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Walsh defends record against Jackson critique



Mayor Martin J. Walsh, right, and challenger Councillor Tito Jackson shared a lighter moment during Tuesday evening's mayoral debate hosted by WGBH.

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Councillor at debate: It's 'David' vs. 'Goliath'

By Jennifer Smith News Editor

Mayor Martin Walsh defended his record against persistent criticisms by his challenger in next month's election, City Councillor Tito Jackson, as the two men clashed over competing visions for Boston at a debate Tuesday evening.

With two weeks to go until the vote, the mayoral race rests on whether Jackson's broad promise of comprehensive reform in city governance is compelling enough for voters to unseat a popular mayor touting strong, if uneven, growth and strategic long-term planning.

Hosted by WGBH News and moderated by Jim Braude and Margery Eagan of Boston Public Radio at the station's Allston headquarters, the debate was the second and final of two planned events. The earlier encounter, hosted by RoxVote in Roxbury last week, laid out many of the same considerations. The campaigns have sparred over Jackson's desire for more debates and Walsh's insistence that two would do.

After the debate on Tuesday, Jackson, having spent the hour beforehand needling the mayor on affordable housing, educational funding, and ambitious misfires like the 2024 Olympics proposal, said

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Neponset Wharf mailbag: Neighbors, environment groups put their feet down

By Jennifer Smith News Editor

Community and environmental groups around Port Norfolk offered the sprawling Neponset Wharf project a chilly reception in public comments that were released by the city's planning agency this month.

South Boston-based developer City Point Capital is proposing to demolish existing Marine Max/Russo Boston buildings on the peninsula along the Neponset River and Pine Neck Creek and clear out 3.6 acres of land



Port Norfolk's waterfront would be transformed into a 150-unit condo complex, 25-room hotel and marina under a plan now under review by the BPDA. Neighbors have been sharply critical of the existing proposal. *Jennifer Smith photo*

with a connected 4 acres of watersheet used for marina purposes.

The plan for 24 Ericsson St. would install 150 condominium units, a

25-room boutique hotel, covered parking, some commercial space, and renovated boat storage and service facilities. The total area of the wharf proposal, including a boathouse, about two acres of public open space, and three-mixed use buildings, is about

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By Daniel Sheehan Reporter Correspondent

A Hero Square will be rededicated this Saturday, Oct. 28 at 11 a.m. to Pvt. Carl H. Alsen, a Dorchester

Dot playground to be re-named in memory of World War I hero

soldier killed in action in France in 1918. The ceremony will be the culmination of seven years of research and work by Joan Schwerin of Bedford, Mass., who

began her mission after learning about Alsen in her parents' old collection of letters.

Schwerin, a retired tax accountant, foraged through old documents,

library books, and online sources to piece together a portrait of the Dorchester soldier.

"I'm a very curious person," she explains. (Continued on page 18)

NAACP gives Walsh low marks; mayor 'respectfully disagrees'

By Jennifer Smith News Editor

On issues of race and housing, Mayor Martin Walsh and mayoral hopeful City Councillor Tito Jackson are reckoning with citywide inequities and an asymmetrical upsurge in prosperity, taking time just two weeks from the general election to justify their stances and lay out a path forward.

The Walsh administration faced a blistering critique of its efforts to address disparities for people of color from the Boston chapter of the NAACP, which issued a report card over the weekend. The almost 200-page report, incorporating city data, concluded that the past three years have generally seen at most a C (incremental improvement) or a D (no change in the current condition) in the main areas of increasing educational outcomes, providing employment, providing access to housing, and improving public safety in communities of color.

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Free Prostate Cancer Screening

Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital-Milton is offering a free prostate cancer screening recommended to men over the age of 50 consisting of a PSA blood test and private exam.

October 24-30, between 7 am-6 pm walk in to have your PSA level drawn in the BID-Milton blood laboratory located on the first floor of the hospital. Your results will be available to the urologist at the time of your exam, on November 1st in the Center for Specialty Care located at the Reedsdale entrance to the hospital

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DOT BY THE DAY

Oct. 26 - Nov. 5, 2017

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

Thursday (26th) - Pumpkin Float at Pope John Paul II Park starts at 5:30p.m. Wear your costumes, bring a small (8" or smaller) carved jack o'lantern. Volunteers will pop in a candle, put it on a raft, and we'll all stand in awe watching the orange orbs floating eerily down the river. Parking is available at the Hallet St. lot outside the park- or you can walk or bike down the Neponset Bike Trail.

• Mattapan Community Health Center's Breast Health Night from 6-8 p.m., 1575 Blue Hill Ave., Mattapan features guest speaker Beverly Moy, MD, MPH. Learn more about the risks. Haitian language translation available. Comtact Julet Queensborough at 617-898-9075.

Friday (27th) -B-3 Halloween Haunted House for kids, 4-8 p.m. 1165 Blue Hill Ave., Dorchester. Costumes are encouraged!

Saturday (28th) – Zoo Howl at Franklin Park Zoo from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Trick-or-treating, creepy crafts, games, costume contests and a haunted maze. Also on Sunday. See franklinparkzoo.org.

• Pumpkinfest at the Boston Nature Center, 1-3p.m. 500 Walk Hill St. in Mattapan. To register by phone, or to order pumpkins (\$6 each) call

• Savin Hill Little Kids Halloween Parade for kids 8 and under (and their adult handlers), but siblings are welcome. Line up at 1:15 p.m. at the playground at Savin Hill Beach.

Sunday (29th) - Cedar Grove Gardens annual Harvest Festival, 1-3 p.m. at 911 Adams St.,

• Zoo Howl at Franklin Park Zoo from 11 a.m.-3

Monday (30th) - The Codman Square branch of the Boston Public Library will host a spooky magic show featuring Magician Debbie O'Carroll. Starts at 6p.m.

Sunday (5th) - Claremont Trio presented by Ashmont Hill Chamber Music in concert at Peabody Hall, All Saints' Church, 209 Ashmont St., Dorchester. 4 p.m. Claremonts will perform Mozart's Trio in B-flat Major, K. 502, "Queen of Hearts" by Kati Agócs (written for the Claremont Trio in 2017), and Mendelssohn's Trio in Dminor, Opus 49. A reception follows the concert and everyone is invited to attend.



A proposal to build a new market, offices and condos on what is now a forlorn block of Savin Hill Avenue is illustrated in this rendering. Image courtesy

Savin Hill Avenue project clears Zoning Board hurdle

The city's Zoning Board of Appeal last week approved a developer's plan to replace a long shuttered commercial building and two houses with two buildings — one with nine condominium units and another to rejuvenate the Savin Hill Avenue at Sydney Street intersection with a possible market, with retail and office space.

However, developer James Baker will have to go back before the board for a separate approval for the restaurant usage associated with the market or another potential retail tenant - at its hearing Tuesday, board Chairwoman Christine Araujo said it only approves restaurants with takeouts when it has full plans on the proposed operation.

The new building will have one handicapaccessible unit with six two-bedroom units and two three-bedroom units, along with 13 parking spaces for residents and two for the retail and office space.

Baker and his attorney, John Pulgini, said they are working with the neighboring

Cristo Rey High School on a plan under which occupants of that space and customers could use the school parking lot when the school is not in session. In exchange, Baker has agreed to improve and maintain the lot.

The mayor's office and City Councilor's Michael Flaherty and Annissa Essaibi-George sent representatives to the hearing to voice their support. Nobody spoke in opposition.

The BPDA had earlier approved the proposal.

Police, Courts & Fire

From BPD and DA reports:

Repeat breaking and entering suspect arrested-A37-year-old New Bedford man was arrested in Savin Hill last Wednesday afternoon on a breaking-and-entering charge on South Sydney Street after a resident told police that a man had broken into a house and fled on foot toward Dot Ave. Officers arrested Kevin Perry, who matched the description and had a pair of bolt cutters on him, on Auckland Street. The suspect had been arrested three days before in the Back Bay for breaking and entering a motor vehicle.

Man murdered on Geneva Avenue - A man in his late 30s was shot in the early morning hours last Friday near 417 Geneva Avenue. Suffering from an apparent gunshot wound, he was transported to an area hospital and later pronounced dead. Police are investigating.

Two charged in drive-by shooting -Two men have been charged in an Oct. 2 incident on Harlow Avenue in which one of them allegedly shot at a man sitting in a car and hit his car but missed him Arlindo Lopes, 18, was arraigned in Roxbury Municipal Court on multiple charges, with bail set at \$30,000. Eric Correia, 19, was also arraigned on the same charges and bail. Prosecutors say he is the one who opened fire on the intended victim.

Police confiscate firearms - Officers responded to a call for a person with a gun in a vehicle at Dorchester Avenue and Talbot Avenue on Sunday morning. Two 18-year-olds were arrested as police found three firearms, including an Intratec Tech 9 assault rifle.

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Fire hits Welles Avenue storefronts

A basement short circuit started a twoalarm fire on Welles Avenue early Monday that caused an estimated \$300,000 in damage to a block of stores, according to the Boston Fire Department. Firefighters responded at 1:25 a.m. to 84-88 Welles Avenue, home to a beauty salon, a barbershop and an empty storefront. There were no injuries.



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UPCOMING CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETINGS • FULL LISTINGS ON PAGE 12

Boston Irish Honors Luncheon – The Boston Irish Reporter hosts the annual Boston Irish Honors luncheon at Boston Seaport Hotel on Thurs., Oct. 26 at 11:30 a.m. Honorees include Boston Globe columnist Kevin Cullen, longtime city and state public servant Tom Tinlin and Dorchester's Kennedy family— Bill and Annmarie Kennedy and their daughter Nora. Plus, special prizes including Aer Lingus tickets to Ireland and prime seats for the Nov. hurling matches at Fenway Park. Tickets and sponsorships available by calling 617-436-1222.

BPS Open House on Saturday – Boston Public Schools hosts open house on Sat., Oct. 28 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Bruce C. Bolling Building, 2300 Washington St., Roxbury. Free. family-friendly event includes workshops and interactive kiosks. See bostonpublicschools.org/fallopenhouse.

Homeownership Fair in Mattapan – The Boston Home Center hosts a fall homeownership fair on Sat., Nov. 4 from 9 a.m.- noon at Mildred Avenue Community Center, 5 Mildred Ave. Register at HomeCenter.Boston.gov or call 617-635-4663.

Korean crisis focus of Peace forum on Nov. 1 – Dorchester People for Peace host film screening and discussion about the first US war in North Korea and "what we can do to avoid another one" on Wed., Nov. 1 at Adams Street Boston Public Library branch, 690 Adams St., Dorchester from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Halloween Fun on Castle Island – Castle Island Association hosts Halloween Celebration from noon to 4p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 28 and 29 in spooky Fort Independence.

Uphams Corner Public Meeting—The first public workshop of the BPDA's Uphams Corner Implementation process is Thurs., Nov. 2 from 6-8p.m. at Kroc Center, 650 Dudley St., Dorchester. Contact Kristina.Ricco@Boston.gov or 617-918-4238.

Chris Matthews talks Bobby Kennedy at JFK Forum - On Mon., Nov. 6 from 6-7:30 p.m.; Chris Matthews, anchor of MSNBC's Hardball with Chris Matthews, discusses his new book, "Bobby Kennedy: A Raging Spirit" at the Kennedy Library on Columbia Pt., Dorchester. Free, but space is limited. See jfklibrary.org.

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Dever Elementary test scores show strong progress in math

By Maddie Kilgannon Reporter Correspondent

One of Dorchester's longstruggling public schools is showing some signs of progress based on the results of statewide standardized test scores released last week. The Paul A. Dever Elementary School on Columbia Point, classified as a Level 5 'turnaround" school in 2014, posted exam results that indicate significant improvement in mathematics.

The result showed that the Dever students had the highest percentage of students meeting and exceeding expectations—at 45 percent. It also had the fifth highest growth rate in scores in the BPS system, according to an analysis by the Blueprint Schools Network, which oversaw the school's administration for the last three years,

Blueprint's three-year contract ended last spring and the Boston Public Schools is again overseeing the school as part of their system. However, BPS retained the principal hired by Blueprint — Todd Fishburn — and much of the staff.

Matthew Spengler, Blueprint's founder and executive director, said that the MCAS testing affirms that the reforms made during its time in charge have been working.

"We're so excited that the [MCAS scores] really showed the results of so much work. For us, it is about changing the mindset about what's possible at a level 5 school," said Spengler.



Todd Fishburn

Students across the state take the standardized test, commonly referred to as the MCAS, each year. Last year's exam was reconfigured to better assess 21st century learning. Many school officials and educators believe that the new test is more difficult, making it a challenge to measure growth based solely on the standardized test scores.

Still, all agree that the most recent test results showed

growth for students at the Dever.

