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School board okays Mt. Vernon land lease BGCD facility planned for site; decision stirs dissent

By Katie Trojano REPORTER STAFF

After hours of public testimony from nearly 100 people, the Boston School Committee last week agreed to grant a 30-year lease of city-owned parcels along Mt. Vernon Street currently used as playing fields by the McCormack School to the Boys and Girls Club of Dorchester (BGCD) and the Martin Richard Foundation. The two organizations plan to build a \$30 million indoor sports facility and community center -named the Martin Richard Dorchester Field House, which would be operated by the BGCD.

BPS will now move forward with drafting the lease agreement. Under the proposal, whih continues to draw opposition, the building will house a turf field for soccer, lacrosse,

rugby, football, and other sports; an elevated, three-lane running and walking track; a fitness center with locker rooms, classrooms, and a nutrition center, and open space outside. While the building will be managed and programmed by the Boys and Girls Clubs, it will be fully accessible to the students at the neighboring McCormack-Dever campus.

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School plan

in limbo as

safety flares

By KATIE TROJANO

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Families got their first look at how a "hybrid" re-opening

for Boston Public Schools

could look like next month

when school officials publicly

released their draft plan last

week, days before a previous

deadline set by the Massachu-

setts Department of Elemen-

debate on

A pause in re-start as covid cases rise in spots

By MATT MURPHY STATE HOUSE **News Service**

Gov. Baker launched a new colored-coded system to label cities and towns based off the severity of their COVID-19 infection rates on Tuesday, initiating a targeted approach to virus containment that he said should help inform and guide the state, communities, and their residents in making decisions about how to contain the coronavirus's spread.

The state has identified 33 communities where it believes worrying trends in COVID-19 infection rates warrant intervention efforts, including four "red" cities - Chelsea, Everett, Lynn, and Revere - where residents are at the highest risk of becoming infected. A list of the other 29 communities flagged by the administration Tuesday was not available hours after the governor's press confer-

The number of active COV-ID-19 cases in Massachusetts

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Stephanie Everett, top right, spoke to members of the Ashmont-Adams Neighborhood Association during a rare, in-person "meet the candidates" event held by the group last week in the parking lot of a union hall. *Katie Trojano photo*

12th Suffolk hopefuls make pitches in person

By KATIE TROJANO REPORTER STAFF

The three candidates for the 12th Suffolk District House seat seized a rare opportunity to appeal to voters in person at an outdoor meet-and-greet hosted by the Ashmont Adams Neighborhood Association last Thursday.

About 20 neighbors gathered in the Plasterer's Union Hall parking lot on Minot Street to hear from Stephanie Everett, Jovan Lacet, and Brandy Fluker Oakley, the Democrats vying to replace Rep. Dan Cullinane, who announced earlier this year that he would not seek re-election.

Those in attendance wore masks and used beach chairs, positioning them just-so in keeping with social distancing requirements.

While the candidates had participated in several virtual town halls and online civic meetings, they had not appeared jointly in a live setting, instead campaigning without having much, if any, face-to-face contact with voters in the district, which includes parts of Dorchester, Mattapan, Hyde Park, and Milton.

Lacet spoke first and said he was running "to give a voice and also to advocate for a better quality of life for everybody in the 12th Suffolk District." He said he would work with fellow legislators, constituents, and stakeholders to "address some of the disparities and inequities"

The Mattapan-based attorney and former Boston Police officer, who had waged two unsuccessful campaigns (Continued on page 5)

tary Secondary Education (DESE). After calls Parochial for extensions from multiple school districts, DESE on Monday announceď

they've pushed back the deadline for school districts in the commonwealth to submit final reopening plans from Monday,

schools plan

for daily in-

class option

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Aug. 10 to Friday, Aug. 14. "Going back to school this year will not feel normal. But we do know one thing: We want to come to it with an asset lens and not a deficit lens," said BPS Superinten-dent Brenda Cassellius in a virtual press conference last Wednesday.

She added: "We're still putting some more meat on the bones as we talk to our teacher work groups that have been working since July to go more

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Kroc Center has reopened, though it never stopped serving the neighbors

By Daniel Sheehan REPORTER STAFF

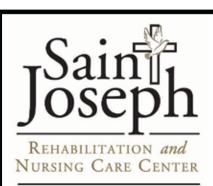
For years, the mantra of "soup, soap, and salvation" has summed up the extensive services that the Salvation Army offers to the community. During the pandemic thus far, the Army-run Kroc Community Center in Uphams Corner has demonstrated a steadfast commitment to its core values through a "comprehensive" coordinated emergency response that continues to provide food, cleaning supplies, and spiritual and emotional support to its neighbors in need.

On Aug. 1, the center reopened its doors for restricted use of its health and fitness facility. But during the months when its doors were closed, the Uphams Corner community depended heavily on the institution, which redoubled its efforts on doing what it

"There's a saying, 'When the country is at its worst, the Army is at its best," said Chris Sumner, chief operations executive for the center. "We have a history of distributing food in times of emergency, and we have archives of responses to look at.

"Sandy, Katrina – you look at any disaster that's hit this country and we've been there. This is in our wheelhouse. It's

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Kroc Center's Chris Sumner.

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Police, Courts & Fire

A death by gun on Hazelton Street – A 26-year-old man was shot dead last Thursday morning near the corner of Hazelton Street and Blue Hill Avenue in Mattapan. The victim, later identified as Lovenson Pierre of Quincy, was pronounced dead at the scene by Boston EMS. Police were called to the intersection for a report of shots fired around 9:09 a.m., according to a police report. There have been no arrests reported. Boston Police have asked anyone with information to contact homicide detectives at 617-343-4470.

Bailed out in July; charged with rape in August – Boston Police and the Suffolk County District Attorney's office report the arrest last week of a recently bailed Level 3 sex offender on charges that raped at knifepoint a woman he had met in Quincy and taken to Dorchester.

Shawn McClinton, 39, had been released on

\$15,000 bail on July 15 after more than two years in jail while awaiting charges of aggravated rape (two counts), assault and battery, and a kidnapping for an incident in 2018. He was released after the Massachusetts Bail Fund put up his bail, the DA's office reports.

Authorities say McClinton and his victim met in Quincy on Tuesday night before driving to the area of Blue Hill Ave. and Wales

Street in Dorchester. According to the DA's office: "When the victim attempted to leave on Wednesday morning, McClinton allegedly held the her against her will and raped her at knifepoint. The victim suffered injuries, including lacerations and bruising, in the attack but was able to flee. A concerned passerby observed her injuries and called 911."

The DA's office reports that at his arraignment, a judge in Dorchester Municipal Court revoked his bail on the 2018 charges and ordered bail of \$250,000 on the new charges. In 2007, McClinton was sentenced to 8 to 10 years in state prison following his conviction for raping a woman in Fall River.

Police say McClinton is a Dorchester resident, although the Massachusetts Sexual Offender Registry Board lists him as homeless. DA Rachael Rollins expressed outrage at the bail fund, saying "the person they bailed out is a sexual predator that hurts and rapes women and children.

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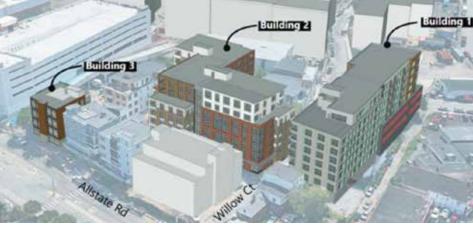
More apartments, condos, retail eyed for Allstate Road near South Bay

By Reporter Staff

A Boston developer has filed formal plans with the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) to build three buildings off of Allstate Road near South Bay that would also include 20,000 square feet of ground-floor retail space.

Adam Sarbaugh's plan calls for 236 condos and apartments - some of them "compact sized" - and what could be Dorchester's first "curbless way" designed to be shared by motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians.

The three buildings will sit atop what are now 13 lots along Willow, Baker, and Fields courts in an industrial area that developers in recent years have begun to transform into a more residential neighborhood. Sarbaugh is proposing just 59 parking



A rendering of the Sarbaugh proposal.

spaces for his Willow Baker development.

He is also proposing to turn one of the narrow streets, Baker Court, into a Dutch-style "woonerf" — a curbless way designed to be shared by motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians. Drop-off lanes would be built for ride-share cars.

The units would include 79 studios, 89 one-bedroom units, 57 two-bedroom units, and 11 three-bedroom units. About 70 of the units would fall under the city's "compact living" pilot project, in which developers get to build apartments smaller than normally allowed under city zoning on the theory that they can be rented for less.

Two of the buildings

would be seven stories, the third, four stories. Sarbaugh says the buildings would bring benefits even for people who don't live in them. In addition to the "woonerf," he says, as part of the project, he would replace current utility poles with underground conduits, add widened sidewalks, build a small park, and plant trees.

Pitched for Dot Ave. near Ashmont: 28-unit building, no parking

Kennedy filed plans with the BPDA on Monday for a 5-story, 28unit residential building with ground-floor retail space at 1813 Dorchester Ave., across from Edwin Street, a few blocks north of the Ashmont T station. The first new development proposal along the avenue since the start of the pandemic, its cost

The developer Mark has been put at \$8.5 million.

In his filing, Kennedy wrote: "The project will not include accessory off-street parking owing to its close proximity to public transportation. Rather, the ground floor will contain two separate retail units, a gym or similar amenity space for residents, with an outdoor patio, a spacious

bicycle storage room ..."

The building would replace a warehouse that now sits on the site. It would have 19 twobedroom apartments and 9 one-bedroom units. Four of the units would be rented as affordable. Construction is envisioned in late 2021, with occupancy in late 2022.

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A segment of the 1813 Dot Ave. proposal.

Early voting in city will begin on Aug. 22 Ave., Mattapan, on Thurs., Aug. 27, from 12 p.m.

Voters who want to cast their ballot in the state primary before the Sept. 1 election date can choose from multiple locations in the city of Boston beginning on Sat., Aug. 22. Early voting will be available from that Saturday through Fri., Aug. 28 on certain dates and times in several locations in Dorchester and Mattapan:

• Richard J. Murphy School Cafeteria, 1 Worrell St., Dorchester, on Sat. and Sun., Aug. 22-23, from

 BCYF Perkins Community Center/Lee School Gymnasium, 155 Talbot Ave., Dorchester, on Thurs., Aug. 27, from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. • Mildred Avenue School Gymnasium, 5 Mildred

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to 5 p.m.; Tues., Aug. 25 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Wed., Aug. 26 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thurs., Aug. 27 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Fri., Aug. 28 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Individuals can register to vote in the primary

• Boston City Hall on Mon., Aug. 24 from 9 a.m.

election in person at the Election Department in City Hall in Room 241, by mail, online, or through the Registry of Motor Vehicles by Aug. 22 at 8 p.m.

To be eligible to vote, an individual must be at least 18 years of age and a US citizen.

The deadline to request a vote-by-mail ballot is August 26. REPORTER STAFF

UPCOMING CIVIC MEETINGS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

Paving project on Gallivan— MassDOT will be conducting paving operations along a section of Gallivan Boulevard (Route 203) from West Selden Street to Wilmington on Sat., Aug. 15, from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The work will require temporary lane closures with some temporary detours of adjoining side streets. Appropriate signage. law enforcement details, and advance message boards will be in place to guide drivers through the work area. MassDOT encourages drivers to seek alternate routes, reduce speed, and use caution while approaching and traveling through the work zone. All scheduled work is weather dependent and may be impacted due to an emergency.

Rep. Liz Miranda will participate in a live Zoom forum on Mon. Aug. 17 from 5-6:30p.m. to discuss her re-election campaign. State House work and other issues important to constituents in her district, the Fifth Suffolk. The event is organized by Dorchester Bay EDC and the Fairmount Indigo CDC Collaborative. Bill Forry, editor and publisher of the Reporter, will moderate the event. For more information, contact Saba Ijadi at 617-533-9564. To join the call, go to http://bit.ly/3hGoHxQ.

