Community Center, 2730 Washington St., Roxbury. Residents from Roxbury and other neighborhoods can attend to learn more about city services, capital projects and ongoing programs from the City of Boston. Representatives from various departments will be present including the Boston Planning and Development Agency, the Boston Transportation Department, the Public Works Department, the Parks and Recreation Department, Boston Public Schools, Boston Public Health Commission, and the Office Economic Development and more will be in attendance to answer questions and share resources.

MATTAPAN-DORCHESTER RESIDENT MEETING

The Mayor's Office will host a Mattapan-Dorchester resident meeting on Wed., April 18 at 6 p.m. at the Mildred Ave Community Center, 5 Mildred Ave., Mattapan. Contact Roudnie.Celestin@boston.gov and Kenya.Beamon@boston.gov with any questions.

SAINT ANN-SAINT BRENDAN COLLABORATIVE

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

VIETAIID HOSTS SPEAKER ON 'BLACK APRIL'

Viet AID welcomes the community to its speaker series event "Black April: The Fall of Saigon" on Sat., April 28, 6-8 p.m. at the Vietnamese American Community Center, 42 Charles St., Dorchester. The guest speaker is former Bao Nguyen, former mayor of Garden Grove, CA. Contact development@vietaid.org for more info.

MOTHER'S DAY WALK FOR PEACE ON MAY 13

The annual Mother's Day Walk for Peace to benefit the Louis D. Brown Peace Institute steps off from Fields Corner to City Hall on Sunday, May 13. For more information visit mothersdaywalk4peace.org

COLLEGE PREP PROGRAM AT BU

Boston University Upward Bound is currently accepting applications for their free college preparation program from 9th and 10th graders. There are also a few spots for 11th graders this year. Program services include an academically intensive six-week summer residential program (where students stay at Boston University for free each summer!) and an afterschool program of tutoring and courses, including MCAS English, Math and Science prep; and SAT prep. The program is free. To apply student need to attend Brighton HS, The English HS, CASH, Margarita Muniz Academy or Snowden International School. Public school students living in Dorchester, East Boston, Mattapan, and Roxbury can also apply. The priority application deadline is April 15. For an application and more information on the program, go to bu.edu/ub or contact reggie@bu.edu.

DOUBLE DUTCH CLINICS AT MADISON PARK

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

SALSA LESSONS AT TALBOT AVENUE CLUBHOUSE

The Latino Law Enforcement Group Of Boston is offering salsa dance lessons in advance of their gala on May 12. Classes will run for 8 weeks every Sunday afternoon from 4p.m. to 5:30p.m. beginning March 18

and ending May 6 at the Blue Hill Boys & Girls Club, 15 Talbot Ave., Dorchester. Cost is \$12 per person and per class (drop-ins welcome.) The lessons are in partnership with Noche Latina Dance Company, The Berkshire Partners Blue Hill Club, the Boston Police Department and the city of Boston. Contact Jeanette Origel at jeanetteorigel@gmail.com.

FREE TAX CLINICS IN CODMAN SQUARE

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

CITIZENSHIP CLASSES

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

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The City of Boston's two municipal golf courses will open on April 6 for the 2018 season. The City owns and operates the William J. Devine Golf Course in Dorchester and the George Wright Golf Course in Hyde Park designed by Donald Ross. The second-oldest public golf course in America and part of the historic Emerald Necklace, the Devine Golf Course at Franklin Park offers a pleasant golf experience only minutes from downtown Boston and is open year-round, weather permitting. Recent improvements include a brand-new fairway bunker at Hole 17 and rebuilt/restored bunkers at Holes 2, 4, 8, 12, and 18. Contact PGA Professional Kevin Frawley at 617-265-4084 for more information. Golfers can access information on rates, season permits, monthly specials and tournaments and book tee times at cityofbostongolf.com.

BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY'S HOMEWORK HELP

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

POLICE DISTRICT C-11

Non-emergency line for seniors: 617-343-5649. The Party Line phone number, where you can report loud parties, is 617-343-5500, 24 hours/7 days per week.

POLICE DISTRICT B-3 NEWS

Call B-3's Community Service Office at 617-343-4711.

APPLE GROVE ASSOC.

The Apple Grove Association meets on the second Tuesday of every month from 6-8 p.m. at 1135 Morton St., Mattapan. The contact is Ms. Myrtle Huggins at 617-429-8531.

ASHMONT-ADAMS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

Meetings are typically held on the first Thursday of each month at the Plasterer's Hall, 7 Fredericka St., at 7 p.m. Contact Pat O'Neill at pattiasmont@gmail.com.



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REPORTER'S CALENDAR

Thursday, April 12

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

• Catholic Schools Foundation 28th Annual City Scholarship Fund Dinner honors Bob Reynolds of Putnam Investments with this year's Carolyn and Peter Lynch Award in recognition of his leadership, support and commitment to young people through Catholic education. Cathedral High School student and CSF Scholar Armani Lamin will be this year's program speaker. 6:30–9 p.m. (cocktail reception, followed by dinner and program at Copley Marriott, 110 Huntington Ave., Boston.

Sunday, April 15

• The City of Boston will observe One Boston Day—“an opportunity to recognize the good in our community, celebrate one another, and reflect on the spirit and resilience of the people of Boston that was exemplified in response to the loss and tragedies of April 15, 2013. In Dorchester, volunteers are needed to assist at one of many service sites organized through the Martin Richard Foundation. Visit: martinrichardfoundation.org/onebostonday to sign-up. A moment of silence will be observed across the city at 2:49 p.m.

• Irish Hearts for Orphans will host their annual benefit dance from 3-7 p.m. at the Marriott Hotel in Quincy. The benefit will feature set dancing and local music from the Kenny Academy of Irish Dance, Comhaltas Ceoloiri Eireann, Erin's Melody, and Noel Henry's Irish Showband. This year's honorees include Quincy Mayor Thomas P. Koch and Christine A. Koch, Rev. Daniel J. Finn Paul, and Patricia Mikus. The event will also feature a silent auction, refreshments and light sandwiches, and a cash bar. \$20 suggested donation. Register online at nphusa.org/events/irishhearts.

• Dorchester Historical Society program examined “Dorchester in the 1960s and 1970s: Interesting Times” at 2 p.m. at the William Clapp House, 195 Boston St., Dorchester. Community organizer Lew Finfer and local historian Jim

Vrabel discuss some of the political, social, economic, and demographic forces that prompted that activism and how Dorchester developed as a community up to and since that time. Free.

Tuesday, April 17

• McCormack Civic Association in the Polish Triangle meets at 6:30 p.m. at St. Teresa of Calcutta parish hall. More info at McCormackCivic.org.

• The story of Cinderella is brought to life using household items, recycled objects and physical comedy at the JFK Library today at 10:30 a.m. as Bright Star Touring Theatre presents “Upcycled Cinderella.” Register at jfklibrary.org.

• The 2018 Mayor's Cup Street Hockey Tournament in partnership with the Boston Bruins takes place on April 17, 18, and 19 during the public school vacation week. Teams will compete in two regions in Mite (ages 7 to 8) and Squirt (ages 9 to 10) divisions. Please note that pre-registration for teams is required with a limit of eight teams per regional division. Region 1 playoffs will take place Tuesday, April 17, at Fallon Field, 910 South St. in Roslindale. Region 2 playoffs will take place Wednesday, April 18, at Garvey Playground at 340 Neponset Ave., in Dorchester. Winning teams will meet for the finals at Ryan Playground, 74 Alford St. in Charlestown, on Thursday, April 19. To register or for more information, please contact Billy Sittig at billy.sittig@boston.gov or call 617-961-3082.