"Now we have students who are outperforming not just at level 4 and 5, but across Massachusetts," said Spengler, who credits Fishburn, a principal with experience in leading turnaround schools, with the breakthrough.

Blueprint has also taken over administrative duties at English High School. The organization was also running the Elihu Greenwood Leadership Academy, which closed in 2015.

"When we were thinking about doing the receivership work [at the Dever], we knew it was going to be by far the most challenging work we had undertaken," Spengler said. "It was designated chronically underperforming. It was a new territory, so working with the state and city we hired 70 new staff and had to redo the entire fiscal plan," Spengler said.

"One of the challenges was finding consistent strong leadership and that really affected lot of what we could do," he said.

During its time at the Dever, Blueprint engaged six full-time AmeriCorps "Math Fellows" to tutor 4th and 5th grade students in math. Students were given the opportunity for tutoring every school day, according to Blueprint.

"Boston did elect to remove the Math Fellows," Spengler said. "We believe that the tutors were a game-changer and a contributing factor [to the test scores."

In a statement, BPS Superintendent Tommy Chang, said: "As part of our turnaround efforts, the Dever team is creating a safe, collaborative atmosphere where [everyone is] supported. We have a talented team of teachers and leaders who are committed to providing individualized supports to meet the diverse learning needs of our students. We maintain a culture of high expectations for academic excellence, and we aim to see all students reach their full potential."

Spengler said that Blueprint is "rooting for its success."

"We are always interested in helping to build quality schools for kids but we were able to complete out initial agreement and believe that the school is greatly improved after three years," Spengler said.BPS said last week that test results also showed that the proportion of Boston 10th-graders scoring proficient or advanced in math climbed to 67 percent, a one-point rise from last year and eight point rise since 2009.

"We realize that we still have much more work to do to accomplish our goal of closing persistent opportunity and achievement gaps," Chang said in a statement. "But we are starting to see gains from our work with high-school math teachers to incorporate more cognitively demanding tasks to better prepare our students to solve the complex and rigorous problems they will encounter in MCAS and in life."

Dorchester's Jeremiah E. Burke High School, which came out of turnaround status in 2014, showed significant improvements in the recent test results. The Burke's 10th grade MCAS math score posted a 15.5 percent rise in student growth, according to BPS.

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Jackson, Walsh duel over vision, record in final debate

(Continued from page 1) he considers himself the "David" facing off against Walsh's Goliath of institutional advantage.

In his turn, Walsh kept a largely even keel and leaned on statistics showing concrete drops in crime, educational investments, and potential windfalls from successfully courting companies like General Electric to put down roots in Boston.

The move to the city by GE is a major point of disagreement between the candidates. Jackson said the tens of millions in tax incentives allocated to bring in the tech giant "was a bet the city of Boston lost.' Walsh answered that the company's agreement to rehabilitate parts of the Fort Point Channel neighborhood and, by its presence, bring in revenue the city can leverage toward education, housing, and other needs far outweighs the tax incentives. "Turning a company like General Electric away... would be completely the wrong thing to do," he said.

The mayor tossed Boston's hat in the ring last week in making a bid for Amazon's second headquarters last week, without offering similar incentives to the agreement with GE . Jackson contrasted the speed at which the Walsh administration pursues bold developments to the state of the Boston Public schools, which he has pledged to "fully fund."

"The issue is this,"



Sign-holders for Tito Jackson and Marty Walsh shared the Dudley Street sidewalk outside of Hibernian Hall in Roxbury. Chris Lovett photo

the councillor said: "We have a mayor who fasttracks bids for Amazon, Olympics, Grand Prix, but he slow-tracks changes to education and fully funding the Boston public schools." Noting cuts to underperforming schools, Jackson promised to include funds for art and music education, computer science, and resources like nurses and librarians. He also said he would open up more seats for pre-K students, for which there is a waiting list.

"The money follows the child," Walsh said in response. Schoolweighting formulas shift funds based on where students enroll, but the administration is dedicating additional funds to struggling schools where possible. BPS gained \$50 million in last 758 new pre-K seats, the mayor said.

Jackson has made ambitious financial assurances throughout the campaign, including the additional schools funding and an increase in the size of the police force. The moderators asked him about the release of his draft budget, which he promised to do earlier this year. Presumably, it would identify areas of the city's finances to be re-allocated toward those new services. Jackson said he would release the numbers later this week, adding that \$30 million in additional Boston Public Schools funding is included in the drafty.

Over the course of the debate, Jackson said the mayor's office, and City Hall in general, lack transparency. He year's budget, along with critiqued Walsh's decision not to say whether he appeared before a grand jury looking into corruption charges for two city officials. Walsh said he is "waiting for this case to be done.

The challenger pointed to his subpoena for Olympics documents, calling the initial bidding opaque, and repeating his pledge to dismantle the Boston Planning and Development Agency, which, Jackson said, "is not a transparent organization."

As the conversation turned to race relations and public safety, Jackson and the moderators pushed Walsh on a slow turnaround on implementing police body cameras after a one-year pilot elapsed. "The feedback I've received so far has been a good response on the body cameras, a great reaction in the issue that Mayor Walsh

community," said Walsh, adding that the city is waiting for Northeastern University to finish an analysis of the pilot before deciding whether or not to fully outfit the police force.

"We want to be able to see to make sure, if you make that investment. you want to make sure that'll work," he said. "And on top of that, it's not about a body camera, it's about building trust in a community. You can have all the cameras you want, but if a person of color, if a young black kid still doesn't feel safe waking down the street because a police officer approaches him, that's where the problems are."

Jackson said the body camera process speaks to a lack of leadership. "This also is about paralysis by analysis. He needs to step forward and actually take a leadership role on this, and that's what we've seen out of this mayor □ timid, tepid leadership, and that's why we don't have body cams in Boston."

Walsh replied that violent crime is down 6 percent, property crime down 14 percent. Making a point of pride, Walsh said that arrests over the last three years have dropped nearly 30 percent.

The candidates are also split on the best way to handle homelessness in the city. By closing the Long Island Bridge, Jackson said, local homelessness "is a burning has made worse."

But the Long Island Bridge is not a panacea for homelessness, Walsh said; support structures are. The city has eliminated chronic veteran homelessness and housed 1,200 chronically homeless people in the last three years, the mayor said.

When the bridge was open, what we used to do in the city of Boston, before I was the mayor, is we used to take homeless people off the streets and ship them out to Long Island and not deal with the issue," Walsh said. "We're actually dealing with the issue.'

Walsh and Jackson beat out two relatively unknown challengers in the Sept. 26 primary, which was a strong showing with low turnout for Walsh, who walked away with 62 percent to Jackson's 29 percent, even carrying Jackson's District 7, which the councillor has represented for the past six years. The mayor's win in September was consistent with polling throughout the race that shows him with a commanding lead, consistently an edge over his challenger of at least 30 points.

On Tuesday night, Jackson said that he hoped his debate performance and subsequent work on the street to get out the vote will be enough to close the gap the polling shows.

Survey solicits candidates' stances on housing issues

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Among other concerns, the report asserted, Boston has not seen enough progress in diversifying staff in police, fire, or other city agencies.

In a statement this week, Walsh said his office needs to review the report, adding, "however we respectfully disagree with the grades given. While there is always room for improvement, we are very proud of what we have been able to accomplish over the past four years, from creating opportunities for minority and women owned businesses, to building affordable housing for all income levels, to adding over 700 pre-kindergarten seats to expand early learning opportunities."

In the televised debate Tuesday night, Jackson said that the mayor's response to the NAACP critique was to "dismiss" the civil rights organization's concerns by "not actually taking into account what's going on

An area of pointed censure in the report and also a key priority in Walsh's administration— is housing equity. Polls on the race consistently find housing to be a chief concern across all income categories, races, ages, and educational levels. A recent WGBH poll found that 26 percent of Bostonians believe the cost of housing is the biggest issue facing the city. That number jumps to 38 percent among black respondents.

The NAACP report gave the Walsh administration's overall Economic Development situation a D grade. It served as the umbrella category over employment - C for effort and D for results; affordable housing — B for effort and D for results; the Minority Business Enterprises program B for effort and F for results; and corporate accountability - F for effort and D for results.

As to housing, the report credits Walsh with a "modest increase" in efforts for his housing goals, including improving inclusionary development policy, recently raised to 15-18 percent affordable building requirements. Jackson said his administration will raise the requirement to 25 percent.

But the report takes

issue with the city definition of "affordability," and says that the supply of affordable housing is not meeting demand, nor are there clear approaches in place that would address the issue.

The Walsh administration quibbled with a few notes in the report, including the assertion that "only 2.3 percent [of housing units constructed] were affordable," which depends on the definition used.

Of the 21,955 units permitted to date, 9 percent are deed restricted to "extremely low- and low-income" households; 9.5 percent to "middle income" households, between \$50,000 and \$72,000 in annual income, and 22 percent are "market rate units, accessible to middle income households.

The mayor's office notes that 48 percent of households with incomes between \$35,000 and \$50,000 are minority households, and many of the households are considered rent burdened.

Jackson and Walsh also during the week to a survey distributed by 11 housing organizations, addressing topics including strengthening



Mayor Martin J. Walsh, moderator Adrian Walker and Councillor Tito Jackson at a debate staged by RoxVote last week. Chris Lovett photo

the city's housing stock, funding affordable housing and affordability standards in general, homelessness prevention, and stabilizing neighborhoods.

One central question that arose in the survey, and in Tuesday night's debate, was how to stabilize rents.

Jackson wrote, "Rent stabilization is key to protecting the residents of Boston... I would look at initiatives such as requiring landlords to submit to mediation for rent increases over 5 percent."

Walsh wrote: "Recognizing that re-establishing rent control is unlikely, Boston's afford-

able housing community has focused on increasing the availability of income-restricted affordable housing units."

On distributing proportions of city-owned property to affordable housing, Jackson promises a minimum of one third of the total units for households who are under 30 percent of area median income, and one third of the total units for households who are 31 to 60 percent of area median income. Walsh notes that the city often requires "significantly more" than those metrics, or prioritizes considerations like open space and amenities as determined by the

community.

Both candidates praised the passage of the Jim Brooks Stabilization Act, which $secures\,protections\,from$ arbitrary evictions.

In 30 pages of collective answers, Jackson and Walsh acknowledged the increasing housing pressures in Boston, particularly to families of color and lower-income households.

The division between them — Walsh pointing to successful existing planning practices and Jackson vowing to tear up the institutional planning book and home in on equity — is one voters will parse on Nov. 7.

KIDS MENU

Get out your Gourdes! Halloween season in high gear

By Maureen Forry-Sorrell REPORTER STAFF

Welcome to the first installment of our newest feature, the Kids Menu. Here we will round up all the family friendly events you'll enjoy around Dorchester. Got any events or tips for us? Email me at KidsMenu@dotnews.

I'm not going to lie: I think I enjoy the Halloween season more than my kids do. Yeah, they love the candy and the costumes and the...candy. But my favorite things about this time of year center around the history and beauty and community of our little corner of the world. That, and also playfully pushing my unsuspecting husband into the piles of leaves he's spent several hours painstakingly raking in the yard.

Nothing brings out the kid in me like Halloween. So here's a round up of some wicked fun events around Dot that are sure to get your inner child revved up for the big extravaganza.

Oh, don't forget to bring the kids with you. They'll enjoy themselves too. All events are free unless otherwise specified.

Neponset Pumpkin Float-Thursday, October 26, 5:30 p.m. Amazingly, this beloved event is now on it's 16th year! It attracts bigger crowds to the banks of Davenport Creek at Pope John Paul II Park. What to wear: your costumes (consider it a dress rehearsal for next Tuesday.) Bring a small (8" or smaller) carved jack o'lantern. Volunteers will pop in a candle, put it on a raft, and we'll all stand in awe watching the orange orbs floating eerily down the river. It's a great chance to get out and meet your neighbors. Parking is available at the Hallet St. lot outside the park- or you can walk or bike down the Neponset Bike Trail.

Foliage Friday at Boston Nature Center - Friday, October 27 at 3 p.m. at the Mass Audubon Boston Nature Center, 500 Walk Hill St, Mattapan. Free, fall inspired, family walking series at the Boston Nature Center! All families welcome and children must be accompanied by parent or caregiver. Contact Emily at egrilli@outdoors.org with any questions.

B-3 Halloween Haunted House— Friday, October 27 from 4-8 p.m. at the stationhouse, 1165 Blue Hill Ave., Dorchester. Boost your sugar-crash tolerance a bit before the big day with our friendly neighborhood police force. Food, entertainment, music, roller skating and of course, Halloween

Halloween Carnival & Haunted House at the Academy of the Pacific Rim Charter Public School - Friday, October 27, 6-8 p.m. All-ages carnival games for kids and families.

candy! Costumes are encouraged!





