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Taking stock of the shutdown

'Furlough Trump' is cry at State House rally

By KATIE LANNAN STATE HOUSE News Service

State lawmakers and union heads joined furloughed federal workers last Thursday outside the State House, where ralliers called for an end to the longest government shutdown in American history and aired their frustrations with President Trump.

On the 27th day of the shutdown that stems from an impasse over border security funding, Rep. Paul Brodeur urged workers to call the White House, Massachusetts AFL-CIO President Steven Tolman led the crowd in a chant of "Furlough Donald Trump" and Treasurer Deborah Goldberg said the president is "holding workers hostage.'

"He has no human decency," Goldberg said. "He has no human capacity to understand that there are 800,000 families in need today, not later on, when he gets his goddamn money for his goddamn wall that isn't going to do a goddamn thing for our country."

Brodeur, a Melrose Democrat who hosted the rally and who last session co-chaired the Labor and Workforce Development Committee, thanked

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Union members rallied against the federal government shutdown during an event outside the Massachusetts State House on Thurs., Jan. 17. Photo by Sam Doran/State House News Service

Shutdown causing a man-made hunger crisis

By Erin McAleer

During what is now the longest government shutdown in US history, funding for federal nutrition programs is drying up. The health and well-being of 42 million individuals who rely on Supplemental

Nutrition Assistance **Commentary** Program (SNAP)

benefits - and hundreds of thousands more furloughed employees now struggling to live without a paycheck — are at unnecessary risk.

Unless a compromise is reached to re-open the federal government, 769,912 Massachusetts residents who rely on federal food



A member of the US Coast Guard arranges donated canned goods at a pop-up food pantry at the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn. last Thursday.

AP photo assistance to make ends meet will not have enough food to eat. We are careening toward a man-made

food crisis - a real national

SNAP, formerly known as "food stamps," is a workhorse. The most effective anti-hunger program in the nation, it lifts millions of people above the poverty line and makes food accessible to low-income individuals and families. SNAP also generates economic activity. Every \$1 of SNAP benefits generates \$1.70 for the economy, supporting local communities and creating jobs. In addition, it boasts one of the most rigorous payment error measurement systems of any public benefit, with a one percent fraud rate.

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Impacts of stalemate hit home in Boston

By Jennifer Smith **News Editor**

The government shutdown has now dragged on for over a month, well past the prior record of just under three weeks, and the stalemate continues over border funding. In the meantime, impacted Bostonians are struggling with missed paychecks and preemptive worry about affording food and housing.

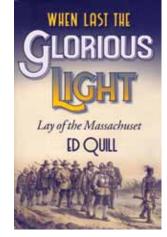
"I have never until now felt that my job was in jeopardy," said Lauren Thompson, 57, a furloughed Treasury Department employee of 39 years, working for the federal government through every prior shutdown and weathering them all. "I love my job. This is a great place to work, but the other shutdowns were much different. I feel that we're being used as leverage. I never felt that with other shutdowns."

A board member at the Garrison-Trotter neighborhood association in Roxbury, Thompson is working with the civic group and the Holy Tabernacle Church in Dorchester to offer free groceries on Thursday to furloughed federal employees with government identification.

The shutdown's im-

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in a series of excerpts from Ed Quill's recently Last The Glorious Light: Lay of the Massachuset."

When you think of it, the first so-called Native Americans weren't "native" at all, but came, most likely, from Eurasia via Sibe-

Strait to today's Alaska by walking a 55-mile published book, "When arctic land bridge, then becoming landlocked number of researchers in the Americas when the ice melted. Anyone who has lived in North or South America is a

visitor or an immigrant or a descendant of one.

believe that the New World was occupied by a single small group that crossed the Bering

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Alaska side, and strag-"No consensus has gled to the rest of the emerged, but a growing Americas in two or three separate groups, with the ancestors of most modern Indians making up the second group," wrote pre-Columbian historian Charles C. Manninhisbook "1491."

According to Mann, (Continued on page 15)



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Jan. 24 - 30, 2019

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

Thursday (24th) - Urban Farming Institute training program info session, 487 Norfolk St., Mattapan, 6 p.m. Contact ufiboston@gmail.com.

Friday (25th) - Opening night of "Memphis, The Musical" presented by Boston Arts Academy at the Strand Theatre, 543 Columbis Rd., Dorchester. Showtime: 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$15 adults, \$10 students. Opening night pre-reception at 5:30 p.m. featuring Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley — \$100 includes admission to show. There will be two performances on Sat., Jan. 26 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. See bostonartsacademy.org for tickets and

Saturday (26th) - Tet in Boston Festival, 10:30 a.m.- 5 p.m.at Flynn Cruise Port, 1 Black Falcon Ave., Boston. Organized by the Vietnamese-American Community of Massachusetts and the Intercollegiate Vietnamese Student Assoc. Attendance is free, parking is \$10.

- Dorchester Winter Farmers Market reopens for the season in the Great Hall, 6 Norfolk St., Dorchester, 10 a.m.- 1p.m. The market will be open very Saturday through March 30.
- Feel like you're in a fairy tale at Franklin Park Zoo, 11 a.m.- 3 p.m. Meet a few of your favorite princesses, enjoy arts and crafts and meet with the zookeepers to learn more about the animals who live at the zoo. Kids are encouraged to wear their favorite fairy tale inspired outfit. 1 Franklin Park Rd., Dorchester.

Tuesday (29th) - Urban Culture Institute sponsors a public meeting to review a proposal by artist Destiny Palmer and landscape architect Kyle Zick to redesign Codman Square Park, 6-8 p.m. at the Codman Academy Black Box Theatre, 14 Epping St., Dorchester. See urbancultureinstitute. org/codman-square-park for more info.

Wednesday (30th) - Boston Police Officer Info Session w/MOWA and a few Women in Blue, 6-7:30 p.m., Media Center, Boston Police Headquarters One Schroeder Plaza, Boston. This event will be co-hosted with the Mayor's Office of Women's Advancement (MOWA) and feature trailblazing $women \, from \, the \, Boston \, Police \, to \, encourage \, women \,$ to pursue careers in law enforcement.

• Dorchester Growing Together hosts a winter meet-up at Pollo Centro, 225 Bowdoin St., Dorchester from 6:30-9 p.m.

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Mattapan project gets okay from BPDA board

The board of directors of the Boston Planning & Development last week approved a residential development project for Morton Street in Mattapan. The four-story building at 775 Morton St., located on the corner

of Morton and Wildwood Streets, will consist of 27 residential rental units, including four incomerestricted units.

The project is expected to include two ground floor retail opportunities totaling 1,500 square

feet in space. The transit-oriented project is located inear the recently renovated Morton Street Commuter Rail Station. The developer will contribute \$10,000 to Boston's Parks and Recreation Department.

BAA hosting "Memphis: The Musical" at the Strand

Boston Arts Academy (BAA), the city's only public high school for the visual and performing arts presents, "Memphis: The Musical" at the Strand Theatre this Friday (Jan. 25) at 7:30 p.m. and on Saturday (Jan. 26) with two performances -2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Based on the work of real life disc jockey Dewey Phillips, one of the first white disc jockeys to play black music in the 1950s, "Memphis: The Musical" is the story of a young optimist who believes that music can transcend race and societal barriers in the midst of segregation in the Deep

Aspiring singer Felicia Farrell, who is ready for her big break (and love) joins him on his journey to change the world (or at least Memphis, Tennessee) through music.

Written by playwright and lyricist Joe DiPietro, this Broadway production is the winner of four Tony Awards including Best Musical, Best Book and Best Score.

A VIP reception on Friday at 5:30 p.m. hosted by BAA's Advisory Council, will feature Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley who will accept the BAA Champion Award.

"I look for projects for our students that no other high school would dare to produce,' said Maura Tighe, BAA theatre arts faculty, and Memphis director. "We have a unique group of extremely talented artists, so this is a perfect musical for BAA.'

For more information about BAA and "Memphis: The Musical," visit bostonartsacademy.org.

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Police say phone scammers are at it again

Boston Police are warning the public about a new round of phone scams in which victims are being targeted by someone impersonating law enforcement agents. According to a BPD statement, an unknown caller who claims to be an officer is telling people they are under "federal investigation" before demanding payment via digital gift cards. One victim was "scammed out of a large sum of money," according to Boston Police, who say the incident is under investigation. Similar scams were reported last summer in which someone alleging to be a Boston Police official called targets to claim that a relative was being held for a crime

"Please note, the Boston Police Department will never call to request sensitive information or funds of any kind," the BPD said in a statement. "If you believe you have been the target of such a call, please note the phone number where the call originated and report the incident to the Boston Police Department immediately.



BPD seek tips on missing 13 year-old girl

Boston Police have issused a missing person alert for 13-year-old Maria Fernandez of Boston, who was last seen on Jan. 11 in Arlington. Fernandez is described as a black Hispanic female, 5'0" tall, 100 pounds with a thin build, black hair, brown eyes. She was last seen wearing a green coat with fur, black boots with fur and ripped jeans. Anyone ing the whereabouts of Maria Fernandez is urged to contact District B-2 Detectives at 617-343-6677.

Choral group performs at All Saints on Saturday

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The newly formed Peabody Square Choral Artists will present their debut concert this Saturday, Jan. 26 at 7 p.m. at the Parish of All Saints in Ashmont. The group will perform two choral selections from 20th century French composer Maurice Duruflé: the Messe 'Cum jubilo' and the Requiem.

The two choral works are among the select few pieces of music completed by the composer, who was famous for

his perfectionism and for being critical of his own work. Conductor Michael Raleigh pointed to Duruflé's unique use of medieval Gregorian chants in his music as a feature rarely heard by audiences.

"He was known for his use of the Gregorian chant--he takes old chants from the 10th century and adds some and open to the public. complex 19th and 20th For more information, century harmony, but in fact his works are completely based around

the chant," he explained. Raleigh said the choral group is comprised of a collection of "friends, colleagues, and students," including professional musicians, music students, and skilled avocational musicians. The concert will also feature organists Andrew Sheranian and Ross Wood.

The concert is free contact Michael Raleigh at PeabodySquareChoralArtists@gmail.com.

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meeting on Thurs., Jan. 24 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss a proposal to built a five-story, mixed use development with 56 housing units at 1970 Dorchester Ave. near Ashmont. The meeting will be held at All Saints Church, 209 Ashmont St., Dorchester. Contact John Campbell at 617-918-4282 for more info.

Uphams Corner Main Street Annual Meeting - The annual meeting for Uphams Corner Main Street will be held on Thursday, Jan. 31 from 8 - 9:30 a.m. at Restaurant Laura,688 Columbia Rd., Dorchester. See uphamscorner.org for more info.

