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Target opened its doors to customers on Oct. 21 in Fields Corner's shopping plaza, located at 500 Geneva Ave. It is the second Target in Dorchester, but far smaller than its big-box sibling

In Fields Corner, shopping plaza steward is seeing a 'renaissance'

By BILL FORRY REPORTER EDITOR

Tom Cifrino has pretty much seen it all in his 45-year-long career as the manager of Fields Corner's shopping plaza. Since 1975, Cifrino has overseen the property for Superior Realty Trust, the family-owned business that includes holdings in Cambridge, Quincy, the South Shore, and Dorchester's Adams Village neighborhood.

But the Fields Corner shopping center—with its large parking lot along Geneva Avenuehas always been the marquee location. Tucked in between Town Field and the MBTA Red Line station, the shopping plaza houses an array

of enterprises, from a McDonald's restaurant and Bank of America ATM to a family-owned Black beauty supply house that just opened its doors next to the mall's elder statesman of sorts, Supreme Liquors, which Cifrino's trust owns and operates.

The newest big-name addition, however, is bringing renewed attention to Fields Corner: Target. It's the second Dorchester location for the retail behemoth, which has been an anchor of the South Bay mall for more than a decade.

The Fields Corner Target, which opened its doors to customers on Oct. 21, is far smaller than its big-box sibling on our north-

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Hunt steps away from pioneer role in nurturing health centers

By Ed Forry REPORTER FOUNDER

James W. Hunt, Jr. of Dorchester, the executive director of the Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers, announced last Friday that he will retire in December after more than four decades working with and leading the health care group.

Hunt, 71, will be succeeded by current deputy CEO and legal counsel Michael Curry.

Founded in 1972 with a mission to promote quality community health care, the Mass League was one of the first Primary Care Associations (PCAs) in the country, set up under federal law promoting health center programs in medically underserved com-



Dorchester's Jim Hunt. Jr. retired from his post as president and CEO of the Mass League of Community Health Centers last week.

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munities nationwide.

The organization supports 52 health centers across Massachusetts, including eight in Dorchester and Mattapan.

Hunt first became active in the field while volunteering with his wife, Jean Costigan Hunt, RN, at the Neponset Health Center. He left a civil engineering job in City Hall to join the league as director of government and community affairs. He quickly became known as a leading expert in community health.

"Jim Hunt is the chief architect of some of the most important health policy, regulatory, and funding initiatives impacting the Commonwealth's most underserved and under-resourced communities over the last five decades,' said Elizabeth Browne, chair of the Mass League's board.

Said his longtime friend, former state Sen. W. Paul White: "Jim's remarkable skills and

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Early vote is heavy as city sets up for Tuesday; alert on for ballot security

By KATIE TROJANO REPORTER STAFF

With just a few days to go before the state's general and presidential election on Nov. 3, early voting continues to draw large numbers of ballots to select polling stations as city officials prep for in-person voting on Tuesday amid increased safety measures.

As of Monday this week, 43,910 votes had been cast citywide in early voting, according to the city's Election Department.

Early voting will continue in staggered fashion through the end of the week. City Hall will be open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday.

The early voting sites in Dorchester and Mattapan – Florian Hall, 55 Hallet St., and the Mattapan Teen Center at 10 Hazelton St. -will finish up the balloting from noon to 8 p.m. on Thursday.



A drop-box for mail-in ballots for the Nov. 3 election has been put in place outside of the Fields Corner BPL branch at the corner of Dorchester Avenue and Park Street.

Bill Forry photo

"Every location will be prepared with spacing guidelines, cleaning protocols, and PPE," Mayor Walsh said in a press conference last week. "The

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Tenants can again seek 'rent relief' from Boston fund

By KATIE TROJANO REPORTER STAFF

Qualified households in Boston can get up to \$4,000 per year in rental relief grants through a city of Boston fund that reopened for applicants a week ago Tuesday. First launched in the spring, the fund had distributed more than \$3 million to eligible Bostonians over six months.

In making \$5 million in federal stimulus funds available to those most vulnerable to losing their rental units to eviction, Mayor Walsh said, "As we continue to face the Covid-19 pandemic, it's vital that we provide residents with the resources and supports

they need to stay housed, especially with the statewide moratorium on evictions lifted."

To qualify for assistance, tenants must earn less than 80 percent Area Median Income (AMI) or \$90,650 for a family of four; show that they've been financially impacted by COVID-19; have been renters in Boston as of March 1, 2020; certify they do not receive a rental subsidy or have funds to meet their needs; and must not be a full-time student.

The Rental Relief Funds may be used for short-term rental assistance for up to three months and to supplement partial payments of rent.

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Police, Courts & Fire

Carjacking thwarted; three teens arrested

Three teens who allegedly stole a car at gunpoint on Browning Avenue on Sunday morning faced carjacking charges after they were arrested by Boston Police. The incident happened just after midnight, according to a BPD account, which $noted\,that\,an\,18\text{-year-old}$ from Brockton would be charged with illegal gun possession.

Police say that a stolen. loaded 9mm firearm was found in the car when police pulled the driver over on Browning Avenue. The other teenagers were described as a 17-year-old from Boston and a 14-year-old from Dedham.

Police say that around the same time, two victims "self-applied to a local hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. The victims reported being involved in an incident that took place at 30 Browning Avenue, Dorchester."

A 49-year-old Dorchester man was arrested on illegal gun charges last Friday (Oct. 23) after police were called to a Geneva Avenue home for a report of a person with a gun.

Police say that Shane Whitsey was standing near a rear porch when they arrived and then fled to the third floor of a residence at 503 Geneva Ave. when they approached him. Police say they found a loaded 9mm gun when they searched the third-floor landing. Whitsey was charged with trespassing and illegal gun possession.

Police on Area B-3 arrested two men for illegal gun possession after a traffic stop on Blue Hill Avenue in Dorchester last Friday night. Police say a car with cancelled registration and occupied by two men was spotted by officers on patrol on Livingstone Street.

After the stop, police found that the driver, 26-year-old Sebastian Gassant, had a suspended license and had an active warrant for his arrest on drug charges. The passenger, 19-yearold Jaire Bagby, was found to be carrying a loaded gun. Both men were arrested.

Last Saturday (Oct. 24), police arrested a 19 year old from Roxbury who was speeding without headlights after midnight on Blue Hill Avenue. Police say the driver was suspected to be operating the vehicle while high. A .22 caliber gun was found during a search of the car. The suspect - named as Nazavien Davis- was arrested and charged with illegal gun possession.



The Challenger soccer program, part of Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester's Inclusive Services created in partnership with the Martin Richard Foundation, welcomed back a small group of athletes to play at Dorchester's McConnell Park on Sunday. Youth with developmental and physical disabilities enjoyed soccer in a safe environment structured to their abilities. Each player is paired with a "buddy," who acts as a helper to the player on the field and also develops a meaningful bond with a player that can help them feel more connected to the community. Buddies are usually **BGCD** teen members who wish to "give back." Photo courtesy

BGCD/Nora Baston

Alumnus gives BC High \$5 million for 'Innovation Center' initiative

"The BC High of today isn't the BC High I attended in the 1970s,' said Jack Shields. "It's stronger, more flexible and more diverse. I'm looking forward to helping my alma mater carry on the Jesuit tradition of building community and educational foundation inside and outside the classroom."

With that in mind, school President Grace Cotter Regan and Board Chair Rev. Michael McFarland, SJ, announced late last week that Shields, the founder and chairman of Stoughton-based Shields Health Solutions, will be investing \$5 million to establish the Shields Innovation Center, aimed at prioritizing entrepre-



Jack Shields

neurial thinking while preparing students for the rapidly evolving innovation economy.

"I've spent my career working in organizations that sought to innovate on behalf of patients in Massachusetts and beyond," said Shields. "The path to my accomplishments started in the hallhonor to be able to help enable other young men to go down a similar path. The curriculum, faculty, and programming of this center will help drive the next generation of innovators for our community. I look forward to seeing a future that is brighter, thanks to being lit by innovative graduates from BC High."

Said Regan: "Like the many organizations surrounding us, we reacted quickly and embraced change when COVID-19 hit. That's what future leaders need to do, and that's exactly what Jack's investment will continue to promote at BC High."

Shields's gift comes at a time when BC ways of BC High. It's an High is enjoying strong

enrollment, new and innovative learning programs and centers, and growing diversity. This year's freshman class is 36 percent nonwhite and comes from every neighborhood in Boston and more than 140 communities in the Commonwealth.

The Shields family has a history of supporting BC High emotionally and financially. Decades ago, Jack's mother and father. Tom and Mary Shields, set up the Shields Merit Scholarship program. More recently, the school has been honoring its benefactors with the Shields Medal, an acknowledgment of ' service, dedication, and generosity to BC High." – REPORTER STÄFF

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Skating rinks shuttered for two weeks amid clusters

In an inauspicious early fall turn for hockey and skating enthusiasts, Massachusetts residents awoke last Friday morning to news that state officials overnight had ordered skating rinks to close.

The order went into effect on Oct. 23 at 5 p.m. and is currently

scheduled to last until 12:01 a.m. on Nov. 7, due to multiple COVID-19 clusters "connected to indoor hockey." State public health officials said there have been at least 30 clusters "at rinks throughout the state following games, practices and tournaments."

The clusters involve

residents from more than 50 communities, with two or more confirmed cases in each and 108 total confirmed cases, according to the Department of Public Health, which issued the order that included an exemption for college and professional programs.

"This pause will allow

for the development of stronger Covid-19 protocols to further protect players, families, coaches, arena staff, and other participants, as well as communities surrounding hockey rinks," the DPH said.

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UPCOMING CIVIC MEETINGS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

The early voting scene: an update – Drop boxes are now available around the city for Boston residents to vote by mail in the Nov. 3 election. Registered voters can put their completed ballots in one of the 17 drop boxes, which will be available 24 hours a day through 8 p.m. on Election

Voters may also return their completed ballots at any early voting location during the scheduled voting hours. If residents choose to return their ballots by mail, they must be postmarked by Nov. 3 and received by the Election Department by Nov. 6 to be counted. As a reminder, the last day to register to vote in the November 3 State Election is October 24. Drop box locations in downtown Boston and Dorchester:

- Boston City Hall, 1 City Hall Square. Boston (City Hall Plaza entrance, third floor)
- Fields Corner Branch of the Boston Public Library, 1520 Dorchester Ave,

• Mattapan Branch of the Boston Public Library, 1350 Blue Hill Ave, Mattapan • Grove Hall Branch of the Boston Public

Library, 41 Geneva Ave. Dorchester Polling locations will be open from 7

a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tues., Nov. 3. For more information on how to participate in this year's elections, please visit boston.gov/ election.

Hancock Street project subject of BPDA meeting— A virtual public meeting will be held on Thurs., Nov. 19 to review proposed mixed-income, 15-unit residential building at 120-122 Hancock St., Dorchester. For more information, contact Aisling Kerr at 617-918-4212 or aisling.kerr@boston.gov. See bostonplans.org/ projects/developmentprojects/120-122-hancock-street more details.

Moakley Park planning— The Boston Parks & Recreation launched a series of virtual discussions called "Moakley Talks"

which will focus on key aspects of the city's planning process for Moakley Park in South Boston. The planning series will build on the city's vision for adding climate resilience and new programs to the park. The Moakley Park of the future would include a new berm to protect against coastal flooding, the elimination of the section of Day Boulevard that runs along Carson Beach, and the creation of a new track and football stadium under a conceptual plan unveiled by city of Boston officials and presented by representatives of its design team last March. The remaining series dates include subjects like Sports and Stadium on Tues., Nov. 10, 6-7:30 p.m.; Community and Play on Tues., Nov. 17, 6-7:30 p.m.; Public Health and Environment on Tues., Nov. 24, 6-7:30 p.m. All virtual events and materials will be available through the project website at boston.gov/parks/moakleypark.

The Men of Boston Cook for Women's Health gala to benefit the Codman Square Health Center will be held virtually on Thurs., Oct. 29 from 6-7 p.m. Anyone can attend the virtual event free of chargeor you can purchase a dinner ticket and have a special event meal delivered. You may also make a donation to support the event. See codman.org for more info.

DotHouse Health offers "community" COVID-19 testing at no cost at its headquarters. 1353 Dorchester Ave. Please bring your insurance card and photo ID, if available. No one will be turned away and there is no appointment necessary. The testing is conducted from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday; and from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Call ahead to the COVID Triage Line: 617-740-2292.

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Baker warns about holiday plans as Covid cases continue to rise

By State House News Service

The safest way to celebrate Thanksgiving this year is with household members only, or virtually with others, Gov. Baker and Health and Human Services Secretary Marylou Sudders said on Tuesday. Their counsel came as state health officials confirmed more than 1,000 new infections for the fourth consecutive day and as the latest report shows all four of the state's primary coronavirus metrics trending in the wrong direction.

