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As redistricting looms, Pressley's district is in the spotlight

By Gintautas Dumcius Managing Editor

Change is coming to Ayanna Pressley's majority-minority Congressional district, less than three years after she beat out Michael Capuano for the seat to become the first Black woman sent to Capitol Hill by

Massachusetts voters.

What that change will look like is up to lawmakers at the State House, who by law must redraw the lines of Congressional districts, as well as state House and Senate districts, following every decennial US Census.

The legislators are

Coalition is pushing for a Black state senate seat

tasked with ensuring that districts are equally sized in population, a politically fraught exercise with multiple competing interests, from incumbents to local activists.

The special committee set up to work on the new boundaries met virtually on Monday to take testimony on the Massachusetts 7th, which Pressley has represented

since January 2019. The district stretches from Everett down to Randolph, and includes Mattapan, Cambridge, Somerville, Chelsea, and roughly half of Dorchester. Stephen Lynch of South Boston represents the Boston-based Congressional district that

includes Dorchester's eastern half.

In her testimony on Monday, Pressley, a Dorchester Democrat, asked the lawmakers to keep "municipalities whole when possible," saying, "I know that every constituent, ev-

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FINDING ALY'S MYLO

Olympian thanks two for rescue of her dog

By Rebeca Pereira REPORTER CORRESPONDENT

Carla Duran Capellan's afternoon stroll often takes her from her cramped Mt. Vernon Ave. dorm at UMass Boston through the sprawling harborside grounds of the JFK Library and down to Boston's seaport at City Point in South Boston. She knows the route by heart, and recommends the mile-long trek to the incoming freshmen she encounters as an orientation leader.

Last Friday afternoon, when the UMass Boston junior reached Castle Island, she expected to see throngs of pedestrians who, like her, had headed outside after the day's heavy morning rain. Instead of throngs, though, she and another passerby, Gayle Cataldo, spotted a dog trapped and cowering behind a fenced-off construction site and looking very thirsty.

"I called the number on the collar and said, 'If you're looking for a blue-eyed dog, we have 'em!' It didn't seem like a heroic thing to do; anyone would have done it,"



Olympian gold-medalist Aly Raisman (center) was reunited with her dog Mylo (right) last Friday after two keen-eyed good Samaritans, UMass Boston student Carla Duran Capellan, right, and, at left, Gayle Cataldo and her unnamed dog, a participant in the rescue, spotted the missing puppy near the Dorchester Harborwalk. Mylo had been missing for nearly a week after he was spooked by fireworks while on a walk in the Seaport district.

Photo courtesy Aly Raisman/Twitter

was find a dog, but, when

The phone number beyou save a national he- longed to Aly Raisman, Mylo, an 11-month-old ro's dog, suddenly you're a world-class gymnast rescue dog, had been and three-time Olympic (Continued on page 13) | (Continued on page 7)

gold medalist whose pet,

Santiago ends run for mayor, leaving five still in the race

Gives nod to 'woman of color'

By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS Managing Editor

South End state Rep. Jon Santiago ended his run for mayor on Tuesday, leaving five major candidates to continue competing for the top job inside Boston City Hall.

Santiago, who first launched his campaign in February, indicated he will be backing a woman of color.

An emergency room physician at Boston Medical Center in addition to his job at the State House, Santiago also serves as a captain in the US Army Reserve.

The field of candidates now includes Acting Mayor Kim Janey, Councillors At-Large Annis-



Jon Santiago Signing off

sa Essaibi George and Michelle Wu, District 4 Councillor Andrea Campbell, and John Barros, former Mayor Marty Walsh's economic development chief.

"It's been an honor to join this historic field of candidates," Santiago said in a video posted (Continued on page 5)

St. Louis makes Dot's Baez 2nd

round pick

Joshua Baez, a standout baseball player with roots in the Dominican Republic and Dorchester, was selected by the St. Louis Cardinals in the second round of the Major League Baseball draft on Monday afternoon. Baez, who graduated



Joshua Baez: He fields and pitches. MLB photo

Tracking improvement one corner at a time

By SETH DANIEL REPORTER CONTRIBUTOR

If you drive down Harvard Street toward Blue Hill Avenue, do yourself a favor and pump the brakes at the corner of Norwell Street, first for the sake of safety because people drive too fast there, but also to take a look at the great work that's been done to improve the old Mt. Horeb Lodge #10 on the corner.

The Lodge was no horrible property before, but in the last year the membership

West Side Stories

has really improved the outside of the building, adding elegant trim and a snappy paint job to truly improve that busy site. In a neighborhood such as ours on the west side of Dorchester, it takes a lot to get it to where everyone would want it, but certainly the old theory about "one corner at a time" worked its magic here.

I caught up with Lodge President Joe Allen this week and he said he has been a member for a long time and it has been his goal to get the outside of the Lodge improved to uplift the neighborhood.

He certainly has done so.

"For me, I'm a general contractor and that's my line of work," he said. "If I'm a member of a place and it's run down, it's a bad reflection on me and the place and the community. Since I became a member, that was on my mind and I wanted to uplift it so it wasn't an eyesore on the community. I

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Police, Courts & Fire

Violence marred the weekend

Last weekend was marked by violence in Boston, with ten people reported shot in different incidents, although none resulted in fatalities, according to Boston Police accounts.

Four men were shot on Cameron Street on Saturday evening, according to Universal Hub. All of the victims were expected to survive.

Earlier that day, a man was shot outside 7 Delano St., off Levant Street, around 11:30 a.m. The victim's injuries were not life threatening. Police later reported arresting Boma Howell, also known as Boma Collins, 42, of Roxbury, around 4:40 p.m. and about a mile away on Downer Avenue.

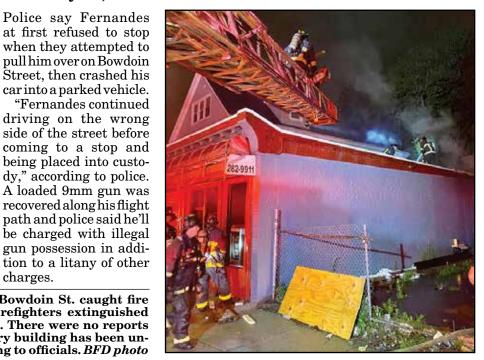
He was charged with assault and battery by means of a dangerous weapon, unlawful possession of a firearm, unlawful possession of ammunition and discharging a weapon within 500 feet of a building, police say. District C-11 Detectives later recovered a partly loaded revolver, which has since been turned in as evidence.

A 28-year-old Dorchester man was arrested by members of the BPD's Youth Violence Strike Force on Sunday afternoon (July 11) after a traffic stop on Olney Street. Kurtis Hills faces illegal gun charges after police say they found him with a loaded .45 caliber handgun inside the vehicle.... On Thurs., July 8, the Strike Force arrested Nilton Fernandes, 22, of Dorchester in the area of 1208 Dorchester Ave.

"Fernandes continued driving on the wrong side of the street before coming to a stop and being placed into custody," according to police. A loaded 9mm gun was $recovered\,along\,\bar{h}is\,flight$ path and police said he'll be charged with illegal gun possession in addi-

A former pizzeria at 205 Bowdoin St. caught fire early Friday morning. Firefighters extinguished the blaze around 3:45 a.m. There were no reports of injuries. The single-story building has been under construction, according to officials. BFD photo

charges.



UPCOMING CIVIC MEETINGS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

The Ward 15 Democratic Party Committee will caucus on Saturday, July 17 via Zoom to elect delegates to the state party convention, which will be held on Sept. 25 in Lowell. Registration begins at 10 a.m. and the caucus begins at 10:30 a.m. All Democrats in Ward 15 are eligible to be elected. To register for the caucus and/or to run as a delegate, visit DotNews.com for the event link.

The Ward 13 Democratic Committee will caucus on Thurs., July 29 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom to elect 15 delegates and 4 alternates to the state party platform convention. The convention will convene on Sat., Sept. 25, at the Tsongas Center in Lowell. All registered Democrats in Ward 13 are eligible to run for delegate and to vote at the caucus. To register to attend, email Ward13Dorchester@gmail.com.The Zoom link will open at 6 p.m. and the caucus will begin at 6:30 pm. You can find more

information at massdems.org.

The Boston Planning and Development Agency will host a virtual public meeting on Thurs., July 29 to discuss a proposed new four-story, 74-unit apartment complex on Cheney Street in Dorchester. The proponent is Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Development Corp. The meeting will take place at 6 p.m. via Zoom. See page 8 for the link info. The project manager is Lance Campbell, who may be reached via email at lance. campbell@boston.gov.

The Boston Planning and Development Agency will host a virtual public meeting on Monday, July 26 to discuss a proposal to construct a 270-unit residential apartment community in ine detached, three-story buildings with 415 parking spaces and a free-standing clubhouse at 990 American Legion Highway. The meeting will be held from 6-8 p.m. See page 15 for info on the Zoom link. The project manager is Caitlin Coppinger. She may be reached at Caitlin.coppinger@ boston.gov or 857-205-3429.

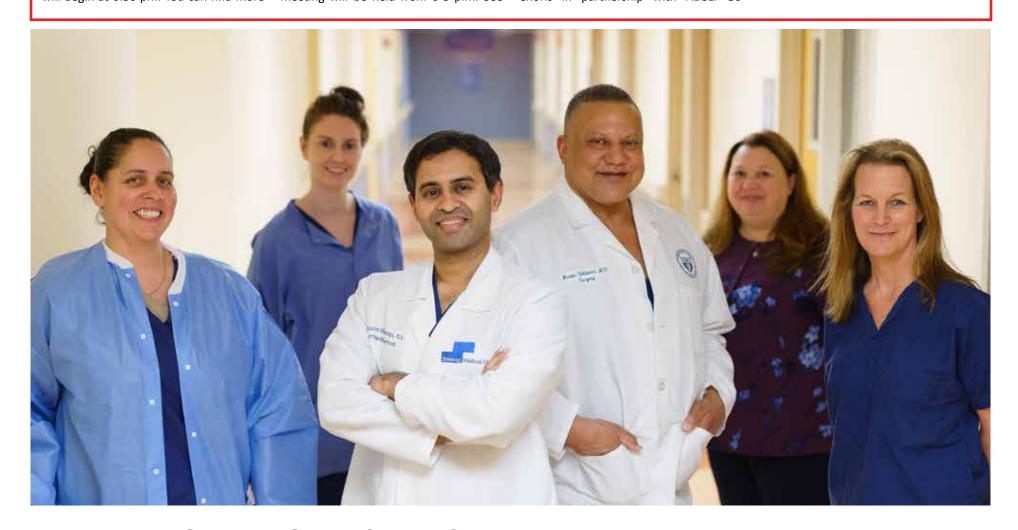
Dot Art's Summer Children's Art Studio For children ages 3-6. Two 3-day sessions July 27- 29 and August 3-5 from 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Choose either one-week session or both weeks. Held at the Baker Chocolate Factory, 1231 Adams St., first floor, Dorchester/Lower Mills. A 10 percent sibling discount, scholarships, sliding scale available. For more info or to register go to dotart.org or call 617-460-9637.