Scary Haunted House for the most brave! Tickets: 50 cents-\$1 for games & food! \$3 for the haunted house. One Westinghouse Plaza, Hyde Park.

Pumpkinfest at the Boston Nature Center - Saturday, October28 1-3 p.m. at 500 Walk Hill St., Mattapan. If you haven't been here yet, you've got to check it out (and, nudge nudge, buy a membership to support all the good work they do here.) Celebrate the fall harvest by creating your own carved pumpkin, playing pumpkin games, and enjoying some fine fall food. Learn about the history of pumpkins and the Jack-O-Lantern story. Admission: Member \$8, Nonmember \$10 Registration is required. Call 617-983-8500.

Halloween Hike at Dorchester Park - Saturday, October 28, 10 a.m. Take in the beauty of our very own Olmstead-designed park during its prettiest season. Meet at Dot Ave entrance 2180 Dorchester Ave., Dorchester, MA, next to Boston Youth Sanctuary (BYS). Costumes welcome! Presented by Outdoor RX.

Irish sports for kids—Saturday October 28. Have your kids ever wanted to try out Gaelic Football and Hurling? Well dust off your hurlies and sliotars and take a jaunt down Route 138 to the Irish Cultural Centre in Canton to give the sports a whirl. Maybe even sign up for the Dorchester team as they gear

up for indoor training beginning in the New Year. U6-U12 from 4pm to 6pm on Saturday, U14-U18 from 4 p.m.-6 p.m. on Sunday. Free. Bring a friend.

Ninth Annual Savin Hill Little Kids Halloween Parade - Saturday, October 28 at 1:15 p.m. As if a Costume Parade geared towards the much smaller kiddos wasn't enough awesomeness for one afternoon, the organizers have lined up Keytar Bear as part of the entertainment! This event is aimed at kiddos 8 and under (and their adult handlers), but siblings are welcome. Line up at 1:15 pm at the playground at Savin Hill Beach. Parade leaves at 1:30 pm. Parade route goes up Denny Street, to Savin Hill Ave and ends at Savin Hill Park. Music by Keytar Bear, Art Activities with Dot Art, Giant Bubbles with Jim Dichter, Ponies, and more!

Castle Island Association Halloween Celebration—Sat., Oct. 28—Sun., Oct. 29 from noon to 4 p.m. both days. Put on those costumes and head to Southie for a chilling tour of spooky Fort Independence! This is a really fun event for the whole family and kids must have a grown up with them to check out the haunted castle. Soothe your nerves after the sometimes-scary, sometimes-silly tour with a soft serve swirl cone (or two because we need something to tide us over the coming winter months) at Sully's afterwards.

Annual Ashmont Adams Neighborhood Association pumpkin carving — October 29, 2-4p.m. Meet at the lot opposite All Saints Church parking lot. We provide the pumpkins, you bring your carving tools and creativity. Games, food and fun, fun fun. Please remember children must be accompanied by an adult.

Cedar Grove Gardens Harvest Festival - Sunday October 29, 1-3 p.m. Come for the Pinatas and stay for the Clydesdales. This delightful little neighborhood event really highlights the beauty of our neighborhood- between the treats at Cedar Grove Gardens and the horse-drawn hayride through the idyllic Cedar Grove Cemetery, this one is not to be missed. Costumes encouraged!

Magic Show at Codman BPL-Monday October 30. The Codman Square branch of the Boston Public Library will host a spooky magic show featuring Magician Debbie O'Carroll. Starts at 6p.m.

Halloween Party at Standish Village Assisted Living and Memory Support Community,1190 Adams St., Dorchester on Tues., October 31. Refreshments, tricks, and treats galore, as well as a costume contest! For more info, seniorliving residences.com.

'Dotini'event to celebrate vibrant Fields Corner businesses

By Bernadette Darcy REPORTER CORRESPONDENT

With colorful martinis, a festive photo booth, and a host of supportive Bostonians, Fields Corner Main Street will celebrate the neighborhood's central business district during the New-Tini fundraiser on Nov. 9. After a yearlong hiatus, Fields Corner Main Street—a non-profit organization that works to support the social and economic growth of Fields Corner-will relaunch the annual Dotini event at the Blarney Stone at 7

This year's Dotini bash will highlight a slew



of new Fields Corner businesses, including Churrascaria Vulcão, a Cape Verdean-Portuguese fusion restaurant on Adams Street, and Coco Leaf Dessert Café on Dot Ave., a sweetspot for Vietnamese desserts. As the evening unfolds, Fields Corner

Main Street will unveil the New-tini—a cocktail boasting the brick red and marigold yellow hues of the group's new logo. The colors were selected by the Fields Corner community and the full logo will be revealed during the event.

"Dotini is a great opportunity to remind people that our neighborhood is a mecca of sorts," Matt Frank, Fields Corner Main Street's Interim Executive Director, said. "We are a center for food and culture."

Attendees are encouraged to come dressed in hues of red and yellow, take pictures in the photo booth, and compete in a "Best Dressed" contest. Standard tickets purchased in advance are \$50. VIP tickets are \$75 and come with two martinis and a small gift. Standard tickets purchased at the door are \$60, while VIP tickets are \$85.

All proceeds of the event go towards the mission of Fields Corner Main Street—to ensure that Fields Corner is a thriving, welcoming and secure district comprised of diverse businesses that serve local residents and attract visitors from Boston's many neighborhoods. The group hopes to encourage more people to live, work, shop, and dine in the district.

For over a decade, Dotini events have been a fall staple in Dorchester. Notable Dotinis of Fields Corner's past include 2008's Presiden-Tini and 2012's Harvest-Tini. Last year, however, Dotini was notably absent from Dot's fall festivities—the Fields Corner Main Street group experienced a transitional period, taking time to rebuild.

"We were quiet for a while, putting ourselves back into the public scene, resetting things, and evolving," Frank said.

With the New-tini fundraiser, Fields Corner Main Street hopes to re-establish its presence and continue to support the diverse community of residents and business owners that comprise one of Boston's largest neighborhood business districts. The group encourages residents to buy locally and support the businesses that help the neighborhood thrive.

"We all want Fields Corner to be a better place," Frank said. "Our organization can be the nexus of that development. [Fields Corner organizations] all have different paths, but our goal is the same-a successful Fields Corner for everybody'

Neponset Wharf mailbag: Neighbors put their feet down

(Continued from page 1) 307,000 square feet. The developer is also looking at a total of 185 vehicle parking spaces and 152 bike storage spaces. According to initial filings, vehicle traffic would increase from about 192 trips per day to 1,632 trips per day.

From the start, neighbors noted existing traffic pressures, environmental concerns, and cohesion with the

(Continued from page 1) nearby residential area.

"If built as proposed, it would irrevocably change the character of the Port Norfolk community, and would detract from the quality of life," the Port Norfolk Civic Association wrote in a letter. The civic group described the project as "an accumulation of smaller projects which would individually be rejected out of hand. The combination of forbidden uses,

the failure to respect the neighborhood context, and the environmental impact should result in the rejection of any part of the proposal."

More than 170 pages of public comments submitted to the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) and available online include about 50 distinct comments, from organizations and individuals alike. A hefty chunk con-



A proposal for a new 150-unit condo complex, boutique hotel and marina would begin with the demolition of the existing Marine Max/Russo Boston buildings on the Port Norfolk peninsula. Neighbors and environmental groups have registered a litany of concerns about the project to the city's BPDA, which is currently reviewing the proposal by City Point Capital. *Jennifer Smith photo*

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sists of scanned-in pages from a historic review of Dorchester shorelines and the existing Port Norfolk neighborhood plan.

A consistent throughline in the responses is not opposition to development on the underused waterfront site, just concern about this particular plan. Of all the comments submitted, none were outright in favor of the project as presented, and most asked for additional information.

Port Norfolk is a unique location, a small peninsula with the project site accessible through three narrow roads passing through residential blocks. The middle road, Port Norfolk Street, is a one-way route heading toward the waterfront.

"The Port Norfolk neighborhood is already near maximum capacity as it relates to traffic and parking," wrote Lawley Street resident Jason Berry.

Waterfront groups like the Neponset Greenway Council and the Neponset River Watershed Association asked for a Draft Project Impact Report that would note negative or positive impacts to the local environment, wildlife habitat, wetlands and water resources, and public access.

The Neponset River estuary, several writers noted, is designated as a state "area of critical environmental concern." Anyone taking on redevelopment on such sites is tasked with improving the water quality, exceeding state standards if possible, not just maintaining current quality. Initial developer filings, according to the Neponset River Watershed Association, "lack sufficient detail to determine whether the project will adequately protect and improve the estuary."

estuary."
Other queries on the environmental impact addressed dredging the marina, construction noise disrupting local bird populations, potential marsh destruction if a walking path is built across the creek, and leakage from increased marina use.

Sea level rise and flooding are increasingly concerns for Lawley Street resident Donna Bishop.

"As a member of the Port Norfolk neighborhood in Dorchester for more than twenty years, it is extremely disheartening to me that we are still discussing the monstrous project," she wrote.

Bishop's letter noted an ongoing redesign at the nearby, often-flooded Morrissey Boulevard and worried about the strain on water and sewer systems with the addition of 150 new residences and thousands of new visitors to the marina.

The Boston Water and Sewer Commission also weighed in, listing necessary fixes to existing water mains, sewers, and storm drains, as well as a thorough review process needed for any new infrastructure, the cost of which would be City Point Capital's responsibility.

All of which means a long road ahead for the Neponset Wharf project as it winds its way through the BPDA Article 80 Large Project Review process. The BPDA is reviewing the comment letters and will work with other city departments in scoping sessions, after which the development team would need to submit a Draft Project Impact Report responding to any issues raised by the scoping.

That process then kicks off more meetings with the project Impact Advisory Group, additional community meetings, and further design refinement before any proposal would come before the BPDA board for a vote and the Zoning Board of Appeal for the granting or refusal of any variances.

Even in expressing consternation at the scale of the project, which would, at the least, double the peninsula's residential population, commenters said they hoped the industrial site would ultimately be improved with the neighborhood's input.

"I am not opposed to any incoming structure and building at the project site," wrote Melissa Anderson. "I would like to see the space at the end of the street be more usable for the neighborhood. I believe the proposed structure is too large for the Port Norfolk neighborhood."



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Finale with Trustee Greg Bulger and all the performers at the Oct. 15 concert.

BC High photos

BC High's Bulger Center marks 10th year with concert

By Elana Aurise REPORTER STAFF

Boston College High School held a 10-year anniversary commemoration concert on Sun., Oct. 15 to mark the school's newly renovated **Bulger Performing Arts** Center.

The Performing Arts Center is named for

Gregory E. Bulger, a trustee of the Gregory E. Bulger Foundation which he created in 2003 to provide support for the performing arts in the greater Boston area. Bulger currently serves as Trustee of the Boston Symphony Orchestra (BSO).

The anniversary event



Trustee Greg Bulger '68, President Regan P'12, and Richard Dix.

was directed by Kristo Kondakci '09, conductor of the Eureka Ensemble, assistant conductor of the Boston Landmark Orchestra and conducting fellow of the Boston Philharmonic. The concert's Master of Ceremonies was Dorchester's own Ron Della Chiesa, known as the voice of

the BSO. The event kicked off with speeches given by BC High Board Chair Reverend Brian Conley, SJ, current president Grace Regan P'12, former president Bill Kemeza and BC High Trustee, Gregory Bulger

With the venue's newly enhanced audio, lighting and overall upgrade, BC High students and alumni could perform in a perfect spot for Bulger and guests. Many musical genres were featured including Puccini, Jacques Brel, Strauss and liturgical selections.

Four groups of BC High students performed one number each: The Concert Band under the direction of Dr. Matthew Finnegan, the Dever Players directed by Janet PetitBon, the Liturgical Musicians conducted by Margaret Felice and the Chamber Choir directed by Dr. Marina Rosenberg.

Alumni performers included Eric Hewitt '97, music director of the Boston Conservatory Wind Ensemble, accomplished tenor Matthew DiBattista '91 along with a BSO quartet, the Eureka Ensemble and Ken and Bonnie Bewick.

Support; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 4:30 p.m. – LEGOs Builders Club. **CODMAN SQUARE BRANCH Thurs., Oct. 26**, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Mon., Oct. 30**, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Tues.**, **Oct. 31**, 10:30 a.m. – Quilt Making for Generations; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 4:30 p.m. – Comics Class for Youth. Wed., Nov. 1, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. Thurs., Nov. 2, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. FIELDS CORNER BRANCH

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Thurs., Oct. 26, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 6 p.m. – ESL Conversation Group. Fri., Oct. 27, 1 p.m. - Peter Lorre Film Series. Mon., Oct. 30, 3:30 p.m. - Drop-In Homework Help; 7 p.m. - Library Haunted House. Tues., Oct. 31, 10:30 a.m. - Preschool Story Time; 12 p.m. – Drop-In Computer & Device Help; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; Kids Cooking with Miss Debbie. Wed., Nov. 1, 10:30 a.m. – Music & Movement; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Thurs., Nov. 2**, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 6:30 p.m. – ESL Conversation Group; 6:30 p.m. – Black Chick Watching.

