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Mayor Martin Walsh swore in the members of the Boston City Council on Monday at Faneuil Hall. Below, right: Councillor Kim Janey was elected president by her colleagues.

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Diversity carries day as Council begins new term; Janey at helm

By KATIE TROJANO
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Eight women, including an Afro-Latina immigrant, and five men – the most diverse City Council in Boston’s history – were sworn into office by Mayor Martin Walsh on Monday in a packed Faneuil Hall.

“We elected our first Afro-Latina immigrant of color, and for the first time our council is majority female,” Walsh said

at the inauguration ceremony. “This is a historic time for our entire city. If you look at the City Council, it’s a reflection of who we are as a city.” In a meeting after the ceremony, the panel elected Roxbury’s Kim Janey as its president for the new term, with Dorchester’s Frank Baker voting “present.” She is the third consecutive woman of color to hold the council presidency,

following Michelle Wu and Andrea Campbell. “Representation matters, and this body is much more representative of the city that we all love and serve. As a daughter of Roxbury, I am especially proud to lead the council,” Janey said after the vote. “My district has a rich history and amazing cultural assets, but it is also ground zero for many of the inequities in our city.”



The installation of citywide Councillor Julia Mejia and district Councillor Ricardo Arroyo brought Latinx representation on the council

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Dot Brewing opens its ‘Hopservatory,’ a glassed-in beer hall with skyline view

By KATIE TROJANO
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Dorchester Brewing Co. (DBC) rang in the new year with a celebration of their brand-new expanded taproom, which features a rooftop “Hopservatory” space with a sweeping view of the Boston skyline. The \$4 million dollar build-out has added roughly 8,000 square feet to the Mass Ave. facility, which now includes a new performance area, restaurant space occupied by M&M BBQ, and an enhanced gaming area. “Our goal was to create something special, so we really thought long and hard about what we wanted to build,” explained Matt



A view inside DBCo's new rooftop ‘Hopservatory.’
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Malloy, DBCo’s CEO and chief “keg-washer.” “We didn’t want to just keep up with the other breweries; we wanted to create something that was unique and that Boston didn’t really have,” he told the Reporter. DBCo hosted a “Hopservatory Grand Opening Celebration” last Saturday, where live music, a DJ, fresh beer, food from M&M BBQ’s new restaurant, and free glassware were on the menu. The new second-floor adds 4,200 square feet, utilizing the property’s roof space with a glassed-in beer hall surrounded by a wrap-around outdoor deck with beautiful city views. The glass encasing

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Walsh: State of city ‘has never been stronger’

By KATIE TROJANO
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Mayor Martin Walsh delivered his fifth annual State of the City address on Tuesday evening, telling a crowd of about 2,000 people gathered in Boston’s Symphony Hall that “the state of our city has never been stronger.” Walsh highlighted some of his administration’s achievements, citing the creation of more than 120,000 new jobs over six years and a decrease in the crime rate by “nearly 30 percent.” “Together, we’ve made Boston the safest, healthiest, most dynamic, productive, and inclusive city it’s ever been,” he said. “I believe in Boston because this city made my immigrant family’s dream come true. My vision, my passion, what I work for everyday, is for Boston to be that city of dreams for every child, every worker, every senior, and every single person who calls our city home. Tonight, let’s talk about how we do that.” Walsh unveiled three separate initiatives on Tuesday, leading with a \$100 million dollar investment to Boston Public Schools and \$500 million over the next five years to create affordable housing. He also trumpeted the creation of an East Boston Transportation Action Committee to address traffic challenges. The \$100 million investment to BPS will be rolled out over the next three years, focusing on student wellness and mental health supports, curriculum enrichment and programming activities. The entirety

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BPS’s ‘Showcase’ features choices on schools – and parental anxiety

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Starting this week, thousands of families started to tell Boston Public Schools where they want their children to enroll next fall. But the process can be daunting and exclusive – and in the end, the choice doesn’t belong to families alone.

BPS assigns students to schools based on an algorithm that uses a number of factors – from the location of their homes to the enrollment of their siblings. It also relies on a random lottery to place students in the most sought-after seats. In 2014, the district said the new system was designed to give people

across Boston “access to quality schools closer to home.” But studies show that it hasn’t always achieved the hoped-for result, and that the system seems to place low-income and African-American families at a disadvantage. Perhaps to get an edge, many families throw themselves into the process early. For example, some families

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DOT BY THE DAY

Jan. 9 - 30, 2020

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

Thursday (9th) – Nina Ott Quartet performs in concert at Peabody Hall, 209 Ashmont St., Dorchester as part of the Dot Jazz Series. 7:30 p.m. \$15 tickets at dotjazz.org. Kids under 18 are free.

Friday (10th) – The city of Boston and Haitian Artists Assembly of Boston present “Still Arts Rise,” a commemorative exhibition in memory of the victims of the 2010 earthquake in Haiti. Reception: 4:30 p.m. at Scollay Square Gallery in Boston City Hall.

Tuesday (14th) – Dorchester native Bill Brett will share stories and inspiration behind his new book “Boston: Game Changers” at the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the US Senate from 6-7:30 p.m. Register at emkinstitute.org.

Monday (20th) – Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. national holiday.



- Free admission to the Museum of Fine Arts Boston for a community celebration of MLK holiday.
- JFK Library presents a free program for children and families— Benkadi Drum and Dance, 10:30 a.m. featuring traditional West African rhythms and movements. See jfklibrary.org.

• Boston Children’s Chorus concert honoring Dr. King begins at 7 p.m. at Symphony Hall, Boston. Featuring pieces by composers like Florence Price, Undine Smith Moore, and Rosephanye Powell. Contact alujares@bostonchildrenschorus.org for more info.

Tuesday (21st) – Join the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the US Senate for the premeire of The Citizens Senate, a new program that highlights key moments in American history. The first installment examines the suffrage movement. 6:30 p.m. See emkinstitute.org for more.

Tuesday (28th) – Franklin Park Master Plan Community Workshop at 6 p.m. at Devine Golf Course clubhouse, 1 Circuit Dr., Dorchester.

Thursday (30th) – A panel of experts in partnership with the Massachusetts Historical Society will discuss how the nation’s founders grappled with political issues, 6-7:30 p.m. at the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the US Senate. Register at emkinstitute.org.

James Hennigan, Jr., lawmaker, school panel member, dies at 92

James William Hennigan Jr., the former state representative, state senator, school committee member, and register of probate, died last Friday at 92. Mr. Hennigan, the father of former Boston city councillor and now Suffolk County clerk-magistrate Maura Hennigan, was a veteran of the US Coast Guard, who served dur-



James Hennigan, Jr.

ing World War II and the Korean War, according to his obituary. He served in the Legislature from 1953 to 1964, was a member of the Boston School Committee from 1970 to1974, and Suffolk County Register of Probate from 1973 to 1977. His funeral was held on Jan. 9 at Holy Name Church in West Roxbury.

Civil rights advocates urge BPS: Don’t share student info with ICE

**By SHANNON DOOLING
WBUR REPORTER**

More than 100 student incident reports containing students’ personal information and produced by Boston Public Schools (BPS) officials have been made available to federal immigration authorities since 2014, according to education and civil rights advocates.

Lawyers for Civil Rights (LCR) and others sued the city of Boston and BPS in June 2018 after they were denied access to the records. Janelle Dempsey, an attorney with LCR, said in a statement that the newly released documents suggest alarming “collusion” between BPS

and federal immigration authorities.

“BPS is creating a dangerous school-to-deportation pipeline that must be stopped immediately,” Dempsey said.

The lawsuit followed the 2016 arrest of an East Boston High School student by US Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

The student, whom WBUR interviewed in 2018, was involved in a lunchtime argument that resulted in a school police officer filing a student incident report. The report labeled the student, who had no criminal record, as an associate of the gang MS-13.

The school officer noted in the report that the incident would “also be sent to the BRIC.” The Boston Regional Intelligence Center (BRIC) is a unit of the Boston Police Department that gathers and analyzes intelligence. The information is shared with federal law enforcement, including ICE.

The student remained in ICE detention for more than a year before being deported back to his native El Salvador.

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Police, Courts, & Fire

Dot man nabbed after Xmas Day hold-up – A 24-year-old Dorchester man was collared by the Boston Police Fugitive Apprehension Unit on Jan. 2. and charged with sticking up a Mattapan convenience store on Christmas Day. With surveillance footage showing the incident, police allege that Sanders Volcy was one of two masked men who flashed a gun while robbing a store at 609 Walk Hill St. just after 8 p.m. on Dec. 25 and making off with about \$250 and scratch tickets worth more than \$1,900. The other suspect has not been identified. Volcy was to be arraigned in Dorchester District Court.

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Boston Police arrested a 34-year-old Dorchester man on illegal drug and weapons charges on Sunday afternoon in Fields Corner. Officers assigned to the Drug Control Unit say they had stopped Diamantino Dasilveira “in the area of Charles Street and Geneva Avenue” around 1 p.m. because he was wanted on an outstanding warrant. Police say the suspect was found to be carrying a loaded .380 handgun and about “4 grams of heroin” on him when he was taken into custody.

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A 40-year-old Dorchester man was arrested by Boston Police last Friday (Jan. 3) for allegedly trafficking Fentanyl and crack cocaine near Boston Medical Center. Robert White was taken into custody and his residence on Norton Street was later searched, resulting in the confiscation of an unregistered 9mm Ruger handgun and drug packaging materials, according to the BPD. The gun, police say, had been reported stolen in Miami last September. White was arraigned Monday in the Roxbury District Court.

Drunk driver sentenced in death of 7-year-old girl; up to 20 years

A 42-year-old woman was sentenced Monday to up to 20 years in prison for driving while drunk and causing a crash that killed seven-year-old Brianna Rosales and injured her mother, Grendalee Alvarado.

Olivia Mora was convicted last month of manslaughter while operating under the influence in the November 2013 crash on Olney Street.

Mora’s speeding SUV hit a parked car, jumped

a curb, hit a fire hydrant, and struck Brianna and Alvarado, as they walked hand in hand on the sidewalk, prosecutors said. Brianna died at the hospital and Alvarado spent months recovering.

Mora apologized in a statement written in Spanish and translated in court by an interpreter, but insisted that a tire fell off her vehicle and she had not been drinking the day of the crash, according to *The Boston Globe*.

The judge noted that the evidence in the case was overwhelming. Mora failed field sobriety tests and her blood alcohol content was above the legal limit to drive.

Alvarado forgave Mora in court. “I do forgive you with all of my heart,” she said in Spanish that was translated by an interpreter.

Mora will get credit for the time she has spent behind bars awaiting trial.