We Sing Dorchester — a community singing event for families of all ages and skill levels— will take place on July 25 and August 8 from 2-3:30 p.m. at Town Field in Fields Corner. Presented by Friends of the Public Garden and Boston Childrens Choris in partnership with ADSL. Go to give.bostonchildrenschorus.org to register.

The basketball and tennis courts at the Ryan Playground on River Street in Mattapan neighborhood are closed through June 30 to accommodate full reconstruction work on the courts, according to the state's Department of Conservation and Recreation. Alternate courts include those at nearby Hunt Almont Playground on Almont Street in Mattapan.

The Urban Farming Institute will re-open its popular farm stand at the Fowler Clark Epstein Farm at 487 Norfolk St. on Fridays beginning June 25 from 1-4 p.m. Preorder pick-ups will be available from 4-6 p.m. See https://farmstandufi.company. site for more info.

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Judge withdraws ruling in exam-school case

By Adam Gaffin Universal Hub

A federal judge on Friday withdrew his approval of the system BPS used to offer admission to the three exam schools, saying he was misled by a transcript of text messages by School Committee members that left out the "Westie whites" comments.

The ruling will not affect the bulk of admissions already offered for the exam schools for September, because the parents group had already said it would not fight those. US District Court Judge William Young did not grant the group's request to re-open the case entirely; the matter now goes to the US Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, which can direct him to re-open the case.

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During a hearing on the case on Friday, Young also said that even if the case is reopened, his decision to set aside his previous opinion does not mean he might still find that the School Committee did nothing racially biased in approving an exam-free admissions policy.

But, he added, he simply could not let an opinion stand that was not based on facts, in this case, an assertion by the city that an eightpage transcript of School Committee text messages was accurate, when it wasn't.

Young said that this was the first time in 36 years on the bench that he has withdrawn an opinion, but noted that he had no choice.

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"I've been misled and I don't see how the opinion can stand," even if he was misled completely innocently, as BPS attorney Kay Hodge argued. "Opinions are based on facts," he said. "Facts."

Young said he is willing to consider whether any of the attorneys on the city's side - both inhouse counsel and an outside law firm - should face any sanctions. He pointed to an argument by Hodge that in-house lawyers innocently excluded text messages like "I hate WR" and that they simply thought that was the same as excluding a text reading "I like Kit Kats."

"It's ludicrous, candidly, to equate the two," he said.

William Hurd, attornev for the Boston Parent Coalition for Academic Excellence Corp., said that while his group is not going to fight over the seats awarded at Boston Latin School, Boston Latin Academy, and the John D. O'Bryant School in September, it might seek to have the courts order BPS to use a non-Zip-code based system to fill any seats that are left empty after school starts.

After Young withdrew his prior approval, Hodge addressed the bench. "We are apologizing for

any of those impacts and we will endeavor to do better.'

At issue in the hearing was a transcript of text messages, released to the Boston Globe and a Dorchester resident, who turned out to be a member of the parent group, of phone text messages among School Committee members during the October 2020 meeting at which they approved an admissions system for September.

Hodge told Young that three Boston city attorneys - Corporation Counsel Eugene O'Flaherty, assistant corporation counsel Henry Luthin, and Shawn Williams, the city's expert on public-records requests assembled screen shots of the texts, then redacted messages that they felt didn't involve officials business, which can be stricken under the state public-records law.

What caused Young's ire to rise was when he was told that they felt messages like "I hate WR" during a meeting about school admissions were of a personal nature.

His anger rose further when Hodge, hired in February to defend BPS in the suit, acknowledged that neither she nor any of the lawyers on her team knew about

the exclusions, or even that there had been a public-records requests for the texts, until the parents group included the eight-page summary in its list of documents submitted to her and the court as a basis for Young's consideration of the case.

And when she stipulated that the transcript was "true and accurate." she did not know about the "Westie whites" omissions, she said, noting that she and her team were up until midnight on the Saturday before a court hearing going through the thousands of pages of documents in the case.

But "true and accurate" doesn't mean BPS was saying the transcript was "complete," she said.

Young then asked her what she did after somebody leaked the omitted texts to the Globe, which, of course, promptly published them. She said even then, she didn't know about them, because she was busy on other matters and hadn't seen the Globe. But she acknowledged that once she did learn about the matter, she did not bring them to Young's attention.

The argument about completeness "falls on deaf ears," Young said.

He asked Hodge if it

had occurred to her that, no matter how innocently, "the court had been misled here? It didn't occur to you to bring the matter to the court's attention?" he asked. She acknowledged it did not.

She continued, however, that during a legal proceeding, what the facts are determined to be changes from the early stages through the end result, and that this was, ultimately, an example of that, and one that shouldn't affect the ultimate ruling.

Young jumped on that. He noted that in the interests of not impacting the lives of hundreds of students whose futures might hinge in part on learning what high school they're going to, he had gotten both sides to dramatically speed up the whole judicial process so that he could rule on the case before it was too late to send out acceptance messages for the fall.

And while the text messages may not be the heart of the case, they were not simply peripheral - he noted that the two School Committee members who exchanged them had resigned after the Globe story.

"There are sentences in this opinion that had I known [about the particular texts], I wouldn't have written it this way," he said.

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In JP, Janey opens campaign office, and looks 'beyond the election cycle'

By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS Managing Editor

Acting Mayor Kim Janey on Saturday rallied supporters at her new Jamaica Plain campaign office in her bid to win a full four-year term as the city's chief executive.

In a squat one-story building on Centre Street, next to a cannabis shop and behind a Whole Foods market, dozens of



supporters geared up for a day of door-knocking. Mike Ross, a former city councillor who is now an attorney focused on real estate development and cannabis, emceed the event

The gathering also drew members of UNITE HERE Local 26 who wore red shirts with their union's logo. The union. which includes hospitality workers, recently launched a super PAC to support Janey.

One of six major candidates running for mayor, Janey offered the crowd



Kim Janey touts her changes in Jamaica Plain on Saturday.

a refresher on her biography: She grew up poor in the city during the '70s and '80s, "on the frontlines of Boston's battle to desegregate our schools. People in my neighborhood were left out of the prosperity in the city of Boston and there was a lack of investment in my community," said Janey, a Roxbury native, adding:

"This is our chance to make sure we're closing those gaps. This is our chance to make sure that no one is left behind."

Janey became acting mayor in March when Dorchester's Marty Walsh joined President Joe Biden's cabinet. Under the city charter, the city council president becomes acting mayor when there is a mayoral vacancy. Janey is the first woman of color to hold City Hall's top job.

"We have so much more work to do," Janey told the crowd. "And we're

not going to solve it in still undecided. the next 100 days, which is why I'm seeking a full term.'

The event doubled as a fundraiser. Pointing to the signs in the room, as well as the campaign staffers, Janey said, "All this stuff costs money. But we're going to be people-powered, we're going to make sure we have resources to get to not just through the finish line, but to be in a strong position to do the work beyond the election cycle."

The other mayoral candidates include City Councillors At-Large Annissa Essaibi George and Michelle Wu, District 4 Councillor Andrea Campbell, and former Walsh economic development chief John Barros.

Campbell has recently ramped up criticism of the Janey administration, as polls show Wu and Janey leading the field with many voters



Andrea Campbell offered a critique of city affairs last Wednesday.

Campbell argues that parents are losing confidence in the city's school system and notes the Boston Police Department remains in "disarray" as its scandals, involving alleged overtime abuse and a lack of accountability among officers pile up.

Her campaign on Wednesday took aim at a "lack of planning around key facilities upgrades, including the lack of working air conditioning in buildings where students are learning" with the candidate holding a press conference outside the William Trotter K-8 School in Dorchester to highlight the problems.

Janey used Saturday's event in Jamaica Plain to offer a rebuttal. "We've had challenges in our schools, we have challenges around housing, and everything is at a crisis point," she said. "I've been the first one to say that. But I'm in a position to do something about it, and that's the work that I've been doing as mayor over the last 100 days."

She pointed to the multibillion-dollar city operating budget, which the City Council approved on a 10-2 vote, with Wu and Campbell voting no, saying it doesn't go far



John Barros, left, gets a thumbs up from veterans advocate, Dan Magoon.

enough in dealing with the city's problems.

"I'm concerned about doing the work," Janey said when asked about the criticism from rivals. "That's what my focus is, that's what I'm going to continue to be focused on."

The Sept. 14 preliminary will winnow the mayoral field to two candidates who will face off in the Nov. 2 final election.

Barros picks up support from **Dorchester veteran**

John Barros, the mayoral candidate and former top City Hall official, has garnered support from Dan Magoon, a Dorchester veteran who heads up a nonprofit focused on Gold Star families.

Barros, who served as former Mayor Marty Walsh's chief of economic development, is one of six major candidates running for mayor after Walsh departed for President Joe Biden's cabinet.

'As chief of Economic Development, John ensured Veteran-owned businesses had selection priority for city contracts and procurement to support economic opportunity within the City of Boston," Magoon said in an email to Barros supporters.

A US Army veteran, Magoon is the executive director of Massachusetts Fallen Heroes, a nonprofit based in Boston's Seaport neighborhood. His support was announced on Friday in tandem with Barros's plan for veterans, which calls for prioritizing employment benefits, tax relief and survivor benefits for Gold Star families. The post of commissioner of veterans' services would become a mayoral cabinet position, according to the plan.

Barros also pledged to add a licensed clinician for veterans struggling with substance abuse, post-traumatic stress, traumatic brain injury, and military sexual trauma.

Reporter correspondent Rebeca Pereira contributed to this report.





Redistricting puts Pressley district in play; coalition in push for a Black senate seat

(Continued from page 1) ery municipality in this district has made me a more effective advocate in Congress and I would hate to lose the privilege of representing any of them."

Pressley did not submit a proposed map for the lawmakers to use, and her office said she does not plan to offer one.

But others, including voting activists and elected officials, likely will. US Census data, which are expected to be released next month, will play a role in adding granular detail on demographics that law-makers will use as they attempt to craft the final maps ahead of the 2022 elections.

According to preliminary data, the state's population rose to over million, up from 6.5 million in 2010, meaning each district will have new boundaries to ensure they have an equal number of people. US Census officials have been late in delivering data, in part due to the pandemic.

Boston Councillor At-Large Julia Mejia asked state lawmakers on Monday to keep Boston's representation to two members of Congress, rather than dividing the city into multiple districts.

Several voting rights activists chose to focus on the Second Suffolk state Senate seat, which is within Pressley's Congressional district. Sonia Chang-Diaz, a Jamaica Plain Democrat, currently holds the seat, but there'll be a vacancy in 2022 when she'll be running for governor per her recent announcement.

The seat was previously held by Dianne Wilkerson of Roxbury.

Kevin Peterson, founder of the New Democracy Coalition, said his group is developing a plan to create a state Senate map that will allow for a Black person to return to the upper chamber. The state Senate has been without a Black member since Linda Dorcena Forry left for a job at Suffolk Construction in 2018.

Some community leaders are pressing for an "incumbent-free" state Senate district that could lead to a Black person

getting elected, as well as two or three additional districts wherein people of color can wield greater influence, according to Peterson.

Beth Huang, a member of the Drawing Democracy Coalition, a separate group, pressed to return Chinatown to communities of color in the South End and Roxbury, rather than its current placement within the district of state Sen. Joe Boncore, which includes Revere and East Boston.