MATTAPAN BRANCH

Thurs., Oct. 26, 12 p.m. – Towering Tots; 2:30 p.m. – 90s Nostalgia; 3 p.m. – 'Talk If You Want To' with Officer James; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 4:30 p.m. – Tinkering & Inventions Class for Youth. Fri., Oct. 27, 2:30 p.m. – Movie Friday. Mon., Oct. 30, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. Tues., Oct. 31, 12 p.m. – Towering Tots; 2:30 p.m. – 90s Nostalgia; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 5 p.m. - Fall 2017 Basic Technology Class. Wed., Nov. 1, 3:30 p.m. – Cooking with Miss Debbie; Drop-In Homework Help. **Thurs.**, **Nov. 2**, 12 p.m. – Towering Tots; 2:30 p.m. – 90s Nostalgia; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 4:30 p.m. – Tinkering & Inventions Class for Youth.

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Thurs., Oct. 26, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Sat., Oct. 28**, 12 p.m. – Spooky Stories and Surprises. Mon., Oct. 30, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; Lego Builders. Tues., Oct. 31, 10:30 a.m. - Preschool Story Time; 3:30 p.m. - Free Drop-In Homework Help. Wed., Nov. 1, 3:30 p.m. Free Drop-In Homework Help. Thurs., Nov. 2, 3 p.m. – Dia de los muertos craft; 3:30 p.m. – Free Drop-In Homework Help.



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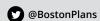
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News about people in & around our Neighborhoods

Liz Walker honored at 'Diamonds of Dorchester' dinner

Nearly 500 people including Mayor Walsh, Cardinal Sean O'Malley, Boston Police Commissioner William Evans, and 30 Amazon employees attended the 14th annual Diamonds of Dorchester event held at the Westin Copley Place Hotel last Wednesday (Oct. 18). Rev. Liz Walker was honored with the John M. Corcoran Award for Excellence. The annual dinner benefits the St. Mary's Center for Women and Children's on Jones Hill. State Sen. Linda Dorcena Forry served as the event's master of ceremonies.

Pictured at right: Top row left to right: Police Commissioner William Evans, state Sen. Linda Dorcena Forry, Lorrie Higgins, Mayor Martin J. Walsh, Sheila Dillon (DND), Colleen Boselli, John Fitzgerald. Bottom row left to right: Tina Chery, Cardinal Sean O' Malley, Rev. Liz Walker and Colleen Sharka.



Pats' player Slater teams up with Henderson teacher to motivate kids

By Elana Aurise REPORTER STAFF Christina Balkaran,

a sixth grade math teacher at Henderson K-12 Inclusion School in Dorchester, has a new go-to player in her teaching playbook this school year. Balkaran is working with New England Patriots Wide Receiver Matthew Slater, a veteran who joined the Pats in 2008.

Balkaran was selected to be a fellow in a program launched last spring by Educators for High Standards, a project aimed at helping teachers better serve their students with challenging classroom expectations. It redefines professional learning by a motivational "game plan for success."

The program team up teachers with professional athletes to help motivate students.

 $\hbox{``Football taught methe'}\\$ important of consistency and hard work," said Slater. "Ms. Balkaran is the type of teacher that has a deep understanding of what it takes to push students toward success and works hard every day to ensure they don't give up."

Slater had a video call with Balkaran and her students in late September and will be checking in again next month to see the progress made in their game plan.

office as communications

director in 2013. He

left to work at DCR in

2015 before returning to

Forry's office as chief of



Christina Balkaran

teaching at the Dorchester school for four years. She serves as the math department facilitator where she coordinates professional development and partners with the secondary math team designing and implementing accessible curriculum for students of all abilities.

"I have the opportunity to amplify my voice in partnership with other leaders within the community to develop a "game plan for success" that will address the many challenges facing students of color," wrote Balkaran in an article for the fellowship program. "[I will be] focusing on

Balkaran has been high leverage instructional routines that are uniquely designed to meet their needs and implementing cognitively demanding math tasks that will expand their reasoning capacity can ultimately close the

achievement gap."
The aim of the game plan is to address a classroom-based challenge presently facing the students in Balkaran's classroom — and with the implementation of educational strategies - is meant to help her students overcome the challenge and reach success while simultaneously acting as an exemplar for other educators and their students.

Sen. Linda Dorcena Forry's chief of staff Sean Pierce left the State House the first week of October to become the Department of Conservation and Recreation's director of government and leg-Ceferina Murrell islative affairs. Pierce had started in Forry's staff in 2016.

Forry's communications director Ceferina Murrell, a Dorchester resident, was promoted this month to chief of staff while retaining a communications role. Among other changes in Forry's office announced Friday, Kethia Nazaire-Allien has been promoted to director of constituent services and immigration policy, and Kathy Christian of South Boston has joined the office as an executive assistant. Patrick O'Brien of Dorchester remains legislative and policy director.

Barbara Belony, MHA, BSN, RN, of Dorchester is serving on the Host Committee for the 12th annual Heroes in Health Care Gala on Saturday, Nov. 11, at 6 p.m. at the Mandarin Oriental, 776 Boylston St., to benefit VNA of Boston.

Belony, Clinical Manager of Partners Health-Care at Home, has been involved in health care management since 1996. Belony also volunteers in Haiti using her extensive clinical training to assist patients and support continuing nursing education efforts in regional hospitals. Part of VNA Care, VNA of Boston has a 131-year history of caring for people of all ages at home and in the community. When a patient nears the end-of-life, specialized care focused on pain and symptom management is provided by Woburn-based VNA Hospice & Palliative Care. Together with



Barbara Belony, RN.

VNA Care Network, VNA Care serves more than 50,000 patients in Eastern and Central Massachusetts. The Gala is the organization's largest fundraising event and has raised millions of dollars in essential funding for VNA of Boston's direct patient care and support through the nonprofit's Maternal Child Health Program and Charitable Care Fund, and for palliative care services through VNA Hospice & Palliative Care. Amy and Joshua Boger are the Presenting Sponsor

of the benefit. able to help premature infants thrive, elders with chronic health conditions live with dignity and independence at home, and so much more through the generous support of our sponsors," said Laura Wise, manager of fund development for VNA Care. ""I am deeply impressed by the depth and vitality demonstrated year after year by our partners and friends." This year's Heroes in Health Care are IBM Watson Health; Rich Rakowski, CEO of Medically Home; and Dr. Pierantonio Russo, vice president of health services for Harvard Pilgrim Health Care. For sponsorship inquiries and more information, please contact Laura Wise, manager of fund development, at 617-886-6460 or visit http://www.vnacare. org/gala<http://www. bostonvna.org/gala>.

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Charles Tileston was born in Dorchester in 1817 and died here in 1894. He conducted a business as a tinsmith, selling tin & sheet ironware, stoves, and hot-air furnaces. The attached invoice is from 1878, and the advertisement comes from the 1870 directory of Dorchester and Quincy for 1868-1869.

The illustration shows the building where Tileston lived and ran the business. It is still located at 1141 Washington St. at the corner of Washington and River streets, and the building still has its three-bay appearance. The first floor is used today as commercial space, although it has been altered with brick facing surrounding the windows on the first floor facade. Notice the two-over-two



windows in the 1870s illustration. Today, there are shutters on the second-floor windows.

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Editorial

Mayor Marty Walsh has earned our vote again

Four years ago, in this space, we endorsed Martin J. Walsh for mayor of Boston. The *Dorchester Reporter* was one of only two city newspapers (The Weekly Dig was the other) to back Walsh in the final election.

This time, as Walsh seeks a second term, we have company. The *Boston Globe* and the *Boston Herald* both endorsed Walsh this week, a reversal for both dailies who, in 2013, favored John Connolly, Walsh's opponent. Last week, Connolly himself endorsed the mayor.

The mayor has disappointed some Bostonians, but he has clearly won over many converts in the last four years. In growing his base, the former state representative from Dorchester has punched in a solid first term in office and earned our endorsement again in next month's final election.

Marty Walsh is a steady hand and a thoughtful, compassionate leader who is clearly the best-equipped and fully committed candidate to lead the city through the next four years.

In 2013, we wrote that Walsh has "the potential to be a transformative leader for Boston on multiple fronts, but especially when it comes to job equity and neighborhood development." The Walsh administration is a work in progress on both fronts, and on other key indicators, but he has set in motion — or continued— important work that has made Boston a better city, with the promise for even better outcomes in the future.

The mayor has been faulted by some, including his opponent in this race, for putting too much emphasis on big-ticket wins for the city – such as landing General Electric or seeking to lure Amazon. This critique, which suggests that such efforts undermine other city priorities, like school funding or efforts to curb homelessness, doesn't ring true to Bostonians who are paying attention.

We actually like Walsh's big ideas. Bringing in companies that will expand the city's tax and job base is a good thing. Boston's long-ago days as a stultified backwater that hemorrhaged people and talent are in the rear view. The mayor has seized upon this concept. While not every initiative he has attempted has, or will, pan out, we want our city government to think big, embrace innovation, and trumpet our virtues to the world. And we expect that they will be skilled enough to be able to multi-task. Marty Walsh and his team have shown they are able to manage an increasingly complex city.

If there's a downside chasing big ideas, it's the increased pressure on housing and transportation, and valid concerns about potential displacement. But these are regional problems that Boston cannot be expected to mitigate on its own. The Walsh team has put its best foot forward— and followed through—by encouraging new housing starts and seeking to build middle-income units.

The Department of Neighborhood Development's accelerated initiative to build affordable units on formerly vacant land is a standout. The data have shown that Walsh's overall strategy of encouraging more density and higher-end housing across the city is easing the pressure on rents a bit in older housing stock. That needs to continue and extend deeper into Dorchester and Mattapan. But clearly, the city is moving in that direction.

We'd like to see a lot more emphasis on planning out Columbia Point – where developments have been stalled or left in a chaotic state at best – and where the Walsh team can really have a constructive influence. On the development side, the Point neighborhood should become a focus of Walsh's next term.

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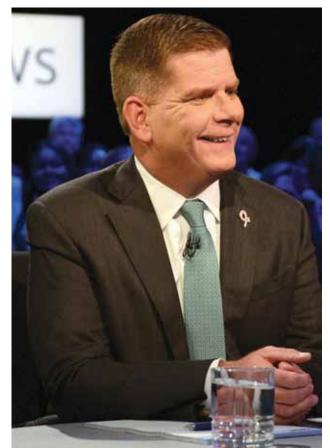
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The administration's record so far in improving the city's school system is incomplete, but moving in the right direction. His team made a good call locally in converting the Mattahunt elementary school to an early education center, with an emphasis on Haitian language learners. Schools like the Kenny in Adams Corner are attracting more families. And Walsh has reached an accord with teachers to

expand instruction time and fairly compensate our hard-working educators.

For the mayor, there's ample room for improvement on multiple fronts. Police body cameras should be put into full use across the city without further delay. The city, and the state, need to change the hiring priorities for police and fire positions to allow for a much larger proportion of people of color to earn spots. Walsh's promise to add diversity to the city workforce has been stymied in part by those civil service hiring hurdles. He has been far more successful in diversifying other parts of city government, including his own cabinet.

Much of what we saw as the promise of a Marty Walsh mayoralty has come to fruition. The city's bond rating is top notch under his watch. He is a collaborative leader who works well with the city council and is eager to reach consensus. He has shown a willingness to re-think his own plans – as in the case of the Boston 2024 Olympic bid – when he recognizes that a course correction is necessary.

The mayor has spoken out forcefully, and with genuine feeling, about the outrages of the current regime in Washington, delivering a strong and urgently needed voice at a time of great upheaval for our nation. Cynics might say it's a matter of expediency for someone seeking re-election, but we know from our years covering Walsh as a back-bench state rep who spoke out on matters of civil rights, such as LGTBQ equality, that Marty Walsh is simply being Marty Walsh.

Four years ago, we concluded: "City government needs a leader at its helm who has an authentic feel for our neighborhoods and who understands at a gut level the pressures of the daily grind that most city residents face. Boston will have that mayor in Marty Walsh."

We were right about that, and Marty Walsh has earned our vote on Nov. 7.

- Bill Forry

Boston needs to find ways to solve affordability and displacement crises

BY DANIELLE SOMMER AND MIKE PROKOSCH SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

Housing costs a lot in Boston. It's getting harder to find a home you can rent or own. And people of color are being pushed out of the city, increasing segregation across the state. If we don't take a stand now, not only will people be displaced today, but the crisis will also get worse. Protecting affordability, especially for lower-income households, helps stabilize costs for everyone. Otherwise, as lower-income residents are displaced, moderate-income residents will increasingly become priced out as well.

