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Wu cruises into the mayor's chair

City Council-at-Large

Louijeune wins third spot, Murphy ekes out Halbert

By Reporter Staff

To Erin Murphy, the final if unofficial numbers from Tuesday's election show that she won an at-large seat on the Boston City Council by finishing in fourth place among the eight finalists in Tuesday's citywide election just barely ahead – by 325 votes – of David Halbert, who, like Murphy, a Dorchester resident, had not conceded as of Wednesday morning.

As to the larger picture, voters, by a large margin, returned at-large incumbents Michael Flaherty (17.4 percent of the 143,547 ballots cast) and Julia Mejia (17.2 percent) to the Council chambers and then firmly placed Mattapan's Ruthzee Louijeune (15.28 percent) in third place well ahead of Murphy and Halbert at 11.99 and 11.90 percent, respectively.

Murphy, a longtime schoolteacher who ran in 2019, claimed a fourth-place finish before the final numbers were in. On Wednesday morning, she said she had fielded a congratulatory phone call from Mayor-elect Wu and had been invited to visit the council meeting as a guest of Councillor Flaherty. Like Wu, Murphy will be sworn in on Nov. 16.

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A victorious Mayor-elect Michelle Wu addressed a raucous room of supporters inside the Cyclorama in the South End on Tuesday. *Chris Lovett photo*

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'All possible' for change at every level, she says

By Gintautas Dumcius and Bill Forry Reporter Staff

Michelle Wu, a former aide to US Sen. Elizabeth Warren and the late Mayor Thomas Menino who ran a campaign pushing a fare-free MBTA and the stabilization of rental rates, won an overwhelming, tradition-shattering victory on Tuesday that will put her in the mayor's chair in less than two weeks.

Annissa Essaibi George, a Dorchester small business owner and former teacher elected to the City Council in 2015, conceded the race two hours after the polls closed. The final, if unofficial. tally showed Wu winning the city by 64 to 36 percent, a margin that reflected what public independent polls had shown throughout October.

Roughly 33 percent of voters turned out, below the 38 percent of the 2013 wide-open race for mayor, and closer to the 31 percent of voters who went to the polls for Menino's last run in 2009.

As the votes were tallied, Wu, who first joined the City Council as an atlarge member in 2013, showed early strength in key battleground precincts, including parts of Dorchester where her opponent needed to post big vote

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Restoring a Dorchester hockey tradition one weekend at a time

DYH grows on O'Sullivan successes

By SETH DANIEL REPORTER CORRESPONDENT

There's something about the cold air of a hockey rink in January or February that is a make or break for young skaters and families in the Dorchester Youth Hockey (DYH) Learn to Skate program, a point when cold feet and hands don't seem as fun as a warm living room or a temperature-controlled

basketball gym.
The Learn to Skate program for DYH
starts up once again next week (Sat.,
Nov. 13), and it already has sold out due
to the high-quality, easy-going class.

As potential new hockey parents and their 3- and 4-year-old boys and girls are initiated into the unique Boston hockey culture with DYH's Learn to Skate, they are brought into the fold by members of the legendary O'Sullivan hockey family — particularly Shaun, Stephanie, and Peter. The three volunteers said it's their job to make a family's first contact with hockey fun and exciting so kids will want to come back each weekend.

"It's the introduction to the hockey culture," said Shaun, who is the vice president of DYH and a former DYH (Continued on page 10)



Shaun, Stephanie and Peter O'Sullivan show off the Dorchester Youth Hockey (DYH) jersey recently at Devine Rink as they prepare for the annual Learn to Skate program.

Seth Daniel photo

HVAC issue in Boston schools crisis for many

By Grace Mayer Special to the Reporter

On the first day of school in Boston three years ago, Jovani Fox had a strategy for her six-year-old daughter Ava's outfit. Hearing that temperatures would reach a high of 97 degrees by noon, they went with shorts and a T-shirt layered over an undershirt.

Fox still remembers receiving texts later that day from Ava's teachers at Lee Academy Pilot School, explaining



Pamela Rose and daughter Winter Rose at the Sarah Greenwood. *Mike Ritter/Ritterbin.com photo*

that in an attempt to beat the heat, Ava had taken her socks and T-shirt off in the unairconditioned classroom. "It was just that hot, even though we had prepared for a hot day," Fox said.

The conditions that Ava experienced that day repeated themselves this past June, when temperatures climbed to 90 degrees in un-airconditioned classrooms, prompting schools throughout Massachusetts to close or

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The Tech Boston Academy boys soccer team celebrated their City League championship win on Sat., Oct. 30 at Carter Field on the Northeastern University campus. The Bears beat the Boston Latin Academy team in overtime by a score of 1-0 and end the regular season at 10-5. Patrick O'Connor photo

14 turned out in Dot. Ave fire

An early morning fire last Friday displaced 14 residents at 1631 Dorchester Ave between Mather Street and Melville Avenue. There were no reports of injuries to either residents or firefighters. The fire was reportedly contained to the first floor. The cause remains under investigation, according to Boston Fire.

BFD photo



UPCOMING CIVIC MEETINGS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

Fields Corner Civic Association meets on Tues., Nov. 9 via Zoom from 6:30-8 p.m. See DotNews.com for link. Agenda items include a safety report from BPD Area C-11, a proposed development of 9 condos at 18-20 Parkman St., relocation of Coco Leaf, and second presentation by Travis Lee regarding re-development plans for the USPS building. Contact Hiep Chu, president at hiepchu@hotmail.com with any questions.

Greater Ashmont Main Streets plans Holiday Pop-Up Market on Sat., Nov. 27 from 3-7:30 p.m. to coincide with the Peabody Sq. Tree Lighting at 7 p.m. Food trucks, local artisans, live music, gift shopping.

The BPDA will host a Virtual Public Meeting for the Herb Chambers Honda of Boston project located in Dorchester on Thurs., Nov. 4 at 6 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to review the updates to the project. The Herb Chambers Companies proposes to develop a new Honda Brand auto dealership at the location previously occupied by the J.D. Byrider and Westminster Dodge auto dealerships at 710-720 Morrissey Blvd.

in Dorchester. The proponent's intent is to develop a "category-leading, first-class new facility that will contribute meaningfully to the Morrissey Boulevard streetscape."

A virtual public meeting to discuss the proposed Dorchester Bay City proposal will be convened by the BPDA on Wed., Nov. 10 at 6 p.m. via Zoom. This meeting will focus on how the Columbia Point Master Plan and other City plans guide the BPDA's review of the proposal. The planning department will provide a brief presentation followed by an opportunity for questions from attendees. Attendees can expect to learn what guiding questions the Agency has in reviewing the project. No decisions related to the proposed project will be made at this meeting. See page 11 of this week's Reporter for link info.

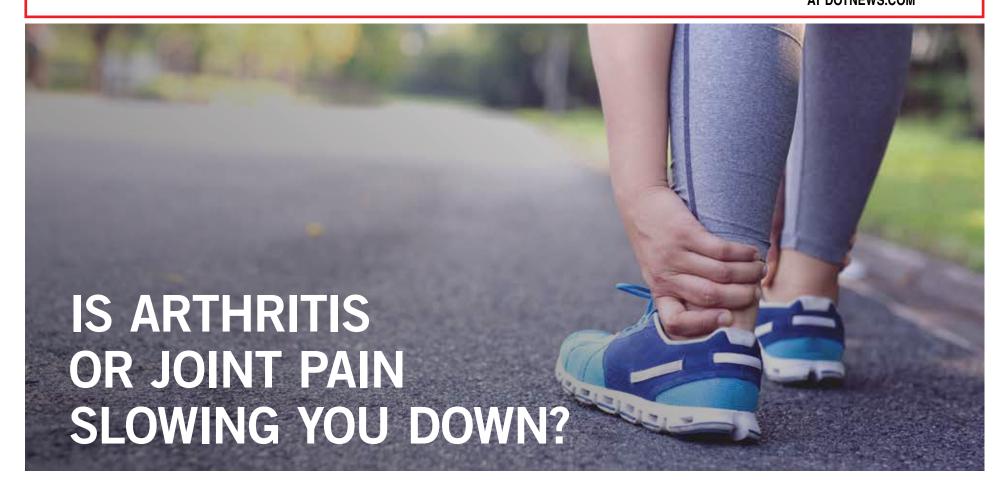
Ashmont Hill Chamber Music concert features cellist Sterling Elliot and pianist Wynona Yinuo Wang on Sun., Nov. 14, 4 p.m. at Peabody Hall, 209 Ashmont St., Dorchester. See ahchambermusic.org for more info.

The Martin Richard Foundation, in

partnership with the Boston Bruins Foundation, New Balance and DMSE Sports will host the fourth annual MR8K at Boston Landing on Sat., Dec. 4. Registration is now open at mr8k.org. The Martin Richard Foundation established the MR8K in 2019 as its signature annual fundraising event, giving more people an opportunity to run for Team MR8. All funds raised will benefit the Martin Richard Foundation's work to support community organizations that advance its values of inclusion, kindness, justice and peace. The 5-mile course will take place at Warrior Ice Arena at Boston Landing. More than 2,000 people participated in 2019 event at Boston landing and the inaugural event at TD Garden, which resulted in a \$100,000 donation to McLean Hospital's LEADER program to support first responders. Registration is \$45. The event is open to runners, walkers and para-athletes of all abilities, as well as families with small children.