Cannabis proposals to be vetted in

outreach meetings— A pair of statemandated "community outreach meetings" to scrutinize separate cannabis Northeast of the Border; Roberts related businesses hoping to set up shop in a commerical building at 43 Freeport St. will be held later this month. On Thurs., Aug. 20, a proposal by Erba C3 Dorchester LLC, which hopes to operate a cannabis retail store, will be held online from 6-8 p.m. On Mon., Aug. 24 from 6-8 p.m., a different proposal by a cannabis testing company— Assured Testing Lab, LLC— will get its own hearing online. The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services is facilitating both meetings. Contact Patrick Fandel at 617-635-4819 or patrick. fandel@boston.gov. Details about how to join each meeting is published in advertisements on page 16 of this week's

More Outdoor Dining with Food **Trucks** — In an attempt to assist small businesses that have been greatly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and to provide additional outdoor dining options for residents, Boston Mayor Martin Walsh last Friday announced a summer pilot program for the city's Food Truck program that includes 23 locations. including three in Dorchester, that will serve food from noon to 7 p.m. seven days

a week. The Dorchester locations, days and vendors are Hemenway Park, Thursdays, Playground on Mondays, Northeast of the Border; and Malibu Beach in Savin Hill on Mondays and Thursdays, Sufra. **Expansion of City Hall in-person services**

- Starting the week of July 23, Boston City Hall will be open to the public on Thursdays: bringing in-person services to 3 days a week, on a Tuesday, Thursday, Friday schedule. Services will remain by appointment, so people must call ahead to the relevant department. A good starting place is by calling 311.

On July 6, 97 youth meal sites opened through the City of Boston's Summer Eats **2020** program in partnership with Boston Children's Hospital. It provides nutritious breakfast and lunch at no cost to Boston vouth 18 and under during the summer months. No ID or registration is required. Unlike previous years where many youth meal sites were limited to participants in summer programming, this year all sites are open to all youth in the City of Boston. For locations and times, go to boston gov/ departments/food-access/summer-eats. Locations starting on July 6 include: BCYF Gallivan, 61 Woodruff Way, Mattapan, 10a.m.-2p.m.; BHA Franklin Field, 91

Ames St., Dorchester 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; Boston Latin Academt, 205 Townsend St., Dorchester, 8:30-11:30 a.m.; Bowdoin St. Health Center, 230 Bowdoin St., 10 a.m.-12 p.m.; Burke High, 60 Washington 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Starting on July 11: Codman Square Farmers Market, corner of Washington and Talbot, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. MBTA Codman Yard Expansion and Improvements Project— The MBTA Codman Yard Expansion and Improvements Project will expand Codman Yard, located in Dorchester by six tracks in order to accommodate the anticipated new and expanding Red Line vehicle fleet. The MBTA will be hosting a virtual public meeting on Thurs., Aug. 20 from 6-7 p.m. to inform the public of the project Register for the meeting at vpioutreach.com/codmanyardmeeting. Attendees will receive a link to join the For a copy of the project PowerPoint presentation please visit vpioutreach. com/codmanyard. To be mailed a hard copy of the project PowerPoint presentation in advance of the meeting, please call 857-288-8215.

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Catholic schools planning in-person learning with remote option

By Katie Trojano and Bill Forry Reporter Staff

Two Catholic schools in Dorchester will invite students to return to daily, in-classroom learning this fall, but will also offer hybrid and fully remote options to accommodate parents and children who do not want to attend in person.

St. John Paul II Catholic Academy plans to begin daily, in-person learning for grades K2-8 at its three campuses in Dorchester on Sept. 9, but will give students and their guardians the option to attend classes remotely as well. Catherine Brandley, the academy's regional director, said that based on parental surveys, she expects perhaps half of the school's enrolled students to attend classes in person.

The academy intends to begin its academic year for students in preschool, K-0 and K-1 on Sept. 14.

Each school building— Lower Mills, Columbia, and Neponset— will be equipped with plastic dividers on desks and will undergo rigorous cleaning daily, she said.

According to Brandley, about 50 percent of parents completed a survey this summer that probed opinions on reopening

the schools. About 52 percent of those who participated indicated that they would prefer to keep their children home and learning remotely. A "covid board" – which includes faculty, nurses, and principals – drafted three models, including the preferred "hybrid" plan.

"Our plan is to open five days a week in fall knowing that we won't have full classrooms," Brandley told the Reporter last week. "Every parent will have the opportunity to [learn] remotely if they want."

Students will not be penalized or marked "absent" as long as they are engaged in classes as scheduled and checking in. Each school is already equipped with Epson smart projectors, which will allow students learning from home to observe the classroom.

Teachers at the academy are being trained in Zoom and will be licensed to conduct virtual classes, she said. Students in grades 4-8 will be using Google classroom and the younger grades will use an online platform called See Saw.

"We'll have professional development. We have teachers who were better at remote learning and just ran with

the schools. About 52 percent of those who participated indicated that they would prefer to keep their children home and learning remotely. it. We are using them a bit to train other staff with three or four per campus coaching them around best practices," said Brandley.

The academy has also purchased plastic dividers that will be used on individual desks as an additional measure to protect against germ spread. A custodial company has been hired to "clean all day long and every night."

Brandley said that parents who decide to keep their child home on a given day will have that option. "I know parents are getting anxious, but we're going to be flexible," she said.

Maura Burke, principal of St. Brendan School on Rita Road, said all students will be invited back to the classroom on Aug. 31, but added that "we do have plans for a hybrid model and a remote learning plan that we could utilize if we need to. But we are not anticipating any change," Burke told the *Reporter* on Tuesday.

She said the results of a survey sent to parents indicate that almost all parents who responded were comfortable with sending their children into classrooms at the start of the year.

"Probably a little over one-third of our parents responded to the survey and 98 percent of them said they were okay with an in-person return," said Burke.

Everyone in the building will be required to follow state-mandated safety guidelines. All staff and students in grades 2-6 must wear masks, and those in pre-K and up are strongly encouraged but not required to wear face coverings.

Burke said that each room has been repurposed. "Students will be facing the same direction with at least 3 to 6 feet space in between, and

each classroom has a sanitation station," she said.

The bathrooms at St. Brendan's will be open to one individual at a time. Students must walk in one direction and maintain social distancing in the hallways and there will be restrictions on what kinds of things can be brought into school. All items must be washable.

"We're going to be utilizing outside space in a way that we never had before," said Burke, explaining that students will have time outside when they are allowed to take down their masks and social distance.

"There are a lot of little things, especially with the younger kids, that have been changed. But they've all been replaced with something else or another activity," she said, adding that the school has hired additional custodians to ramp up cleaning.

"Everybody wants what's best for their students and they also want to work in a safe environment. Collectively, we feel that we have created that environment," said Burke.



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12th Suffolk hopefuls make rare, in-person pitch to voters

(Continued from page 1) against Cullinane in the last two election cycles, pointed to his participation in several civic associations.

"You may want to say, 'Why Jovan?'" he said. "Í know about what's going on — the development, problems with the trolley system. I've built a relationship with the community and now I want to take it to the next level and advocate and work with you guys in a partnership."

Lacet asked members not to weigh endorsements heavily, a likely reference to the backings earned by Everett and Fluker Oakley, who have each notched a flurry of political, union, and other public nods in recent days.

"Listen to what your fellow constituents are saying when you're making your choice. Please do not listen to folks from other towns and those who are endorsing. Please listen to what your fellow constituents are saying," he said. Fluker Oakley, a for-

mer teacher and public defender in the Boston Municipal and Chelsea district courts, made her pitch next. After teaching in Baltimore, she developed an interest in public policy and eventually attended law school. She is now a practicing attorney and advocate for education reform.

"As someone who has studied policy, I know that our issues are interconnected," she told the small crowd. "While the State House tackles many issues, they often solve them one at a time, which doesn't recognize how our systems interact and interplay with one another.

committee that actually explores the interconnectedness of whatever bills are coming down the pipeline to make sure that they're actually speaking to one another," she said.

She added: "I have looked around our community and seen that because of COVID-19 these inequities that we know all too well have only been exacerbated. I want to make sure when I look around and see my neighbors, some who have had the deck stacked against them, that we work together to eradicate those barriers."

Everett, an attorney and Mattapan resident, ran unsuccessfully for the 12th Suffolk seat in 2013. She spent 12 years as a state employee, including as deputy chief of staff for state Sen. Sonia Chang-Diaz, who endorsed her candidacy last week [see below], and as chief of staff for the Department of Transitional Assistance.

"As a daughter of this community, I know the strength that this community has to offer. My dad spent 90 percent of my life in jail and my mom suffers from mental health issues to this day. I had two very unavailable parents, but this community never gave up on me," she said.

Everett said that issues worsened by the spread of COVID-19 motivated her want to run for the seat again.

"We are back at the point today where we are worried how we are going to pay our rent, get healthcare, and educate our children because of COVID-19," she said. "I want to make sure that at this time, all voices "I'd like to form a are at the table. When the kids first went out during quarantine, not every child had the same resources - internet laptops and those who have special needs were also not thought of in this virtual space. It took a very long time to get them situated."

Everett said she's ready to "go to work. We're going to have to talk about the environment, housing, education and racial equity. If we're going to move forward and really be better together, we're going to have to do that sitting at the table together and working on racial equity issues that will take a lot of listening, talking, and moving forward."

During a questionand-answer period, the candidates were asked about the MBTA trolley line which runs between Ashmont and Mattapan Square. Last year, the T announced a 10-yearplan to gradually phase out the existing fleet of PCC cars, which date to the 1940s. They will be replaced in piecemeal fashion by more modern "Type 9" trolley cars which are now in service on the Green Line.

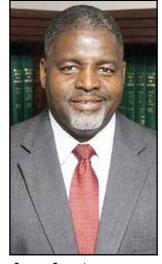
Everett and Fluker Oakley generally support the T plan. Lacet complained that the line seems to get "secondhand" vehicles after other communities have used them. "We have to

say no to that," he said. Fluker Oakley added that she would seek to be "innovative" in her transportation advocacy. "I'm in support of getting the type 9 [trolleys], but I also want to think about how we can be innovative. I don't think COVID-19 is the opportunity to do business as usual to advocate for things that we've always advocated for," she said. "I'm thinking about what it would mean if we also got the funding to actually extend the Red Line all the way through Mattapan.'



Stephanie Everett

The campaign in the 12th Suffolk has been one of the most competitive in the city. It will be decided after votes are tabulated on Sept. 1, the



Jovan Lacet

day of the state primary. Early voting begins at select locations across the city on Aug. 22 and many voters have opted for mail-in ballots amid



Brandy Fluker Oakley

the health emergency.

For updates on the 12th Suffolk race, see $DotNews.com\ and\ follow$ @DotNews on Twitter.



Chang-Diaz backs Everett, citing her life experience

State Sen. Sonia Chang-Diaz offered a strong endorsement of Stephanie Everett last week.

"Stephanie was on my very first State Senate staff, serving as deputy chief of staff when I came to Beacon Hill back in 2009 and since then she has gone on to help lead a state executive branch department, serve on city boards and commissions, and fight for her values as a mother, lawyer, and neighbor," the senator said in a statement.

With her experience travelling from being a homeless, single mother to the halls of Beacon Hill, Stephanie has a unique perspective and approach to policy-making that will make her a powerful advocate for the people of the 12th Suffolk District.

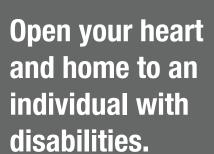
"I am extremely proud to endorse her for state representative."

