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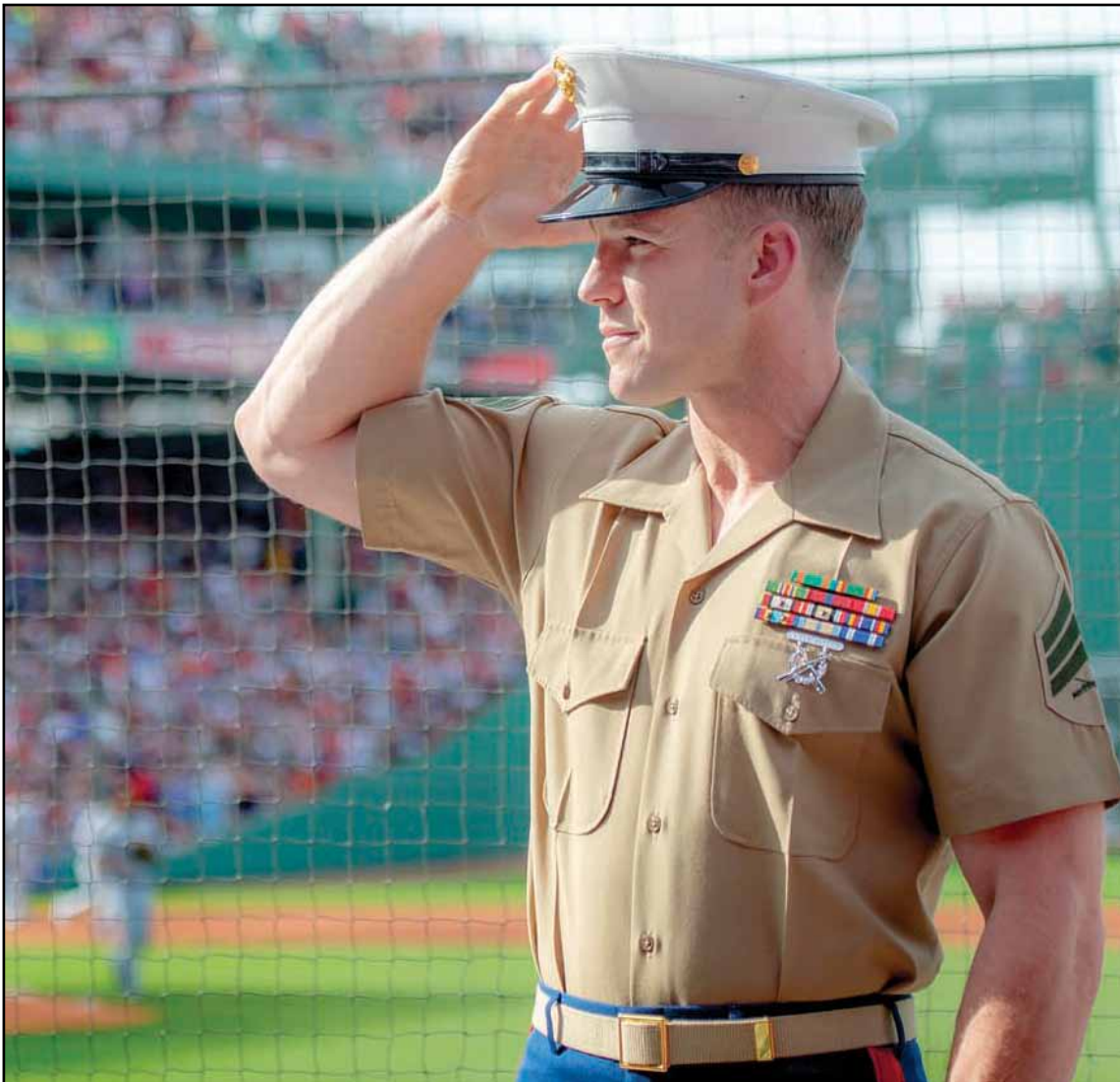
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## ALWAYS UP TO THE CHALLENGE



Drew Wallace acknowledges cheers from crowd at Fenway Park on June 9.

Photo courtesy Cone Communications

## A Marine and firefighter, he finds that a bike can help him serve even more

BY ISABEL LORD  
REPORTER CORRESPONDENT

Drew Wallace, who served in Afghanistan as a Marine sergeant and is now a Boston firefighter, listened as the cheers rang out at Fenway Park last month on Pan Mass Challenge (PMC) Day honoring him at a “Hats Off to Heroes” celebration for his service fighting wars and fires – and cancer.

The event commemorated the Red Sox Foundation’s 16-year commitment to the PMC, an annual bikeathon that passes through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to raise money for the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. In addition to hailing Wallace for his contributions, PMC Day featured 40 PMC riders who have undergone, or are currently undergoing cancer

treatment, and who are cited as “Living Proof” of the PMC mission to eradicate cancer. They rode around the warning track before this year’s PMC’s logo was officially unveiled on the Green Monster at the ancient ball park.

One hundred percent of every rider-raised donation during the PMC goes directly to Dana-Farber. Next month, (Continued on page 12)

## Bait to Plate, new to Fields Corner, offers quick eats, and catches to-go

BY JONATHAN NG  
REPORTER CORRESPONDENT

The seafood restaurant Bait to Plate opened its doors at 1504 Dorchester Ave. in Fields Corner on June 12, right on time for the summer season, its menu offering crowd-pleasers like fish and chips and New England lobster rolls.

“We get a fresh shipment of seafood every other day,” said Fields Corner resident Donna Nhu, co-owner of the restaurant with her husband, Tri Pham, a veteran of the bustling Fields Corner restaurant scene. The couple opened (Continued on page 5)



A sampling of the fare at Bait to Plate.

## Reaction mixed on panel’s pick for interim BPS chief

BY CARRIE JUNG  
AND MAX LARKIN  
WBUR REPORTERS

Education leaders in Boston say they are cautiously optimistic as Laura Perille, who has worked for the last 15 years with the nonprofit school improvement organization EdVestors, takes on the role of interim superintendent of the Boston Public School per a unanimous vote by the Boston School Committee on Monday night.

Some parents and others protested the panel’s action, saying the selection process – which took five days – had been rushed and hadn’t allowed for wider input.

Perille was a surprising choice to take the post left open by Tommy Chang’s resignation last month. In the past, most interim candidates have come from inside the Boston district or were former leaders who have come out of retirement to take on the role. Her experience has been with a group that offers seed grants to schools experimenting with new ideas in education. EdVestors is also known for its work expanding access to arts education in the BPS system.

Officials with the Boston Teacher’s Union (BTU) be-



Laura Perille wants to “clear roadblocks” in the BPS system.

lieve Perille is a good choice, given the current needs of the district. BTU President Jessica Tang has worked with Perille in the past through EdVestors’ projects in the district. Late last month, she told WBUR that Perille has a way of making all stakeholders feel like they have a seat at the table.

“She has, I think, a reputation for being very collaborative and thoughtful,” said Tang. “In terms of working with schools and knowing that it’s really important that teachers have a voice.”

The grassroots parent group Quality Education for Every Student, or QUEST, released a statement last

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## A Slow Streets update: 2017 picks revving up; new applications available

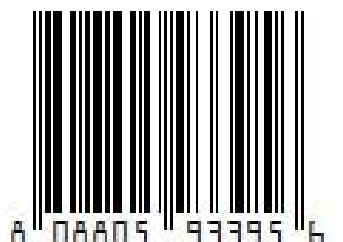
BY JENNIFER SMITH  
NEWS EDITOR

Applications for the latest round of Boston’s Neighborhood Slow Streets program are now available, as neighborhoods from the first batch start to see movement from the city to make their chaotic intersections and unmarked crossings safer for cars, bicyclists, and pedestrians alike.

Slow Streets is an initiative focusing on multi-block sections of the city for made-to-order traffic calming and mitigation efforts. Forty-seven groups, weighted by needs that included crash and population metrics and support from the community, applied last year. The list was finally narrowed down to five – including two in Dorchester.

“Due to the popularity of the pilot, BTD developed a metrics-based application review process to evaluate requests by groups of residents interested in bringing the program to their neighborhoods,” said Boston Transportation Commissioner Gina N. Fiandaca in a statement

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**Thursday (12th)**—Project RIGHT and Grove Hall Safe Neighborhood Initiative community meeting starts at 5:30 p.m. at the Grove Hall Community Center, 51 Geneva Ave., Dorchester.

"I'm disappointed last night ... that WBZ went with sources that were unnamed, and not verifying it with the police department or the city of Boston," Walsh told reporters. "Billy Evans is not leaving. He's the police commissioner."



Evans told reporters at a summer safety press conference with the mayor that he is

A spokesman for Boston College declined to comment on Monday.

Vehicles parked in violation of the overnight street cleaning rules will no longer be towed under the revised system, but fines will go from \$40 to \$90 per ticket. Scofflaw

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Two men were found guilty last week in the shooting death of 17-year-old Raekwon Brown. Jaden Waiters, 21 was convicted of first-degree murder for firing the gun that killed Brown, a student at Jeremiah E. Burke High. The shooting happened on June 8, 2016 right outside the school. Jonathan Agusvivas, 25, was found guilty of second-degree murder in the same trial in Suffolk Superior Court. A third man was acquitted.



## Raekwon Brown

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**Tom Baker and Troublemakers to play free concert in Savin Hill** – Tom Baker and the Troublemakers will perform in concert live on Wednesday, July 18 at 7 p.m. at McConnell Park, Denny Street, Dorchester. Sponsored by Boston Parks and Recreation Department as part of the 2018 ParkARTS Citywide Neighborhood Concert Series. All ParkARTS neighborhood performances are free of charge. For more information or a full schedule of events, please call please call 617-635-4505 or visit the Parks Department online at [boston.gov](http://boston.gov).

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# Codman Sq. NDC touts two upcoming housing developments

**By JONATHAN NG**  
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At the 37th annual membership meeting and celebration held on June 21, the Codman Square Neighborhood Development Corporation (NDC) announced that two new affordable housing projects will soon break ground this year.

“There is an acute need for affordable housing in the communities we serve,” said Gail Latimore, the executive director at nonprofit Codman Square NDC, in an interview.

In a message from Coleen Walker, the board chair, and Latimore, the organization says it has doubled down on its commitment to address concerns about the growing threat of lower-income residents in Codman Square to be displaced by higher-income newcomers. The nonprofit says it will continue to “refine our housing-centric model” to countervail resident displacement.

Codman Square NDC’s investment in the community is already well-established with a residential portfolio of over 970 apartments that houses almost 2,000 residents. After eight years of planning and preparation, Latimore



At the Codman Square NDC meeting last month, plans were laid out for two affordable housing developments along Talbot Avenue.  
*Photo courtesy Andrea Campbell*

says that the nonprofit will soon break ground this year on two affordable housing developments, New England Heritage Homes and Talbot Commons 1, both with easy access to Talbot MBTA station on the Fairmount Line.

New England Heritage Homes is expected to break ground this summer on 16 three-bedroom homeownership units for families with mixed income, says Latimore.

The new homes will occupy seven parcels of land, including two vacant lots owned by the city.

Talbot Commons 1 will be a mixture of new construction and preservation comprised of 40 affordable rentals; 19 new housing units and 21 renovated, as well as 500 square feet of communal space. The project is expected to break ground in October.