PLAN: Mattapan - Chat with a Planner on Feb. 7 - Part of the PLAN: Mattapan team will be available at the Mattapan Branch of the Boston Public Library to answer any questions about the planning process. Feel free to stop by at anytime between 12 - 5 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month. 1350 Blue Hill Avenue, Mattapan.

Talking THC: Marijuana Public Meeting on Jan. 24 — The Codman Square Health Center will host a conversation about the

Planning and Development Agency will convene a public 24 at 6:30 p.m. in the Black Box Theatre at Codman Academy, 14 Epping St., Dorchester.

PLAN: Mattapan - City Resource Fair on Feb. 9 - Join your neighbors on Sat., Feb. 9 between noon and 2 p.m. at the PLAN: Mattapan City Resource Fair. Location: TBD. This resource fair is one of many opportunities to connect with existing programs, $resources, and support that these \, departments \, provide. \, Come$ to hear updates from the BPDA and other City departments about their ongoing work in Mattapan and learn about the City resources that are available to you and your community. Light refreshments will be provided. Interpretation services and translated materials will be available in Haitian Creole and Spanish.

Cedar Grove Civic Assoc. – The next meeting of the CGCA will be Tues., Feb. 12 at 7 p.m. St. Brendan's Father Lane Hall-lower level at 589 Gallivan Blvd., Dorchester. Info: cedargrovecivic@ gmail.com or 617-825-1402.

Jones Hill Civic meets on Feb. 13 – The Jones Hill Association

Public meeting for 1970 Dot Ave proposal – The Boston local impacts of the state's new marijuana law on Thurs., Jan. meets on Wed., Feb. 13, 7 p.m. at St. Mary's Women and Chidren's Center, 90 Cushing Ave., Dorchester. See joneshill. com for more info.

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

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

> Columbia-Savin Hill Civic — Meetings the first Mon. of each month (Feb. 4), 7 p.m., at the Little House, 275 East Cottage St. For info: columbiasavinhillcivic.org.

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Sea level rise said to be already impacting realty values

By Simón Rios WBUR Reporter

For more than a decade, the impact of sea level rise and tidal flooding has been making waves on the real estate market of coastal New England, costing property owners in Boston an estimated \$5.7 million in lost appreciation. That's according to a report from First Street Foundation, a Brooklynbased nonprofit that studies the impact of sea level rise and flooding. Researchers concluded that across Massachusetts and three other New England states, more than \$400 million in "relative value" has evaporated.

"It's probably going to become even worse over time if adaptation and other approaches aren't taken to further stop it," said Jeremy Porter, a professor at Columbia University and a statistical consultant for First Street. "We would expect to see more [losses] on the lots that are already experiencing it, but then we'd also see if adjacent lots start to also experience tidal flooding.

Researchers say information about the impact of flooding on property values was already available for a fee — and used by banks and insurance



Tidal flooding is not a new phenomenon on Morrissey Boulevard, shown during a particularly large flooding event last spring. But, with rising sea levels predicted in years to come, it has already begun to adversely impact property values in certain coastal areas.

Boston Harbor Now photo

companies — but now it's open to the public.

Porter said his team looked at existing models for determining home values and added a variable for lost appreciation relative to comparable homes. The methodology has been implemented in several other areas but now in coastal New England, homeowners

— and maybe more importantly, prospective homeowners — can look at how properties are being affected by climate change.

The Flood IQ database allows users to look up properties and get an estimate of how much greater the value would be if not for the environmental changes. One extreme case: a three-decker on Marginal Street in East Boston, now valued at \$374,000. First Street's model estimates it would be worth nearly \$800,000 were it not for flooding and sea level rise.

But not every property has such dramatic relativelosses. In Dorchester, affected areas include Port Norfolk and low lying parts of Savin Hill, as well as Lower Mills. On Lawley Street in Port Norfolk, for example, one property's losses are calculated at \$3,728. But if the trend continues over the next 15 years, the impact on that property would rise to just over \$8,000.

For an individual owner in a booming real estate market, a few thousand dollars may not even be noticeable considering how much property values have appreciated in recent years. And on the regional level, researchers say losses in coastal areas could be met with proportionate gains in non-coastal regions.

But that won't work for every municipality, said First Street Executive Director Matthew Eby. He said the tool allows municipal officials to ask: "What is the actual loss to the tax base? What solutions can we put in place to keep that from happening in the future?"

The database includes 2.5 million coastal properties in Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island where "sea level rise has eroded \$403.1 million in relative home values between 2005 and 2017." The

majority of those losses — \$273.4 million — are in Massachusetts.

The five hardest-hit communities in Massachusetts are Salisbury -\$35.9 million in relative losses; Barnstable -\$16.4 million; Saugus - \$13.9 million; Nahant - \$10.1 million; Quincy - \$8.5 million.

Apart from the direct impact of flooding on specific properties, the study also concludes that flooding in neighboring areas also has an impact on home values. For example, if a street in a certain neighborhood is prone to flooding, that could hurt the values of every home on the street, even if a particular home doesn't experience flooding.

Jesse Keenan, a climate resiliency expert at Harvard's Graduate School of Design, said that connecting the value of homes with the well-being of urban infrastructure is an important contribution to the field. "Your property doesn't necessarily have to be immediately inundated with floodwater to feel the impact from climate change — from flooding and sea level rise," Keenan said. "Just because you're on high ground, you may not necessarily be safe."



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'Furlough Trump' is cry at State House rally

(Continued from page 1) Goldberg for her "strong, strong words.

Brodeur said the event - attended by more than 20 House and Senate Democrats and dozens of federal workers from agencies including the Internal Revenue Service, Customs and Border Protection, and the Securities and Exchange Commission - was intended to show that the Legislature stands in solidarity with federal workers "victimized by the shutdown," whether they were working without pay or unable to go to work.

"We are all doing our jobs on the front lines here at customs," said Richard Dargon, vice president of the Bostonbased National Treasury Employees Union chapter that represents Customs and Border Protection employees. "It is time for Congress and the president to do



"We're not talking about people down at Mar-a-Lago," Treasurer Deborah Goldberg said during a rally on the State House steps last Thursday, calling on Washington to "get our people back to work."

their jobs. It is a failure into Boston and join of leadership. Someone has to do the job and step up.

About fifty to sixty workers from the IRS facility in Andover had planned to take a bus the rally, speakers said, but were called back in Thursday to work without pay.

Linda Candela, a furloughed revenue agent who noted that Jan.

Sam Doran/SHNS photo

21 will mark her 28th anniversary working for the IRS, said she and her colleagues already feel "demoralized" because of budget cuts at the agency that make it harder to do their jobs.

"Why are we being used as pawns? Where are the checks and balances? Please fund the IRS so we can help fund the US government,' she said.

On Monday, Gov. Charlie Baker said there are 47,000 federal workers who live in Massachusetts and thousands more federal contractors who are going without pay because politicians in Washington can't reach a government funding agreement.

'We've been talking to our colleagues in the Legislature and to some other governors about whether or not there is a way for us to put some kind of unusual unemployment program in place for those folks, because their last check was due on Jan. 8, and if this thing continues, a lot of them are going to end up having trouble making February rent payments, mortgage payments and all the rest," Baker said during a WGBH Radio appearance Thursday. "And that's really going to end up being, at least in the short term anyway, our biggest focus.'

Tolman, of the AFL-CIO, drew a parallel to the seven-month lockout of National Grid gas workers that ended earlier this month after

unions and the company agreed to a new contract. Days before the deal was announced, Baker had signed legislation allowing locked out workers to continue receiving unemployment benefits.

"Is this the new vogue in the right wing? Is this the new vogue in the haters of the country, to lock people out and pull their health care away?" Tolman said. "There's something wrong in America when we see a company that made \$5 billion lock out their employees for seven months and now a president of the United States...who has a hissy fit over foolishness and then tries to lie his way out of it."

Sen. Jason Lewis, a Winchester Democrat who last year was Brodeur's co-chair on the Labor Committee -- and, Brodeur said, "perhaps will be again this session" -- told the crowd that lawmakers are "just really mad that this is what it's come to. This is not America. This is not our country. This is not our values.

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Anxieties mount for workers impacted by fed shutdown

(Continued from page 1) pacts trickle into the least obvious places. Employees of shuttered departments cannot use their government emails, Thompson points out, which makes it difficult to organize or let each other now about available resources like the food bank. They need to rely on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, standard paper flyers, and groups like Blacks in Government to reach federal and state workers.

"It's connecting," she said. "It's networking. Just, all of us are in the same situation, but we're working towards a common goal, and the goal is to help our fellow employees."

The U.S. Senate passed a bill in December that would have maintained government operations into February, but progress came to a halt when President Donald Trump demanded that \$5.7 billion be included to fund construction of a wall along the country's southern border. Since then, bills have passed in the Democratic-controlled House to reopen the government without wall funding but have not gone to a vote in the Senate. Two test votes are expected to take place in the U.S. Senate on Thursday, a possible step toward reopening the government.

Anxiety is already spreading through neighborhoods, elected officials and residents say. State Rep. Russell Holmes and City Council President Andrea Campbell both said that their districts already struggle with food insecurity and housing insecurity.

"It's been much more of the folks who are concerned about their livelihoods," Holmes

The direct impacts have been sparse so far, he said, but people are calling him constantly and "proactively," looking blankly ahead at looming deadlines for food and housing vouch-

"The two biggest things I've heard, quite frankly, are food stamps—they're glad they're sending them out early in February but what happens in March — and Section 8," he said. "What happens with heat? How do we make sure we get services? People literally just worried about, how do I live? The thing that's most uncomfortable for me is that I don't have a good answer for them."

He can check in with

Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley to pass along the residents' concerns, Holmes said, and look closely at Gov. Baker's proposals for extending state unemployment protections to federal workers.

 $One Mattapan \ resident$ and landlord checks in with Holmes frequently, worried about her tenant who depends on Section 8 vouchers for rent. Funding for the vouchers and SNAP, or food stamps, is secure through the next month.

She told the Reporter, requesting that her name be withheld so that her tenant does not become alarmed, that the uncertainty is "uncomfortable."

"You just don't know," she said. "It's not like you can put the person out. You try to help them out. Everybody struggles. You just hope this works itself out. It's just crazy to watch this happen."

Her friends and neighbors are equally concerned, the landlord of three said.

"Some of them are cutting back, cutting outings they may have taken their kids on. Some of them that have food stamps this month, they're trying to ration it for next month, and live mindfully because they don't know how long they have, maybe borrow money. They're worried because they don't know what to do. You only can wait and see and hope."