To address the crisis of housing affordability and displacement, a community needs to be informed. But housing policies and statistics can be overwhelming. So community organizations decided to ask: What new housing is being built? What do the mayoral candidates plan to do? In that vein, we asked the city for more details than you can find in its quarterly reports. Some striking facts emerged:

• From January 2011 to June 2017, 21,955 housing units were permitted and completed. Of these, 636 units (or 2.9 percent) are affordable for households that make \$31,000 a year (also known as 30 percent of Area Median Income (AMI).

• For many people, it can unfortunately be easy to forget that many people they encounter each day struggle to make ends meet on such low incomes. But the housing need is greatest at these income levels. Based on data from MIT researchers, more than 65,000 renter households make less than 30 percent AMI, and 49,000 pay more than 30 percent – even 50 percent – of their income on rent.

• Another 1,339 new units (or 6.1 percent) are affordable for households making \$31,001 to \$62,050 (31 percent to 60 percent AMI). Half of Boston households make \$55,000 a year or less. Households of color and renters, who are both majorities in Boston, make even less. This means that about 9 percent of new housing is affordable to half of the current households.

• The city currently defines affordability based on incomes up to \$125,000, including units with rents of \$2,000-\$3,000 per month. At these income levels, another 9.5 percent of new housing is incomerestricted; and another 22 percent is market-rate but considered affordable.

So, depending on whom you're talking about, 2.9 percent to 40 percent of new housing is affordable. Visit bostonhousing report. wordpress.com to analyze the data yourself.

We must look at these results now and in the

future, including their impact based on race. On average, people of color, especially blacks and Latinos, make less money and have less wealth than white people. City policies, even when they are apparently race-neutral or well-intended, can widen racial disparities; so we need to work to ensure that policies promote racial equity.

What are the candidates proposing to do? To find out, eleven community organizations sent a question-naire to Mayor Marty Walsh and City Councillor Tito Jackson. We asked where they stand on housing for lower-income residents, neighborhood stabilization, and community control of development.

Walsh and Jackson agreed broadly on some points. Both said it's important to increase the city's housing goals for households that make less than \$25,000 annually. Both pledged to re-examine the Inclusionary Development Policy, which requires developers to include affordable housing or pay into an affordable housing fund. Both said they support community land trusts, affordable home ownership, and reducing homelessness.

Their specific commitments differ, however, as do their positions on affordable housing funding; affordability standards on city-owned land; the Boston Planning and Development Agency; and increasing community control over development. We encourage you to read their full responses at bostonhousing 2017. wordpress.com.

Boston isn't the only city with expensive housing. Our city, though, is the most unequal in terms of income in the United States. And the more unequal the incomes, the more unaffordable housing is likely to be if you're on the low end of the income spread. While we need more action at the state and federal levels, we also need the mayoral candidates to take every possible action at the city level.

The better informed we are, the better we can ensure that our elected leaders will get housing policies right – policies that will determine who's living in Boston in ten years. Do we want to protect our diversity and build current residents' wealth, or do we want less diverse communities that prioritize wealthier newcomers whiled long-time residents are pushed out? In this important election and afterward, we need to know the facts. We need to know the candidates' positions. And together, we – and the next mayor – need to solve the crises of affordability and displacement.

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Off the Bench

Trump puts us in reverse gear, makes America less great

By James W. Dolan Special to the Reporter

It's all about winning. President Trump sees the world divided between winners and losers. He's the winner-inchief and opponents are losers incapable of recognizing his unique skills or displaying the deference to which he is entitled. He views himself more as a king than as a public servant. He sees former President Obama as an adversary. Having failed to disqualify his predecessor by challenging his citizenship, he has chosen to undo his accomplishments.

One of the original "birthers," Trump was unable to defeat Obama by using the false charge that he was a Muslim

from Africa. He now misses no opportunity to denigrate the 44th president. From climate change, civil rights, trade policy, health care, consumer protection to nuclear arms proliferation and use of public lands, Trump is systematically undoing the Obama legacy. It's as if he's trying to retroactively nullify the election of our first black president. Trump is the anti-Obama, resenting everything a man so unlike himself has achieved. How much of this is policy differences and how much is personal?

this is policy differences and how much is personal? The two are so different. One is dignified, prudent,



James W. Dolan

and insecure. Is it any wonder that Trump is jealous of a reputation so far beyond his understanding or capacity? Knowing he will never achieve that level of respect motivates his destructive impulses.

Uncomfortable in the formulation of policy, Trump instead relies on his instinctive reaction to people. Whether or not he likes or trusts them usually depends not on their ability but on the deference they

engaged, intelligent, articulate, humble,

and disciplined. The other is impulsive, immature, erratic, egocentric, ill-informed,

always the victim; nothing is ever his fault. To what degree does Obama being black affect Trump's judgment? Racism is obviously a factor motivating a portion of his base. Trump's narcissism is a compulsion

display. Craving adulation and lacking the

capacity for self-deprecation, he resents

criticism and attempts to mask his obvious

weaknesses by demeaning others. He's

he cannot control, manifesting itself as a superiority complex. It's natural for him to conclude that others are inferior, lacking his intelligence and intuitive skills. Does that explain why he is so intent upon dismantling virtually everything Obama did? Is he motivated by a belief that a black man could not have been a successful president? Does he think that by attacking Obama he elevates himself?

It must be disheartening for the former president to watch the undoing of so much of what he accomplished, particularly by someone who appears to have no idea what he is doing. That history is likely to view Trump as a failed president offers small consolation. Silently, Obama watches as his policies are undermined, wisely choosing not to debate his successor. To engage with Trump is to sink to his level. Incapable of coherent dialogue, he revels in the bullying, name-calling, pettiness, and lies that for him have been so preposterously successful.

Whether or not one agreed with his policies, Obama was presidential. He possessed the character, dignity, integrity, compassion, and decency one should expect in that office. He looked, spoke, and acted like a president and he earned the respect of world leaders. Trump cannot abide comparisons that make him look bad. His so far futile attempt to replace and repeal Obamacare with almost anything, regardless of how destructive, is an example of his compulsive need to "win" at any cost. Since branding is his business, the very name "Obamacare" must irritate him. Not one to acknowledge or build on the record of a predecessor, the only way to defeat him is to invalidate it.

By carpet bombing the Obama legacy, Trump somehow believes he will be triumphant. Most believed Obama's election was a sign that the country was moving forward. To erase that achievement places us in reverse and makes America less great.

James W. Dolan is a retired Dorchester District Court judge who now practices law. His column appears regularly in the Reporter. Read his past columns online at DotNews.com.

Mayor Walsh is working to move Boston forward

By Linda Dorcena Forry and Steven Tompkins

For years, we have known Mayor Marty Walsh as a compassionate friend, a courageous leader, and a strong ally to communities of color. From his personal conversations with families healing from trauma, to standing up before the Chamber of Commerce and naming racism as the number one challenge facing our nation and our city, he has shown time and again that he gets it.

Having vocal leaders matters, but it's even more critical that we elect leaders who take action. In 2011, three years before he took office, Marty Walsh created Building Pathways, a program that provides people of color and women direct access to good careers in the building trades. He acted then, and he's acting now.

As mayor, Marty Walsh has used a variety of tools at his disposal to make historic change in our city. In our schools, financial investments and graduation rates are the highest they've ever been, and for the first time all three of Boston's exam schools are led by people of color. BPS employs 6 percent of all teachers in Massachusetts, but accounts for 52 percent of the state's black teachers. In the 2015-16 school year, 37 percent of BPS teachers were people of color, far above the national average of 28 percent for large urban areas. Early data from the spring 2017 season indicates that this will be the best year in recent BPS history for hiring black and Latino teachers. The mayor's commitment to a diverse teaching pool has made Boston a national model for urban school districts across the country.

In City Hall, he has appointed the most diverse cabinet in the city's history, and 45 percent of all new hires have been people of color.

The Boston Police Department now has the most racially diverse command staff in its history, a change with real impact. Police Academy Superintendent Lisa Holmes has instituted training in unconscious bias and de-escalation, helping to make Boston a national leader in building trust between police and the community. Although more work needs to be done addressing diversity throughout the department, the revamped cadet program is more than 70 percent

diverse.

Mayor Walsh has facilitated an honest conversation throughout the city about racism that impacts our communities through a series of race dialogues – the first city-sponsored meetings of its kind in Boston. He shares the goals of the NAACP, which is why his track record on increasing equity, access, and opportunity for communities of color in our city is unparalleled.

The recently released NAACP report card serves as a blueprint for continued discussion between city hall and communities of color on diversity, employment and job training programs, education, housing and economic access, and public safety. We respect the association's intent and appreciate the joint discussions that have taken place to date between the NAACP and City Hall. We believe these shared discussions will continue to foster the positive change desired by Mayor Walsh, the NAACP, and communities of color.

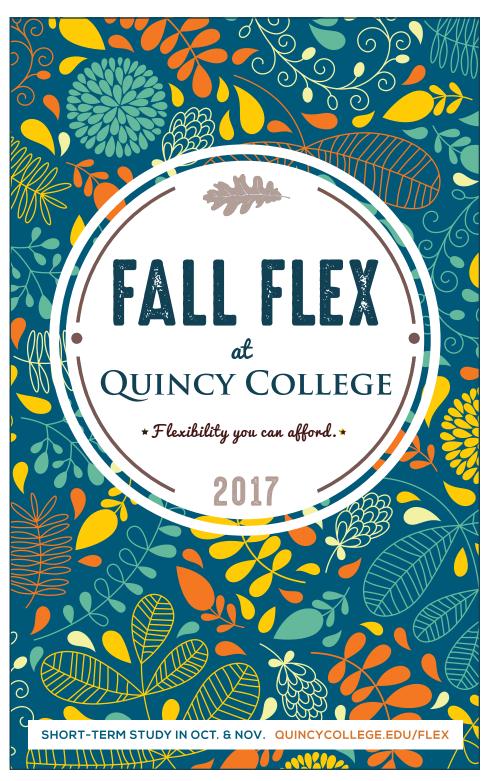
The report card can also serve as a challenge to all leaders in elected office, in community groups, and those who are new to civic engagement to partner more closely with City Hall to leverage the resources available to empower and uplift our diverse neighbors.

Sustained dialogues will produce the action steps needed to inspire the city's residents to use the newly opened business centers in East Boston and Mattapan; they will connect more entrepreneurs to the Roxbury Innovation Center and Office of Financial Empowerment, both located in the heart of Dudley Square; and they will drive job seekers to the city's Office of Diversity to participate in job fairs, resume review sessions, and training opportunities. Further, connecting more young people to My Brother's Keeper and the mayor's Mentoring Movement offers them the opportunity to express their views on the future direction of the city. The professional mentoring and coaching they receive will help produce the next wave of Boston leaders.

Mayor Walsh has made an earnest and enduring effort in his first term to help improve the lives of all the city's residents. His policies and programs are lifting up low- and moderate- income families; they are integrating foreign born individuals seeking a better life; and they are enriching education for the children of our great city.

We know Marty Walsh as a longtime ally of our communities. And we know Mayor Walsh is a sincere and committed advocate for strengthening families and neighborhoods as he has implemented strategies to aid the citizens of Boston in realizing their ability to achieve the American Dream.

Linda Dorcena Forry is the state senator representing the 1st Suffolk District. Steven Tompkins is the sheriff of Suffolk County.



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Reporter's Neighborhood Notables

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BPS OPEN HOUSE ON SATURDAY

Boston Public Schools hosts open house on Sat., Oct. 28 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Bruce C. Bolling Building, 2300 Washington St., Roxbury. Free, family-friendly event includes workshops and interactive kiosks. See bostonpublicschools.org/fallopenhouse.

HALLOWEEN PARADE FOR LITTLE KIDS IN SAVIN

Ninth Annual Savin Hill Little Kids Halloween Parade. This event is aimed at kids 8 and under and their adult handlers, but siblings are welcome. Line up at 1:15 p.m. at the playground at Savin Hill Beach. HARVEST FEST AT CEDAR GROVE GARDENS

Cedar Grove Gardens Harvest Festival is Sunday, October 29, 1-3 p.m. Come for the Pinatas and stay for the Clydesdales. This delightful little neighborhood event really highlights the beauty of our neighborhood-between the treats at Cedar Grove Gardens and the horse-drawn hayride through the idyllic Cedar Grove Cemetery, this one is not to be missed. Costumes encouraged!

HOMEOWNERSHIP FAIR IN MATTAPAN

The Boston Home Center hosts a fall homeownership fair on Sat., Nov. 4 from 9 a.m.- noon at Mildred Avenue Community Center, 5 Mildred Ave. Register at HomeCenter.Boston.gov or call 617-635-4663.