Everett has also received endorsements from the Ward 17 Democratic Committee, the Boston Building Trades and Boston Carpenters unions, IBEW Local 103, and Pipefitters Local 537.

The past few weeks have also brought a slew of endorsements of Fluker Oakley. She has scored $endorsements\,from\,Boston\,City\,Councillor\,Annissa$ Essaibi-George, state Rep. Bill Driscoll, former state Rep. Royal Bolling Jr., and the state's leading pro-choice political group, NARAL Pro-Choice Massachusetts.

She also received notable endorsements from Rep. Chynah Tyler, Sunrise Boston and the Sierra Club, SEIU Local 509, Boston Teachers Union, and the Massachusetts Teachers Association.

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Charlie Titus, UMass Boston legend, reflects on a life and career devoted to community and athletics

By ED FORRY REPORTER STAFF

Tuesday, June 30, 2020, was the day that Charlie Titus returned to his post at UMass Boston for the last time. Since 1973, he had served in a variety of roles on the Harbor campus, and on his retirement day he was the vice chancellor for the Division of Athletics, Recreation, Special Projects and Programs.

In a tribute, UMass Boston's acting Chancellor Katherine Newman said,

"Charlie has been the face of UMass Boston athletics for nearly all of those years. Under his tutelage ... the Beacons have become a force to be reckoned with in NCAA Division III. He built an athletics program that regularly fields teams that now dominate many of the sports in the Little East Conference, one of the top D-III conferences in the country. In recent years alone, UMass Boston has sent two baseball teams to the World Series, a men's hockey team to the Frozen Four, and the women's volleyball teams have more championship rings than the Patriots. In 2018, the Women's Track team won the indoor and outdoor DIII National Championship. During Charlie's tenure, the Beacons have claimed seven national titles.

"UMass Boston has benefited from Charlie's many contributions and his reputation as a local legend in the New England sports community. The first UMass Boston men's basketball coach in 1974, Charlie led the Beacons on the court for 40 years. In 1980, he added the title of athletic director, and in 2004 became vice chancellor for the Division of Athletics and Recreation, Special Projects and Programs. In addition, in 1984 he called the first meeting of a select group of New England universities that led to the founding of the Little East Conference, and in 2012 he was in the inaugural class to be inducted into its Hall

of Fame." Charlie Titus's career, indeed, much of his life, was spent here in Dorchester. Born in Roxbury, he lived for ten years with his family in the housing project at Columbia Point before returning to Roxbury. He attended the Dever School on Columbia Point and went to high school at Boston Tech, where he played varsity basketball. His skills on the court led to a scholarship to Saint Michael's College in Winooski, Vermont, where he was a four-year varsity player. Summer vacations were spent working as a counselor at ABCD, the city's anti-poverty agency, and after college he worked full time running ABCD's summer job program.

It was during those years that he took a part-time job as men's basketball coach at UMass Boston, a move that began his long career at the campus on Columbia Point just a few hundred yards from his boyhood home.

Recently, in his first month in retirement, the Reporter's Ed Forry spoke with Titus by phone as he prepared to go out for a day of golf:

Q. How many years were you at UMB?

A. It was 40 years as full time and another six years. So, in total, 46 years.

Q. You spent part of your childhood living in Columbia Point?

A. We were there for ten years, from the time I was four. I was 14 years old, and I was starting to get into trouble and stuff. So my mother said, 'Gotta get out of here,' and she moved us to Roxbury and that changed my life.

Q. In high school at Boston Tech, did you play organized sports?

A. Football was my sport. My freshman year, I broke the fifth metatarsal bone in my foot. I was back before the Thanksgiving game. I played two games and I broke it again. That was in my left foot. My sophomore year, I broke the fifth metatarsal bone in my right foot. And the doctor said you have very big metatarsal bones, and you're just never going to be able to sustain it. So I had to quit football and I started playing basketball seriously my sophomore year.

Q. What position did you play in football?

A. Defensive end. I love to hit people. I love football.

Q. Did you become a football player on the basketball court?

A. Well, my sophomore year, my coach benched me, because, he said, basically you're going to hurt these guys out here. [laughing]. I said to him is it okay if I work out with the JV team to get myself under control. I want to learn how to play, and we'll see what happens. He said okay and I was on the JV team. The next summer I worked my butt off. I played basketball and worked out almost five hours a day. In my senior year I was a starter and I was good enough to get a scholarship to St. Michael's.

Q. Your friends always say you were very tall, even in high school. What was your height



Charlie Titus has been a pivotal figure at UMass Boston's Dorchester campus for four decades. He retired this summer.

Photo courtesy UMB

then?

A. I was six four in high school. I grew another two inches when I got to college.

Q. What were your thoughts when you first left Boston for Winooski, Vermont?

A. I wanted to come home. My first semester was very, very rough. I mean, it started snowing toward the end of October and when it snowed, it snowed and was cold.

I had my letter for my scholarship, and one of the coach's rule was that you couldn't ski because you can get hurt. I didn't know anything about skiing anyway.

The upperclassmen on the basketball team came and took all the freshmen – there were three of us – and said, 'We're going skiing.' And so I learned how to ski!

But you know, it was a cultural shock for me. I was in an all-white environment. I was in a school that had mostly kids from Connecticut, New Jersey, Massachusetts, and almost all came from fairly well-off families.

There were three Black students my freshman year. My roommate was one; he was the quarterback of the football team when I was on the basketball team. And then we had this guy who was from Nigeria, a junior when I got there; he was the star of the soccer team. And me. That was it.

It was great, and it was interesting. But then for the academics, it worked for me. It was a very nurturing environment on the campus. The professors took time with you. I felt really good relationships with a number of my professors. If I needed some extra help, I would go to their houses to study, have something to eat, hang out with their family, that kind of environment, you know.

Q. You found another home in Winooski?

A. Yeah, I did. And once basketball season started, I was focused on

that and got very comfortable. St. Michael's in those days was a really good basketball program. You didn't have Division II, III, and I in those days, you had small college. So we played a really good schedule. We played UMass [Amherst] when Dr. J [Julius Erving] was there. We played Holy Cross. We played Boston College. We played DePaul. We played Jacksonville. We played a lot of really good schools.

Q. You played forward. Were you a scorer or a rebounder?

A. I was a rebounder. We had a bunch of scorers on that team and I didn't have to score, and it wasn't important to me to score. I would get six, eight, ten points a game, but what was important for me was winning. And I think that's what they liked about me; I'd do anything to win.

Q. What kind of seasons did the team have? You were playing tough opponents.

A. My first year we had a really good season. The best game I had that year was against Dartmouth. I think I had 18 points and 10 rebounds — a double double. It was a really good day for me. We went down my sophomore year, we had a good season in my junior year, but in the senior year, we struggled.

My basketball career became very real to me when we played UMass and I played against Dr. J. Everything came into perspective about how could you get to the next level. He was absolutely amazing. You know, it was one thing to watch him play, it was another thing to be on the court with him. And so I felt like I had a great education and I felt like I was preparing to really take on the world.

Q. You took your degree in 1972 and returned to Boston?

A. I had been working with ABCD in the summer during school. So when I graduated, they offered me a full-time job.

And I went right to work as the chief monitoring job developer for the summer program, Later, in 1973, I worked for Pat Jones at Lena Park developing a program for youth dealing with recreation, education, and job training, In '75, I got a call from John Drew [at ABCD] and he said, 'I want you to come back. If we don't have a highly accomplished person, we're going to get defunded'... So I said okay, and I went back and ran the program.

Q. It was around this time you began a part-time role with UMass?

A. In 1974, I became the part-time basketball coach at UMass. The chancellor at the time was very progressive and wanted an athletic program. They were still in the downtown campus before they moved to the Columbia Point, and he said 'when we move to the Harbor campus, I'm going to start a sports program right away.'

Q. The original plans for UMass Boston did not include athletics; is that where Kit Clark played

a role?

A. There was a plan to save money by not having sports facilities. Catherine Forbes Clark was on the board of trustees at the time, and she said, 'No, we need a sports facility, not only for our students but also for the community at large.' So she saved the building right there. That's how it got built, and it opened in 1980.

In 1979, the chancellor asked me to be a consultant with finishing the work at the Clark Center. I told him I didn't know anything about building an athletic facility. He said, 'You can read, can't you?' So I left ABCD.

The first time I looked [at the layout] there was just some common sense stuff that just didn't make sense. I'll give you an example: This was an athletic facility and not one shower was above six feet. I'm like, 'Who do you guys think is going to use

this facility?

Q. You became athletic director in 1980, and over the years, you were also the basketball coach, and eventually a vice chancellor.

A. Part of leadership to me is learning about people and giving them the space to do what they do and facilitating their success. That's what I believe. I didn't want to be anybody's boss. But I was fortunate to work with the people I've worked with. And while people give me credit for building a program, there were so many hands in that.

Q. Under your leadership, UMB now has 18 intercollegiate sports programs. What is your favorite memory of your years at UMass Boston?

A. That's a very difficult question. We've had so many magnificent moments I don't know if I can pick one. Going to the Frozen Four with our hockey team about six years ago was an unbelievable experience. We ended up No. 2 in the nation, and we lost the national championship in overtime by a crazy goal. I'll never forget that. The whole experience was just unbelievable.

But getting to a first conference championship in basketball when my son was the point guard – and the most outstanding player in that tournament— is a special moment. You get a chance to coach your son, and he's the most outstanding player. It was just unbelievable.

I could go on and on. There was the group that established the sports leadership program that was my dream and my vision going back 20 years and I worked on it and worked on it. When [J. Keith] Motley finally got to be chancellor, he was interested in it, and other deans got interested in it. And then we did some fundraising and we got \$5 million for the program. Last fall was the first class. That's a partnership with the School of Education and the Division of Athletics and Recreation, which is an unusual partnership. You won't find that at a lot of colleges. But I think that was critical. And that was part of what I was able to do as a vice chancellor.

My first trip to Africa, for a sports camp, a basketball camp, and the work that was done in Africa for 20 years is so special to me. The university was supportive of that, and we developed partnerships with universities there. It also gave me a chance to travel throughout the west of Africa.

Ed Forry is the cofounder of the Reporter.

Reporter's People

News about people in and around our Neighborhoods

Coppens Square rehab 'reveal' is set for meeting next Tuesday By Daniel Sheehan Following the meet- has been inactive since

REPORTER STAFF

Finalized renovation plans for Coppens Square, a small green space on Meetinghouse Hill between Bowdoin and Adams Street, will be made public at a virtual community meeting to be held next Tuesday (Aug. 18) from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The event will mark the latest step in a nearly four-year planning process for a project that Ed Cook, president of the Friends of Coppens Square (FOCS), called "painfully slow, but not without successes."

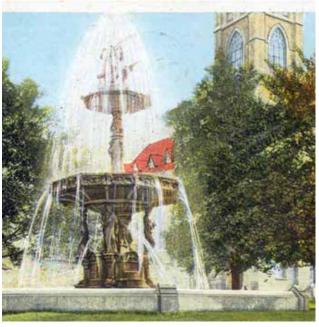
ing, the project will be designated as "shovelready," a status that will add it to the capital budget next year and provide improved opportunities for other funding.

Coppens Square was originally the site of an ornate, 26-foot tall fountain known as Lvman Fountain, which was built in the mid-19th century in honor of **Boston Mayor Theodore** Lyman, Jr., who started the city's first campaign for a clean water system. It was later replaced by a smaller fountain that

the 1970s. Cook's efforts to get the fountain's water flowing again date back to a 2014 column in the Reporter. FOCS was awarded a \$100K grant from Boston's Community Preservation Committee in April 2019. The funding was used by the Parks and Recreation Department to hire CBA, a landscape architect firm based in Cambridge. Over the past year, Parks and Rec project manager Nathan Frazee has worked with CBA and the Friends group to develop a final plan that includes a facelift to the square and a design for a new fountain.