She also alluded to Boncore's expected departure from the Senate for a job at MassBIO, a tradegroup for the state's biotechnology industry, and noted that the move, like Chang-Diaz's bid for governor, makes it easier for lawmakers to redraw lines without taking into consideration the concerns of incumbents.

State Sen. William Brownsberger, co-chair of the special redistricting committee, cautioned that "people will have to see how the districts shape up before they make their plans to run."

The other co-chair of the redistricting commit-

tee, Rep. Michael Moran of Brighton, noted that rapid population growth, particularly in Cambridge and Somerville, is likely to cause Pressley's Congressional district to shed voters. "You're going to see changes there," he said as the committee seeks to balance equity and social arguments with others.

With Mattapan and other similar areas, the committee will seek to do "as little harm as possible to the fabric" of the community and "try to keep that fabric whole as much as possible," he said.

Moran, who also cochaired efforts to redraw the boundaries a decade ago, proudly noted that the map they drew then did not lead to a litany of lawsuits, unlike what happened in most other states.

At the outset of the hearing, Moran emphasized that he wanted to hear the input from various community groups and leaders so that the committee can create "fair" districts. "We want to see your fingerprints on these maps," he said.

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Santiago ends his mayoral run

(Continued from page 1) Tuesday morning. "I'm deeply proud of the race I've run, the relationships made, and the impact our campaign has had."

If Santiago had won the election, he would have become Boston's first Latino mayor.

But in what was likely a nod to polling that showed him in single digits, even after a TV ad campaign that cost nearly \$100,000, Santiago added, "the people of Boston have made it clear, and I look forward to supporting the first elected woman of color to lead Boston."

That statement makes clear that Barros won't be getting his endorsement. Santiago said he would be "in touch soon" about what's next for him. He is

now in his second term as a state representative for the district that includes the South End, Roxbury, Back Bay and Fenway.

In 2018, he defeated Rep. Byron Rushing, a member of then-Speaker Robert DeLeo's leadership team. (Wu had endorsed Rushing during their battle.)

In this mayoral election cycle, fellow Beacon Hill Democrats lined up behind Santiago's candidacy, including House Speaker Ron Mariano of Quincy. Multiple state representatives wrote checks to Santiago, too, helping their colleague haul in nearly \$100,000 in June.

But his fundraising lagged behind most of the other hopefuls. De-

spite pulling in over \$700,000 this year, he was outpaced by Essaibi George (\$1.07 million), Wu (\$1.01 million), Campbell (\$1 million) and

Janey (\$873,500). Barros has raised \$547,532.

Santiago had just over \$410,000 in cash on hand at the beginning of July, according to campaign finance filings.

Most of the mayoral candidates still in the running were quick to issue statements praising Santiago.



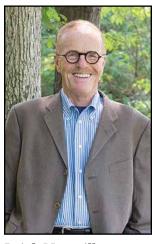
A tale from press row (and other venues): Celtics vs. Lakers, 1969

By Tom Mulvoy ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Leigh Montville was a 25-year-old second-year man on the sports staff of the Boston Evening Globe in 1969 when his editor, Ernie Roberts, assigned him to help with the coverage of the city's indomitable professional basketball team, the Celtics. The team's center for the ages (and coach), Bill Russell, the backcourt Joneses, Sam and K.C., a relentless two-way forward, John Havlicek, and their mates in green and white were, despite $an \, uninspiring (for \, them)$ season record, en route to winning their 11th NBA championship in 13 years.

For Bostonians, it was a highly satisfying campaign that ended with the defeat of the high-octane Los Angeles Lakers, who employed the legendary Wilt Chamberlain, a legendary scoring machine, and a cast of all-stars in a seven-game final series that ended on May 5.

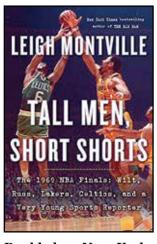
Some 51 years later, Montville, who left the Globe in the mid-1980s to join Sports Illustrated



Leigh Montville Robin Moleux photo

and, after that, to write well-received books about Babe Ruth, Ted Williams, Evel Knievel, Muhammad Ali, Dale Earnhardt, and Manute Bol, decided he had a story to tell about what he had done and seen and heard and surmised and written as the final series played out on the floors of Boston Garden and The Forum in Los Angeles. The bubble he found himself in included press tables, interview rooms, hotel lobbies, hotel bars, and red-eye cross-country flights.

There is plenty about the seven games in this



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account, but the narrative flows, too, when the traveling circus is away from the arenas. Here, Montville, the self-styled Bright Young Man, takes everything in and tries to assess where he fit in that untidy yet attractive setting where there is a great deal going on.

Of course, there's atmospheric context to every chapter, which Montville acknowledges in passages throughout the book; 1969 was a very interesting year that started with a political bang: Richard Nixon's first inauguration. In mid-year, Neil Armstrong stepped onto the moon; and in the fall, the Celtics began a new season without Bill Russell for the first time since December 1956. But the author's memory and his writing are focused on the micro-realm of a professional basketball presentation that featured much that was unseen and unheard by those listening on the radio or watching on television, which was a spotty affair in the two hometowns that year as blackouts were maintained on several occasions to protect the credibility and financial upside to the teams of paid-for seats.

Players were accessible and talkative wherever reporters found them (Russell himself sent a daily report to the Globe during the series, for about \$200 each, Montville figured). They provided off-court snippets about happenings, many of them relevant to the larger story, each in its own way.

In a section that comes off the page with a sharp edge of sadness, Montville redresses himself keenly etched sketches of

The schedule follows:

The Woo Factor band

will perform on a mobile

(for the umpteenth time, his words suggest) for his silence at the press table when the Celtics played the Knicks in New York earlier in the season. A Globe colleague sitting next to him gave vent to his bigotry by loudly and repeatedly using the N-word while talking about the game being played in front of them. He writes:

"I have thought for all these years of the things I should have done. I should have told [him] to shut up. Right away, I should have done that. If he didn't shut up, I should have grabbed him, done something. ... I should have reported all this to someone at the Globe on our return. I should have decided never to talk to him again. I should have done any of this stuff. I did nothing.'

The young Montville's mind wanders with a sort of discipline as the games played on. There's the panoply of the basketball drama, of course, but also his first brush with Celtics poohbah Red Auerbach's personality; there are his colleague and competitor sportswriters, of bit players on court and off; there are his simple-term elucidations of player and coaching strategy, all set out against a contemporary background now best gleaned from history books.

The pages of "Tall Men, Short Shorts" run along smoothly, like the Celtics of'69 on a fast break. The names of the players and the events the author chronicles will surely resonate with those who remember when Boston Celtics basketball ruled all, especially the Lakers from the Left Coast. There's a lot of fun in it. To those who today can't imagine how a basketball game without three-pointers can be real, I suggest they pull up a chair and take a read. I think it will be worth their time.

Tom Mulvoy was a copy editor on the overnight sports desk of the Boston Evening Globe in 1969, and more often than not did the final editing on and wrote the headlines over Leigh Montville's stories.

Live music returns to city parks this month

A series of free concerts will return to city-owned parks and golf courses as

part of the city's Park-ARTS programming, which launches next Wednesday (July 21) at Mattapan's Almont

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Cheney Street Apartments

Thursday, July 29 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

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Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Development Corp.

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stage next week inside Almont starting at 7 p.m. Dorchester Park will host the Soul City Band on Wed., July 28, at 7 p.m. in the Adams Street "bowl" section of the park. Other shows include Northeast Groove at Billings Field, 369 LaGrange St., West Roxbury on July 22; and the Tom Petty tribute band



The Soul City Band will strut its stuff on July 28 at Nicole Chan photo

NOTICE

The Dorchester Historical Society is always looking for photographs and high school yearbooks from Dorchester's past.

Due to the pandemic, the Society is closed to the public at this time.



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on July 29. August programming kicks off with Veronica Robles on Aug. 4 at Lo-Presti Park, 33 Sumner

The Rebels at Medal of Honor Park, 775 East First St., South Boston

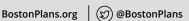
St., East Boston; Aug. 5, with the Soul City Band at Smith Playground in Allston; and Aug. 11, with Jah Spirit Reggae at Horatio Harris Park in Roxbury.

The series ends on Aug. 12, with Joaquin Santos at Blackstone Square, 1530 Washington St., South End.

Performances will also be held on alternating Wednesdays on the clubhouse patios of the William J. Devine Golf Course (1 Circuit Drive, Dorchester) and George Wright Golf Course (420 West St, Hyde Park) throughout July and August and into September.

The Jamaica Plain Saxophone Quartet will perform next Wednesday (July 21) at Franklin Park. All golf course performances begin at 6 p.m.

For more information $call\,617\text{-}635\text{-}4505\,or\,visit$ Boston.gov/ParkARTS.



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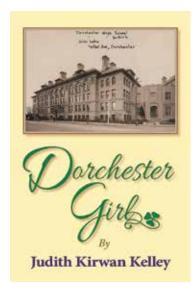
A 'Dorchester Girl' recounts in new memoir

By KATIE TROJANO REPORTER STAFF

A self-proclaimed "Dorchestergirl,"Judith"Judy"Kirwan Kelley, recounts her memories of growing up Irish Catholic in Dorchester during the 1960s in a memoir she published this summer. The stories in her book, understandably titled "Dorchester Girl," are based on her experiences in Fields Corner as one of seven siblings in a working-class home.

Kirwan Kelley was born in St. Margaret's Hospital in 1954. Her family moved to South Weymouth in 1969 and she now lives in Duxbury with her husband, Richard J. Kelley. She holds a PhD in Sociology from Brown University and is the mother of three adult daughters, and grandmother of six.

The text is heavy with sto-



ries about her large family, attending parochial school, and later, the Girls Latin School, then housed in the former Dorchester High School for Girls in Codman Square on Talbot Ave., and about life along a bustling Dorchester Avenue-with emphasis on the "heavenly" smells wafting northward from the Baker Chocolate factory in Lower

"Being a Dorchester girl means a lot to me," Kirwan Kelley told the Reporter this week. "I consider it a part of my identity. When I was growing up, we were very independent, we had a lot of responsibilities it was just a fact of life," she said. "In my whole circle we were all lower middle class and the goal — no matter what your heritage — was improving on what your parents did and upward mobility."

Kirwan Kelley said with a laugh that she thinks of herself and her family as "tough, Dorchester Irish." She often writes about her Irish identity and Catholic heritage, she said, while pointing out that for older generations "assimilation was the goal," adding:

"It was really very different then than it is now where many of us hang onto our ethnic identity and roots," she explained. "Everybody was supposed to be a part of the 'patchwork quilt' and fit in together. They weren't hanging onto the Irish identity as much, but I always did and as I grew up people started celebrating it more."

Kirwan Kelley talked about the immigrant communities in Dorchester that have continued to flourish.

"People had hoped that Dorchester would become more and more integrated, never expecting that it would become very integrated with people from many different nations, including Cape Verde,



Judith "Judy" Kirwan Kelley Haiti, Vietnam and more" she

A book that's written with humor, honesty, and a passionate love for the neighborhood, Kirwan Kelley's memoir is a must read for OFDers and beyond.