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Orange line cars back online

**By CHRIS LISINSKI
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Seven weeks after the MBTA pulled its new Orange Line trains from the tracks to deal with a mechanical issue, the first set returned to passenger service Tuesday as T officials hinted

further disruptions may come as the updated fleet rolls out. One set of new cars began making normal trips Tuesday morning, and another will return “this month,” an MBTA spokesman told the News Service. “While the first new train set has returned

to service, the MBTA will continue to closely monitor the new equipment and require vehicle engineering staff to be aboard for each trip to monitor performance,” MBTA General Manager Steve Poflak said in a Tuesday statement. “

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Public meeting on 150 River St. project – A public meeting to review a proposal to build a 30-unit affordable rental building for elders at 150 River St. will be held on Wed., Jan. 8 from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Great Room inside 249 River St., Mattapan. The BPDA will host the meeting. Contact Ebony DaRosa at 617-918-4419 or ebony.darosa@boston.gov for more info.

Ashmont-Adams Neighborhood Assoc. meets on Feb. 6 – The Ashmont Adams Neighborhood Association meetings are typically held on the first Thursday of each month at the Plasterer’s Hall, 7 Fredericka St., at 7 p.m. There is no January meeting. The next meeting is on Thurs., Feb. 6. Contact Pat O’Neill at pattiasmont@gmail.com.

McCormack Civic Association meets on Jan. 21 – The McCormack Civic Association meets on the third Tuesday of each month at Saint Teresa of Calcutta Parish Hall in basement of Saint Margaret Church beginning at 6:30 p.m. More online at McCormackCivic.org. Dues are \$5 or \$10. If you have any questions, please e-mail McCormackCivic@gmail.com.

PLAN: Mattapan meeting on Jan. 22 – The BPDA will host a PLAN: Mattapan “Housing Deep Dive” meeting on Wed., Jan. 22 at 6 p.m. at KIPP Academy, 37 Babson St., Mattapan. The purpose is to discuss “Mattapan’s housing stock in greater detail... to better understand how and where the neighborhood can grow in a predictable manner.” For more info contact Muge Undemir, 617-

918-4488 or mugzy.undemir@boston.gov.

Boston Common Master Plan open house on Jan. 15 – The Boston Parks and Recreation Department and the Friends of the Public Garden will host an open house to discuss the Boston Common Master Plan on Wed., Jan. 15 from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Josiah Quincy School Auditorium, 152 Arlington St.

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Columbia-Savin Hill updated on trio of big-ticket projects

By **KATIE TROJANO**
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Columbia Savin Hill Civic Association (CSH-CA) members received updates on various development projects in the area — including The BEAT, DotBlock, and Bayside— during a Monday meeting at the Little House.

Catherine O'Neill, a consultant hired by proponents of both DotBlock and Bayside, briefed attendees on plans for the two developments. DotBlock co-developers Samuels and Associates and Wintergold, LLC expect construction work on the \$200 million, 488-unit complex to begin soon.

“We should have shovels in the ground in the first quarter of 2020,” O'Neill said.

After hosting two meetings in the fall to invite community input on the Bayside plans, O'Neill said that Accordia Partners will be presenting its latest plans for the 20-acre waterfront site to civic associations in February. The team will be at the next CSHCA meeting on Feb. 3.

“We haven't filed anything, and we don't expect to until we present to the four civic associations that helped with the charters,” said O'Neill. “It



Todd-Fremont Smith (left) of the Nordblom Company showed new renderings the BEAT complex, which is now under construction at the site of the former Boston Globe on Morrissey Boulevard, at Monday night's Columbia-Savin Hill civic meeting.
Katie Trojano photo

was a successful three-month collaboration and the ideas were generated by community residents. That's exactly what we wanted to happen.”

Construction is well under way at The BEAT, the mixed-use project that will transform the former Boston Globe headquarters on Morrissey Boulevard, which has been reduced to its bare bones, into a 95,000-square-foot creative office, lab, and retail space, complete with brewery and food hall.

Todd-Fremont Smith, the senior vice-president of Development and director of mixed-use projects for Nordblom Company, showed new renderings of what his team hopes to accomplish at the BEAT. He said the team hopes to have the project completed by July 4.

“We just thought this neighborhood has so much residential and educational space, but not enough office or commercial,” he added. “We thought with the Red Line it would be a great place to do some office.”

The space along Morrissey will be “reimagined and recreated into a mixed-use, multi-tenant” development, said Fremont-Smith. Although the team hasn't signed any tenants yet, he said, they are looking to target innovative, tech-gearred businesses.

“Right now, we're trying to show [the property] to tenants but it's just a

war zone. It's not a place you want to be,” he said. “But I think by about late spring, we'll be able to do a tour.”

The team is looking for innovative businesses as prospective tenants, like 3D printing companies, a medical robotics lab, or architectural design firms. They're also looking to make the brewery within the BEAT a reality.

“We're looking for a tenant for the brew-pub, micro-brewery, which will go on the corner closest to Patten's Cove,”

said Fremont-Smith, “We have taken over Patten's Cove from DCR, with the agreement that we maintain it. It's a big park and hopefully we see some improvements there as well.”

Nordblom Company has contracted with Stantec, an international architectural firm, to build out the property. As of now, the team has spent around \$110 million on renovations and construction and expects to have poured over \$300 million into the project by its completion.

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BPS’s annual ‘Showcase’ features choices about schools – and parental anxiety

(Continued from page 1) attend BPS’s annual “school showcase,” held this year on Dec. 14 in the gymnasium of Boston Latin Academy in Dorchester. **The priority period** Hundreds of parents and grandparents braved rain and cold to attend the noisy Saturday event. They roamed from booth to booth, meeting school leaders and comparing programs — all in hopes of finding at least one school that seemed to be a fit for their children.



Parents Daryl and Natacha Best of Hyde Park at the BPS school showcase in December. *Max Larkin/WBUR photo*

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after lagging academic performance prompted the Boston School Committee to close it in 2016. Most other parents at the showcase shared Preston’s confidence that good work is taking place throughout BPS. At the booth for the Henry Grew Elementary School, near her home in Hyde Park, Natacha Best said she was shopping based mainly on her personal values — like a hope for outdoor playtime and a focus on social-emotional learning. So while the Grew is one of those eight schools under the closest state monitoring, the Bests walked out considering it anyway — because it seemed to meet their particular needs. (MCAS scores are important, Daryl said, but they’re “not the be-all and end-all.”) The Bests planned to work around their busy schedules to plan visits to four schools in time to submit their choices by the district’s priority-registration deadline of Jan. 31. They — and other parents at the showcase — are savvy and determined navigators of this system. Making a list and submitting it during this priority period is the best way to guarantee that families can get what they want. But they know the system is still a crapshoot. According to district officials, only 55 percent of families to apply for a kindergarten seat during the priority-registration period get a seat in the school they ranked first, while 85 percent get one of their first three choices. And that is only part of the story. There are many parents who don’t make it to events like the showcase, and thousands of families that fail to register on time -- meaning they enter the lottery late, and face even longer odds of a good outcome. Sarah Faude co-wrote an article about late-registering families in 2018, and did her doctoral dissertation on BPS’s “welcome centers.” She said her years of research in the district revealed no evidence that families that miss events like the showcase, or the registration deadlines, do so for a lack of care or engagement. “[They’re] doing the best they can, with the information that they have — which might be only be provided by the district last-minute, in English,” Faude said. “And that’s not what our city is. And then we’re surprised when people don’t equally access [events like the school showcase].” Faude and her co-author, Kelley Fong, found that many families that register late do so for reasons beyond their control: if they’ve recently moved or experienced a change of custody. Others, Faude said, are held back by limitations of language or packed work schedules. But in the end, inequities in inputs — for example, with about half of black families of kindergartners applying late — can contribute to inequalities in outcomes, with students of color clustered in highly segregated, lower-tier schools, as researcher Dan O’Brien found in 2018. BPS officials worked with Faude on her research and are aware of the problem. The solution, they hope, is better marketing and outreach. “We’re looking at the demographics. What areas of the city those families are coming from,” said Monica Roberts, the district’s chief on family and community engagement. When they discover a community being left behind, they’ve responded with “pop-up” welcome centers, targeted billboards, and other attempts at outreach. Meanwhile, the district is also monitoring the assignment program for equity shortfalls. But for now, a system that was supposed to provide families with information and agency leaves many feeling perplexed, frustrated or left behind. *This story was first published by WBUR 90.9FM on Jan. 6. The Reporter and WBUR share content through a media partnership.*

Boston School Finder, a parental-led digital platform, offers way for parents to navigate enrollment with BPS

By DANIEL SHEEHAN
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With the priority school registration season for Boston children now under way, developers of a non-profit search and information tool are working to make sure that families who use it have the resources they need to choose the best schools for their children.

Boston School Finder, a parent-led digital platform started in 2017, provides parents with a one-stop location for pertinent information and guidelines about registering their children at the right schools for them.

Latoya Gayle, the organization's executive director, said in an interview that she saw the need for such a tool when, years ago, she attempted to navigate Boston's complex registration process by herself.

"I have three children, the youngest is 4 and the oldest is 16," she said. "I remember with my oldest child, when we first moved, there were a lot more schools here than I was used to. I would spend hours obsessing over where the schools are, what they're like, which ones my kids can go to. The idea of [Boston School Finder] is figuring out, you know, how can this not take hours for families?"

Not all parents have

the same amount of free time to dedicate to the registration process, which can involve multiple steps and require several different types of documentation depending on the school. As Boston School Finder notes, it's easier for families with means to navigate the system, and nearly half of the black and Latino families in the city don't file their preferences with the city during the early registration period.

But with a new website that was "totally revamped" last year, Gayle and the team at BSF are hoping to address that gap. As such, the priority school registration period for kids entering grades KO, K1, 6, 7, and 9 — which officially began Monday and ends on Jan. 31 — is a good chance for Boston families to get ahead of the game, said Gayle.

"Black and Latino kids make up about 70 percent of BPS students," she pointed out. "One of our big goals is to increase the number of parents who are registering in those first rounds. That ultimately gives them a better shot of getting a school that's higher on their list."

Getting children into a school that is the right fit for them is the end goal of the nonprofit. Being able to choose the

proper environment for your child's learning is therefore crucial, said Gayle, who noted that "if a parent doesn't know how to respond to a bad fit, that child is struggling, socio-emotionally or academically, and it sets them up on a path where they don't enjoy learning."

Tips on how to find that best fit are among the services available on the BSF website, which also includes a school registration calendar, English language learner resources, and both a "toolkit" and a "checklist" of steps and resources designed to assist families through the process. Information is available in eight languages, including Vietnamese, Portuguese, and Haitian Kreyol.

Notably, Boston School Finder is a resource developed by and based on suggestions and surveys from parents and is led by people who themselves have children in Boston schools, whether they be BPS, charter, or parochial. Gayle, a resident of Dorchester whose children attend schools in the neighborhood, said that commonality puts everyone involved in the mission on the same page.