Cook described the plan as "thorough, professional, and elegant."

Next Tuesday's webinar will include presentations by Frazee and CBA. Translation services will be available and can be arranged by contacting nathan.frazee@ boston.gov. The virtual meeting can be accessed at boston.gov/calendar/ coppens-square-community-briefing.



An early 20th century postcard depicts the fountain as it once appeared in Coppens Square.

Image courtesy Earl Taylor/DHS

In forum with Rep. Pressley, students advise against in-class return

By Katie Trojano REPORTER STAFF

Students voiced concerns about returning to classrooms inside school buildings last week during a Zoom forum moderated by US Rep. Ayanna Pressley. The "Students Speak" forum was held just two days before Pressley herself called for Massachusetts schools to reopen in remote learning mode on Friday.

In a statement, Pressley said that schools "are not equipped with the resources, equipment, classroom facilities and staff necessary to safely reopen for in person courses." She added that the coming weeks should be used "to plan for equitable remote learning scenarios while we work to stabilize the public health crisis and get our schools the resources and support they would need to safely open."

Many of the students who spoke on the Zoom expressed similar feelings.

Cheyenne Brown, a middle school student at St. John Paul II Catholic Academy in Lower

Mills, told Presslev that although she thought in-person learning would be "better,' the possibility of returning to a classroom is still frightening.

"I feel as though it would be scary going back to school in person because of interactions and dealing with people who don't take it as seriously as they should," she said. "I think it would be best to stay home even with all of the precautions that the school is providing."

Many students said that family members or friends had contracted the virus, with Brown noting that she had experienced a lot of anxiety when her brother tested positive for

"It made me feel sad. I cried a lot, but then I heard he was getting better and he was off quarantine. I prayed for him and it got better," she said. Adam Gould, a rising sopho-

more at Cambridge Rindge Latin School, told of losing his grandfather to the virus. "My grandpa moved in with us and we were taking care of him, but he eventually passed away. It was a shock." he said.

Chris Hopkins, a freshman at Somerville High, has struggled to adjust from the loss of structure when school learning went remote, but he said he eventually found new creative outlets.

"It's a lot more of just straight doling through it; with school there's a lot of different things filling up your time, but now it's just 'here's another assignment," said Hopkins.

He said that the logistics of the hybrid model, which would include a rotating schedule moving groups of students in and out of school buildings on certain days, seemed confusing.

"I don't personally understand how hybrid classes would work if we're using the same building. Cleaning an entire school building seems like a very difficult thing," he said.

Emmanuelly Fernandes, a recent graduate of Everett High School, said that "teachers were more flexible" during online learning, but that the initial adjustment was difficult for her.

"It's all been so unpredictable. I had to adjust and get used to doing all my school work online without having my teachers and friends helping me every day," she said.

Jasmine Jovel, a recent graduate of Chelsea High School, noted that many of her teachers were considerate of the unique challenges their students faced.

"A lot of teachers were very involved in understanding students' lifestyles. They were aware that a lot of students had to go to work, or were caregivers to grandparents. I was fortunate enough to have teachers who understood it was difficult and there was easy communication," she said.

Jovel said that "a good 75 percent" of her peers have either had to stay at home and care for family members and/or held jobs as essential workers. She called a full return to campus in the fall

"scary because I know people who have gotten the virus even while always wearing the mask and washing their hands. No matter how safe you're trying to be, that there's still that chance that we could get the virus. People go home, go to work, and they interact with so many other people that we're not aware of.'

Kameela Blockman Briser, of Milton and a student at Brimmer and May, suggested that "larger schools should do online learning," and said a return to classroom learning should "depend on how many faculty and kids are inside the school.'

Pressley told the students that their input would inform her advocacy on school reopening policies.

"I'm so impressed with all of you... These challenges are certainly real for all students across my district, as you all have shown today. It really is on all of us to make sure that your voices are heard and listened to," she said.

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DORCHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY The Sturtevant Mill Company

The following is from sturtevantinc.com/about: Thomas L. Sturtevant recognized the need for mechanization in the fertilizer industry and founded the Sturtevant Mill Company in the state of Maine in 1883. His first unit was Rock Emery Mill. Not long before the turn of the [20th] century, the company moved to Dorchester, Mass., where it remained until 1998 when it moved to its current location in Hanover, Mass.

It was an idea ahead of its time.

In an effort to limit human exposure to harmful fumes and acids common to the process involved in the manufacture of fertilizers, Mr. Sturtevant designed the Mechanical Den and Excavator, a machine that would revolutionize the batch processing of super phosphate.

In the early 1900s, the Company advanced designs for crushing and grinding, blending and mixing, and related materials-handling equipment. A venture into the automotive field began in 1904 when T. J. Sturtevant designed an automatic transmission. Together with the Sturtevant-designed internal combustion, automatic lubrication, vacuum brakes, and a body manufactured by another firm, the Sturtevant Automatic Automobile, the world's first automatic, was marketed for upwards of \$6,000.

Further engineering skill led to the development of the Air Separator. At this same time, the science of cement manufacture was evolving. In 1930, a contest between Sturtevant and another manufacturer for the favor of a major cement pro-



The Sturtevant Mill Company building at the corner of Park and Clayton Streets. Inset: Thomas L. Sturtevant. Photos courtesy DHS

ducer proved the Sturtevant unit superior. For the next several decades, the "Closed Circuit" method of making cement was dominant, and the Sturtevant Air Separators helped lead the way.

During World War II, Sturtevant participated in the defense effort by making parts for local naval vards. In addition, Sturtevant was given high priority to secure materials for the manufacture of its equipment for use in the chemical industry. In the post-war era, the cement industry grew continually, calling for more Air Separators.

In the later 1950s, massive reconstruction an expansion in that industry caused Sturtevant to work at a feverish pace to meet the demands of its

During the 1930s, Sturtevant had introduced an ultrafine grinder, the Micronizer®. This fluid energy mill opened up many new and promising markets. The same decade saw the development of two more pulverizers, which were intermediate to the older crushers and the Micronizer®, representing a relatively new concept of fine grinding by impact.

In 1972, Sturtevant acquired the North Attleboro Foundry, in North Attleboro, Massachusetts.

The tradition of family management has been maintained at Sturtevant, Inc. from its inception to the present. T. L. Sturtevant was its manager from its founding to 1920, followed by his son, Laurance H. Sturtevant, whose grandson, William Sturtevant English, has occupied the position of the chairman of the board since the death of his father, Clayton F. English, in 1978. The company is headquartered in Hanover."

Note: The family is not involved with the B. F. Sturtevant Company that had a plant in Hyde Park.

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Editorial

New names, same faith at Catholic parishes

Catholic church-goers in Dorchester and Mattapan received some breaking news from the altar over the weekend. In Neponset, the longtime parishes of St. Ann and St. Brendan were united into a single entity, effective Aug. 1. Each church building will maintain its identity, but the archdiocese required that the newly minted parish carry a new name.

After fielding nominations from the faithful in early July - an effort that generated dozens of options – an online survey was held to narrow the choices to a top three for Cardinal Sean O'Malley, who made the final call. Roughly 300 people participated in the rank-voting survey.

This weekend, church-goers in Neponset learned that they are now members of St. Martin de Porres parish, commemorating a 16th century Dominican brother who was canonized in 1962. A similar process was held to pick a new name for the merger of St. Angela in Mattapan and St. Matthew in Dorchester, two largely Black, Haitian congregations that will now be known as Our Lady of Mount Carmel parish.

Both names — St. Martin de Porres and Our Lady of Mount Carmel— are meaningful to the people who attend Mass and receive sacraments at the four churches.

St. Martin de Porres Velázquez is the patron saint of mixed-race people and racial harmony, the Peruvian-born son of a Spanish nobleman and a Black mother who was a freed slave. He is also the patron saint of health workers.

Fr. Brian Clary, the pastor at the Neponset parish, had this to say about the choice: "In a time of pandemic, we honor St. Martin, who is patron of public health workers; in a time of intrinsic racial awareness; in a time of economic uncertainly for so many, St. Martin was in poverty his whole life. St. Martin was a voice of faith, humility, unity, equality and charity. He is the saint of our time and we get to honor him.'

Our Lady of Mount Carmel is a reference to the home of the Carmelites in the Holy Land who took Mary, the mother of Jesus, as their patroness. This incarnation of the Blessed Mother resonates strongly in the Catholic Haitian community. In Haiti, Our Lady of Carmel is believed by many of the faithful to have appeared in a 19th century apparition at a spectacular waterfall called Saut d'Eaut (pronounced So-do). Many Haitian believers make a pilgrimage to the site for a festival each July, bathing and baptizing new members of the faith in the waters of Saut d'Eaut.

Dorchester, which has had a significant Catholic presence since the 1860s, has seen other parish communities come and go: St. William, St. Kevin, St. Leo. Thriving centers of worship and learning in the first-half of the 20th century, all three belong to the ages or are used by other denominations. Others, like St. Margaret on Columbia Road, maintain their name within the context of the church building, but are under the umbrella of a different parish name. (In the case of St. Margaret, the church is part of Blessed Mother Teresa parish.)

The old St. Paul church— where I was married in 2000— was re-cast as Holy Family Parish in the 1990s, when it merged with Uphams Corner's St. Kevin's congregation, which was demolished to clear the way for new housing — called Uphams Crossing— in 2015.

In Neponset and Mattapan today, it will no doubt take time for Catholics - whether they are devout or more lax in their attendance and beliefs-to embrace new names. But it's not the first time— and it's not likely to be the last time— that the ebb and flow of demographics and faith has neccesitated change. It's the very nature of an always evolving, dynamic city neighborhood.

- Bill Forry

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Commentary

Field house foes are on the wrong track; facility is all about social justice, equity

By Frank Baker

The Boys and Girls Club of Dorchester (BGCD) Field House project on Mt. Vernon Street has become a contentious issue. This was made clear by the vote last week to approve the plan to move forward. Local papers called this Boston School Committee vote one of the "most divided votes in years."

I support this initiative. It's more than a project. It is a critical piece of an effort to revitalize that area and give hope, education, nutrition, and good fitness to underprivileged kids. Proper protocols have been followed. Public comment was considered. The process will adhere to Article 80.

Now approved, this new field house will stand as a facility that no other school around the area has. One of the best facilities in Boston. So why is this contentious? This is not just opposition. It is hyper-advocacy that is uninformed and meant to perpetuate a false narrative. And it is out of bounds.

Accusations that this project will hurt kids of color and rob them of a "valuable" outdoor athletic field are untrue, baseless, and founded mostly in a stirred-up false narrative pushed by people with political agendas.

This will be a state-of-the-art indoor facility, and as Covid hopefully subsides in the coming months, kids will need indoor facilities. This is Boston. Not South Florida. Do kids and parents really want outdoor fields in January and February? I remember thinking about how worthwhile this project would be back in 2015 when we had 108 inches of snow during the winter and parks like this one were covered in snow until May.

At a public meeting three weeks ago, there was dissent and concern among some citizens about the facility. They are residents and the ones most affected by this process. And we respect these opinions. In the past year, there have been no fewer than 10 public meetings about this field house to listen to input and measure feedback.

This facility will have a turf field, an elevated running and walking track, classrooms, and a nutrition center, along with some open space outside. It will be fully accessible to the BPS students at the neighboring McCormack-Dever campus. This is what the combination of the new field house and the renovation of McCormack will bring to the community. And this is bad? A top-of-the-line facility for kids to get off the street and exercise, get nutrition,

and get help with school? I don't get it.