Pointing to rising case numbers among Massachusetts residents under age 30, Baker again said people should stop hosting parties and other large social gatherings. He urged younger people, who may not experience severe symptoms of the respiratory disease, to think about the relatives they might infect, the health care workers gearing up for a second surge, and the children whose ability to attend in-person school hinges on virus transmission

"The science on this one's pretty clear—gathering in groups indoors for an extended period of time with family and friends is likely the worst possible scenario for spreading the virus," Baker said, adding that his own Thanksgiving celebration this year will be "immediate family, and that's it." All families should "think long and hard about the well-being of your loved ones before you make your plans," he added.

"If people do mark the holiday with friends and family outside their household, Baker said, they should limit guests as much as possible, keeping it "to your limited social network, those that you've seen on a pretty regular basis."

Sudders said people should wear masks while together as they prepare meals, plate each person's food rather than serving family-style, open doors and windows, and get tested for Covid if they do gather. She said the state is working with testing sites to increase their hours before Thanksgiving.

"There's just no way around it," she said. "The holidays need to look and feel very different this year."

The Department of Public Health reported 1,025 new coronavirus infections Tuesday and announced the recent deaths of seven Covid-infected individuals. The seven-day average of the positive test rate is now 1.7 percent — more than double its low-point value of 0.8 percent from just more than a month ago.

Despite the steady climb in the percentage of tests that come back positive, DPH said Tuesday that it still sees a "positive trend" in that metric.

There were 567 people hospitalized with the

virus in Massachusetts as of midday Tuesday, up by 17 patients from midday Monday. The threeday average number of hospitalized patients is 552, up about 83 percent from its low point of 302 patients, DPH said.

As with the positive test rate, DPH said Tuesday that it sees a "positive trend" in the number of people hospitalized. There are two hospitals in the state using their surge capacity (compared to a low of zero) and the three-day average of coronavirus deaths stands at 16, compared to a low of nine.

DPH said on Tuesday that both hospital readiness and the number of people who die of infection are "in progress."

Since Feb. 1, 149,361 people in Massachusetts have been infected with the coronavirus.

Since mid-March, 9,888 people have died with confirmed or probable cases of Covid-19. A total of 2,665,975 people have been tested for the highly contagious disease.

Sudders said people should wear masks while together and as they prepare meals, plate each person's food rather than serving family-style, spend time outside and open doors and windows for ventilation when indoors, and get tested for Covid-19. She said the state is working with testing sites to increase their hours before Thanksgiving.

"There's just no way around it," she said. "The holidays need to look and feel very different this year."The Department of Public Health suggests keeping visits short and dropping off meals made from tradi-

tional family recipes for relatives or neighbors. For those who do plan to celebrate with people they do not live with, the DPH says they should avoid hugging, shaking hands, singing, dancing, shouting or sharing food, and should not gather in-person with older adults, people with certain medical conditions or others at higher risk for severe illness from Covid-19.

The department's holiday recommendations also include seating people with plenty of space instead of at one large table, minimizing contact with others and trips outside the home for 14 days before and after the celebration, and encouraging guests to bring food and drinks for themselves and their household only.

Walsh advises no 'direct contact' with trick-or-treaters

By Daniel Sheehan Reporter Staff

Mayor Walsh and the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) are urging residents to celebrate Halloween safely this coming Saturday evening by avoiding traditional activities such as trick-or-treating, costume parties, and crowded, confined spaces like haunted houses, which raise the risk of

spreading viruses.

"Halloween is one of the best nights, and what's most important this year is that any person participating in activities does so in a way that is safe for not only themselves, but also their neighbors and community," said the mayor.

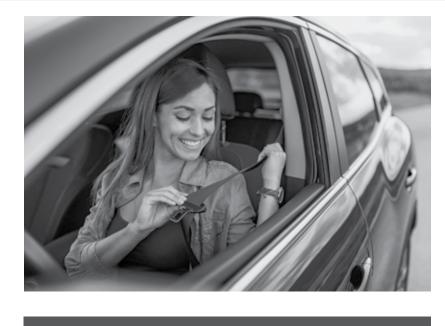
"We're asking people to take the extra precautions that are necessary this year, including avoiding direct contact with trick-or-treaters, wearing masks at all times, washing hands before eating any treats, and avoiding attending or hosting gatherings."

The guidance offered tips for safe trick-ortreating, including keeping the activity within the immediate family, setting up stations outdoors with individually wrapped goodie bags, and wearing masks, noting that costume masks are not substitutes for cloth face coverings.

Some risk-free activities encouraged by the BPHC include: carving pumpkins, virtual costume contests, a family Halloween movie night, or a trick-or-treat scavenger hunt at home.

The safety notice concluded with a caution about the risk of viral spread that comes with fright night.

"Keep in mind, if any Halloween activities may lead to screaming, make sure everyone is wearing a face covering and staying more than six feet apart. The greater the distance, the lower the risk of spreading a respiratory virus."



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Biden endorses Pressley's re-election

By Katie Trojano Reporter Staff

Joe Biden endorsed Rep. Ayanna Pressley this week, days ahead of her first re-election bid for the 7th District seat that she won in an upset victory over former Congressman Michael Capuano in 2018.

In a statement shared with the Reporter, Biden said: "Ayanna Pressley is a bold and committed advocate for the people of the Massachusetts' 7th District. Since she

was elected to Congress, Ayanna has worked to advance racial, economic, education, housing, transit, and environmental justice. As we address the crises our nation faces, we will need leaders like Ayanna, who will organize, legislate, and fight tirelessly for the people she represents."

Pressley is unchallenged on the general election ballot. But she said the endorsement signals the beginning of a strong partnership

to advance progressive policies if Biden and Sen. Kamala Harris are elected next week. Pressley initially supported Sen. Elizabeth Warren's candidacy, but backed Biden soon after Warren joined fellow candidates in endorsing the former vice-president.

"I consider [Biden] to be a dedicated and compassionate public servant and I'm doing everything I can in these last seven or eight days to ensure that he is

elected," said Pressley, who has been touring early voting sites in her in recent days.

Pressley says she's "feeling encouraged."

"The turnout was unprecedented in the primary, people are getting the message that election day is right now," she told the Reporter on Tuesday. "I've been thanking people for voting and clearly understanding exactly what is at stake in this election. Every election has consequences and we

have certainly seen and experienced that acutely in the last few years, but in some elections the consequences are greater and that is certainly true in this one."

The contrast, Pressley said, is "very clear."

"We have an administration now that has contempt for the American people, and Joe Biden and Kamala Harris will have committed partners who have compassion for the American people and certainly who will not be

cavalier about human life," she said.

In addition to Biden, Pressley has also notched endorsements from Senator Kamala Harris, Senator Elizabeth Warren, Sen. Bernie Sanders, and former Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Julian Castro. as well as the Working Families Party, Move On, the Massachusetts SEIU State Council, the Massachusetts AFL-CIO, and Our Revolution, among many others.

Early vote heavy; city preps for Tuesday; alert on for ballot security

(Continued from page 1) more people that early vote, the more people that do mail-in ballots, the fewer people we'll have in-person voting on Election Day, which will cut down the lines that will be at the voting locations."

Dropbox sites have been made available at 17 locations across the city—including the Grove Hall and Fields Corner library branches—for the 130,000 Bostonians who submitted applications for mail-in ballots, 84 percent of which have been fulfilled.

If you have received a mail-in ballot, but would prefer to vote in person on Tuesday, be sure to bring the mail-in ballot to your polling location on

Election Day. Poll workers will take the it from you, mark it "spoiled," and give you an in-person ballot to complete instead.

The marquee matchup is, of course, the presidential contest, featuring incumbent President Donald Trump and Vice President Mike Pence against former Vice President Joe Biden and US Sen. Kamala Harris. Other offices on the ballot include: US Senate, Congress, state offices, and county seats, such as Suffolk County Register of Probate.

Massachusetts voters will be asked to vote "yes" or "no" on two ballot measures in Massachusetts. Question 1, if passed, would change the state's

"Right-to-Repair" law. Question 2 would create a ranked-choice voting system in Massachusetts.

Security measures elevated

On Monday, a 39-yearold Boston resident was arrested in connection with a Sunday morning fire that was set in a ballot drop box outside the main branch of the Boston Public Library in Copley Square. The incident prompted Secretary of State William Galvin, the commonwealth's elections overseer, to direct local officials to step up their security and monitoring of the drop boxes set up to receive early-voting ballots. Galvin also asked the FBI to investigate the incident. Boston Police identified

Worldy Armand as the suspect. Shortly before 11 p.m. on Sunday, officers assigned to a drug control unit spotted Armand, who matched the suspect's description, while they were patrolling the Copley Square area, according to the BPD.

Of the 122 ballots that were removed from the box after the fire, 87 were still legible enough to be processed, according to Galvin's office.

Galvin's office.

The city's election department asked that anyone who dropped their ballot off outside the library between 2:30 p.m. Saturday and 4 a.m. Sunday to call 617-635-2211 to check the status of their ballot, which can also be done at trackmy-ballotma.com.

City election officials will mail new ballots

to the 35 affected voters, Galvin said, and original ballots "will be hand-counted to the extent possible" for affected voters who do not submit new ballots.

A directive Galvin issued to local election officials Sunday encouraged them to monitor early-voting drop boxes with video surveillance, close or relocate the boxes in the late evening to prevent overnight tampering, relocate boxes to entryways or lobbies of city or town halls, and increase the frequency of ballot collections, with a "clear chain of custody" for ballots retrieved from the boxes.

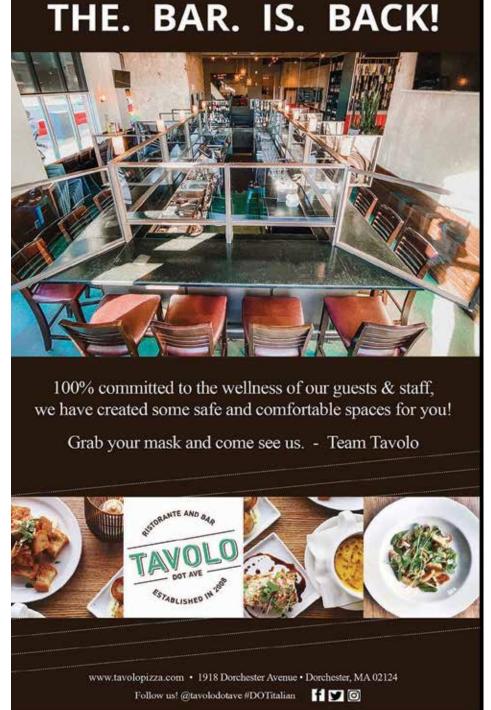
Polling locations

Voters who plan to go to the polls in person on Tuesday should double-check their precinct locations, as 20 were changed in September. They can be found at boston.gov or go to sec.state. ma.us/wheredoivotema.

In Dorchester, poll locations that were changed in September included: Ward 1, precinct 15 and Ward 13, precinct 3, where voters are to report to 270 Mt. Vernon St.; Ward 13, precincts 1-2, where the new location is the Winthrop Elementary School, 35 Brookford St.; Ward 13, precincts 7-8, where voters should go to St. John Paul II Academy, 790 Columbia Rd.; and Ward 17, precincts 1,3, where voters need to go to Codman Sq. Tech Center, 450 Washington St.

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SENATOR ED MARKEY LEADS & DELIVERS

Growing up in a working class family, Ed Markey's life experiences have shaped the values he fights for in the United States Senate.

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- **★** Ed is leading the fight for real climate action, environmental justice, and green job creation as the original co-author of the *Green New Deal*.
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- ★ This December, Ed secured \$25 million for *gun violence research* and fights for the safety of our communities.
- ★ Ed has cosponsored Senator Booker's Commission to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African-Americans Act, the only reparations bill in the Senate, which establishes a commission to make recommendations of reparations proposals.

Vote early or on November 3 for Senator Ed Markey Go to edmarkey.com/vote to find your polling place.