"Dorchester Girl" is available for purchase at SDP Publishing Solutions, Amazon,

St. Louis makes Dot's Baez 2nd round pick

(Continued from page 1) from Brookline's Dexter-Southfield in May, was the 54th overall pick. It is not yet clear whether the 18-year-old, atwo-way player (pitcher and outfielder) will sign with the Cardinals organization or go with his existing plan to attend Vanderbilt University, which boasts one of the nation's top collegiate baseball programs.

According to a report

published on FoxSports, Baez was born in Boston. but lived most of his younger years in Santo Domingo, returning to Dorchester at age 11. At 6-foot-3 and 230 pounds, he plays center field and takes the mound, too. He can throw a 98-mph fast ball and regularly jacks towering home runs in the Boston Park League, where he is playing this summer for the Boston Blue Jays.



Joshua Baez and his mom

"I can throw hard off the mound, but the bat is what I put my money on," Baez told a St. Louis TV station on Monday.

– BILL FORRY

Daughtry to serve as ABCD board chairman

Sean Daughtry was elected last month to a one-year term as chair of the board at Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD).

A Roxbury resident and Vertex Pharmaceuticals scientist, Daughtry joined the board in 2013, representing the NAACP Boston Branch, and currently serves as a member representing state Rep. Elizabeth A. Malia.

A native of Greensboro. North Carolina. Daughtry is a cum laude graduate of Morehouse College and holds a master's degree in inorganic chemistry from MIT.

"ABCD is the place that all those needing a hand up can turn to and I am proud and privileged to serve as board chair," said Daughtry in praising ABCD and

its outstanding staff and board members.

The board also elected the following officers: Vice Chairs: Nancy Dickerson, Marie Grieg, Edward Katz, Rev. Dr. Florence King, James A. Owens, Jr.; Treasurer: Patricia Washington; Assistant Treasurer: Andres Molina; Clerk: Julie Hardy Cofield, Esq. - REPORTER STAFF

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The Victory Road Bridge to Squantum

During World War I, a bridge was built from Commercial Point, Dorchester, to Squantum, Quincy, to allow workers to travel from Boston to the plant where destroyers were being manufactured at the Naval Air Station in Squantum.

Today we have a photo of the bridge and a portion of a US Coast Survey chart of Boston Harbor from 1921 showing the location of the span across the opening of the Neponset River. view in the photograph is from the Quincy side toward Commercial Point with its coal gas holders. The bridge first shows up in the Bromley Dorchester Atlas in 1918 and on the 1919 US Coast Survey chart, but by the 1927 Coast Survey it no longer appears. A comment found on the internet without documentation states it was taken down in 1925.

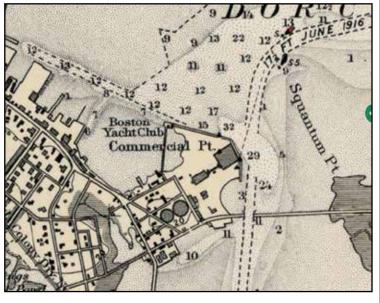
The following comes from Scientific American, May 4, 1918, Page 407:

"Building a Bridge in Six Weeks to Save a Half **Hour** – Nothing is too costly or impossible in carrying out our war program. That is the impression one gets when travelling through any section of this big country during these days of preparation and toil for the struggle across the sea.

"A typical case is that of the Squantum Destroyer Plant near Boston, Mass., which is popularly known as the Victory Plant in that locality. One of the chief difficulties in locating the plant on the Quincy side of the Neponset River was the inaccessibility to Boston and the lost time and inconvenience of laborers and mechanics in getting to work.

"Something had to be done--and done in a hurry. "So it was decided to run a bridge directly from the Squantum plant to the nearest point, which is known as Commercial Point, Dorchester. As time was the paramount element, the type of construction decided upon was the usual wood pile construction, and as the bridge crosses a navigable river, a draw had to be installed which was, of course, of steel. Work was started late in October, under the direction of Thomas C. Atwood, Supervising Engineer for the Bureau of Yards and Docks.

"The bridge was completed shortly after the middle of December, so that by Christmas all laborers to and from the plan were furnished a direct route 20 minutes from the elevated terminal in Boston, thus doing away with approximately two and a half miles of distance to be traveled and one-half hour's time for



each trip; furthermore, and this is an important consideration where workmen are concerned, the extra carfare called for by the second street railway company has been eliminated. Fortunately, the greater part of the work was completed before the ice reached sufficient thickness to cause trouble.

"The Victory Bridge, as it is called, was first used for passenger traffic only in the rush hours morning and evening; but at the present time a half-hourly schedule is in effect continually through the day as well as extra service morning and evening. Besides

caring for street traffic, the bridge is used for pedestrians and for the teaming of materials to the Squantum works.

"There was a Boston Elevated trolley line over the Victory Bridge, which was a trestle structure made of wood with a steel draw span over the river's navigable channel. The trolleys ran from the Dudley Street station into the shipyard via the Victory Bridge and Victory Road. The trip took 30 minutes and the fare was five cents.

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

Editorial

US must answer call to assist in Haiti

The assassination of Haitian President Jovenel Moïse, who was murdered in his home by mercenaries in an early-morning raid last Wednesday morning, has prompted international outrage and anguish, particularly here in Boston, home to one of the largest Haitian settlements outside of the island nation. The fallout from the assault—which also left his wife seriously wounded—continues to ripple with new arrests of alleged conspirators, including some with apparent ties to the United States.

And with the Haitian government already weakened and strained by mounting controversy over Moïse's legitimacy, there's good reason to fear a cascading crisis that will bring more bloodshed and hardship for an already much-beleaguered country.

Moïse was a divisive figure, both in Haiti and here among the Haitian American diaspora, which — much like their fellow Americans — is hardly a monolithic group, politically speaking.

Before his death, Moïse was roundly denounced by critics on the left, who said his regime was tracking more and more into the realm of autocracy. Moïse did not follow through on promised elections for the nation's bicameral legislature, badly disrupting the balance of power and, now, in the aftermath of his murder, there is a desperate leadership vacuum.

On his watch, the Haitian economy tanked, violent gangs were empowered, and kidnappings became a rampant threat. In June, the US State Department issued a red-alert warning to all US citizens "not to travel" to Haiti under any circumstances.

What might this mean here in our neighborhoods? For one thing, it will put extra stress on the roughly 25,000 people in Boston— and an estimated 85,000 in Massachusetts— who have Haitian roots. Many families here are essential to the sustenance and survival of dependents back home. That burden is likely to become all the heavier if the situation continues to spiral downward.

To make matters worse, the spread of Covid-19 has gone virtually unchecked in Haiti, which essentially has had no vaccine roll-out to speak of. A member of the Supreme Court who might have taken charge of the decapitated government died from the disease a week before Moïse's assassination. A humanitarian catastrophe is no doubt imminent.

All of this would be easier for an increasingly isolationist America to shrug off were it not for the proximity of Haiti to our own borders— and our long, intertwined histories. Previous crises triggered waves of desperate refugees, many of whom died in mass drownings. There is talk now of potential US intervention in the form of direct military involvement to secure the nation's already scarce resources and to prevent a full-on descent into chaos.

Such an outcome seems more and more likely — and more and more needed — by the day. And, indeed, at least one of the men who has taken leadership in the days since Moïse's murder has asked for US troops to be sent in. We can and must answer the call.

Past US incursions— including 20,000 troops that dislodged a military junta in 1994— have at least led to relative stability and a resumption of elections. It's far from ideal. But what is the alternative? The US cannot just sit back and watch as one of our closest neighbors spirals into more disorder, disease, and death.

It's time for the Biden administration to act swiftly and come to Haiti's aid, facilitate vaccine distribution, and assist the remnants of its government in setting up new elections.

– Bill Forry

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Commentary

Questions for mayoral hopefuls on development

By BILL WALCZAK

When Mayor Walsh announced that he was resigning to go to Washington DC to be Secretary of Labor, the real estate industry, also known as the development community of Boston, panicked. The Boston Business Journal reported in a Jan. 13 article that "one prominent real-estate developer's reaction likely spoke for many: 'Oh, sh*t. Here we go."

The BBJ article noted that the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) had approved 54 million square feet of projects in the previous three years. It cited the one constant all real estate developers have: a "craving for predictability."

That predictability is extremely complex and confusing to the casual observer. As a resident of Dorchester, I venture to say that our predictability is that when a developer presents a project to the community it is likely to be in violation of zoning, and therefore

be brought to the Zoning Board of Appeal (ZBA), where ethere is a high likelihood that it will be approved, sometimes over neigh-



borhood objections.

Development is very important to Boston and must be a major part of the mayoral forums. Development allowed the Walsh administration to increase the city budget from \$2.6 billion to \$3.6 billion between 2013 and 2021. This boost led to roughly 1,000 additional permanent city employees, non-confrontational union contracts, and no cuts. Contrast this with the many other cities that cut their budgets during the same time.

In many ways, this is a golden era for Boston. I arrived here in 1972, a time when the city's population was dropping by 10,000 per year on average. The city was begging for investment. The renovations that created Faneuil Hall Marketplace almost didn't happen because no Boston bank would loan money for such a project. By the same token, the city government would accept any building project that a developer would offer to build, as there was so little confidence in Boston's future.

In the 21st century, Boston has become one of the hottest US cities for development, which has made the city immensely wealthy. But the development that provided that wealth is a source of much consternation for many neighborhood residents, whose quality of life can be adversely impacted by the developments. Why is that?

It comes down to zoning. Zoning codes are meant to be a vision of what a community should be and look like. Zoning dictates which types of activities may occur within the various areas of cities and towns. The zoning code is a plan for how land will be used, the kind and size of housing allowed in different neighborhoods, the areas where commercial and industrial buildings can go, what size they can be, what kind of businesses are allowed in various business districts, and what buildings are allowed to be demolished or preserved.

By exercising zoning regula-



A rendering shows the Dorchester Bay City project. *Image courtesy Accordia Partners*/Ares

tions, a city can determine how it will grow and what it will look like.

But Boston essentially does not have a workable zoning code. The city's most recent master plan was adopted in 1965. Much has changed since then, of course, but when developers propose to build something, the design is viewed against these 56-year-old codes. The result is that nearly every project contains violations, and so most development proposals go to the ZBA for adjudication.

At this point, a city agency, typically the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA), will get involved in the process to work with the developer on a design that will work in the proposed parcel of land. Depending on the size of the project, how it is financed, and other factors, BPDA could require a transportation study and changes in design. The proposal is then presented to the ZBA, which in most cases approves projects that have gone through the BPDA process.

The problem I have with this process is that it doesn't reflect any vision for Boston or its neighborhoods. As a result, our neighborhoods become a hodgepodge of zoning variances granted to developers and approved by a ZBA which is made up seven board members and six alternates, all appointed by the Mayor. And since each proposed development is reviewed individually, it is rare that it will be seen within the context of what developers are proposing for other parts of the neighborhood or against a backdrop of a comprehensive community plan and vision.

For example, civic leaders and BPDA staff acknowledge that various developers are building, proposing, or planning nearly 10,000 new units of housing for eastern Dorchester (roughly the area between Kozciuszko Circle, Neponset Circle, and Uphams Corner), with the units likely to add as many as 22,000 people to the area. While the Dorchester Bay City and nearby Morrissey Boulevard projects are being looked at together for the purposes of determining infrastructure needs, the other projects are being looked at separately, which create unnecessary problems and missed opportunities for synergistic urban design.