Franklin Park Turkey Trot will be held Thurs., Nov. 25 Thanksgiving morning at 9 a.m. We're back running (or walking) in person with safety measures in place to protect your health. Participate in this timed 5k and support programs in Franklin Park. All ages, strollers, and race-friendly dogs on leash are welcome. Prizes for best costumes and by agegroup. Sign up your running group, a family team, or just yourself: fpc5k.com. Five state-owned ice rinks, including Dorchester's Devine Memorial Rink, is now available for group rentals, according to the Department of Conservation and Recreation. The rinks opened for rentals on Sept. 11 and will remain available through March 27. The rinks will open for public use on Friday, Nov. 26. In addition to the Devine rink, the others are the O'Neil Memorial Rink in Charlestown, the Murphy Memorial Rink in South Boston, the Reilly Memorial Rink in Brighton, and the Bajko Memorial Rink in Hyde Park. For more info on hours and availability, go to mass.gov/info-details/ dcr-ice-skating-rink-schedule.

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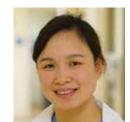
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Mattapan Council hosts talk on 'new' state Senate seat

By SETH DANIEL REPORTER CORRESPONDENT

The Greater Mattapan Neighborhood Council (GMNC) on Monday night focused much of its attention on a newly redrawn state Senate seat that would include much of the neighborhood within its boundaries. The maps for new districts at the state level have been approved by the State Legislature and are awaiting approval by Gov. Baker.

 $The \, contours \, of \, the \, 2nd$ Suffolk State Senate district were being re-drawn as Sen. Sonia Chang Diaz announced she was running for governor next year, meaning she won't be up for re-election. With Baker's okay, the new map will put



From on high, a view of Mattapan Square.

Mattapan squarely in a district that runs up Blue Hill Avenue and mostly cuts out the 1st Suffolk District, which is now represented by Sen. Nick Collins.

"We will be a majority 2nd Suffolk neighborhood when whoever is in the seat that Sen. Chang Diaz now holds

is elected," said Fatima Ali-Salaam, chair of the council. "What's new in that would be a majority representation for our area. That's a pretty big deal.'

State Rep. Russell Holmes, who spoke at length on Monday's call, said the district runs up Blue Hill Avenue to Warren Street, roughly following the bounds of an earlier Senate district held by Dianne Wilkerson and other Black elected officials who preceded her.

"Over the last 20 years, because of voter turnout, we've seen the 1st and 2nd Suffolk being heavily influenced by South Boston and the JP and Rozzie vote in the 2nd," said Holmes. "This new seat constitutes the old Black district."

Left out of Monday's discussion was any mention of former state Sen. Linda Dorcena Forry, a Black woman from Lower Mills who represented much of Mattapan when she was the state senator in the First Suffolk district. Forry won a special election in 2013 and was twice re-elected, serving until she resigned in 2018.

The state representative districts that cover Mattapan will not change substantially. However, the 11th Suffolk district by Franklin Park, now held by retiring Rep. Liz Malia, has been eliminated. The new 11th will now be in Chelsea, and Malia's old district will not include Mattapan or Dorchester.

Also discussed on Monday's call:

• How the City Council will re-draw its districts now that the state and federal boundaries are complete. That process will begin in January and is very important to Mattapan, as the neighborhood is now bisected by District 4 and District 5.

• The hot-button Mass. and Cass issue was on the agenda, with Suffolk Sheriff Steven Tompkins on standby to talk about his plan and how it would affect Mattapan. But in an unexpected turn of events, the discussion on re-districting ran much longer than anticipated and Tompkins had to leave without present-

"This is really unfortunate because this is such an important issue, especially on the night before the election," said Ali-Salaam. "We'll have you come back in December and you'll be the sole person on the agenda and vou can talk at length."

•The council talked at length about restarting conversations with any new administration about siting a high school in Mattapan, an issue that has been on the front-burner for the neighborhood since the 1990s. Residents said it has become even more important now with the closure of the Hyde Park and West Roxbury high schools. Now, students from Mattapan have the option of attending the Brooke Charter School on American Legion Highway, but there is no other high school in the neighborhood. In fact,

some residents said, students have had to travel by public transit at least an hour to get to a public high school.

•The Wave gas station at 841 Morton St. has applied for a liquor license, but there has been no date set at the License Board. That application follows the contentious bid of Petro Plus on Cummins Highway for a beer and wine license, which it received over the objections of the neighborhood. Petro Plus did get restrictions on selling nips and single beers, and there is no consumption allowed on site.

•The new housing development at the old Cote auto dealership, known as Cote Village, is nearing completion. The city held a lottery for 24 affordable units and had 1,800 applicants. The city has whittled it down to 115 applicants and will make decisions soon.

By December, new residents will start moving into the townhouses on Regis Road. There are 52 affordable units in the larger building facing Cummins Highway and that building is scheduled to be completed in February. Applications for the affordable units are expected to become available this month.

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Louijeune wins solid 3rd-place finish; first Haitian American to join council

By SETH DANIEL REPORTER CORRESPONDENT

Councillor-elect Ruthzee Louijeune finished in a "solid third place" on Tuesday night in the at-large City Council race, and in doing so became the first Haitian-American elected to city office.

The first-time candidate Louijeune earned 47,417votes in final but unofficial results, behind incumbent Councillors Michael Flaherty (54,985) and Julia Mejia (54,317).

"This is my face and it's my name up here, but this is a movement," she said. "It's about all of us working together to build a more just Boston, a more inclusive Boston, and a Boston that centers the needs to working families so they can share in the prosperity of this very wealthy city.'

She added later that her focus has been on the campaign for some time, but her work will be about supporting working class families much the same way her mentor, US Sen. Elizabeth Warren, has done in her career. Sen. Warren was a key backer of Louijeune's campaign and went on the campaign

trail several times with her over the last few weeks. "I lead with a smile, but I come with a fight for our working-class families," she said,

Louijeune built a base across the city in quick fashion, one that she said was aided by her deep roots in Boston. She grew up in the city and attended public primary schools and then Boston Latin. Among her early political experiences was an internship with former state Rep. Maire St. Fleur.

"Having deep roots in the city was key for me in this campaign - people I worked with or went to school with," she said. "They all helped me in so many ways," she said.

"I am also deeply, deeply excited to be the first Haitian-American on the Boston City Council," she said, breaking into Haitian Kreyol to those supporters in attendance from the Haitian community. "This has taken way too long. We are the third largest diaspora in this city and it has not yet led to political representation. So, I thank you all for choosing me to be the first, but I will not be the last."



Ruthzee Louijuene spoke to supporters at her victory party at dbar on Dot Ave. on Tuesday night. Seth Daniel photo

Worrell scores decisive win in run-off for District 4 seat

By Seth Daniel REPORTER CORRESPONDENT

Brian Worrell won 62 percent of the vote on Tuesday to claim the District 4 city council seat that will be vacated by Andrea Campbell in January. The 38-yearold first-time candidate defeated former state Rep. Evandro Carvalho by winning all but two of the 32 precincts that make up the Dorchester-Mattapan distrtict

Watching the results from his family home on Hewins Street a few blocks from Franklin Park, Worrell was surrounded by his staunchest supporters, who quickly erupted into celebration once the precincts started coming in.

Early on Wednesday morning, Worrell said the work starts immediately.

"I am so honored to have earned the support and trust of so many residents in our neighborhoods," he said. "I look forward to working together, in partnership, with the community to give every District 4



Councillor Andrea Campbell (left) and Brian Worrell (right) with a campaign volunteer canvassing District 4 on Election Day. Worrell campaign photo

resident a voice at City Hall and to help uplift our community together. There's no time to waste."

Unofficial results put first-time candidate Worrell up 7,442 votes to

like the Codman Square Library showed strong wins with Worrell taking Carvalho's 4,597. Places all three precincts decid-

polling places in the Joseph Lee School and the Codman Tech Center. Worrell won the pre-

edly, as well as wins at

liminary election by more than 600 votes, equal to 25 percent of the vote in a nine-person race. His campaign got a big late lift with the endorsement of Campbell, the sitting District 4 councillor and former mayoral candidate.

Worrell was one of the first out of the gate to put his hat in the ring to run for District 4. He had placed some of the first lawn signs in the fall of 2020 and was one of the

first candidates to begin attending the Zoom civic meetings.

"It felt like it started so long ago, but everything happened so quickly," he said. "We were focused and we wanted to get out early on knock on the doors and work hard to get in front of voters and people in the community. We wanted to make sure we were hearing about the issues and what they were and that we could provide assistance. We didn't want to tell our community what it needed."