"The cool thing about it is everything we put on the site is based on parent feedback," she said.

"We talked to families and asked, what would you want in a tool to help you? We also work with a team of parents — 'parent ambassadors' — who advocate for their own kids and schools. We thought the best way to reach other parents is through parents just thinking about, you know, how

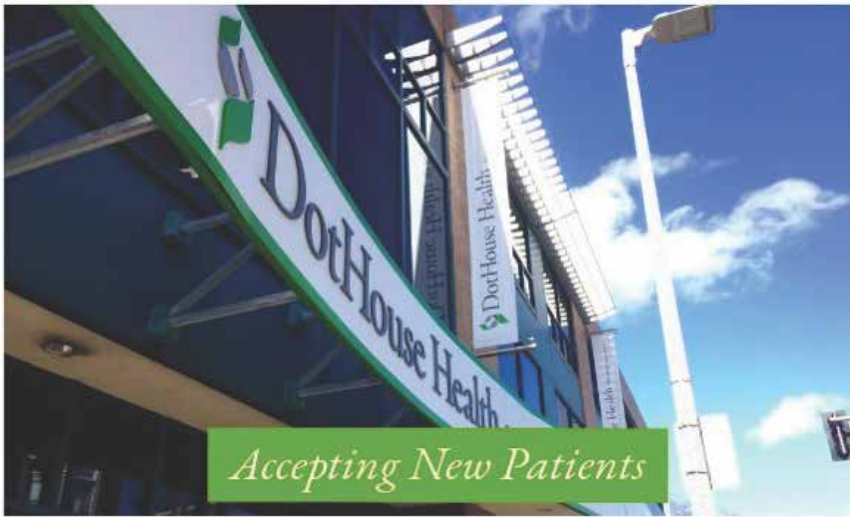
can they share what they know?"

In the coming weeks, the nonprofit will hold several "Registration 101" events in schools in neighborhoods across the city to introduce and guide parents through the registration process.

Boston School Finder has also launched a tex-

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Exhibition at DAP brings ‘Why the Wild Things Are’ to life in a gallery setting

By Daniel Sheehan
Reporter Staff

Last Saturday, a week before the opening of their new multimedia exhibit “Into the Wiild,” Cliff Notez and Nick Martin stood in Dorchester Art Project’s blank white gallery space and tried to visualize the ways they would transform it into a jungle.

“That’s what we’re going for,” said Notez. “We want people to come into the space and feel like they’re in The Land of the Wild Things.”

The pair designed the exhibition, which opens with a reception this Saturday (Jan. 11) from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at DAP, as an artistic companion to Notez’ second album “Why the Wild Things Are,” a project he released in September.

The gallery will house a collection of paintings, drawings, films, sculptures, and digital media inspired by the album, including pieces produced by Notez, Martin, and a litany of Boston artists from whom Notez solicited artwork for the project.

“Every song on the album has its own piece of work, if not multiple,” he explained. “I didn’t give any direction at all. I just said, ‘I want you to do something unique with it, and maybe I’ll figure out what the song means when I look at your piece.’ I know that once I hang this show, it’s going to take a whole different life.”

In this way, the show represents an evolution



Cliff Notez, the versatile rapper and artist depicted in the illustration above, will host his first multimedia gallery show at DAP this Saturday.

of sorts for the album, pushing its thematic elements beyond sonic boundaries and into the physical and visual fields. For Notez, that process just demonstrates the ways that art naturally transcends itself.

“I think that the album is layered in a lot of different ways, and not everything can be explained via words. And even though I created it, I don’t fully understand it...A lot of the album was created just with my head down, so there’s still some unpacking of the album that I need to do myself.

“That’s one of my favorite parts of creating, being able to look back and be like, ‘Oh, that’s what I was thinking. That’s what was happening.’ That’s the therapy in it.”

The narrative of “Why the Wild Things Are” follows protagonist Leon — “kind of like my nickname for myself,” said Notez — on a journey of healing and self-reinvention that mirrors the path taken by Max, the central character of Maurice Sendak’s 1963 children’s picture book “Where the Wild Things Are.” The book drew criticism and censorship after its release due to its depictions of childhood rebellion and anger, a fact that resonated with Notez as he worked on the album.

“It was banned for a while when it first came out because it was one of those first books that was portraying childhood emotion in this way. They’re talking about this kid who’s dealing with anger and depression and anxiety, and we’ve never seen this in children’s books prior to this point...we’re so afraid to address these things that need to be addressed, and because they look ugly, we can’t show them to our kids. But that’s the problem: We need to be able to address these ugly things.”

The album is musically eclectic, with lush string arrangements giving way to jazzy horn sections and muted acoustic guitar. Martin, a visual artist who collaborates closely with Notez on many of his projects, said he thinks that “wildness” will be reflected in the artwork he made.

“We tried to mirror that with the art for each piece. For the work I did at least, I did each piece in a different medium. So one was in colored pencil, one was painted, one was digital, one was a sculpture. With everything else, people sort of just did their own thing.”

Martin said one of the pieces he made, a companion to the track “Losing Crowns,” is a play on Michelangelo’s

“The Creation of Adam.” Another piece, by the artist Photocomfort, who interpreted the track “Get Free,” depicts a somber Cliff Notez sitting cross-legged on the floor, bathed in a blue aura that, along with his watery eyes, conjures an air of mourning.

Notez expects that each work of art will in turn birth further reactions and interpretations, and, once paired with the music that inspired it, create something new entirely.

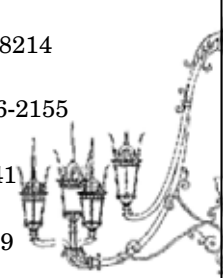
“When you walk into the gallery, we want you to be able to take it in and then, like, pull out your phone and stream the song as you’re seeing the piece, because every artist had different outlooks on each piece,” he explained. “I’m hoping that with all these pieces people can understand the album more, and understand that it’s not about me at all. Even though it comes from me and it’s 100 percent my feelings, I know that it’s not entirely about me.”

The exhibition will mark the first time Notez has had his work shown in a gallery setting, a milestone made even more special by the time he spent working at the Institute for Contemporary Art before leaving to focus on his own artistic pursuits. But the location of the show in Fields Corner also represents a homecoming of sorts for the rapper/filmmaker, who spent parts of his childhood in the neighborhood.

“I love that it’s here in Dorchester because obviously I have roots here. My grandmother lives up the street...I’m really glad that this is our first show, I think it makes sense. We already have plans to expand the show, and hopefully we can bring it to different places, and maybe eventually it will make its way into the ICA.”

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The Adams Street branch will be closed for the construction of a new building. We will reopen early 2021. Museum passes, holds and other items will be transferred to the Lower Mills Branch.

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Thurs., Jan. 9, 10:30 a.m. – Films and Fun; 3 p.m. – Tech Help; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help. **Fri., Jan. 10,** 9:30 a.m. – Lapsit Story Time; 10:30 a.m. – Preschool Story Time. **Sat., Jan. 11,** 11 a.m. – Bilingual Vietnamese Storytime. **Mon., Jan. 13,** 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help. **Tues., Jan. 14,** 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 4 p.m. – BTU Homework Help; 6 p.m. – Book Discussion Group. **Wed., Jan. 15,** 10 a.m. – Adult Stress Relief Coloring; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help. **Thurs., Jan. 16,** 10:30 a.m. – Films and Fun; Family Time Movement; 3 p.m. – Tech Help; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help.

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Thurs., Jan. 9, 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 4 p.m. – BTU Homework Help; 4 p.m. – USCIS Information Desk at Boston Public Library; 6 p.m. – TILL’s Autism Support Center Dorchester Kick-off Party. **Fri., Jan. 10,** 2:30 p.m. – Teen Gaming. **Mon., Jan. 13,** 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help. **Tues., Jan. 14,** 10:30 a.m. – Preschool Story Time; 3 p.m. – Chess Club; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help. **Wed., Jan. 15,** 3 p.m. – Anime Club; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help. **Thurs., Jan. 16,** 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 4 p.m. – BTU Homework Help.

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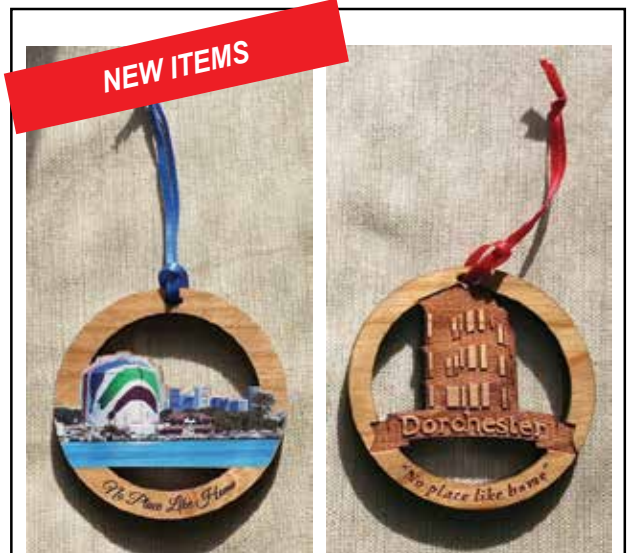
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Thurs., Jan. 9, 3 p.m. – BTU Homework Help; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 5:30 p.m. – Family Board Game Night; 6 p.m. – Sleepy Story Time; 6:30 p.m. – Gentle Yoga. **Fri., Jan. 10,** 10:30 a.m. – Hugs & Play; 3 p.m. – Crafternoons. **Sat., Jan. 11,** 9 a.m. – USCIS Information Desk at Boston Public Library; 1 p.m. – Mattapan Finance Series. **Mon., Jan. 13,** 10:30 a.m. – Hugs & Play; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help. **Tues., Jan. 14,** 10 a.m. – Music and Movement; 12 p.m. – Tech Goes Home to Mattapan; 3 p.m. – BTU Homework Help; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; All-ages Non-contact Kickboxing; 4 p.m. – Tinker Time. **Wed., Jan. 15,** 10:30 a.m. – Toddler Time; 12:30 p.m. – Tai Chi; 3 p.m. – Full STEAM Ahead; Homework Help. **Thurs., Jan. 16,** 3 p.m. – BTU Homework Help; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 5:30 p.m. – Family Board Game Night; 6:30 p.m. – Gentle Yoga.

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Thurs., Jan. 9, 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 4 p.m. – BTU Homework Help. **Fri., Jan. 10,** 3:30 p.m. – LEGO Builders. **Mon., Jan. 13,** 10:30 a.m. – Baby and Toddler Lapsit; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 4:30 p.m. – Make It Mondays: Crafts. **Tues., Jan. 14,** 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help. **Wed., Jan. 15,** 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 4:30 p.m. – Teen Sewing Class. **Thurs., Jan. 16,** 9, 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 4 p.m. – BTU Homework Help.