• Register for the four-day April school vacation education program at Franklin Park Zoo. In this program, campers will become experts in animal tracking and identification. Geared toward children ages seven to 11, this exciting program will include a variety of fun activities including animal encounters, arts and crafts, behind-the-scenes tours, and games! 9 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. One Franklin Park Rd, Dorchester. Cost is \$235 for a member child and \$275 for a non-member child. Sibling discounts are available. Pre-registration is required. For additional information and registration, call 617-989-3742 or e-mail education@zoonewengland.com

• The Lower Mills Civic Association meets this evening 7 p.m. in the St. Gregory's auditorium. Agenda items include police update, proposal for condos at 13 River St., construction proposal for 241 Gallivan Blvd., update on Molly's proposal,

Christine Poff speaks about Community Preservation Act.

Thursday, April 19

• Boston Parks and Recreation Department hosts fifth annual Fairy House Building family event from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at Schoolmaster Hill in Franklin Park. Local children and families are invited to help by building tiny homes. This free event will include outdoor nature play, storytelling, books from ReadBoston, plant education from the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, scavenger hunts with the Appalachian Mountain Club's Outdoors Rx program, a visit from New England Aquarium, and face painting. Children are encouraged to wear their favorite fairy and elf costumes to encourage their tiny guests to alight in Franklin Park. Natural materials will be provided, and youngsters are welcome to explore their surroundings to find natural elements such as sticks, stones, and leaves to adorn their fairy houses. There will also be a fairy puppet show at 11:30 a.m. Schoolmaster Hill is located on Circuit Drive between the William Devine Golf Course Clubhouse and Shattuck Hospital. For more information, please call the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at 617-961-3047, or visit online at boston.gov/parks.

• The next monthly meeting of the Boston State Hospital Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) will be held today from 6-8 p.m. at the Foley Building, 249 River Street, Mattapan, MA. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Saturday, April 21

• Don't miss the Party for the Planet in celebration of Earth Day at Franklin Park Zoo in Dorchester. Talk with exhibitors from local conservation organizations to learn how you can contribute to a healthy planet and preserve the Earth. Participate in multiple citizen science activities to celebrate the kickoff of the Boston Area City Nature Challenge. Other festivities include opportunities to meet the zookeepers, animal enrichment, hands-on activities, and much more.

Sunday, April 22

• Benefit time at Florian Hall in Dorchester from 4-8 p.m. for the McDonagh family from Carraroe, Connemara, Co. Galway. The late Michael McDonagh passed away from cancer in February, leaving his wife—Brid—to care for their two children, including 16 year-old Petrona, who lives with cerebral palsy and spas-

tic quadriplegia. Brid McDonagh also suffers from Lymphedema after successful surgery to treat her for breast cancer in 2013. Donations can be made to goFundme.com/McDonagh-family-fundraiser. Tickets for \$25 sold in advance and at the door. Kids free.

Monday, April 23

• Community Preservation Forum at Mildred Avenue Community Center, 5 Mildred Ave., Mattapan at 6 p.m. Input sought on Mattapan priorities for \$20 million in annual funding through the Community Preservation act to support historic preservation, parks, and affordable housing.

• Mayor Martin J. Walsh will host a City Hall Open House in Roxbury, inviting residents from all across Roxbury and other neighborhoods to learn more about city services, capital projects and ongoing programs from the City of Boston. 6-8 p.m. at the BCYF Shelburne Community Center, 2730 Washington St., Roxbury. Representatives from various departments will be present including the Boston Planning and Development Agency, the Boston Transportation Department, the Public Works Department, the Parks and Recreation Department, Boston Public Schools, Boston Public Health Commission, and the Office Economic Development and more will be in attendance to answer questions and share resources.

Tuesday, April 24

• The Boston Parks and Recreation Department and the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services invite the public to the final meeting in a series of meetings to discuss improvements to Garvey Park in Dorchester today at 6:30 p.m. at BCYF Leahy/Holloran Community Center, 1 Worrell St., Dorchester. For further information, please call 617-961-3019.