Baker wins re-election in D-3; elected school panel favored District 3 City Councillor Frank Baker claimed district. about availability and being willing to get in the percent. The measure traditional structure of the council being willing to get in the percent. The measure traditional structure of the council being willing to get in the percent. The measure traditional structure of the council being willing to get in the percent. The measure traditional structure of the council being willing to get in the percent.

victory in his race against first-time candidate Stephen McBride about 90 minutes after the polls closed. Ultimately, he won by a 63-38 percent margin over his opponent. At a gathering at the Landmark Publick House in Adams Village, Baker told the Reporter that he was "feeling good" about the valida-

years. I think it's a good showing that my district came out 2-1 to support me and I'm excited for the next term."

Baker thanked his opponent, Stephen Mc-Bride, noting that "it takes a lot for anyone to put their name on the ballot." But, he added, "we work hard, myself and my team. As a distion from voters in his trict city councillor it's

middle of situations and trying to figure them out."

Boston voters considered three ballot questions on Tuesday and rendered decisive verdicts on each in unofficial results. Question 3 asked voters if they supported an elected school committee, an invitation

was non-binding, but the balloting results showed clearly where voters stand on the issue.

On Question 1, they approved an amendment to the city charter to give city councillors the ability to amend the mayor's budget, effectively propose their own budget, and even overrule the mayor with a superthey took readily to say majority vote, a serious change for the city's traditional strong-mayor

Question 2 produced a landslide vote against Eversource's plans to build an electric substation in East Boston along the Chelsea Creek near a park and residential neighborhood. More than 83 percent of voters said they opposed the plan.

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Murphy edges out Halbert for fourth and final at-large slot

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"I want to congratulate all of the candidates," she said. I feel we ran a strong, positive campaign. We worked really hard and it paid off. We knew it would be close for fourth, but we were able to pull out the vote across the city and not just in pockets that were in my base."

When reached on Tuesday morning, Halbert said his campaign was still reviewing the possibility of a recount challenge.

'We've been told there are still a few thousand ballots outstanding and we are waiting to see what those results are," Halbert said. The outstanding ballots are believed include mailin ballots, according to Halbert.

The at-large field of

Boston ironworker, a Mattapan attorney, and a former schoolteacher from Dorchester, among others. The September preliminary had winnowed a field of 17 candidates to 8 for the final election.

Finishing sixth was Carla Monteiro, at 11.1 percent, followed by Bridget Nee-Walsh at 7.69 percent and perennial candidate Althea Garrison at 6.97 percent.

Polls early in October rightly indicated that the two candidates would cruise to reelection, with Louijeune, a Haitian-American attorney, finishing third.

With new colleagues at both the district and at-large level, Flaherty will play the role of the veteran member when the new council gets



Rep. Daniel Hunt, his wife Rachel and son Matthew were pictured with atlarge council candidate Erin Murphy outside of the Adams Street library on Tuesday morning. Photo courtesy Murphy campaign

sworn in in January. The South Boston resident gave up his Council seat to unsuccessfully run for mayor in 2009, then returned to the council

in 2013.

Mejia, a Dorchester resident and former MTV producer, was also up for reelection. She won her seat by a single vote in 2019.

For Murphy, a former schoolteacher, the 2021 campaign was her second citywide attempt after she fell short in

Speaking to the Reporter before the polls ciosed on Tuesday, Monteiro, a social worker raised in Dorchester and the daughter of Cape Verdean immigrants, credited the property service workers union known as SEIU 32BJ with providing key ground support for her campaign. Her mother joined the union in 2013 when she was hired by Boston Medical Center, and Monteiro remembers the moment as a "huge turning point" for her financially struggling family.

The union's endorsement helped others see her as a viable candidate, according to Monteiro. "If it wasn't for them, I don't know if I would've gained the momentum.'

Michelle Wu wins 28-point victory to claim mayor's seat

(Continued from page 1) numbers to be competitive against her.

Essaibi George won the bellwether polling station at Savin Hill's 13-10, but only by a margin of about 20 votes, 484-424 in an early tally.

Essaibi George did win Florian Hall's 16-12 precinct, 703 to 136 - the kind of lopsided margin that she needed more of as the evening wore on. But at Lower Mills Library, she suffered a major setback: Wu won that double precinct, 714 to 482, and also the Codman Square Library's triple precinct by 728 to 305. Wu also won Ward 20 in high-turnout West Roxbury.

Wu will take the oath of office as the first woman and first person of color to be elected to a full term as mayor in Boston's history, which extends back to 1630.

The 36-year-old Roslindale resident, who grew up in Chicago, topped the Sept. 14 preliminary for mayor and quickly thereafter laid the groundwork for her general election bid with a bevy of endorsements from healthcare and service worker unions and elected officials from Capitol Hill, inside City Hall, and at the State House on Beacon Hill.

The oldest daughter of Taiwanese immigrants, Wu grew up speaking Mandarin and English, and often took on the role of translator for the family. Her father learned English from chemistry books, while her mother captured the language while watching "Oprah," Wu told supporters in 2013, when she first launched her Council run, months after helping elect Elizabeth Warren, her Harvard professor, to the US Senate. She went on to top the at-large ticket twice, in 2017 and 2019.

In the 2021 campaign,
Wu pushed the idea of a
fare-free MBTA — which
has come to partial fruition through a pilot
involving the Route 28
bus to Mattapan Square
— and slowing steep
increases in the city's
apartment rental rates.

Essaibi George and her allies panned the ideas, saying those proposals are outside the mayor's control, with City Hall needing to focus on services such as fixing sidewalks and fixing potholes.

Wu rejected their argument, saying city residents can handle both fixing problems with the sewer system as well as fighting climate change.

"We are ready for every Bostonian to know that we don't have to choose between generational change and keeping the streetlights on," Wu said Tuesday before a buoyant crowd inside



Michelle Wu casts her ballot with her family at the Phineas Bates Elementary School in Roslindale. Robin Lubbock/WBUR photo



Councillor Annissa Essaibi George, flanked by her mother, left, and Mrs. Mary Walsh outside of the Kit Clark Apartments on Dorchester Avenue on Tuesday afternoon. *Chris Lovett photo*

the South End's Cyclorama. "Between tackling big problems with bold solutions and filling our potholes. To make change at scale and at street level. We need, we deserve both. All of this is possible."

Essaibi George and her supporters were a short walk away at the Fairmont Copley Plaza in Back Bay. "Don't ever forget that I'm from Boston," said Essaibi George, who was born and raised in Dorchester.

Essaibi George, a 47-year-old Arab American, grew up on the same street as former Mayor Marty Walsh. Her father was Tunisian, her mother is Polish. She, too, would have been the first woman and person of color elected mayor, had she won.

Essaibi George congratulated Wu and noted that they are both mothers with children in the Boston Public Schools system. "I know this is no small feat," Essaibi George said. "I want her to show the city how mothers get it done."

Essaibi George added jokingly, in a nod to her Boston accent: "And I'm



Candidate David Halbert greeted voters alongside Councillor Andrea Campbell on Tuesday morning at Lower Mills Library. *Bill Forry photo*

going to teach her how to say (mothah) the right way."

Earlier that day, Essaibi George joined her mother Barbara and Walsh's mother Mary, when they went to vote at the Catherine "Kit" Clark Apartments in the Columbia-Savin Hill Neighborhood. Essaibi George and her mother hugged as Mrs. Walsh looked on. "Almost over, kid," Barbara Essaibi George said. "Couple of

we'll start something new," her daughter responded.

Results would later

Results would later show Wu won a double-precinct at the apartment complex, too, 514 to 418.

Essaibi George told the Reporter that Secretary Walsh sent her a message on Monday, wishing her luck. Walsh did not formally endorse a candidate in the race, citing a rule prohibiting federal

more hours, and then officials from engaging in we'll start something politics.

As in 2013, the last wide-open race for mayor, outside groups poured millions of dollars into the election. Wu and Essaibi George each had TV air support from super PACs, as they're known, with Wu's group funded primarily by environmental advocacy groups and attorneys, and the super PACs backing Essaibi George pulling in funding from

developers and a Hyde Park businessman who runs an auto repair shop. New Balance chairman Jim Davis, a top GOP donor, personally spent more than \$1 million on "Real Progress Boston," the Essaibi George super PAC helmed by William Gross, the former police commissioner.

Now the mayor-elect, Wu will have little time to catch her breath: Under the city charter provisions in effect under an acting mayor, the mayor-elect will take office on Nov. 16, accepting the reins from a Black woman, Acting Mayor Kim Janey, the City Council president who has held that seat since Walsh departed to become President Biden's Secretary of Labor in late March.

The Wu administration will begin as the region shifts to wintertime amid an ongoing pandemic. The new mayor will also face setting up a national search to choose a new police commissioner and righting a struggling public school system.

"I've now had a decade in City Hall: Working for Mayor Menino first, and eight years on the City Council," Wu told reporters on Monday. "So the structure of City Hall, the departments, the issues are not new. And we'll be able to hit the ground running from Day One to make sure that we are prepared for what will happen and be able to respond to the immediate needs of the city."

Wu has also pledged to abolish the Boston Redevelopment Authority, which under the Walsh administration saw an overhaul and a rebrand as the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA).