Codman Square NDC

says it is entering the second round of funding for Four Corners Plaza, a mixed-use development on Bowdoin Street, with 31 rental units and 10,000 square feet of ground-floor commercial space.

Latimore also said the organization is working in conjunction with the city for the 270 Talbot Ave. development. Codman Square NDC is one of two bidders and if selected, would co-

develop the site with TLee Development.

“We haven’t heard back if we’re designated,” Latimore said. “270 Talbot is a city property and they haven’t made a decision yet. We probably won’t know until sometime this summer. We think we have a good chance at it, but it would take at least another year before it breaks ground.”

The nonprofit says there were great strides made in improving public

transportation for residents. Codman Square NDC is a part of the Fairmount Indigo Transit Coalition, a group made up of communities linked by the Fairmount/Indigo Line with a goal to provide affordable, reliable, and frequent service for residents to get to work and school.

The coalition members organized staff and residents to call their legislators in support of House Bill H2723, filed by Dorchester state Rep. Evandro Carvalho last year. The legislation would establish a two-year rapid transportation pilot service and cost assessment along the Fairmount Line and require the MBTA to change its existing commuter rail line to services “similar to the Red, Orange, Blue or Green Lines.”

On March 19, 2018, the bill was favorably passed by the Joint Committee on Transportation and referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means. While the bill hasn’t been moved since, Codman Square NDC says that the MBTA will appoint a representative to work with the coalition and that it was “a huge victory for us and a demonstration of the power of community advocacy.”

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# Inmates at South Bay ask questions of Suffolk DA candidates

By Andy Metzger  
State House  
News Service

One candidate recalled visiting family locked up there. Others vying for office mentioned clients behind the facility’s bars. And another aspiring pol recalled a young man who had passed through its walls before becoming point guard for a neighborhood basketball team.

The five Democrats and one independent running for Suffolk County district attorney made history last Tuesday by participating in a forum held within the South Bay House of Correction.

ACLU Massachusetts Executive Director Carol Rose, whose organization worked with Suffolk County Sheriff Steve Tompkins on arranging the venue, said that this was the first political forum that she knows of held in a house of correction. Guests had to pass through security to attend the event.

The correctional facility located near a major trouble spot in Boston’s opioid epidemic is home to people locked up at the urging of the district attorney and the order of a judge after pleading guilty or being convicted at trial. It is also the site of an opioid treatment program for pre-trial detainees.

The candidates who spoke to the roughly two dozen men and women inmates and detainees talked about their ideas for reducing the jail and prison population by generally seeking lower bail, practicing restraint in issuing charges, and making use of pre-arraignment diversion programs.

“I have visited family members here. I don’t look at you as simply defendants. I haven’t only interacted with black and brown people in a criminal context, which a lot of people up here have,” said Rachael Rollins, who was general counsel at top state transportation agencies.

## S. Boston man launches challenge to Iannella in Governor’s Council race

Mark Rooney will be a candidate for the 4th District seat on the Governor’s Council now held by Christopher Iannella, who is running for reelection in the Democratic primary on Sept. 4.

Rooney, a South Boston resident, works for Eversource and is a former board member of the South Boston Neighborhood House, and the Boston Green Academy.

“Most of the people I’ve spoken to throughout the 4th District could not name their current Governor’s Councillor, and many do not know the important role the Governor’s Council plays and I intend to change that,” Rooney said.

The district includes the state Senate districts currently represented



DA candidates consider a question from an inmate at podium in rear.  
Photo courtesy Suffolk County Sheriff’s office

Greg Henning, a former prosecutor who mostly recently headed up the county gang unit, described volunteering for College Bound Dorchester about nine years ago, an experience that he said changed his perspective on the role of a prosecutor.

“As a basketball coach and mentor, I came in contact with young men that I had prosecuted, in particular the starting point guard on the basketball team was a young man we had put into this very facility,” Henning said.

Rep. Evandro Carvalho, a former prosecutor, said that he has come close to making decisions that would have resulted in jail time. “At 17 years old

I was arrested in Dorchester. I have a criminal record. But yet because of those chances that I’ve got, because of teachers, because of God really, I stand here today,” Carvalho said.

Linda Champion, who described herself as a “formerly homeless teenager” who moved to Boston at age 18, said the Registry of Motor Vehicles should give everyone a state ID card when they leave a correctional facility, adding, “It is inhumane to force detox on an individual who is not ready.”

Shannon McAuliffe and Michael Maloney, who is the only candidate in the race not affiliated with a political party, both touted that they have only sat on the defense side of the table.

“I will get you fundamentally different results,” McAuliffe said. A former public defender who later worked with gang-involved youth for the non-profit Roca, McAuliffe said, “I think it’s great that we have all these prosecutors here today who’ve been in Suffolk County who have these newfound ideas about bail, but what I can tell you is from being a public defender for 12 years – I’ve worked in this county with these prosecutors, and in a system where people come in and ask for very high bails.”

A defense attorney and cannabis entrepreneur, Maloney said the justice system shouldn’t penalize people who test positive for marijuana, which he called an “exit drug,” saying it can help people kick addiction to other substances.

The messages resonated with the audience who will be eligible to vote in September and November as long as they are not currently locked up on a felony.

Tyquannya Tyson, a 23-year-old, who asked the candidates about deportation, said Champion and Rollins “really impressed me,” mentioning the struggles that Champion has

overcome. Abraham Perez, 33, said he liked what McAuliffe and Maloney had to say and that he has had to deal with addiction.

The five Democrats generally spoke against the idea of deporting someone convicted of a non-violent offense, while Maloney criticized leadership of the federal Department of Justice but said it is not the DA’s responsibility to “deal with the potential consequences on the back end.”

The forum was moderated by Andrea Cabral, who was Suffolk County sheriff and was former Gov. Deval Patrick’s secretary of public safety and security. Those incarcerated at the facility asked all but one of the 12 questions put to the candidates.

Suffolk County District Attorney Dan Conley’s decision not to seek another term this year after 16 years in office has created an opening for the top law enforcement position covering the state’s biggest city.

Most of the candidates criticized current prosecutorial practices and the lack of state funding for people re-entering society after being incarcerated.

Chante Graham asked why prosecutors apply so much pressure on defendants to take a plea deal. A 28-year-old serving an eight-month sentence for assault and battery that she said will end on primary day, Graham told reporters that she had felt pressured to take a plea bargain after she and a friend got into a “pushing match” in Roxbury.

“It’s easy. Because it’s the status quo,” said McAuliffe, “our prosecutor’s offices have gotten lazy.”... “We over-charge people with crimes,” said Rollins, “We’re leveraging you and it’s not right.”... “People who control the decision-making want it like that,” said Carvalho.”... Prosecutors are “grossly overworked,” and are “dealing with an influx of cases that really should not be charged,” said Maloney. ... Prosecutors need to “seek and find the truth,” and it is also up to the defendant to “assert their rights,” said Champion. ... Henning said he takes seriously “any claim” of innocence and he would advise that bail is “only requested” where prosecutors may end up asking that the defendant serve time behind bars.

All the candidates pledged that they would hold police responsible for their actions – such as using lethal violence against a suspect – and to varying degrees they all expressed support for, or openness toward, providing inmates with medical marijuana. Henning said if properly regulated, that is “something that could be considered,” and McAuliffe spoke favorably about it but said she would want to think about it more.

The Professional Fire Fighters of Massachusetts have endorsed Henning, with the union’s president citing his “respect and understanding of the dangers public safety professionals face each and every shift is forged from his first-hand experience on the streets with the Gang Unit and the Gun Prosecution Task Force.”

## Holmes backs Pressley in Congressional race

Rep. Russell Holmes of Boston took sides in the Congressional race between US Rep. Michael Capuano and Boston City Councillor Ayanna Pressley last week, announcing his support for Pressley.

“Throughout the eight years I’ve worked with Councilor Pressley, her incredible dedication to fighting for forward-

thinking and innovative policy solutions has helped address some of the most pressing issues facing many communities in our Commonwealth,” Holmes said in a statement. “From her work to reign [sic] in predatory for-profit colleges, to her unyielding commitment to diversity and inclusion among underrepresented groups,

I know her leadership and advocacy will serve the people of the 7th Congressional District well. I’m proud to support her campaign for Congress.” Holmes’ 6th Suffolk District includes Jamaica Plain, Dorchester, Mattapan, Hyde Park, and Roslindale.

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# Chef setting up a new eatery in Fields Corner gets a boost from a neighbor down the block



Anthony Caldwell  
Courtesy of Michelle Miller-Groves/50Kitchen.

BY ISABEL LORD  
REPORTER CORRESPONDENT  
Coming soon: A time to wake up your taste buds. The place: home. stead bakery in Fields

Corner. The date: July 14, when a pop-up of food samples to be offered by a new Fields Corner restaurant will take over the popular cafe from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

The eatery, called 50Kitchen, last year's winner of the Fields Corner Collaborative Business Pitch Competition, will serve fast-casual fusion-style food inspired by Southern American and Asian American cuisine, courtesy of chef Anthony Caldwell, at its 1452 Dorchester Ave. location.

For a \$10 entry fee, which will go toward the \$50,000 fundraising goal for the restaurant, guests at the pop-up will be tasting from a spread of four to five small plates created by Caldwell, a Dorchester native who will be at the July 14 event. Drinks will be available for purchase from Home. Stead, located just a few doors down from the 50Kitchen's operation.

The restaurant sees the bakery as "the best neighbors," said Evette Caldwell, Anthony's wife. "And we haven't even moved in yet!" This show of neighborly love will be an opportunity to



Chef Caldwell outside his soon-to-be 50Kitchen restaurant. Isabel Lord photo

## Bait to Plate in Fields Corner offers quick eats, catches to-go



Packed in ice, the fish from Bait to Plate await customer orders.

(Continued from page 1) Tri Seafood Restaurant on the avenue three years ago, a quick jaunt from the Fields Corner T station.

They hope that the restaurant and marketplace will carve out a reputation "based on the quality of our seafood and ingredients." With their new casual seafood eatery, the husband-wife duo wanted to add one more element beyond quick-service food — the addition of a seafood market that rules the counter space with large bins full of fresh fish and crustaceans packed in crushed ice.

"The idea is so customers can purchase seafood they can make at home or to grab something on site," said Nhu. What separates Bait to Plate from other fishmongers and seafood spots in the area, she said, are its varied selections, including king crabs, conch, and crawfish.

Across from the fish counter is a pantry with shelves packed with seafood batter mix, tartar sauce, and seasoning that customers can also purchase. All of the pantry essentials for cooking seafood, Nhu said, are from Louisiana.

Although fresh seafoods are the main draw

to Bait to Plate, there are a couple of options to please those who prefer land-bound food, like chicken wingdings, chili, gumbo, and egg rolls.

The added benefit of having a seafood market on site, Nhu said, is that the daily special can change to create a feast from fresh catch.

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A photograph of State Senator Nick Collins with his wife and a young child. They are all smiling and standing in front of a brick wall.

State Senator  
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A portrait of Mike Capuano, a man in a suit and tie, smiling.

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# WORK Inc. salutes staff, volunteers at awards night

By Isabel Lord  
Reporter Correspondent

With over 400 people in attendance, WORK Inc. celebrated its annual awards night at IBEW Hall on June 14, honoring supporters, staff, and individuals who excelled throughout the year.