Thursday, April 26

• DotFest, a community carnival to benefit DotHouse Health at 6 p.m., 1353 Dorchester Ave. More info: Jenna.Zitaner@dothousehealth.org

• 10th Anniversary of Taste of Dorchester features 25 Dorchester restaurants, magician, silent auction, live jazz, and free parking. Benefit for the Dorchester-based Massachusetts Affordable Housing Alliance which educates and mobilizes to break down barriers facing low and moderate income first-time homebuyers. IBEW Hall, 256 Freeport St., Dorchester. Contact tcallahahan@mahaahome.org for more info.

• The community is

invited to explore Quincy College campuses today from 5-7 p.m. at the Quincy Campus located at 1250 Hancock Street and the Plymouth Campus located at 36 Cordage Park. In addition to meeting faculty and staff, the community can view the Quincy College Syndaver located on the Plymouth Campus and explore its leading-edge technology in Nursing simulation and biotechnology labs that support academic programs. For more information visit: quincycollege.edu/explore.

• Mattapan Credit Workshop at Mattapan Boston Public Library, 1350 Blue Hill Ave., Mattapan, 6:30 p.m. Mayor Walsh's Office of Financial Empowerment to learn credit basics in a free workshop.

Friday, April 27

• Historic New England presents Preserving Affordability, Affording Preservation: Prospects for Historic Multi-Family Housing at the All Saints' Church in Dorchester. The conference gathers leading advocates in affordable housing and historic preservation to look at the past, present, and future of the region's historic multi-family housing with a focus on the iconic three-deckers. Register online or by calling 617-994-6678. The registration fee is \$85 for adults and \$35 for students with ID. Fees include a continental breakfast, lunch, and reception.

Saturday, April 28

• Neponset River Clean-up from 9 a.m.-noon. Volunteers needed. See Neponset.org/cleanup.

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Focus is on guns, opioids, and climate at Reporter forum



Sen. Elizabeth Warren, right, made a point during a Reporter town hall last Thursday. Reporter news editor Jennifer Smith, who moderated the forum, listens at left. *Bill Forry photo*

(Continued from page 1) must be provided by the federal government.

Three years ago, Smith recalled, Warren told Josh Miller of the *Boston Globe* that her greatest regret in the senate was that she couldn't pass gun legislation. Today, the gun debate still rages, with mass shootings sparking the student-led March For Our Lives that just swept across Washington, Boston, and the nation at large. But the majority of gun deaths are suicides or the day-to-day drumbeat of shootings across the country.

"This is about making our kids safe every single day," Warren said. She noted the roughly seven children per day that have died from gun violence since the Sandy Hook shooting,

an epidemic on such a scale that proposing a sensible bipartisan solution should be plausible, she said.

"We have done that on background checks," Warren said. "Most Americans, including most gun owners, agree that we could do better on background checks. Weapons of war do not belong on American streets. We should stop this."

A particularly galling failure, Warren said, was resistance to a proposal that would have prevented those on a terrorist watch list from purchasing weapons. "If you cannot fly because you're on the terrorist watch list, you should not be able to buy a gun," she said.

Warren gave new details on a just-emerging bill that she filed the

next day with US Rep. Elijah Cummings (D-Maryland) that would pump \$100 billion into a federal assault on opioids— an approach that Warren likened to the nation's eventual strategy to combat the HIV/AIDS epidemic in the 1980s.

"We want to put enough money in not to nibble around the edges, but make a transformative difference. What we are going to propose tomorrow is that the federal government put \$100 billion over next ten years— that's \$10 billion a year— into treating the opioid crisis in this country, Warren said.

Under the proposed law, funding would also go directly to clinics and nonprofit programs that help those struggling with opioids.

"We want to make this money available to the states," she said. "We recognize what's happening in Massachusetts does not look exactly like what's happening in South Dakota. . . . We want the states, we want localities, we want treatment centers to get the money directly.