"We need serious re $forms \, to \, our \, development$ approvals process," she said. "This is one of the drivers of almost every inequity we see across the city. So continuing to make sure we are moving toward a clear, predictable, sustainable, and fair development process is a high priority. And that will be reflected in the cabinet decisions that we'll be making and the staffing we'll roll out right away."

Wu's personal daily life is also about to change. She is a mother to two young children in the Boston Public Schools, eschews an entourage, and is known for regularly taking the MBTA. The mayor's office comes with a Boston police security detail and an SUV.

Grace Mayer contributed to this report. Katie Pedersen also contributed to the Reporter's election night coverage.

Irish dance guru Jordan's film shows how lovers of the art honor the legacy of Dan Furey, fiddler and dance master

BC's Gaelic Roots program to host screening, talk about Dot resident's work on Nov. 18



Michael Tubridy led a workshop on the Dan Furey dances during a 2011 visit to Boston. (Screen capture from the film.)

By SEAN SMITH SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

This month, Irish dance performer, teacher, choreographer, and Dorchester resident Kieran Jordan will present the in-person premiere of her recent project: a documentary about a stalwart group of individuals that has shared a love for Irish dance across time and distance and in spite of the Covid-19 pandemic.

On Nov. 18, the Boston College Gaelic Roots series will host Jordan, a Lower Mills resident, for a screening and discussion of "The Dan Furey Group and a Circle of Squares," at 6:30 p.m. in the Theology and Ministry Library Auditorium on BC's Brighton Campus.

Produced, directed,

and narrated by Jordan, the film honors the legacy of Dan Furey, a County Clare fiddler celebrated for his knowledge and teaching of Irish set dancing and old-style step dancing. After Furey's death in 1993, a group of his dance students resolved to keep his memory alive by gathering regularly to share and reminisce about what he had taught them, and passing it along to others. Over time, their numbers grew and expanded well beyond Ireland to the United $\begin{array}{ll} States-including\ Boston\ -\ Canada,\ many \end{array}$ parts of Europe, and even Japan and Taiwan.

The documentary comprises excerpts from the Zoom session as well as various photos, videos,

and film clips, including one of Furey-then about 80-dancing. In addition to providing narration, Jordan interviews some of Furey's friends and others who were inspired by him-among them Michael Tubridy (a founding member of Ireland's world-renowned band The Chieftains), who, along with his late wife Céline, became a key figure in preserving the dances championed by Furey, as did Furey's close friend and neighbor, James Keane, who died in 2000 but led the group for several years after Furey's death. "The Dan Furey Group and a Circle of Squares" had its official debut earlier this year in virtual format through the Leitrim Dance Festival, which commissioned Jordan to put the film together.

The "Circle of Squares" refers to a vital, if improbable, means by which the Dan Furey Group has kept its link intact during the pandemic. When the pandemic shut down international travel and most in-person gatherings in 2020, more than 70 dancers turned to the Zoom platform one day in June to communicate, and to keep dancing. Instead of dancing to pre-recorded music, the Furey Group dancers were accompanied in real time by accordionist Dan Accardi, a Boston-based musician.

'When we're together in one place, we form a circle to go through the specific steps Dan Furey taught," explains Jordan, who organized and hosted the meeting. "Since we couldn't do that, we connected over the Internet, and tried to recreate the group experience as best as possible; instead of a physical circle, we were a 'circle' of Zoom squares. It wasn't easy: Some people weren't experienced in using Zoom at all, let alone for dancing. But we managed to make it work enough so we could keep the tradition alive and enjoy ourselves."

For Jordan - who will demonstrate and teach some of the dance steps at the Nov. 18 event, with Accardi providing music – the endurance of the Dan Furey Group illustrates not only the worldwide attention traditional Irish dance has garnered over the last three decades, but also how strong a bond it has proved to be, especially at a time when so many

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from their communities and the things that bring joy to life.

"It's a personal, compelling story about Irish step dancing - not as a performance art or competition, but rather as a social activity that has united dancers internationally, even during the pandemic," says Jordan. "I think there is something comforting in the idea that, for all the changes in the Irish dance world, and in the world itself, you have a group of several dozen people from different generations and backgrounds that has found joy in a very traditional style of dance.

For many, the words "Irish dance" summons up images of high-octane, athletic displays of stepping punctuated by grand leaps and leg kicks. But Furey taught an older, "low to the ground" style of dance, subtle by contrast but certainly intricate and invigorating. There is a tighter connection between dancer and musician, with a focus on rhythmic footwork that aligns with the music; dances can be done solo, with a partner, or in a group. Although the "sean-nos" old style typically features improvisation, the dances associated with Furey have specific choreo-

graphed steps. Furey began teaching dance at the Willie Clancy Summer School, or "Willie Week" – a hugely popular annual event in Miltown Malbay, Co. Clare – in the late 1980s, and attracted an initially small but loyal following, who became known as "the Dan felt isolated and cut off Furey Dance Group.'

for all the changes in the Irish dance world, and in the world itself, you have a group of several dozen people from different generations and backgrounds that has found joy in a very traditional style of dance." Michael and Céline Tubridy were among those intrigued by the dances, and sought him out for private lessons, as Michael recounts in

Kieran Jordan: "I think there is something comforting in the idea that,

the film (he recalls how at first he was content to let Céline work alone with Furey, until Furey urged him to participate: "You're going to be bored out of your mind watching us. Why don't you get up and try it as well?"). The Tubridys went on to continue the Dan Furey dance legacy at Willie Week after James Keane's death, and when Jordan invited Michael to give a special performance/teaching workshop at her studio in 2011, there was an enthusiastic response; the Dan Furey Group now had a Boston/Massachusetts/New England chapter.

As it expanded, Dan Furey Group members often got together outside of Willie Week, sometimes to travel to festivals or other events, or simply to enjoy one another's company and the shared repertoire of Furey dances.

"One of the fascinating aspects about the old-style dances such as those taught by Dan Furey is that they have not changed or been influenced by modern trends," says Jordan. "These particular dances are just as Dan did them. Some of them are unique, with quirky little steps or different tune types than what modern dancers use.

"But that's also the beauty of the dances. When we get together, we're not bringing in individual variations, but sharing solo steps as part of a group. It's really a special language that we share."

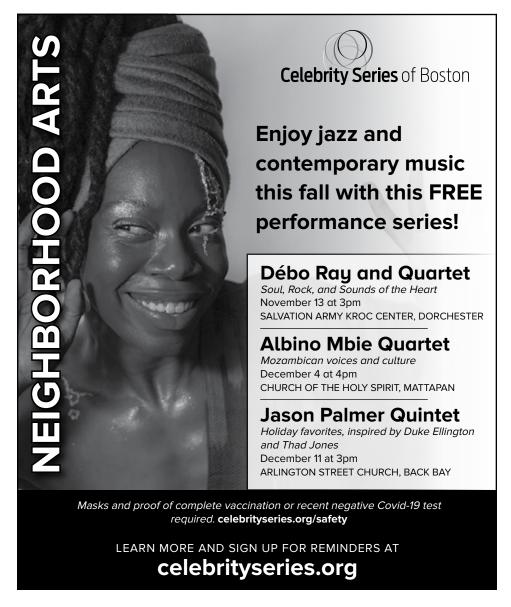
of the dances aren't especially difficult, and don't require prior experience in or knowledge of Irish dance to learn.

"I hope those who come to BC for the screening will give the dances a try. You may not 'get it' at first, but the thing is, there is a whole group of people literally around the world who are happy to help you find your way.'

Information on the November 18 event, including directions to the Boston College Brighton Campus, is available at events.bc.edu/group/ gaelic_roots_series.

For more about Kieran Jordan, go to kieranjordan.com.





Reporter's People

News about people in and around our Neighborhoods

'Achieve' offers free school prep, summer classes for BPS students at Noble and Greenough School

By Katie Pedersen Reporter Correspondent

The Achieve Program has just launched the application process for its 2022 summer academic program in which Boston Public School students spend summers at the Noble and Greenough School in Dedham engaging in an academic curriculum.

They begin the program in the summer of their 6th grade year and continue participating in it through the college application process in their senior year of high school. During the school year, Achieve students spend two Saturdays a month participating in the program.

Reginald Toussaint, Achieve's executive director, said the longevity of the program is what separates us from a lot of the others. Some places," he said, "start



Participants in the Achieve Program, which offers Boston Public School students the free opportunity to spend summers at the Noble and Greenough School in Dedham engaging in an academic curriculum.

Photo courtesy Noble and Greenough

and do a heavy focus on giving a lot of academic support for a short period of years, and then they transition to somewhere else, or they give a very specific kind of support—let's say, test prep or high school placement, or college placement. We'll make a commitment to each kid that comes into our program that we'll follow you and we'll work with you for seven years.

"The summer of 6th,

7th, and 8th grade they get to come to the Noble and Greenough campus and participate in an academic program. There's also an enrichment part to it. It's not like the kids are in classes all day, because we know that giving more school doesn't mean that someone is developing into a well-rounded person."

The program continues to assist students through their high school

careers as well, Toussaint said.

"When they're in 11th grade, we help them get ready for the SAT, and when they're in 12th grade, we help them with the college application process," he added.