It is confounding to me that my peers on the City Council chose to politicize the issue and stay uniformed about how much this could help the community. They chose to not talk to the people pushing for this project. They could have called BGCD or the Martin Richard Foundation to ask questions and voice concerns. They didn't. They just went into hyper-advocacy mode. Someone else was wrong. They were right. The facts and the benefits be damned.

Here are the facts: BGCD and the Martin Richard Foundation submitted their plan for the field house to Boston Public Schools (BPS) last summer. They represented the sole response to the Request for Proposals (RFP). These are not clandestine, fly-by-night organizations. They have been around for years and they represent what is best about the city. Bob Scannell, who heads BGCD, has pursued this to provide an indoor recreation facility for city kids, particularly kids of color. And something Bob said to me the other day on the phone has stuck with me. He said: "This facility is a social justice and equity issue. The fact is that kids in the city most often get left out. Facilities like what we're trying to build here are typically in the suburbs. This one isn't. This is not a land grab. This is meant to help people. Period.'

He's right. BPS will continue to own the property. BGCD was awarded the lease, which will be written to ensure that all students benefit from this facility. The property has belonged, still belongs, and will always belong to BPS. How is that a land grab?

It's pretty sneaky and nefarious to not have conversations about this, but instead choose to grandstand and push a false narrative at the 11th hour. It is not a reflection of who we are as neighbors and fellow citizens. We're all in this together.

We need help from the community here. The opponents of this project have been given misinformation. They are not informed. To the people who voted no on this project and still fight it: Do the research. Sit down and talk. Participate. Make an informed decision. I swear we will convince you of the value of this project. I've been calling for more civil discourse for a long time now. We need it. This project is too important for any other approach.

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City Council.

Markey's leadership on climate sets him apart

By BRIAN CONCANNON, JR. SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

Massachusetts voters have a lot on our minds as we approach the Sept. 1 primary and November's general election: a pandemic, a struggling economy, and racial tension, among other things. But if we are going to take the long view, we should keep one issue, climate change, at the top of our mental list.

Climate change threatens our way of life in Boston and most everywhere else. Along with the harbor moving into low-lying areas, climate change will bring more heat waves, droughts, storms, economic crises, even more pandemics. But climate change also brings us an opportunity. We can use the crisis to reinvent our city, our country, and our economy to reduce the destruction of climate change while creating jobs and a more equitable economy that can lead the world through the 21st century.

The best hope for the United States seizing the opportunity of climate change is the Green New Deal, a package of legislation introduced last year that will, if enacted, transition the United States to 100 percent clean, renewable energy over ten years. This will require massive public infrastructure projects—like Franklin Roosevelt's original New Deal—which will generate millions of family-wage, union jobs. The Green New Deal provides for education and job training to help workers prepare for jobs in infrastructure and other areas of the new green economy.

Urban areas like Boston stand to gain the most. The Green New Deal prioritizes both projects and jobs in vulnerable and front-line communities, and we fit both categories. Cities bear a disproportionate burden of pollution from fossil fuels, so they will disproportionately enjoy improvements in health and well-being from less pollution. The Green New Deal promises to "promote justice and equity," especially for communities of color, migrant communities, the poor, and low-income workers.

The Green New Deal is ambitious, but avoiding the worst of climate change and seizing the opportunities ahead requires us to think big and move fast. President John F. Kennedy's observation that "there are risks and costs to action. But they are far less than the long-range risks of comfortable inaction" applies all too well to our climate predicament.

Massachusetts Sen. Ed Markey, who is running for re-election, is the lead author of the Green New Deal in the US Senate. His decades of experience leading on environmental issues in both houses of Congress and his seniority on the Senate's Environment and Public Works Committee make him uniquely able to realize the Green New Deal's promise.

US Rep. Joe Kennedy - President Kennedy's grand-nephew – is running against Markey in the September 1 primary. He also supports the Green New Deal and would vote for it if elected senator.

The primary race is close. The latest poll by JMC Analytics and Polling found Markey with a slight lead overall, with Kennedy claiming a small—two percent— advantage among those of us who are 55 or older. Most of those in that group were born before President Kennedy's assassination and are old enough to have been inspired by generations of Kennedy family public service, including the current Rep. Kennedy. We are also old enough that we will not personally experience the worst impacts of climate change.

Our children, grandchildren, and others under 55 are more likely to personally experience the worst of those impacts. They know that "comfortable inaction" - while new senators develop the skills and experience to replace Ed Markey's leadership - will allow climate change's destruction to advance inexorably. So, voters under 55 favor Markey by a whopping 17 percent, according to the JMC poll conducted July 29-30.

Markey's lead among the young and youngish is not decisive in the race, because the older cohort votes more than twice as much, so our priorities carry weight beyond our numbers. Younger voters should, of course, follow our example by voting more and telling their friends to vote. But the elders should follow the example of youth by looking ahead to the world we want to leave to our children and grandchildren.

We may find that the answer to "ask what you can do for your country" is to join the young people in voting for the promise of the Green New Deal and its Senate author on September 1.

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John Hume, a 'teacher,' used courage and audacity to deliver peace - and hope - to Northern Ireland

By Robert P. Connolly SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

During the years that I spent traveling to Northern Ireland writing about the bitter and violent Troubles and the peacemaking efforts aimed at bringing it all to an end, people would often theorize that time spent there must have been filled with angst and unease.

Wasn't it scary to be in Northern Ireland? The short answer is no, although there is an episode that comes to mind.

The year was 1993, the place was Derry, and John Hume was at the wheel, conducting a breakneck tour of the city, showing an American reporter the places where US companies like Fruit of the Loom and Seagate were already operating, and sites that other firms should be eyeing.

Hurtling down bumpy streets in a very small car, we are taking turns that we shouldn't be taking, advancing where we should be yielding, and generally seeming to be throwing caution to the damp Derry wind.

Ever afraid in Northern Ireland? Well, maybe.

To be fair, it also has to be understood that the driver - a member of the British and European parliaments, with decades into peacemaking efforts that in five years would bring him the Nobel Peace Prize, who probably engaged in backchannel talks with Gerry Adams, Martin McGuinness, and the IRA – probably had a lot on his mind.

While it may seem bizarre that the man named "Ireland's Greatest" person in a 2010 poll was intent about giving an American reporter an "open for business" tour of his beloved Derry, if you step back, it makes perfect sense.

As much as he was a peacemaker and, in the words of The Guardian newspaper, a "secular saint," John Hume, who died on Aug. 3 at 83, was a pragmatist, a local MP who was all about stoking the economy and creating jobs.

Many of his most memorable aphorisms, key points from his "single transferable speech," made the connection between the economy and peace.

John Hume delivered few major speeches without noting the time when his father, watching unionists and nationalists in a flag-waving duel, had warned him: "Don't you get involved in that stuff, son."

In an interview conducted for the Nobel Founda-

tion, Hume picks up the story: "I say, 'Why not, dad?" and he says, 'You can't eat a flag.' In other words, what he was saying is real politics is about the living standards, about social and economic development. It's not about waving flags at one another."

The former leader of Northern Ireland's Social Democratic and Labor Party also frequently spoke about the desirability of reaching the point where "we can leave aside our quarrel while we work together in our common interest, spilling our sweat and not our blood."

As was widely noted in the tributes and media reports following his death, John Hume was the architect of the Northern Ireland peace process. He was the father of the 1998 Good Friday peace agreement that essentially brought the North's long-running Troubles to an end.

His concept of a grand compromise, of a powersharing government, of an outcome where no one would win but no one would lose, essentially emerged in the 1970s, and he voiced his ideas for the next 20-plus years. The core concepts never changed – he just needed everyone else to catch up.

"I am a teacher," he once noted, referring to the profession he entered after graduating from college. "You keep saying the same things over and over. Then you know you're getting through when someone in a pub gives you back your own words.'

There's something else to think of when you consider John Hume: Courage. As in incredible, raw

Another time, another car, but the place is still Derry.

I had arrived a few minutes early for an interview, so I parked in front of his home and was chilled by what I saw: a simple house on a crowded, middleclass street – no gate, no guard, but big windows and the front door just footsteps away.

Given that this was the home of a man whose views at times had antagonized paramilitaries on both sides of Northern Ireland's sectarian divide, a man who often traveled on his own and almost always without security, the scene seemed horrifyingly dangerous.

Then I realized that beneath John Hume's shy, school-teacher exterior there was an undercarriage of steel, and what he was saying was: Everyone



John Hume visited the Reporter's office in 1992. The newspaper was then located on Neponset Avenue. Ed Forry photo

knows what I think; here's where I live; I am willing to risk it all for peace.

This man of courage and audacity delivered peace at no small cost to himself, with the past 20 years being a time of physical and cognitive decline. Many people are alive today because of him. Northern Ireland has hope because of him.

In reflecting on his accomplishments, a Derry woman born the year after the Good Friday agreement was signed said that John Hume gave the young people of the North "a future we could look forward to."

Isn't that what he was always aiming to do? Wouldn't those words make John Hume smile?

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Cullinane amendment in housing bill gives tenants standing in house sales

By KATIE TROJANO REPORTER STAFF

State Rep. Dan Cullinane's amendment mandating tenants the "first right of refusal" before the sale of their homes was included in the housing bill passed by the House earlier this month.

Cullinane said that the amendment - essentially an option that municipalities can adopt as a policy measure - is aimed at halting the wholesale eviction of tenants. Municipalities that choose to adopt the policy would require owners of large, multi-family buildings to provide notice to both tenants and local officials of any intended sale. Sellers would also be required to negotiate with tenants and tenant associations before entering into sale agreements with a third party.

The legislation is now in conference committee on Beacon Hill.

"The language contained within this amendment enjoys broad support from a diverse coalition of elected officials and housing organizations, and this policy initiative has been a housing priority for cities and towns across the commonwealth," Cullinane said during a speech in support of the measure at the State House on July 27.

"This is not about preventing a property owner from selling to a third party; it' simply about giving tenants the first shot and integrating



Rep. Cullinane

creativity into local housing— if the city or town were to choose— that could create win-win situations for both property owners and tenants who want to stay."

Cullinane announced earlier this year that he would not seek re-election to the 12th Suffolk District seat in the House this fall. He told the Reporter last week that his focus on tenant relief has been informed by issues in the Mattapan part of the 12th district, which he described as real estate speculation and the subsequent displacement and gentrification.'

Specifically, Cullinane pointed to a dispute between property managers and tenants at Fairlawn Apartments—re-branded two years ago as "SoMa Apartments at the T." Cullinane said that the management company that runs the 400-plus-unit complex "refused to engage the tenant population and

slowly began evicting people through housing court.'

Residents there have formed an association with the help of City Life/Vida Urbana to protest a trend of rent hikes and what they call inadequate living conditions.

Cullinane also pointed to Mattapan's Morton Village Apartments, where, he said, tenants have been trying to collaborate with non-profits to buy the property themselves.

"We are putting tremendous resources into erecting these housing units as fast as possible," said Cullinane. "It runs counter to all of those efforts if on one hand we are investing so much, [and on the other], a large landlord undoes all of those gains by evicting tens to hundreds of working-class families to build luxury units for young professionals.

"All too often," he said, "big buildings are sold, emptied out, and renovated to be transformed into high-income units. In Boston and some other municipalities, we are fighting to build more housing that people can afford.

"Right now, the economic situation that COVID-19 has created makes this emerging market from the pandemic all the more ripe for real estate speculation," he added. "This consolidated amendment is a prudent, wise, and appropriate measure for us to take in combating this housing crisis."



Sen. Warren spoke at a Dorchester Reporter town hall forum at the Boston Teacher's Union Hall in March 2018.

Warren gets prime time slot at virtual DNC

One way or another, US Sen. Elizabeth Warren will be a featured speaker on the third night of the virtual Democratic National Convention next week when the party will officially nominate Joe Biden as its nominee for president.