Amidst a deeply divided Congress, the bill may be a tough sell, the liberal firebrand acknowledged, "But you better believe that I'm going to reach out not just to Democrats but Republicans. Come, let us work together on this issue, for the good of everyone."

Warren fielded questions from the audience on topics ranging from health care for veterans and affordable housing to whether she thinks Trump should be impeached.

"This is serious busi-



Eighth graders from the Lilla G. Frederick School in Dorchester attended the town hall with teacher Jennifer Dines, right. They were joined after the event by Boston Teachers Union president Jessica Tang. *Bill Forry photo*



Above: Sen. Warren answers a question posed by Debbie Souza.

ness," Warren said when answering the impeachment question. "Right now I believe it is absolutely critical that the special counsel, [Robert] Mueller, be allowed to complete his investigation in full with no interference from anyone, Democrat or

Republican, and make a full report. We need to see what his report says and then we take whatever are the appropriate next steps."

Warren will appear on the state primary ballot on Tues., Sept. 4, the day after Labor Day. The final election is set for

Nov. 6. She holds a hefty lead over her three main Republican challengers, according to recent polls.

Smith asked Warren if she intended to serve her full six-year term, through 2024, if re-elected. "That's certainly my plan," she answered.

Junior coach, shows how recess is about having fun, and a lot more

(Continued from page 1) arguing can choose to either play rock, paper, scissors, or work out their problem through discussion.

As most opt for the former, students quickly turn their focus back on the game, which, as Nia recognizes, is the whole purpose of recess.

"I think the point of being a junior coach is just to show the kids that recess is to have fun and not to worry about anything," she said. "It's showing the kids that you can have fun but also be serious and learn things at the same time that are not maybe a part of school but could help you with school and in life."

This description mirrors what New England Playworks Executive Director Jon Gay had to say about his program. As he pointed out, in addition to providing health benefits, sports are also about building

important social and emotional skills. "There are so many things you can learn from being on a team," he said. "There's the whole aspect of collaboration and working together...it's teaching them how to become better citizens."

But studies show these lessons are not always learned equally across the board; according to the National Alliance for Sports, only 59 percent of third- to fifth-grade girls in urban elementary schools participate in at least one organized sport, compared to 80 percent of boys. Closing this gap is another key piece of the nonprofit's vision.

Playworks' Developmental Sports leagues give girls like Nia the opportunity to participate in noncompetitive, developmental sports free of charge. "We're trying to break down that norm," said Gay. "Last year we had about

650 girls playing on our teams, and for 80 percent of them it was their first time on a team...it's part of making sports more inclusive, so that it's not just boys playing basketball at recess."

For her part, Nia says that one-sided reality still exists at the school, but that it's already changed somewhat.

"Two of my friends, Cameron and Samantha, both play with the boys on the basketball team because the boys actually

think they're good," she said. With K-1 students looking up to her as an athletic leader, Nia makes sure to show them examples of coed teamwork and "teach them that it doesn't have to be all boys and all girls."

Playworks New England Development associate Amy French noted that, in addition to encouraging development in younger kids, the Junior Coach program also bears witness to

transformations in the coaches themselves.

"There are so many stories of coaches just transforming after being given coaching responsibilities," she said. "Some kids who might have been shy or had behavior issues before, they really change."

Playworks Coach Claire Collins, who mentors Nia both as a junior coach and as a player on her basketball team, described how Nia had grown since becoming a coach. "I have seen Nia grow a lot more confident leading games, and her confidence definitely shines when she is with the younger kids," she said. "I've seen her communication skills really improve, just in terms of being able to simply explain what's going to happen to a group of kids whose attention spans are not very long. I've also seen her peer leadership really improve...she is always a model of good

expectations, doing it in a way that's not mean or condescending or like a teacher, but as a friend."

As for Nia, she says the experience has helped to teach her patience. "I think the hardest part about being a junior coach is staying calm when kids are aggravating you," she said. "You have to handle being calm and just focusing on the positive."