Some of the engagement activities are structured, including dance classes and courses on "do-it-yourself" strategies. Others are unstructured, including time in the pool and at the basketball court.

"It's a beautiful campus, and it opens its doors to the Achieve students in the summer," said Toussaint, who noted that the program is entirely free for families. "Once a student gets into Achieve, families will never have to pay a dime."

The program covers the full cost of transportation, meals, and school supplies for all enrolled students. It is open to any Boston Public School student who lives in Boston and can demonstrate financial need.

"We're not looking for the straight-A student," said Toussaint. "We're not necessarily looking for the family that's interested in going to a private school, and we'll just help them get into a better private school. We want the kid who wants to do more school and the families who will be responsive."

The application for the program consists of essays on academic motivation, teacher referrals, and student transcripts. The second round consists of interviews. In addition to offering academic preparation, Toussaint said, the program is designed to be fun.

"Joy is part of our mission statement," he said.
"It's important to us that our scholars have fun—that they want to come to Achieve. So far in my experience, that's true."

The organization hopes to finalize its incoming cohort by March of next year. An open house will be held on Thurs., Nov. 11 from 6-7 p.m. at Noble and Greenough, 10 Campus Drive, Dedham. Go to theachieveprogram.org for more info.

Rev. Kierce, Uphams Corner, St. Kevin's legend, to be cited with a memorial bench This Saturday at 11 at Uphams Crossing

By Katie Pedersen Reporter Correspondent

For seven years, former Dorchester resident Christine Inman has sought to honor the memory of the late Rev. J. Joseph Kierce, a priest and pastor for fifty years at the onetime St. Kevin's Church in Uphams Corner. Now, her efforts have finally paid off. This Saturday (Nov.6) at 11 a.m., Inman and fifty invited guests will gather at visit Uphams Crossing, the former site of St. Kevin's, to dedicate an interior plaque memorializing the history of the parish and an exterior bench dedicated to the memory of Father Kierce.

Inman said she began her quest after she learned that St. Kevin's Church and School would be demolished and replaced with affordable housing. As the Boston Archdiocese's Planning Office for Urban Affairs (POUA) developed plans for the site, Inman started a petition to name the apartments in a way that reflected the history of St. Kevin's Church.

She felt blindsided by POUA's decision. "They had a secret meeting that

none of us were involved in and came out after a couple of months and said, 'We're going to call it Uphams Crossing," she said. "We wanted it to be called the Kierce Apartments or the Kierce residences. They finally agreed to honor both what St. Kevin's was in its heyday and Father Kierce's work there for 50 years. They agreed to do this timeline inside the community center," a task that required a tremendous investment

of time on Inman's part.
"I ended up doing all
the research and putting

the timeline together for them," Inman said, with collaborative help the archdiocese headquarters, the Halifax Sisters of Charity, and many current and former Dorchester residents.

Dorchester residents.
Her efforts and those of other members of her Facebook group have not gone unnoticed. Robert Gillis and Diane Welby, two former Dorchester residents and students at St. Kevin's, remember Father Kierce fondly.

"He was larger than life," Gillis said. "He stands out because he was just extraordinary.



Rev. J. Joseph Kierce

He had the nickname "Jumping Joe" because he was always moving. He walked everywhere and he visited all the neighbors. He saw the whole world as his ministry. What I remember most about him were his Masses. He had so much energy and passion and love for being a priest, and he just wanted to share that. You would see him walking around Uphams Corner smiling, always happy, always wanting to talk to people.

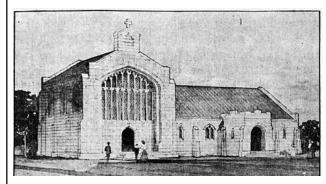
He had an enthusiasm and a love that's rare."

One memory in particular stood out to Gillis. "When there might be an instance of violence in Dorchester, Father Kierce would not only visit the victim, he would also visit the family of the person who committed the violence, because he understand that they were hurting, too."

Afterraising the \$6,000 to pay for a stone bench through a Facebook Go-FundMe campaign, Inmanplanned Saturday's dedication ceremony involving several short speeches, the unveiling of the timeline and bench, and 50 invited guests, including members of the Kierce family. In her words, "It has been a lot of work."

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Dorchester Historical Society
Mission of the Epiphany, Norfolk Street



Built as Mission of the Epiphany in Dorchester, the property at 234 Norfolk Street is now known as the Mt. Olive Worship Center. In 1906, the Mission acquired the lot to build a church and, in 1918, acquired at least part of the property owned by the heirs of Hezekiah G. Ufford. The image at the top of to-

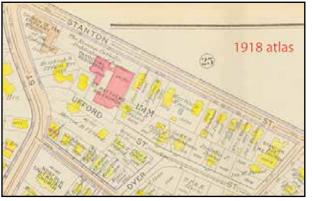
day's illustration shows the proposed elevation that appeared in *The Boston Globe*, on June 5, 1908. The bottom image is a snip from Google Street View showing the building today.

In that year, Stanton Street already had a church at its other end, the Stanton Avenue [sic] Methodist Church,



and less than a block west from the new Mission of the Epiphany, the Norfolk Unitarian Church stood at the corner of Norfolk and Capen streets. By 1910, a parochial residence was located on the second property on Stanton Street, although the

new St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church was not yet in place. In 1968, the Mission of the Epiphany conveyed the property to the Non-Denominational Temple of Christ. The property was known at the Mount Olive Temple at least as early as 1975.



In 1995, the property was acquired by the Mount Olive Non-Denominational Temple. The archive of these historical posts can be viewed on the blog at dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org.

Reminder: A house

history from the Dorchester Historical Society would make a great gift to a homeowner in Dorchester or Mattapan. Take a look at some of the completed histories on the Dorchester Historical Society website Page 8 THE REPORTER November 4, 2021 dotnews.com

Editorial

Michelle Wu's mandate

On Tuesday, just under one-third of our fellow Bostonians who are registered to vote turned out to choose a new mayor. Most of that number— 64 percent— picked Michelle Wu. She deserves our congratulations and the good will of everyone, including those who supported her worthy opponent, Annissa Essaibi George.

Mayor-elect Wu has her work cut out for her. Typically, newly elected mayors have about two months to mount an orderly transition, assemble a cabinet, and take a breather from a year-long campaign. Wu has less than two weeks. Our city's charter calls for an acting mayor to be replaced swiftly by a duly elected one. She will take the reins on Tues., Nov. 16.

Acting mayor Kim Janey will go back to being City Council president through Jan. 1, when her District 7 replacement— Tania Fernandes Anderson— is sworn-in, along with three other new members of the council: Brian Worrell, who will succeed Andrea Campbell as the District 4 councillor; Kendra Hicks in District 6, replacing Matt O'Malley; and two new at-large delegates: Ruthzee Louijeune and Erin Murphy.



What do we make of Michelle Wu's rise to the city's highest office? First off: She ran a masterful campaign, particularly in the six weeks since she topped the ticket with a 12,000-vote lead over the runner-up Essaibi George on Sept. 14. It was advantage Wu

from that moment on. A drumbeat of high-profile endorsements followed in relentless fashion: Janey, US Rep. Ayanna Pressley, US Sen. Ed Markey and a succession of union and community groups joined her team. There's no question that these validators — particularly in Black and Brown Boston—were critical in Tuesday's outcome. Wu was dominant in the Blue Hill corridor from Mattapan Square to Nubian Square. But she also ran strong in Essaibi George's natural base in coastal Dorchester. Wu was the victor in Columbia-Savin Hill's Ward 13 double precinct at the Kit Clark Apartments. At the bellwether 13-10 precinct on Savin Hill Avenue, Essaibi George topped the ticket, but only by 20 votes.

That result, one of the first posted after polls closed, was an indicator that it would be a good night for the "Wu train."

Bemoan the lackluster turnout all you'd like, but make no mistake: Wu's 28-point margin of victory amounts to a clear mandate for her nascent administration. The choice, after all, was quite clear: Wu presented a forward-looking, aspirational vision for a Boston that might not, in fact, materialize on her watch. But, voters in what is now unquestionably a progressive bastion are no longer satisfied with a methodical, moderate pace of change. That's clear from the down ballot races and ballot questions, including an advisory measure to return to an elected school committee, which passed by a whopping 79-21 margin

Mayor-elect Wu has proven that she can assemble a multicultural coalition of voters that reflects the true complexities and breadth of the city's neighborhoods. Her campaign— from start to finish— was brilliantly conceived and executed in near-flawless fashion

Now, what will Mayor-elect Wu do with this remarkable mandate now that it's time to govern? The coming weeks will be a test of her capacity to manage the expectations of her adherents and her former foes alike. If past is prologue, it says here that the woman we just chose to map out our next decade is more than up to the task. -Bill Forry

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Commentary

Why are we allocating millions to horse racing as our T stations decay?

By BILL WALCZAK REPORTER COLUMNIST

Politics is about choices. I remember my mother telling me to tell whoever was calling on our phone that she wasn't home, saying later that it wasn't a lie because she wasn't home for that person. When government officials tell us that they don't have money for maintenance of the MBTA, or funding K-1 or K-0 classes, or universal daycare, or all the other things that we're told we cannot have, they're not telling us there isn't money; they're telling us there isn't any money for those things that matter to us.