Pressley and other federal legislators are pushing for bipartisan bills that do not fund the President's desired border wall. State Sen. Nick Collins is among those pushing for supports for the Coast Guard, whose members are not being paid.

"Given that I represent the ports of Boston, my district spans the water, the harbor," he said. "It's a major concern given that we have international cargo coming in, we have LNG tankers coming to our ports, making sure the Coast Guard has adequate finding is a big concern."

State Rep. Dan Hunt was among those rallying at the State House on behalf of federal workers at Logan Airport who have now missed at least one paycheck. In a conversation with the Reporter on Tuesday, Hunt said a friend who works for the TSA is doing increasingly stretched math to make ends meet "at least for this month."

have great jobs and make good money still live paycheck to paycheck, so I worry about federal employees who aren't making great money and have been furloughed," he said. "With the Coast Guard and TSA and other agencies, I worry about the overall safety risks of having our first responders put their lives on the line and not paying them."

One of the landmarks of his district, the JFK Presidential Museum and Library, has been shuttered since the shutdown began as the National Archives are not being funded.

Its full staff is out of work now, including 18 facilities management employees contracted through Dorchesterbased Work Inc. With the exception of two workers who are on rotation just to keep the heat on, "a lot of them right now, the ones that have it, are using vacation and sick time to cover missed days that they are able to,' said Work Inc. spokeswoman Andrea Mitsch. "The others are waiting for or going to unemployment.

One worker said they have enough for January bills, but "doesn't "So many of us that know what to do after January."

"The unknown and the uncertainty, and the financial strain on so many folks picking and choosing what they can pay for," Mitsch said. "Do I pay my heat this month or do I get meds? Do I go to the grocery store and get food or do I pay my

The JFK Library Foundation gave each employee a \$50 gift card to at least help a bit, Mitsch said, and "it's overwhelming the thanks that we've gotten just for the \$50 gift card. Some of the folks that we work with, they not only rely on the income, rely on food stamps, housing vouchers. Their entire life is being impacted."

Thompson hopes people will be more compassionate, more understanding, to federal employees, after seeing the precarious position their chosen profession puts them in.

"For many years, we have been regarded as dispensable," she said. "[People say] we get paid too much, we get too many benefits, that we don't do enough work. I hope that we're appreciated when this is over. Maybe this is what it takes sometimes, to hear people's stories."



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Page 6 THE REPORTER January 24, 2019 When remains are unidentified, officials often call on Dot's Dr. Schoff to help out

By Daniel Sheehan REPORTER STAFF

The forensic anthropologist and Dorchester resident Dr. Sarah Kiley Schoff has always been fascinated by bones. As a child growing up on the South Shore, she says, she was influenced by her father, an amateur archaeologist who kindled her interest in the field by encouraging her to explore the natural habitats near her home.

When my mom was cleaning out boxes from my room when I was a little kid, she gave them to me to look through and I found I had collected a bunch of deer bones and bird bones from various hikes and walks we'd been on," Schoff said in a recent interview. "My dad used to take my sister and me for walks and hiking, and I found my first artifact in a plowed field when I was probably seven or eight. I immediately realized what it was and I tried to hand it to my Dad, who said, 'No, no! Hold onto it! You're the first person to touch it since the person that made it.' So, he had a big impact on me."

Schoff went on to study anthropology at the University of Maine before earning her PhD. at the University of Florida. Now a resident of Pope's Hill, she is one of the city's preeminent experts in taphonomy, the study of processes like burial, decay, and fossilization that affect remains as they become fossilized.

Since moving to Boston in 2015, Schoff has played an important role at several archaeological digs in the city, often assisting the city's archaeology program by using her expertise to differentiate between human and animal remains found at digs. Last year, she was on site at the excavation of the Dorchester Industrial School for Girls at 232 Centre Street, where she identified several children's teeth discovered during the course of the dig, which may have been buried by students at the school. She is now completing her analysis of the teeth in her free time and hopes to publish an article on her findings soon in an archaeological journal.

"You can learn a lot from teeth," explained Schoff. "Culturally, you know, when did the tooth fairy and that fable sort of begin? And was it practiced as early as this time period? So there's some interesting cultural stuff, too, that we're hoping to weave into the story."

Joe Bagley, Boston's city archaeologist, explained that Schoff's extensive background



Dr. Sarah Kiley Schoff examines a skeleton in the Photo courtesy Dr. Schoff

in forensic anthropology and taphonomy makes her a crucial asset to his program.

"In general, most of my volunteers are coming to the program with no experience, but Sarah comes with well over a decade of experience in the field, so it's incredibly valuable to have her on site," said Bagley. "It's really helpful because she has expertise out of my knowledge space--I don't have the skills to identify human versus animal bones...whenever it comes to human remains, she's the person I want to have there."

Indeed, archaeologists and law enforcement officials seek out Schoff's skills for a reason, and not just in Greater Boston. Earlier in her career, she worked in a national context on a number of high profile cases, helping to identify human remains in the wake of the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. Schoff acknowledged that, while in New Orleans and on Ground Zero, it was difficult to ignore the gravity of the situation.

"It's intense, and demanding, and very important work," she said. "With 9/11 and Katrina, we knew even in the moment that these were historic events, but you are also constantly reminded of the ordinary, simple humanity of the victims, and it's important to remember that. At the end of the day, the work is about recognizing a human who is no longer with us both in a technical sense of identifying remains, but also in terms of acknowledging the loss that comes with death in all its forms."

Schoff's next big project

the lead on: Completing the excavation process at Faneuil Hall that began decades ago and which yielded as many as 33,000 historical artifacts from a time period stretching from 1630 to 1740. At the moment, the artifacts are classified as a "legacy collection," objects from a previously excavated site that haven't yet been catalogued. Her job is essentially to document and reveal the contents of the discovery to the public. She applied for funding for the project through a grant proposal last fall, and is currently awaiting approval to move forward with the work, which would result in a public laboratory and eventually a permanent exhibit in Faneuil Hall.

may be one she's taking

"Boston as one of the largest port cities in America during that time period can tell us a lot about the Atlantic trade, and so we're really excited to put that application in for funding," said Schoff.
"We would be able to sort and preserve those artifacts in a meaningful way, and the goal of the project would also allow for redoing a permanent exhibit in Faneuil Hall on that time period."

Along with Bagley, Schoff has helped to revitalize Boston's archaeological scene, notably by founding Friends of Boston Archeology, Inc., a nonprofit that advocates for the program with the city and performs public education and outreach, in the fall of 2017. City Councillor-at-large Annissa Essaibi-George, who met Schoff through her involvement in the Pope's Hill Neighborhood Association, touted the forensic anthropologist as a valued member of the Dorchester and

Greater Boston communities.

"I really appreciate her, and more recently it's become clear the real impact that her work has had on the city of Boston," said Essaibi-George. "She's so good at translating her science background to more of a greater awareness of Boston history, and at looking for ways to preserve our history." She added, "It's important that we have people engaged in our work that have been trained and have the gift to think differently and approach problems differently, using critical thinking and critical mapping.

Schoff has taught at the college level in the past, but she says one of her favorite age groups to work are teenagers and young adults. In the past two summers she ran a forensic anthropology workshop for kids in the Boston Youth and Family Services' Superteens program, intended for students too old for summer camp but too young to work.

Her workshops generate a lot of interest, in part thanks to shows like "CSI" and "Cold Case" that romanticize and dramatize the work of forensic scientists. Schoff says that while those shows can inspire positive interest in her profession, they rarely show the extensive scientific knowledge and training required to succeed in the field.

"The part of it that sticks in my mind that I try to let kids know is that you have to become a good scientist, so what kind of science are you interested in? Are you interested in geology, or chemistry, or biology? The forensic component is the application of the science. And so I like to talk to kids about, you know, what is the part of science that you like? You can always apply it to forensics later."

In the workshops, Schoff sets up a series of fake crime scenes and asks students to distinguish criminal activity from everyday scenarios, which is an important part of her job. "We had a few faux crime scenes - a dental student had left his dental anatomy tools and some teeth that he was studying on a park bench – things like that. So, is that a crime scene? You know, it could look like one, but no."

A serial tooth-puller seems far-fetched, even for a show like "CSI," but Schoff says there's rarely a dull moment in her line of work. "I mean, you'd be surprised. Forensic anthropologists get called on really interesting things."

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Thurs., Jan. 24, 12:30 p.m. - Pop-Up Crafts. 7yo+; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 6 p.m. - So You Want to Be a Writer: Tips on Applying to GrubStreet's Emerging Writer Fellowship and Other Opportunities; 6:30 p.m. – Gentle Yoga. Fri., Jan. 25, 10:30 a.m. - Smart From the Start Story Hour. Sat., Jan. 26, 3 p.m. – Building Humans on the Page: A Free Creative Writing Workshop. Mon., Jan. 28, 10:30 a.m. – Hugs & Play; 3:30 p.m. - Drop-In Homework Help. Tues., Jan. 29, 3:30 p.m. - Drop-In Homework Help. Thurs., Jan. 31, 12:30 p.m. – Pop- Up Crafts, 7yo+; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 6:30 p.m. - Gentle Yoga. Fri., Feb. 1, 10:30 a.m. – Smart From the Start Story Hour. Sat., Feb. 2, 10 a.m. – Computer Basics. **UPHAMS CORNER BRANCH**

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Tues., Jan. 29, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. Wed., Jan. 30, 11 a.m. - Preschool Story Craft Program; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Thurs., Jan. 31**, – 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Mon., Feb. 4**, 10:30 a.m. – Baby & Toddler Lap Sit; 2:30 p.m. – Teen Photography Class; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help.

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People

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During a visit sponsored by Celebrity Series of Boston, Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater rising star Solomon Dumas performs the work of company founder Alvin Ailey at Dorchester's Murphy K-8 School last week. Dumas and the entire Ailey company return May 2-5 for their annual performance run.

Robert Torres photo



Three rising stars from the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater (Chalvar Monteiro, center in red shirt; Solomon Dumas, left in grey shirt; and Samantha Figgins, left front in white shirt) post with students from Boston Arts Academy during a visit sponsored by Celebrity Series of Boston last week. The dancers and the entire Ailey company return to Boston May 2-5 for their annual performance run.



Mattapan Community Health Center, recognized the birthdays of two of its health center members with a celebration of good health and longevity last week. The guests of honor — Melodie Guerrier and Geralda Dolcine— are both centenarians. Pictured (l - r) are MCHC Staff Gregory Jean-Louis, Andria Austin, Nurse Nadine Benjamin, President and CEO of MCHC, Guale Valdez, NP Guirlene Jean-Simon, Nurse Janette McKinnon, organizer of this event, Nurse Eileen Rosado, and Yolaine Cenafils, daughter of Meodile Guerrier (seated in the silver attire) and Ginette Augustin, daughter of Geralda Dolcine (seated in dark purple attire).