The Dorchester Historical Society announces new items for the gift shop. Priced at \$10 each these wooden ornaments capture iconic Dorchester views of a three decker and of the gas tank.



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The Bowery's back patio will house three yurts, circular tent-like structures that will be available for dining beginning this coming weekend.

The Bowery has yurts in place for its 'winter village' opening

The Lower Mills-based bar and eatery The Bowery is transforming its outdoor patio space into a cozy option for the colder months with the addition of three yurts that will provide customers the chance to dine under the wintry sky in warmth and comfort.

According to events coordinator Colleen Howard, the tent-like structures are decked out with blankets, furry seats, and heaters with both high top and low top seating. Each yurt holds about 10 people and will be available to reserve for two-hour increments.

Howard said the opening date for the new "winter village" setup is targeted for this coming weekend.

— DAN SHEEHAN



Dorchester resident Betty Francisco, left, was honored with the 2020 Maven Award on Sat., Jan. 4, at the 8th annual A Maven's World Women's conference hosted by Anna Foster, CEO and founder. Francisco is an entrepreneur, business executive, attorney and community leader. She is known as a powerful convener and changemaker for Latinx and people of color.

Dot's McCarthy takes helm at national enviro non-profit

**BY MATT MURPHY
STATE HOUSE
NEWS SERVICE**

Onetime Dorchester resident and former Environmental Protection Agency administrator Gina McCarthy began a new role on Monday as president of the Natural Resources Defense Council.

The NRDC is a non-profit based in New York City with offices in Washington that works to protect people's access to clean air, water, and healthy communities.

"As I begin my tenure as NRDC's president and CEO today, I see 2020 as the year we jump-start a decade of breakthrough climate action to give our children the future they deserve. There can be no regrets," McCarthy said in a statement released by NRDC on Monday.

Born in Brighton and raised in Dorchester, McCarthy is a UMass Boston graduate who worked as an environmental adviser to mul-

multiple governors, including Mitt Romney, Jane Swift and Paul Cellucci. Tapped by President Barack Obama, McCarthy led the EPA from mid-2013 until the start of the Trump administration in 2017.

After leaving the federal government, McCarthy joined Pegasus Capital Advisors, a private equity firm, to focus sustainability and wellness investments, and in 2018 Harvard University turned to her



Gina McCarthy
to lead a new Center for Climate, Health and the Global Environment. NRDC announced McCarthy's hiring as its next president and CEO in November.



Two members of the Boston School Committee— Alexandra Oliver-Dávila and Lorna Rivera, at left, were re-appointed and sworn into office on Monday by Mayor Walsh during a ceremony in the Eagle Room at City Hall. Oliver-Dávila currently serves as the executive director of Sociedad Latina, Inc., and has been a member of the School Committee since her appointment in 2016. Dr. Rivera is the director of the Mauricio Gastón Institute for Latino Community Development & Public Policy, and an associate professor of Women's & Gender Studies at UMass Boston. She has been an active member since her appointment in 2019. Oliver-Dávila and Dr. Rivera are both parents of current BPS students.

John Wilcox/Mayor Walsh's office photo

YESTERYEAR ARCHIVE DORCHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

With the demolition of the Tom English building and the Dorchester Market at the corner of Dorchester Avenue and East Cottage Street, it is now possible to get a good view of the building behind.

The former Channing Church at 275 East Cottage Street was built in 1900-1901. Designed by Walter Atherton, it originally had a two-story gable and a small entryway with gable on the east side. The line drawing from the *Boston Globe* of April 11, 1901, shows the original design. In the mid-20th century, a second two-story gable was constructed, and the entry was moved to the north end of the building. The Little House social agency came to this location when it moved from South Boston in the 1940s.

A story in the *Globe* on March 9, 1901, stated, "Rev. Henry Hallam Saunderson, Harvard '98, began the earnest and energetic work of establishing Channing Church in October of last year, holding meetings in the old Atheneum Hall, close by the new church, at historic 'Five Corners.'

"The main audience hall, with its connecting Sunday school room, will comfortably seat 500 people. Behind



Channing Church

the rail-less platform and pulpit is an elevated space for the choir, and behind that is the handsome double manual pipe organ. To the right of the platform is an entrance to the choir room, connecting with basement,

auditorium, and a separate entrance. To the left is a doorway, leading to the minister's study.

"The Sunday School wing has separate entrances front and back. In the rear are arrangements for footlights

and all accessories for concerts, lectures, and entertainments, the second story being devoted to a handsomely furnished ladies' parlor. The whole length of one side of the basement is devoted to a boys' and girls' gymnasium, with special electrical and other arrangements for evening exhibitions. ...

"The building is of gothic architecture, with plastered sides, granite underpinning. Two large and many smaller stained-glass windows afford the principal lighting for the audience rooms, which are well equipped with incandescent globes along the walls and in the vaulted roof."

The archive of these historical posts can be viewed on the blog at dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org. The Dorchester Historical Society's historic houses are open on different dates. The Lemuel Clap House (1712 and remodeled 1765) at 199 Boston Street is open on the third Saturday of each month. The James Blake House, 735 Columbia Road (1661) and the William Clap House, 195 Boston Street (1806) are open on the third Sunday of each month. Open hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Editorial

Seeing the city as a rental agency

The city of Boston is desperately trying to help low-income people stay in the city. On Tuesday, in his annual State of the City address, Mayor Martin Walsh presented an initiative that he hopes will help the cause: a first-ever city-funded rental voucher program. The mayor describes it as a close-cousin to the federal Section 8 voucher program, but using funds from the city’s own operating budget.

“By using every tool in our toolbox and coming up with creative ways to turn our assets into immediate sources of revenue, we will be able to expand opportunity for more Boston families,” the mayor said.

The Walsh team figures that the city vouchers, when coupled with federal vouchers, will help hundreds find housing in the next five years. The need is obvious: the Boston Housing Authority’s waitlist for affordable units now includes some 47,000 households. The BHA currently has a portfolio of 13,500 vouchers on hand.

In his address, Walsh pledged to double the city’s funding for affordable housing to \$500 million over the next five years. He said the budget will come from new monies from the sale of the city-owned Lafayette Garage. He’s also pushing for the Legislature to pass a Home Rule petition to allow for a luxury surcharge tax of 2 percent on property sales over \$2 million in the city. (The measure has strong support among the Boston delegation at the State House, but tax hikes always face a steep climb on Beacon Hill.)

Under the plan, Walsh says the city can meet its goals of creating or preserving 1,000 rental units; creating 500 new low-income and middle-income homeowner units; and supporting 1,000 new homebuyers with down payment assistance and low-interest mortgage products.

One of the city’s leading affordable housing experts, MAHA’s Tom Callahan, had early praise for the city’s plan.

“Mayor Walsh’s aggressiveness in addressing our housing crisis is very much needed and much appreciated,” he said. “MAHA looks forward to working with the Walsh Administration to put these targeted resources to good use, including closing the racial wealth gap through increased affordable homeownership opportunities for first-time and first-generation homebuyers in Boston.”

– Bill Forry

Legalization of assisted suicide laws may put people with disabilities in harm’s way

BY JAMES T. BRETT

Compassionate medical care and end of life considerations are some of the most complex and difficult issues facing families, and society in general. It is a reality that may only intensify against a backdrop of an aging population.

In the United States, the number of older individuals outpaces younger generations. By 2030, one in five Americans will be 65 years old, and the population of those 65 and older is projected to nearly double by 2050 (Census).

Longevity is one trend that drives us to evaluate how we provide care for aging adults and people with chronic illnesses or disabilities. End of life issues are particularly challenging, especially when society seeks answers in public policy.

Assisted suicide is part of a constellation of end-of-life issues. While some advocate for its legalization as a personal decision, there can be unintended consequences to such a development.

In the 115th Congress (2017-2018), a Sense of Congress Resolution (H.Con.Res.80) garnered bipartisan support and expressed awareness that assisted suicide can put vulnerable people at risk of harm.

The National Council on Disability (NCD) is a long-time opponent of assisted suicide laws. In fact, the NCD issued its first report on this issue in 1997, and another in 2005. The agency concluded that the interests of the few people who would benefit from assisted suicide were “heavily outweighed by the probability that any law, procedure, and standard that can be imposed to regulate physician assisted suicide will be misapplied to unnecessarily end the lives of people with disabilities.”

The NCD called on Congress to establish a comprehensive, fully-funded, system of assistive living services for people with disabilities.

Today, that position remains unchanged, and the council’s recently released update of that research reinforced its conclusions.

Nine states and the District of Columbia have legalized assisted suicide. Over the years, restrictions have been loosened. In some cases, there are insufficient measures to investigate mistakes or abuse.

The NCD also reported inequities in suicide prevention efforts. Often, people with disabilities

are not referred for mental health treatment when seeking assisted suicide, while people without disabilities do receive these referrals.

The report found that regulatory safeguards are ineffective. Some considerations:

- A misdiagnosis of a terminal disease can cause a frightened patient to choose to end his or her life;
- People with the disability of depression may be more vulnerable;
- Many people with disabilities have been conditioned by society to see asking for help as undignified or burdensome, or that having a disability inherently lowers quality of life.

The report recommends steps to be taken at the federal and state levels to ensure that people with disabilities have a system of assisted services and supports, and that they are informed about these supports by medical providers. In addition, providers should receive training on working with people with disabilities.

Here are some steps that Congress could take now:

(a) Pass another resolution similar to H.Con.Res.80.

(b) Amend the Social Security Act to remove Medicaid’s statutory bias toward institutional long-term care rather than long-term services and supports (LTSS) provided for people living in the community.

People with disabilities should not consider ending their lives because of a lack of supportive services or because they are working with medical providers who are not required to help patients find alternatives. When policy makers debate legislation around end-of-life issues, it is critical that the needs of people with disabilities are on the table. As guidelines and guardrails are set, and standards established for education and training, people with disabilities need to be part of the equation. They deserve the same level of care, information, services, and support as anyone who does not have a disability.

Note: The National Council on Disability recently submitted its report, “Assisted Suicide Laws and Their Danger to People with Disabilities,” to the White House.

James T. Brett is a member of the National Council on Disability and the former chairman of the president’s Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities.

Recalling the day the earth shook in Haiti

BY JESSICAH PIERRE
REPORTER COLUMNIST

On Jan.12, 2010, I woke up to a sunny day in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. In a few hours, I would be heading to Toussaint L’Ouverture Airport to fly back to Boston after a two-week vacation in my parents’ homeland, a break from the winter cold that my big family looked forward to every year.

I gave hugs and kisses to my dad, my aunts, uncles, and grandmother who had decided to extend their stay a little longer. My little brother, two of my aunts, and I headed home.