WORK Inc. is an organization whose mission is to ensure that all individuals with disabilities are able to grow, make choices, participate in the community, and have access to education. The awards ceremony was

specifically for those who had achieved milestones this past year and those who have dedicated their lives to better the lives of those with disabilities.

The room was filled with decorations that celebrated cultural diversity, as WORK Inc.'s staff represents over 30 countries and many came dressed in their cultural dress. **Jim Cassetta**, WORK Inc.'s CEO, highlighted this in his opening address as he welcomed guests in 20 different languages.

In his speech, Cassetta spoke about the great work the staff has been doing over the past year, highlights of which included: the hiring of 12 individuals with disabilities by Boston Public Schools for custodial positions with competitive salaries; the connection of over 500 individuals with Boston Career Centers; the hosting of a Deaf Conference with over 150 attendees from throughout the Commonwealth; the forthcoming building of the first Deaf and Handicapped Accessible House in Eastern Massachusetts, through a partnership with Quincy Housing Authority; and the continuation of job creation and training opportunities through contracts with the Federal state government and the business community.

The ensuing awards ceremony featured seven superlatives awarded. The Best Friends award was presented to The Community Friends of Human Services, an

organization whose mission is to improve the lives of individuals with disabilities. The Employee of the Year award was given to **Yvonne Johnson**, who has dedicated her life to individuals with disabilities and has touched every department of WORK Inc. since beginning in 1988.

The Strides Performer of the Year, **Paul Dooley**, is said to have an infectious smile and personality that brightens the days of individuals around him, and the AbilityOne Performer, **Ben Stachel**, was recently promoted to a line cook position at Natick Army Command Center and is the "go-to" person at the facility. The Best Job Match award was presented to two persons, **Tevin Gandy** and **Curleanna Prince**, who are both working for Chartwells Dining Services at the Massachusetts College of Art and Design.

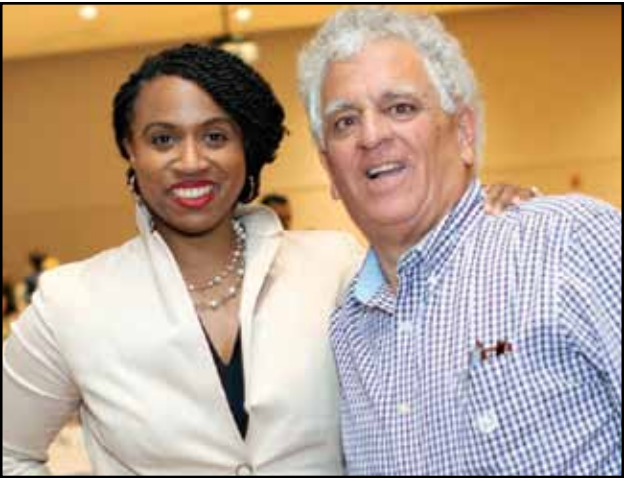
Three persons — **Alan Miller**, **Kelvin Yan**, and **William Wyman**



Glenda Clarke, a WORK, Inc. staff member, represents Panama.

— were awarded the Joe Rogers Award for Independence, in memory of the late Joe Rogers who, after living in an institution for 30 years, found independence through WORK Inc., and the Residential Individual of the Year award was presented to **Matthew Casey**, whose mother, Tessa Casey, lauded the organization for its work

in helping her son. "Over the last two years, with consistency and lots and lots of patience, everyone who has worked with Matt has helped bring him back to the happy, smiling young man that we all love," she said. "We are eternally grateful for everything this organization has done for our son and so excited for his future."



Boston City Councillor Ayanna Pressley and Jim Cassetta, CEO of WORK, Inc.

## 13 from Dot, Mattapan awarded BU scholarships

Boston University has announced that 66 Boston public high school graduates, 13 of whom hail from Dorchester and Mattapan, are recipients of full scholarships by the Thomas A. Menino Scholarship program, which has helped almost 2,000 students since its inception in 1973, and the Boston University Community Service Award, a decade-old financial-aid program with 466 recipients and counting.

**Victoria Nguyen, Amy Phan, Elisabeth Quinn, Michael Harkess, Ying Hei Leung, and Avi Nguyen** are Dorchester residents who received a merit-based Menino Scholarship, a four-year, full-tuition grant for Boston public school students who had been nominated for the award by their school principals or guidance counselors.

**Melissa Alvarado, Celine Doan, Nicole Milos, Jacqueline Bui, Mychalia Sanfilippo, Karvens Felix, and Thang Le** are Dorchester and Mattapan residents awarded the BU Com-

munity Service Award. Created in 2009, the nomination-based award fully funds calculated financial need for any admitted Boston public high school graduate, ensuring that its awardees will not need to resort to loans in order to pay for their studies. In return, the students must maintain at least a 2.0 grade point average and complete 12 credits each semester.

These awards represent a commitment of more than \$12 million commitment from the university over the coming four years and recipients of the Community Service Award and of the Menino Scholarship will receive emotional support throughout their transition to college. The former provides its awardees with a mentor to help with college life and to connect them with community service opportunities, while Menino Scholars will get a weeklong orientation to college learning and continued support throughout their time at BU.



Mary Whalen with Secretary of the Commonwealth William F. Galvin

Secretary of the Commonwealth **William F. Galvin** honored Dorchester resident **Mary Whalen** for her service as a State House volunteer, at a luncheon and award ceremony held at the State House recently. Whalen, a lifelong resident of Dorchester Avenue in Fields Corner, is an active member of the Doric Docents, a group of volunteer State House tour guides that works with Secretary Galvin's State House Tours Division to provide free tours to State House visitors.

She was presented with a wooden mantel

clock by Secretary Galvin for a remarkable 4,000 hours of volunteer service as a State House tour guide. Whalen is one of only three volunteers to achieve this impressive milestone in the organization's almost 50-year history. First Lady of Massachusetts **Lauren Baker**, who serves as the ceremonial president of the Doric Docents, awarded Whalen with a citation from the governor for her service. Those interested in becoming a State House tour guide may contact Secretary Galvin's office at 617-727-3676.



Dorchester native **Kristen Santangelo** has embarked on a new career in Conway County. Kristen recently joined the growingsales team at Jack Conway, Realtor's Cityside-Dorchester office. "I'm looking forward to helping people find happiness in a home," said the Quincy mother of six.

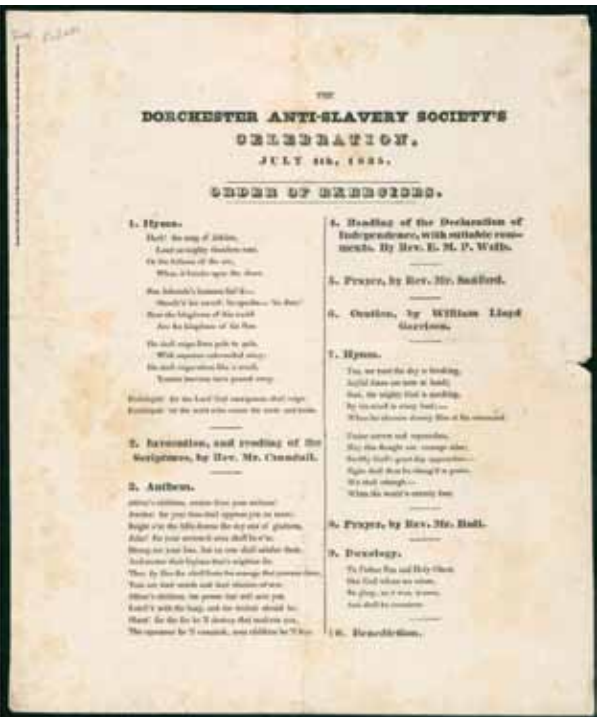
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### DORCHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

On June 20, 1835, the newspaper *The Liberator* published the announcement below. Today's illustration is a copy of the program for the Fourth of July Celebration.

"A public meeting of the Dorchester Anti-Slavery Society will be held on the 4th day of July next, at the Rev. Dr. Codman's meeting-house, at half past 3 o'clock, P.M., On which occasion, Wm. Lloyd Garrison, of Boston, will deliver an Oration, and it is expected that the Declaration of Independence will be read by Rev. E. M. P. Wells, with suitable comments. There will also be other exercises adapted to the occasion. Ladies and Gentlemen of Dorchester and vicinity are respectfully invited to attend. Orin P. Bacon, Rec. Soc. Dor. A. S. Society."

Dr. Codman's meeting house was Second Church in Codman Square. Eleazer Mather Porter Wells was an Episcopal minister. Wells served as superintendent for the Farm School, which moved to Thompson Island in 1835. Wells bought the 140-acre-island from the town of Dorchester in November 1832 for \$6,000, and commissioned Charles Bulfinch to design the building. The city of Boston acquired title to Thompson Island in 1834, but the school remained. (Peter C. Holloran. Boston's Wayward Children: Social Services for Homeless Children, 1830-1920. Cranbury, N.J. 1989, 39)



The archive of these historical posts can be viewed on the blog at [dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org](http://dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org).



# WBUR partnership adds to our coverage

If you’re a regular reader of this newspaper or its website you have likely noticed it in our pages: The Reporter and WBUR 90.9 FM have been teamed up for about a year now in a partnership that has produced more than a dozen stories that we have shared with both of our audiences. This alliance is the latest advance in our effort to bring the stories of our neighborhoods to eyes and ears in Boston and beyond.

The format is straightforward: The Reporter has created space in our Columbia Point newsroom to house one full-time WBUR reporter who is embedded with our news staff for months at a time. Last year, WBUR began its team coverage with Fred Thys, who specializes in covering higher education for the radio station. For the last six months, the designated reporter has been Simón Ríos, a Boston native who has lived near Fields Corner for the past few years. Ríos is a veteran newspaper and radio reporter — and his general assignment coverage for WBUR takes him well beyond Dorchester on any given day. But he is based in our newsroom and works on enterprise stories and, sometimes, on spot news events that come up in our part of the city. WBUR has installed special equipment in our offices that allow Ríos — or any other journalist on their team (or ours) — to jump right onto their airwaves when events warrant.

Over the past year, this partnership has generated additional coverage of several key stories that the Reporter has helped to produce. They include in-depth coverage of the sale of the Boston Globe property and the budget woes and leadership changes at UMass Boston; deep-dive looks at creative efforts to build and preserve new affordable housing in Mattapan and Dorchester; the changing dynamics of small business on Bowdoin Street, Geneva Avenue, and the Polish Triangle; and even a feature on the Wahlburgers restaurant chain and the namesake family behind it all.

These stories have been published by the Reporter in print and online. They have also been produced as radio segments, with the added value of providing interesting context and texture through audio recordings of the people who are central to the story. It helps bring our neighborhood’s people and places to life in a way that was not possible before.

This partnership, we should note, is a two-way street. Reporter articles are often re-published on the WBUR website— like Jennifer Smith’s exclusive reporting on city housing trends and the 7th District Congressional race— or our recent story on this summer’s meetings to discuss the future of St. Ann-St. Brendan parishes in Neponset.