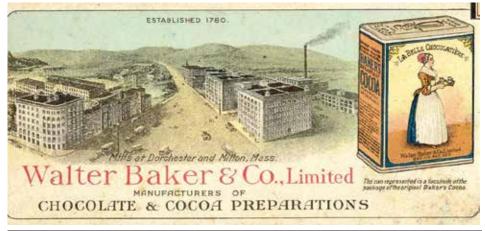
The BPL's 'virtual candy tour' explores Boston's chocolate past

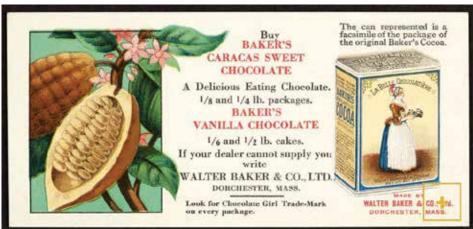
By Daniel Sheehan REPORTER STAFF

In anticipation of an abnormal Halloween, staff from the BPL's Leventhal Center for Maps and Education have organized a "virtual candy tour" that highlights several key elements of Boston's storied candy-making history, including a handful of confectionary landmarks in Dorches-

Rachel Mead, Public Engagement & Interpretation Coordinator at the center, spearheaded much of the research for the project. She explained that the idea of exploring Boston's candy story came to her while she was geo-transforming maps for the Leventhal's Atlascope tool.

"You can find some pretty cool stuff when you're staring at these atlases all the time,' said Mead. "Something I noticed was all these candy factories and confectioners...Boston has this really deep candy manufacturing history, and it's true of all of Greater Boston."





19th century advertisements for Baker's Chocolate featured the company's trademark "La Belle Chocolatiere" illustration and touted the purity of their cocoa, made "without metals or chemicals."

Today, most of those moved out of state,

"Confectioner's Row," manufacturers have a stretch of factories in Cambridge that gave including many from the world sweets like Necco Wafers and Junior

But the physical legacy of confectioners remains in Dorchester, largely in the form of the old Baker Chocolate Company complex in Lower Mills, the oldest producer of chocolate in the country.

Mead noted that from a cursory analysis of the antique Leventhal maps, the longevity of the Baker enterprise indicates its importance as a fixture in the community.

"There are not a lot of things on every map layer from the mid-19th century to the early-20th century, but Baker's is one of them," she said. "You can see it on the 1874 and the 1933 map a span of almost a dozen atlases from that time period. So, it's long-lived, and it was clearly important to the neighborhood around it."

The business opened as Baker's Chocolate in Boston in 1780, at a time when a population of sweet-toothed New Englanders and the city's

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Docket No. SU20W1260WD MARIA FERNANDA CERNA CASTELLANOS

vs.
JAYSANDER PLAZA CORREA

Upon motion of plaintiff for an order directing the defendant, to appear,

plead, or answer, in accordance with Mass R Civ.P./ Mass R. Dom. Rel. P

Rule 4, it appearing to the court that

this is an action for Custody/Support/

Court Rule 444, an Automatic Restraining

Order has been entered against the above named parties. Defendant cannot be

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her present whereabouts are unknown

Personal service on defendant is there

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not voluntarily appeared in this action. It is Ordered that defendant is directe

to appear plead, answer, or otherwise

move with respect to the complaint herein on or before December 10, 2020.

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Hon, Janine D. Rivers

Justice of Probate

and Family Court

Date: September 20, 2020

Pursuant to Supplemental Probate

Parenting Time.

central role in the notorious triangular trade operation combined to create an environment ripe for chocolate-making, but not for history.

That trading prospered at the cost of countless lives. The region's merchants shipped goods like New England-made rum to Africa in trade for slaves who were then shipped back across the Atlantic to plantations in the Caribbean and, later, the American South where raw sugar/molasses, and then cotton, mostly harvested by slaves, were purchased and brought back to New England to make rum and to supply the cotton mills with the goods to make clothing.

In those days, a lack of refrigeration made chocolate a tricky business experience, explained Mead.

"Before there was refrigeration, with New England summers, you couldn't do the chocolate trade yearlong. So a lot of factories, including Baker's, would stop manufacturing chocolate in the summer and temporarily become a paper mill or some other kind of mill."

Maps of the time were created largely for fire insurance purposes and reveal little more than building material, zoning records, and property ownership. Nevertheless, the Baker lineage can be traced in the atlases alone, which show how the company was passed down through the generations for more

than a century. Henry Pierce, the step-nephew of Walter Baker, was the last "Baker" to own the operation after inheriting it following his uncle's death in 1852. Pierce expanded the factory's footprint in Lower Mills and engaged in an extensive marketing and public relations campaign to raise the chocolatier's international profile.

Pierce went on to become a congressman and mayor of Boston. Upon his death in 1896, Boston renamed the intersection outside the Baker Chocolate Factory in Lower Mills "Pierce Square."

Baker's chocolate did have some competition in Dorchester, but most were in-house or small storefront operations that struggled to compete with the scale and resources of the large factory, said Mead.

While city directories reveal dozens of smaller manufacturers along Dorchester Ave. and other thoroughfares, she noted, "It's hard to find the little stores, and the smaller stories that go along with them."

However, the discourse around candy was well recorded in the local press. Using metals or chemicals for coloring was frowned upon, and attaining a certain purity or high quality of candy was prized, with Baker's ads proudly touting their own purity: "No chemicals are used in any of Walter Baker & Co's Chocolate and Cocoa preparations. These preparations have stood the test of public approval for more than one hundred years, and are the acknowledged standard of purity and excellence."

Mead discovered one particularly testy exchange around an editorial that discouraged people from buying candy for their kids. An angry letter to the editor rebutted the author's anti-candy stance: "Shall we next ban wheat, corn, and molasses?" they wrote.

While candy discourse has mellowed in the last hundred years or so, New Englanders are still eager to voice their strong opinions in a public forum. Mead said she had fun researching the topic, which remains a key aspect of the region's history.

"I enjoyed digging up something really specific and very meaningful to the fabric of how these communities grew," she said.

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irst Justice of this Court. Date: October 19, 2020

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Reporter's People

News about people in and around our Neighborhoods

Teacher's mission: Defeat disease that cost her son his life

By Daniel Sheehan Reporter Staff

It has been three years since the community at Boston International Newcomers Academy (BINCA) rallied around Taylor Sabky in a last-ditch effort to save her son, Purnell, who had been diagnosed at a young age with Type A Niemann-Pick Disease, an ultra-rare and incurable lipid disorder that affects fewer than 2,000 people worldwide.

As he faced a life expectancy of just a couple of years, the odds were stacked against "Nell," as his family called him. He passed away after a courageous battle last December.

Now, with a network of supporters and an advocacy platform, Sabky and her husband Sam are looking to ensure that Purnell's short life will have a lasting impact on the future of Niemann-Pick and on rare disease treatments in general.

Sabky, who still teaches at the BINCA school on Maxwell Street in Dorchester, told the *Reporter* that her family's long, difficult journey for treatment began with very little hope. "When we got the diagnosis," she said, "we were told that there weren't any options, and that the best advice was to go home and love your kid."

Rather than stand by passively, Sabky sought out more proactive approaches and discovered the Wylder Nation Foundation, an organization started by parents of another child with Niemann-Pick. There, Sabky learned about a promising gene therapy treatment that, with an injection of funding for late-stage research and



Taylor Sabky with her husband Sam, her daughter Hayley, and her son Nell, center. Nell passed away from Type A Niemann-Pick disease in December of 2019.

safety testing, could be ready during Purnell's lifetime.

After Sabky started a Facebook page and GoFundMe campaign called "Save Purnell Today," her school community and neighbors sprang into action. "We accomplished our goal of \$750,000. We raised that in the month of June 2017," said Sabky.

"It was an incredible ride," she added. "We received so much support from our local community here in Boston and beyond, and it was extremely overwhelming to be able to contribute that money toward the development of a treatment option where there has been none before."

Sabky recalled the generosity and support of her students and colleagues at BINCA, which she called "inspirational."

"It's really hard to put into words how much the BINCA community has meant to me personally and to our family," she said. "The community we

serve is recently arrived immigrant students, all English language learners, predominantly low-income, and they've faced tremendous trauma and are enduring tremendous trauma, so they have very difficult situations of their own, and somehow find it in their hearts to embrace you.

"Students were always asking me how I was doing, how my son was doing. When we were doing the campaign, I had a student who was living in a homeless shelter and she donated \$10

and told me, 'I'm sorry it couldn't be more.' They were stopping me in the hallway to give me \$5 or change from their pocket. Anything they could do, they were doing, and it was tremendously inspirational."

After running into safety testing road-blocks, the gene therapy treatment was delayed and it became clear it would not be ready in time for Purnell.

"However," said Sabky,
"it is still being developed, and they are still
working on those safety
studies, so the money
that we raised is still
contributing to a potential treatment down
the line, just not in the
timeline we had hoped
for initially."

Instead, the Sabkys pivoted to another potential medication option

— a fatty acid amide hydrolase inhibitor— that could potentially slow the effects of the disease. A "lightning speed" process saw the medicine administered to Purnell in a matter of months.

"We found out about it in late December, and he received the treatment three months later, in March. It was an incredible timeline that almost never happens in the medical community, and even so it felt like an eternity for us, seeing Nell decline.

"But when he received the treatment we felt like it was helping to slow that decline. We noticed a significant difference from how he was going with no treatment to when he started receiving this. It just gave us hope. We felt like we were getting more time with him, and it was quality time. He was alert, interactive, his sweet happy self. So, we felt with this treatment we were able to get a lot more time than without it."

Now, Sabky is hoping that through sharing Nell's story and raising awareness about Niemann-Pick on social media and with the National Niemann-Pick Disease Foundation (NNPDF), other children might benefit from extended lifespans and a greater quality of life.

"All of the data that was collected with Nell will hopefully make it so that this medication would be available to other children in the future," she explained. "Our plan as a family is to find a way to support families by sharing our story from diagnosis and beyond to advocacy, to how much you have to fight for whatever you want your experience to be with your child, and then finding the resources, the information, the support— all of those things we want to help families with because it's a very difficult thing to navigate the day-to-day logistics while you're also emotionally coping with such devastating news and potential."

Just the simple act of sharing her family's story goes a long way in raising the profile of Type A Niemann-Pick Disease and bringing a cure closer to reality, she said. "Many doctors may never encounter a patient with it, so it's just a medical name. When we share our story, it puts a human side to the disease."

To learn more about Purnell's story, visit facebook.com/SavePurnell-Today.

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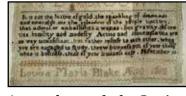
The decorative arts in days of yore

First off, apologies for the quality of the full image due to the glass over the sampler. The smaller detail avoided some of the glare.

"It is not the lustre of gold, the sparkling of diamonds and emeralds, nor the splendour of the purple tincture that adorns or embellishes a woman but gravity, discretion, humility and modesty. Action and contemplation are no way inconsistent but rather reliefs to each other. When you are engaged in study, throw business out of your thoughts, when in business, think of your business only."

Louisa Maria Blake, Nov. 1812

The first settlers in New England in the 17th century included young women who



A sampler made by Louisa Maria Blake in 1812.

brought samplers with them to the New World. There are occasional references to the textile arts in early documents, but very few examples remain. Bed rugs and hearth rugs are some of the extant examples of this early work. The growing sophistication of the colonists over 200 years in New England resulted in greater demand for decorative arts in the home.

One of the popular types of needlework created by young



women was the sampler. Samplers began as a way of

recording examples of stitches; therefore, a sampler was an exemplar of the various stitches that a young woman had mastered and wanted to remember.

In the 21st century, we have come to call any needlework signed and dated by the maker by the name of sampler. Perhaps the secret charm of samplers was that they were distinctly the expression of the mind of the girl or her mother or her teacher. In the second half of the 18th century, samplers became more original pieces of work incorporating images of leaves and flowers, houses, dogs and birds, and other scenes from nature.

Most of the known surviving needlework pieces were

created by schoolgirls. By the mid-eighteenth century there were many schools serving to round out the education of young women. Some were finishing schools designed to teach the arts of conversation and comportment. Others called themselves academies and offered instruction in languages, reading, geography, and mathematics. Both finishing schools and academies offered needlework instruction as vehicles for religious instruction and for furthering education in mathematics and the basics of the English language.

The archive of these historical posts can be viewed on the blog at dorchesterhistorical-society.org.

Editorial

Biden for President

The choice could not be clearer: I'll cast my vote for Joe Biden and Kamala Harris next Tuesday. A lopsided proportion of my neighbors, if they haven't already, will do the same.

This is not wishful thinking. In 2016, the Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton won 80.5 percent of the vote in Boston. Trump-Pence finished the day with 13.8percent of the vote citywide.

The Republican ticket did not carry a single precinct in the city of Boston four years ago. The closest Trump came to winning a polling station here was at Florian Hall (16-12), where he received 46 percent. He also performed well at Dorchester's Kenny School (16-9, Adams Corner) with 42 percent.

It won't be that close this time, even in rose-colored, mainly-white enclaves. While it won't surprise anyone to know that Trump is on track to get thumped in historic fashion in Boston, it is the margin of the thumping that portends bigger trouble for the GOP far beyond the 617 area code.