Nia hopes to one day become either a teacher or a pediatrician, but for now she'll continue to be a community leader at her school. In describing her duties as a coach, she invoked two of the core values taught to students at NHCS: "embracing effort" and "committing to the common good."

As she drops phrases like that into a casual conversation, Nia shows that she possesses a poise and maturity that are remarkable in a ten year old. But don't forget: She's got spirit, too.



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Celebrating Spring: Our annual spring celebration took place the Friday before Easter, with a surprise visit from the Easter Bunny himself! Early Ed and their families enjoyed an Easter egg hunt, photos with the Easter Bunny and other activities.



Tony V Takes Our Stage: Tony V, along with fellow comedian Graig Murphy and hypnotist Steve Coppola performed at our comedy fundraiser last weekend at The Neighborhood Club of Quincy.

CONNECT THE DOT

Suite Red Sox: Members had an exciting time last weekend at one of the first Boston Red Sox games of the season, thanks to generosity of SullyMac.

On Sunday, Sullivan & McLaughlin, New England's largest single-source electrical and technologies contracting company invited 22 of our members to the Tampa Bay Rays game in the company suite. This time, we specifically brought members aged 12 and under and their parents, for a fun family day of baseball.

Sullivan & McLaughlin generously donate their Red Sox suite to us on a regular basis throughout the season, and members always have a great time experiencing Fenway Park and their beloved Sox. We are also grateful for their Gold Sponsorship this year for our New England Women's Leadership Awards!

FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE

Denney Programs: Our Walter Denney Youth Center has new programs beginning this spring. The Denney Center is located at the Harbor Point Apartment Complex and we really try to cater specifically to residents of the neighborhood at that Clubhouse. For that reason, we offer some classes at both the Denney and the McLaughlin locations, for the convenience of residents of Harbor Point.

This spring, the Denney Center will have music lessons, starting this week. There will also be a nutrition class and a variety of education classes like Fiddlebrook Science for members in grades 2-4 and Girls Who Code for girls ages 10+.

For more info on these programs call 617-288-7120 and ask for the Denney Clubhouse.

DID YOU KNOW

Denney Spring Play: Did you know the Walter Denney Youth Center puts on a spring play each year? This year, for the 5th annual spring play, members are performing an original show, written by two of our very own members.

Members aged 8 and up are involved in the play and have been having a great time working together to produce an original show. The group has been busy memorizing lines and rehearsing for the past few months as part of an evening enrichment program called Screenplay Club, and they are ready to perform it in May.

The play will be on Tuesday, May 8th at the Denney Youth Center, and is open to friends and family. We are so excited to finally see our members' creative work performed on stage!

UPCOMING EVENTS

CLUB CLOSED FOR PATRIOT'S DAY
April 16

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BIRRIERI, Lisa Ann V.P. of Colliers International of Mashpee, MA following a nearly four-year battle with pancreatic cancer. Lisa, a native of Dorchester, was a graduate of Boston Latin School, Wheaton College, B.A., and Northeastern University, M.B.A. Lisa was a top commercial real estate executive. Lisa

is survived by her husband, David J. Paparella, Mashpee; mother, Michelina V. Birrieri, Boston; twin sister, Gina Birrieri Enock (Christopher), NY, NY; sister, Cara M. Birrieri (A. Jackson Smith Jr.), Lakewood, NY; brother, Domenic M. Birrieri, his partner, Katherine Gaughan, Boston; nephews, Alexander Enock

and Andrew Enock, NY, NY; nephew, Allen "A.J." Smith III, and niece, Victoria M. Smith, Lakewood, NY; She was preceded in death by her father, Domenic Birrieri.