This is all for the greater good. We need more professional journalists and editors with experience focused on this community, which is at once blessed with new residents, housing units and amenities, but also bedeviled by what that growth means in a city still challenged by violence, poverty, and institutionalized racism. Journalists with passion, training, and good guidance on the ground from people with many years of experience in what’s already happened in Dorchester and Mattapan are most certainly in demand.

We look forward to building on what has already been a very fruitful relationship with WBUR— and we invite our readers to send in their own ideas for how we can bring stories that you care about to their audience as well. As always, please send in your thoughts and tips to our team at [newseditor@dotnews.com](mailto:newseditor@dotnews.com) — or send story suggestions to Simón Ríos at [srios@wbur.org](mailto:srios@wbur.org).

-Bill Forry

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# Descending into the abyss of autocracy

By Peter F. Stevens  
Reporter Staff

Courtesy of President Donald Trump and willing and blindly unwitting supporters, the Arsenal of Democracy crumbles daily into the Abyss of Autocracy. Those red-and-white “MAGA” caps stand less for “Make America Great Again” than for “Make America Go Away.” Sadly, the GOP, the erstwhile party of Lincoln, is a party in name only. They’re the Whigs of the 21st century, morphing into the Trumpians, Trumpites, or whatever moniker reflecting their obeisance to the president will proclaim to history.

Democrats who await a Blue Wave to rescue them from Trump in November or for Special Prosecutor Robert Mueller’s probe to be completed are likely setting themselves up for crushing disappointment. What Donald Trump knows is that he has cowed his party to a degree that might well place him above the law. To him, our Constitution is a musty piece of parchment to be torn up or rewritten at his whim. He is the autocrat-in-the-making whom the Founding Fathers believed would be checked by Congress and the courts. Donald Trump may well prove that Madison and Co. were wrong, that the cult of personality could erode and eventually crush Constitutional norms and the rule of law.

For Democrats, the few Republican stalwarts who lament his “theft” of the party, and the pundits who deride Trump’s intellect and stunning stream of lies, the reality is that Trump plays them with his uncanny ability to make them chase whatever shiny object he wants. As with all con artists, he knows how to sell. He knows that hatred, fear, and resentment are a winning formula among anywhere from 40 to 50 percent of the American public.

How else to explain that, depending on whose polls you believe, as much as half of the nation believes that separating kids from their parents and keeping them in cages, mysterious detention centers and camps, and moving them to unspecified spots in some 17 states is perfectly okay. Make no mistake that “zero tolerance” is Donald Trump’s decision and his alone—not the Democrats nor even the egregious Attorney General Jeff Sessions, who is merely the willing architect of President Trump’s utter immorality.

The message is that child abuse of kids who are not white and are “the other” is fine — because President Trump decrees it. He knows that hatred, division, bigotry, and racism are the glue of his success. He understands the basest corners of human nature and exploits them with equal parts bluster and skill. In that respect, he may well be the genius he styles himself.

How else can one account for the fact that the president has sold so many Americans on the policy

of separating kids from their parents? Trump is correct that the US in 2018 should have border security and comprehensive immigration reform. If anyone, however, truly believes his policy that separates and incarcerates kids on our southern border is moral — and, no, Obama and Bush never unleashed zero tolerance, Trump’s lies aside — he or she is either benighted by hate or willingly foolish. Even those who want any migrants turned around at the border and sent back immediately should not embrace President Trump’s government-sanctioned child abuse.

Back to “open borders.” In the 19th century, our own Irish and European ancestors “walked right in.” They arrived without documents. They faced no quota system and no immigration courts or law enforcement. Like it or not, our pre-World War I ancestors came to “the Golden Door of America” undocumented. In Boston during the mass immigration of the Great Famine era, about the only thing preventing the Irish from getting in was if they were quarantined at Deer Island due to disease. They did not have to deal with paperwork issues, quotas, or immigration courts.

Predictably, “That was then, this is now!” President Trump and his fellow Nativists bleat today as they profess that they want only the “right kind” of immigrants. You know, those with “merit.” That’s where historical reality shreds the modern Nativists’ arguments and exposes either their bigotry or delusion. The waves of Irish, Germans, Italians, and Eastern Europeans who came to America from the onset of the Great Famine into the early 20th century encountered the same prejudice and contempt that immigrants from Mexico, Central and Latin America, Haiti, Africa, and so many other places face today.

Our immigrant forebears knew all too well that “real Americans” loathed anything Irish, anything Catholic, any immigrant, anything they deemed “un-American.” They proclaimed the need to save the nation from going broke to pay for “Paddy and Bridget,” who were arriving in unprecedented waves. Sound familiar? All you need to do is substitute Hispanics and Muslims for Irish.

In Boston for much of the 19th century, anyone who was not native-born Anglo-Saxon was the outsider, the other. Our Irish ancestors would not be fooled by Trump’s Nativist cant and xenophobia — even if their descendants are fooled today.

As countless adages preach, we ignore the past at our peril. Chillingly, many Americans are doing just that in a haze of hatred wafting from a president who believes he and he alone is above the law, above the Constitution, and above history itself. After all, hatred and fear sell “big time.”

# Why are we repeating the mistakes made after Katrina in Puerto Rico?

By Joel Richards  
And Jessica Tang

It has been eight months since a devastating hurricane hit Puerto Rico. Much has been written about the struggles of people there to recover basic community infrastructure: electricity, medical care, schools. There has also been a lot written about the influx of private businesses seeking to profit from Puerto Rico’s devastation. Instead of investing public resources to rebuild essential services, we are allowing wealthy outside interests to control the destiny of Americans who happen to speak Spanish and live just far enough away that we can ignore them.

It’s a common story. Private businesses say they can help communities of color and they promise the moon. In the end, they show their true stripes, enriching themselves, and not the communities they should be serving. Following recent disasters like New Orleans and Puerto Rico, one business sector has been determined to reshape public services: the charter school industry.

Following Hurricane Katrina in 2005, neighborhoods were destroyed and abandoned. In 2010, a group of teachers visited New Orleans and were able to visit several charter schools that had taken the place of the public school system. Students attended classes in dilapidated trailers and old churches. Multiple class grades were going on at once inside a single trailer. All the schools we visited had these three things in common: inexperienced teachers, a disproportionate focus on testing, and a severe type of discipline.

The trip was unsettling. The charter schools did not seem to be making an effort to help or empower, but to invade, profit, and force

assimilation. Instead of rebuilding the schools as community centers that provide services for the neighborhood, these schools, run by wealthy private companies, seemed to drill rote learning and failed to consider the whole child. We didn’t see a focus on mental health, PTSD, or violence prevention; just on test scores.

In Puerto Rico, it looks like the same strategy. The so-called “school choice” movement has descended upon the island. School choice is not an appropriate solution there. Outside companies, with no knowledge of Puerto Rico, focused on data and test scores, will not help rebuild communities. The government should be empowering the teachers who have stayed in Puerto Rico and have stood by their students.

“School choice” arrives in communities who have no choices, and this is their last choice. The influx of for-profit businesses follows the neglect and indifference of government toward low-income communities and communities of color. The privatization of schools is the franchising of children’s education. Our governments have a responsibility to rebuild the public infrastructure of Puerto Rico, and especially its public school system.

As Boston public school teachers, we are calling on decision makers to prioritize public education as a chief component of the rebuilding of Puerto Rico. We also encourage charter school teachers to join together, organize, and form unions as they have done here in Massachusetts in order to demand better working and learning conditions.

*Joel Richards, a Dorchester resident, is a Boston Public Schools teacher. Jessica Tang is the president of the Boston Teachers Union*



# Baker pens raises minimum wage, creates paid leave program

**By COLIN A. YOUNG**  
**STATE HOUSE NEWS SERVICE**

Flanked by Democrats including incoming Senate President Karen Spilka, House Majority Leader Ron Mariano, House Speaker Robert DeLeo, and Senate President Harriette Chandler, Republican Gov. Charlie Baker last Thursday signed a “grand bargain” bill that could affect virtually every resident of Massachusetts.

A week earlier, legislators had scrambled to assemble the bill after interest groups, fed up with inaction on Beacon Hill, initiated ballot drives and forced legislative leaders to engage with them at the negotiating table, or risk having major policies written into law by voters.

Under the law, the hourly minimum wage will rise from \$11 to \$15 over a

five-year period. During those same five years, time-and-a-half pay for workers on Sundays and holidays will be phased out. An \$800 million paid family and medical leave program overseen by the state government and backed by a payroll tax will be launched so that workers can more easily take care of themselves and their families without facing fiscal crises.

And every August beginning in 2019, the state will suspend the 6.25 percent sales tax on many purchases for a weekend.

Baker signed the historic wage and benefits legislation into law in his ceremonial office, saying, “That one’s a done deal.” The governor used several pens to sign his name and distributed each to the lawmakers standing behind him. The ceremonial office was packed

with reporters, cameras, aides to the governor, and staffers from various legislative offices.

The governor was largely a bystander in the negotiations and declined to stake out positions on the issues while encouraging legislators to work on alternatives to the ballot questions. By signing the bill into law, Baker registered his support for its contents.

“The product of this is a far better product for the commonwealth than each of these as standalone entities would have been for Massachusetts, which is why I’m signing it,” Baker said. The governor, who is up for reelection this fall, has repeatedly voiced a general opposition to broad-based tax increases but in signing the compromise bill he gave the green light to a new payroll tax expected to pull

in about \$800 million.

“I guess the way I think about this is there’s a benefit that’s attached to this thing, and that benefit is a paid family leave provision that did not previously exist in state law,” Baker said a few days later when asked if a no-new-taxes stance would prevent him from signing the bill.

The one issue involved in the negotiations that Baker did publicly support was a reduction in the state sales tax. The Retailers Association of Massachusetts proposed a ballot question cutting the tax rate from 6.25 percent to 5 percent. At the Republican convention in late April, Baker touted his support for a sales tax reduction, saying his opponents are against it. Baker did not take questions from the press at Thursday’s bill signing.

## Mixed reaction greets BPS interim superintendent pick

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week saying officials are hopeful about what Perille can accomplish in the interim role. They say her experience as a parent and a nonprofit leader in the education sector are big pluses, but officials added they would have liked to see someone with classroom experience in the role.

“We think it’s important that any superintendent be a seasoned experienced educator and leader in order to be a leader of our teachers and students,” said Nora McManus Vincent, a QUEST member and BPS parent.

Leaders at the Boston Foundation say they were also excited to hear that Perille was the mayor’s preferred candidate to take on the role of interim superintendent. The foundation acted as an incubator for EdVestors when they first opened their doors.

Paul Grogan, the CEO of the Boston Foundation, said Perille would come in with a deep knowledge of the BPS system, but, he added,

one risk that could come with her appointment is her lack of experience running a large organization. “Boston Public Schools is a very huge, very difficult, bureaucracy to manage. So that’s going to be a challenge,” he said. “Hopefully she will get some help from the inside – senior people.”

While the goal is to fill the permanent superintendent position within a year, the post has sometimes gone unfilled for longer. John McDonough, who acted in the interim role between Carol Johnson and Tommy Chang, held the position for two years. Because of the temporary nature of interim superintendent, it’s also unclear how much Perille would be able to accomplish. But people who have worked with her say they have confidence that she’ll be able to make progress on district priorities.