This week, a poll conducted by UMass and WCVB-TV finds that Biden holds a 35-point lead over Trump in Massachusetts. If it holds true, that means that Biden will defeat Trump in the Bay State by a margin that will be 8 points larger than Clinton's victory in

Boston, which was already going to break big for any Democrat challenging this president, will also likely see a bump in the margin. Joe Biden— an Irish Catholic who hails from a working-class section of Scranton, PA that is not unlike our own neighborhood— is more appealing to right-leaning voters who share his ancestry and faith.

This time, there is little of the gender bias and animosity in play that animated the anti-Clinton vote in 2016. And Kamala Harris, herself a promising and accomplished national leader, is a compelling running mate who will make history as the first woman and first person of color to serve as vice president. She is likely to drive up turnout too.

But, it's the anti-Trump sentiment that's the big motivator here in Boston and across the Commonwealth. There has been ample grist for that mill over the last four years. The phony businessman persona cultivated on staged TV vehicles like The Apprentice has been thoroughly exposed for what it always was: a fraud. Worse still, Trump has not at any point checked the most dangerous elements of fringe America: white supremacists and anti-government fascists. Instead, he has enabled and empowered them. Each of these individual offenses should be disqualifying on its own.

Most recently, though, it's the rank incompetence of Trump's administration when faced with a legitimate domestic crisis that has taken center stage. We literally could not have picked a worse person to lead the nation through Covid.

Our state, and especially our neighborhoods, have been hard hit by the outbreak that Trump and his team clearly fumbled early, often, and right up until this writing.

Meanwhile, as this bizarre and ghastly election year has worn on, Biden's finest qualities have proven a stark and welcome contrast to the pouting, petulant, and poisonous individual whom he'll succeed in the White House. It's easy to see why President Obama chose him as his running mate.

Like Obama, Biden's empathy, his sense of decency, his innate respect for people, and for the institutions of our nation, come through in an authentic way. Like Obama, he chose a former rival, Harris, who was perhaps his sharpest critic in the primary season, to run alongside him. It was not only a shrewd electoral choice; it also demonstrated that when it comes to governing, Biden is eager to get different ideas and not just hire sycophants who will tell him what he

Biden is the right choice for a nation in crisis— and not just because he is not Donald J. Trump. His life has prepared him for this moment. And the choice has never been more clear.

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Exam school admissions reform is long overdue

By Lewis Finfer SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

The Boston School Committee voted last week to change the Exam School Admissions Policy for the next year. A test will not be administered due to concerns about the spread of the coronavirus; instead, 20 percent of the students will be admitted based on grades and the other 80 percent of seats will be allocated to zip codes across the city related to numbers of school-age children.

This policy will likely change the racial and income makeup of the exam schools, which include Boston Latin School, Boston Latin Academy, and the John D. O'Bryant. That's a good — and fair— development.

Right now, the neighborhoods of Codman Square, Hyde Park, East Boston, and Grove Hall are home to six times as many middle-school-age youth as West Roxbury. Yet students from West Roxbury take up almost as many seats at BLS as the other neighborhoods combined. My daughter attended Boston Latin School and used to say it was a "Westy school."

Sixty-nine percent of exam school applicants from Holy Name Catholic School in West Roxbury, the parochial school with the largest number of students enrolled in Boston Latin, had A+ averages in 2017.

I've been working on this issue for 15 years. I remember a Boston Latin School teacher saying back in 2005 that all the applicants from Holy Name had A grades. She taught them and thought about half or so were really A students. Grade inflation could have been at work.

In the past, when comparing Boston Public School students who got numerical grades to private and parochial school students who got alphabetical grades, the method ended up favoring private and parochial school students.

Of the three exam schools, Boston Latin School is by far the least diverse. It is overwhelmingly white and Asian in a system that's overwhelmingly Black and Latino. The other two exam schools, Boston Latin Academy and John D. O'Bryant, are far more diverse.

For many years, one-third of the students at the exam schools had to be Black and Hispanic as part of the federal desegregation court order. Then in the 1990s, a white parent challenged this for his daughter and won a lower court decision. Civil rights legal organizations held off from appealing the decision, because they felt it may have led to a court ruling against other affirmative action policies. Boston's exam schools went to grades and test scores and the number of Black and Latino students fell dramatically in subsequent years.

Exam schools can be a ticket of opportunity for those fortunate enough to attend. I've met and worked with that generation of Black and Latino



Lewis Finfer

students who attended the exam schools before the diversity declined. They became clergy, community activists, business leaders. Would that have happened anyway? For some, yes. But for many others, it may not have without the opportunity.

More white parents can afford to pay for test preparation courses for their children than can Black and Latino parents. This was true for me. I do work for a non-profit and don't make a big salary, but I had this option when most Black and Latino families did not. My other child struggled with school, though he ended up getting a GED, and we are proud of his work now as an EMT.

I've organized meetings on this issue going back to with Mayor Menino and spoken to the last five Boston School superintendents about changing the admissions policy and correcting the comparative grades disparity standard. But they did not act on

This time around, the efforts of the Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights and the Boston NAACP led to this change and they should be congratulated. Superintendent Cassellius supported it. Mayor Walsh had resisted the changes and had shut down a committee considering them three years ago. But, fortunately, he now supports the reforms and we thank him for that. Our organization was proud to sign on to the letter from community groups in support of the changes that was read on the night of the vote last week.

Many have rightly pointed out that we spend too much time on the exam schools when almost all Boston Public School students are not studying in them. It is true: All of our schools need improvement and deserve our focus.

The exam school change is only in place for one year. The test may be reinstated. But if the allocation of seats across zip codes is not kept, we will return to the old system and Boston Latin School being disproportionately white. And that would not be progress.

Lew Finfer is a Dorchester resident and co-director of the Dorchester based Massachusetts Communities Action Network.

Ranked Choice Voting is the way to go

To the Editor:

We must reform our voting system to accurately reflect the voices of voters. The current "first-pastthe-post" system can often be demoralizing and restricting. Far too often, vote splitting occurs between similar candidates, and as a result, the winning candidate receives well below the majority of votes in an election

Letter to the Editor

Just last month, Newton City Councilor Jake

Auchincloss won the 4th Congressional District Democratic primary with only 22.41 percent of the vote, which had been split between nine candidates. These results show that, right now, winning candidates can be backed by an unsettling fraction of the electorate. Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) would fix this.

How it actually works was shown in Maine in 2018 when a state representative, Jared Golden, launched a campaign against Congressman Bruce Poliquin in the 2nd Congressional District. During the general election, more voters who in their ranked votes had supported Independents Tiffany Bond and Will Hoar (23,427 votes total) also preferred Golden over Poliguin, and once they were eliminated from the race, Bond's and Hoar's votes were distributed

accordingly (10,427 to Golden and 4,474 to Poliquin). Golden won the race, 50.62 to 49.38. Plain and simple: RCV works.

Question 2 on the Massachusetts ballot next month would give voters in future elections the option of ranking candidates numerically in order of preference, thus ensuring that a plurality of the votes will ultimately elect a candidate for any particular district. RCV guarantees that future winners will receive at least 50 percent of the vote.

In turn, the RCV system will mean that winning candidates have a wide base of supporters and are representative of the communities that they serve, which is critical as we all address pressing issues like systemic racism, equal pay, transportation, and redistricting.

Furthermore, RCV allows more candidates to run without concern for vote splitting as the eliminated candidates' supporters for second, or third, or more places will be part of the final mix.

We must make sure that all our votes count, and that our voices are truly heard. Please vote yes on Question 2 on November 3rd.

- Matthew J. Shochat. Associate Member Ward 17 Democratic Committee

Abortion debate stirs in Massachusetts

Judge Amy Coney Barrett's ascension to the Supreme Court on Monday triggered calls in Massachusetts for the immediate passage of new state abortion laws and praise from an advocacy group that said the pro-life judge had been unfairly pressed by abortion supporters during her confirmation hearings.

"It is the job of a judge to resist her policy preferences," Barrett said at her swearing-in ceremony on the South Lawn of the White House, following a 52-48 confirmation vote by the US Senate. "It would be a dereliction of duty for her to give in to them."

Massachusetts Citizens for Life said state abortion laws would remain in place in Massachusetts even if Roe v. Wade were to be overturned while knocking statements by "extreme abortion supporters" during the confirmation hearings.

"Many citizens and national leaders have been

troubled by this apparent litmus test and the double standard which makes acceptable dragging a personally pro-life judge through the mud while promoting pro-abortion candidates," the group said.
Said Massachusetts Congresswoman Ayanna

Pressley: "By voting to confirm Barrett — a dangerous, unqualified, far-right ideologue — to our nation's highest court, Republicans' contempt for the American people and our democracy could not be more clear — and the stakes could not be higher.

With Barrett on the court, she added, "healthcare access for millions of Americans is now at risk, along with our bodily autonomy, our right to marriage equality, our sacred right to vote, our right to livable wages, and countless other protections."

MICHAEL P. NORTON

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THIS IS THE MAN WHO WANTS A SECOND TERM

By BILL WALCZAK REPORTER COLUMNIST

Election Day is nigh. I am a person who believes in government's capacity to do good and in policy as the vehicle for change. As a result, it is not possible for me to ignore the political world. I have assumed that in their endorsements national and regional news outlets had made a sufficient case against the Trump Administration and its disastrous impact on our democracy, and that therefore writing a column about the presidential election would be superfluous.

But then I thought about the fact that in my own Savin Hill precinct (Ward 13, Precinct 10), the split in the 2016 election between Hillary Clinton and Trump was 70-23. Yes, 23 percent of my neighbors had voted for Donald Trump. (Overall, Trump won just under 14 percent of the Boston vote in Nov. 2016.)

So, lest my neighbors continue to think that chaos is better than sometimes erratic governance, here's a litany of things to think about as you cast your ballot:

• We in the US make up 4 percent of the world's population - and 25 percent of the world's Covid deaths.

• Trump ignored the "Playbook for Early Response to High-Consequence **Emerging Infectious Disease Threats** and Biological Incidents" prepared by the National Security Council.

• Trump told Bob Woodward that "It goes through air... this is deadly stuff," then told America "It's going to disappear one day; it is like a miracle."

• He recommended unproven and ineffective hydroxychloroquine and injecting disinfectants into bodies to stop the virus.

• He fired the non-partisan inspectors general who protect the country from political crime.

• Authoritarian Trump: "When somebody's the president of the United States, the authority is total." He cleared a lawful demonstration with grenades, tear gas, and the military so he could take a photo standing in front of a closed church while holding a Bible. He said that "torture works."

• His order to remove children from their parents at the border now has left 545 children without their parents, and our government doesn't know how to get in touch with them.

• Rush Limbaugh, who said, "If any race of people should not

have guilt about slavery, it's Caucasians," is given a Presidential Medal of Freedom.

• Trump calls the press "truly the enemy of the people," says that stories that contradict him are "Fake News," and introduces the term "alternative

• Trump refuses to investigate claims that Russia offered bounties to Afghans to kill American soldiers. He also says, in the face of US intelligence reports to the contrary, that he believes Putin's claims that Russia hadn't interfered in our 2016 election.

• Donald Trump promoted birtherism against Barack Obama, and he echoes Q-Anon conspiracies, among them that Osama Bin Laden is still alive and that the Obama-Biden government had the US Seals team that went after him killed to cover up the real story.

• He banned people from our shores based on their religion, canceled the DACA program, which was allowing some 650,000 immigrants brought to the country as children to live and work in the United States without fear of deportation.

• He severely limited asylum claims and refugee admissions, and tried to prevent the census from counting non-citizens.

• His appointed Attorney General. William Barr, issued a redacted summary of the Mueller Report that covered up obstruction of justice and collusion crimes by the Trump campaign. Trump has also been demanding that Barr prosecute Trump's political enemies, first of all his Democratic opponent in the presidential campaign.

 Trump said there were "very fine people on both sides" in Charlottesville white nationalist rally. At the first presidential debate, he told the white supremacist group Proud Boys to "stand back and stand by."

• He contests evidence that he paid no income taxes for many years, but refuses to provide evidence that he did.

• He has politicized the professional departments within the Justice Department, the Centers for Disease Control, Health and Human Services, and the State Department.

 He regularly promised pardons to associates implicated in illegal acts. He actually pardoned his adviser, Roger Stone, who had been convicted of 7 felonies. He had Barr file to drop the cases against his onetime national security adviser, Michael Flynn, who admitted lying to the FBI, and he released former campaign manager Paul Manafort, convicted of corruption, to home confinement

• Trump has worked to destabilize NATO, calling it "obsolete." He embraces dictators while disparaging

 He has arranged for government agencies to use his hotels and other facilities at exorbitant rates, e.g., \$137,000 for golf carts for the Secret Service and others at Trump-owned golf courses!