Photo courtesy MCHC

Dorchester's Demetrius Thomas, a student at Worcester State College, was among the recipients of a new Chromebook computer last week at the West End House Boys & Girls Club in Allston. 50 high achieving students received the laptops from the nonprofit group City Kids, created by City Realty Managing Partners Steve Whalen and Fred Starikov. To date, the pro-



gram has donated more than 500 laptops to local schools and educational programs.

YESTERYEAR ARCHIVE

DORCHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY



The William Cranch Bond House on Cottage Street.

This week's photograph shows the first house owned by the astronomer William Cranch Bond. He and his son, George Phillips Bond, were important contributors to the early history of astronomy in America.

Located in Dorchester on Cottage Street west of Edward Everett Square, the home's only parlor was sacrificed to science and converted into an observatory. A huge granite block, some tons in weight, rose in the center of the room, and the ceiling was intersected by a meridian opening. There were stone blocks in the gardens and neighboring fields as well for the support of instruments, meridian marks, etc.

Much of the following is from Edward S. Holden's "Memorials of William Cranch Bond and George Phillips Bond":

The elder Bond was born in Portland, Maine on Sept. 9, 1789. When the family's lumber business failed, they moved to Boston to open a clock store. Early on, the young Bond early evinced the ingenuity and fertility in mechanical contrivances for which he was subsequently distinguished. At the age of fifteen (1804) he constructed a satisfactory shop chronometer, and at about the same time a quadrant, which was also a very serviceable instrument. His attention was turned to astronomy by the total solar eclipse of 1806, when the sun was hidden for no less than five minutes. The comet of 1811 was discovered in Europe, but with no knowledge of that discovery, Bond discovered it independently. He loved science for itself, and cultivated it with a private passion. In time, his observations came to the knowledge of Professor Farrar of Harvard and Dr. Nathaniel Bowditch of Boston, who were planning an observatory for Harvard, gave Bond the mission of making examinations of the buildings at Greenwich when they learned that he was planning a trip abroad in 1815.

Robert Torres photo

In 1839, he reluctantly moved to Cambridge to take the position of Director of the Harvard College Observatory, which afforded no salary until the year 1846. Until then life continued much the same with Bond having to earn his living with jobs outside astronomy. His sons helped out in the Observatory as they had in the Dorchester home. William Cranch Bond, Jr., had died an untimely death in 1841, depriving his father of an able assistant. George P. Bond helped his father and succeeded him as Director of the Observatory after he died in 1859.

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

Editorial

Scrutinizing Trump's efforts to roll back LGBT citizens' rights

As if we didn't have enough cause to hold this American president and his administration in the deepest of disdain, a new policy brief prepared by the Fenway Institute of Fenway Health was issued last week and, as you'd expect, it's not great news. The report summarizes the myriad ways—large and small— that Trumpists at various levels of the federal government are working to undermine and discriminate against LGBT Americans.

"In just two years, we have witnessed the rollback of rights and protections that took decades to win. It's difficult, if not impossible, to estimate the full extent of harm now taking place," said Sean Cahill, a former Dorchester resident who is now the director of Health Policy Research at The Fenway Institute. He is one of three people who wrote the brief.

"It is undeniable that LGBT people and people living with HIV are now much more vulnerable to discrimination in health care, social services, employment, education, and access to basic government services," he said.

This is the second such report prepared by the Fenway Institute. The first one, covering 2017, was bleak as well. This one itemizes the second year of the Trump debacle and drills down on the piecemeal, but unfortunately effective, approach to targeting LGBT neighbors.

Following is a punch list of some of the more egregious examples from the Fenway Institute:

· "Taking aggressive steps to prevent transgender people from serving in the military;

• "Putting transgender inmates at higher risk of rape by assigning them to federal prisons based on their birth sex, not their present gender identity;

 "Dismissing Peace Corps volunteers who tested positive for HIV;

• 'Ending the practice of issuing G-4 visas to same-sex domestic partners of foreign diplomats or employees of international organizations—such as the World Bank or the United Nations—who are working and living in the United States;

• "Issuing a proposed rule from the Department of Health and Human Services that could allow health care providers to refuse to care for patients who conflict with their "religious belief or moral conviction" or force them "to act contrary to one's

• "Eliminating references to inclusion and protection from discriminatory housing practices in the Department of Housing and Urban Development's mission statement."

Cahill and his co-authors also point to some deeply troubling signs that could have long-lasting impacts through the judiciary. They note that Brett Kavanaugh, Trump's second Supreme Court appointee, "repeatedly refused to answer questions from the Senate Judiciary Committee about whether he believed that Obergefell v. Hodges, which struck down state anti-gay marriage laws, was correctly decided by the US Supreme Court." Another judge appointed by Trump-Kyle Duncan to the 5th US Court of Appeals based in Louisiana— is on record claiming that a decision affirming marriage equality for same-sex couples would "damage" the political and social institutions of the country.

And, in October, Trump's Justice Department advised the Supreme Court that gender identity should be considered "outside the scope" of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

The full policy brief can be read online at fenwayhealth.org. It's further evidence that this presidency — even if held to one term— is one that will haunt this nation for years to come.

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It's time to reconsider the state's flag and seal

By Jessicah Pierre SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

Commentary

In October 2017, Massachusetts, in a move strongly supported by Gov. Charlie Baker, removed its one and only Confederate monument, a memorial dedicated to southern soldiers who were once imprisoned in Fort Warren on Georges Island in Boston Harbor.

That same year, Baker's spokesperson, Lizzy Guyton, told Boston Magazine that "Gov. Baker

believes we should refrain from the display of symbols, especially in our public parks, that do not support liberty and equality for the people of Massachusetts."

It was a step in the right direction. But a lonely Confederate monument on a Harbor Island is far from Massachusetts's only symbolic display of inequality. Our state's flag and Great Seal is one that represents the historical genocide and threats against Native people. And a growing number of activists are joining Native American leaders in urging us to reconsider the Commonwealth's symbol.

The seal depicts a Native American holding a bow in one hand and an arrow pointed downwards - representing

peacefulness or pacification. Just above the shield, is a colonial arm that raises a sword. According to the website changethemassflag.com, the weapon is model off a sword owned by the 17th century Pilgrim commander Myles Standish, who was notorious for killing Native Americans.

David Detmold created the website after joining a movement in his home town, Turner Falls, to change the high school's mascot that at the time was a stereotypical "Indian" and had been the school's symbol for a century. After two years of intense dialogue, the superintendent and the school committee voted to make a change in 2016.

"A bunch of us who lived in the community were uncomfortable with the logo of our local high school that held a false representation of Native groups in the northeast," Detmold said. "Local native communities said this mascot didn't honor them, so they were unanimous in support of changing it."

First nation groups have long argued that the Massachusetts flag is an outdated symbol of violence and oppression that - just like Confederate monuments—should be removed from all state property, including the flag.

The flag is a reflection of the ongoing genocide of native people that has been happening in Massachusetts and the New England area since the 1630s," said Haartman Deetz, a tribal member of the Mashpee Wampanoag and an outspoken critic of the state flag. "This is a flag that celebrates

colonial exploitation and dissemination of native people," he added.

Included in the Massachusetts' flag is the state's Latin motto, "Ense petit placidam sub libertate quietam," which literally translates to "With a sword, she seeks peace only under liberty." Noted Deetz: "The sword is certainly a reminder of the threat that native people have faced, and it continues today."

While the debate about the flag and seal is heating up about the flag, it's not a new issue.

> For the past 34 years, former state Rep. Byron Rushing, with the support of the Massachusetts Commission on Indian Affairs, has every two years introduced legislation meant to change the flag and seal. And every two years since 1984, the bill, which would set up a commission to include state legislators and representatives of Native Nations within the borders of Massachusetts to investigate changes, has been bottled up in committees, and never passed. The panel's recommendations for any changes would then have to be approved by the Legislature.

Last year, the campaign for change began to attract a bit more support when four Western Mass towns- Gill, New

Salem, Wendell, and Orange - passed resolutions in support of Rushing's legislation. Despite this added momentum, the bill didn't make it out of the House Ways and Means Committee. So organizers are now back to the drawing board as they continue to host town meetings— including one earlier this month in Cambridge-to spark more dialogue.

Arguments against a change tend to lean on fiscal hardship. Since the state seal is not only on flags, but also a part of the State Police logo, public officials such as Greenfield Mayor William Martin have said that the state doesn't have enough funding to purchase new state flags and uniforms.

Haartman Deetz calls that a "bogus argument," saying, "The state can simply phase out the existing flag and seal. No one has an expectation that they're going to tear down the state and seal overnight. How many flags at state buildings and police cruisers are over five years old? We can gradually phase in a new design as the government updates a lot of these monuments."

David Detmold argues that this price isn't too high given the harm being done by keeping this symbol. Change is difficult, but our flag is a deep-seated symbol of white supremacy, just like Confederate war statues and Confederate flags in bars in Mississippi," he argues. "It's not just about the symbol; it's about giving up a racial oppression that people fought long and hard for."

Jessicah Pierre is a Dorchester resident.



Off the Bench

Sand dollars star in a vignette about love

By James W. Dolan SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

An older couple was walking along Tigertail Beach on Marco Island recently when they saw a woman in a bathing suit holding a small cloth bag and looking forlorn as she stood at the edge of the inlet. "What seems to be the problem," she was asked. The woman said she was on vacation and hoped to search for sand dollars on the beach across the inlet but was afraid to cross to the other side.

James W. Dolan

What once was a sandbar at Tigertail Beach is now overgrown with vegetation. To get to the ocean one must wade about 60 yards across a brackish inlet and walk another 100 yards through mangroves to get to a pristine beach. The woman's husband and friends had already crossed, but she was reluctant to walk in the waist-deep water.

Seeing her plight, my companion said, "I've been coming here for many years and have accumulated a large collection of sand dollars and would be happy to give you some." She told the woman she lived nearby and would leave them on a bench next to her front door for her to pick up when she was heading back. The woman was delighted.

For the uninitiated, like myself, a sand dollar is beaches of Southwest Florida. The fragile shells are hard to spot in the sand and are valued for their delicate beauty. They resemble silver coins, thus

Later that afternoon, the sand dollars were gone from the bench. The next day, the homeowner went to her mailbox and found a thank you note, addressed simply to "Kind Lady."

Such acts of kindness often go unnoticed in this day and age when the mangroves of strife and discord have overtaken the beach. Yet they are there in abundance, if you only take the time to look for them.