For instance, at a city meeting on the Dewar St. electrical cable, in its answer to a question asking if the cable is sufficient to deal with growth and development in the northern Dorchester area, Eversource stated that the utility only expected modest growth in planning for need for electricity in Dorchester. There was no process to inform them of the expected 10,000 new units of housing.

Who is looking out for the infrastructure needs of the 22,000 new residents? Will the units be for single people or families (i.e., will we need schools)? Will we have water and sewer capacity? Can the utilities handle the increased demand? The roads? Public transportation? Will we have enough parks and other open spaces for healthy living?

These are the things that would be considered with a city master plan and zoning that reflected current and future needs. Hopefully, this new comprehensive plan would also take into consideration climate change, making all neighborhoods walkable and public transit friendly, and sustainability needs such as bike paths and electric charging stations.

Instead, our planning is reactive and comes when developers want to build something and need a zoning variance. Though the BPDA holds hearings that invite abutters and the community at large to discussions on the projects that need zoning variances, these hearings are no substitute for a well thought out vision and comprehensive plan that includes all the interests and needs of the entire neighborhood now and in the future.

Developers want to see that process continue, which is why you'll see lots of developer money being spent on political candidates this year, but especially in the race for mayor. The mayor is all-powerful when it comes to the BPDA, the ZBA, and development in the city, which is why developers have even created a coalition with the Carpenters union, called the Responsible Development Coalition, and funded \$500,000 to spend on mayoral candidates who support their views

The city of Boston is no longer a backwater. We don't have to beg for developers and we can have zoning that is based on a commonly held vision of what Boston should be in the future.

Here are some development questions for our candidates for mayor:

Do you support a re-zoning of the city to be completed by the end of your first term that deals with current and future needs of residents, climate change and sustainability, making all neighborhoods walkable and public transit friendly, and infrastructure, including open space and trees?

Do you support changes in BPDA policies to allow for more comprehensive planning through a groupings of projects for the purpose of determining infrastructure needs?

Do you support expanding the scope of what is covered by the Boston Landmarks Commission, so that buildings that are significant but may not have any connection with a historical personage would be eligible for landmark status?

Will you seek to expand the ZBA to include community leaders who do not benefit from the development community?

Bill Walczak is a Dorchester resident and former CEO of the Codman Square Health Center. He has publicly endorsed Andrea Campbell in the race for mayor.

Tracking improvement one corner at a time

(Continued from page 1) the neighborhood are wanted people to come by and say, 'That building looks nice." the neighborhood are pretty interesting too, Allen said. Their first president, the late Les-

The Lodge has been the meeting place for the West of Washington (WOW) group since it started up several years ago, and it's been a great meeting spot and gathering area. Like many places around Dorchester where organizations or groups are based, they can be in front of your face and also be unknown at the same time. I had to confess to Allen that, even being around for a while, I know little about the Lodge other than going to WOW meetings there and passing by frequently.

Allen said they are officially part of the Independent United Order of Mechanics, Friendly Society, of the Western Hemisphere. That group has a lot of representation in the Caribbean. but it traces its charter to an Act of the British Parliament in 1757. Allen said the membership also includes the women's chapter, known as the Rose of Sharon Lodge #8, and a children's section, which isn't operating now at the Lodge. He also noted that members travel to meetings at the world headquarters in Brooklyn once a month.

Their beginnings in

pretty interesting too, Allen said. Their first president, the late Leslie Lynbert Sylvester, bought the Lodge building from the city for \$1 back in the 1970s when no one wanted anything to do with real estate in Boston. He hosted parties in his basement and fundraisers to cobble together the money to fix up the building little by little.

"It goes back way beyond my time," said Allen. "Some of the stuff is mind-boggling in how he got the building to what it is now."

The United Order is a Christian-based organization that stresses God, family and the Lodge in that order. "No one is going to skip out on their family obligations because they say they have to come to the Lodge; family comes first," Allen said.

Idon't know about anybody else, but it sounds to me like a good place to anchor down that side of the neighborhood.

A GREAT TOUR

Even though it was done on the computer, the Dorchester Historical Society hosted a dynamite virtual tour of Four Corners early this month. I was excited to see that Director Earl Taylor was going to focus on the neighborhood's history, and quickly I learned something I already kind of knew: This side of Dorchester has some deep roots.

We were taken in particular by the story - unknown to us at the time – of the house up on the corner of School Street and Washington. It is the oldest house in the area. estimated to have been built in 1780 and once the home of famed sculptor Robert Ball Hughes. While it was moved back to make way for a modern one-story commercial building where the Society of Vulcans is now, it once sat grandly on the corner and was called 'Sunnyside.'

I've always known the home was old. You can just tell these things if you know what to look for, but I had no idea it was so esteemed – with tales of the house hosting celebrities of the time like Charles Dickens. What a thing to think the guy that thought up Ebenezer Scrooge once spent the night up the street on the corner.

It seems that only about two-thirds of the home still exists since it was moved back, and that's been the source of a low-level debate in our house for several years. I've held firm that it had to be the remains of an

old home we found on the historical maps, while my wife disagreed and said it was more modern and was in no way part of the older home.

I'm not going to gloat or anything, but I will say for the record that I was at least two-thirds right.

WALK ON

I used to be the lone walker of a morning aside from the dedicated earlier risers headed to the bus stop for work. Day in, day out, I walk, sometimes before the sun comes up. For years it was just me and one fella that I occasionally saw who was a relation to the guys that operated the market down the street. He walked in khaki trousers, a buttoned-up collared shirt, and tennis shoes. He often looked over at me from the other side of the street, raised his arms in victory formation, and yelled, "Exercise is good!"

I miss that old gent, but I don't feel alone so much anymore.

I see more and more people out walking in the mornings, getting their exercise. Maybe they're not as busy with work; maybe they unfortunately lost their jobs; maybe Covid re-focused them; or maybe they're still working from home and don't have to go anywhere.



The home of the United Order of Mechanics, Friendly Society, of the Western Hemisphere at Norwell and Harvard Streets.

Bill Forry photo

So be it; people are taking care of themselves around here by walking in far greater numbers.

TOO MUCH SHOOTING

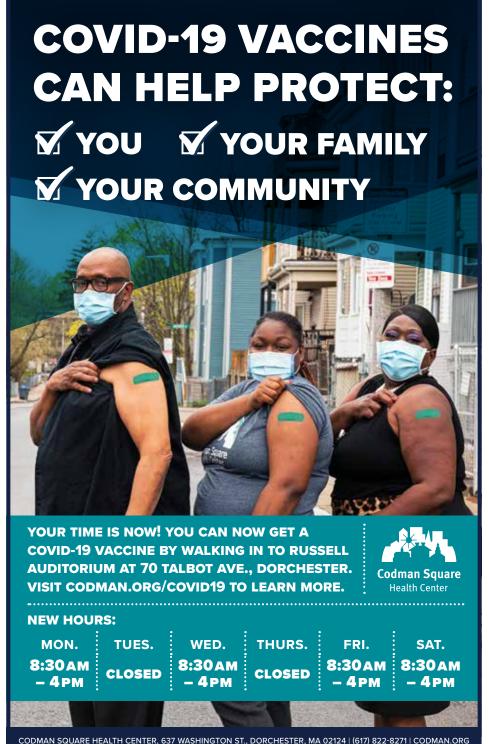
With all the talk of great community organizations, the grand past of the west side of Dorchester, and getting great exercise, one has to come back down to earth a little bit. There is simply too much gunplay and violence in the neighborhood. It's bad this year; it was just as bad last year, but it has actually been that way for a good three or four years if anyone cares to

On the July 4th weekend down Spencer Street, it was reported that someone fired off 30 or more rounds on the street. I didn't hear

of anyone getting hit, but who in the world fires 30 rounds? I don't think most guns hold 30 rounds without some sort of illicit device. That's something one might expect as an act of war.

Can anyone do anything about that? Or perhaps the question is: Do they really want to do anything about it? I'm not even sure things like that happen in other neighborhoods. Maybe they do and I just don't know it.

I know the taking of life, the indiscriminate firing of guns, and it leaves a sad pit in my stomach, especially because there's little any of us around here can do about it. And so, you become captive to it.







Standish Village, an assisted living community in Dorchester/Lower Mills, is seeking Resident Care Associates (CNA, HHA, PCA), Sous Chef, Cook & Dishwashers

Applicants can call for an interview at 617.298.5656 or apply at StandishVillage.com/careers

Beach water quality reports underscore infrastructure woes

By Colin A. Young STATE HOUSE **News Service**

Although two environmental non-profits have released differing reports on water quality at Boston-area beaches in recent weeks, both agree that sewage discharges continue to be significant contributors to unsafe swimming conditions.

Environment Massachusetts on Monday released its annual report highlighting local beaches where water samples tested for concentrations of fecal bacteria greater than the Environmental Protection Agency's highest warning level. That threshold is associated with an illness rate of 32 per 1,000 swimmers.

Of the 556 locations examined (some beaches have more than one sampling location) in Massachusetts, the report concluded that 264 tested beaches were potentially unsafe for swimming on at least one day in 2020 and that 29 beaches were potentially unsafe on at least 25 percent of the days they were tested.

Save The Harbor/Save The Bay, which released its own report card of water quality at Boston-area beaches on July 4, took exception to Environment Massachu-

setts's methods and said their beaches." that one day of water samples exceeding the EPA limit is not a good barometer of safety for swimming.

"Though it makes a good headline, it is hyperbolic to suggest that swimming on 264 out of 457 beaches in Massachusetts poses a threat to human health because they may have failed one water quality test in 2020 after a summer rain," Executive Director Chris Mancini said Monday.

"It is misleading to release a report that includes beaches like M Street Beach in South Boston, which has failed just one test in five years alongside beaches like King's Beach in Lynn and Swampscott or Tenean Beach in Dorchester that were unsafe for swimming more than one out of every five days in

Mancini said the Environment Massachusetts report is "overly simplistic" and fails to make important distinctions "that should drive critical investments in clean water where we need it the most" and "obscures the fact that this is an environmental justice issue, as our most diverse communities of color and need often have the poorest water quality on

A similar disagreement over the validity of beach water quality reports erupted in 2019.

In this year's Save The Harbor/Save The Bay report card, five beaches - Carson Beach, City Point and Pleasure Bay in South Boston. and Revere Beach and Winthrop Beach — secured perfect 100 percent ratings for 2020. Overall, the organization said, water quality at Boston Harbor region beaches managed by the Department of Conservation and Recreation "was 93 percent, which was an improvement over the prior year, which had a score of 89 percent."

Water quality remained below average at Tenean Beach in Dorchester (79 percent for 2020) and at King's Beach in Lynn and Swampscott (70 percent for 2020), according to Save The Harbor/Save The Bay's report card.

"While we are delighted with the progress that we have made on most of the region's public beaches, we are disappointed to report that Tenean Beach in Dorchester and King's Beach in Lynn and Swampscott were still unsafe for swimming more than one out of every five days in 2020," Mancini said. "We are

particularly concerned about the situation at King's Beach, where filthy, bacteria-laden discharges from both Lynn and Swampscott at Stacey Brook continue to threaten public health."