PUBLIC MEETING IN UPHAMS CORNER ON NOV. 2
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Contact Kristina.Ricco@Boston.gov or 617-918-4238.
CHRIS MATTHEWS TALKS BOBBY KENNEDY AT
JFK FORUM

On Mon., Nov. 6 from 6-7:30 p.m.; Chris Matthews, anchor of MSNBC's Hardball with Chris Matthews, discusses his new book, "Bobby Kennedy: A Raging Spirit" at the Kennedy Library on Columbia Pt., Dorchester. Free, but space is limited. See jfklibrary.

FORUM ON CRISTO REY SCHOOLS

& CATHOLIC EDUCATION

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Join the Pioneer Institute for a public forum on Mon., Nov. 13 from 8:30-11 a.m. at the Omni Parker House featuring nationally recognized experts on Catholic leadership and schooling that will highlight a successful model of Catholic high school education.



Dorchester native Lea Grace Hicks-Swinson performed at Berklee's annual Encore Gala last Saturday night (Oct. 21). The event, held at the Marriott Copley Plaza, often features a student performance with a special guest. Hicks-Swinson's set with Courtney Harrell, an alumna of Berklee and top-10 finisher on NBC's "The Voice" season 11, wowed the crowd and was considered a highlight of the evening. Hicks-Swinson is a freshman at Berklee and previously was a Berklee City Music student. The gala raised almost \$2 million for the Berklee City Music program, a nonprofit organization that leverages the power of contemporary music to empower youth from underserved communities to develop musically, academically, socially, and emotionally.

Mike Spencer photo

This event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by Mon., Nov. 6 to Lauren Corvese at 617-723-2277, ext. 202 or lcorvese@pioneerinstitute.org.

HAUNTED HOUSE AT B-3 STATION

The B-3 Halloween Haunted House is Friday, October 27 from 4-8p.m. at 1165 Blue Hill Avenue, Dorchester. Food, entertainment, music, roller skating and Halloween candy! Costumes are encouraged! **DOTINI PARTY AT THE BLARNEY STONE**

Fields Corner Civic hosts Dotini 2017 fundraiser on Thurs., Nov. 9 at 7 p.m. at the Blarney Stone. Tickets at the door are \$60 for a standard ticket or \$85 for VIP. Sponsorships of all levels are available, email director@fieldscornermainstreet.org for details.

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Community Health News

Whittier Street launches anti-Opioid campaign



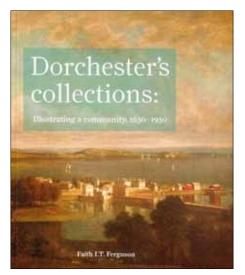
Pictured at the launch of Whittier Street Health Center's Opioid Prevention and Treatment Awareness Campaign are (l-r) James Hunt III, president of the Mass League of Community Health Centers, Frederica Williams CEO of Whittier Street Health Center and Jeffrey Beard the Regional Director of HRSA. Photo courtesy WSHC

Whittier Street Health Center launched a new Opioid treatment and prevention campaign last Wed., Oct. 18.

While addiction knows no boundaries, unequal access to treatment creates real disparities in disease outcomes among groups who struggle to obtain basic health care. Whittier Street hosted the event to emphasize its commitment to eliminating the disparities. On this day, Whittier's stakeholders, including elected officials, federal Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) representatives, patients and members of the community were convened. HRSA Regional Director Jeffrey Beard addressed the group.

As part of its initial treatment strategy, the health center will offer group therapy, walk-in services, and Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)through Suboxoneand Vivitrol injection for patients who need this support to achieve and maintain sobriety. The campaign plays a pivotal role in protecting and treating the community from the opioid crisis.

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Participants should come prepared to walk in the woods and should dress accordingly by wearing long pants and sturdy walking shoes. Sat., Oct. 28, 7:30-10:30 a.m.; Ed O'Brien, Assistant Curator of Bird's World at Franklin Park Zoo, will lead this walk. Meet at Scarboro Pond. Please note, if raining. the walk will be cancelled. Please check the website to make sure the scheduled walk is happening. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. To register, visit zoonewengland.org/engage/franklinpark-biodiversity-walks.

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ASHMONT HILL BOOK GROUP

October 26, 2017

Reading ahead, the book for November is "Commonwealth," by Ann Patchett. Book Group meets the first Wednesday of the month; all are welcome! Info: klil@yahoo.com.

INTRO TO IRISH SPORTS IN CANTON

Have your kids ever wanted to try out Gaelic Football and Hurling? Well dust off your hurlies and sliotars and take a jaunt down Route 138 to the Irish Cultural Centre in Canton to give the sports a whirl on Saturday October 28. Maybe even sign up for the Dorchester team as they gear up for indoor training beginning in the New Year. U6-U12 from 4pm to 6pm on Saturday, U14-U18 from 4pm-6pm on Sunday. Free. Bring a friend.

BOSTON BLACK CATHOLIC REVIVAL 2017

"Let God's Peace Reign" – Save the date for Sat., Oct. 28 and Sun., Oct. 29 at 5 p.m. at St. Katharine Drexel Church, 517 Blue Hill Ave., Grove Hall. **MAYOR'S CUP SOCCER REGISTRATION NOW OPEN**

This year, the Mayor's Cup Soccer Tournament will be held on the weekend of October 28 -29 at Moakley Park in South Boston. This year's age/grade groupings are: Grades 3/4 (U10), Grades 5/6 (U12), and $\hat{G}rades 7/8 (U14)$ with boys' and girls' divisions for each age/grade grouping. Coaches may register their teams online at: tinyurl.com/2017MayorsCupSoccer. For more information about the Mayor's Cup Soccer Tournament, please contact Woodley Auguste at woodley.auguste@boston.gov or call 617-961-3084. **BOSTON BLACK CATHOLIC REVIVAL 2017**

"Let God's Peace Reign" – Save the date for Sat., Oct. 28 and Sun., Oct. 29 at 5 p.m. at St. Katharine Drexel Church, 517 Blue Hill Ave., Grove Hall. CITIZENSHIP CLASSES AT NOTRE DAME ED CENTER

New citizenship classes will be held on Mondays and Tuesdays starting this month at Notre Dame Education Center in South Boston. Call 617-268-1912. **STANDOUT FOR BLACK LIVES NOV.16**

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Non-emergency line for seniors: 617-343-5649. The Party Line phone number, where you can report loud parties, is 617-343-5500, 24 hours/7 days per week. **POLICE DISTRICT B-3 NEWS**

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

APPLE GROVE ASSOC.

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

ASHMONT-ADAMS 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. For info, see ashmonthill.org or call Message Line: 617-822-8178.

ASHMONT VALLEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

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

CEDAR GROVE CIVIC ASSOC.

Cedar Grove Civic Association Schedule for 2017-2018: Meetings are held in the St. Brendan's Father Lane Hall – lower level at 589 Gallivan Blvd., Dorchester Tuesdays at 7 p.m. – Tues., Nov 14th, December Holiday Tree Lighting TBA, Jan 9th, Feb 13th, March 13th, Apr 10th, May 8th. Tues., June 12th at 6:30 p.m.; Good Neigh/Good Business Awards/ Scholarship Awards & 7 p.m. business meeting St. Brendan's lower hall. 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

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REPORTER'S CALENDAR

Thursday, Oct. 26

- The Boston Irish Reporter hosts the annual Boston Irish Honors luncheon at Boston Seaport Hotel at 11:30 a.m. Honorees include Boston Globe columnist Kevin Cullen, longtime city and state public servant Tom Tinlin and Dorchester's Kennedy family—Bill and Annmarie Kennedy and their daughter Nora. Plus, special prizes including Aer Lingus tickets to Ireland and prime seats for the Nov. hurling matches at Fenway Park. Tickets and sponsorships available by calling 617-436-1222.
- Mattapan Community Health Center's Breast Health Night from 6-8 p.m., 1575 Blue Hill Ave., Mattapan features guest speaker Beverly Moy, MD, MPH. Learn more about the risks. Haitian language translation available. Contact Julet Queensborough at 617-898-9075.
- Pumpkin Float at Pope John Paul II Park starts at 5:30p.m. Wear your costumes, bring a small (8" or smaller) carved jack o'lantern. Volunteers will pop in a candle, put it on a raft, and we'll all stand in awe watching the orange orbs floating eerily down the river. Parking is available at the Hallet St. lot outside the park- or you can walk or bike down the Neponset Bike Trail. Friday, Oct. 27
- B-3 Halloween Haunted House for kids, 4-8 p.m. 1165 Blue Hill Ave., Dorchester. Costumes are encouraged! Saturday, Oct. 28
- Zoo Howl at Franklin Park Zoo from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Trick-or-treating, creepy crafts, games, costume contests and a haunted maze. Also on Sunday. See franklinparkzoo.org.
- Biodiversity walk in Franklin Park from 7:30 - 10:30 a.m. led by Ed O'Brien, Assistant Curator of Bird's World at Franklin Park Zoo Meet at Scarboro Pond. Space is limited and preregistration is required. To register, visit http:// www.zoonewengland. org/engage/franklinpark-biodiversitywalks.
- Pumpkinfest at the Boston Nature Center, 1-3p.m. 500 Walk Hill St. in Mattapan. Celebrate the fall harvest by creating your own carved pumpkin, playing pumpkin games, and enjoying some fine fall food! Bring your own pumpkin or order one through BNC. To register by phone, or to order pumpkins (\$6 each)call617-983-8500.
- Ninth Annual Savin Hill Little Kids Halloween Parade for kids

8 and under (and their adult handlers), but siblings are welcome. Line up at 1:15 pm at the playground at Savin Hill Beach. Parade leaves at 1:30 pm. Parade route goes up Denny Street, to Savin Hill Ave and ends at Savin Hill Park. Music by Keytar Bear, Art Activities with Dot Art, Giant Bubbles with Jim Dichter, Ponies, and

Sunday, Oct. 29

- Cedar Grove Gardens annual Harvest Festival, 1-3 p.m. at 911 Adams St., Dorchester.
- Zoo Howl at Franklin Park Zoo from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 30

- JFK Library forum: Ernest Hemingway and World War I. All forums are free and open to the public. Make a reservation online or call 617-514-1643. See ifklibrary.org/forums.
- The Codman Square branch of the Boston Public Library will host a spooky magic show featuring Magician Debbie O'Carroll. Starts at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 1

- Dorchester People for Peace host film screening and discussion about the first US war in North Korea and "what we can do to avoid another one" at Adams Street Boston Public Library branch, 690 Adams St., Dorchester from 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- Sunday, Nov. 5
- Claremont Trio presented by Ashmont Hill Chamber Music in concert at Peabody Hall, All Saints' Church, 209 Ashmont St., Dorchester. 4 p.m. Claremonts will perform Mozart's Trio in B-flat Major, K. 502, "Queen of Hearts" by Kati Agócs (written for the Claremont Trio in 2017), and Mendelssohn's Trio in D minor, Opus 49. A reception follows the concert and

everyone is invited to attend.

Monday, Nov. 6

- JFK Library forum: Chris Matthews, anchor of MSNBC's Hardball with Chris Matthews, discusses his new book, "Bobby Kennedy: A Raging Spirit" at 6 p.m. All forums are free and open to the public. Make a reservation online or call 617-514-1643. For more information, visit jfklibrary.org/forums.
- Thursday, Nov. 9
- Fields Corner Main Street's Dotini 2017 at 7 p.m. at the Blarney Stone, 1505 Dorchester Ave. Tickets at the door are \$60 for a standard ticket or \$85 for VIP. Sponsorships of all levels are available, email director@fieldscornermainstreet.org for details.
- Dot Jazz Series

Catherine Bent at the Parish of All Saints, Peabody Hall, 209 Ashmont St., Dorchester, 7 p.m. \$15 ticket includes dessert as well as nonalcoholic beverages. Wine will be available too. Tickets available through Brown Paper

Tickets. Monday, Nov. 13

- Public forum Witnessing Hope: Cristo Rey Schools & Catholic Education from 8:30-11 a.m. at the Omni Parker House, Boston featuring nationally recognized experts on Catholic leadership and schooling that will highlight a successful model of Catholic high school education. This event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by Mon., Nov. 6 to Lauren Corvese at features Elis Roseira & 617-723-2277, ext. 202
- or lcorvese@pioneerinstitute.org.
- Wednesday, Nov. 15 • Public meeting on Hubway expansion plans from 6-8 p.m. at Upham's Corner Health Center.
- Greater Ashmont Main Street fall meeting 6-8p.m. at Epiphany School, 154 Centre St., Dorchester. Light dinner from Caffe Zia Gianna.