Warren, who has been vetted and in the running to become Biden's vice presidential running mate, was announced Tuesday as a Wednesday night convention speaker. It's the same night Hillary Clinton and former President Barack Obama will address Democrats, and the night Biden's pick for vice president will give a speech accepting the nomination.

Biden has already made clear he intends to select a woman. A former vice president himself, Biden is also under pressure to choose a woman of color. The theme of Wednesday night's program will be "A More Perfect Union." Other speakers Wednesday include House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers, New Mexico Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham, and former Arizona Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords.

Warren isn't the only contender for the vice presidential slot to be announced as a speaker. Sen. Kamala Harris of California is expected to speak Thursday night if she's not the pick, according to the Democratic National Committee.

The only other big name from Massachusetts announced as a speaker is former Secretary of State John Kerry, who will address the convention Tuesday night.

The DNC runs Monday through Thursday from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. Before the pandemic, Democrats had planned to gather in Milwaukee, but the entire event will be conducted virtually instead.

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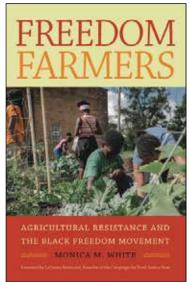
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On Dudley Street, Kroc Center re-opens in limited fashion

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According to Sumner, the Army's food distribution capabilities are among the best of any relief organization: at the state level, the estimate is that they will have served over 10 million meals by the end of this month.

At the local level, the center has distributed 14,000 food boxes from its Uphams Corner campus. Three days a week for the past several months, a team of 11 staff members coordinated with Greater Boston Food Bank and partners like Stop & Shop to distribute the boxes containing fresh groceries and produce to scores of people lined up outside the Dudley Street entrance.

Sumner recalled seeing in recent months "BMWs pulling up next to Impalas," indicating the wide-reaching impact of the crisis.

"We tell our staff to not judge a book by its cover; everybody's struggling," he said. "I think we're in that 'sweet spot' of not judging. Need has no color barrier."

In one community room at the center, pallets of food boxes stacked nearly to the ceiling remain earmarked for the next month's distribution. Sumner, who grew up nearby in Grove Hall, pointed out the importance of a hyperlocal approach in the neighborhood:

"This is a very island area — Cape Verdeans, West Indians, Puerto Ricans, Dominicans, Haitians. These folks know how to cook. They cook in volumes, and they cook in families. So when you put potatoes, carrots, beets in a box versus already produced stuff, those meals go a long way. "Our niche, knowing the food desert here and the demographic, is part of understanding what we do."

The center has also given out thousands of "cleaning kits" filled with soap, disinfectant, laundry detergent, and masks in an effort to support its most vulnerable community members.

For all that, the center has had to modify its role as a space of spirituality, community building, and healing. Its onsite worship center remains closed to the public, with community members encouraged to engage virtually with regular services streamed live on Facebook.

In recent months, struggling residents have looked to center leadership, many of whom are pastors and social workers, for solutions to their problems.

"It's a lot more than just food," explained Major Elvie Carter, a pastor who works in the center's social services department. "We also provide emotional and spiritual care. People have been stressed and with a high level of anxiety. Here we have pastors, social workers as well —people who are trained professionally to talk people through this and have those specific conversations about how they're doing right now, and we're still do-



A view inside the Kroc Center's indoor fitness room last week.

Daniel Sheehan photo

ing it. We get phone calls and emails all the time."

The conversations have been wide ranging, said Carter and Sumner, with folks anxious about everything from the struggle for racial justice reflected in George Floyd's murder, to childcare challenges brought on by the dual factors of closed schools and unemployment, to strained finances leading to missed rent or utility payments.

This summer, center staff have reached out to family members of victims of the recent spate of gun violence, as well as those who have lost loved ones to the coronavirus but have been unable to grieve properly because of funeral safety restrictions.

In addition to the extraordinary circumstances facing many families this year, people are still being displaced by fires and domestic violence.

"All the other things are

still happening," noted Carter.
"They haven't stopped."

Sumner is hoping the partially reopened fitness facility and resumed access to health and wellness services—which he called a "priority" for young people with schools still closed—will help give residents a small dose of normality.

The center's workout floor and cardio loft have been modified to maintain 14 feet between machines, with gym access only available in 90-minute sessions to be reserved ahead of time. Masks must be worn at all times and residents will have their temperatures checked at the door.

While team sports are still a no-go, the Kroc Center's playing field will host outdoor exercise sessions, and its playground has reopened with limited capacity. The center's pool and water park will remain closed for the time being, as will its children's center and classrooms.

Even with the center operating at just a fraction of its normal programming, reopening the doors and bringing some in-person services back online have already gone a long way in reaffirming that link with the community, said Sumner.

"For as many people we see who come to use the place, I'd say we see the same amount of people who just want to say hi, to see we're still here."

The Kroc Center will continue to grapple with the enormous economic impact brought on by the pandemic and the responses it necessitates, said Carter, while noting that many members and residents who normally make regular donations to the center haven't had the resources to do so.

Sumner credited Mayor Martin Walsh for his cautious approach to reopening and the city's successful BPS meal program, but talked straightforwardly about the Kroc Center's crucial role in mitigating the crisis.

"We took a huge load from the city...the Army doesn't keep a scorecard. If we don't get the funding, we'll still do it. People need to understand the totality of the miracles that come out of this place."

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School panel approves plans for BGCD Field House; dissent on city-owned Columbia Point site continues

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The facility will also be open to the larger community, and to adult sports teams, for example, which could rent the space when available for games and

The proposal— which has been met with sometimes fierce resistance from the McCormack School community and some abutters in Harbor Point — was the subject of intense criticism during last week's long, virtual hearing after which the resolution to approve the lease arrangement passed, 3-2, with two abstentions. The 'yes' votes were given by Chairperson Michael Locanto, vice-chair Alexandra Oliver-Davila, and Michael O'Neill; the 'nays' came from members Dr. Lorna Rivera and Jeri Robinson; and the abstentions were Dr. Hardin Coleman and Quoc Tran.

The vote approved the subdivision of 315-325 Mt. Vernon Street in Dorchester in a "request for proposals" selection of the Boys and Girls Club of Dorchester as the most advantageous plan offering a 30-year lease of the subdivided parcel. An amendment tacked onto the resolution requires BPS to issue written notice to proceed and guarantee priority use of the field house to the students of the McCormack and Dever schools, other BPS students, and Harbor Point residents, respectively.

On Thursday afternoon, Mayor Martin Walsh told the Reporter in a phone call that he is "very supportive of Martin Richard Foundation and Boys and Girls Club of Dorchester being able to build state-of-the-art facilities at the McCormack field. It's going to be a great use for the students as well as the community.

"The Boys and Girls Club of Dorchester is a place that a lot of kids have used as a safe haven over the years. You know who wins here? The kids in Dorchester. They deserve the best facilities available to them and that's the plan here."

The mayor also noted that the city has dedicated funds to enhance green space outside of the Mc-Cormack. "We're going to be planning to enhance and beautify that area for the McCormack students and staff to create a better atmosphere.

Some Harbor Point residents, as well as McCormack students and staff, have argued that the project



A rendering provided by the BGCD shows the proposed facility (outlined in red) next to the McCormack School, shown at left.

will strip them of green space on their campus and on the Columbia Point peninsula. The outdoor playing fields, they say, are essential to accommodate the school's planned transformation into a 7-12 facility, a modification that came into play after BPS sought out development partners for the parcels in 2018.

Many in support of the lease agreement, however, highlighted the opportunities the indoor facility could bring for students and for the good standing of both the BGCD and the Martin Richard Foundation in the community.

For her part, City Councillor-at-Large Annissa Essaibi-George wondered why the vote was scheduled during such a chaotic time.

"I am not opposed to this project, but question the timing of voting on the McCormack Field House Plan," she said. "There are so many questions about the process and many in the community have reached out in opposition. We all need to be focused on rebuilding our school to allow students to have a great school year. Adding this to our plate seems to be too much."

Councillor-at-Large Julia Mejia said before the vote that she was inspired by the activism of students and community groups that opposed the project and urged the committee to vote against the proposal.

"I am not in favor right now about utilizing the field in other ways. More specifically, the proposal ignores that the McCormack students expressed a desire for green space above all else," said Mejia. "A proposal that takes away green space from children during a pandemic when use of indoor facilities is virtually impossible does not benefit the students and does not account for the expansion of the Mc-Cormack into a 7-12 school.

At-large Councillor Michelle Wu also asked the committee to vote against the project. "I'd like to stand with the McCormack community and Harbor Point residents in urging the committee to reject this proposal to develop the fields through a publicprivate partnership against the wishes of the school community and surrounding residents," she said.

"This goes against the immediate needs during this public health crisis (Continued next page)

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School panel approves land lease along Mt. Vernon Street

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when we need more open space and fresh air and it goes against that call to center racial equity in processes and decision making."

Laura Carroll, an attorney who spoke on behalf of the Harbor Point Community Task Force, highlighted points made in an opposition letter from the group.

"We've heard testimony about how wonderful the club is. But that is not the issue and we have no doubt about that. The issue is where it is going to be put," said Carroll, "The School Committee is being asked to strip away the land of the McCormack while at the same time asking it to open for 7-12 students."

Kamilah Washington, athletics director at BGCD, spoke up, saying opportunities would be afforded to BPS students and the community at large.

"Although I know this is a rough time for everybody, I want to look at the positives of having this field house and the opportunities it will provide for all children and all children of color," Washington said. "BGCD provides many opportunities for children from all backgrounds and races across Dorchester. The benefits I've seen while working there are health and nutrition, social justice, bowling, camping, going to sporting games, learning about music, and even having a teen center.

"Having this field house will only bring together more children of color. Why not give them the chance to have this awesome opportunity? What kid wouldn't want the chance to have an amazing field house? This will give them the benefits and opportunities that they deserve."

BPS Superintendent Brenda Cassellius noted that a commitment from the city to enhance green space at the McCormack school would be included in the process

"When I met with the students and spoke with them, they did talk about their green space and really wanted to have that available for activities. I noticed a lot of concrete around both the Dever and McCormack," she said. "The mayor did give \$200,000 to plan for the beautification of the green spaces and I know there is a process now for the property."

After hours of public testimony, committee members themselves debated the proposal before putting it to a vote.

"We've gone forward with this theory of a high school, and we have not completed that planning process and it seems to me we're making choices on things we don't know," said Coleman.

"I'm feeling that a vote either way right now by me would feel uninformed of all the possibilities for that land in that area. Frankly, I agree with both sides and I don't have enough information to make a decision."

O'Neill supported the project, but said that an



A rendering provided last year by the Boys and Girls Clubs of Dorchester shows the interior of the proposed field house facility.

amendment should be included to allow priority access to the facilities to BPS students in the area and Harbor Point residents.

"I completely understand and hear the comments from McCormack students and Harbor Point residents about using that field," he said, "but I also think they can't use it when it rains or snows. And we're proposing to build a beautiful field house, being done by a non-profit that has an impeccable reputation in the city for its dedication to serving the most disadvantaged students."

"To be consistent with the viewpoints expressed," he added, "I would want to ensure that in any vote we take, therefore in any lease that is agreed upon, it is very explicit that first priority is for the McCormack and Dever students, second is for other BPS students, and third priority is for the Harbor Point Family."

Rob Consalvo, BPS senior advisor, said that including the caveat in the lease would be possible.

"We can tailor a lease to have any of the terms we want in it so it's important for folks to realize that the land is not for sale. It's still retained by BPS and we have the right to terminate a lease at any time if the applicant isn't meeting the terms," he said.