Environment Massachusetts highlighted King's Beach in its report Monday and said the water there "tested as potentially unsafe for 64 days, more days than any other beach in the state, and 75 percent of the days that sampling took place."

Said Environment Massachusetts state director Ben Hellerstein: "Now is the time to fix our water infrastructure and stop the flow of pathogens to our beaches." He added, "Now that Massachusetts is shining a light on pollution in our waterways, let's improve our water infrastructure to end these sewage discharges once and for all. With the right investments, a cleaner, healthier, pollution-free future is within reach."

Parts of the Boston area have combined sewer systems, in which surface runoff enters the sewer. Heavy rain reduces capacity as stormwater and groundwater overwhelm the systems, often leading to discharges of sewage and runoff into public waterways. The discharges can carry bacteria and cause algae bloom. The issue is also a major concern along the Merrimack River.

Amid Friday's tropical rainstorms, the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority reported 11 combined sewer outflows in Boston Harbor and along the Charles and Mystic rivers ranging from 1 hour and 45 minutes to nearly 8 hours. The MWRA reported three outflows, one still ongoing, as of 12:30 p.m. Monday after more rain fell on the region.

"Rainfall can have a significant impact on beach water quality and can vary greatly from year to year," Save The Harbor/Save The Bay said. "Changes in the summer storm intensity and frequency can often explain the variations we see; 2020 was a relatively dry year, with only a few large summer storms and relatively fewer wet weather impacts."

In February, Gov. Baker signed legislation that, starting next July, will require sewer system operators to issue public advisories within two hours of a discharge and every eight hours until the discharge has ended, with a final advisory within two hours of its conclusion.

At the time of the signing, advocates said that about 3 billion gallons of raw or partly treated sewage are discharged to the state's waterways each year.

Safe swimming is about more than water quality. A spate of drownings this summer led the Baker administration to impose new limits on swimming at DCR beaches and to propose an increase of the maximum fine for swimming outside designated areas at state parks and beaches from \$200 to \$500.

"From the Berkshires to Cape Cod, Massachusetts is home to many waterbodies and coastlines offering great opportunities for outdoor recreation; however, we have already seen far too many tragic accidental drownings occur already this year," Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito said.

The administration said DCR is also taking a series of steps to improve safety and discourage swimming in undesignated areas, including higher hourly lifeguard pay, new swim safety signs in multiple languages at state parks and beaches, and increased outreach for the department's free swimming lessons.



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JP non-profit plans Grove Hall units for low-income seniors

A Jamaica Plain non-profit is pushing for approval of a new 4-story residential building on property it has owned since 2019 on Cheney Street in Grove Hall, three blocks north of the Franklin Park Zoo.

The Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Development Corp. (JPNDC) is proposing to house low-income seniors in 74 new affordable housing units. The project also includes two smaller 3-story buildings for three to six families.



The architectural rendering of the proposed Cheney Street building are ICON Architecture and J. Garland Enterprises LLC.

A virtual public meeting, hosted by the Boston Planning and Develop-

ment Agency (BPDA), is set for Thurs., July 29, at 6 p.m. The comment period closes on Aug. 13. Jamaica Plain NDC also plans to partner with the Uphams Corner Health Center to provide home care to the new development's elderly residents, pitched as an alternative to nursing homes. Peabody Properties would manage the building, according

"Senior housing will provide balance to the surrounding Grove Hall neighborhood, which is currently undergoing a wave of new devel-

to filings with the BPDA.

opment projects along Blue Hill Avenue and surrounding streets, most of which will provide housing – although financially out of reach for local residents and especially low-income and extremely low-income seniors," the developers said in a filing.

"In addition, homeownership prices have rapidly increased over the last 5 years, making it impossible for most families to remain in the neighborhood as they move into homeowner-

The Legislature has yet to make a serious run at adopting same-day or Election Day voter registration, despite support for the proposal

from many legislators and activists.

ship," the filing said.

"The design considers the context of the new development and future projects of the area."

First proposed in September 2020, the project calls for the demolition of a vacant industrial building, formerly an automotive garage, the setting up of 34 parking spaces, and a landscaped courtyard.

The architects on the project are ICON Architecture and J. Garland Enterprises LLC.

– REPORTER STAFF

Boston councillor's petitions seeking clarity on post-Covid voting policies

CHRIS LISINSKI STATE HOUSE **News Service**

After the lapse of no-excuse voting by mail in Massachusetts, a Boston city councillor hopes that his petition will ramp up the pressure on Beacon Hill to ensure city voters regain that option before they head to the polls to select a new mayor.

Councillor Ricardo Arroyo has filed one home rule petition seeking to permanently authorize expanded early voting and mail-in voting in Boston municipal elec-

tions and another allowing prospective voters to register and cast a ballot on the date of either the preliminary or general election.

 $If the \, council \, approves \,$ those measures, they would need to clear the Legislature, which remains at an impasse over voting policies - but Arroyo said during a July 8 hearing that they serve as "our way the city of Boston, for the City Council to say, 'These are the things we would like to see permanently in place in our elections."

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Legislative leaders and Gov. Charlie Baker largely agree that mail-in voting offered significant value during the pandemic and should remain a feature in Massachusetts, but the House and Senate have been unable to find consensus on the details, forcing municipalities with elections this summer and fall to revert to the old absentee ballot rules and taking popular voting options off the table.

Arroyo flagged concerns with each branch's approach. A Senate vote

to extend the pandemic-era policy into December would cover Boston's Sept. 14 preliminary election and Nov. 2 general election, but not future contests, he said. The House's permanent authorization for mailin voting applies only to biennial state primaries, general elections and municipal elections that fall on those days, which Arroyo said would create "this weird sort of thing" where Boston voters would be able to cast ballots by mail in even-year elections but not odd-year

municipal races.

The Legislature has yet to make a serious run at adopting sameday or Election Day voter registration, despite support for the proposal from many legislators and activists, and Arroyo said he separated the topics into two petitions intentionally.

"If we send both of these up to the State House, and we know how that goes, if the State House decides they like one but they're not going to touch the other one, at least we still get some of

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these voter access rights through," he said.

City election officials did not respond to a request for information about when mail-in ballot applications would need to be sent out in connection with the Sept. 14 preliminary election.

Ahead of the Sept. 1 statewide primary last year, Secretary of State William Galvin's office printed mailers over the Fourth of July weekend and began shipping mailers around July 15, according to a spokesperson.



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Olympian thanks two for rescue of her dog

(Continued from page 1) missing for a week, spooked, apparently, by the Seaport District's Independence Day fireworks display. Raisman offered a post-lunch coffee date as a gesture of thanks.

Capellan, a Lowell native by way of the Dominican Republic, relayed how she and Cataldo rescued Mylo: "One of us jumped the fence and the other lured him out with treats; it was a team effort," she said. "He was just waiting behind the fence for someone to get him out. We held him afterwards, and he was so friendly and kept licking our faces. I think he was return. relieved."

Mylo wasn't the only relieved party. Raisman, who had launched a "Find Mylo" campaign on social media and offered a reward for his return, remained on the phone with Capellan for 15 minutes, getting directions to their meeting place and relaying stories of well-meaning false alarms and deceptive prank calls.

The tearful reunion that followed has garnered hundreds of thousands of likes on Instagram and more than 9,000 jubilant comments

Raisman's headline: "HEROES. I HAVE HIM. MYLO IS SAFE.

Despite watching the Olympic games over the years and rooting "fanatically" for the limber American gymnastics team, Capellan said she didn't recognize Raisman. In retrospect, she suggested, her muted response to meeting her may have been exactly what the celebrated high-performance athlete needed.

"They had a very sweet moment. He was lost for six days, you know; it must've been hard for celebrating Mylo's safe the both of them," Ca-

pellan said. "Eventually, I realized who she was and her dad even asked if we knew Aly - he's very proud of her. But it wasn't about getting a reward or meeting a famous person. We just found a dog. Anyone would've done the same thing; it's just what you

The rush of publicity that followed amid freshman orientation and "regular life stuff,"

Capellan said, has been the most unexpected part of the experience.

After an interview with Channel 4 and the Boston Herald, she took a live Zoom interview on Channel 5 from the floor of the break room at the Marshall's store in the Fenway where she works, using a strategic seating arrangement to avoid any brand placement in the background.

Capellan is looking forward to things dying down, and said she doesn't think any more

big acts of heroism are in the cards for the near future.

The picture came across my screen this morning, and I thought, 'Oh, my God, I'm in People Magazine!' Newspapers I've never read and reporters I never spoke to ran the story because it makes people feel good," said Capellan. "Happy news makes people feel good."

She added: "Still, I'm looking forward to walking down to the Seaport just as normal again."

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Virtual Public Meeting

Hearings set for how to spend billions in US aid

State lawmakers this month plan two public hearings on how to spend large portions of coronavirus relief funds across Massachusetts. The two hearings, both taking place online, are set for Tues., July 20, and Tues., July 27.

The July 20 hearing is expected to focus on Gov.

Baker's spending plan for \$2.9 billion in federal aid. Baker's plan, filed June 28, would go toward housing and homeownership, economic development, and local downtowns, job training, health care and infrastructure projects, according to the Baker administration.

Another \$2 billion is in the state's federal Covid-19 response fund, and the administration plans to work "closely with the Legislature to allocate these resources in a fiscally responsible and compliant manner."

The hearing is also expected to take testimony from outside experts on national trends and best practices for spending the funds.

The July 27 hearing will focus on labor and workforce development, as well as housing.

The funds come through the \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), which was signed into law in March.

The Legislature's Senate and House budget-writing committees are hosting the hearings. Additional hearings are planned for "the coming months."

Lawmakers said the budget-writing committees were working with other committees on the hearings.

State Rep. Dan Hunt of Dorchester is the chair of the House Committee on Federal Stimulus and Census Oversight. His office did not immediately respond to a request for comment before the paper went to press.

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THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Probate & Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU21P1397EA ESTATE OF: IVAN LEONARD HERBERT DATE OF DEATH: 07/11/2020

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The story of one of the most repeated statistics about Boston

By Simón Rios WBUR REPORTER

\$8. It's one of the most mentioned statistics in Massachusetts politics.

A 2015 study recorded that the median net worth for white households in Greater Boston was a quarter of a million dollars, or \$250,000. For Black families, their median net worth was put at \$8.

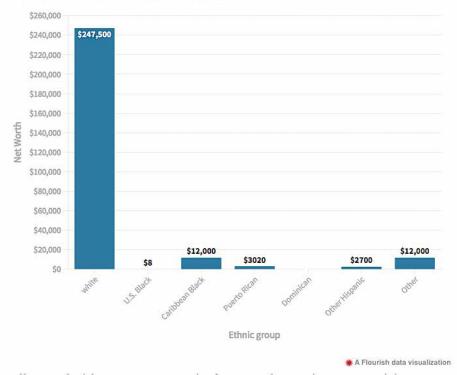
Yet few people know the figure comes with important caveats — or the full story of how it became so well known.