• He ran up a \$2.4 trillion dollar deficit in boom years 2017-19, which Trump called "...the best economy we've ever had in the history of our country." During his term to date, our national debt has increased by over \$7 trillion. This happened while he was passing trillion-dollar tax cuts that mainly benefitted corporations and the wealthy.

• His untrue statements prompted the media to create fact checking operations that have put his lying rate at 5,500 lies per year.

• He took money from the military to build a southern border wall that government officials said would not work.

• He calls climate change a hoax, and took the US out of the Paris Agreement. He cut the regulations on greenhouse gas, rescinded auto efficiency standards, expanded offshore drilling, and made public land available to private corporations for exploitation.

• He is removing the US from the World Health Organization in the middle of a pandemic.

• He has pursued a case to the Supreme Court that has as its goal the elimination of Obamacare, which would result in 20 million Americans losing health insurance in the middle of a pandemic.

 He advocated for the eventual addition of another conservative Supreme Court justice a week before Election Day, and, as part of the push, he admitted that he would need her vote if the election winds up there.

If you need another perspective, you might turn to the Manchester (NH) Union Leader, a very stalwart conservative newspaper, which endorsed Joe Biden, breaking 100 years of Republican endorsements, stating "President Trump is not always 100 percent wrong, but he is 100 percent wrong for America."

Neighbors, I could go on with Trump's harmful and disparaging language about women, the disabled, and our own war veterans, or his stating that he is not committed to a peaceful transition of power if he loses. I hope you can see some reasons why Mr. Trump is a poor choice. His administration has been a nightmare for America. Hopefully it will begin to end next Tuesday.

Bill Walczak lives in Dorchester and is a co-founder and past president of Codman Square Health Center. His column appears weekly in the Reporter.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Probate & Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU20P0081EA ESTATE OF: FANNIE HOWARD DATE OF DEATH: 11/20/2020

A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by The Bostonian Nursing Care of Dorchester, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition The Petitioner requests that: Mark Booth of Middleboro, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve With Personal Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

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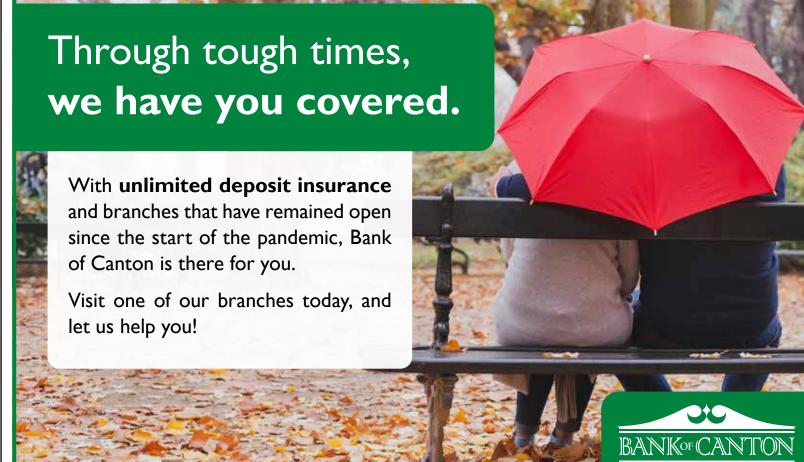
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Morton Village residents reach a rental accord with their landlord

By Reporter Staff

Tenants in a 207-unit apartment complex on Morton Street in Mattapan announced this week that they have signed an agreement with their landlord that will protect

them from large rent increases over the next five years.

The Morton Village apartment complex was sold to a new owner, Avanath Capital, in July. This week, the tenants and the company agreed to a

deal that promises five-year leases for all residents with rent increases of 3 percent per year for the first three years, and 3.25 percent for the fourth and fifth years. For residents over 70, rent increases will

hold steady at 3 percent per year for the whole five years.

The deal was negotiated with support from City Life/Vida Urbana, the city of Boston's Dept. of Neighborhood Development, and Greater Boston Legal Services. In the weeks leading up to the agreement, virtual meetings of the Morton Village Tenant Association attracted dozens

of residents, and more than 100 residents signed a letter to Avanath Capital Management asking for negotiations with the goal of creating long-term housing stability.

"For the next five years, these renters won't have to worry about eviction or unaffordable rent hikes," said Gabrielle René, an organizer with City Life/Vida Urbana.

Tenants can again seek 'rent relief' from Boston fund

(Continued from page 1)

Taylor Cain, director of the Mayor's Housing Innovation Lab, said that the city has received about 600 applications over the course of the last week

"In this round, the re-opening is a bit different because in the first two rounds of the rental relief process it was a lottery," Cain told the *Reporter*. "We had folks complete a pre-screening form, then they were entered into a lottery, given a ranking, and then sent over to one of our three partner agencies to complete an application where they were then answering additional questions and providing supplemental materials."

After verifying eligibility, partner non-profit agencies will next calculate how much assistance is needed and send landlords payment directly.

"For this reopening, we've streamlined the process so the only point of entry is an application form that's available online where folks are providing information about their household, the ways that they've been economically impacted by Covid, their monthly rent amount, how much rent they owe. They're also providing us with contact information for their landlord and property managers," said

Another new aspect of the fund: Property owners who receive funds must notify the city's Office of Housing and Stability if there are any changes in tenancies and commit to working with a mediator.

"I think that's a really important dimension of this particular program," said Cain. "Really ensuring that we're asking landlords to make a commitment to housing stability."

Dorchester, East Boston, and Roxbury saw the most demand for relief funds in the earlier rounds, according to city officials.

The office has also created a separate template for renters who don't have a lease or tenancy agreement in place. Volunteers are currently sifting through the bulk of applica-

tions and notifying tenants that were deemed ineligible based on their responses.

"They automatically get an email explaining the reason for their ineligibility and then we provide an opportunity to appeal that decision," said Cain.

"For those who seem to pass that initial eligibility, we have folks going through and confirming that all of their materials are in place before sending over to vendors to get the final documentation from landlords and issue payments."

Dominique Williams, deputy director of the Office of Housing Stability, said that between a week ago Monday and last Friday the office "received 330 calls in general, and about 100 from people who specifically requested information about the rental relief fund."

Many are people who already received funds in an earlier round, she said, but who "still have not been brought back up to speed in terms of their finances or in terms of the money that they're able to make."

"We're still hearing from people who are either part-time or whose hours have been drastically reduced who are looking to go back to work full time," she said. "I think that is going to be something where... it will take quite a while for it to be no longer necessary. We don't know how long this is going to last."

Williams said the office is fielding calls about the state-funded Residential Assistance for Families in Transition (RAFT) as well.

"A lot of people are not able to access RAFT in a timely manner, and with the eviction moratorium lifting, people are definitely getting nervous or have already received notices to quit from their landlords," she said. "They've applied for RAFT funding maybe within the past few months and just have not heard back."

Although the state moratorium on evictions and foreclosures ended on Oct. 17, a federal ban through the CDC remains in effect until Dec. 31. Tenants are required to sign and submit a declaration to their landlord stating that they qualify for protection under the federal moratorium.

"I hope that going forward, media outlets will start to call attention to the CDC moratorium declaration," said Williams. "Folks should sign it if they are in any need of financial assistance or they're feeling like their landlord may come after them with an eviction notice."

The declaration is translated into 11 languages and available on the city's Office of Housing Stability website so eligible tenants can sign it and send it to their landlord. A person's immigration status is not asked about during the Rental Relief application process and receiving funds does not impact other financial assistance that a person may be already receiving.

Qualified residents interested in applying to this round of funding can submit their application online at: boston.gov/departments/neighborhood-development/office-housing-stability/rental-relief-fund.



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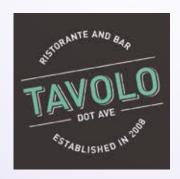
















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In Fields Corner, shopping plaza steward seeing a 'renaissance'

(Continued from page 1) ern border. It occupies a 27,000-square-foot space, or about one-quarter of the size of the South Bay store.

When Target signed on for a ten-year lease in 2019, the company's spokesperson, Jacqueline DeBuse, said it was "excited to bring an easy, convenient shopping experience to more guests in the greater Boston area with this new Target store."

The mini- Target is part of a national strategy by the chain to locate smaller footprint stores in urban markets, including locations in Roslindale, Brookline, and Beacon Hill, which also opened its doors last week.

The space that Target now fills has had a rocky time staying filled. Predecessors, which have included Fallas, Home-Goods, and A.J. Wright, have all gone belly up. Cifrino and his new tenants, however, seem bullish on the chances of



Tom Cifrino (above) has managed the Fields Corner shopping plaza in good times— and in downturns— since 1975. The plaza has never had a long vacancy in that time, although there has been plenty of turn-over in the mix of retailers. Last week saw the opening of a new brand-Target- which is now Bill Forry photo open in a roughly 27,000 square foot space.

this one. And the marquee national chain's debut comes just weeks ahead of another major opening that has been over a year in the mak-

The Slawsby family, which operates Save-

hitting a bulls-eye with A-Lot grocery stores in Roxbury, Roslindale, and Brockton, has been working to renovate and re-open a supermarket in the 20,000-square-foot space closest to the Geneva Avenue side of the nearly 250,000- squarefoot mall. It will fill a

huge grocery void in the neighborhood left when America's Food Basket closed last January.

The supermarket was supposed to open in May, but when Covid settled into the region last spring, the renovations were paused, too. Now, the Slawbys are planning to open sometime before Christmas as a PriceRite Marketplace. Along with a completely refurbished store, the market will create 40 jobs— many of them for neighbors who can walk there from the dense residential side streets around Fields Corner and Bowdoin-Geneva.

A site visit last week showed the space completely empty, awaiting a final floor polish and inspections before workers can haul in freezers, shelves, and products. The gut rehab of what was originally an MBTA trolley barn ended up being a much larger project than first expected, according to Jonathan Slawsby, who will operate the store with his brother Todd and his dad, 83-year-old Harold Slawsby.

"The exterior walls and sub-floor are only things really left from the original space," Slawbsy said. "Tom [Cifrino] has spent a lot of time and money improving the plaza over the years. And we decided that the community deserves a nicer physical plant than what they had in here before."

Much of the work that has been done won't be immediately apparent to customers who frequented the old America's Food Basket.

"We replaced the entire HVAC and electrical system. We spent a month and a half dig-ging up the floors," said Slawsby. "The amount of drain work we had to do was significant. We had to put in 19 new drains."

The elder Slawsby started working at his family's meat market in Fields Corner when he was 14 year-old.

"He loves the idea of being back in that neighborhood and that's driven us to get this done," said Jonathan. "We could have cut down the time - if we cut corners and then dealt with problems

down the road. But we plan to operate there for the next 30 years."

That sort of long-term commitment is music to the ears of Tom Cifrino, who thinks that the Slawsbys and Targetalong with his other tenants— are entering this market at an opportune time.

Like the Slawsbys, Cifrino's lineage in Dorchester runs back three generations. His grandparents opened their Uphams Corner Market, the neighborhood's first supermarket, on Columbia Road in 1919. At age 16, Cifrino started working as a "bag boy" at the family's Supreme Market in Fields Corner that his parents ran. His mom grew up in a house next to St. Ambrose Church, just out of view from the Fields Corner mall.

"We've been here ever since and we're not going anywhere now," Cifrino told the Reporter last week, pointing to hundreds of new plantings that he ordered for the fall season.

"People don't understand that. They think we are some big conglomerate from someplace out in Chicago that just doesn't care. But we do. And I think that makes a difference... We've been offered a lot of money to sell this place and we don't want to. We're going to be here for the long haul.'







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As explained by Dr. Mohammad Majeed of HSNHC's Dental Department, "In June of 2020, we began using this new HEPA/SAS system for our surgical procedures and dental appointments to reduce the hazards of aerosol through high grade air suction. Our number one goal is to provide patients with a sense of security that makes it easier for them to return to the dentist and to know that their health is our main concern. It's very important for people to maintain their dental hygiene."

HSNHC is one of the first health centers in Boston to offer the HEPA/SAS System which will soon be required by the ADA, DPH and CDC in all dental offices. "The great aspect about this machine is that it's portable which will also allow us to provide Mobile Dental care at each our operatory. We want everyone to know that we are taking every precaution to keep patients safe and we encourage our patients and others to schedule an appointment."

Hunt steps away from pioneer role in nurturing health centers

(Continued from page 1) foresight have allowed him to create not only a strong and vibrant league of community health centers, but also to offer services throughout the country through subsidiaries he has created at the League," said White.

"His Commonwealth **Purchasing Group offers** PPE equipment, supplies, and office items to health centers all around the country," added White.

"He also has a financial planning and advising group to allow health centers to get financial advice on how to proceed with various transactions loans, mortgages, construction plans, etc.