Looking out the window at the busy streets of Delmas, I reminisced about how much fun I have had visiting family and enjoying the holiday season in Haiti. There’s something about Christmas that just puts Haitians in a celebratory and joyful mood, a mood that’s contagious throughout the month of December and into early January.

I never want to go back home to Boston when I’m there. Everything is just right from the warm weather, warm and inviting people, to the hustle and bustle of the busy streets, and the fresh cooked food I ate daily. I was born in Boston, but Haiti always feels like home.

Our journey back to Boston took us first to Miami,

where we were to spend the night. It was a short flight, and when we arrived, it was oddly very cold. My weather app told me it was 52 degrees. I missed the island weather of Haiti already.

We checked in at our hotel room around 5 p.m. and as usual, my aunts turned on the news. “A major earthquake has struck southern Haiti, knocking down buildings and power lines,” the CNN anchor said.

We were in disbelief. “An earthquake? In Haiti? But we were just there,” I said to everyone.

“We need to call everyone back home,” my aunt said as she grabbed her cell phone to call the Google Voice number that our family in Haiti used to make and receive international phone calls.

She got a busy signal. We called again, and again, and again. The phone never rang; just the obnoxious sound of the busy dial tone.

We watched the news in disbelief as more reports came in. It was a 7.0 magnitude earthquake – the most powerful to hit Haiti in a century – that struck about 10 miles southwest of Port-au-Prince, where my family was staying. This couldn’t be the beautiful, sunny island we had just left hours before. We prayed as news came in of heavy damage and eyewitness accounts of bodies laid out in the streets of the capital.

We kept trying to call our family, but there was no way to reach them. We sat there helpless, eyes glued to the TV as visuals of our beloved country in peril came on the screen. So many buildings, businesses, homes – even the presidential palace – were severely damaged. People were screaming in the streets for help.

The rest of our family in the US called us to make sure we were safe and ask if we’d heard from the others still in Haiti. None of us had.

It wasn’t until five days later that my aunt called me and told me she finally had heard from our family back in Haiti. She told us that everyone in our family had survived the quake, but that there were aftershocks rumbling the ground of the city throughout the days. She said that my family’s next-door neighbors’ house had collapsed with someone inside.

A few days later, I was finally able to reach my dad on the phone. I cried when I heard how weak his voice was. Everyone was traumatized. They were sleeping on the street as far away from our

home as possible in case it collapsed during another aftershock.

He told us that all they heard was misery in the streets with people stuck under the rubble crying for help to get out. The smell of dead bodies started to creep into the streets and of course, crime started to rise as desperation hit the Haitian people trying to survive what became known as a catastrophe for the Western Hemisphere’s poorest nation.

It wasn’t until February that we were able to welcome all of our family members who survived the earthquake back home to Boston. Although everyone in my family was unharmed, the trauma and physical damage across Haiti remained. Nearly 250,000 children, women, and men had lost their lives and more than a million people had been displaced.

As we recognize the ten-year anniversary this week, the devastation is still hard to fathom. Despite the outpouring of aid and donations after the earthquake, the \$10 billion pledged by governments around the world never fully materialized. Even worse, months after the catastrophe, United Nations troops triggered a cholera outbreak that killed thousands more people, prompting months of angry Haitian street protests against the UN and, in some cases, global NGOs in general.

Critics argued that many of these NGOs that flooded into Haiti had savior complexes and had effectively shut Haitians in Haiti out of their own recovery effort. In addition, efforts to rebuild the palace— known as the Haitian White House— remain in limbo.

However, the spirit of the Haitian people is not easily broken. Last September, Haiti made global headlines as protests broke out across the country against a deepening fuel shortage on top of spiraling inflation, a lack of safe drinking water, environmental degradation, and food scarcity. In Boston today, it’s hard not to come across Haitian people who feel passionate about wanting to see change in their native country.

As we remember the earthquake ten years later, ceremonies are being held throughout the city and the arts exhibit “Still Arts Rise,” created in memory of the victims of January 2010, will be on display in the Boston City Hall Scollay Square Gallery from Jan. 9 until Jan. 30.

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Hey, Boston, you can say ‘hello’ on the street

BY LAURA EVERETT
SPECIAL TO WBUR

“HowYaDoinNow?” he said, as if all one word. “Doin’ alright, thanks” I answered. We kept on walking in opposite directions.

Then it happened again, each interaction a variation on a theme: a friendly question and a kind, quick reply.

“Ain’tThisABeautifulDay?” the next person asked. “Yes, it is,” I replied,

trying on this new way to walk. A call and response among strangers on the sidewalk, a litany of acknowledgment.

This all happened on a recent work trip to Durham, North Carolina, when I’d gone for a walk in their city. In the 30 minutes I wandered their streets, more strangers spoke to me than had in the last 11 months in Boston.

The contrast was stark. I’m used to moving through my city, earphones in and eyes down. More often than not, I’m also scanning for things that seem unsafe or listening for a catcall. I walked differently in Durham, still cautious but trying on this more interactive way to move on city streets.

I am devoted to Boston. But we have a chip on our shoulders, and most often, a scowl on our faces. In many ways, our sour demeanor is understandable; for starters, we have a transportation system that is failing everyone. It’s hard to be kind when we’ve been sitting in traffic for 57 minutes, need to pick up a kid from school, and just want to be home after a long day.

Boston also has a residual dominant culture of white upper-class formality, competitiveness, and a professed independence that breeds isolation and avoids any interaction that might slow us down. While Boston may be known and celebrated for many things, our friendliness is not one of them.

But acknowledgment in public is more than just friendliness, it’s an affirmation of worth.

On another work trip to Charleston, South Carolina, I walked with a colleague, a black pastor, from a nearby city. Again, we nodded, greeted, spoke to, and engaged ever so briefly each person who passed us on the street.

“This talking to every person is so very different than in the places I’m from,” I said. He stopped and turned to look me directly in the eyes. “Laura,” he said. “I live in a world that seeks to deny my worth, dignity, and safety as a black man every day. We acknowledge one another on the street as an act of defiance and an affirmation.”

I saw it, too, after I got married. My wife and I would be out in public, holding hands, and I witnessed the secret queer head-nod of acknowledgment. With just the slightest pull of the chin upward — a move so subtle that you might miss it — another person signals that you are seen.

And so, I’m trying something new, even here in icy Boston. Every human is made in the image and likeness of God. This is foundational to my beliefs. Why would I not acknowledge them thusly?

My wife jokes that her idea of a good bike commute home is smoking another cyclist in a faux race, while mine is making a new friend on the bike path. Admittedly, I am trained as a pastor to both hold silence and encourage people to talk. But this practice of acknowledgment is different than just chatting up a stranger because you’re an extrovert. Acknowledgment commits us to seeing the dignity and worth in others, even and especially when we are jammed together on a delayed MBTA train.

Acknowledgment is a commitment to justice. I’ve arrived at a place in life where I expect people’s personal behaviors to be consonant with their professed commitments.

Tell me you support the equal rights and dignity of women? Then don’t cut in front of me in the bike lane as we wait

for a light. Tell me you reject ableism and see the equal worth of disabled people? Then shovel your sidewalk wide enough for a wheelchair. Tell me you care about those living outside in our city? Then make eye contact and say hello to those experiencing homelessness, and better yet, share a little money.

I’m trying something purposeful and intentional, so that my movements through our city match the commitments in my heart. I am saying hello to strangers. I am nodding to elders. I am laughing with the high schoolers playing around while waiting for the bus. I am trying to unlearn all the icy tendencies I’ve developed over years in New England, because it doesn’t have to be like this. I don’t have to be like this.

A friendlier Boston will not fix the

deep and persistent divisions and inequalities in our city. But I’m not really doing this for the betterment of Boston — I’m doing it for me. Acknowledgment is about how I want to show up in the world, and what kind of neighbor I want to be. When I acknowledge others, it changes me.

Now, I begin the call and response, “How you doin’?” The only way I know to “love thy neighbor” is to start by acknowledging that your neighbor exists.

Laura Everett is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ and the executive director of the Massachusetts Council of Churches. She is the author of “Holy Spokes: The Search for Urban Spirituality on Two Wheels.” This article was first published by WBUR 90.9FM on Jan. 2. The Reporter and WBUR share content through a media partnership.

Bail reform panel report suggests that state unlikely to end cash bail

BY DEBORAH BECKER
WBUR REPORTER

It appears Massachusetts will not follow some other states and eliminate cash bail in the court system — that’s if the state follows new recommendations from the Legislature’s bail reform commission.

After a year of meetings, the Legislature’s 19-member bail reform commission unanimously approved several recommendations in its report on the cash bail system released last week. The report also included new statistics showing racial and gender disparities in how bail is set.

Based on data from the state’s trial court, the commission found that bail amounts were higher for non-white defendants compared to their white counterparts. More than 19 percent of non-white defendants had bail set at more than \$5,000, compared with

about 11 percent of white defendants. Also fewer non-white defendants than white defendants were held on less than \$1,000 bail (53.7 percent to 63.2 percent).

Trial court data from cases primarily heard in 2018 also showed judges released more women defendants compared to men (89.3 percent versus 77 percent), and three times as many men were held without bail.

On its weighing of cash bail, the report said commissioners found there was no need to eliminate the practice in Massachusetts because of recent changes to the rules for setting bail.

“I think people felt like we were early in the process of change so it’s kind of difficult to make any major course corrections because we didn’t know if what we had done to date is working,” said committee co-chair Cindy Friedman.



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PUBLIC MEETING ON 150 RIVER ST. PROJECT

A public meeting to review a proposal to build a 30-unit affordable rental building for elders at 150 River St. will be held on Wed., Jan. 8 from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Great Room inside 249 River St., Mattapan. The BPDA will host the meeting. Contact Ebony DaRosa at 617-918-4419 or ebony.darosa@boston.gov for more info.

PLAN: MATTAPAN MEETING ON JAN. 22

The BPDA will host a PLAN: Mattapan “Housing Deep Dive” meeting on Wed., Jan. 22 at 6 p.m. at KIPP Academy, 37 Babson St., Mattapan. The purpose is to discuss “Mattapan’s housing stock in greater detail... to better understand how and where the neighborhood can grow in a predictable manner.” For more info contact Muge Undemir, 617-918-4488 or mugzy.undemir@boston.gov.

BOSTON CHILDREN’S CHORUS MLK CONCERT

Now in its 17th year, BCC’s signature concert honoring Dr. King will be held on Mon., Jan. 20 at 7 p.m. at Symphony Hall, Boston. Featuring pieces by composers like Florence Price, Undine Smith Moore, and Rosephanye Powell. Contact alujares@bostonchildrenschorus.org for more info.