It all started with a young economist from South America, Ana Patricia Muñoz, who worked at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston for 10 years before returning to her native Ecuador. When she caught wind of researchers in other cities looking at racial wealth gaps, she

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wanted the Federal Reserve to do similar research here. But Muñoz

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said in an interview that her bosses were initially reluctant.

"I don't know if fear is the word, but apprehension of what could happen and, 'Is it really the Fed's role to do this? "Muñoz told WBUR from Quito. "This was important enough that you have to risk it all to do it."

Muñoz eventually convinced her colleagues that the research fit the Fed's mission and got permission to go ahead with the work. Then, after she highlighted the figures in presentations, they grabbed the attention of many local activists.

Two years later, the \$8 number went viral after it was reported in the Boston Globe's series on racism in the city

This year, it has become a key talking point in the Boston mayoral election. Nearly every major candidate regularly cites the study as evidence of systemic racism. And the report featured prominently in acting Mayor Kim Janey's campaign video.

But a closer look at the Fed study shows that the net worth of Black families in Greater Boston is more nuanced.

For one, it wasn't based on all Black house-

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The economist Ana Patricia Muñoz spearheaded the 2015 study at the Boston Federal Reserve Bank.

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holds — but specifically on non-immigrant Black families. The same study also looked at several other ethnic groups and found Black Caribbean families had a median net worth of \$12,000 - anumber that is possibly within the margin of error of both groups.

Another caveat was the relatively small sample size. Researchers only surveyed 71 US Black families. That means the \$8 estimate could actually be thousands of dollars higher or lower.

Prabal Still, Chakrabarti, who heads community outreach efforts at the Boston Fed, said the study proved a key point: Black and Latino families in Greater Boston have far less wealth than white families. "We're very confident in the scale of the wealth gap, even with that sample size,' he said.

Chakrabarti adds that there was an element of serendipity in coming up with a single-digit estimate. It helped make

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the statistic so sticky. "There's definitely some headline value in a figure like that, and that's why that figure got picked," he said.

But, Chakrabarti said, the underlying data, detailing assets and debts, were equally dramatic, underscoring the enormous divide.

The \$8 estimate has galvanized local activists since the study came out. Segun Idowu, head of the Black Economic Council of Massachusetts, said the research led to an "emergency meeting" of 700 Black Bostonians in Dorchester. "The whole entire meeting was, 'We've got to do something about this," he said. "This is a state of emergency and we need to talk about solutions.'

And that meeting led to the creation of the Black Economic Council to push Black entrepreneurship as one way to close the gap.

Tom Shapiro, a researcher on income inequality at Brandeis University who advised Muñoz at the time of the study, said he hopes researchers update the 2015 study. Without continual data, he said, it's difficult to identify policy goals and measure progress.

But several researchers said they doubt there has been significant improvement over the past six years. Indeed, Chakrabarti said he suspects the wealth gap has actually worsened since 2015 because of factors like skyrocketing real estate values and the disparate impacts of the pandemic.

And Shapiro doubted any small changes in the figure would be meaningful. "At the end of the day, it doesn't matter whether that figure is \$8 or \$800," Shapiro said. "It's still a massive gap."

The Boston Fed told WBUR it has no immediate plans to repeat the Color of Wealth study. Idowu, however, said the fact that the mayoral candidates are citing the \$8 figure gives him hope hope that closing the racial wealth gap will become a priority in the years to come.

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Assassination, chaos hit home for Boston's Haitian community

By Rebeca Pereira, BILL Forry AND KATIE TROJANO REPORTER STAFF

Greater Boston's Haitian community awoke to shocking news last Wednesday (July 7) that Haiti's President Jovenel Moïse, 53, ha been assassinated after armed men assaulted his private residence near Port-au-Prince. His wife was also shot and wounded in the attack, which happened around 1 a.m.

More than 86,000 Haitians reside in Massachusetts, mostly in Boston, Somerville, Malden, Randolph, and Brockton, according to federal figures. Boston is home to roughly 25,000 Haitians, mostly in Dorchester and Mattapan, and they make up 3.7 percent of the city's overall population

Ruthzee Louijeune, a 34-year-old lawyer and advocate from Mattapan who is running for Boston City Council at-large, said she woke up to multiple messages relaying news of the murder.

"We all woke up early this morning in shock," she told the *Reporter*. "There is great concern about what the days ahead will look like in terms of safety, stability, and security for the Haitian people."

"Those of us with family in Haiti are particularly concerned for their welfare. Haitian people deserve to know peace, fair and free elections, and a government that can meet their basic



Jovenel Moïse Slain in July 7 attack

needs," said Louijeune.
Julio Midy, a Boston
Public Schools teacher
who hosts a popular show
on the Haitian-focused
Radio Concorde, relayed
news about the event to

his audience.
"I was shocked about it, but I got dressed, went to the radio, and did my job," Midy told the *Reporter*.

He added: "Some people would've never imagined something like this would happen, but others anticipated it because of the way the president was running the country, because of his speeches and antagonistic attitude."

Still, Midy said, "He made many enemies, but nobody thought something like this was possible."

Linda Dorcena Forry, the first Haitian American woman elected to the Massachusetts Senate and now a vice president at Suffolk Construction, said the assassination was a "devastating blow" to Haiti and its people. Dorcena Forry, a Dorchester resident, is married to Reporter editor Bill Forry.

"My condolences and

prayers go out to the Moise family. No matter what your political affiliation, violence is never the answer and will only make the problems facing Haiti worse," Dorcena Forry said in an email. "There needs to be justice brought to bear not only for the Moise family but also for the county as a whole to move forward. There must be accountability and punishment for those who organized and committed this heinous act."

US government officials should be prepared to "offer all measures of support and guidance" to ensure the situation doesn't worsen, she add-

Haiti has been embroiled in a constitutional crisis in recent months linked to a dispute over the duration of Moïse's term in office, which opponents argued should have ended in February. The government's legislative branch was dissolved during Moïse's term and his critics claimed that he was intent on holding onto power in defiance of Haiti's constitution.

The security situation worsened in recent weeks, with mass killings reported in the nation's capital city and at least two journalists murdered. Kidnappings have become so rampant in the country that the US Department of State issued a red-alert travel advisory on June 16 warning US citizens to not travel to Haiti.

Massachusetts Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley, part of the House Haiti Caucus, released a joint statement from the group saying the assassination "stands as a clarion call for swift and decisive action to bring political stability and peace" to Haiti.

"We also call for full transparency and an independent investigation into this criminal act,' the caucus said. "We remain committed, more than ever, to working diligently alongside the Biden Administration in support of ushering in an equitable, inclusive Haitian-led democracy, one that reestablishes rule of law, reinforces institutions of Haitian-led governance, and centers the safety and human rights of every Haitian citizen."

The caucus, formed in May, also includes Rep. Val Demings of Florida, Rep. Andy Levin of Michigan, and Rep. Yvette Clarke of New York.

In a statement, President Biden called the assassination "horrific. We condemn this heinous act, and I am sending my sincere wishes for First Lady Moïse's recovery," he said. "The United States offers condolences to the people of Haiti, and we stand ready to assist as we continue to

Massachusetts Con- work for a safe and secure resswoman Ayanna Haiti."

US Sen. Ed Markey (D-Mass.) said on Twitter that the Haitian people "deserve stability, calm, and a true voice" in government. "We should do everything we can to support the people of Haiti and the US must support a timely, Haitian-led, peaceful transition to a democratically elected government," he said.

Much of the discussion in Boston's Haitian community quickly shifted to what role the United States— Haiti's largest donor nation and the controlling interest in the region— might do as events unfold.

"To analyze it critically, the political situation of Haiti has entered a new chapter, and we don't know yet what's next," said Julio Midy, the schoolteacher.

"Unfortunately, whenever Haiti has a vital decision to make for its development, Haitians do not have the last word," he said. "The international community, especially the United States, has the last word."

Charlot Lucien, a longtime leader in Boston's Haitian community who leads the Haitian Artists Assembly, called Moïse's murder "an attack on the dignity of human life, a step backward on the road to democracy, and a stain on the country's standing."

"While I strongly disagreed with recent policies and decisions of this administration and contested its legitimacy, I condemn in a heartbeat any attempts on the lives of its representatives," said Lucien.

In Mattapan Square, a photograph purportedly showing the bloodied body of the dead president was circulating among customers and passersby on Blue Hill Avenue. From boutiques to bakeries, expat vendors and customers passing through lamented the sudden circumstances of Moïse's killing and bartered for snippets of rumors that they may have missed.

Ketlie Paul, the owner of Keton Boutique in Mattapan Square visited Port au Prince for two weeks in January and has long known of the region's precarious politics, but, for the first time in decades, she fears for the safety of her nieces and nephews back home.

"We've been here so long, but we are Haitian, and whenever there is instability or problems, of course we are concerned," she said.

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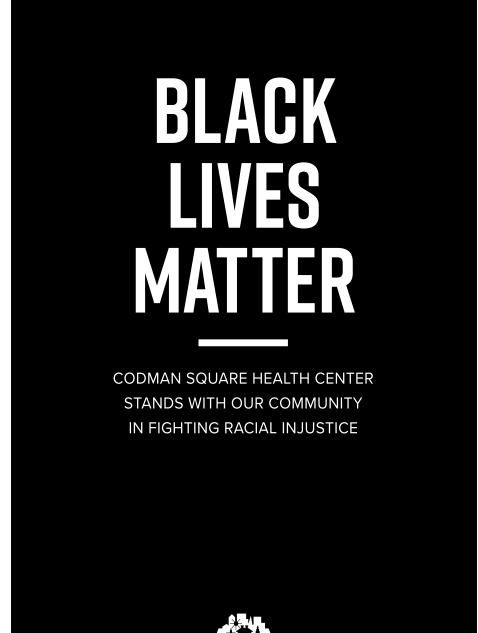
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Tips on how to keep your pets safe during summertime

By Dr. Edward **SCHETTINO**

It seems like the dog days of summer have come early this year. In the past month we have seen a number of days exceed 90 degrees, with the heat compounded by high humidity. When the temperature rises, it's important for us as pet owners to find the right balance of giving our pets the outdoor time they need, but doing so in a safe manner.

While it's easy to be mindful of taking pre-

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ventive measures when the heat index is off the charts, it's a good rule of thumb to remember that when the mercury rises over 75 degrees, so does the risk of heat-related injury or illness.

The Animal Rescue League of Boston shares 5 tips to keep your pets safe this summer:

• Outdoor time should be limited to bathroom breaks and short walks, and exercise should be kept to early morning and early evening hours when temperatures are at their coolest.

• Be mindful of hot surfaces that can burn your pet's paws. Asphalt, concrete, brick, wood, sand, and other surfaces can absorb the heat from the sun causing their temperatures to exceed 145 degrees! To prevent injury, always place the back of your hand on a surface for seven seconds; if it's too hot for your hand, it's too hot for your pet's paws. Products like paw balm and booties can be used, but only for short intervals, since dog's sweat glands are located on their paws.

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• Make sure your pet always has access to shade and fresh water to keep them cool and hydrated. Panting is the most effective way for dogs to cool themselves down, but if you

have a bulldog, pug, or other short-nosed dog, be aware that these breeds have smaller airways and can have more difficulty breathing during hot periods than their long-nosed counterparts.