"He has also been a recognized counsellor for elected officials, White said. "In the old days, he would routinely hear from Ted Kennedy, who sought his downto-earth, sensible, richly-informed advice. Jim's instincts and intellect have constructively improved health care here in Massachusetts and throughout the country for millions. Not a bad legacy!"

Victoria Reggie Kennedy, widow of the late senator and a longtime Hunt friend, phoned him late Friday to congratulate him. She told the Boston Globe this week that "He made community health centers central to health care reform. He sees the big picture. He seems to be ever-present. He always looks to the future. And I honestly do not know anyone who doesn't like Jim Hunt."

A 2011 story in the Boston Irish Reporter which honored the Hunt family with a Boston Irish Honor award that vear- recounted the beginning of his career:

"He continued at his day job, as a city employee, and among his responsibilities was the hydrant program - deterring kids from turning on hydrants on hot days. The police wanted to break their heads," said Hunt, 'but I hired multi-cultural crews to help negotiate and offer sprinklers for the neighborhoods if the kids would agree not to open the hydrants.

"In 1978, Jim was hired to lead the organization that he had just joined a year earlier. He found it deeply in debt.

"The city and the health centers statewide were at loggerheads over racial and financial issues, and two things occurred to me," Hunt recalled in a 2011 interview. "First, I remembered my father's training – that is, there was too much bonding these people for them to be fighting, so let's find what binds rather than what separates them.

We'd have hours of meetings, and they'd be yelling and screaming at one other, and my strategy was to create a coalition and leave divisions in the parking lot."

Among the debts was a hefty loan that was taken to finance a shared laboratory among health centers, even though the centers had vetoed the

"I had two choices," says Jim. "Fib or tell the truth. I decided to tell the truth. So, I went to the bank and said to the chairman, 'I'm a kid. I'm 28. Of the

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Docket No. SU20P0982EA Suffolk Probate & Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 617-788-8300 LETTER OF AUTHORITY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE ESTATE OF: BERTHONY ALEXIS

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I certify that it appears by the records of this Court that said appointment remains in full force and effect. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have hereunto set my and affixed the seal of said Court.

Date: October 27, 2020 Felix D. Arrovo Register of Probate \$100,000 you gave us, we owe you \$55,000. The League is broke. I have to lay off staff. I have only \$14,000 in the checking account. I don't know how I can pay you back."

The banker surprised Jim, as he recalled, saying: "I appreciate that.

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Date: October 15, 2020 Felix D. Arroyo Register of Probate Published: October 29, 2020

We'll write off the loan. Have a nice day."

"I said to myself, 'Wow! Transparency works.'But still, I had to scale the staff down to zero."

The league has grown exponentially in size, influence, and membership since then on Hunt's watch.

Curry, a 52-year-old Roxbury native who now lives in Brockton, served as a past president of the Boston chapter of the NAACP and is an attorney.

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

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Art. 65 Dorchester Zoning Map Amendment

Monday, November 9 6:00 PM -8:00 PM

Register: bit.ly/Article65MapAmendment Call-in: 833-568-8864 (toll free) Webinar ID: 161 126 7079

Meeting Description:

Boston Planning & Development Agency (BPDA) sponsored public meeting to discuss a proposed map amendment to Article 65 of the Boston Zoning Code.

Article 65 of the Boston Zoning Code is the Dorchester Neighborhood District Article and the proposed map amendment seeks to extend the Community Commercial (CC) zoning subdistrict to include the area bounded by Jan Karski Way, Enterprise Street, Boston Street, and West Bellflower Street in Dorchester, which is currently zoned as a 3F-5000 subdistrict.

Written comments may be sent to the project manager listed below.

mail to: Raul Duverge

Boston Planning & Development Agency

One City Hall Square, 9th Floor

Boston, MA 02201 phone: 617.918.4492

email: Raul.Duverge@Boston.gov

Thursday, November 19

6:00 PM

Zoom Link: bit.ly/37ctzbL Toll Free: (833) 568 - 8864 Meeting ID: 161 905 9124

Project Description:

BPDA-hosted Article 80 Virtual Public Meeting in connection with the Proposed Project at 120 - 122 Hancock Street in Dorchester, for which the BPDA received a Small Project Review Application on October 14th, 2020. Please register in advance for this meeting using the registration link provided above.

120 - 122 Hancock St.

mail to: Aisling Kerr

Boston Planning & Development Agency One City Hall Square, 9th Floor

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Close of Comment Period: 11/30/2020

Baker, Polito knock Question 2 as costly, complicated

By KATIE LANNAN STATE HOUSE **News Service**

Gov. Baker and Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito plan to vote against the ballot question that would implement a ranked-choice system for Massachusetts elections, their campaign announced Tuesday in quoting them.

"At a time when we need to be promoting turnout and making it easier for voters to cast their ballots, we worry that question two will



Gov. Charlie Baker and Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito

add an additional layer

voters and election offiof complication for both cials, while potentially

delaying results and increasing the cost of elections," Baker and Polito said in a statement. "We believe the system we have now has served the Commonwealth well, and intend to vote 'no' on question two."

The statement landed a week before the Nov. 3 election and after more than 1.7 million people, or 36 percent of the state's registered voters, had already cast their ballots through either in-person or mail-in early voting.

If Question 2 passes, elections for Congressional and state-level offices in Massachusetts would be decided by a ranked-choice voting method. Residents would rank their candidates for office — instead of picking just one as they do now - and if one candidate gets a maiority of the votes, that candidate is the winner. If no one gets a majority, the candidate receiving the fewest votes is eliminated, and their votes are reassigned to each

voter's second choice, with the process repeating until someone claims a majority.

Baker's predecessor, Deval Patrick, has endorsed the ballot question, which he has described as "one thing we can do right now to empower voters at this critical time in our democracy" and a way "to give Massachusetts voters a stronger voice and ensure that our elected leaders have majority support."

ow-income residents can get retroactive unemployment benefits

By Matt Murphy STATE HOUSE News Service

With the state's unemployment rate still hovering close to 10 percent, Gov. Baker made quick work Monday of legislation that will allow

thousands of workers to collect \$1,800 in additional unemployment benefits, signing the bill just hours after it landed on his desk.

Earlier that day, the House and Senate pushed through a bill (S

2934) to qualify as many as 17,000 people who were previously ineligible for \$300 in enhanced weekly federal benefits under the Lost Wages Assistance Program.

The federal program ran for six weeks from the end of July through the first week in September, but in order to qualify for the additional benefits a claimant had to be receiving at least \$100 in weekly state benefits.

The bill filed by Sen. Patricia Jehlen, of

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afternoon increases the minimum benefit for

Somerville, and signed

by Baker on Monday

be absolutely sure they will spend it locally and immediately," Jehlen said on Monday.

The state unemployment rate dipped to 9.6 percent in September but 365,400 people remained unemployed. In the week ending Oct. 10, 39,038 people filed claims for traditional unemployment benefits and another 11,478 filed claims under the expanded eligibility Pandemic Unemployment Assistance program.



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TO CHANGE NAME Docket No. SU20C0312CA IN THE MATTER OF: JOVANNI ENRIQUE **SANTIAGO HENRIQUEZ**

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Jovanni Enrique Santiago Henriquez of Dorchester, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:

Jovanni Enrique Santiago IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/20/2020. This is not a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding. Witness, HON. BRIANJ. DUNN

First Justice of this Court Date: October 19, 2020 Felix D. Arroyc Register of Probate Published: October 29, 2020

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PROBATE PETITION
Docket No. SU20P1543PO
Estate of:
ELIZABETH A. McCLEARY

ELIZABETH A. McCLEARY

To all interested persons:
A Petition has been filed by: Terrence
M. Kungel of Woolwich, ME and Richard
P. Davisson of Durham, NH requesting
Complaint for Trustee Process Wherefore
the Plaintiff pray for the following relief, Order
the Defendants Simmons University al/ka
Simmons College and James McGowan to
account to Plaintiffs for proportionate share
of amounts to be received to which the
defendant, immediately before death, was
beneficially entitled to the extent necessary
for payment of claims against and the debts
and expenses of the Estate and order such
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and expenses of the Estate and order such further relief as Plaintifis may seek from time to time in this action.

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 11/10/2020.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.

Date: October 15, 2020

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any unemployment insurance beneficiary to \$100 for the week ending Aug. 1 through the week ending Sept. 5, enabling those affected to retroactively collect the enhanced weekly federal benefit. "This is \$31 million that people in Massachusetts

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FORMAL ADJUDICATION

FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU20P1812EA ESTATE OF: MARIELIS GONZALEZ **DATE OF DEATH: 08/15/2020**

Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Richard S. Blank of Boston, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal

Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. as requested in the Femilion.
The Petitioner requests that: Richard S. Blank
of Boston, MA be appointed as Personal
Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Probate Code (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Persona Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.
Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First

ustice of this Court Date: October 07, 2020

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PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Probate & Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU20P1787EA
ESTATE OF: RICHARD JOSEPH BALL a/k/a: RICHARD J. BALL DATE OF DEATH: 05/21/2020

Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Karen A. Fonseca of Framingham, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Karen A. Fonseca of Framingham, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

all interested persons:

unsupervised administration.

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Published: October 29, 2020

School Committee chairman resigns; mocked attendees' names on 'hot-mic'

By KATIE TROJANO REPORTER STAFF

Boston School Committee Chairman Michael Loconto has resigned from the panel after he mockingly recited the names of people who participated in last Wednesday night's six-hour-long virtual meeting that ended in a unanimous vote to suspend the BPS placement exam.

Loconto was apparently unaware that his microphone was not muted when he repeated the names in a mocking fashion. He then told more than 150 people on the live call that he was talking to somebody off camera about a book that had nothing to do with the meeting. He declined to name the book. One

woman, after giving her public comment, said "Mr. Loconto, I would love to know which book you were quoting.'

The next morning, under mounting pressure, Loconto issued a statement apologizing for his behavior: "I want to apologize for the comments I made last night. It was not ever my intention to mock anyone. I know that was in my head and in my heart, but I make no excuses. I know how my words were heard and how they hurt," he wrote on his Twitter account.

He added: "I have always tried to lead my life, publicly and privately, by treating people with dignity and respect. To those I offended, I offer again my sincerest apology and ask for your forgiveness."

Hours later, amid calls from the public and several city councillors for Loconto to step down, Mayor Walsh confirmed the chairman's resignation, stating, "Chairman Loconto notified me earlier this morning that he is stepping down from the Boston School Committee, and I have accepted his resignation. While he conveyed to me his personal embarrassment and his desire to seek forgiveness, his comments were hurtful and wrong.

"None of us wishes to be defined by a single moment in our lives and no one knows that better than me. Michael is someone who has done important and difficult work for the people of Boston, and especially our children, but we cannot accept the disparagement of members of our community."

At-Large City Councillor Annissa-Essaibi George, who pounced on the matter during the meeting, said Loconto's comments required a resignation.

"Mr. Loconto's behavior last night was unacceptable," Essaibi-George said in a Tweet. "I'm deeply appalled, personally offended, by his words. I watched and heard it live. It is unconscionable that he would mock and disparage our families. Our school communities and our city deserve more. It's time for his resignation."

Campbell also called for him to step down.

"Racist comments are never acceptable, most of all by our public servants," Campbell wrote. "This is not the first time people of color have felt disrespected by Mr. Loconto. I don't accept this behavior from our School Committee chair and neither should Mayor Walsh. Loconto should resign."

Councillor Andrea

At-Large Councillor Michelle Wu, who - like Campbell—is mounting a campaign for mayor in 2021, said: "As someone who has dealt with comments like this my entire life, this is not only deeply offensive, but blatantly racist & harmful to our efforts to create policy in partnership with community members impacted by these important decisions.

"Last night's BSC gave me hope because of

Michael Loconto

the inspiring testimony from residents centering justice & equity. Hearing Loconto mock names during that testimony was infuriating."

Loconto was first appointed to the School Committee in 2014 and was elected chairperson in 2018, 2019, and 2020. He is currently a practicing attorney and serves as the general counsel at Curry College in Milton.

By 7-0 vote, School Committee consents to exam pause

By KATIE TROJANO REPORTER STAFF

After an eight-hour virtual meeting on Wednesday night, the Boston School Committee voted ,7-0, to discontinue the exam used to place students into Boston Latin School, Boston Latin Academy, and the John D. O'Bryant School of Mathematics and Science for the upcoming academic year.

The plan, developed by BPS Superintendent Brenda Cassellius and a working group commissioned by the district earlier this year, has drawn both support and push-back in recent days.

Instead of using exam results, the district will draw up a pool of eligible students who either maintained a B average this academic year or who "met or exceeded expectations" on the 2019 MCAS test. The district will then distribute invitations to students based on prior report card grades and zip codes.