“I know Laura wouldn’t have entertained this conversation with the mayor and the school committee if it were a

caretaker role,” said Marinell Rousmaniere, a senior vice president at EdVestors. “She’s committed to moving the system forward. She has done that from EdVestor’s vantage point and will certainly do that in her interim role as superintendent of Boston Public Schools.”

Perille is a known quantity to the school system and to many on the school system. She has worked closely with Boston schools, awarding grants and administering programs in the district through EdVestors. Additionally, she has supported bilingual education.

Leaders at the schools where she’s worked say that even though she’s not a teacher, she’s a great collaborator, listener, and believer in public education. Perille is required to get a superintendent certification within 90 days of her appointment.

Community members attending the School Committee meeting did not appear to object to Perille as a candidate;

rather, they felt they should have been given a chance to interview her or consider other candidates.

Others said Perille seemed like a nice person, but that she wasn’t qualified for the job: she isn’t an educator, and Boston is a big and complex, billion-dollar school district.

There was some discomfort, too, about a white woman taking over a majority-minority district.

Rev. Willie Bodrick II came with a group of mostly African-American parents and community members. “To communities of color, this is institutional violence,” he said. “We’ve had no voice in the beginning. And so we come to a table already set. I’m hoping that they heard us clearly: that we’re looking for transparency, that we want true democracy.”

During the meeting, Perille sat through two dozen public comments — mostly negative — about the way the selection process

has been handled. She conceded that she’s not an educator, but said she’s determined to use her post to support educators.

“I think I need to focus on [how] I can help the incredibly talented educators of the Boston Public Schools, staff and school leaders, personnel and teachers to empower them to do their best work,” she said.

Committee members themselves seemed disappointed at this process, and chairman Michael Loconto promised to have a more open search for a permanent head of schools.

It was not clear from the meeting that Chang had lost the support of school committee members. He announced his sudden departure after serving just three years. He had left his role as superintendent of the Los Angeles public school system to assume the position in Boston.

Committee members said they were sad to see Chang go. One member, Miren Uriarte, called the

process to replace Chang “dismal.” But, despite committee members’ belief in him and a lack of major crises under his tenure, Chang appeared to have lost the confidence of Mayor Marty Walsh. With September approaching, the mayor said his administration considered it vitally important that someone else take over as soon as possible.

To people who said she’s now clearly the front runner for the permanent superintendent job, she didn’t deny that she might seek that position. But, for now, she said she’s focused on the interim role, as well as “clearing roadblocks” for the next superintendent.

*This story originally appeared as two pieces on June 29 and July 3 on the website of WBUR 90.9 FM, Boston’s NPR News Station. The Reporter and WBUR have a partnership in which the two news organizations share resources and collaborate on stories.*

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Democratic activist and former State Representative Gerard Doherty shares his memoirs, particularly dealing with his work and friendship with all three Kennedy brothers as he discusses his work “They Were My Friends: Jack, Bob, & Ted” on Mon., July 9, 6:30 p.m. at the Adams Street Branch, located at 690 Adams St. in Dorchester. Andi Wolfgang, nuFudge founder, explains where chocolate comes from and how to include it in your life in healthy and delicious ways on Tues., July 10, at 6 p.m. at the Fields Corner Branch at 1520 Dorchester Ave. in Dorchester.

PEAR SQUARE ART FAIR AT RICHARDSON PARK

Pear Square Art Fair in DCR Richardson Park (Columbia Road and East Cottage Street) on Sat., July 21 from 12-8 p.m. features pop, rock and world music performances, 14-plus local art vendors, with fused glass, leatherwork, painting and more. Food and refreshments. Co-sponsors include Dorchester Historical Society, Brain Arts, Dorchester North Neighborhood Assoc., Oleana Foundation.

MATTAPAN MBTA REDEVELOPMENT MEETING ON JULY 18

A community meeting to discuss the Mattapan MBTA parking lot redevelopment project begins at 6 p.m. on Wed., July 18 at the Mattapan Library, 1350 Blue Hill Ave., Mattapan. Hosted by developers POAH and Nuestra Comunidad. Call 617-989-1211 or [ljimenez@nuestracdc.org](mailto:ljimenez@nuestracdc.org).

FREE CONCERT AT ALMONT PARK

The ParkARTS outdoor neighborhood summer concerts series begins on Tues., July 10 at 7 p.m. with The Woo Factor at Hunt/Almont Park, 40 Almont St., Mattapan. Free. For more information or a full schedule of events, please call please call 617-635-4505 or visit the Parks Department online at [boston.gov](http://boston.gov).

TOM BAKER AND TROUBLEMAKERS TO PLAY FREE CONCERT IN SAVIN HILL

Tom Baker and the Troublemakers will perform in concert live on Wed., July 18 at 7 p.m. at McConnell Park, Denny Street, Dorchester. Sponsored by Boston Parks and Recreation Department as part of the 2018 ParkARTS Citywide Neighborhood Concert Series. All ParkARTS neighborhood performances are free of charge. For more information or a full schedule of



Dorchester native Bruce Brown was selected by the Detroit Pistons as the 42nd pick of last Thursday's 2018 NBA draft, making him the only active player in the league from Dorchester. Brown, who attended Wakefield High School and Vermont Academy before playing his college ball at the University of Miami, was a star player on the Boston Amateur Basketball Club (BABC)'s AAU team, the prestigious basketball program that has developed such Boston-area talent as Wayne Selden Jr., Nerlens Noel, and Michael Carter-Williams. Brown averaged 11.2 points and 7 rebounds per game in his sophomore season at Miami, after averaging 16 ppg with BABC in the Nike Elite summer league. In Detroit, Brown will join the likes of Blake Griffin and Andre Drummond, and will play under the tutelage of 2018 Coach of the Year Dwane Casey.

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FREE ADMISSION TO EMK INSTITUTE ON JULY 13

On Fri., July 13, the Edward M. Kennedy Institute participates in offering a “Free Fun Friday” through support from the Highland Street Foundation. The Institute is located on Columbia Point in Dorchester, adjacent to the JFK Presidential Library and Museum. The Massachusetts Archives and Commonwealth Museum are located directly across from

the Institute.

DOT POT TO BE PLAYED AT GARVEY PARK

The fourth annual Dot Pot will be held this year in Garvey Park from July 20-22, featuring 24 of Boston's fiercest street hockey teams. It is played in memory of Katie McDonough, who spent years battling cancer, and proceeds will go to her family, the National Ovarian Cancer Coalition, and the Joe Andruzzi Foundation. See [DotNews.com](http://DotNews.com) for more info.

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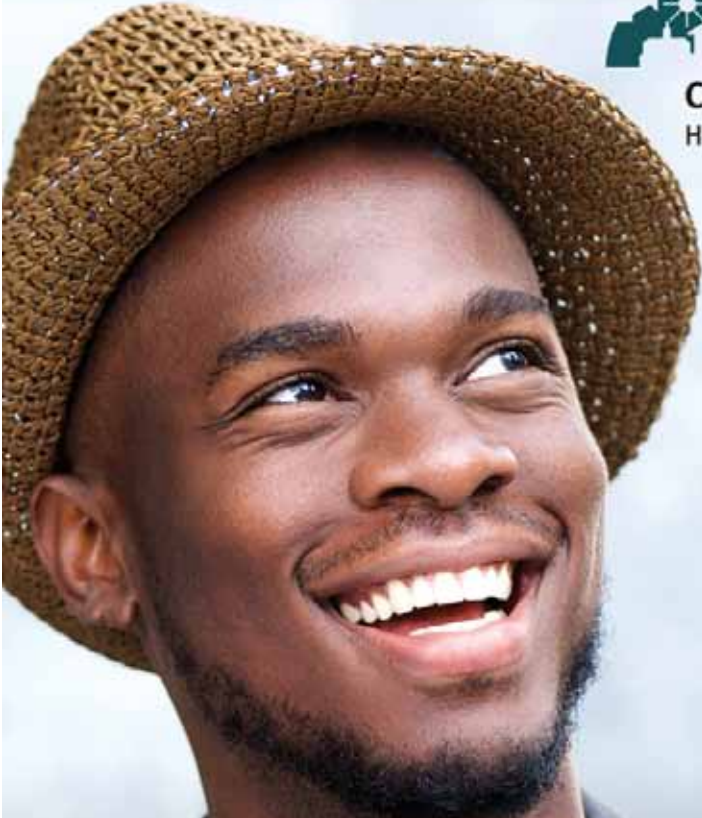
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# A Marine and firefighter, he finds that a bike can help him give even more service

(Continued from page 1) the 39th PMC will take place on Aug. 4 and 5, with three starting lines – in Sturbridge, Wellesley and Bourne – and five finish lines – in Provincetown (2), Bourne, Wellesley, and Foxborough. More than 6,200 cyclists will ride as many as 192 miles that weekend with a goal of raising \$52 million. Team Boston Fire, of which Wallace is captain, has already raised \$45,000 toward that number.

Firefighting is among the professions most affected by cancer, a fact that inspired Wallace, 31, to compete in the challenge. Over the three years he has risen to the PMC challenge, he has brought in donations of more than \$15,000.

“It is a no-brainer that

[firefighters should] play a role in the fundraising event leading the charge in combating the disease that is affecting us all,” Wallace wrote on his PMC “Why I Ride” donation page.

The *Reporter* interviewed Wallace, who lives in Adams Corner, about his childhood, his experiences as a Marine and firefighter, and his time living in Dorchester.

**Q.** Tell us about your childhood. Where did you grow up?

**A.** In Sharon, and I went to Sharon public schools all the way through high school. I was your typical teenager: I skateboarded, played all sorts of sports, held a couple of different jobs and was always out with the neighborhood kids causing trouble.

**Q.** You served as a sergeant in the US Marine Corps and were awarded a Navy Achievement Medal for your actions as a squad leader in Afghanistan. What inspired you to join the Marines?

**A.** I joined shortly after I graduated high school in 2005. I never was the best student, and I didn’t get accepted into that many colleges, so I felt a little lost while all my friends were deciding which school they wanted to attend. Then, one day, I saw a poster for the Marines. I had always been interested in the military, since the majority of males in my family had served, including my father. I had always wanted to be a firefighter, and I saw that the Marines offered a firefighting job. I was



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**Q.** What was that experience like for you?

**A.** Overall, I absolutely loved the Marines and am still looking to re-enter the military. Not everyone is ready to enter college after high school and college isn’t for everyone. I would have surely gotten into trouble in college and still be dealing with the debt, as many of my friends are. Instead, I was able to rediscover myself in the military and return with a new perspective—along with the post 9/11 GI Bill. I ended up graduating from Suffolk University with a Bachelor of Arts magna cum laude, and debt free. That would’ve been unimaginable to me as a senior in high school.

**Q.** Now, you’re a firefighter in Dudley Square. What is that like?

**A.** As the busiest department in the city for the past two years, there is never a dull moment working there. I love it and it has been a dream come true for me.

**Q.** You were recently honored at Fenway Park for your military service and your work as a rider in the PMC. Congratulations! How did you start riding in the PMC?

**A.** My friend, who is on the team now, got me to ride my first PMC in 2015. I did it because I love that type of physical challenge, and it was for a great cause. I was blown away by the logistics of the event: the amount of riders riding, the amount of support and fans that line the road throughout the 192-mile course, and, above all, the fact that they can manage to give 100 percent of every rider-raised dollar to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

**Q.** Apart from riding in the PMC next month – Good luck! – what’s next for you? Are you planning to stay in Dorchester?