In my nearly 50 years living in our city and state, I have lamented that maintenance of infrastructure is not one of our Commonwealth's strong suits. I've seen parks, roads, bridges, and the MBTA re-built only to have to wait until they have decayed and need major renovation before they are fixed again. Next time you're on the T, take a look at JFK/UMass station with its spalling bricks, rusted beams, and chipping paint. A couple of months ago, a man fell to his death by falling through a rusted-out stairway that connected to that station.

It's not just JFK/UMass station. Our trains are derailing, our escalators are malfunctioning, and, despite the fact that Savin Hill, Fields Corner, Shawmut, and Ashmont stations were re-built just 10-to-15 years ago, these stations are decaying structurally and need work urgently. The state clearly does not allocate enough money to keep our stations and trains safe and well maintained.

Where are we going to get the money? How about horses? Welcome to the Race Horse Development Fund.

When the state's gambling bill passed in 2011, during the Great Recession, the goal of the legislation was to direct money into cities and towns. And horses. Horse racing is a major beneficiary of the gambling legislation. Why?

Speakers of the Massachusetts House of Representatives have typically been very powerful. Horse racing became a beneficiary of the gambling legislation because then Speaker Bob DeLeo wanted to protect the 674 jobs at horse racing tracks such as Suffolk Downs, located in DeLeo's district, and, as it happened, where his father worked for fifty years.

The legislation requires a portion of the revenue generated from gambling at the two casinos and the slots parlor to be allocated to the Race Horse Development Fund, which, in turn, distributes it to "thoroughbred and standardbred racing facilities to support the thoroughbred and standardbred horse racing industries."

The result has been a windfall of cash for horse racing. Since money started accumulating from gambling in the permitted casinos and slots parlor in 2015, \$103,510,332.14 has been allocated to the Fund, of which \$82,879,436.44 has been provided to support horse racing, divided up as follows: \$66,303,549, or about 80 percent, for purses, i.e., prize money, \$13,260,710, or 16 percent, to "breeder organizations," which is also mainly for purses, and \$3,315,177, or about 4 percent, to health and pension benefits for "horsemen."

It was on July 30, 2019, that the very last horse galloped across the finish line at the Suffolk Downs thoroughbred horse racing track, marking the end of its 84 years in operation. The money that was slated for Suffolk Downs since it shut down – \$20,630,895.70 – remains unspent in the fund because there are no other *thoroughbred* horse racing tracks in Massachusetts. In fact, there is only one horseracing track left in Massachusetts, at the Plainridge Park slots parlor, and it is a *standardbred* facility.

The Legislature needs to decide if horse breeders and prizes for the dying sport of horse racing are more important than safe public transit, or early childhood education, or daycare. Eliminating the Race Horse Development Fund and reallocating these dollars to more pressing needs in public transit, or early education, or community college internships would give a permanent funding source to these needed services and programs. Just the \$20 million that is in an account designated in part for thoroughbred racing, which Massachusetts does not have, would go a long way in fixing the MBTA's crumbling stations.

If you'd rather they redirect these dollars to more pressing priorities, tell your representatives and senators.

Bill Walczak is a Dorchester resident and founding president and former CEO of the Codman Square Health Center. Diana Paulsen of the Wellesley College Hive Program provided substantial research and assistance for this column.

Reparations in city should focus on examining education of Black students

The Boston City Council's Committee on Civil Rights heard testimony on Tues., Oct. 28 regarding reparations for slavery in the city of Boston. Following are excerpts from testimony by Tammy Tai, deputy director of King Boston, a non-profit that works closely with the city and the Boston Foundation to create a living memorial and programs honoring the legacy of the family of Martin Luther King, Jr.

"The call for reparations has strengthened over the last year as our country reckons with the legacy of slavery laid bare over these past 18 months. King Boston believes that a deep examination of the education of Boston's Black students is a critical step in this movement.

"The National Coalition of Blacks for Reparations in America (N'COBRA) identifies education as one of five key injury areas suffered by African people before and after enslavement. The denial of the right to training began in bondage with criminal punishment upon any individual who learned or who helped that individual to study. "Government-sanctioned support for double, separate, and inconsistent education from post-slavery to the present resulted in sub-par training.

"In Boston, a legacy of city-sanctioned policies and practices continues to disproportionately harm Black students today, producing and maintaining an apartheid educational system for the city's Black students. In 2019, only 25 percent of 3rd-8th grade Black students were reading at grade level, compared to 62 percent of white students. Similarly, only 21 percent of Black students met or exceeded expectations on the Math MCAS in contrast to 62 percent of white students.

"These large performance gaps have devastating consequences: Students who are not proficient readers by 3rd grade are four times less likely to graduate from high school. In 2020, there was a 9.3 percent 4-year high school graduation gap between white and Black Boston Public School students. This gap has profound consequences for the life outcomes and well-being of Black students. Those

who do not graduate earn \$1 million less than high school graduates, and they earn \$4 million less than if they had gone on to earn a college degree.

"Over the last few decades, a series of court decisions and misguided government policies have led to increased re-segregation of Boston's students of color into high-poverty, low-performing schools. As recently as 2019, 77 percent of Black students and two thirds of all students of color attended "intensely segregated," high-poverty schools in Boston. These same schools received \$1,000 less funding per student when compared to schools with low concentrations of students of color.

"Our poor track record around the education of our Black children is deeply disturbing. There is more research than ever documenting both the negative impacts of segregated school settings and the positive impacts of integrated learning environments on Black children's educational opportunities, achievement levels, postsecondary success, and life outcomes.

"We know that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., would stand with us in our fight to correct centuries of harm that has flowed from the legacy of slavery and Jim Crow segregation in our nation and Commonwealth. In a 1967 interview Dr King said, "I believe we ought to do all we can and seek to lift ourselves by our own bootstrap. . .But it's a cruel jest to say to a bootless man that he ought to lift himself by his own bootstraps, and many Negroes by the thousands and millions have been left bootless as a result of all these years of oppression ..."

"We encourage the Boston City Council to establish a local commission for further study of the ongoing impacts of slavery and Jim Crow segregation here in Boston towards the design of a local reparations program. With many partners, King Boston is working on a comprehensive harm report that provides deeper analysis around a number of all the topics related to reparations, including education. We look forward to sharing the report to help inform during this essential examination."

Lack of HVAC systems in the Boston schools a heated issue

(Continued from page 1) dismiss their students early.

Fox isn't the only Boston public school parent who has taken note of the extreme temperatures a child has endured while at school.

Mike Ritter, 41, began circulating a petition this past month calling on Boston schools officials to add heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems (HVAC) to their facilities. The petition is part of a broader push to get Boston officials to commit to using some of the \$400 million that Boston is set to receive in federal aid through the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) fund for HVAC improvements.

Ritter started the petition on Sept. 21, but parents and teachers had been calling on Boston Public Schools to make overhauls before last June's heat wave, before the Covid-19 pandemic shed light on the lack of ventilation in classrooms, and before a 2016 report found that 90 out of 125 Boston public school buildings lacked HVAC systems.

"The pandemic threw the state of BPS buildings into the spotlight," Ritter said, "and they are so lacking. They're dangerous."

More than 700 people have signed Ritter's petition so far. He said he's hoping to collect at least 4,000 names — the number of students enrolled in BPS. In addition to the petition, Ritter, a freelance photographer, is also taking photos of BPS families in front of their children's schools to promote his campaign.

"We're staring this thing in the eyes, and it's obvious what needs to happen, and it's obvious that it needs to happen as quickly as possible," Ritter said about implementing HVAC improvements.

Before he drafted the petition, he presented on the HVAC topic to the BPS Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief commission board in June.

A spokesperson for BPS did not respond to multiple requests for comment on Ritter's petition initiative.

Ritter said he has hope that regardless of who wins the mayoral election between Michelle Wu and Annissa Esaibia George, the new mayor will make progress on the HVAC issue in the city's schools. "Why can't we make these big investments up front and then reap the benefits in student health, productivity, and environmental carbon cutting?" Ritter asked.

Ventilation has only recently been addressed



Above, Jovani Fox checks daughter Ava Fletcher's mask outside Henderson Upper. Below, Jessica Frazier with daughter Isabella Martinez.

Mike Ritter/Ritterbin.com photos



in the public schools, as a response to the pandemic. To provide better air circulation in school buildings, school officials planned to repair or replace 7,000 windows this past year, and add air purifiers in some classrooms.

But the ventilation changes haven't turned down the heat in class-rooms. Last month, Ritter noticed that his two daughters, who are 7 and 4, came home from Lee Academy with flushed faces and low energy.

"Adults can't function well in that environment; kids can't function; there's no learning happening in that environment," he said. Pamela Rose, who has

taught eighth grade at Boston Latin Academy for some seven years, said the classrooms have reached temperatures of 86 degrees on multiple occasions. In her own classroom, Rose said, her students can't focus on the material she is teaching. "Looking at my students, their heads are down, they're sweating. they're lethargic," she added. "They're not in a place where learning is taking place."