Questions arose over simultaneous planning in the area that would take place if the proposal passed, including BPDA oversight of the field house proposal

through the Article 80 process, greater vision planning that the BPDA is going to take up for the entire peninsula, and the school district's plan to transform the McCormack into a 7-12 school.

"I would argue it is the time to do them all simultaneously. I think it's actually a thoughtful process that all of this planning is happening simultaneously," said Consalvo.

"Hopefully this is a learning experience of how we can improve this process because obviously some of the community don't feel like they were included. I support the Boys and Girls Club, so it feels very weird to be pitted in this situation," said Oliver Davila, who voted in favor of the project.

"This will be a space people can go to year around with a guarantee that we're going to prioritize McCormack-Dever, BPS students and Harbor Point residents and that it doesn't become a rental space."

Said Loconto: "I know this is a long and arduous process and I empathize with the position that we have much better things to be worrying about, but nevertheless, this is a project that has been two years in the making and we need to keep the business of this committee moving. I want to thank everyone for a very tough and earnest conversation.

"I think we've carried out the highest and best use out of this property for our BPS students and this conversation is not over; it will just be taken into the next step of this process, and there will likely be several more years to go before the approval and construction process begins."



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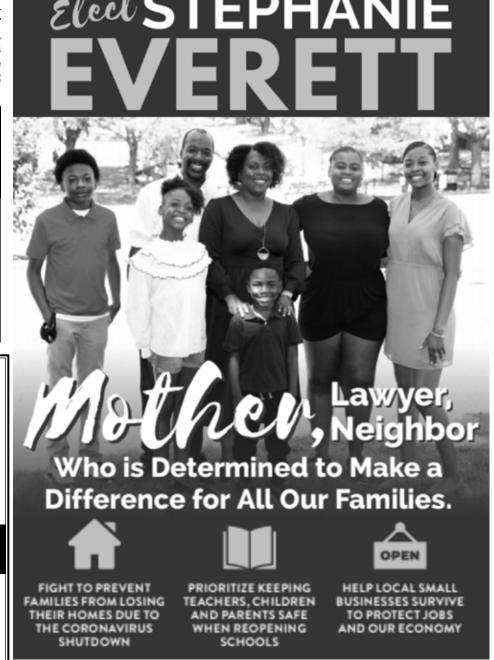
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Debate boils over BPS return to classes

(Continued from page 1) deeply into the issues and protocol."

According to the plan, BPS will offer hybrid and remote learning options. The hybrid model will be available to all students and will split participating students into four alternating sections groups A, B, C, and D.

The plan calls for families to choose in late August which model their children will participate in and decide whether or not they will need bus transportation to get to school.

Groups "A" and "B" would rotate into classrooms, with students in group "A" learning in person on Mondays and Tuesdays, and group "B" cycling in on Thursdays and Fridays. Wednesdays would be reserved for sanitation to prevent the spread of germs between groups A and B.

Students with special needs and ESL learners would make up group "C," and online-only learners group "D."

On Friday, the BTU released a proposal calling on the city to plan for a fully remote school reopening with a phasedin return to in-person learning once all safety protocols are in place. The proposal, called "Creating the Schools Our Students Deserve: Aspirations, Proposals, and Priorities of the **Boston Teachers Union** for a Safe Restart," says that Boston educators have joined with The American Federation of Teachers and the Massachusetts Teachers Association in op-

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in-person learning until the districts show that community transmission of COVID-19 is under control in the region; the presence of a public health infrastructure to support effective disease testing, surveillance, tracing and isolation in schools; access to remote work assignments for all staff who are at high risk or live with someone who is high risk, and that inperson teaching is a voluntary choice; and that have funded a series of safeguards and protocols dealing with distancing, face coverings, personal protective equipment and other issues.

All students will begin classes remotely on BPS's draft plan, and inphased in by grade level
—depending. "We don't
yet have the answers to whether we will or will not phase-in because right now we are still looking at the science. Who and when we should have students back in the building and at what grade levels that still has yet to be determined," Cassellius said.

Tammy Pust, senior advisor to the superintendent, said the plan was a compilation of BPS's "best thoughts" thus far to provide guidance on how to meet the numerous challenges in reopening.

all planning must be done within," she said, "including social distancing, everyone wearing

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position of any return to masks, and only one student permitted per bench per bus." Pust called the transportation limitations "huge, with lots of ramifications. Think of it as dominoes. It affects everything else. It really would not be logistically possible for us to get all 55,000 students into school with those guidelines.' the district and school have to follow strict

Under state guidelines, food is not to be served to students in groups, and school staff sanitation protocols for buses and buildings and develop plans for how school nurses respond to symptomatic children or anyone exposed to someone with the virus. Pust said that BPS is

Sept. 11, according to in "daily contact" with the Boston Public Health person learning would be Commission (BPHC) and that no final decisions have been made.

"We will not bring anyone back to our school buildings this fall until such times we are assured by the BPHC that we can do so safely. The decision is not going to be made until we have finished all listening sessions but this plan is out because we want feedback," she said.

"We understand that the hybrid we've proposed in our plan is not perfect, but it is the best plan we've got so far, which is why we are out with it now."

The plan was aired in "There are some public a virtual School Commithealth 'guardrails' that tee meeting last Wednesday night, during which dozens of parents and teachers submitted public testimony in opposition of any sort of physical return to schools.

Jessica Tang, president of the Boston Teachers Union, said at the meeting that "while there are aspects of BPS's reopening plan that we find encouraging and that we agree with, we don't think the plan is tenable or realistic.

"The main areas where we disagree are on the

misguided simultaneous hybrid approach and the feasibility of accomplishing the goals set forth within the timeline provided, especially if COVID-19 data continues trending in the wrong direction as it has recently."

City councillors also participated in the public comment session. At-Large Councillor Julia Mejia said she

"in strong opposition of the hybrid model, and I'm really concerned about the lack of engagement. And Citywide Councillor Michelle Wu said she "felt quite frustrated that a little over a month away from the start of school we are still facing the same type of uncertainty that we faced at the very beginning of the shutdown.

"It doesn't help to provide certainty to simply say 'science will drive the decision' when there's no transparency about how infection data might drive decisions beyond deferring to the Boston Public Health Commis-

She added: "The draft plan holds up health and wellness as a core value, but shifts the responsibilities onto families. No virus testing provided or even required by the district, no contract tracing, no water available to students during the day, trying to address the needs for social distancing on buses by cutting the number of families eligible for bus service.

"I have yet to hear from one constituent who believes that the hop-scotch model is achievable," Wu said.

At-Large Councillor Annissa Essaibi-George highlighted some specific issues with the draft plan in her comments, particularly the feasibility of staff teaching online and in person simultaneously.

"It would result in poor learning environments for both the students in

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Public school teachers push for remote-only start next month

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the classroom and learning online. I strongly urge you to not have teachers using the simultaneous model," said the former BPS teacher who also urged BPS to find better ways to to ensure adequate staffing levels, cleaning of buildings and buses, availability of space to school nurses, and appropriate ventilation in schools.

District 4 Councillor Andrea Camp $bell\, released\, a\, statement\, on\, Thursday$ calling for a "fully remote" start to the start year with a phased-in approach to in-person learning. She said that

"BPS is not ready to safely and effectively achieve a hybrid plan in a way that ensures the safety and health of students, teachers, and staff, and equitably delivers a high-quality education for our students.

Tang said the BTU is looking for more details around transportation, public health and how the BPS facilities plan will maintain CDC requirements.

"We have been respectfully urging the district to move toward a fullremote reopening to begin the school year and a phased-in return to any voluntary in person learning only when all safety protocols are in place and fully verified," she said. "The Sept. 10 start is "completely unrealistic; a delayed start is better than a disastrous start."

Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley on Friday said that Massachusetts schools should start the coming academic year remotely. Pressley, in a statement, said schools "are not equipped with the resources, equipment, classroom facilities and staff necessary to safely reopen for in person courses." She said the coming weeks should be used "to plan for equitable remote learning scenarios while we work to stabilize the public health crisis and get our schools the resources and support they would need to safely open.'

According to the district's plan,

all attendance, conduct assessments, monitor student learning, and give students letter grades.

Cassellius said that all teachers will receive professional development guidance.

"It is absolutely essential that our teachers get professional development and there isn't going to be any magic number because our teachers come at all different levels here," she said. "We will be looking to teachers and academic leaders within the district to provide professional development as well as any new tech tools and safety protocols.

As of now, BPS has no plans to conduct testing or contact tracing for families and students.

"We don't currently have plans for testing," Cassellius said. "We are instead going to provide parents with a list of things they should check and nurses will have protocols for how to identify and treat children that are not well.

She added that the district is "looking at a number of options for air quality and identifying spaces within schools where it is not adequate right now. We are just marking those as unusable spaces. We're looking at all types of different technologies and renovations that would need to happen in order to open up school buildings for classrooms," she said.
"We had a number of windows that

were identified that needed to be fixed or replaced, and we're doing that actively during the summer," she added.

Providing PPE for staff and students will account for approximately 3.5 percent [between \$30 million and \$50 million] of the district's budget, Cassellius noted, saying the "budget is absolutely an issue for us.'

When asked about possible cuts, Cassellius said she wasn't quite sure what could be affected at this point. "We don't

teachers would be required to track have [estimates], but we are going to continue to look at staffing patterns, procurement patterns, our supplies and what we can take off the table or keep on," she said

The district will not be cutting any arts, physical education, or socialemotional learning programs, despite the tight budget, she said.

"There will be an emphasis on socialemotional learning, especially in the first month back. Social workers and mental health teams will be available to provide wrap-around services for our children," Cassellius noted.

As to how many staff members might retire early or opt not to return to schools, she said, "we are at the table right now with union partners to try to see if we can get a better understanding of whether they are coming back or not.

We also understand that some mem-

bers may retire early and that might affect our staffing. Right now, we are on track for staffing and hiring and we are feeling cautiously optimistic, but also understanding that there is a level of fear out there for our staff, so we'll just continue to monitor it as we go into the next school year."

Cassellius said that students will have to go back "at some point. I understand the concern out there in the community and we all understand the complex nature of this decision. We are watching closely to see what's happening with the numbers and making sure we aren't getting too far ahead of ourselves....We have to balance what we know as community spread but when it is at the right level to come back to school."

State House News Service reports contributed to this article.

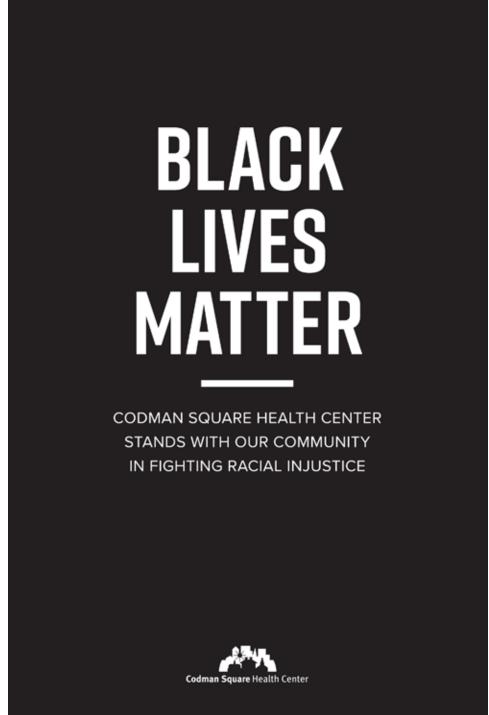
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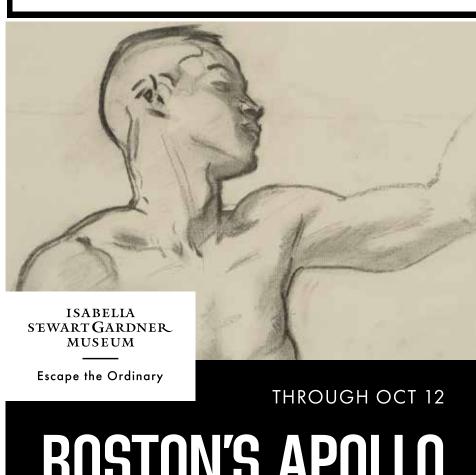
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State officials hit pause on re-opening as Covid cases rise

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rose nearly 25 percent between July 29 and Aug. 5, and has been steady or climbing for nearly a month as new COVID-19 infections are once again on the rise.