Like sand dollars, acts of kindness are imperceptible expressions of love. They are generosity's manifestation-unsolicited, unrewarded, instinctive, and sublime. They are what makes humanity noble even in hard times.

To be alert to those in need, To offer comfort with a deed, May not seem important stuff, But oftentimes it is enough.

James W. Dolan is a retired Dorchester District Court judge who now practices law.

By MIRIAM WASSER WBUR FREELANCE REPORTER

A new bill in the Massachusetts Legislature could make it easier for minors to get an abortion. The bill, An Act to Remove Obstacles and Expand Abortion Access, known as the ROE Act, does many things, but front and center is a provision to eliminate the need for parental consent.

Under current state law, minors need a parent's permission to get an abortion. If that's not possible, or if a teen doesn't want to ask a parent, she can petition a judge, a process known as judicial bypass.

Those pushing for the new law say the process is overly complicated, and that the status quo doesn't help pregnant minors.

"The minors consent law that has been in place created a lot of unnecessary and burdensome and harmful barriers for young people in the state," says Jennifer Childs-Roshak, president and CEO of the Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts. "Young people have the ability to make these personal decisions about health care and about whether they're ready to be a parent.'

We already trust minors to make reproductive health decisions like buying condoms and getting birth control from a doctor, Childs-Roshak says. She doesn't see why abortion should be any different.

"In an ideal world, every teenager would have a parent to guide and discuss some of these important things with," she says. "But the reality is that there are some young people who don't.

Yet while Planned Parenthood - along with NARAL Pro-Choice Massachusetts, Massachusetts Family Planning Association, and the American Civil Liberties Union Massachusetts supports this bill, not everyone agrees the law needs to change.

Anne Fox, president of Massachusetts Citizens For Life, says that when it comes to minors — children in the eyes of the law - parents need to be involved. In her mind, if minors need parental consent to get their ears pierced, surely they should need it to get an abortion.

"Abortion is a medical procedure, and it's an invasive medical procedure, so it's not nothing from a medical point of view," she says. "I think everyone would agree that parents have the

responsibility for their talk to their parents children's health and the follow up, and that they need to be involved."

She also worries that changing the law would meanfewerminorswould

about an unintended pregnancy. "The law is a great teacher, and anytime if the law is essentially saying we want to break down a

relationship in the family, we want to impose ourselves, I think that's very negative," she says.

Both sides of the debate acknowledge that the majority of minors

who get an abortion in the state do it with parental consent. It's what the policy should be for those who can't, or who don't want to, that inspires disagreement.





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TALKING THC: MARIJUANA PUBLIC MEETING ON JAN. 24

The Codman Square Health Center will host a conversation about the local impacts of the state's new marijuana law on Thurs., Jan. 24 at 6:30 p.m. in the Black Box Theatre at Codman Academy, 14 Epping St., Dorchester.

PUBLIC MEETING FOR 1970 DOT

AVE PROPOSAL

The Boston Planning and Development Agency will convene a public meeting on Thurs., Jan. 24 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss a proposal to built a five-story, mixed use development with 56 housing units at 1970 Dorchester Ave. near Ashmont. The meeting will be held at All Saints Church, 209 Ashmont St., Dorchester. Contact John Campbell at 617-918-4282 for more info.

UPHAMS CORNER MAIN STREET ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting for Uphams Corner Main Street will be held on Thurs., Jan. 31 from 8-9:30 a.m. at Restaurant Laura,688 Columbia Rd., Dorchester. See uphamscorner.org for more info.

PLAN: MATTAPAN - CHAT WITH A PLANNER ON FEB. 7

Part of the PLAN: Mattapan team will be available at the Mattapan Branch of the Boston Public Library to answer any questions about the planning process. Feel free to stop by at anytime between 12-5 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month. 1350 Blue Hill Avenue, Mattapan.

HAITIAN ARTISTS ASSEMBLY LAUNCH CITY HALL EXHIBIT

The Haitian Artists Assembly of Massachusetts' launch a new art exhibition "Who We Are, What we Bring" at Boston City Hall at a reception on Fri., Jan. 11, 4 p.m., third floor hosted by the Office of Art and Culture of the City of Boston. HAAM is a volunteer group of Haitian artists, created in 1995 to foster



Dorchester Reporter reader Moo Bishop sent in this photo of a snowman created by guests visiting Boston from Portugal last weekend. "While I thought they would shun the snow, they delighted yesterday in shoveling then creating this snow man reading your paper!" wrote Bishop. "Maybe best of all is the pink hat which I made for everyone in celebration of the women's march. The eyes are cherry tomatoes."

fellowship among the artists, promote Haitian culture in New England and build cultural bridges across different communities. This exhibition will feature paintings of Boston's cultural landmarks, historical figures with ties to New England (Toussaint Louverture, Frederick Douglas), social themes relevant to Boston: the reception will include the signing of an art book Migrating Colors: Haitian Art in New England."The exhibition will be in City Hall through Jan. 30.

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Shutdown causing a man-made hunger crisis

(Continued from page 1) The wide-reaching benefits which SNAP provides are in jeopardy unless the shutdown ends before Feb. 28, the date through which SNAP benefits are currently funded. If funding is depleted before the government reopens, local food pantries will be asked to absorb the need. To mitigate this man-made crisis, the state of Massachusetts may need to provide emergency funds to the emergency food network, but our emergency food system does not have the

capacity to replace SNAP.

For every one meal char-

ity can provide, SNAP

currently provides 12. Since the shutdown $began, more \, residents \, are$ calling Project Bread's toll-free FoodSource Hotline to be connected to food resources in their communities. This includes a single parent of three children who works as a TSA agent at Boston's Logan Airport, who called after falling behind on rent and daycare payments as a consequence of having not received a paycheck. Another woman who has worked since she was 15, and has been employed by the federal government

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for more than 22 years, called as well. She was hesitant to seek help because she said others have had it worse.

Senators, Edward Markey and Elizabeth Warren, have called for an end to the shutdown. It's time for Gov. Baker to step up, too. The governor should use his influence on the Republican Governor's Association to educate his GOP colleagues in the Senate about the devastating consequences of a further prolonged shutdown.

Real disasters befall our communities that are beyond our control, such as the 2011 tornado in Springfield and last year's Columbia gas explosions in the Merrimack Valley. The shutdown, however, is the result of President Trump's temper tantrum over immigration policy, not a natural disaster. Governor Baker ought to be taking a hard stance that makes clear states can't afford to pay for this man-made crisis.

Baker's capacity to rally bi-partisan support is proven. In 2017, when the Affordable Care Act was in jeopardy of repeal without replacement, Governor Baker worked

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across party lines to protect the health of Massachusetts residents. We implore him to again be the voice of reason and unity. We ask Gov. Baker to write a letter to Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell urging him to end the shutdown, and to do it quickly, for everyone's sake. It is time for him to lead.

Food is a basic human necessity. And hunger is a non-partisan issue.

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A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Noah Lillian Drori of Dorchester, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Noah Lillian Sarucia IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 01/31/2019. This is not a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this

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of the political aisle have an obligation to ensure that, at the very minimum, the least fortunate among us have food to eat.

Erin McAleer is the president of Project Bread.

Americans from all sides Individuals struggling without enough to eat can call Project Bread's FoodSource Hotline (1- $800 \hbox{-} 377 \hbox{-} 1292) \ to \ connect$ with local food resources. Assistance is available in multiple languages.

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Baker's sports betting bill limits wagers to pro games

By Matt Murphy STATE HOUSE **News Service**

Gov. Charlie Baker proposed last week to legalize sports betting in Massachusetts, igniting an already smoldering debate on Beacon Hill over whether to give gamblers an additional avenue to wager their money and over who should be able to take part in the potential new industry.

Baker's proposal would allow both licensed casinos in Massachusetts and online platforms like DraftKings to build their own sports betting operations, and would limit gamblers to bets on professional sports, excluding collegiate and high school athletics, as well as Esports.

The announcement came a day before Baker appeared before the

Massachusetts Municipal Association at its annual meeting where he detailed his annual budget proposal for local aid funding to cities and towns.

The governor's bill would earmark the estimated \$35 million in new revenue in fiscal 2020 for local aid.

"Expanding Massachusetts' developing gaming industry to include wagering on professional sports is an opportunity for Massachusetts to invest in local aid while remaining competitive with many other states pursuing similar regulations, Baker said.

Eight states, including Rhode Island, currently have legal sports betting, while bills have either passed or been introduced in dozens of other states, according to ESPN. The Supreme

Court last May opened the door for states to pursue sports betting when it ruled that the ban on sports betting outside of Nevada and selected other places was unconstitutional.

Baker put his own marker down on the issue as a number of legislators, including Sen. Brendan Crighton, Rep. Dan Cullinane, Sen. Michael Rush and Rep. Brad Hill, have filed proposals of their own to get into the sport betting market. House Speaker Robert DeLeo last year also asked Rep. Joseph Wagner to explore the issue.

Cullinane's bill would not allow mobile platforms to take part in sports betting, but instead require them to contract with a physical establishment like a

Baker's bill would

give oversight of sports betting to the Massachusetts Gaming Commission, which would vet license applicants and enforce consumer protections, such as the prohibition on anyone under 21 from placing

Existing casinos and slot parlors, including MGM Springfield, Encore Boston Harbor, and Plainridge, would be eligible to apply for a license to operate sports betting lounges, and could also contract with outside vendors for online betting. Separately, under Baker's bill, online-only operators such as DraftKings could apply to the Gaming Commission for a license to host sports betting on their web platforms.

The profits on bets placed in-person would be taxed at 10 percent, while online wagering profits would be taxed at 12.5 percent. Baker said he was also proposing to newly tax online fantasy sports wagering at 12.5 percent to "level the playing field.'

In an interview on WGBH's Boston Public Radio last Thursday, Baker said he modeled his proposal on New Jersey, where sports betting became legal last June just weeks after the Supreme Court gave states the option. "From our point of view, it's probably a

conversation we need to have and we think this is a relatively responsible way to go about doing it," Baker said.

In New Jersey, mobile sports betting accounted for 63 percent of the more than \$1.2 billion wagered on sports in that state from June to December 2018. Draft-Kings alone accounted for 32 percent of total sports betting revenue in New Jersey, according to the company.

Rhode Island opted not to include mobile platforms when it legalized sports betting last year, but the neighbor state has not realized the revenues it expected and the Senate president there is now pushing to add mobile betting to its law.