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Keep yourself and your pets safe and cool during these long, hot summer days, and if at any time you feel that your pet may be experiencing a heat-related medical emergency, please seek veterinary help immediately – every second counts!

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

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FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE: BGCD Begins Summer Programming with Special Visit From BPD Ice

Cream Truck: Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester officially began our summer camp programming last week. To help us kick off the program, our friends at the Boston Police Department stopped by to offer cool refreshments to our members. BGCD alum, Officer Wilson, helped hand out ice cream sandwiches and freeze pops.

The BPD Ice Cream Truck visited both our Marr Clubhouse in Savin Hill and Walter Denney Youth Center in Harbor Point, enjoying time talking and hanging out with our members.

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Barrett of Quincy, Ann Cournoyer and her husband Paul of Rhode Island, Jeanne Cameron and her late husband Michael of Foxboro and Barbara Barrett and her husband Richard Doherty of Dedham. He was predeceased by his brothers Michael K., Paul J. and William M. Barrett. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Donations in his memory may be made to the American Heart Association, 7272 Greenville Ave., Dallas, TX
75231 or at heart.org.
BLACKMORE,

Leonard G. "Lenny," in Dorchester. Husband of Catherine A. "Kay" (Nee) Blackmore. Father of Michael and his wife



Leeann Blackmore Pembroke, John and his wife Tanya Blackmore of Dorchester, Kimberly and her husband Carl Braga of Fall River, and the late James Blackmore. Father-in-law of Jennifer Blackmore of Dorchester. "Pa" of 6. Great-grandfather of 2. Brother of the late John W. Blackmore. Leonard was a retired member of the Teamsters Union Local # 25.

BURKE, Mary C. (Connolly) of Dorchester. Wife of the late Myles J. Burke Jr. Mother of Marye and Stephen Baker of Waltham, and Myles and Ann Burke of Myrtle Beach, SC. Grandmother of 4. Sister of the late Tom and Carol Connolly.



CARNEY, Mary Jane (Shiner) of Dorchester. Wife of the late Charles L. Carney and longtime companion of the late Robert "Bob" Drummond. Mother of Peter Carney of Natick, Claudia Carney of Brockton, and the late David and Robert Carney. Motherin-law of Theresa Carney of Natick. Sister of Joseph "Buster" Shiner of Braintree, Teresa Shiner of Quincy, Joy Nazarian of New York, Jacqueline Bardasz of Brockton and the late Anna May Shiner, Dorothy Burr, Evelyn Creedon, Raymond Shiner and Marilyn Ruma. Nana of 4. Great-Nana of 4. Mary Jane is also survived by many close friends and extended family. A donation may be made in memory of Mary Jane to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123.



DAHL, Ernest "Marty" of Weymouth, formerly of Dorchester. Father of Kevin Dahl of Weymouth and the late Brian Dahl. "Papa" of 2, and the late Christopher M. Dahl. Great-grandfather of 2. Son of the late Freeman and Gladys (Weldon) Dahl. Brother of Deanna McGahan and Susan Robertson, both of Florida, and the late Freeman Dahl and Linda McGillis. Survived by many nieces and nephews. He was a retired machinist for Gillette Company for many years.



DUFFY, Edward J. Retired detective on the Boston Police Department, of Dorchester, 94. Husband of the late Dolores A. "Doe" (Deegan) Duffy. Father of Monica A. Norris and her husband Thomas of Milford, CT, Kathleen Duffy of Dorchester, Edward J. Duffy, Jr. and his wife Janice of Canton, Patrick J. Duffy and his wife Kathleen of Scituate, and Arthur X. Duffy and his wife Kathleen of Canton. Grandfather of 11; and 2 great-grandchildren. Predeceased by his parents Patrick and Annie, sister Marion, brother Jack, and his granddaughter Catelyn. Also survived by his sisters Nancy, Nellie, and Dotty. Edward was a WWII Veteran serving in the United States Navy. Donations may be made to Fanconi Anemia

Research Fund, 360 E. 10th Avenue, Suite 201, Eugene, Oregon 97401.

FINNIGAN, Robert F. "Bob," 64, of Mt. Juliet, TN, formerly of Northbridge and Dorchester. Son of the late William and Jean (Powers) Finnigan. Husband of Lillian (Shephard). Father of, Tyler (Shianne), and grandfather of Roman. He also leaves his siblings, Jean Sullivan (Jack) of Hanover, William (Jeanne) of Rockland, James (Ann Marie) of Milton and Patrick (Malene) of Weymouth. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews. Donations in Bob's memory can be made to Avalon Hospice, 115 Winwood Drive, Suite 102, Lebanon, TN 37087.

GALVIN, Ronald P., 52, of Quincy, formerly of Dorchester. Son of Joseph "Teddy" and Bernice (Betts) Galvin of Dorchester. Father of Kelsey Y. Almond and Erika E. Galvin, both of Bourne, and Ryan P. Galvin of Dorchester. Brother of Susan B. Galvin of Dorchester, Robert J. and his wife Jeanne Galvin of Plymouth, Daniel M. and his wife Susan Galvin of Holbrook and the late Christopher "Scott" Galvin. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.



KUETHE, Frederick (Rick) S., 74, long time Dorchester resident. Rick grew up in Omaha, Nebraska and attended Grinnell College in Iowa before moving to Boston to study at Berklee College of Music. He had a long, distinguished career as a pianist, recording artist, composer, energy therapist/ practitioner, author and lecturer. He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Florence (Florri) Aversa, and a large, loving family. Memorial donations may be made to The Daily Table, Dorchester, dailvtable.org.



MULDOON, Edward T. "Ed," Esq., of Hingham. Husband of 50 years to the late Carol Ann (Tarzia) Muldoon, Father of Thomas E., Esq. and his wife, Christine (Cossari), of Ridgefield, CT, Michael J. Muldoon and his wife, Amy (Kippenhan), of Braintree, and Amy A. Mul-

doon-Metcalfe and her husband, Christopher, of Hingham. "Papa" to 6. Son of the late John P., Sr. and Catherine (Rutledge) Muldoon. The youngest of five, his sib-lings went before him, brothers Gerald, Paul, John "Jack," Jr. Muldoon and his sister Janet Barry. A partner in the law firm of Buckley, Haight, and Muldoon, he practiced law for over 50 years. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Ed's memory to St. Paul Parish, Hingham,

REED, George L. Jr. of Hanson, formerly of Dorchester, 83. Husband of the late Ruth M. (Cummings) Reed.
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Reed of Mansfield, Julie A. Toner of Weymouth, Susan M. Villanueva of Hanson, Joanne B. Reed of Plymouth, Donna J. Khan of Stoughton, and Thomas E. Reed of Weymouth. Brother of William D. Reed of South Weymouth, and the late Robert P. Reed. Grand-father 15. Great-grand-father of 5. Donations may be made in memory of George to the Jimmy Fund or to Norwell VNA & Hospice, 120 Longwater Dr., Norwell, MA 02061.



TEIXEIRA, Joao Alves, 18. Son of Maria Daluz Alves of Dorchester and Luis Soto Teixeira of Cape Verde. Brother of Jorge, Ismael and Simtano Teixeira all of Cape Verde and Emilia, Jose and Doninha Teixeira all of Boston.Joao was born in Fogo, Cape Verde. He was a student of Boston International High School.



WALSH, John P. in North Attleboro, and a lifelong resident of Dorchester. Son of the late Bartley and Mary (Carty) Walsh. Brother of Mary E. Dolan of Dedham and the late Bartley Walsh. John is also survived by many cousins and dear friends. John was a retired employee of Sears & Roebuck Company for over 45 years. He was an active member of the Greater Boston Interfaith Organization, he was also a strong supporter of the Irish Cultural Center. In John's loving spirit and in his memory, take someone out for a ride and a cup of coffee.

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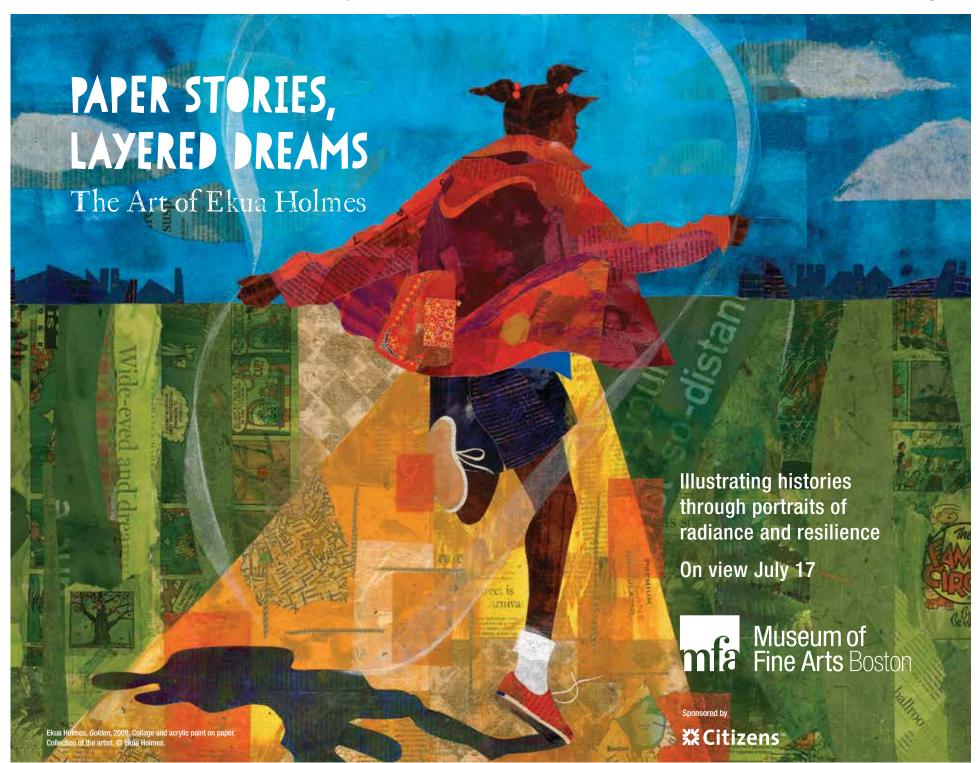
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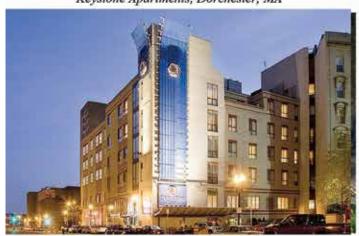




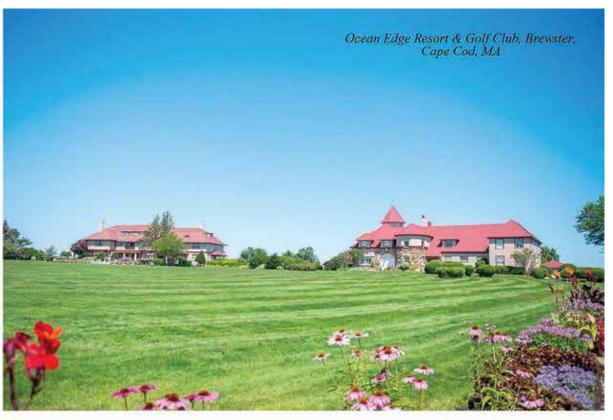
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