Up to 20 percent of the seats available next year will be reserved for students with the top grades in the city. The remaining 80 percent will be admitted to the schools based on their GPA ranking within their home ZIP code, with eligible students from the lowest-income ZIP codes given first choice.

The students' schools will also need to certify that they are learning at grade level under the state's curriculum frameworks to be judged eligible. The new plan projects that the new admissions criteria will result in a 15 percent increase in the number of seats apportioned to Black and Latinx students next year. The district will begin identifying qualified students for the applicant pool in November and Decem-

Dozens of people spoke up- both for and against—the temporary plan. Some expressed frustration that there was no public comment period included in the making of the plan. Others were in favor of nixing the exam altogether and planning for new admissions criteria in the future, while some were distressed at the prospect of suspending the use of the exam for even one year.

A slew of elected officials, including Mayor Martin Walsh, logged in to weigh in on the topic.

"I want to express my support for this one-year plan," Walsh said. "This year was meant to be the first year of a new, more equitable exam, also the result of hard and thoughtful work by the superintendent and her team. Instead, the exam will be given next year."

He added: "We are in agreement that this does not make educational sense to launch a new exam in the middle of a pandemic. It does not meet our public health citywide exam in the middle of a pandemic and for these reasons, I ask the school committee to adopt the superintendent and working group's proposal."

At-Large Councillor Annissa Essaibi George said there should have been a public comment period included before the proposal was put to

a vote. "I am disappointed that the School Committee vote is taking place before an opportunity for public comment from parents and school communities," she said. "As chair of Education," she added, "my top priority is making sure the process is fair and that every child has an equal shot

at being admitted to an exam school from the moment they enter our school system. And the unfortunate reality is that we cannot provide an equal and fair process until we have high quality schools in every neighborhood."

District 2 Councillor Ed Flynn of South Boston expressed concerns around language access, but spoke in support of the plan. State Rep. Russell Holmes and Rep. Liz Miranda, as well as Council President Kim Janey, and District 5 Councillor Ricardo Arroyo all supported the plan.

"I'm sure you're going to hear many folks that disagree with the plan tonight. But talent is distributed equally by race, gender, and ethnicity," said Holmes. "What you have heard tonight is that the opportunity is not distributed equally."

Before the hearing, District 4 Councillor Andrea Campbell, who is running for mayor in 2021, told the *Reporter* it would be "irresponsible" to hold the exam this

"This plan doesn't change the admissions process permanently, but it has the potential to create more equity in the admissions process next year, which we should all welcome,' she said, adding, "As a Latin School graduate, I know personally how important this process is to students and families. and they deserve clarity.

She continued: "It's a failure of the mayor and the district not to have created a process around this decision where parents, students, and families feel included and could make their voices heard. We must acknowledge that our current system leaves thousands of kids behind

and we need to address the achievement and opportunity gaps in BPS with the same passion that we see around exam schools."

Tanisha Sullivan, president of the NAACP's Boston branch and a working group member, read a letter in support of the new plan submitted by Ibram X. Kendi, an author, professor at Boston University, and historian of race and discriminatory policy.

"What is always best for the community is admission policies that create equal opportunity for all, and we know a policy is creating more equal opportunity if it is closing racial and economic inequity. We know a policy is not creating equal opportunity if it is maintaining racial and economic inequity," Kendi wrote. "The data is indisputable on the effects of this plan— it will close racial and economic gaps. That's how we should be assessing proposed and existing policies," Kendi wrote, adding that standardized testing is historically rooted in

"To tell the story of standardized tests is to tell the story of eugenicists who created and popularized these tests in the US more than a century ago. Eugenicists today are considered to be racist, but somehow many consider their tests to be not racist— whatever that means," he said in his letter.

Jessica Tang, president of the Boston Teachers Union, spoke in support of the plan, but said the district needs to work toward achieving equity across all schools.

"While we believe there are many ways the proposed plan needs to be improved, we also know that the current plan is inequitable and a new

high stakes test during the pandemic is not the answer and will further exacerbate inequalities. More work with additional stakeholders including immigrant, families with limited English access, must go into a better admissions policy," she said.

But perhaps most importantly, she said, is that "we need to ensure that all of our schools have equal resources, opportunities, and access to high-quality instruction. No one should have to compete for an excellent education."

Roughly half of those who provided public comment throughout the night vehemently opposed a temporary pause on using the exam.

One man, whose comments were translated from Cantonese by an interpreter, said he "doesn't know what to think" and "is feeling helpless" about the exams being suspended next year.

The man, who said his family came from China. said. "If we want to change our way of living, our kids have to go to better school. Not having the exam would take away their opportunity.

Chenggjing Hu said that the new plan means that all of her son's hard work in school and preparing for the exam "has become useless. These kids are becoming a victim of a zip code lottery. This recommendation encourages our kids to depend on their life and future on luck. Do we really want to pass this message on to our kids?"

As the public comment period wrapped up, well after midnight, committee members gave some final comments before taking their vote.

"We're failing a significant amount of our students by focusing on

one place. Probably the most substantive conversation we've had about public schools in the five years that I've been on the committee has been what we've done in the last couple of weeks," said committee member Jeri Robinson.

"There have been many questions and issues about the quality overall of our high school education and our opportunities or perceived opportunities by families that if they don't get into this one school somehow their child's whole future is gone," added Robinson. "We do a disservice to all of our students and to our city if we allow that to be the thought process that we have.

She added: "This needs to be about the exam schools this next year. But it really is a conversation about what's going to happen with all of our high schools and how can we see this as a beginning of a set of very serious conversations that need to continue."

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE & FAMILY COURT SUFFOLK DIVISION 24 NEW CHARDON STREET BOSTON, MA 02114 Docket No. SU19D2153DR DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION and MAILING SHANTE NICOLE MADDIX

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You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: Shante Nicole Maddix, 27 Crowell Street, Apt. 1, Dorchester, MA 02124 your answer, if any, on or before **12/10/2020**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy o your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court. Witness, HON. BRIANJ. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.

Date: September 16, 2020 Felix D. Arroyo Register of Probate Published: October 29, 2020

UMass Boston report shows that climate change views vary by race

By Erin Caldwell SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

For scientists and many citizens alike, the everyday occurrences of massive storms, uncontrolled wildfires, unprecedented floods, and other weather-driven disasters are clear evidence of the danger that climate change poses to the planet.

In our corner of the world, the northeast United States, experts say, climate change appears in subtler ways. While a roaring "northeaster" is anything but understated, it's somewhat infrequent. The more common experience in our neighborhood is extreme heat.

"Growing up in the city, people are taught to deal with hot summers, but they're getting hotter and hotter," said Christopher Cook, chief of Environment, Energy and Open Space for the City of Boston. "Energy-burdened communities that can't have air conditioning

all the time are already feeling the impacts."

And those impacts aren't the same across the board. Researchers at UMass Boston's **Sustainability Solutions** Lab have found that sentiments about impacts from climate change and the level of preparedness to handle them - is inconsistent across population groups.

Paul Watanabe and Lorena Estrada-Martinez have just published their findings in a report entitled "Views that Matter: Race and Opinions on Climate Change of Boston Area Residents."

It's the first time that a study has included enough people of color from Boston neighborhoods to allow for a meaningful analysis of data by race, according to Estrada-Martinez.

"We wanted to focus on vulnerable and underserved communities and how they're particularly impacted by climate change," said Watanabe. "Their views are too often absent from the discussion."

First, the common ground: Boston residents generally agree that climate change is currently, or will do so soon, causing increased coastal flooding, rising sea levels, heat waves, and extreme storms. And for that majority who believe climate change is "probably happening," all share the view that if nothing is done to address climate change, that inaction poses a "very" or "somewhat serious" problem.

However, communities of color are more inclined than whites to identify climate change as a "serious problem," and they are less likely to claim that not addressing climate change will lead

to consequences that are "not too serious" or "not serious at all."

White respondents were more likely to believe that climate change would have an unequal impact on communities of color, with 43 percent believing that climate change will affect people of color more than whites. And in terms of preparedness, there are significant variations between whites and residents of color.

For example, 74 percent of white residents self-report having insurance to protect their home and belongings, compared to 57 percent of Blacks, and 54 percent of Latinx and Asian Americans.

There's a shared view among all groups surveyed that government has a responsibility to take the lead on climate change — and that includes on the municipal level as well as state and federal.

One key benefit of the UMass study is that it provides more understanding for policy-makers about the variations in opinions and beliefs across different racial groups, which helps drive catered communication, outreach, and education to targeted groups in a way they will improve receipt and understanding.

The city of Boston has allocated about 10 percent of its capital budget to climate change resiliency and is engaging in a number of initiatives to plan it out. Climate Ready Dorchester is a comprehensive plan drawn up to address coastal flooding and resiliency in the harborside neighborhood.

This past week brought repeated reminders of just how vulnerable coastal Dorchester remains to tidal events: Morrissey Boulevard was inundated by harbor waters for several consecutive days.

On Thursday (Oct. 29) at noon, the Climate Ready initiative will Dorchester resident.

host a presentation by coordinators announcing initiatives downtown and in the North End and Dorchester, followed by a Q&A. The event will be recorded for future viewing.

Twoadditional city-sponsored initiatives are Greenovate, a climate change leadership training program open to all Boston residents and actively recruiting representatives from communities of color, and the Community Choice Electricity program, which offers renewable energy options at comparable or lower rates than standard utility companies.

But necessary action isn't limited to government, and survey respondents overwhelmingly noted the changes required in their own lives to help combat climate change.

"People have to change their own behavior in facing this climate crisis. Unless we do so, it's going to negatively impact health and contribute to more challenges in the future," said Watanabe. "How much of your lifestyle will have to change to address climate change? But how much of your lifestyle will be forced to change if we don't address climate change?"

Along with everything else in our lives, the coronavirus has underscored the challenges, particularly in neighborhoods of color. Cooling centers weren't able to open this summer because of the concerns of spreading the virus.

The old ways of doing things may not work. What are the lessons we can learn from COVID-19 and apply to our future emergency planning and adaptation efforts?" said Christopher Cook. "The bottom line is we're not going to be successful unless we include the communities that are most impacted."

Erin Caldwell is a

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Dorchester Bay City

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Monday, November 16 6:00 PM

Wednesday, December 2 6:00 PM

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Project Description:

The Boston Planning & Development Agency will be hosting a series of Virtual Community Advisory Committee ("CAC") and Public Meetings in connection with the proposed Dorchester Bay City project. A Virtual Kick-Off Public Meeting was held on October 19th, which was followed by an Urban Design focused Virtual Public Meeting on October 28th.

The next topic-specific Virtual Public Meetings are as follows:

- Wednesday, November 4th: Open Space, Public Realm & Resiliency
- Monday, November 16th: Transportation & Infrastructure
- Wednesday, December 2nd: Topic TBD

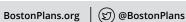
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TO CHANGE NAME Docket No. SU20C0121CA IN THE MATTER OF: SULAIMAN IBN ABDUL-HADI

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Sulaiman lbn Abdul-Hadi of Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a

Decree changing their name to: SYM NOOR CUNNINGHAM

Any person may appear for pur poses of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return dav of 11/25/2020. This is not a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J DUNN, First Justice of this Court Date: October 19, 2020

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TO CHANGE NAME Docket No. SU19C0214CA IN THE MATTER OF: SEAN DOUGLAS HINES

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Sean Douglas Hines of Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: SEAN DOUGLAS HILL

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Witness, HON, BRIAN J DUNN, First Justice of this Court Date: October 27, 2020

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BGCD Martin Richard Challenger Sports Soccer Program season continued this past Sunday. This year, BGCD is partnering with Thayer Academy and the MA Special Olympics, who have provided volunteer buddies and a personal coach to help with socially distant drills and scrimmage games. Our members are enjoying getting in the beautiful Fall fresh air and to have fun with friends and family. This week we had a special visit from Superintendent Nora Baston who loves to come out and help support BGCD. These Fall sessions will be held every Sunday at McConnell Park in Dorchester at 10am for ages 5-11 and 11am for ages 12+. All COVID-19 regulations are followed during these sessions. For more information or to register, please contact Erin Ferrara at eferrara@bgcdorchester.org.

FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE: BGCD College Fellows & Career

Prep Workshop Event: Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester hosted a small group kick-off workshop for the College Fellows and Career Prep program. In addition to learning Wellness Techniques the group was given information on upcoming Virtual College Tours, admission application information, essay guidance, and more.

The College Fellows program has already offered virtual tours to Massachusetts Maritime Academy and Wentworth Institute of Technology. We have an upcoming virtual tour to Framingham State University on November 9th.

To register for the tours, or for more information on the College Fellows program please contact Tricia Chapple at pchapple@bgcdorchester.org.



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Monté W. Foster, SVP, Charlene Ricci, RMM, Marshall Sugarman, RVP and Justin Cross, SM - South Boston visited our Walter Denney Youth Center to present the check to our staff in person in a safe and socially distanced manner.