BUSCHINI, Anne M. (Farrell) age 80. Wife of James A. Buschini. Daughter of the late Mary Lillian (Clancy) Delorey. Mother of Stephen, James and wife Stephanie, John and wife Karen, Peter, and Julie. Adored grandmother of Lauren, John, Ryan, Dylan, Levi, Meghan, Kaia, Dominic, Charlie, and Angelo. Sister of Eleanor Sullivan, Barbara Janiak and the late Marjorie Szum and Dorothy O'Neill. Aunt of many nieces and nephews. Anne's family is expansive. It also includes Nancy, Taiyo, Nettie, Dillon, Jessie, Tom, Iris, and Chuck, their families, and many more. Anne was very proud of starting her own business, Buschini & Company, a successful corporate meeting planning company that she ran for over 15 years. Donations can be made in Anne's name to Little Home for Wanderers, 10 Guest Street, Boston, MA 02135.

DALY, Gerard F. "Gerry" 92, of South Yarmouth. Born in South Boston to George and Elizabeth Flynn Daly, he lived in South Weymouth for many

years and later retired to South Yarmouth. He is survived by his wife of 29 years, Christine Shakalis Daly, his son Richard Daly and his wife Susan, his daughter Jacqueline Daly Esquivel and her husband Raul, grandchildren Robert Daly, Alyse Daly Sullivan, Lauren Daly, Christina Esquivel and Meredith Esquivel, great grandchildren Jay and Will Daly and Charles Sullivan as well as many nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his first wife of 36 years, Barbara Kincaide Daly, and his three siblings Phyllis Morrison, George Daly and Paul Daly. After serving in the US Navy in World War II, Gerry graduated from Boston College with a BSBA. He enjoyed a successful career with Stop & Shop, first as a store manager and then as a corporate buyer for candy, film and tobacco across all divisions including the grocery stores, Bradlees, Medi Mart and Perkins Tobacco. He served as President and Treasurer of the Blue Rock Landing Association, Treasurer of the Sixties Golf League and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Retired Men's Club of Cape Cod. Gerry also gave back by volunteering for the American Lung Association and the Museum of Natural History in Brewster. The family requests that memorial donations be made to Hope Hospice who provided loving care and support during Gerry's last few weeks. <https://www.hopehealthma.org/giving/make-a-gift>

DENIEN, Dennis J. of (Savin Hill) Dorchester. Son of the late Ruth Hutchinson and Edward Denien. Brother of Cathy Dacey of Plymouth, Carol Richardson of S.C., Edward Denien of Quincy, Bill Denien of Dorchester, John Denien of Rockland and Peggy Gauss of Weymouth. Survived by many nieces and nephews.

FAHEY, Stephen F. of Braintree, formerly of Dorchester, suddenly. Husband of Theresa M. (Kelly). Father of Emily Fahey. Son of Paul and Eileen (Denihan) Fahey of Dorchester. Brother of Paul Fahey of Dorchester, Brian and his wife Anne Marie Fahey of Quincy, Maura and her husband Mark Monroe of VA and Eileen and her husband Richard Gill of ME. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Remembrances may be made to the charity of your choice. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery.

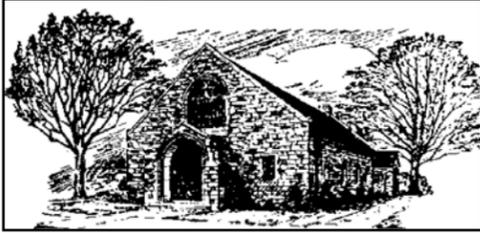
JAKSINA, Lt. Col. Stanley C. USMC (Ret.) of Harvard, 90. He leaves his wife of 63 years, Dorothy A. (Madigan) Jaksina; a son and daughter-in-law, Robert F. and Cindy Jaksina of Townsend; a daughter, Ann L. Jaksina and her companion, Dan Lesnick, of Brownsville, VT; a sister, Lucy Syvinski of Amesbury; three grandchildren, Robert Jaksina, Jr., Kayleigh Pennell, Kim Jaksina and three great grandchildren, Bryce Pennell, Ryleigh Pennell and Robert Jaksina III. He was a 1953 graduate of the Naval Academy at Annapolis Maryland. He later attended the Air Force Institute of Technology. Lt. Col. Jaksina served his country for 22 years in the United States Marines, retiring in 1971. He was awarded many medals.