"Legal, regulated mobile sports betting provides the best mechanism to not only protect consumers, but also to eliminate illegal offshore gambling. ensure game integrity, generate new revenue for the Commonwealth and fuel the growth of Massachusetts' sportstech sector," said James $Chisholm,\ DraftKings$ director of global public affairs, in a statement. "We're hopeful Massachusetts will seize the

opportunity to establish a new national model of directly licensing mobile operators this year."

Others would allow bets on all college sports, or exempt only college athletics in Massachusetts from wagering. Cullinane has also proposed to allow professional sports leagues to collect a royalty on wagers placed on their games, which neither Baker nor Crighton recommended.

"I would like to open it up to all sports. That's where we're going to get the additional funds," said Rep. Brad Hill, an Ipswich Republican who was filing his own bills to legalize sports betting.

Hill said he thought the estimates of between \$50 million to \$70 million in revenue for the state were "actually quite low," and proposed to direct the revenues from sports betting to three separate funds for education, transportation and health insurance.

Baker's bill would also require license applicants to pay a \$100,000 application fee and a \$500,000 license fee that would have to be renewed every five years.



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Community Health News

Baker plan extends Medicare assistance to seniors

By KATIE LANNAN STATE HOUSE News Service

Twenty-five thousand low-income seniors in Massachusetts would be newly eligible for help paying for health care, and thousands more could be eligible for more assistance than they're currently receving, under a measure Gov. Charlie Baker plans to include in his 2020 budget proposal.

Baker's budget, which the governor plans to file on Jan. 23, will include language expanding eligibility for Medicare Savings Programs, which help eligible seniors pay for Medicare premiums and out-of-pocket expenses.

"This will make a big difference for people whose out-of-pocket on their drug costs is high," Baker said.

In Medicare Savings Programs, states and the federal government together pay for premium and cost-sharing assistance for Medicare Parts A and B. Participants automatically qualify for federal subsidies for Part D drug coverage.

States establish their own eligibility levels for the program -- in Massachusetts, the limit for the different tiers currently runs from 100 percent to 135 percent of the federal poverty

level, or about \$12,140 to \$16,400 -- and a change would not require federal approval, Baker said.

Baker's plan would increase the income limits to 130 percent to 165 percent of the federal poverty level (about \$15.790 to \$20,000) and double the asset limit for all three tiers from the current \$7,560 to \$15,120.

About 18,000 people in Massachusetts are served by the program now and could receive greater benefit levels under the expansion. Another 25,000 who were not previously eligible would be able to partici-

Under the proposed ex-

pansion, the out-of-pocket costs for a 79-year-old Bay Stater with \$17,000 in annual Social Security income would fall from about \$6,000 to \$600.

The expansion would be paid for through an additional \$100 million in federal Medicare spending, and a \$10 million increase in state spending, Baker said.

At least 13 other states have expanded their Medicare Savings Program eligibility beyond the federal minimum, according to the Baker administration. The governor's plan, which needs buy-in from state lawmakers, would be the first time Massachusetts

has adjusted eligibility beyond the federal standards since the MSP program began in 1966.

Baker's spending plan next week will serve as the first volley in the months of annual budget debate and development on Beacon Hill. The House will debate its own budget in April and the Senate in May, with the goal of getting a compromise version to Baker's desk before the new fiscal year begins on July 1.

Legislative budget writers can opt to include Baker's recommendations, or to leave them out of their bills.

Baker said he hadn't

talked about the expansion with lawmakers. One former House Democrat, Boston Mayor Martin Walsh, is on board.

Walsh, in a statement, said expanding eligibility would be "a significant way to ensure that our seniors have access to high-quality and affordable healthcare coverage."

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Texting 911 now an option in emergencies

system was deployed across Massachusetts to ensure that text messages sent to 911 would be routed to emergency call centers based on information provided by the texter's service carrier. On Wednesday, state officials formally announced that the life-saving system upgrade is now available to everyone. The State 911 Department, in a fact sheet, called the Text-to-9-1-1 system "one of the most exciting changes for accessibility to emergency services in more than 20 years."

"Having the ability to contact a 911 call center by text could help those being held against their will or victims of domestic violence unable to make a voice call," Frank Pozniak, State 911 Department director, said in a statement. "Text to 911 also provides direct access to 911 emergency services for the deaf. hard of hearing and speech-impaired, which is a service that these communities did not have access to until now."

Users of the texting approach should enter 911 in the "To" field of their m obile devices -- the same process for sending regular text messages -- and try to include the address and town where they are texting from, information about the nature

of the incident, and any other details about their precise location. Officials say making a voice call to 911 remains the most

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

ASHMONT-ADAMS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

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

ASHMONT HILL ASSOC.

Meetings are generally held the last Thursday of the month. ashmonthill.org or 617-822-8178.

ASHMONT HILL BOOK GROUP

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ASHMONT VALLEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

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

CEDAR GROVE CIVIC ASSOC.

Meetings are held in the St. Brendan's Father Lane Hall – lower level at 589 Gallivan Blvd., Dorchester Tuesdays on the second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m.Info: cedargrovecivic@gmail.com or 617-825-1402. **CLAM POINT CIVIC ASSOC.**

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

CODMAN SQUARE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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

COLUMBIA-SAVIN HILL CIVIC ASSOC.

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

DORCHESTER NORTH NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

The Dorchester North Neighborhood Association (formerly the Annapolis Street Neighborhood Association) generally meets on the third Tuesday of each

month at 7 p.m. in the meeting room of 8 Annapolis Street. Please see our Facebook page (search Dorchester North) for updates and announcements. Send questions and agenda items to: dorchesternorth@ gmail.com.

JONES HILL ASSOC.

See joneshill.com for additional information. **EASTMAN-ELDER ASSOC.**

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

DORCHESTER UNIFIED NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

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

FREEPORT-ADAMS ASSOC.

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

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

HANCOCK STREET CIVIC ASSOC.

Hancock Street Civic meets on the first Tuesday of each month, 7-8:30 p.m. at the community room of 530 Columbia Rd, Dorchester. https://sites.google. com/view/hsca02125/ for more info.

HECLA/LYON/EAST STREETS WATCH

A new neighborhood watch, on Hecla, Lyon, and East Streets will meet at Susi Auto Body Shop 79 Freeport St., corner of Linden St., on a date TBA. All residents are invited to join.

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LOWER MILLS CIVIC ASSOC. Next meeting TBD. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. at St. Gregory Auditorium. Dues (\$7) are now due. See the web page: dorchesterlowermills.org.

MCCORMACK CIVIC ASSOC.

Meetings are held at Saint Teresa of Calcutta Parish Hall in basement of Saint Margaret Church beginning at 6:30 p.m. More online at McCormackCivic.

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MELVILLE PARK CIVIC ASSOC.

Monthly meeting is held the third Thursday of each month at the Epiphany School, 154 Centre Street/ Shawmut T, 2nd floor library, from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Meetings are generally not held in July and

MEETINGHOUSE HILL CIVIC ASSOC.

The Meetinghouse Hill Civic Association meets monthly at the First Parish Dorchester, 10 Parish St. Dorchester. Their next meeting will be on Wed., Feb. 20 at 7 p.m. Contact civic president Shirley Jones at joness713@msn.com.

PEABODY SLOPE ASSOC.

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

POPE'S HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

Neighborhood E-Mail Alert system. PHNA meetings, usually the fourth Wed. of the month at the Leahy/Holloran Community Center at 7 p.m. All are the fourth Wednesday of the month.

PORT NORFOLK CIVIC ASSOC.

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

ST. MARK'S AREA CIVIC ASSOC.

Meetings held the last Tues. of the month in the lower hall of St. Mark's Church, at 7 p.m. Info: smacadot@msn.com.

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that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

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Petitionfrom the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 02/13/2019. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed ten appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you. he estate is being administered und formal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but recipients are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Rep-resentative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First lustice of this Court.
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The scene before the Pilgrims sailed over

(Continued from page 1) they made their journey just before the Neolithic Revolution – the invention of farming - which took place in the Middle East about 11,000 years ago. Or perhaps they came 20,000 years ago when the ice pack was smaller. Or 30,000 years ago. Or perhaps they crossed by boat across the Pacific Ocean, or arrived from Australia, passing by the South Pole. Or they were from Siberia or Mongolia or Japan. Archaeologists, researchers and historians have yet to reach full consensus. But the first theory of crossing the frozen Bering Strait seems to have gained the most weight in recent years.

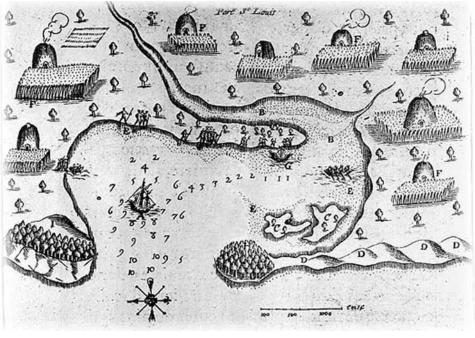
Ancient man perhaps began moving into New England about 9,000 to 10,000 years ago, as shown by the Bull Brook excavation site at Ipswich, Massachusetts, revealing fluted point and gravers of exotic flint and other artifacts. Some samples of charcoal showed a Carbon-14 date of about 7000 B.C. According to the archaeologist William S. Fowler, evidence indicated that the early arrivals to the Northeast may have come in dugout canoes, possibly nomadic hunters pursuing prehistoric game – mammoths and mastodons. They may have been forced back and forth by seasonal changes. Caribou hunters are believed to have arrived here about 6,500 years ago, as the tundra retreated and the forest appeared. The tidewater bays began forming where the iceage streams had once flowed. Now a new people, more sedentary, arrived – known as the Stone Bowl Makers-becoming more dependent on fish for food to supplement the game they had once exclusively brought home from their hunting

Wrote Mann: Ten thousand years ago when Indians in Mesoamerica and Peru were inventing Agriculture and coalescing into villages, New England was barely inhabited, for the excellent reason that it had been covered until relatively recently by an ice sheet a mile thick....Because rising sea levels continually flooded the shore, marshy Cape Cod did not fully lock into its contemporary configuration until about 1000 B.C. By that time the Dawnland [the New England shore] had evolved into something more attractive: an ecological crazy quilt of wet maple forests. shellfish-studded tidal estuaries, thick highland woods, mossy bogs full of cranberries and orchids."

Along the East Coast in the centuries that followed, there evolved a slow "economic shift" from a hunting and gathering culture to one that specialized on exploiting local natural resources such as fish runs on the rivers and shellfish on the river mudflats at low tide. At first, this shift probably took place in the southern portions of the coastline, slowly working its way northward.