BOSTON COMMON MASTER PLAN OPEN HOUSE ON JAN. 15

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department and the Friends of the Public Garden will host an open house to discuss the Boston Common Master Plan on Wed., Jan. 15 from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Josiah Quincy School Auditorium, 152 Arlington St. Attendees will hear an overview of the Boston Common Master Plan project and receive an update on the work that has been accomplished to date, hear a summary of the extensive public feedback that has been received, hear a discussion about user needs and infrastructure needs, consider initial concepts for improving the Common, and learn about next steps. Park users, abutters, and other stakeholders are urged to attend. Please note that the slideshow presentation will be made available bostoncommonmasterplan.com where there is a link to take an important user survey that closes December 31.



Jeffrey Lopes of Dorchester waved to the crowd in TD Garden after accepting the Boston Celtics Heroes Among Us award during a game on December 28. A Boston Police officer, Lopes created the “We Belong” program and volunteers to mentor young people. Photo courtesy Boston Celtics

JAZZ SERIES OPENS SEASON ON JAN. 9

The Dot Jazz Series kicks off 2020 with keyboard player Nina Ott and her quartet in Peabody Hall at the Parish of All Saints, 209 Ashmont Street, on Thurs., Jan. 9. Originally from Detroit, Nina began playing piano at age 7. A longtime presence on the Boston scene, Nina performs as a bandleader and side-woman in various projects across many genres. For this show, Nina will be joined by Christopher Lopes (Jeff Parker Trio, Astronomico) on bass, Dean Johnston (Club d’Elf, Neighbor, Duke Levine) on drums, and Grammy-winning percussionist Eguie Castrillo on congas. The quartet plays original music with deep roots in jazz and Afro-Cuban traditions.

Doors open at 7 and music starts at 7:30. \$15, free for under 18. Advance tickets available at dotjazz.org.

BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY’S HOMEWORK HELP

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

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Diversity carries day as City Council begins a new term with Janey at helm

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up from previously zero, to two. “I understand the responsibility that I have to represent the Latinx community, but I also know that I’m here to represent all of Boston,” Mejia told *the Reporter*.

“It feels incredibly humbling. I’m also a single mom and in the city of Boston we have a huge population of single moms. Representation is important, but I also think lived experiences and what we bring to the conversation are equally as important,” added Mejia.

Janey announced that she would be creating a City Council Committee on Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) that will focus on ensuring that nonprofits — like big universities and medical centers — pay their fair share of taxes. She also spoke of her desire to eliminate fares on MBTA bus lines in her district.

“We must find new ways to tackle old problems, like free MBTA buses to increase ridership and improve traffic flow in our city. And that one’s for you, Russell,” Janey said, referring to state Rep. Russell Holmes, one of several lawmakers from the Boston delegation who attended the council meeting.

Janey and Councilor Michelle Wu last year called for a hearing on making the MBTA’s Route 28 bus, which runs from Mattapan to Ruggles Station, free for riders, and Wu has also suggested eliminating



City Councillor Ricardo Arroyo, seated, is surrounded by family members in the Boston City Council’s Iannella Chamber on Monday. It was Arroyo’s first day as a city councillor. *Isabel Leon/Mayor’s Office photo*

fares across the MBTA. The 28 bus runs through Holmes’s district, and he pointed to the city of Lawrence’s decision last fall to make three Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority bus routes free, financed by \$225,000 from that city’s cash reserves.

“If we can find some way of getting it done through our neighborhood, that would be fantastic,” Holmes told the State House News Service. “But not just, I think, on 28, the bus line, but also how can we get more rapid transit, period. I’m looking for bus rapid transit all through the district. The bus line, as they say, Rodney Dangerfield, gets

no respect. I’m trying to give it some respect.”

The MBTA is a state entity. Janey said some on the council have demonstrated “that we are willing to use our bully pulpit to advocate on issues that are sometimes out of the realm of our control.”

“This is a huge issue because it’s an economic justice issue,” Janey told reporters. “If in fact we found a way to offer free bus rides in the city of Boston, that would be huge.”

She said that while the MBTA has increased its fares in recent years, including an average 5.8 percent hike that took effect last July and kept bus rates unchanged, the gas

tax has not also increased. A gas tax hike has been floated as a potential component of a House transportation revenue package, though a specific plan has not yet emerged.

“If we had a gas tax, an additional gas tax, maybe that revenue could be invested so we could offer free bus rides,” Janey said. “That is the purpose of bringing our work and our meetings into the neighborhoods to really engage residents who are actually riding these buses, like myself, and hearing their ideas and solutions for how we do this work and, really, then not being afraid to take on the MBTA or the governor or any

“This is a historic time for our entire city. If you look at the City Council, it’s a reflection of who we are as a city.”

– Mayor Walsh

entity. I want to bring us all together.”

Mayor Walsh congratulated Janey on her new and advised the new councillors to keep collaboration in mind. “To president Campbell, I want to thank you for your leadership over the last two years. Collaboration is going to be the heart of all of your hard work,” said Walsh. “We look to the federal government and see a complete lack of collaboration. We can’t let that happen here. The people of Boston deserve better.”

Councillors at-large sworn in for the new two-year term include incumbents Michelle Wu, Annisssa Essaibi-George, Michael Flaherty and newcomer Julia Mejia. Local councillors include Lydia Edwards in District 1 (Charlestown, East Boston, North End), Ed Flynn in District 2 (Downtown, South Boston, South End), Frank Baker in District 3 (Dorchester), Andrea Campbell in District 4 (Mattapan, Dorchester, Roslindale, Jamaica Plain), newcomer Ricardo Arroyo in District 5 (Hyde Park, Roslindale), Matt O’Malley in District 6 (West Roxbury, Jamaica Plain), Kim Janey in District 7 (Roxbury), and newcomers Priscilla Kenzie Bok in District 8 (Back Bay, Beacon Hill, Fenway–Kenmore, Mission Hill, West End), and Liz Breadon in District 9 (Brighton, Allston).

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Walsh pledges to increase funding for schools, housing

(Continued from page 1) of the funds will benefit students, or services provided by BPS.

“We believe in a Boston where every single student can reach their full potential no matter what. Tonight, I announce a funding plan bold enough to make that vision a reality,” said Mayor Walsh.

Superintendent Brenda Cassellius’ draft strategic vision recently presented to the Boston School Committee directly informed this plan. The draft focuses on rigorous curriculum, including arts, STEM, and health programming; cutting edge technology; and social, emotional, and physical support.

“This level of planned investment, over and above cost increases, has never been done before. It will reach every school and it will be carefully targeted, so every dollar makes a difference. We’ll begin with intense support for underperforming schools, so we can become a great district,” said Walsh.

After the speech, District 4 City Councillor Andrea Campbell—who had suggested her own “action plan” for BPS last year— offered a sharp critique of Walsh’s BPS plan.

“In order to ensure every family has access to a quality BPS school, we need more than announcements & money thrown at the problem,” Campbell wrote in a tweet. “It is hard not to view the Mayor’s BPS announcement at #SOTC with great skepticism.”

In his remarks, Walsh called for stricter traffic enforcement and a more reliable MBTA service.

“This year, I am directing the Boston Police and Transportation Department to work together and implement a plan to strengthen traffic enforcement in our city,” he said, adding that “For many of our issues, public transit is the solution, so we’re working with the MBTA.”

Walsh asked legislative leaders on Beacon Hill to be bold on transportation finance.

“Mayors, business leaders, advocates, and commuters will support you,” he said, “And if you can’t move forward, then let us lead.”

Calling housing “the biggest economic challenge our residents face,” Walsh pledged to dedicate \$500 million over the next five years to create and preserve affordable for those with low and middle incomes. He said he would double



Mayor Martin Walsh spoke at Symphony Hall on Tuesday. *Chris Lovett photo*

the city’s current funding in affordable housing to \$100 million. Additional revenue would be generated by selling the Lafayette Garage. But his plan also depends on the state Legislature—and Gov. Charlie Baker—to approve a Boston-specific transfer tax of up to 2 percent in private real estate sales over \$2 million.

After the speech, Walsh told reporters that he’s confident that the funds will be secured.

“We’re finding the money for it,” Walsh said. “The investments for the schools are coming from the revenue that we’re earning in the

city. Housing is the same thing. The two pieces that are really important for us is the sale of Lafayette Garage, we want to put all of that money into housing-- and the transfer tax.”

The Mayor also announced the creation of a city-funded rental voucher program, which would help to stabilize more low income persons and families. The rental voucher program aims to subsidize the rents of those with most need, including families experiencing homelessness not eligible for the State’s Emergency Assistance, formerly chronically homeless in-

dividuals, and extremely low-income elderly and disabled households.

“Altogether, this is one of the most progressive housing policies in America, because we believe in a Boston where housing is more than a commodity, it’s our community,” said Mayor Walsh.

Walsh also used the speech to billboard what will be one of 2020’s marquee events in the city: the national NAACP convention, which will be held in Boston in July.

“We are changing Boston’s image and reality,” Walsh told the audience. “It’s a milestone for our city, marking a new era of progress we have achieved together. We are going to host the best NAACP convention ever held. I invite all Bostonians to join me in celebrating Boston’s black history and black achievement all year long.”

Walsh concluded his State of the City speech with a firm assertion of Boston’s values.

“We are a city that rejects racism and bigotry in all its forms. We are a city that stands for social, economic, and environmental justice. We are a city that welcomes and supports immigrants,” he said. “We are a city that leads the fight for gender equality, LGBTQ equality, dis-

ability rights, veterans’ rights, and a strong middle class.”

“We believe in our young people. We believe in working people. We believe in our elders. We believe in our veterans and first responders. We believe in immigrants. We believe in second chances, we believe in each other, we believe in Boston.”

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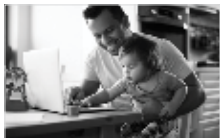
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Community Meeting

PLAN: Mattapan Housing Deep Dive

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Event Description

Join the PLAN: Mattapan team to learn about housing in your neighborhood and what City of Boston programs and policies exist to support new housing. We will be exploring Mattapan’s housing stock in greater detail as a way to better understand how and where the neighborhood can grow in a predictable manner. The planning team will be sharing recent housing data and how it will inform our planning process.

Community members can expect to take away:

- An understanding of the existing housing stock in Mattapan
- Changing trends of housing in the neighborhood.
- Existing programs & policies the City of Boston supports to promote new housing.
- How we will use this information to address housing throughout the PLAN.

PLAN: Mattapan is a planning initiative facilitated by the Boston Planning & Development Agency in collaboration with other City departments. Translated materials and interpretation services will be provided in Haitian Creole and Spanish.

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

POLICE DISTRICT B-3 NEWS
For info, call B-3's Community Service Office at 617-343-4711.