Rose, who is 38, said Boston Latin Academy teachers have been putting thermometers in their classrooms, and recording these temperatures at least since she started teaching there.

Before Boston Latin

Academy, she taught at Snowden International School and Brighton High School. Conditions were the same there, she said.

"This is something that's been ongoing for years," Rose said, "and now with climate change, we're gonna start to see more of these unpredictable temperatures."

Tracking classroom temperatures has even trickled onto Twitter, the social networking site. Earlier this year, Excel High School teacher Molly Mus posted a picture that showed a temperature chart logging her classroom's temperatures—the highest reaching 90 degrees during April.

On March 3, Rebecca Mulligan, another Boston teacher, posted three photos, one of which showed that the temperature inside a classroom was only 45 degrees.

Despite continual concerns from teachers, electric fans didn't come to Boston Latin Academy classrooms until the pandemic, as school officials sought to get a handle on an airborne virus. Before that, according to Rose, she and other teachers had taken money out of their own pockets to pay for fans in their classrooms.

Now, as winter approaches and the temperatures start to drop,

Rose is not only concerned about her students, but also about her 4- and 5-year-old daughters, who are enrolled at the Sarah Greenwood School.

While they attended school virtually in the winter last year, inside the classroom the windows were left open to provide ventilation. Rose saw from the Zoom screen that her daughter's kindergarten teacher and the students there were bundled up with jackets, gloves, and hats.

Rose said the school plans to keep the windows open again this winter. But, she added, she's prepared to pull her daughters out of school if the temperatures get too cold this winter. Because her oldest daughter has asthma, Rose said she's worried that extreme weather inside the classrooms could lead to an attack.

"The rhetoric we get from Boston Public Schools is that they're working on it, but they haven't been," she said. "Then when you become a parent, it becomes even more pressing because now it's your own child who's in that classroom."

Erik Berg, vice president of the Boston Teachers Union, said members have pushed for decades for the installation of heating and cooling systems.

When the pandemic began, Berg said, the BTU fought even harder for air purifiers and operable windows in their classrooms. BPS made some changes last year, but even with these updates, Berg said, the union wants new school buildings to be built as soon as possible, complete with HVAC systems.

"We need more new buildings faster," Berg said. "Our students deserve it so other communities don't need to send their kids to such antiquated buildings."

Fox's daughter Ava graduated from Lee Academy earlier this year, and started fourth grade at the Dr. William Henderson K-12 Inclusion School in September.

While Ava was still at Lee Academy, her mother, along with other parents, raised the HVAC issue with the parent council and governing board. Although Fox said the teachers and staffat Lee were just as concerned about the heat, discussions never amounted to any action inside the school.

"Our children now are having to bear the brunt of this lack of ventilation and heating and cooling," she said.



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Restoring a Dorchester hockey tradition one weekend at a time

(Continued from page 1) player who has had three kids in the program at one time or another. "We want to build a hockey culture down here at the rink that the families and kids buy into...It's easy in January and February to stay home and go to a birthday party."

Added Stephanie, who was the first girl to play for DYH and is a Mass Hockey Hall of Famer, "The Learn to Skate is always sold out year after year. It's great because you want to see the new families come in the door and get excited about skating and hockey. It's how you build a successful program... For parents, it's a family activity. Everyone has to be into it. Once the kids sign up, and they like it, it's getting up in the cold of January and February."

The Learn to Skate is a very popular option for beginning hockey players. No one can play hockey without first learning how to skate when they are young and making that first experience a good one is critical. Stephanie said they bring in coaches who are high school kids, college players, and adults, and who stress being positive at all times.

Peter said the three of them volunteer because



A Dorchester Youth Hockey player in training at Devine Rink in 2019. Yukun Zhang photo Seth Daniel photo Below: Shaun, Stephanie and Peter O'Sullivan.





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they want the kids to have the same kind of experience they had as youngsters – a connection with hockey that opened many doors for them in life.

"This is where the dream starts for so many kids," he said. "There are a lot of mornings, especially in January and February when it's so cold that I don't even want to come over here... But I always come over, and as soon as I breathe in the cold rink air, lace up the skates, and see the kids smiling and excited, I'm good. I'm ready to go and that's part of giving

Building back a Dot tradition

Mention the O'Sullivan family to anyone around Massachusetts associated with ice rinks, and immediately they will think two things -Dorchester and hockey.

The O'Sullivan family has 11 siblings and all were, or are, connected to hockey in some way. The family was headed by the late John and Ann O'Sullivan, who died of cancer two years apart in the 1990s when the oldest sibling, Shaun, was only 26. The O'Sullivans said they have fond memories of the times spent in their backyard

when a Dorchester hockey culture was taking shape and their family alone could provide three, hard-nosed lines of players.

Shaun and most of his siblings played for DYH at a time when the rink was outdoor and located on the current parking lot. He played at Thayer Academy and at Northeastern University, winning a Beanpot in 1984. Peter also played at DYH and then at UMass Boston. Chris was another brother who played DYH, then Catholic Memorial, and won a NCAA National Championship with Boston University. He also played in the NHL for the Calgary Flames, Vancouver Canucks, and Anaheim Mighty Ducks. Mark played for Thayer Academy and the University of Notre Dame, while David attended Thayer Academy and UMass Boston.

The neighborhood's tradition certainly starts with the O'Sullivan family as the centerpiece, but it doesn't at all end there. Shaun pointed out that their home and all the streets around it were flooded with kids playing hockey and sports.

"We used to play all day in the backyard and everyone in the neighborhood would come over," he said. "We wore down the grass and I think we contributed to my dad's decision to pave the backyard. College coaches used to love coming to Dorchester to recruit kids because every street they turned down, they would have to wait while kids moved street hockey nets so the car could pass by."

He lists names like Mark Dennehy, Kevin Concannon, the Hayes brothers, Brendan Walsh, and Ryan Driscoll – all successful hockey players from the past who started in Dorchester and went on to great things.
"You had outstanding

players for high school teams, college teams, and pro teams," said Peter. "It was all started down here with the foundations, with competition and building confidence. There were so many to look up to. Those leaders and coaches here before us gave us the beliefs they had, and we carried that with us and now we are paying it forward to the next generation."

That said, no story would be complete without mentioning Stephanie, who was the first girl to play DYH - playing with boys exclusively – and being a trailblazer for a girls' program at DYH that this year has three age groups represented for the first time – U10, U12, and U14.

"I was always at the rink when it was open,' she said. "I watched my brothers around the rink, and I wanted to get out and do that, too."

Being close in age to his sister, Peter noted

that she played on the same baseball teams and hockey teams with him, and was routinely the best on the team. Shaun mentioned she often had to hide the fact she was a girl playing in a boys' league. Playing for Matignon High School on the junior varsity boys' team, she won a scholarship to Providence College, where she is now a Hall of Famer, and then went on the play for the USA National Team. She is now a Boston Police officer, and a pioneer on that team as well.

"Sheclung to her dream and had unbelievable fire," said Shaun. "She wasn't celebrated at all. She had to cut her hair, or tuck her hair in. The jersey would say 'Stephen' and not 'Stephanie,' but everyone would know with a wink and a nod that was John and Ann O'Sullivan's daughter."

Giving back to their neighborhood

DYH now boasts more than 200 participants, with a full boys' and girls' program, and the wait-listed Learn to Skate program.

The O'Sullivans operate a skills development practice every Wednesday, and that falls in line with team practices on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday – and games typically on Saturday and Sunday.

"Hockey has given us so much more than goals and assists," said Peter. "It's given us a chance to do something together that we love. It's a great outlet and teaches you to fight through adversity. It's a microcosm of life."

Added Stephanie, "September hits and we know it's another season and we're hooked in for the next eight months, seven days a week," she said. "The puck drops Labor Day weekend and goes through April. There's no other sport like that."

What keeps them going is walking through the doors of the rink and knowing what came before them – their parents and the coaches in the 1970s and 1980s and the hockey community that helped them in their lives and their careers. "Paying it forward" is a phrase that the siblings seemingly invented and use quite often.

Shaun said that's the energy people feel when they get their first taste of hockey at the Learn to Skate program.

"We hope they will come to Learn to Skate and enjoy it every week," said Shaun. "If they do, $we \, know \, and \, hope \, they'll \,$ play and coach hockey for the next 40 years like us."

"And take over for us when we get too old," bantered back Peter, as all three laughed.

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Meetings will focus on Dorchester Bay City, Columbia Point

By BILL FORRY EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Two public meetings planned by the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) this month will train public attention on Dorchester's Columbia Point, which will be transformed in the coming years, most notably by the redevelopment of 34 acres that has been dubbed "Dorchester Bay City."

On Wed., Nov. 10, at 6 p.m., the planning agency will convene a discussion focused on "how the Columbia Point Master Plan and other City plans" will guide the BPDA's review of the Dorchester Bay City proposal. The meeting will be held virtually via Zoom.