We appreciate your continuous support with helping BGCD fulfill our mission to assist our members and families.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Challenger Soccer

Hiking Club November 7

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BARRY, David Francis, 77, husband of 20 years to Amanda Bernal Barry. David served in the Army from 1961-1967. He was a licensed boiler engineer, owner of his own handyman business, and eventually retired as a hotel engineer. He leaves behind his three sons: Marc Barry, Eric Barry and Andres Ber-

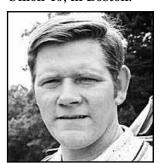


BARTLEY, Earnestine, 72, of Dorches-

ter. She was born in Georgia to the late Dee Arthur Mack and Ruby Jewel Stewart. Earnestine was employed at Gillette in South Boston, for over twenty-one years and she retired as a Safety Razor In-Earnestine spector. was a member of the body of Christ located at the Blue Hill Church of Christ in Mattapan. Earnestine was active in the life of the church at Blue Hill Church of Christ serving on the kitchen ministry at her congregation. She was preceded by her sister, Willow Dean Stewart (Leroy) Heyward, Sr.; grandson, Qualan Powell, of Dorchester. She leaves two sons: Joseph (Annette) Bartley and Torrey (LorrieAnn) Bartley, Dorchester; two

sisters, Cherry (Alvin) Jenkins, Annette (Dillon) Forrester, Dorchester; one great-aunt Arline (James) Stewart, Savannah, GA; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren, a host of great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins and friends.

COOPER, Joey, 63, lifelong resident of Boston. Husband of the late Arlecia Ann (Thomas) Cooper. He is survived by his three sons, Jeremy, Joel, and Joshua, all of Boston, his sister, Florine Cooper also of Boston. Joey also leaves his much-loved 4 grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousin, family, and friends. He is preceded by his mother, Everly (Milton) Cooper, father, Percy Cooper, Sr., brother, Percy Cooper, Jr., and grandson, Jahmai Cooper. He was a longstanding member of the Carpenter's Local Union 40, in Boston.



GAFFNEY, **James Joseph**, 86 of Dorchester. Joe was born Glencar, County Leitrim Ireland to Bernard and Lena (Clancy) Gaffney. He immigrated to Dorchester in 1957 where he met and married the late Anna Theresa Kent of County Wexford, Ireland. They raised three sons Joseph, Emmet and Bernard Gaffney. Grandfather of 6. After Anna's passing, Joe was blessed to have the late Catherine Nee enter his life. He was a member of Dublin's Pioneer Total Abstinence Association. Joe joins Anna and Catherine in heaven as well as his brothers, John, Bernard and Francis Gaffney. He leaves his his sisters Roseleen Wier, Kathleen Fahey and Rita DuFour, and his

brothers Hughie, Desmond and Leo Gaffney as well as many nieces and nephews.



GREENE, John J., 92, of Dorchester and Castle Island, formerly of Carna, Co. Galway, Ireland. Husband of the late Anna T. (Judge) Greene. Father of Mary A. and her husband Michael P. Saniuk of Hanover, Ann Marie Greene of Quincy, Peggy Geoldasis and her late husband Christopher J. of Weymouth, and John J. Greene, Jr. of Weymouth. Grandfather 4, and the late Leeann Geoldasis. Great-grandfather of 5. Son of the late Patrick Greene and Bridget (Walsh) Greene. Brother of Phyllis Pasciucco of Canton, Anne Jagose of New Zealand, Margaret Brunelli of Harwich, Cait Fadden of Ireland, and the late Patrick Greene, Mary O'Brien, Michael Greene, Joseph Greene, Martin Greene, and Sally D'Errico. John is survived by many nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews, and many dear friends. John was a retired employee of the Boston Housing Authority.



LaBELLE, Theresa A. (Kotarba) of Canton, formerly of Dorchester, 87. Wife of Theodore J. LaBelle, Jr. of Canton. Mother of Theodore J. LaBelle, III and his late wife Mary Ryan of Framingham, Peter LaBelle and his wife Julia of Beaverton, OR, Karen Monahan and her husband Steven of Avon, Daniel LaBelle and his wife Thresia of Quincy, Thomas La-Belle and his wife Caroline of Taunton, Mark LaBelle and his wife Monica of Milton, Susan Scannell and her husband Keith of Holbrook, and the late Catherine LaBelle. Sister of Dian Doyle and her husband Charles of CA, Michael Kotarba of Amherst and the late Mary Sirkin and her husband Daniel of Sharon, the late Stephen Kotarba, and the late Paula Broderick and her husband Joseph. Grandmother of 14, 1 great-grandchild and many nieces and nephews. Donations may be made in her memory to the Alzheimer's Association, alz. org



McCABE, Eleanor R. (Lyons) of West Roxbury, former longtime resident of Roslindale. Daughter of the late Patrick Joseph and Delia (Keady) Lyons. Wife of the late Edward J. McCabe. of Patricia Mother Stewart and her husband George of Cranston, RI. Ğrandmother of 5. Also survived by several great-grandchildren. Sister of the late Joseph F. Lyons and his late wife Agnes, the late Mary Amsler and her late husband Francis X. Amsler. She was a Boston Public School Teacher for many years. Eleanor's students from The Roger Clap Elementary School, Dorchester recently organized a celebration for her. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Eleanor's memory to the Quinn Amsler Fund at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, 10 Brookline Place West, 6th Floor, Brookline, MA 02445.



McGARTY, Peter Coleman, of Dorchester and formerly of Hyde Park, 69. He was the son of the late Peter P. and Catherine F. (Beatty) McGarty. Peter was the brother of Catherine A. Jensen and her husband George of Quincy, Joseph P. Mc-Garty and his wife Carol of Quincy, Michael G. McGarty and his wife Sharon of Braintree, Eileen T. Coulter and her husband Michael of Randolph, Paul C. Mc-Garty and his partner Bayti Girma of Concord and the late Mary C. McGarty who died in 2018. Peter is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, extended family members and friends.Gifts may be made to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in memory of Peter to support cancer research and patient care at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284 or via.jimmyfund.org/gift.

MENDES, **dreuil**, 52 of Dorchester. Husband of Claircina Mendes. Father of Cliff Ali V. Mendes, Marvin Mendes, and Nahika Sophia Mendes. He leaves behind a host of relatives and friends.



O'BRIEN Jr., John D. of Saugus. Husband of Jeanmarie (Sweeney) O'Brien. Father of Joseph, John "Jack", and Hannah O'Brien, all of Saugus. Son of John D. and Anna (O'Leary) O'Brien of Saugus. Brother of Denise O'Brien, Daniel O'Brien and his wife, Pamela Casey O'Brien, all of Saugus, and Kevin O'Brien and his wife, Lauren, of N. Reading; and brother-in-law of Susan Lee and her husband, Tony, of Ontario, CA, Joseph Sweeney of Stirling, Kelley Hannon and her husband, Michael, of Hingham. Sonin-law of Jean and the late Joseph Sweeney of Dorchester. Also survived by many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. Donations in his name may be made to the Glioblastoma Foundation @ glioblastomafoundation.org.

O'DONNEL (Donovan) of Mattapan and Barrington, NH. Wife of Philip M. O'Donnell. Mother of Kevin D. O'Donnell and Philip M. O'Donnell, III. Daughter of Doris (Sullivan) Donovan of Dorchester and the late William Donovan (Ret. Sgt. BPD). Sister of William Donovan and his wife Anne (Cormican) of Bedford, NH, Thomas Donovan and his wife Paula (Pleach) of Holbrook, Michael Donovan (Ret. Sgt. BPD) and his wife Beth (Mullin) (Sgt. BPD) of Dorchester, Richard Donovan of Dorchester and the late Mary Parsons and her surviving husband William of Norwell. Sister-in-law of Elizabeth Labbe and her husband



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David of Dorchester, Judith Casale and her husband Walter of Rockland, Joseph O'Donnell of Dorchester, MaryLou Rundlett and her husband Dana of Milton, Susan Ryan of Fort Myers, FL and Shelly Mazzarella of Weymouth. She was "Auntie Annie" to 22 nieces and nephews and 7 great-nieces and great-nephews. Donations in Ann's memory may be made to Lifeworks, 789 Clapboard Street, Westwood, MA 02090.



WALKER, Dozzie, 66, of Dorchester and Lynn. He was born in Boston the first of three children born to Charlie and Rosebud (Womum) Walker. He was pre-ceded in death by both his parents and his son, Tobias McClurkin. He is survived by his wife, (McClurkin) Teresa Walker of Milwaukee, WI, his brother Gregory Walker of Dorchester and his sister Wilma Walker. Mr. Walker is also survived by his children, Lydia McClur-

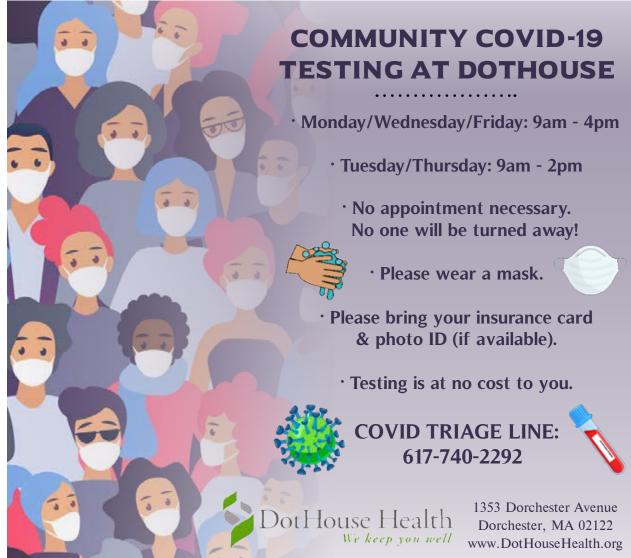
kin of Chelsea, Adrianne Level of Canton. Chanel McClurkin of Lynn, Brandon Level of Hawthorn, CA / Boston, MA, Courtney (Level) Jean-Charles of Milton, Donna Walker of Quincy, and Taima Walker of Somerville. He also leaves behind, his cousin Patricia Williams of Dorchester, and sister-in-law Donna McClurkin of Lvnn and son-in-law, Ricardo Jean-Charles of Milton, 11 grandchildren and a host of nieces and neph-WALSH, Kathleen

(nee Naughton) of Franklin and Dorchester, formerly of Spiddal, County Galway, Ireland. Wife of the late Thomas Walsh of Inverin, County Galway, Ireland. Mother of Kathleen Anne and her husband Matthew Tremble of Franklin. Sister of Margaret "Peg" Conley and her Sister husband Edward, and the late Mary Lydon, Judy Mulkern, Peter Naughton, Bridie Connelly, Michael Naughton, Eileen Gallagher, Nora Naughton, Martin Naughton, and Barbara Naughton. Also survived by her sisters-in-law Barbara Naughton and Mary Naughton. Donations in her memory may be sent to Franciscan Children's, 30 Warren Street, Brighton, MA 02135.

WALSH, Sister Mary SHSp., 94. The fourth of thirteen children of Winifred and Martin Walsh, Sr. Mary was born in County Galway, Ireland. Sr. Mary is the Sister of Bridget Christopher of Braintree and Sally Noding of England and her late brothers Pat, Tom, Joe, John and Matty and



sisters Kate Cotter, Barbara Carroll, Ann Davis and Peggy King and her beloved 28 nieces and 17 nephews, her cousins, and her sisters in community. Sr. Mary was known for many years as "Sister Martin de Porres" and, like her patron saint, she treasured the opportunity of caring for the poor and the overlooked. Donations can be made in Sister Mary's memory to the ministries of the Sisters of the Holy Spirit and Mary Immaculate, 300 Yucca Street, San Antonio, TX 78203.





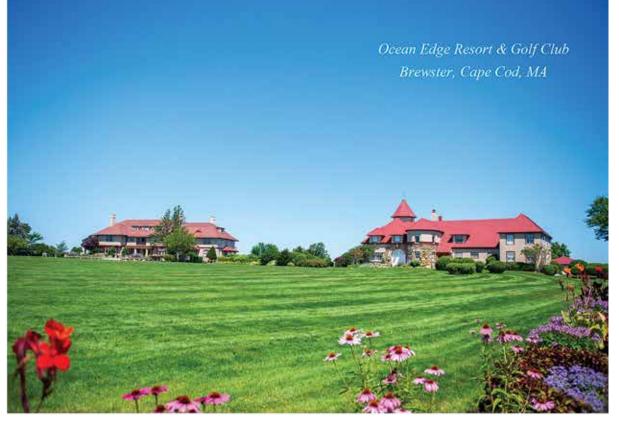
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