HANCOCK STREET CIVIC ASSOC.
The Hancock Street Civic Association meets monthly on the first Tuesday at Uphams Crossing, 530 Columbia Rd., Dorchester. Meeting time is 7– 8:30p.m. Annual dues are \$5; please contact hancockstreetcivic@gmail.com with any questions you may have. The next meeting is on Jan. 7.

WELLINGTON HILL NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
The Wellington Hill Neighborhood Council meets on the second Tuesday of the month from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Mattapan branch of the Boston Public Library. Updates can be found on Facebook page: @wellingtonhillneighbors. Or Google Group: wellingtonhill@googlegroups.com

RIVER STREET CIVIC ASSOC.
The River Street Civic Association meets on the second Thursday of each month from 6-8 p.m. at the Foley Senior Residences, 249 River St., Mattapan.

APPLE GROVE ASSOC.
The Apple Grove Association meets on the second Monday (Jan. 13) of every month from 6-8 p.m. at 1135 Morton St., Mattapan. The contact is Ms. Myrtle Huggins at 617-429-8531.

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

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

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Everyone is welcome to Book Group, whether you've read the book or not. For further info, please contact Lil Konowitz at klil@hotmail.com.

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

CEDAR GROVE CIVIC ASSOC.
Cedar Grove Civic Association meets at 7 p.m. at Fr. Lane Hall, St. Brendan Church, 15 Rita Rd. The civic group meets on the Info: cedargrovecivic@gmail.com or 617-825-1402.

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

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

COLUMBIA-SAVIN HILL CIVIC ASSOC.
Columbia-Savin Hill Civic meets the first Monday of each month, 7 p.m., at the Little House, 275 East Cottage St. For info: columbiasavinhillcivic.org.

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

FIELDS CORNER CIVIC ASSOC.
The FCCA meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 at the Kit Clark Center, 1500 Dorchester Ave. For more info. contact V. Girard, chair, at: vivian8120@gmail.com.

WOODROW AVENUE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.
WANA meets on the third Thursday of every month from 6-8 p.m. at VFW Post 8772, 54 Woodrow Ave.. Nina Johnson is the president. Email woodrowaveasoc@gmail.com or wanaboston on Facebook.

JONES HILL ASSOC.
The Jones Hill Association meets every month on the second Wednesday at 7 p.m. at St. Mary's Center for Women and Children in the Executive Board Room. All are welcome. Developers wishing to inquire or present should contact officers@joneshill.com.

Information, events, and voting membership can be found on joneshill.com.

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

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

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

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

HECLA/LYON/EAST STREETS WATCH
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LOWER MILLS CIVIC ASSOC.
Lower Mills Civic Association meets at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month at St. Gregory Auditorium. Dues (\$7) are now due. See the web page: dorchesterlowermills.org.

MCCORMACK CIVIC ASSOC.
Meetings are held at Saint Teresa of Calcutta Parish Hall in basement of Saint Margaret Church beginning at 6:30 p.m. More online at McCormackCivic.org. Please bring ID for proof of residency within association boundaries. Dues are \$5 or \$10. If you have any questions, please e-mail McCormackCivic@gmail.com.

MELVILLE PARK CIVIC ASSOC.
Monthly meeting is held the third Thursday of each month at the Epiphany School, 154 Centre Street/Shawmut T, 2nd floor library, from 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

MEETINGHOUSE HILL CIVIC ASSOC.
The Meetinghouse Hill Civic Association meets monthly at the First Parish Dorchester, 10 Parish St. Dorchester. Contact civic president Shirley Jones at jones5713@msn.com.

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The Peabody Slope Neighborhood Association meets the first Mon. of the month at Dorchester Academy, 18 Croftland Ave., 7 p.m. For info: peabodyslope.org or 617-533-8123.

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Dorchester Brewing opens ‘Hopservatory’

(Continued from page 1) surrounding the rooftop tasting room is designed to look and function as a greenhouse and includes wood furnishings and a fireplace. The company partnered with RODE Architects in the expansion project.

Since its opening in 2016, Dorchester Brewery has had success, drawing customers from Dorchester, Greater Boston, and around the state to its craft-beer bar and brewery on Massachusetts Ave.

“Now we’re at about a nine to ten thousand square-foot taproom, which is kind of crazy,” said Malloy.

The folks at the facility have always had expansion in the back of their minds. Malloy said that the team intentionally left space open for it when they began initial building in 2016. A little over a year ago, the team started thinking seriously about what kind of build-out would work best for the community and began construction in early April last year.

“When the tap room opened up three-and-a-half years ago, we kind of knew then that if we could get people to come to Dorchester, we were going to expand. We had nothing but amazing support from the com-



The expansion brings more space for games like pinball and shuffleboard.

Dorchester Brewing Co. photo

munity, and from all the towns around Boston,” he said.

According to Malloy, much of the inspiration for the expansion came directly out of feedback that the DBCo staff heard from their customers and neighbors.

“People love the communal aspect of it here, and we were hearing people say that it would be great if they could get food here, or if there was more deck space outdoors,” said Malloy. “Sitting outside on Mass. Ave in the summer is fun, but if it could be a couple of floors up, overlooking the city, would that be much better? A lot of us who work here are Dorchester residents and we said ‘Let’s just do it.’”

“A lot of local people were involved in this process. For example, my neighbor, Gary Bar-

somian, did a lot of the woodwork, all of the tables, bars, the beautiful woodwork that you see upstairs. We tried to buy local as much as possible,” said Malloy.

“We’re really trying to incorporate what a brewery is all about, which is the local community and using our own resources. We want to reflect community so much so that our restaurant partner is Geo from M&M ribs.” M&M BBQ, which will operate out of the floor level at DBCo, is a local standby that made its name selling ribs from a food truck that has trundled down the streets of Dorchester and Roxbury for decades.

HELP WANTED

Boston Chinatown Neighborhood Center(BCNC), an innovative and family centered provider of services to the Asian and new immigrant communities is seeking a new Chief Executive Officer to take the organizations to its next level. Experienced and mission-driven leader, manager, and communicator desired to join this dynamic organization. Must be knowledgeable of the needs of the Asian and new immigrant communities. See www.bcnc.net <http://www.bcnc.net>.

Send cover and resume to Susan Barry, EgmontAssociates, sbarry@egmontassociates.com

Founded by Marion and Maurice Hill in 1982, M&M is now operated by their grandson, Geo Lambert, who took over the business ten years ago. The brewery-based restaurant, the business’s first brick-and-mortar operation, will officially open with full menu service on Jan. 20.

Malloy was first inspired by seeing the strong sense of community that breweries create and provide space for when he was in Munich, Germany. “While I was building companies globally, I thought, ‘I live in Dorchester. Why can’t I do something local for

my community?’ It really came out of that, I had that ‘aha’ moment in Munich,” he said.

From that epiphany, he teamed up with partners Todd Charbonneau, Travis Lee, and Holly Irgens to co-found Dorchester Brewing. “We were looking for the perfect place in Dorchester to do world-class manufacturing, but also create a space where the community could come and enjoy beer,” said Malloy, “I’ve never been happier. I see all of my neighbors, I’m part of my community, and that is the thing that is just so magical to me.”



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BGCD Keystone Club Participates in Highland Philanthropy Initiative:
See details below.

CONNECT THE DOT:

BGCD Keystone Club Participates in Highland Philanthropy Initiative: Members of the Keystone Club were chosen to participate in the Highland Street Foundation's Youth Philanthropy Initiative.

As part of the program members learn about the importance of philanthropy in giving to those in need. They were tasked with choosing a non-profit outside of the Club to make a donation. This year, the members selected Hope & Comfort, an organization that provides hygiene essentials to those in need.

Congratulations to Hope & Comfort from all of us at Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester. Thanks to the Highland Street Foundation for making this program opportunity available to our members.

FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE:

BGCD Performing Arts Programs
Host Recital: The various dance groups at BGCD combined with the baton program to host a recital for family, friends, members and staff just before the holiday break at our Walter Denney Youth Center site.

Members performed a variety of routines they had been working on throughout Fall programs which began in September. Thanks to all of the parents and family members who made it out to see the members perform and congratulations to all of the members on an amazing performance.

For more information on the Dance program please contact Shannon Zarnoch at szarnoch@bgcdorchester.org. For more information on Baton programming, please contact Arts Director Katy Farrar at kfarrar@bgcdorchester.org.

BGCD Performing Arts Programs Host Recital: See details below.

DID YOU KNOW:

BGCD Keystone Club Volunteers at Christmas in the City: Members of the Keystone Club at Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester volunteered at this year's Christmas in the City event.

Christmas in the City is a volunteer, non-profit organization that is dedicated to helping relieve the impact of homelessness and poverty on Boston-area children and their families.

Our teens helped move toys for wrapping and also prepped backpacks to be filled with special items for the holidays to go to children in need and their families.

Congratulations to our friends at Christmas in the City on another great event! The work that you do for Boston's children and families is vital to helping our city.

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Elevate Youth Enrichment
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January 9

Marr-lin Swim Team Hosts Chelsea BGC January 10

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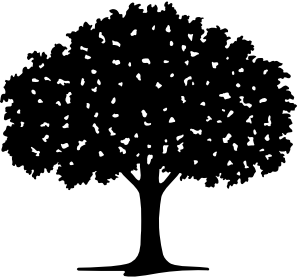
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INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE**
Docket No. SU19P2676EA
ESTATE OF:
JOSEPH T. RYAN, JR.
DATE OF DEATH: October 25, 2019
SUFFOLK DIVISION

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Steven J. Ryan of Salem, MA. Steven J. Ryan of Salem, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

Published: January 9, 2020

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE & FAMILY COURT
SUFFOLK DIVISION
24 NEW CHARDON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02114
Docket No. SU19D0555DR
DIVORCE SUMMONS
BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
BERTHA BARRY
vs.
MAMADOU BARRY**

To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown. The Complaint is on file at the Court. An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: Bertha Barry, 39 Everett St., Allston, MA 02134 your answer, if any, on or before **02/24/2020**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: December 27, 2019
Felix D. Arroyo
Register of Probate
Published: January 9, 2020

CZECHOWSKI, Michael J., 91, of Malden. Husband of Lillian (Wishoski) Czechowski. Father of Paul M. Czechowski of Malden. Brother of Loretta Keen of Florida and the late Edward and Irene Czechowski. He is also survived by several nieces, nephews and cousins. Michael was raised and educated in Dorchester. For many years he was the Bar Manager at the former Mike’s Café on Highland Avenue in Malden. He was a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Elks Lodge, the Eagles Club and the Knights of Columbus, all in Malden. He was also a member of the Polish Krakowiak Dance Club in Dorchester. Donations in his memory may be made to St. Vincent DePaul Society, 8 Summer St., Woburn, MA 01801.

DWYER, Ruth F. (Martin), formerly of Dorchester. Wife of the late Sydney B. Dwyer. Mother of Charles S.