Friday, Nov. 24

• Celebrate! at JFK Library and Museum features Wampanoag Nation Singers and Dancers for Native American Heritage Month. Performance culminates with a full audience pow-wow. Free in the Stephen Smith Center at JFK Library. Make reservations by visiting jfklibrary.org/ celebrate or call 617-514-1644.

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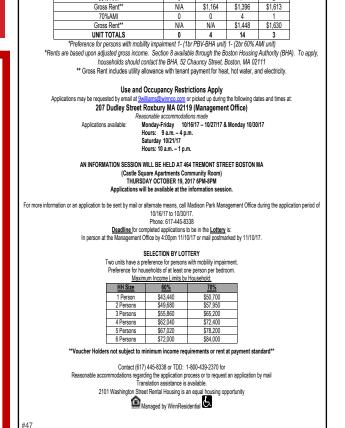
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Playground re-named for World War I hero

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Alsen, the son of Swedish immigrants, was born in Lynn, Mass on August 18, 1899. As a teenager his family moved to 11 Spaulding St. in Dorchester, where Alsen attended the Mary Hemenway School.

Alsen lied about his age in order to register with the Massachusetts National Guard on April 2, 1917--the very day President Woodrow Wilson made his speech to Congress requesting a declaration of war against Germany.

Pvt. Alsen was killed in action at the age of 18 on April 12, 1918 during the Battle of Aprement in northeast France. He was posthumously awarded the French Croix de Guerre with gilt star for his bravery in the battle. He was a member of a mortar platoon that staved off a massive German offensive. Alsen's regiment, the largely Massachusettsborn 104th Infantry 26th Division, known as the "Yankee Division," was awarded with the Croix de Guerre two weeks after the battle, marking the first time an American regiment had been decorated by a foreign government.

In 1935, Victory Road Park in Dorchester was renamed in Alsen's honor and a playground was installed on the site bearing his name. After World War II, the site was used for temporary veteran housing, which was later demolished and then taken over by the state. The playground and Alsen's memorial marker were lost somewhere along the way. This disappearance is what caught

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sight," says Schwerin.

Saturday's dedication of the Hero Square will rightfully restore the honor originally bestowed on Pvt. Alsen and memorialize the sacrifice he made for his country a century ago. Several members of his descended family will be in attendance.

Schwerin is just glad to help more people learn about a local hero.

"He was clear he had this enthusiasm and really wanted to serve his country," said Schwerin. "It's such a great story, and luckily a lot of people have managed to keep his memory alive for years."

Neighborhood Notables

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COLUMBIA-SAVIN HILL CIVIC

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

CUMMINS VALLEY ASSOC.

Cummins Valley Assoc. meeting at the Mattahunt Community Center, 100 Hebron St., Mattapan, on Mondays 6:30 p.m., for those living on and near Cummins Highway. For info on dates, call 617-791-7359 or 617-202-1021.

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.

The 2017/2018 monthly meetings begin at 7 p.m. and will be held the second Wednesday of every month thereafter through June 2018. Please refer to the JHA website at joneshill.com for additional information and feel free to contact me or the Association Officers copied on this email with any questions. Upcoming dates: Nov. 9, Dec. 14 (Potluck Dinner), Jan. 11, Feb. 8, March 8, April 12, May 10, June 14.

EASTMAN-ELDER ASSOC.

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

FIELDS CORNER CIVIC ASSOC.

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

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

FREEPORT-ADAMS ASSOC.

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

GROOM/HUMPHREYS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

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

HANCOCK STREET CIVIC ASSOC.

The Hancock Street Civic Association meets on the first Tuesday of each month from 7 - 8:30p.m. at the Uphams Crossing Community Room, 530 Columbia Rd. The email address is hancockstreetcivic@gmail.

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.

LINDEN/ELLSWORTH/LEEDSVILLE WATCH

For info, call 617-288-0818.

LOWER MILLS CIVIC ASSOC.

Dues (\$7) are now due. See the web page: dorchesterlowermills.org.

MCCORMACK CIVIC ASSOC.

More online at McCormackCivic.org. Please being ID for proof of residency within association boundaries. Dues are \$5 0r \$10. If you have any questions, please e-mail McCormackCivic@gmail.com.

MELVILLE PARK ASSOC.

Clean-up of the MBTA Tunnel Cap (garden at Shawmut Station), the first Sat. of the month, from 10 a.m. to noon. The meetings are held at 6 p.m., at the Epiphany School, 154 Centre St., Dor. Dues of \$10 pp is now being collected

PEABODY SLOPE ASSOC.

The Peabody Slope Neighborhood Assoc.'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. Upcoming 2017 dates: Nov. 29.

PORT NORFOLK CIVIC ASSOC.

Meetings the third Tuesday of the month at the Port Norfolk Yacht Club, 7 p.m. Info: 617-825-5225. ST. MARK'S AREA CIVIC ASSOC.

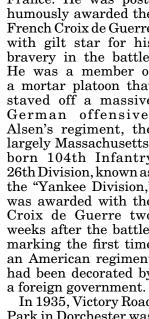
Meetings held the last Tues. of the month in the lower hall of St. Mark's Church, at 7 p.m. Info: smacadot@msn.com.

WEST SELDEN ST. & VICINITY ASSOC.

The group meets on the fourth Monday of each

FRIENDS OF RONAN PARK

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



Schwerin's attention.

asking the question what happened to the playground," she says. She soon discovered that the former site of the playground was still listed as a hero's square.

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BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF DORCHESTER

30th Anniversary Grand Drawing Gala November 4th

Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester is looking forward to our 30th Anniversary Grand Drawing Gala on November 4th. The Grand Drawing is one of our largest fundraising events of the year, and one of the most longlasting traditions. This year's event takes place at the Fairmont Copley Plaza, Boston beginning at 6PM.

What sets this event apart from other charity galas is our signature Grand Drawing. Every guest has a chance to win one of 10 amazing Grand Prizes which include vacations, jewelry, experiences, and more. This year we have a trip to Bermuda, a week in Sunapee NH, and Grono & Christie jewelry, among other amazing items.

The silent auction is also a big draw, including items like a signed Tom Brady football, Danny Ainge Celtics jersey, weekend stays at summer houses, tickets to Hamilton in Boston and a trip to California for a taping of The Ellen Show.

The evening includes cocktails, an oyster bar, pearl necklace raffle, dinner, and dancing to the music of First Class Band featuring Concetta. It is an extremely fun night at a beautiful venue. It is a night to see and be seen, among some of the biggest supporters of Boston's youth who all care deeply about the futures of our children.

In addition to celebrating 30 years of Grand Drawing, this year marks the 30th anniversary of BGCD President & CEO Bob Scannell. He began working at the Club in 1987 and has steered the organization ever since. He has had a tremendous impact on countless lives in the past 30 years, and it makes this 30 year anniversary extra special while we celebrate both of these anniversaries at once.

We want to say a special thank you to the sponsors of this event, who make it all possible and help us reach the fundraising goals that allow us to provide life-changing services to

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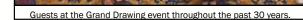
The Dorchester community is invited and very welcome to join us at this

spectacular event to help Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester celebrate 30 years of the Grand Drawing event. Tickets are available for sale at bidpal.net/bgcd. For sneak peeks at

more auction items as they become available check out our Facebook page at facebook.com/ bgcdot where we are releasing info before the event.

If you would like to make a monetary donation to BGCD or a donation of auction items. contact Patty Lamb at plamb@ bgcdorchester.org.



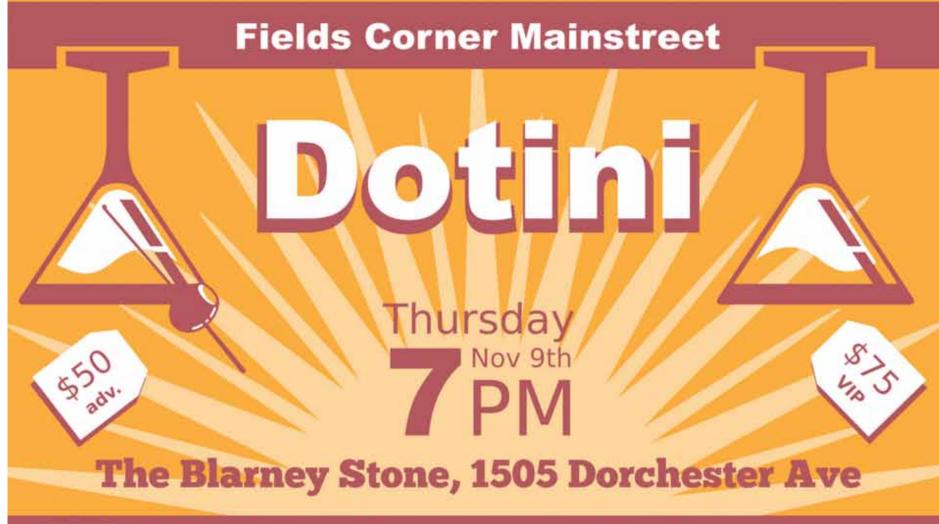




Bob Scannell, executive director of the club; Maureen Peterson of Milton, president of the club's board of directors, and Pattie and James T. Brett of Dorchester.



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Page 20 THE REPORTER October 26, 2017 dotne Red Sox Archive 1967: The last word on the season – Bravo!

The sixth, and last, in a season-long series of reflections on the 50th anniversary of the "Impossible Dream" Red Sox season of 1967.

Sports Clark Booth

Rarely if ever has a World Series been as anti-climactic as the 1967 Red Sox-Cardinals Octoberfest. At least that was the case hereabouts where the magnificent but exhausting pennant race had left the entire region emotionally drained. What more could be reasonably asked? And now the Impossible Dreamers had 48 hours to crank it up again; it was a seemingly impossible task.

Deservedly, these well-rested Cardinals were heavy favorites, and if that was a song these brash, young Red Sox had heard before, it was no less true. A strong and seasoned lineup featured Brothers Brock, Cepeda, Flood, Maris, and McCarver. But it was their ace pitcher who made them seem indomitable. At his professional pinnacle, Bob Gibson was widely considered unbeatable, and he set about proving as much in Game One, besting Jose Santiago, 2-1. Nor was it that close.



Jim Lonborg displayed his elegant form in winning two games in the 1967 World Series. WBUR photo

Gibby simply cruised.

Back came Jim Lonborg, who was about to captivate the entire nation - much as he had New England - with his elegant balance of scholarly bearing and athletic grace. In Game Two, he had a bloody no-hitter going with two out in the eighth before a wall-job double by the ingrate Julian Javier blemished a splendid 5-0 whitewash by Boston. But in St. Louis, the visitors lost the next two, with Gibson effortlessly blanking them, 6-0, in Game Four. They were seemingly out-classed.

Enter Lonborg again: He won Game Five, 3-1, a three-hitter blemished only by a meaningless late homer by Roger Maris. The Boston ace was matching the Great Gibson stride for stride.

A half-century later, thoselasttwogamesback at Fenway remain poignant in memory for the sweet mood they stirred, transcending the bittersweet result.

Facing elimination in Game Six, Manager Williams, contemptuous of the conventional wisdom to the very last, dared to start a minor league journeyman,

Gary Waslewski, and survive, thanks to a homer binge: two by Rico Petrocelli, another by Reggie Smith, and yet another by the Mighty Yaz, his third of the Series in which he'd end his other-worldly season by hitting .400.

So there would be a seventh game. New England was again brinking on insanity. The headline in the morning *Herald* boldly declared a giddy outcome of "Lonborg and Champagne" But it would all prove a reach too far. For sure, the tides of the thing had ordained a final, epic Gibson-Lonborg confrontation as inevitable, and the raw inherent drama was sky-high that day. But for it to come to this was grossly unfair to Lonborg.

This would be the 4th time in 11 days he'd been asked to save his team in a mindlessly pressure-packed, door-die game, and this time it would have to be on two-days of rest. He had already pitched two complete games in four days in the Series while facing Baseball's best and strongest pitcher

on regular rest. The odds were ridiculous, and you'd have a hard time finding a greater demand ever having been made of a single player.

But Williams had no choice. There was no one else to turn to. Moreover, though a hard-nosed character not given to mere sentiment, the manager had been awed by Lonborg's valor, maybe even embracing the popular notion there was something anointed about the lad.

But on this day, Lonborg had no chance. Clearly gassed, he lasted six innings, allowing seven runs, the last three coming on a homer by his nemesis, Javier. Trudging off after the sixth, he got a thunderous ovation from the crowd. They knew the party was over, but they still near shook the old ball vard to its roots. Even the Cardinals in their dugout were clapping.

It was a great crowd. They were on their feet again in the ninth cheering lustily through the last hopeless gestures of a 7-2 defeat and Gibson still fuming. To that reality, they remained oblivious, more determined to pay tribute to something they properly understood had been mighty rare. Hours later, after we of the media mob had finally departed, clusters of fans by the hundreds were still hanging around outside the park, lingering quietly in October's gathering darkness. It was touching.