**A.** Well, I hope to continue with this team for many years to come and to continue to grow. And I definitely plan on staying in Dorchester. I love it here.

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Community Health News

# Cannabis regulators seek vendors to advance equity program

By COLIN A. YOUNG  
STATE HOUSE  
NEWS SERVICE

As it works to build its program meant to ensure the legal marijuana industry is accessible to communities disproportionately harmed by the War on Drugs, the Cannabis Control Commission (CCC) agreed Tuesday to solicit vendors who can provide training, technical assistance and mentoring.

The CCC plans to issue a request for qualifications as soon as Wednesday in hopes of having by mid-August “a repository of vendors that we can work with” as part of its social equity program, Executive Director Shawn Collins said Tuesday.

Shekia Scott, the CCC’s community outreach director, presented an outline of the program on Tuesday, describing it as “a means to address and further prevent the inequitable status quo by first recognizing and then accommodating those who experienced disparities in treatment.”

The rewritten mari-

juana law the Legislature passed a year ago mandates that the CCC adopt “procedures and policies to promote and encourage full participation in the regulated marijuana industry by people from communities that have previously been disproportionately harmed by marijuana prohibition and enforcement and to positively impact those communities.”

The CCC, working with a criminal justice professor from Shenandoah University, identified 29 communities or neighborhoods in Massachusetts deemed to be areas of disproportionate impact. Citing data from the American Civil Liberties Union, Scott said the Massachusetts population is 22 percent black and Latino, though black and Latino people account for 57 percent of the state’s prisoners and 75 percent of the people serving mandatory minimum sentences for drug offenses.

“The social equity program is designed to create sustainable pathways into the adult-

use cannabis industry for both individuals and businesses regardless of their desired specialty,” Scott said. “This program will allow applicants to reimagine what they can contribute while also providing avenues to build and support the growth of a robust adult-use industry.”

The 29 municipalities identified as being disproportionately impacted are Abington, Amherst, parts of Boston, Braintree, Brockton, Chelsea, Fall River, Fitchburg, Greenfield, Haverhill, Holyoke, parts of Lowell, Lynn, Mansfield, Monson, New Bedford, North Adams, Pittsfield, Quincy, Randolph, Revere, Southbridge, Spencer, parts of Springfield, Taunton, Walpole, Wareham, West Springfield and parts of Worcester.

The program will include four tracks: the entrepreneur track will help those seeking licensure or ownership in the cannabis industry navigate the application process and will provide training on industry

challenges. The core track will offer management and executive workforce development training for people interested in managerial or executive careers in the marijuana industry. The re-entry and entry-level track is geared specifically towards providing skills training for people recently released from prison and those with no prior experience in the cannabis world. The ancillary track is designed to help connect people with trade and professional skills (think carpenters, lawyers, drivers and accountants) with marijuana businesses.

Scott said the benefits of participation in the program will include ongoing technical assistance, fee waivers and initial exclusive access to certain types of licenses. The CCC agreed in February to give small businesses, businesses in the CCC’s social equity program, craft cooperatives and certain farmers a jump start on seeking delivery and social consumption

licenses if or when the CCC authorizes those license types.

To be eligible for the program, an applicant or licensee must meet one of the following criteria: 1) have resided in an area identified as the CCC as being disproportionately impacted for at least five of the last 10 years and have an income that does not exceed 400 percent of the federal poverty level; 2) have a past drug conviction and have lived in Massachusetts for at least the last 12 months; or 3) be married to or be the child of a person with a drug conviction and have lived in Massachusetts for at least the last 12 months.

The CCC unanimously approved an RFQ on Tuesday, which Scott said is focused on finding “vendors to develop face-to-face and on-demand curriculum ... professional training, technical services and mentoring.”

Collins said he hopes the RFQ will “identify any number of vendors that will participate in this program” and will give the commission “a

list of qualified vendors on hand” from which it can select a vendor or vendors for “mini procurements.” He said he expects applications for the social equity program will be available by August.

Scott said her next step is “to begin dedicated outreach and that will begin in the 29 communities that were identified as disproportionately impacted areas.” She described “our own type of roadshow around the state” and said the CCC will be making sure that anyone who applied for priority application review as part of the economic empowerment program is looped in on the social equity program.

The CCC’s current budget includes \$300,000 for the social equity program and outreach, but Scott said funding for the program in future years will depend on how the Legislature appropriates money to the CCC and whether any of the revenue from marijuana sales is put towards the program, as would be allowed under state law.

# Report: One in five adults in the state used Marijuana

By COLIN A. YOUNG  
STATE HOUSE  
NEWS SERVICE

About 21 percent of adults in Massachusetts have used marijuana in the last 30 days, and of those who have consumed the drug, about a third reported having driven under the influence, according to a new Department of Public Health report.

The study found that more than half of adults in Massachusetts perceive marijuana to have slight or no risks, and more than half of marijuana users consume it for non-medical purposes. DPH reported that 26 percent of men and 17 percent of women have used marijuana in the last month, a total of roughly 21 percent of adults in the state.

The study, required by the marijuana law legislators put on the books a year ago, began in early 2017 and found that the rate of marijuana use is greatest among people aged 18 to 25.

“The study establishes a baseline measurement of how marijuana is used and how that affects public health, public safety, and potential revenue in the state before adult-use marijuana becomes widely available,” Dr. Marc Nascarella, the study’s principal investigator, said in a statement. “We were fortunate to have the opportunity to work with an exceptional group of collaborators - from academic researchers and private researchers to state agency experts in

this multiyear investigation.”

DPH said baseline data suggest that about 7 percent of all adults drove under the influence of marijuana in the past 30 days and that about 12 percent of all adults rode with a driver who was under the influence of marijuana.

Nearly 35 percent of adults who reported using marijuana in the past 30 days also reported driving under the influence of marijuana, DPH said. There is currently no roadside test, similar to a breathalyzer test for alcohol, for law enforcement to check for

marijuana impairment.

Legal non-medical marijuana sales were expected to start July 1 in Massachusetts, but that target will not be met. The Cannabis Control Commission meets Monday and is expected to license the state’s first retail marijuana shop.

“It’s helpful to have a baseline study in place as Massachusetts enters the full legalization era. If the coming experience here reflects that of states that have gone before us, we can anticipate data that puts to rest the reefer-madness fears and hysteria generated by

legalization opponents,” former legalization campaign spokesman and industry consultant Jim Borghesani said in an email. “The primary outcomes in those states have been safer choices for consumers, diminution of illicit markets, and significant new revenues and jobs.”

DPH said its study of non-medical marijuana use was a mail and web-based “cross-sectional population-based survey” designed to be representative of the Massachusetts population. About 15,000 respondents were chosen randomly based

on address. In total, 3,022 individuals responded to the survey, DPH said.

An online survey of medical marijuana patients in Massachusetts found that the average patient uses marijuana 23.5 days out of 30, and that the average monthly expenditure for marijuana is \$246, “with a significantly larger amount spent among respondents under 50 years old and among

respondents with an educational attainment less than a Bachelor’s degree.”

About 71 percent of the state’s marijuana users are white, 12 percent are Hispanic, 7 percent are black and 3 percent are Asian, the report found. The report said white non-Hispanic men and people between ages 18 and 20 have the highest prevalence of marijuana use.

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# Neighborhood Notables

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**PARKARTS PROGRAM COMES TO DOT, MATTAPAN**  
The Boston Parks and Recreation Department’s annual ParkARTS program, sponsored by Holly and David Bruce, is pleased to announce the return of its series of children’s arts workshops giving kids the opportunity to express their creativity while working on fun projects with local artists. In Dorchester to Mattapan, children ages 3 to 10 can enjoy painting, mask and jewelry making, treasure creations, and more at the Artists in Residence Workshops held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in parks across the city. Participation is free and all materials are provided, but young children must be accompanied by an adult. Groups of six or more must make prior arrangements by calling the Parks Department at 617-635-4505. In addition, the New England Aquarium will bring its traveling tide pool exhibit to nine locations and the Marionette Puppet Show series will return in July and August at 11 a.m. at various children’s workshops. Artists in Residence Workshops will be held at Dorchester’s Martin Playground on Hilltop Street from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Tuesday in July. It will also be held on select Tuesdays (July 31, Aug. 7 and Aug. 14) at Town Field, Dorchester; and on Fridays in August (3, 10, 17) at Hunt/Almont Park, Mattapan. The New New England Aquarium will visit Town Field on Tues., Aug 7 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and Hunt/Almont Park in Mattapan on Friday, Aug. 10 (10-2). Rosalita’s

Puppets Marionette Performances will perform at Martin Playground on Tuesday, July 17 at 11 a.m. A splash dance party will be held on Friday, Aug. 17 at noon at Hunt/Almont Park, Mattapan. For information on this and other ParkARTS programs, please call the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at 617-635-4505 or follow @BostonParksDept.  
**MAYOR’S GARDEN CONTEST SEEKS APPLICANTS**  
Boston’s green thumbs have until Wednesday, July 11, to register for the 2018 Mayor’s Garden Contest presented by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department. The contest recognizes gardeners who have landscaped, planted flowers, trees, and shrubs, and, in the process, helped beautify Boston’s neighborhoods. Gardeners or those nominating their favorite gardeners may find printable and online nomination forms at [boston.gov/mayors-garden-contest](http://boston.gov/mayors-garden-contest). First place winners will receive the coveted “Golden Trowel” award from Mayor Walsh and prize packages from the Parks Department, Mahoney’s Garden Centers, and other sponsors at an awards ceremony in August in the Public Garden presented with support from Polar Beverages. Gardeners who have won three or more times in the last ten years will be automatically entered into the Hall of Fame and will be recognized at the awards ceremony in late August. These distinguished Hall-of-Famers will be ineligible to enter as contestants but are welcome to return as judges. For more information please call 617-961-3051.  
**CITY HALL CONCERT SERIES BEGINS JULY 25**  
The Dorothy Curran Wednesday Night Concert Series returns from July 25 to August 22 for another season of outdoor music on City Hall Plaza with Strictly Sinatra by Michael Dutra, Disco Night with Stardust, the classic soul of Charlie Thomas’ Drifters, and the grand finale featuring the legendary Trammmps. Now celebrating 46 years as Boston’s longest-running free outdoor concert series, these performances bring four summer nights of great entertainment to this unique venue located in the heart of Boston. All shows begin at 7 p.m. The series kicks off July 25 with Strictly Sinatra featuring the music of Ol’ Blue Eyes as Michael Dutra takes to the stage drawing from a repertoire of more than 500 Sinatra classics. For more information, please

call 617-635-4505.  
**WHITE STADIUM TO HOST FREE YOUTH SUMMER SPORTS CENTER**  
The Boston Parks and Recreation Department will offer free youth Sports centers at White Stadium in Franklin Park, M Street Park in South Boston, and East Boston Stadium featuring professional instruction in a number of popular sports from July 9 to August 17. The Sports Centers are offered free of charge to Boston residents and open to boys and girls ages 7 to 14. The program offers progressive skill development to city youth in July and August. The South Boston Summer Sports Center at M Street Park is a full day drop-in program for Boston residents ages 7 to 14. The program runs Monday through Friday from July 9 to August 17, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Children can participate in many traditional and non-traditional recreation activities. Parents may register their children for one day, a week, or the entire summer. For more information, please call (617) 961-3084 or email [woodley.auguste@boston.gov](mailto:woodley.auguste@boston.gov). The White Stadium Sports Center in Franklin Park will feature several sports Tuesday through Friday from July 10 to August 17, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., with participants choosing a favorite to take part in each week. The sports offered throughout the program include volleyball, lacrosse, tennis, basketball, Double Dutch, track and field, football, soccer, and baseball/softball. The White Stadium Sports Center also hosts Monday workshops from July 16 to August 13 offering boys and girls the opportunity to participate in a five-week reading, writing, and math enrichment program. Pre-registration is required and space is limited. For more information on all White Stadium Sports Center programs, please call 617-961-3092 or email [laquelle.bryson@boston.gov](mailto:laquelle.bryson@boston.gov). For more information or to register, please go to [apm.activecommunities.com/cobparksandrecdepart/Home](http://apm.activecommunities.com/cobparksandrecdepart/Home).  
**CITIZENSHIP CLASSES AT NOTRE DAME ED CENTER**  
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## Saturday, July 7

• Explore the newly decorated Butterfly Hollow (formerly known as Butterfly Landing) at Franklin Park Zoo at 10 a.m. Stroll through this tranquil exhibit filled with bright, beautiful butterflies featuring garden beds, a pond and fanciful music. As you stroll through this magical space, be sure to look for all of the enchanting fairy houses nestled within the space. There will also be a fairy house craft to take home. Call 617-541-5466 for more info.