NOBLE, Myrna A. (Beaton) of Taunton, formerly of Milton. Wife of Carlton Noble. Mother of Carlton Noble, III of CA and Gracie Noble Sampson of Taunton. Grandmother of Marie Mutryn of CO, Emily Sampson of Attleboro and Annie Sampson of Taunton. Sister of Frederick Beaton of Middleboro and Daniel Beaton of Quincy. If desired, contributions in Myrna's name may be sent to Stewart Hospice of Norwood, 30 Perwal St, Westwood, MA 02090.

ROSARIO, Sylvia E. M.Ed., LMFT was born in Boston in 1936 to Elaine Dulcenia Gomes and Julius W. Snow, and raised by her mother and Joseph A. Firmin. She was a driven, ambitious, knowledgeable and well-traveled woman. She met and married the late Joseph J. Rosario, Jr. (Retired Capt.) of New Bedford, MA, and had daughters, Andrea, 59; Dana (deceased); and Lita, 56. In the 1970's she began a career as a college counselor and administrator at AIC, then a contract administrator for the Mass. Dept. of Ed., Civil Rights Division for Title VII and IX Programs, and a Race-Relations Trainer/Newton Public Schools. In 1979, she received an M.Ed. from Antioch University. At the age of 76, she was appointed by D.C. Mayor Gray as a Commissioner of the Board of Marriage and Family Therapy, in 2013 voted Vice-Chair, and was re-appointed. In 2013, she was a Collaborating Investigator for the APA's DSM-5 Field Study. Member: The American Association of Marriage & Family Therapy, The Association of Black Psychologists, The International Association of Marriage & Family Therapy, the American Counseling Association, and the International Society for Mental Health Online. She is survived by her daughters, Andrea and Lita; three grandchildren, Andre Dwayne, 30; Andrew Keith, 28; and Lita Angelle, 23; beloved sisters, Marie and Paula; nephews, Tyrone, Wallace, Rahim and Imam, great-nieces and nephews; stepsons, Frank, John, and Antone; and many cousins (who were like sisters and brothers) William, Barbara, Claudia, Melva, Jeanne, Richard, Laurie, Melvin and Wendy and their beautiful children and grandchildren all of whom she loved dearly.

WHITEMORE, Ralph from complications of pneumonia. He was 78 years old. He leaves his wife, Christine, his son Brian and wife Kerri of Cumberland Maine and his daughter Megan and her husband David Newlin of Boston. He also leaves son Daniel Whitemore and daughter Susan Williams, both of Braintree. Ralph enjoyed talking about growing up in Quincy and his love of jazz, fast cars and pool date from his days at Quincy High School. He served in the US Air Force as a nuclear weapons fusing system specialist and worked in the computer industry as his post-military career. He worked in the computer industry from the 1960's to the 2000's, spanning the time from computers the size of a room to computers that fit in the pocket. He retired from working in the FAA computer room at the Volpe Transportation Center in Cambridge. He was active in his Dorchester community. He volunteered with Boston Public Schools and testified before the Boston School Committee on a number of occasions. He was a founding member of Dorchester Youth Soccer, as a coach and as president of the organization for over a decade, overseeing the development of hundreds of Dorchester children in the sport. He was a long-time board member of the All-Dorchester Sports League. In retirement, he volunteered at Boston Medical Center as a "cuddler", holding infants in need of comfort in the pediatric ICU. He also leaves behind many cousins, friends and neighbors. Remembrance donations may be sent to the Alzheimer's Association at alz.org.

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The Annual Report of the Proprietors of Cedar Grove Cemetery for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017 will be available at the Cemetery office. The Report may be inspected during regular business hours, by request, within 180 days after the publication of this notice.

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Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DJUNN, First Justice of this Court.
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