In the post-game locker room, the mood was mellow and accepting. There were few regrets; nor should there have been. In the Cards' room, on the other hand, the mood was raucous, even derisive. Boston's upstart underdogs had gotten under the skin of the mighty Cardinals. Cepeda and McCarver,

both of whom ended their careers in a Red Sox uniform, formed a congaline and mockingly chanted over and over, "Lonborg and Champagne, cha cha, cha...Lonborg and Champagne." Though a bit much, it was amusing, if only faintly.

The "Impossible Dream" had no sequel, really, for which the laborious reasons are too myriad, let alone necessary, to labor over here. It was magic, and magic is too whimsical and mercurial to be bottled or duplicated. It was probably that simple.

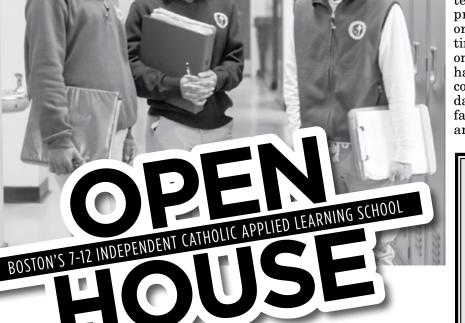
There would be plenty of distinction, however, at least for the drama's four principal play-actors. For Carl Yastrzemski, whose single-season heroics have never since been matched in my opinion. the road to the Hall of Fame was paved in 1967.

The same might have been true for Gentleman Jim Lonborg. But fate ever intrigues. The subsequent injury that likely robbed him of further greatness in baseball doubtless helped re-direct him to comparable acclaim in a rather more important field, dentistry. One suspects Dr. Jim Lonborg has no regrets.

Nor in the end did Dick Williams, even after getting unceremoniously canned by Tom Yawkey only two years after he had brilliantly orchestrated the owner's most joyful moment in baseball. A wiser, less-harsh Williams managed the Oakland A's to a mini-dynasty that would be his ticket to Cooperstown.

For Dick O'Connell, the general manager whose brilliance in that post has been unsurpassed in Red Sox annals in my book, there could have been more rewards. He served Yawkey for another decade, no easy task. And he never has received the credit he deserves for delivering to Boston its first fully integrated baseball team. O'Connell did it! He made it happen. It's a recognition the crusty and oft inscrutable ex-Naval intelligence officer never demanded but nonetheless earned.

To them, and to all of their dandy supporting cast is left 50 years later but one last word – BRAVO!



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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL APPOINTMENT OF
SUCCESSOR PERSONAL
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ECTATE OF:

ESTATE OF: HARRY NEEDEL DATE OF DEATH: 07/21/1956 To all interested persons: A Petition has been filed by Howard E.

Needel of Marblehead, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order that Howard E. Needel

of Marblehead, MA be appointed as

Successor Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 11/16/2017.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavii of Objections within thirty (30) days of

the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.
Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court. Date: October 05, 2017

Felix D. Arroyo Register of Probate Published: October 26, 2017

His mission: Help children, educators learn how to play

Fidelis Teixeira, 26, of Dorchester, never learned how to play. He attended Boston Renaissance Charter School from kindergarten through 7th grade during a time when there was no scheduled recess - only street pick-up games. Back then, the school was located within a high-rise in downtown Boston where there was no playground or blacktop.

Now, he is an expert

on play.

Teixeira works fulltime providing training and onsite assistance to teachers and paid recess monitors in four Boston communities for Playworks New England, a regional branch of the national nonprofit working to bring play and physical activity into elementary schools.

He's working with educators at Michael J. Perkins Elementary School, Boston Green Academy, Joyce Kilmer K-8 School in and Boston Renaissance Charter School, now located in Hyde Park.

"There are many young people out there who don't get the experience of interacting with an adult who can relate to them on a certain level," says Teixeira, who is now in his third year working for Playworks New England. "Kids can relate to play. They are interested in play. When they care about something and someone, in this case being the activities and people they play with, they focus. They learn from the games and their peers. They grow."

Teixeira serves as a mentor to a diverse population of students, faculty, and staff.

Growing up,



Fidelis Teixeira Expert on play

pate in group activities and outdoor excursions through the Crossroads for Kids program in ways he hadn't been exposed to before, such as playing at the beach, hiking Yellowstone National Park, and visiting college campuses.

Teixeira works oneon-one with recess monitors and educators to teach or re-teach them the rules of class childhood games, including kickball and four square. He provides them with tools and tips for communicating with students and on a rotating basis he assists with running recess on

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> "Play can have an incredible impact on children and schools - a trickle-down effect if you will," says Teixeira. "After a year of Playworks programming, kids walk down the hall differently. Kids relate

ers differently. They communicate better. They can resolve many conflicts on their own. They get more involved in their community outside of school. And, it's all because of play."

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RECENT OBITUARIES

FRASER, Richard J. "Pinky" of Bradenton, FL, formerly of Dorchester, at the age of 73. Longtime member of the Boston Teachers Union. Survived by his wife Judy of Bradenton, FL; sons Richard, and his girlfriend Maureen Flavin and Patrick, both of Dorchester; grandchildren Jack and Neve Fraser. Memorial donations may be made to

Manatee County Humane Society, 2515 14th St.

West, Bradenton FL 34205 KELLEY, Mary J. (Quinn) of Dorchester. Wife of the late Stephen W. Mother of Stephen W. Kelley of Hingham, and Anne Marie Hayes and her husband Peter of Plymouth. Grandmother of Erin and Olivia Hayes. Sister of Thomas F. Quinn and his wife Josephine of Braintree, and the late Margaret P. Naughton. Retired secretary of Msgr. Ryan Memorial High School, Dorchester, Donations may be made in her memory to The Jimmy Fund, 10 Brookline Place West, 6th floor, Brookline, MA 02445.

October 26, 2017

McCARTHY, Daniel J., III U.S. Army Veteran of Dorchester. Son of the late Daniel J. Jr., and

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Elizabeth A. (Langille) McCarthy. Brother of William V. and his wife Christine of NH, John T. "Jack" and his wife Tricia of Marshfield, Donna and her husband Tom Struzzeiri of Norfolk, Mary E. and her husband Michael (brother from another mother) Haggerty of Dorchester and Brendan, B.P.D. and his wife Theresa of Dorchester. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Vet. U.S. Army, Vietnam Era. Remembrances may be made to the New England Veterans Homeless Shelter, 17 Court St., Boston,

MA 02108. McCARTHY, John J., age 85, of Quincy, formerly of Dorchester. John was born and raised in Dorchester to the late Maurice and Anne (Joyce) McCarthy. He was proud to be a Double Eagle, having graduated from Boston College High School and Boston College, Class of 1954. He has lived in Quincy for fifty-six years and previously in Dorchester. John was the personnel administrator for Draper Laboratories in Cambridge for forty years. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps as a 1st Lieutenant during the Korean War. He enjoyed all Boston sports, politics, current events and walking. John was especially devoted to his children, grandchildren and great granddaughter. Husband for fifty-seven years of the late Elizabeth A. "Betty" (Sawyer) McCarthy. Father of Brian E. McCarthy of Hull, Kevin J. McCarthy and his wife Michele of Mansfield and the late Maribeth E. Easter. Loving grandfather of Jennifer Easter, Connor McCarthy and Bridget McCarthy and cherished great grandfather of Kinley. John was the last of three siblings and was pre-deceased by Maurice McCarthy, M.D. and Joyce

McDonough. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews and friends.

McCARTHY, Marie A. (Kelley) of Dorchester. Wife of the late Joseph B. Mother of Paul and his wife Wladzia of Lincoln, Joanne McCarthy of South Boston, Edmund and his wife Manette of CA, Peter of Dorchester, Patricia of South Boston, Kevin and his wife Marie of Weymouth, Nancy and her husband Michael O'Donnell of NH, Carol of Braintree, Robert and his wife Theresa of Braintree and Barbara of South Boston. Sister of the late Richard Kelley, John, Sr. Mary Pius, C.S.J., Edmund, Francis, Virginia Lundberg and Barbara Spencer. Also survived by 9 loving grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Remembrances may be made to the Sisters of St. Joseph, 637 Cambridge

St., Brighton, MA 02135. NAGLE, Patricia D. Daughter of the late Bill and Anne Nagle. Survived by 9 siblings: William (Patricia), Karen (Russell) Hennebury, Charles (Ann), Edward (Kathleen), John, Mary Anne (Ralph) Sabatino, David (Kathleen), Barbara (Michael) Mazzone, and Elizabeth Jauquet. Pat is a much loved aunt to multiple nieces and nephews. Proud graduate of Mission High; 1966. Pat is a cherished friend to the Foley family, especially Kim who was by her side in her final journey. Please spread her kindness and generosity to all in your circle of life. She

was one of a kind. O'MALLEY, Joseph Austin Boston Police Dept. (Ret) of Weymouth, formerly of Dorchester. Husband of the late Pauline (Farragher) O'Malley. Father of Mary Mackintire and husband Paul of Weymouth, Kathleen Milott and husband Paul of Cambridge, Joey O'Malley of Weymouth, Mickey O'Malley and wife Nancy of Pembroke, Tommy O'Malley of Weymouth and the late Stephen O'Malley. "Doody" to his grandchildren, Joseph, Eileen, and Paul Mackintire and Grace, Nora, Maggie, and Molly O'Malley.

Brother of Mary Carnes of Norwell, Peggy DiVenuti of Weymouth and the late Billy O'Malley of Quincy. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Joe was a USMC Veteran, graduate of Northeastern University, and retired after 30+ years on the BPD. He was a recipient of the Boston Police Schroeder $Brothers\, Memorial\, Medal$ for Bravery as well as the recipient of the Mass State Trooper George L. Hanna Memorial Award for Bravery and numerous citations for valor throughout his career. The family would like to thank Kim, of South Shore Visiting Nurse Assoc., for the wonderful care she provided during the past few months. Donations in memory of Joe may be made to Floating Hospital for Children at Tufts Medical Center, 800 Washington Street, Box #231, Boston, MA 02111.

PERKINS, Earl O. of Quincy, originally of Dorchester. Husband of Eleanor L. (Fallon). Father of Earl Perkins and his wife Janet Connolly of Dorchester, Eleanor Perkins of Norwood, Edward Perkins and his wife Patricia of Milton, Elizabeth Donahue and her husband John of Canton, Eileen Peters and her husband Eric of Newport Beach, CA, and Elliot Perkins of Quincy. Also survived by 11 loving grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. Brother of George Perkins of Rockland, Mary Hines of Abington, and Barbara Archibald of Weymouth, as well as 9 late siblings. Veteran of the Korean

PETERS, Kenneth **J.** of Foxboro, formerly of Roslindale and Dorchester. Husband to Carol (Doherty) Peters. Father to Michael and his wife Cheryl of North Attleboro and Laura Lanchester and her husband Jeffrey of Walpole. Grandfather to Sean, Emily, Bridget, Caroline and Brooke. Brother to Jane Lyell, John, Judy and Marilyn Peters and the late Philip Peters, Louise Gleason and Rosalie Cederlund. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Retired employee of Conrail.

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Belmont, MA requesting that the Court ente a formal Decree and Order and for such a formal declere and offer and for an offer tother relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that Daeshauwn Liles of Belmont, MA be appointed as Persona Representative of said estate to serve or the bond in an unsupervised administration the bond in an unsupervised administration You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court You have a right to object to this proceeding To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/23/2017.

of 17/23/2017.
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PROBATE & FAMILY COURT SUFFOLK PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT 24 NEW CHARDON STREET BOSTON, MA 02114

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME IN THE MATTER OF:

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CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU12P1507EA
ESTATE OF:
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Successor PR has been filed by Carl Walker of Boston, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order

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To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complain for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for IRRETRIEVABLE BREAKDOWN. The Complaint is on file at the Court. An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the cur-rent financial status of either party. SEE

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To the Defendant:
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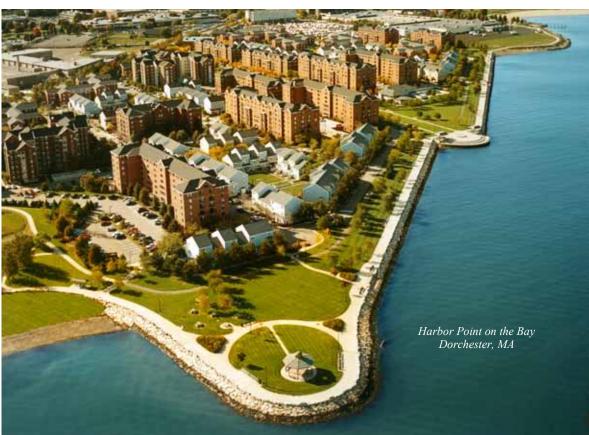
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