Last week, Baker said the second step of Phase 3 of the state's reopening plan will be put on hold and the gathering limit for any outdoor event will be reduced from 100 to 50 as of Tuesday. The

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limit for indoor gather- part of Phase 3. The ings will remain at 25, but Baker said the limits apply to all types of locations on public or private property. The revised order also mandates that everyone wear a mask or face covering anywhere that more than 10 people from different households could mix.

Movie theaters, gyms, casinos, museums, and more were allowed to reopen in early July as

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Baker administration referred to it as "Step One of Phase III" but did not fully detail what would be included in the second step of Phase 3. On the state's reopening website, it lists indoor theater or concert hall performances, and laser tag, roller skating, trampolines and obstacle courses as the activities that would be allowed to reopen in step two of Phase 3.

The state plans to offer all municipalities assigned a "red" or a "yellow" label assistance with testing, contact tracing, gathering-size enforcement, and public awareness campaigns. Parks, playgrounds and

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in moderate- or highrisk communities if they have been shown to be contributors to a municipality's higher infection rates, the governor said.

"People need to step up and be aware of the level of spread in each community, and especially in your own area, and to be vigilant," Baker said at the press conference. "The virus doesn't care about boundaries and it certainly takes every opening any of us give it."

some businesses could be

restricted or shut down

Communities that have demonstrated control over the virus, however, should be confident in moving ahead with their reopening strategies, including a return to school in the fall.

"If you're in a green or a white community, I can't imagine a good reason not to go back, whether it's full-time or some sort of a hybrid, because for all intents and purposes you meet all the benchmarks that are being used across the country and across New England to make decisions about whether it's safe to go back to school," Baker said.

The new maps, which will be updated weekly on Wednesdays, are part of an effort to revamp how the state reports public health data on the COVID-19 pandemic to keep residents better informed about the status of the communities where they live, work,

"We also need to ensure that the businesses and individuals in those communities are aware of the level of COVID that exists in their communities, and what would be required of them to help control it," Baker said.

Health and Human Services Secretary Marylou Sudders said the number of positive and negative antigen and $serology\, tests\, reported\, to$ $the\, Department\, of\, Public$ Health also would be added to the daily report, and the definition and reporting of "probable" COVID-19 cases would be updated to reflect the latest Centers for Disease Control guidelines.

The governor and his team reached out to leaders in all 33 "red" and "yellow" municipalities before Tuesday to offer assistance, and Baker said the common theme among officials he spoke to is that there have been too many informal gatherings with too many people, and people not wearing masks.

"We're making progress and have made $progress\,in\,our\,fight, but$ we're seeing the effects of too many people letting their guard down and simply relaxing get in the way of some of our continued move forward," Baker said.

The worst-off communities will be assigned a "red" designation signaling a daily infection rate of more than 8 cases per 100,000 people. Chelsea, Everett, Lynn, and Revere are the only four communities in that highest risk category, currently.

The moderate risk "yellow" designation means that an average of four to eight daily cases per 100,000 people have been diagnosed over the previous two weeks, while "green" communities have fewer than 4 cases per 100,000 people and "white" communities will have had less than 5 cases total in the past 14 days.

The administration released a map with cities and towns shaded based on their infection rates, but could not provide a list of the 33 communities colored red or yellow.

The Baker administration's stepped up vigilance comes after case totals and the state's positive testing rate had been creeping up over the past couple of weeks. Both seem to have stabilized, with the positive testing rate back under 2 percent for several days, but the governor said that's not the case everywhere in Massachusetts.

Police can also enforce COVID-19 restrictions, picking up a task that previously had been under the purview of local boards of health.

Baker said enforcement of the gathering size limits is one way the state could help high- and moderate-risk communities, but he said he anticipated most of the citations or warnings would come as a result of people calling in complaints about businesses or parties, not random patrols or business spot checks.

The state is also offering to help cities and towns through a multiagency COVID Enforcement and Intervention Team with road signs, public service announcements, reverse 911 calls or other strategies.



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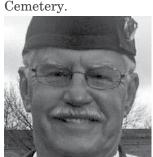
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LEAHY, Retired Sgt. James E. Jr. BPD. In Dorchester, Neponset, died August 6.Beloved husband of Judith D. (Gallagher) Leahy.Loving father of Lt. James E. Leahy (Weymouth Fire Dept.) and his wife Victoria Leahy of Weymouth, and Sgt. Thomas P. Leahy BPD and his wife Susan Leahy of Dorchester.Son of the late James and Bridget (Molloy) Leahy.Brother of Gerard H. and his wife Margaret Leahy of Foxboro, and the late Brian M. and his wife Evelyn Leahy, Dennis J. Leahy OFM, and Michael E. Leahy. Brotherin-law of Patricia Leahy of Dorchester. Devoted "Papa" of Stephanie L. Leahy, Katherine A. Leahy, LCpl. James E. Leahy V (USMC), Kalyn E. Leahy, and Erin M. Leahy. Survived by many nieces and nephews. Jim was a proud member of the Greater Boston Firefighters Pipes & Drums. He was also an accomplished equestrian and former member of the Boston Police Dept. Mounted Unit. He was a former member of the Norfolk Hunt Club and a Friend of Bill W. There will be a private visitation, a private Funeral Mass at St. Ann Church, Neponset, and private

burial in Cedar Grove Cemetery, Dorchester. In lieu of flowers, donations in Jim's memory may be made to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284

LESLEY, Lawanda of Mattapan passed away on August 3. Beloved mother of Sonja M. Montgomery, Sharonda N. Lesley, Sharod L. Lesley, Shannon K. Lesley, Šesshun K. Lesley, Shane T. Lesley and their father Willie J. Lesley, Jr. She is also survived by her 8 siblings, 14 grandchildren, 1 greatgrandchild and a loving host of extended relatives and friends. Wake on Fri, Aug. 14, 7-9p.m. at New Rehoboth Bethel Apostolic Church, 20 Michigan Ave., Dorchester with funeral service at 10 a.m. on Aug. 15 at same location.



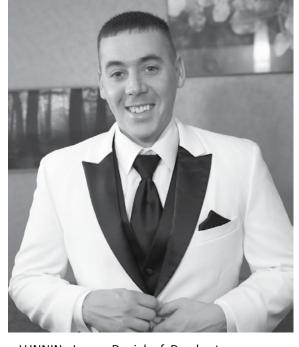
WALSHCONNOLLY.

Una. Of Chestnuthill Township, Pennsylvania, formerly of Dorchester, died August 1, at home with family by her side, after a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer. She was 53 years old. Una was born February 22, 1967 to Mary (McCarrick) Walsh and the late Martin Walsh of Dorchester. Raised in Dorchester, Una married West Roxbury native Michael Connolly on May 13, 2000, and they settled in Chestnuthill Township, PA.

Una worked at Country Meadows Retirement Communities for over 15 years, most recently as executive director. Una grew up Irish step-dancing with her sisters and passed that love on to her daughter Erin. In addition to her husband of 20 years and her daughter, Una leaves her sisters Margaret M. 'Peggy' and her husband Christopher Carroll, Barbara A. Walsh, and Kathleen T. Walsh, all of Dorches ter. She is also survived by many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. There will be a private visitation, Funeral Mass at St. Margaret Church of St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish, and burial in Cedar Grove Cemetery in Dorchester. Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City,

22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123.

LYNCH, Patricia Miriam. Died on Sat., Aug. 8, at her residence in Dorchester. She was 91 years old. Patricia was a lifelong resident of Dorchester. She was a graduate of Simmons College with a Bachelor of Science in Educational and Emmanuel College



LUNNIN, James Daniel of Dorchester, passed away on Aug. 7, 2020. Beloved husband of Sofia Cabrera-Lunnin. Loving son of Linda Shaughnessy and Bruce Lunnin. Cherished brother of Keri Akmezikyan and her wife Tanya, and their son Adrien, and cherished brother of Arianna Lunnin. Loving grandson of the late Owen and Diane Hennessey, and Robert and the late Elizabeth Lunnin. Cherished son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. John Cabrera. Also survived by numerous loving aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. Proud veteran of the United States Army, Charlie Company 181 Infantry Regiment.

Visiting hours in the John J. O'Connor & Son Funeral Home, 740 Adams St. (near Gallivan Blvd.) Dorchester on Thursday, Aug. 13, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited.

Due to the ongoing health crisis, facemasks and proper social distancing will be required. Funeral Mass and interment in Massachusetts National Cemetery will remain private. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to PTSD USA Camp Hope PTSD Help ptsdusa.org.

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with a masters in Education. She spent her entire career in the Quincy Public School System. She taught at the Snug Harbor School and the Parker School. She retired in 1994. She was a member of the Quincy Retired Teachers Association. Patricia was the sister of the late John D. Lynch and his wife Margaret. Aunt of John Lynch and his wife Susan of Winchester, Susan Rogers and her husband Michael of Pocasset, Julie Lynch, Brian Lynch and his wife Sheila, Richard Lynch and Jane Lynch all of Milton, Stephen Lynch and his wife Maura of Braintree, Karen Lynch of Scituate and the late Gregory Lynch. Patricia is also survived by several great nieces and nephews and 1 greatgreat-niece. Funeral Services were private.

CONNEELEY, Barbara (McDonough), August 3, of Braintree, formerly of Ireland and Dorchester, beloved wife of the late Patrick Conneeley. Devoted mother of Barbara MacLellan of Milton, Kathy McGrath and her husband Bill of Weymouth, Patrick Conneeley and his wife Jennifer, and Theresa Connecley all of Braintree. Sister of Catherine "Kitty" Dooley of Dorchester, Michael McDonough of England, Bridget Madden and Sean McDonough both of Ireland, and the late Mary McDonough, Joseph McDonough, Coleman McDonough, Ann "Nan" Walsh, Margaret

"Peggy" Connolly and Dara McDonough. Also survived by 9 grand-children and 2 great grandchildren. Due to the Covid—19 pandemic, all services are private. If desired, contributions in Barbara's name may be sent to Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital -Milton Development Fund, Office of Philanthropy, 199 Reedsdale Rd., Milton, MA 02186.

SUGRUE, Pauline

(Lunny) Of Weymouth, formerly of Dorchester, August 6. Beloved wife of 45 years of the late R. Mike Sugrue. Loving mother of Maura Doyle and her husband John of Weymouth and Tim Sugrue and his wife Hillary of Millis. Cherished Nana of Norah, Aidan and Patrick Sugrue, all of Millis, and John Henry and Michael Doyle, both of Weymouth. Sister of Barbara Miller of Dorchester, Peggy Glynn of Milton, Alice Sheehan of Quincy, Bro. Richard Lunny C.F.X., Thomas Lunny, and Daniel Lunny, all of Scituate. Pauline is also lovingly survived by many nieces, nephews, and friends. Pauline worked as a secretary at Saint Gregory Church for over 20 years before retiring. Most importantly, Pauline will be remembered by her family as a loving mother, wife, grandmother, sister and friend to all. Funeral Mass and interment will be private. Donations in memory of Pauline may be made to St. Gregory Church, 2215 Dorchester Avenue, 02124.





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