Dwyer and wife Joan of Weymouth and Marion L. Neville and husband Robert of Abington. Sister of the late Charles Martin. Ruth is also survived by three grandchildren, Kathleen and Charles Dwyer, Jr. and Scott Neville, and two great-grandchildren Sara and Christopher.

FLANAGAN, Patricia A. (Rowan), 86, of Cambridge, formerly of Braintree and Dorchester. Patricia was born in Dorchester to the late Michael and Bridget “Anne” (O’Hara) Rowan. She was raised and educated in Dorchester. Patsy was a graduate of Gate of Heaven High School and went on to attend Boston Business School where she completed her secretarial training. Patricia was employed as an administrative assistant at the Department of Labor for twenty years and had been retired since 2000. Wife of the late David W. Flanagan. Mother of Anne E. Flanagan Fitzsimons of Dublin, Ireland and Maura M. Flanagan of Bethesda, MD. Grandmother of Pamela E. Fitzsimons. One of seven siblings, she was the sister of Kathleen Rowan, Elaine Rowan, both of Dorchester, and was predeceased by William Rowan, Paul Rowan, Maureen Rowan, and John Rowan. For those who wish, donations in Patricia’s memory may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association, 309 Waverley Oaks Road, Waltham, MA 02452.

GARLAND, Edna M. (Graham) of Dorchester, passed away peacefully. Mother of Robert E. Garland and his wife Nancy J. of Quincy, Steven T. Garland and his wife AnnMarie of Plymouth, John E. Garland and his wife Michelle L. of Quincy, and Edward F. Garland and his wife Kristin M. of Weymouth. Sister of Robert Graham, Patricia McCarthy, and Sheila Sheehan. Daughter of the late Oswald and Mary

Graham. Grandmother of 12 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. Also survived my many nieces, nephews, and friends. Edna was a longtime employee of Suffolk County Superior Court in the Civil Division. Donations may be made in Edna’s memory to the Massachusetts Fallen Heroes Fund.

KEEFE, Mary E. (Dever) of East Falmouth, 91. She was the wife of the late Donald Keefe for 57 years. Mary was predeceased by her parents, Joseph and Mary Dever and her brother, Edward J. Dever of Quincy. She is survived by her sons, Michael and his wife Linda of Colorado, Daniel of Middleborough, Timothy and his wife Marsha of Dedham, Peter and his wife Carol of Yarmouth Port, her daughter Carolyn of Middleborough, and her grandchildren, Lucia, Cameron, Braley, Paige, Brendon, Peter, and Kyle.

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THE TRIAL COURT
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Suffolk Probate & Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU19P2819EA
ESTATE OF:
ODELL HOCKETT
DATE OF DEATH: 09/12/2019**

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of **02/06/2020**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: December 26, 2019
Felix D. Arroyo
Register of Probate
Published: January 9, 2020

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Probate & Family Court
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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU11P0830EA
ESTATE OF:
BETTIE JEAN GRAHAM
DATE OF DEATH: 10/21/1991**

To all interested persons:
A petition for S/A - Formal Adjudication of Intestacy has been filed by Kim Jenetta Williams of Virginia Beach, VA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Kim Jenetta Williams of Virginia Beach, VA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

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You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of **01/23/2020**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: December 13, 2019
Felix D. Arroyo
Register of Probate
Published: January 9, 2020, 2019

Neighborhood Notables

(Continued from page 14)

POPE’S HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.
Neighborhood E-Mail Alert system. PHNA meetings, usually the fourth Wed. of the month at the Leahy/Holloran Community Center at 7 p.m.

PORT NORFOLK CIVIC ASSOC.
Meetings the third Tuesday of the month at the Port Norfolk Yacht Club, 7 p.m. Info: 617-825-5225.

ST. MARK’S AREA CIVIC ASSOC.
Meetings held the last Tues. of the month in the lower hall of St. Mark’s Church, at 7 p.m. Info: smacadot@msn.com.

WEST SELDEN ST. & VICINITY ASSOC.
West Selden St. & Vicinity Neighborhood Association meets on the fourth Monday of each month — except on holidays— at 6:30 p.m. at the Economy Plumbing Training Facility, 875 Morton St., Mattapan. See wssvna.org for more.

FRIENDS OF RONAN PARK
Meetings are held from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Bowdoin St. Health Center. Send donations to keep the park beautiful to: Friends of Ronan Park, P.O. Box 220252, Dor., 02122.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
Redberry Council #107, Columbus Council #116, and Lower Mills Council #180 merged into a new Dorchester Council #107, with meetings held the second Wed. of each month at St. Mark’s VFW Post, 69 Bailey St. at 7 p.m. Info: contact Mike Flynn at 617-288-7663.

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FIELDS CORNER MAIN STREET
Meeting at the Fields Corner Business Lab, 1452 Dorchester Ave., fourth floor.

MILTON-QUINCY CONGREGATION
The new name: Congregation Beth Shalom of the Blue Hills. Worship services at 18 Shoolman Way (off Lodge St.), Milton, email: office@BethShalom-BlueHills.org, website: BethShalomBlueHills.org.

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Piano, guitar, violin, and viola lessons are now available. See the flyers at the rear door of the church. The 9 a.m. Mass from Thursday to Saturday will be celebrated at St. Ann Church.

William F. Devin, at 81; Fidelity stalwart, philanthropist, family man

William “Bill” Francis Devin, of Braintree and Nantucket, passed away peacefully in his home on Thurs., Jan. 2. He was 81 years old. The son of the late William H. and Madeline C. Devin, Bill was born in Boston and raised in Saint Gregory’s Parish in Dorchester. A graduate of Cathedral High School in Boston’s South End in 1956, he attended Stonehill College before serving in the United States Marine Corps.

Bill’s dry sense of humor, devotion to family and friends and passion for financial services were magnified by his enduring contributions through his work and goodwill. His life was one filled with love and achievement. He built a career in finance, academia, and philanthropy that spanned six decades across the Boston community.

Bill began his career in financial services at Estabrook & Co. and was later recruited by the national firm, Dempsey Tegeler & Co. His seminal career moment arrived in 1966 when the founder of Fidelity Management and Research (“FMR”) [today, part of parent company Fidelity], Mr. Edward C. Johnson II, invited him to join the company’s equity trading department. Bill became one of roughly 500 Fidelity



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employees at the time. As his wife, Susan, with whom he spent 55 loving years, recalls: “Joining Fidelity proved to be a turning point for Bill. FMR opened a door for him that he could not have imagined coming from the working-class city of Dorchester. Once given the chance, his commitment and work ethic did the rest.”

During his 30-year tenure, Bill served as vice president and head trader/manager in FMR’s equity trading department for portfolio managers including Peter Lynch and future CEO and chairman, Edward “Ned” Johnson III. He later became executive vice president of Fidelity Capital Markets before retiring from Fidelity in 1997.

Outside of Fidelity, Bill chaired the New York Stock Exchange’s Institutional Advisory Committee and served as

a member of its market performance committee. He served eight terms as vice chairman of the Boston Stock Exchange (“BSE”) and six years on the BSE’s board of governors. In 1983, he co-founded and chaired the National Organization of Investment Professionals (“NOIP”) to create a forum for the country’s equity trading professionals.

Following his retirement, Bill served on the boards of national financial service companies including Sun America Funds (2001-2019) and Valic Funds (2001-2019), which he had chaired since 2005. He also served as a director of the Boston Options Exchange (2001-2011).

Beyond his professional career, Bill supported charitable and educational causes such as Catholic Charities of Boston, the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, the Boys and Girls Club of Boston, Cathedral High School’s Adopt-A-Student Foundation, and, especially, the Thomas Durant, M.D. Fellowship for Refugee Medicine. For almost 20 years Bill, and many other generous men and women, have enabled healthcare professionals from Massachusetts General Hospital (“MGH”) to continue the work of Dr. Thomas Durant.

Bill had an extraordinary

dedication to his alma mater, Stonehill College—an affection that has been reciprocated many times by the school. He served on Stonehill’s Board of Trustees for over two decades, seven years of which as vice chairman. He led two comprehensive development campaigns, in addition to the 2012 presidential search committee. He and Susan established the William F. Devin Scholarship fund that continues to benefit Stonehill business students. He also established Stonehill’s successful stock picking competition—the “Devin Family Cup.”

In 1980, Stonehill presented Bill with the College’s Outstanding Achievement Award. In 2012, he was again acknowledged when he received an honorary Doctor of Business Administration degree from the school. And, for a third time, in 2015, Stonehill recognized Bill with its prestigious Genesis Award, which hailed him for showing “the kind of leadership that spurs others to action and moves an institution forward.”

Outside of the office, Bill spent his time golfing, boating, scalloping, and skiing until the age of 80. He was most passionate about golf, an active member of Wollaston Golf

Club and the Nantucket Golf Club, whose inaugural member-member tournament he won in 1997. For 23 years, Bill was among 16 American golfers known as the “Famous Grouse” who competed in an annual Ryder Cup-style format against a same-sized British squad called the “Low Flyers.”

Bill was proud of his Dorchester roots and his Irish heritage. He remained close to his “grammar school” friends from the Parish. He was an active member of Boston’s 136-year-old Clover Club, whose membership of influential politicians and businessmen of Boston has included the former mayor of Boston, John “Honey Fitz” Fitzgerald, and US House Speaker, Thomas “Tip” O’Neill.

Although his business success and charitable contributions were remarkable, Bill was a family man, and his most proud achievement was the love of family as a father and grandfather. His unyielding strength, his quick wit, and his zest for life will truly be his legacy. As stated by his children, Kathleen and Bill: “He took pride in his children and grandchildren. He was always there for us with encouragement and understanding. The example of caring for

each other that he and my mother set for us will be in our hearts forever.”

Bill leaves his loving wife Susan (McCarthy) Devin, whom he married in 1964, and their children, daughter Kathleen (Devin) Garvey, her husband Jerold, and their children, Caroline, Lily, and Anna, and son William Devin, Jr., his wife Renate, and their children, William “Charlie” Devin and Natalie Devin. He also leaves his brother Paul and his wife, Judy, as well as his sister-in-law, Ann Devin, the widow of his brother Robert “Bobby” Devin.

Bill’s funeral Mass was celebrated on Wed., Jan. 8, at St. Gregory’s Church, where he once served as an altar boy.

Burial followed in Cedar Grove Cemetery, Dorchester.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the William F. Devin Scholarship Fund, c/o Stonehill College Office of Development, 320 Washington St., Easton, MA 02357. To leave a sympathy message for the family, visit cartwrightfuneral.com. Mr. Devin’s funeral arrangements were made under the direction of the Cartwright Funeral Home, 845 Washington St., Braintree, which submitted this obituary to the Reporter.



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