When the natives along the coastline – of what was later geographically called Massachusetts saw their first ship on the ocean, they took it for a "walking island," and thought its mast must be a tree and its sails white clouds. And when the ship discharged its guns, they took them, wrote William Wood in "New England's Prospect" (initially published in 1634). "... for lightning and thunder, which did much trouble, but this thunder being over and this moving-island steadied with an anchor, they manned over their canoes to go and pick strawberries there."

This tale was told to Wood by a Massachuset native. But when the natives approached the ship they were saluted with a broadside from the ship's cannon, which forced them to turn back to shore, crying out: "What much hoggery, so big walk, and so big



Samuel de Champlain drew this map of the site as he was exploring Plymouth Harbor between 1604 and 1606.

speak, and by and by kill " They turned back and didn't approach the ship again until they were sent for. This was an early impression the local natives had of the newcomers.

Edward Johnson, in Wonder-Working Providence 1628-1651," first published in 1653, wrote that the people who saw this wonder were called the "Mattachusets." They were "so affrighted with a Ship that arrived in their Bay, having never seene any before. ..." The book's 1910 editor, J. Franklin James, wrote that the ship may have been Captain John Smith's, sailing into Massachusetts Bay in 1614. This is questionable, since many ships had sailed around the area before 1614, including the expeditions of Bartholomew Gosnold (1602) and Samuel de Champlain (1604 and 1606). Moreover, before Smith sailed along the Bay, a French ship had been in the bay area for about six weeks, trading with the Massachuset. so that the natives had little left to trade with Smith's crew. ...

The trouble with a series of subsequent expeditions between 1602 and 1614 – to survey the economic and colonial opportunities at several sites – was that they remained for longer periods, "... sometimes

camping on land, and increasingly alienating the natives."

Among them:

 Coasting down from Maine and rounding Cape Cod in 1602, the crew of English explorer Bartholomew Gosnold antagonized local natives on the island of Cuttyhunk, the westernmost of the Elizabeth Islands south of today's New Bedford, by ceasing to trade with them, creating an incident in which two Englishmen were attacked, one receiving an arrow in his side. This small skirmish ended the expedition and the establishment of a

possible colony. The French explorer Samuel de Champlain, investigating the New England coastline in 1604 and 1606, missed Boston Harbor but stopped at one point at Hingham Harbor where he traded with the "Wessagusset" band of the Massachuset. On this expedition, some of the sailors with his aide DeMonts, while trading with the Nauset on Cape Cod, started to argue with the natives over a stolen kettle, and a brief skirmish resulted in the death of one sailor.

• In 1611, the Pokanoket sachem Epinow (also spelled Epanow, Epenow) on Capawack (Martha's Vineyard) was captured by English captains Edward Harlow

and Nicholas Hobson, who brought him to England where he learned some of the language and customs. Three years later he was brought back as a guide and interpreter but escaped from the ship to tell his fellow natives the tale.

• Captain John Smith's 1614 expedition, mentioned above, aroused anger among the natives. Because the Massachuset had few fur pelts to trade after the earlier French vessel had left, Smith's crew, doubting the natives, raised tensions and caused a clash with 40 braves. When all the native arrows were spent, Smith ordered that their canoes be seized, forcing the natives to pay a ransom in beaver skins to get their canoes back. When the ship anchored in another spot in the bay, it was showered with arrows again and, in the ensuing skirmish, one native was killed and another wounded by gunfire.

• With Smith on this commercial voyage in 1614 was Englishman Thomas Hunt, who was ordered to fish off the coast of Cape Cod and barter with the natives for furs. Hunt seized some 24 unsuspecting natives, seven of them Nauset, and herded them on his ship bound for Malago where he intended to sell the captives as slaves. Although most of them were eventually rescued by Spanish friars, this action raised "an intense distrust" among the natives that lingered for several years. Among his captives, who escaped to England and learned the English language, was Tisquantum, or Squanto, of the Patuxet tribe, located in present-day Plymouth, who returned to the New World and became an excellent guide to the Pilgrims and introduced them to sachem Massasoit of the Pokanoket and to some Massachuset.

The natives had excellent intertribal communications, and were well aware of these incidents by the time the Pilgrims came ashore to explore their surroundings at Provincetown in 1620, eventually settling westward across the bay at Plymouth.

NEXT: The tribes and the "Old Comers" Ed Quill is a former archivist at Boston City Hall and onetime chief librarian at The Boston Globe where he also served as a City Hall reporter and editor of its Ask the Globe column. His book will shortly be available for purchase through PayPal and the website quillcloud.net.

About the book's title

The title "When Last the Glorious Light The Lay of the Massachuset" references several elements in the saga of the tribe's rise and fall in the colonial era.

When the great chief Chickataubutwas moved to talk of the despoliation of his mother's grave by the European, he was heard to utter what some see as prescient about the future for his tribe. "When last the glorious light of all the sky was underneath the globe, and birds grew silent ... me thot I saw a vision."

As to the "Lay of the

Massachuset": In my generation, we were forced to read a long narrative poem by Walter Scott entitled "Lay of the Last Minstrel." It was so boring I can't remember much about it except that it spoke to the consequences of a legendary 16th century border rivalry.

So when I was researching and writing about the tribe called the Massachuset and the highlights of their time in the 17th Century, their customs and their traditions and their near extinction, I thought I

would call it "Lay of the Massachuset" even if it's not a narrative poem or a poem intended to be sung, but so what. Maybe it's a misnomer, but I don't think so. The definition of "lay" in the Oxford English Dictionary takes up eight pages, including the following detail:

A "lay" includes the direction of streams, hills and territories (the lay of the land), which, in the book, is stolen from the tribe. The definition also includes the beating down or striking down of a person or a group (laying on with a will),

which, surely, this book is about.

How about sacrifice? To lay down one's life. It can mean to cast blame—to lay blame. So many definitions.

But I present the word in a positive sense. A lament, yes, because of their betrayal, but also a joyous song now that their tale has been told. And perhaps now, after four centuries, the Massachuset may at last be given state and federal recognition as a matter of justice long denied its members.

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Proponents outline next steps for Greenway over tunnel cap

By Jennifer Smith News Editor

Advocates for a "Dot Greenway" on top of the Red Line tunnel cap between Park and Ashmont Streets announced a new fiscal partnership with LivableStreets and reviewed the potential timeline for this \$5-7 million project at a meeting

on Tuesday night.

Jenn Cartee, of the Greater Ashmont Main Street group, and Travis Lee, a local developer, have been shepherding this project through initial meetings with city and state departments. All 13 departments at the MBTA have signed on to a letter support-

ing the prospect of the Greenway, Cartee said. Ownership would be transferred from the MBTA via a 99-year lease for \$1, most likely.

A non-profit entity would either need to be created or found to take management responsibility for the project and create a secured maintenance plan, MBTA contractors would construct the hardscaping around the site "needed to get it ready for planting," and city assistance would be mostly limited to trash and snow removal.

The Greenway is envisioned as an integrated recreational path for pedestrians and cyclists, able to accommodate some outdoor events.

As far as the structural integrity of the site itself, the Thornton Tomasetti engineering firm's initial report back found that the tunnel cap's carrying capacity is safe at 100 pounds-per-square foot, and recommended the project be built out at 80 pounds-per-square foot, which should be fine for their intended use.

The LivableStreets Alliance is coming on board as their fiscal agent,

preparing a Memorandum of Understanding to get the ball rolling on $applying \, for \, Community \,$ Preservation Act funding in the spring. They are seeking \$400,000 dollars for design and structural engineering.

State delegation members are working to secure at least \$2 million for the project build out in the Environmental Bond Bill, Cartee said, highlighting Sen. Nick Collins' leadership and Rep. Dan Hunt's support for the project.



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return date, action may be controlled further notice to you.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, Esquire, First Judge of this Court.

Date: January 10, 2019

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE & FAMILY COURT SUFFOLK DIVISION 24 NEW CHARDON STREET BOSTON, MA 02114 BOSTON, MA 02114
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The Plaintiff her find

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required to serve upon: Dionne G. Lee 1875 Dorchester Ave., Dorchester, MA 02124 your answer, if any, on or before 03/07/2019. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudica-tion of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court. Witness, HON. BRIANJ. DUNN, First

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CONNECT THE DOT: BGCD Artwork Featured at Museum of Fine Arts on Martin Luther King Junior Day: Museum goers had the opportunity to celebrate the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. by surrounding themelves with art, culture, and community on Monday. A few lucky BGCD members had their artwork on display as part of this exhibit honoring the life of Dr. King. Patrons enjoyed free admission all day long and an array of vibrant, engaging, and collaborative programs for all ages and abilities,

Citizens Bank has sponsored the MFA's MLK Day Open House for 17 consecutive years—allowing the Museum to welcome visitors into their galleries to enjoy free performances, tours, talks, art-making activities, and more. For more information on our art programs please contact Art Director, Katy Farrar at kfarrar@bgcdorchester.org.

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Books, Balls & Blocks: The Dorchester Family Engagement Network is holding a fun and free screening event for children 4 months to 5 years, focusing on the development of communication, behavior, cognitive, fine and gross motor skills, as well as early childhood staff to answer questions and help find resources!

Books, Balls and Blocks is a free, fun, family event. It is comprised of different activity stations in which children can engage in developmentally appropriate play while parents complete an ASQ screening.

The event will be held on January 26. 2019 from 10 AM to 12 PM. for weather related cancellation the make up date will be February 2nd. It will be held at Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester located at 1135 Dorchester Ave, Dorchester MA.



DID YOU KNOW Runners Train to Run 2019 Boston Marathon on Behalf of BGCD: Boys

& Girls Clubs of Dorchester recently hosted their second marathon team meeting where they supported local runners who have generously taken on the task of training and fundraising on behalf of BGCD over the next few months. On April 15, 2019 they will take on the daunting task of completing the highly competitive Boston Marathon and raising funds on behalf of Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester through the Boston Athletic Association's charity program.

Team BGCD running coach, John Furey, delivered some motivational words to inspire the runners who hail from as far as San Diego to being born and raised right here in Dorchester. To learn more about ways you can support a marathon runner please visit www. bgcdorchester.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Swim Sectionals January 26 + 27

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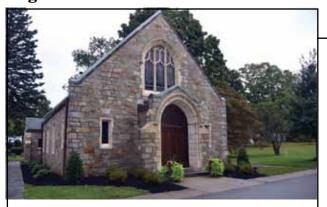


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BROWN, Agnes L. 'Aggie" (Santosuosso) Quincy, originally from Dorchester at the age of 95. Born and raised in Dorchester, Agnes graduated from Dorchester High School. WWII, During worked at the Fore River Shipyard in Quincy. Agnes was the wife of the late Joseph E. Brown. Mother of Deborah J. Haas and her husband Glenn of E. Weymouth, Joseph M. Brown of Bridgewater and the late Daniel J. Brown. Sister of Alfred Santosuosso of Braintree, Therese Macdermott of Holbrook and the late Ernest Santosuosso, Benjamin Santosuosso and Peggy Collins. Also survived by 10 grandchildren, 11 greatgrandchildren, many nieces and nephews. Memorial contributions may be made in her name to the American Heart Association, 300 5th Avenue, Suite 6,

CURLÉY, Terese M. (O'Hara) of West Yarmouth, formerly of Centerville, Milton, and Dorchester. Wife of the late Robert A. Curley. Mother of Robert A. Curley, Jr. and his wife Kathleen F. Curley of Hingham, Elizabeth T. Curley and her late husband Tim Holt of

Waltham, MA 02451.