## Monday, July 9

• Democratic activist and former State Representative Gerard Doherty shares his memoirs, particularly dealing with his work and friendship with all three Kennedy brothers as he discusses his work *They Were My Friends*: Jack, Bob, & Ted at 6:30 p.m. at the Adams Street Branch, located at 690 Adams Street in Dorchester.

• BCYF Grove Hall community center at 51 Geneva Ave. hosts a sidewalk party from 1-4 p.m. to celebrate year one of Age-Friendly Boston. Join us for free refreshments, Japanese drumming by Older and Bolder, safe streets demonstration, and updates. Plus, we'll have the BPD Hoodsie truck! All ages are welcome. The event takes place rain or shine. Rain location will be inside BCYF Grove Hall center.

## Tuesday, July 10

• The ParkARTS outdoor neighborhood summer concerts series begins at 7 p.m. this evening with The Woo Factor at Hunt/Almont Park, 40 Almont St., Mattapan. Free. For more information or a full schedule of events, please call please call 617-635-4505 or visit the Parks Department online at boston.gov.

• Andi Wolfgang, nu-



Youngsters from Boston and beyond cool down in the spray pool at the Boston Common Frog Pond minutes after it was turned on during the opening celebration on June 29. The Frog Pond spray pool is open daily from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. until Labor Day and managed by The Skating Club of Boston. For further information, please call the Frog Pond at 617-635-2120.

Fudge founder, explains where chocolate comes from and how to include it in your life in healthy and delicious ways at 6 p.m. at the Fields Corner Branch at 1520 Dorchester Avenue in Dorchester.

• Artists in Residence Workshops will be held at Dorchester's Martin Playground on Hilltop Street today from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

## Wednesday, July 11

• St. Ann's Colorguard open house from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Victory Road Armory, 70 Victory Rd., Dorchester. Those who cannot attend but are interested in participating in St. Ann's Colorguard can reach out to Eileen Cunningham at eileenpatrice@yahoo.com. Those who wish to donate can do so online, at stannscolorguard.org.

## Tuesday, July 17

• Artists in Residence Workshops will be held at Dorchester's Martin Playground on Hilltop Street today from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Rosalita's

Puppets Marionette Performances will perform at Martin Playground at 11 a.m.

## Wednesday, July 18

• Tom Baker and the Troublemakers perform in concert at 7 p.m. at McConnell Park, Denny Street, Dorchester. Sponsored by Boston Parks and Recreation Department as part of the 2018 ParkARTS Citywide Neighborhood Concert Series. All ParkARTS neighborhood performances are free of charge. For more information or a full schedule of events, please call please call 617-635-4505 or visit the Parks Department online at boston.gov.

• Community meeting to discuss Mattapan MBTA parking lot redevelopment project begins at 6 p.m. at the Mattapan Library, 1350 Blue Hill Ave., Mattapan. Hosted by developers POAH and

Nuestra Comunidad. Call 617-989-1211 or ljimenez@nuestradc.org.

• Uphams Corner Farmer's Market is held every Wednesday from 3- 7 p.m. beginning on October 24. It will be located at 559 Columbia Rd. For more information, contact Naureen Syed at nsyed@uphams.org. or log onto uphams.org/events.

## Friday, July 20

• The fourth annual Dot Pot will be held this year in Garvey Park from July 20-22, featuring 24 of Boston's fiercest

street hockey teams. It is played in memory of Katie McDonough, who spent years battling cancer, and proceeds will go to her family, the National Ovarian Cancer Coalition, and the Joe Andruzzi Foundation.

## Saturday, July 21

• In celebration of National Zookeeper Appreciation Week, Franklin Park Zoo invites guests for a special day to see what it's like to be a zookeeper! See some of the day to day activities zookeepers participate in, such as feedings and trainings! Join us for special scheduled

zookeeper encounters, where guests can ask questions directly to the Zoo's staff and discover what it's like to work with the animals every day. Visit [zoonewengland.org](http://zoonewengland.org) for more info.

• Pear Square Art Fair in DCR Richardson Park (Columbia Road and East Cottage Street) from 12-8 p.m. features pop, rock and world music performances, 14-plus local art vendors, with fused glass, leatherwork, painting and more. Food and refreshments. Co-sponsors include Dorchester Historical Society, Brain Arts, Dorchester North Neighborhood Assoc., Oleana Foundation.

## Sunday, July 22

• Don Bosco Tech All Class Inclusive Reunion includes a memorial Mass at 3 p.m. at the Norwood Elks, 152 Winslow Ave., Norwood. Reunion celebration from 4-8 p.m. Buffet Meal - \$47 per person. Info and payment via PayPal to dbtreunion@gmail.com or by check, made payable to: Jim Hager 13 Newton Drive, Gorham, ME 04038.

## Tuesday, July 24

• Artists in Residence Workshops will be held at Dorchester's Martin Playground on Hilltop Street today from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Participation is free and all materials are provided, but young children must be accompanied by an adult. Groups of six or more must make prior arrangements by calling the Parks Department at 617-635-4505.



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The experiential entrepreneurship program activities include group work, individual learning, field trips (including one to New York City), a selling event, and a business plan competition with more than \$1,000 in prizes. Local business leaders and entrepreneurs will coach all students as they create business plans and practice problem solving, flexibility, collaboration, critical thinking, comfort with risk, and 21st Century workforce development skills.

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A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by Darriyl Parker of Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.  
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 07/16/2018.  
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Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.  
Date: June 04, 2018  
Felix D. Arroyo  
Register of Probate  
Published: July 5, 2018

LEGAL NOTICE  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
SUFFOLK, ss.  
THE TRIAL COURT  
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT  
NOTICE AND ORDER:  
PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN OF A MINOR  
Docket No. SU18P0684GD  
IN THE INTERESTS OF  
FARRAH ROSE PROVOST  
a/k/a FARRAH ROSE COLON  
OF DORCHESTER, MA  
MINOR  
Notice to all Interested Parties  
1. Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 04/02/2018 by Yolanda Villalonga of Dorchester, MA will be held 08/28/2018 08:30 AM Review Hearing. Located 24 New Chardon Street, 3rd Floor, Boston, MA 02114 - Probation Department.  
Response to Petition: You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to:  
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Mail a copy to all interested parties at least five (5) business days before the hearing.  
3. Counsel for the Minor: the Minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.  
4. Counsel for Parents: If you are a parent of the minor child who is the subject of this proceeding you have a right to be represented by an attorney. If you want an attorney and cannot afford to pay for one and if you give proof that you are indigent, an attorney will be assigned to you. Your request for an attorney should be made immediately by filing on the Application of Appointment of Counsel form. Submit the application form in person or by mail at the court location where your case is going to be heard.  
5. Presence of the Minor at hearing: A minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is not in the minor's best interests.  
THIS IS A LEGAL NOTICE: An important court proceeding that may affect your rights has been scheduled. If you do not understand this notice or other court papers, please contact an attorney for legal advice.  
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(Continued from page 1) announcing the new round in late June. “Five new zones were selected in 2017 and BTB is currently advancing through the planning and design work for each of these zones. Boston’s Public Works Department will manage construction of the five new projects and we anticipate that all work will be completed in 2019.”

City transportation officials presented early suggestions to the West of Washington (WOW) Coalition last Thursday. The proposals were drawn from a survey of the study area and presented “really good options,” WOW president Laquisa Burke said in an interview this week.

“It’s been very positive,” she said. “People are really excited.”

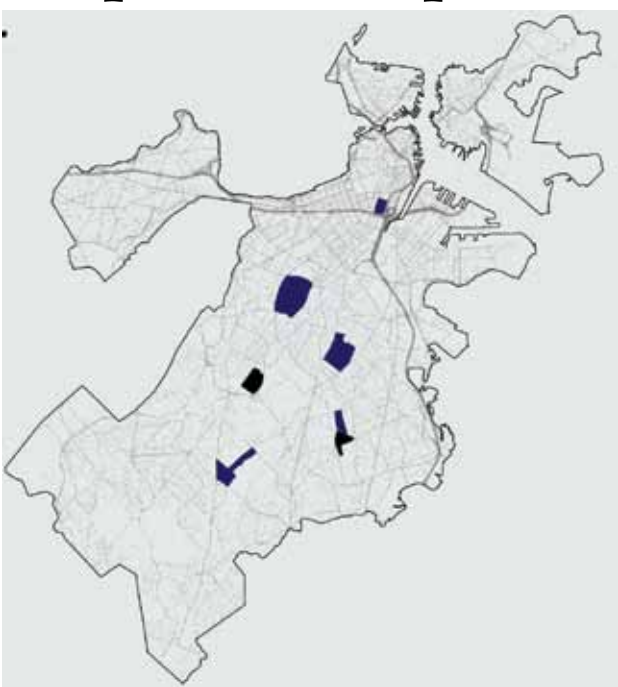
Their zone is a rectangle of 12 blocks, including four one-way streets, hemmed in by Norwell, Harvard, Whitfield, and

Washington streets. It is one of five new zones selected in 2017 for the program, which was launched with two pilot areas the year prior: Talbot-Norfolk Triangle (TNT) in Dorchester and the Stony Brook neighborhood of Jamaica Plain.

WOW’s area touches the TNT zone along Talbot Avenue, which will mean the creation of a larger Slow Streets area once both are completed.

“We’re able to use a lot of the implementation they used in the pilot program in TNT,” Burke said, “because whatever effects TNT ultimately affects Norwell Street.”

Standing driving behaviors have long aggravated WOW residents, she said. Some preliminary options for fixing up the zone include “no parking” signage at certain corners, speed humps, pedestrian light signals, speed readers, and lane dividing lines



The neighborhood Slow Streets zones, including pilot zones and 2017 selections.