West Hartford, CT, the late Frederick J. Curley, M.D. and his wife Kathleen L. Curley of Westborough, and Maryann O'Connell and her husband Steven of Hingham. Grandmother of 10. Great-grandmother of 8. She is survived by many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews. Donations in Terese's memory may be made to the Milford Regional Health Foundation, 14 Prospect St., Milford, MA 01757.

DAVIS, Christine "Mamie" age 71, of Alexandria, NH. Survived by her husband of 52 years, John; and her children, Therisa, John, Jr., Michael, Kristine, Richard, Jennifer; 14 grandchildren; 4 greatgrandchildren. A donation to the House of Little Wanderers in Boston, MA, would be appreciated.

DELLASCIO, Peter Joseph of Woburn. Husband of Joan E. (Vesey). Father of Robert of Woburn, Thomas of Burlington and James of Burlington. Brother of Catherine Smolinski of Dorchester. Memorials in Peter's name may be made to the Woburn Senior Center, 144 School St., Woburn, MA 01801.

DOOLEY, John 87, of Dorchester formerly of Ardrahan County Galway, Ireland. Husband of Kitty (McDonagh) Dooley. Father of Mary Dooley of Boston, Barbara Dooley of Dorchester, John Dooley and his wife Linette of Columbia, CT., Kathleen Hickey of Milton, Margaret Dooley of Dorchester and Karen Stockbridge and her husband Steven of Milton. Grandfather of Brendan, Kate, Sean, Danny, John, Meaghan, Maggie, Matthew and Jack.

GLYNN, Kath-leen (Giblin). Born in Roscommon, Ireland. She worked for Boston Public Schools. She leaves her husband of 50 years John F. Glynn, her children, Maureen E. Glynn and John P. Glynn and his wife daughter-in-law Anv Glynn; Godson, Mert "Chuck" Aspinwall; her sister-in-law Dolly Heffernan; three grandchildren; her siblings, Winnie Giblin and the late Nora, John, Eddie, George and Mary; also nieces and nephews.

MANNING, Mary E.

(O'Connell) formerly of Mashpee, Weymouth and Dorchester. She was the wife of the late Joseph M. Manning, to whom she was married for 60 years. Born in Boston, Mary was the daughter of the late William T. and Margret (Mc-Carthy) O'Connell. With her husband Joe, Mary owned and operated a popular bowling venue known as the Weymouth Landing Recreation Center. Mary is survived by three children and their families, Susan Clement and partner Matt Carrozo of Cotuit, Paul Manning and wife Suzanne of Mashpee, and Lori Hennessy and husband Mark of Plymouth. She also leaves six grandchildren. Donations may be made in memory of Mary to the Alzheimer's Association.

MORRISSEY, Leo J. of Milton. Born in Dorchester, Leo was a graduate of Boston College High School, an alumnus of Boston College. An executive with Hastings-Tapley Insurance, Cambridge, Mr. Morrissey was an active alum of Boston College. A member of the BC Gridiron Club, Mr. Morrissey undertook and led Cursillo retreats, volunteered at Mv Brother's Keeper, in Easton, and with friends and family started Por Christo, a charity delivering medical services to Ecuador. Mr. Morrissey chased sea views and warm weather, in Orleans, MA, and on St. John, USVI. Hus-St. John, USVI. Husband to the late Margaret "Peg" Morrissey, his "girlfriend of sixty years." Father of Leo J. "Lee" Morrissey, Jr., of Clemson, SC, Daniel J. Morrissey of Ashburnham, MA, and Michelle M. Morrissey of Brook-M. Morrissey of Brookline. Grandfather of Declan Morrissey, Owen Morrissey, Mairead Morrissey, Mairead Morrissey, Sonali Mor-rissey-Dhekne and Kieran Morrissey-Dhekne. Brother of the late James W. Morrissey. Donations in Peg and Leo's memory may be made to My Brother's Keeper, P.O. Box 338, Easton, MA 02356.

RECUPERO, Jessie G. (Dunn) of Saugus, formerly of Dorchester,. Wife of Frank A. Recupero. Mother of Deborah Dietz and husband Kenneth of AK, Frank Recupero, Jr. of CA, David Recupero and his wife the late Katherine Pike of Lynn and the late Rosemary Monahan and Roy Recupero. Sister of Jimmy Dunn and the late Sonny, Donald, Jimmy, Mary Dunn and Louise Black. Grandmother of nine grandchildren, six greatgrandchildren and one late grandson.

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LOAN OFFICER SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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Opportunity:

Working with the Director of Economic Development, this is an opportunity for an action oriented individual to help rebuild the DBEDC Small Business program into a leader in Mission-based Impact Lending. This begins with a revamped web portal containing state of the art tools and access to an on-line lending platform as well as a partnership with the City of Boston and other community based organizations and local financial institutions to build a pipeline. The goal: grow the portfolio from under \$500,000 to over \$5 million.

The Position Key aspects of the position: business development, pre and post loan technical assistance to clients, credit analysis, underwriting, financial forecasting, loan packaging and supporting the Junior Loan Officer in servicing, compliance with the SBA, the CDFI Fund, grant opportunities and outreach

Responsibilities

- Business Development including marketing the program, helping to build the pipeline, closing loans and growing the portfolio
- · Work directly with Boston based community partners in supporting entrepreneurs, startup and growing businesses to assist clients with the development of business plans, financial cash flow projections, sales/pricing, and market analysis
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- SBA and CDFI Fund Compliance reporting

Preferences:

Relative experience and education in business administration, finance, or its equivalent in recognized industry training. Cape Verdean creole speaking or other language ability a plus. Interested applicants should submit a letter and resume to Vincent Pina at vpina@dbedc.org as soon as possible. People identifying as women, people of color or as part of other historically marginalized groups are encouraged to apply.



SENIOR REAL ESTATE PROJECT MANAGER

Dorchester Bay Economic Development Corporation (Dorchester Bay EDC) seeks a Senior Project Manager to join our real estate development team. Dorchester Bay EDC is an active and established community development corporation that serves the North Dorchester region of Boston.

The Organization and Its Programs

Dorchester Bay EDC acts to build a strong, thriving and diverse community in Boston's Dorchester neighborhoods. We develop, preserve and sustain affordable housing for rent and for ownership. We create commercial and economic development opportunities. We build community through community organizing and civic engagement activities. We are focused on the concepts of equitable development and providing opportunities for economic mobility. Since our founding in 1979, Dorchester Bay EDC has developed and preserved over 1100 units of rental and homeownership housing and 200,000 square feet of commercial space. We have created around 1000 jobs and involved more than 1500 young people in after school leadership development and organizing

Real Estate Development at Dorchester Bay EDC Dorchester Bay EDC has an active pipeline of real estate development project activity, including both large commercial and residential developments. DBEDC is the designated developer, along with two partners, of a vacant, 2.7 acre site adjacent to the Uphams Corner Station on the Fairmont Line. The Indigo Block plan, created through an extensive community process, and to be developed with both for-profit and non-profit partners, is to construct 89 units of mixed income housing, as well as 20,000 square feet of light industrial/commercial space beginning Spring 2019. Recently completed projects include the redevelopment of 147 units of affordable housing at Cottage Brook Apartments, the \$56 million, 129-unit Quincy Heights housing development, which was funded with one of the first five Choice Neighborhood Grants in the country; and the Bornstein and Pearl Food Production Center, a \$15 million redevelopment of a 36,000 building that houses new and growing food businesses. Our pipeline also includes another 56 units of housing in our portfolio that we plan to redevelop in the next two years, a 45-unit senior housing building and responding to extensive mixed-use Uphams Corner RFPs to be issued in 2019.

There are opportunities for a Senior Project Manager to grow with our real estate development department, taking on increasing amounts of responsibility, including potential supervision of future project managers. She will report to the Director of Real Estate Development, and will collaborate with real estate department team members as well as other staff within Dorchester Bay EDC.

Our Ideal Candidate

The ideal Senior Project Manager will be a person who

- possesses many of these experiences and attributes: • **Project manager**—demonstrated skills and experience in all phases of residential or mixed use real estate development, ranging from project conceptualizing through assembly of financing, management of loan closings, construction management oversight, and coordination of project lease up.
- Dedicated community developer—a grounding in and commitment to community-based development, preferably in low and moderate income urban neighborhoods.
- Team coordinator goal oriented, hands-on manager who has the ability to prioritize and drive multiple tasks to completion, while coordinating the activities of development team members, including construction personnel, architects, lawyers, and partners.
- Strong communicator—ability to communicate well with and build positive working relationships with other staff members, partners, consultants, funders, and community members.
- Entrepreneurial thinker and decision makerentrepreneurial spirit and willingness to think creatively to solve problems and move projects along

- Technical Skills and Qualifications

 B.A. in real estate development, city planning, business or related field; master's preferred or equivalent.
- Three to seven years of experience working as a project manager in a nonprofit, public agency or private development company, with some nonprofit experience preferred.
- Familiarity with at least some of financing sources used for large scale affordable housing or commercial economic development projects, preferably including
- Low Income Housing Tax Credits and related funding.
- Some experience interacting with key public and private project development funders in Massachusetts
- Some knowledge of project lease up. • Excellent computer skills, including spreadsheet, word processing and internet skills; familiarity with project management software tools.

Spanish or Cape Verdean Creole skills a plus. We seek candidates who embrace our mission, and bring a sense of humor and passion to their work.

The Selection Process
Please submit a cover letter, detailing your salary requirements and your particular qualifications for this position, along with a resume to: vpina@dbedc org. No phone calls or letters please.

Applications will be reviewed and acknowledged as by are received. Deadline for submissions is January 29,2019. Earlier applications are strongly encouraged Interested applicants should submit a letter of interest and resume to Vincent Pina as soon as possible. People identifying as women, people of color or as part of other historically marginalized groups are encouraged to apply.



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