Traffic in the area is not only a frustration — Burke said some 1,000 cars pass along their stretch of Park Street every day — but also a profound safety issue. On a night in May 2015, 18-year-old Fritz Philogene was riding his bicycle along Talbot Avenue near the intersection with Norwell Street. An unlicensed 33-year-old Dorchester man driving a white

Cadillac slammed into the rear of a BMW and both vehicles careened into the intersection, striking and killing Philogene, a Haitian-born West Roxbury Academy student, just a block from his home.

That crash is still on the minds of West of Washington neighbors, Burke said.

Shifting some streets to one-way in certain sections, like a “major” stretch of Park Street around the intersection of Norwell Street heading toward Washington, will prevent routine use of the roadway as a “cut through,” Burke said. Although some wish Norwell itself was floated as a one-way street, raised crosswalks at the Park Street intersection should also help, Burke added.

Last Thursday’s was one of several Slow Streets meetings, with another planned in a few months, Burke said. “Implementation won’t start until next spring, and it might take a year,” she said. “We’re just going over the options now.”

But they have a good


head start. Through 311 requests and working with the Transportation Department to bring in some new signage and painted crosswalks, traffic movement around WOW is already under way.

“It was just the community prepping ourselves,” Burke said, “so now that Slow Streets is coming, they have more to work with.”

The four other zones from WOW’s batch — parts of Chinatown, the Grove Hall/Quincy Corridor, Highland Park, and Mount Hope/Canterbury — are also in the first few rounds of public meetings.

New applications, submitted by neighborhood associations, community groups, faith-based institutions, or other organized groups of neighbors, can be submitted to the Boston Transportation Department through Fri., Aug. 24, 2018.

Additional information about Slow Streets application requirements can be found online at [boston.gov/departments/transportation/neighborhood-slow-streets](http://boston.gov/departments/transportation/neighborhood-slow-streets).



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**NE Revolution:** 50 members participated in a soccer clinic with the New England Revolution Soccer Team last week. This is the second year we have been invited and members have a great time meeting players and learning the sport.

**CONNECT THE DOT**  
**New England Revolution Clinic:** 50 Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester members had the opportunity to travel to Gillette Stadium's Empower Fieldhouse to take part in a Clinic with the New England Revolution last week. The New England Revolution is our local professional soccer team, and it is very exciting to get to meet the players in real life. The Clinic included drills, scrimmage games, a question & answer session with the players and concluded with autographs.

This is the second year our members have enjoyed the opportunity to take part in this special event. Thank you so much to Empower for hosting us and to all the players and coaches for a great afternoon of fun! More photos from the clinic can be found on our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/bgcdot](http://www.facebook.com/bgcdot).

**FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE**  
**Keystone Club:** Six Keystone Club Members attended the National Keystone Conference last weekend in Atlanta, GA. The 3-day conference, which was held on the campus of Georgia State College, attracted over 2,000 teens from Boys & Girls Clubs across the country as well as international sites. Our members took part in large group sessions with motivational speakers and small group workshops focused on Keystone programming, personal development and college/career planning. The group also enjoyed social activities with their peers including a night out at Six Flags. Locally, our Keystone Club has 30+ members who engage in service projects throughout the year. Upcoming projects include hosting a 3-on-3 Bball Tourney in July, volunteering at a Food Pantry in August, and serving at a water stop at the Rodman Ride for Kids in September.

**DID YOU KNOW**  
**Safe Summer Streets Kicks Off:** Our Safe Summer Streets teen program takes place throughout the summer for neighborhood teens age 13-18. While the program is free for members, we encourage non-members to simply fill out a membership application and pay the \$5 yearly membership fee in order to take part as well. The program runs from July 9 - August 10 this year, and takes place from 3-11PM Monday through Friday with a free ride home at the end of the night for anyone who wants one.

All area teens are invited to join us for the kickoff block party, taking place on July 9th at our Marr Clubhouse basketball court. We'll have a BBQ open to all neighborhood teens even if they aren't signed up for the program, with food, music, a 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament and more.

UPCOMING EVENTS

**SUMMER FUN PROGRAM**  
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RECENT OBITUARIES

**DUGGAN, Matthew**, formerly of Dorchester, and originally from Montiaigh, Clare Galway, Ireland, at 86. Husband of the late Ann Marie “Nancy” (Flaherty) Duggan. Father of Matthew J. Duggan of Hull. Brother of Nellie Duggan and Sally Farragher both of Galway, Ireland, and the late Mary Greal-

ly, Martin, Paddy, Walter and Daniel Duggan. Pops to Matthew J. Duggan, Jr. and his fiancée Samantha Fletcher of Hull, Jacqueline Gouthro of Dorchester and Dillon Kelley of Plymouth. Great Grandfather of Braden McBride and Lucas Ingram. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins,

ins, and dear friends. He worked for the Carmen’s Union Local 589 for many years. Matt was one of the founding fathers of Fr. Tom Burke’s Hurling Club, which originated back in 1958. Donations in memory of Matthew may be made to Fr. Tom Burke Hurling Club.

**ENGLISH, Thomas A. Jr.**, 81. Born in Boston, Thomas was the son of the late Thomas and Mary A. (O’Sullivan) English. Thomas was a Double Eagle, graduating from both BC High and Boston College. Tom owned bars in West Roxbury, Jamaica Plain, Quincy, Dorchester and South Boston. He was a former member of the Wollaston Golf Club and most importantly, he was a founding member of the YAZ League. Survivors include his beloved wife, Marcia (Merritt) English; sons, Thomas A. English III and Timothy S. English; brother, John (Suzanne) English; and sister, Mary Anne English. To remember Tom in a special way, memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the Pine Street Inn, Development Office, 444 Harrison Avenue, Boston, MA 02118.

**FREDERICK, Clarence A.** of Mattapan.

Husband of Olga (Minors) Frederick. Father of Christine, Cheryl, Clarence A. Jr., Bryan, and Terale Frederick, all of Boston. Also survived by several brothers, sisters, grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins.

**GREENE, Patrick J.** of Dorchester, formerly of Ballydangan, Co. Roscommon, Ireland, age 65. Brother of William, James and George.

**ROHAN, Agnes M. (McLaughlin)** of Milton, formerly of Dorchester and Quincy in her 100th year. Wife of the late Joseph P. “Skip” Rohan. Mother of Katherine Rohan O’Brien and her husband Francis C. O’Brien of Milton. “Baa” to her grandchildren Edward F. “Ned” O’Brien of Milwaukee, WI and Elizabeth “Betsy” Rohan O’Brien of Milton. Sister of the late Mary E. Doherty, Margaret M. Paul, Edward V. McLaughlin, Francis H. McLaughlin and John J. McLaughlin. Agnes is also survived by many loving and caring nieces and nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews and great grandnieces and great grandnephews. Donations in Agnes’ memory may be made

JOHN HOGARTH ANDERSON

John Hogarth Anderson, (64), of Providence, RI passed away Thursday, June 28, 2018, with friends and family by his side at Philip Hulitar Hope and Hospice, Providence, RI. He had returning lung cancer and congestive heart failure. He was the son of the late Mary and Irving (Andy) Anderson formerly of Barrington, RI.

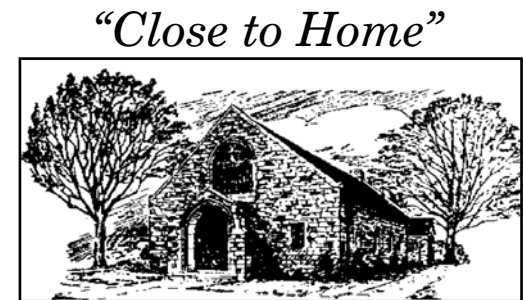


In his hometown of Barrington, RI he became an Eagle Scout of Troop #1. John was a graduate of Barrington High School in 1972. He went on to graduate in 1976 at Nasson College, Springvale, ME with BA in History.

John worked as a 25-year Development Department Team Member at the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee, in Boston, MA. He was a long-time resident of Dorchester, MA before moving to Providence. He was a dedicated member of the Dorchester Recycling Coalition. He and his family assisted with the YES, Youth Enrichment Service, Winter Program, helping Boston youths learn to ski. He was a “die-hard” Red Sox fan and recycler/environmentalist.

John leaves his beloved son, Henry Wilson Anderson, his former wife, Dianna Wilson. He leaves his Aunt Barbara Mouffe; Uncle Bruce Tennant; Uncle Dick Leupold; two sisters, Louise Anderson and Emelie Archibald; many cousins; nieces and nephews; and great niece. He also leaves many close friends.

A charitable donation to the Massachusetts Society of Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, (MSPCA), or St. John’s Episcopal Church, Barrington, RI would be appreciated. A private memorial service will be held.



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Neighborhood Notables

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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.

ASHMONT HILL ASSOC.

Meetings are generally held the last Thursday of the month. For info, see ashmonthill.org or call Message Line: 617-822-8178.

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Meetings are usually the 2nd Monday or Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at 776 Washington St., Dorchester.

CEDAR GROVE CIVIC ASSOC.

Meetings are held in the St. Brendan’s Father Lane Hall – lower level at 589 Gallivan Blvd., Dorches-

ter Tuesdays on the second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. Next meeting: Sept. Info: cedargrovecivic@gmail.com or 617-825-1402.

CLAM POINT CIVIC ASSOC.

The meetings are usually held on the second Monday of the month (unless it’s a holiday) at WORK, Inc. 25 Beach St., at the corner of Freeport St., across from the IBEW; on-street parking available.

CODMAN SQUARE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

The Codman Square Neighborhood Council meets the first Wednesday of each month, 7 to 8:30 p.m., in the Great Hall of the Codman Sq. Health Center, 6 Norfolk St. Info: call 617-265-4189.

COLUMBIA-SAVIN HILL CIVIC ASSOC.

Meetings the first Monday of each month, 7 p.m., at the Little House, 275 East Cottage St. columbiasavinhillcivic.org.

DORCHESTER NORTH NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

The Dorchester North Neighborhood Association (formerly the Annapolis Street Neighborhood Association) generally meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the meeting room of 8 Annapolis Street. Please see our Facebook page (search Dorchester North) for updates and announcements. Send questions and agenda items to: dorchesternorth@gmail.com.

JONES HILL ASSOC.

Please refer to the JHA website at joneshill.com for additional information and feel free to contact me or the Association Officers copied on this email with any questions.

EASTMAN-ELDER ASSOC.

The association meets the third Thurs. of each month, 7 p.m., at the Upham’s Corner Health Center, 636 Columbia Rd., across from the fire station.

FIELDS CORNER CIVIC ASSOC.

The FCCA meets the first Tues., of each month in the Kit Clark Senior Center at 1500 Dorchester Ave. at 6:30 p.m. New members are welcome.

DORCHESTER UNIFIED NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

Please join the D.U.N. Association contact list to stay up to date. Provide your name, address, e-mail and phone to DUNAssociation@gmail.com or 617-901-4919.

FREEPORT-ADAMS ASSOC.

The meetings will be held the second Wed. of the month, 6:30 p.m., at the Fields Corner CDC office (the old Dist. 11 police station).

GROOM/HUMPHREYS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

The GHNA meets on the third Wed. of the month, 7 p.m., in the Kroc Salvation Army Community Center, 650 Dudley St., Dor., 02125. For info, call 857-891-1072 or maxboxer@aol.com.

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