If fully built-out as planned, Dorchester Bay City will transform the former Bayside Expo Center property and adjacent land into a new community with a mix of housing, retail, and public space. The project is a joint venture of Accordia Partners LLC and Ares Management Corporation.

"No decisions related to the proposed project will be made at this meeting," a statement from the BPDA said this week.

The Accordia-led team signed a 99-year lease with UMass Boston in



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Above, a rendering shows what the boardwalk section of Dorchester Bay City would look like under a current proposal advanced by development partners Accordia and ARES. The map shown here offers more detail on where buildings and open space would be laid out in the massive 34-acre proposal, which is now under review by the BPDA. A public meeting set for Nov. 10 will offer new updates on the planning process.

2019 and will manage the build-out of the former Bayside Expo Center land in a deal



that could net the university up to \$235 million over the coming years. Accordia and Ares also control the land at 2 Morrissey Blvd, now home to Santander Bank across the street from the Bayside site.

The most recent iteration of the proposal calls for roughly 5.9 million square feet of new, mixed-use office and retail space, along with 1,740 residential units and space for academic uses by UMass Boston. Twenty acres of the site, according to the latest plan, will include new public open space and a street network on what is now largely an empty parking lot.

On Mon., Nov. 15, the BPDA will convene a separate meeting to "discuss proposed zoning text and map amendments to allow for the creation of Planned Development Areas in the area of Columbia Point adjacent to Morrissey Boulevard," the agency said in a public notice printed in last week's Reporter.

Planned Development Areas are described as "a zoning tool for members of the public to realize planning objectives and shape the uses, character, and design of complex development proposals." The Nov. 15 meeting starts at 6 p.m. and will also be held via Zoom.



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Longtime doctor to homeless: Tent crisis worst he has seen

By Lynn Jolicoeur WBUR Reporter

The intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and Melnea Cass Boulevard in Boston — or "Mass. and Cass" as it's come to be known in the opioid epidemic — is pretty quiet despite its reputation as an openair drug market and homeless encampment. There's the normal buzz of cars and pedestrians, some walking to services at area homeless shelters and clinics.

But half a mile southeast, in Newmarket Square, the picture changes dramatically. Camping tents line the sidewalks near the public homeless shelter for men on Southampton Street. One tent has the words "Hated by Many -Loved by None" scrawled on it. Sidewalks are strewn with garbage, wet clothing, and discarded needles. People gather and roam. Many openly use drugs.

City officials in Boston said last Friday that people living in the tents will be given at least 48 hours' notice that they have to leave before their tents are cleared. Outreach workers are telling them where they can get beds in shelters or housing and drug programs — if they want them.

It's all part of an exec-



Dr. Jim O'Connell, president of Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program, discusses his thoughts on the homelessness crisis with Sue Sullivan, executive director of the Newmarket Business Association. Lynn Jolicoeur/WBUR photo

utive order Acting Mayor Kim Janey announced last week. She declared a public health crisis in the area.

'A Struggle to Stay Clean Out Here'

A woman sweeps the street outside the tent where she says she's been staying with a friend. He's inside throwing all their belongings out onto the sidewalk.

She says her name is Crystal. She won't give her last name. She's 45 years old. Outreach workers from Pine Street Inn and Boston police just came and talked with her. She told them she recently found out she's pregnant, and because of that, she wants to go to a family shelter.

"I mean, I don't need a

treatment program. So, I don't need to go there," Crystal says, adding that she's getting treatment at a methadone clinic. She says she isn't using drugs right now. "It's a struggle to stay clean out here," she adds.

Dr. Jim O'Connell has taken care of people in Crystal's situation for 36 years. As president and founding physician of Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program, he was one of the first to bring medical care to people experiencing homelessness, where they were: on the streets, or in shelters.

And still, after all he has witnessed, the scene at the massive tent encampment hits him.

"To witness just the

human misery and suffering here is kind of breathtaking and so discouraging in many ways," O'Connell says. He recalls how he "learned the streets" by riding on the Pine Street Innoutreach van, getting to know people during those long nights. Over the last four to five years, he says, there have been more people on the streets that he and his team don't know and haven't yet been able to engage. The surge in street homelessness near "Mass. and Cass" has been extremely difficult to address, he says.

"It's something I would never have imagined. I've seen it in other cities, so I know this is not unique in any way, shape, or form," O'Connell says. "But it is such a challenge to all of us working with these folks. And there are no easy solutions."

It's something he says he wouldn't have envisioned here because Boston has sheltered most of its homeless population, unlike many other big cities — 97 to 98 percent have been sheltered in recent years. When the last homeless census was done early this year — in the middle of the pandemic — there were 170 people sleeping on the streets of Boston. Now, O'Connell says, there are a few hundred in the tent encampment alone.

He cites a series of events as factors that have led to more desperation and more people living on the streets. In 2014, the city closed the shelter and drug treatment programs on Long Island, when the bridge to the island was deemed a hazard. The city then opened the men's shelter on Southampton Street. The opioid epidemic was hitting at the same time. Then, a few years later, O'Connell says, meth exploded onto the scene.

"Now it's this cocktail of different medications and drugs, including methamphetamine, and it's made behavior be much more unpredictable for folks," he says.

The coronavirus pandemic led to more housing and food instability— and drug use. And more people have been drawn to the troubled South End area, where there is both help and harm. There are many shelters and drop-in centers where people can get connected with services, but also a free-flowing, open-air drug market.

An HIV Outbreak

O'Connell says the Boston Health Care for the Homeless teams are delivering medical care to people in the tent encampment and other outdoor locations around the city every day, including during last week's rain and wind. They're spending a lot of time responding to a recent HIV outbreak in the camp. O'Connell says there have been about 50 new infections in recent months.

"And these are young people who are struggling with so many other

problems," he says. "And to add HIV onto it is quite, you know, quite extraordinary."

The medical teams distribute HIV treatment, as well as the medication known as PrEP, which prevents HIV transmission. O'Connell says it's hard to engage people who are dealing with many co-occurring medical conditions, addictions, and mental illnesses.

Asked why he and his team keep coming back, caring for people on the streets at the lowest points of their lives, O'Connell says it's the connection they develop.

"As you start to care for these folks, as you stop seeing them as a bunch of people in a tent and see them as individuals who have been through some version of their own hell, their stories become compelling and you can't leave them," he reflects. "I watch our staff, who are emotionally exhausted from Covid and everything else, but they are attached to these folks, and they're not going to go away."

Crystal says she hopes she can get far away. She doesn't want to go to a shelter in this area of the city. She wants a fresh start. But for now, she hides in her tent when she can, so she isn't tempted by others using drugs.

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MBTA debuts center-running bus lane on Columbus Avenue

BY DAN GUZMAN WBUR REPORTER

The first center-running bus lane in New England opened last Saturday along Columbus Avenue in Boston.

MBTA buses operating between Walnut Avenue and Jackson Square Station have their own dedicated lane in each direction. The lane, painted red, runs in the middle of Columbus Avenue for about three-quarters of a mile.

Bus stops are located in the median of the road, instead of on the sidewalk. Each will have a glass-enclosed shelter, a fare vending machine and will be handicap accessible.

"We want to have a faster, more reliable ride for riders," said MBTA General Manager Steve Poftak. "I'm hopeful that as people see that it is faster and more reliable, they're more likely to take the bus. They're more likely to see the bus as a viable option."

The lane will service MBTA bus routes 22, 29, and 44.

"These routes have had more ridership than the average route in the system in the pandemic," Poftak said. "Many of these riders are low income and people of color."

In the last several



A new center-running MBTA bus lane opened last Saturday on Columbus Avenue. $Courtesy\ MBTA$

years, the MBTA has teamed up with local governments to create dedicated bus lanes in Arlington, Allston, Cambridge, Watertown, Roslindale, and the North End. All of those lanes run along the right-hand side of the road, many of them during rush hour periods only.

The MBTA hopes to extend the Columbus

Avenue lane north to Ruggles Station in the future. It is also exploring other areas where a center-running bus lane may be feasible.

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Dorchester precincts shift in proposed Congressional redraw Plan ups diversity in Pressley's 7th Congressional district

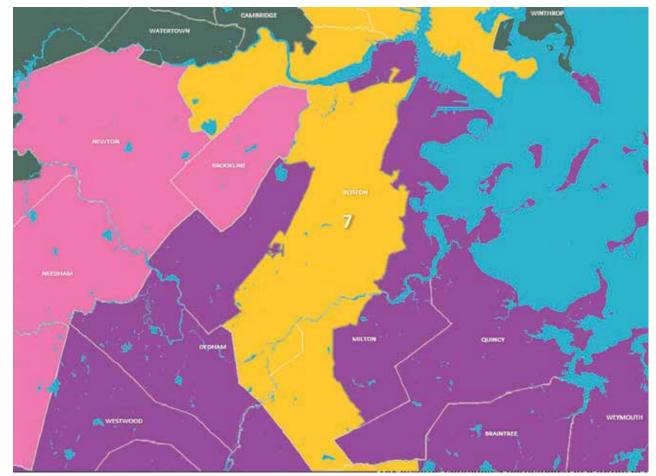
By MATT MURPHY STATE HOUSE News Service

 $The\,7th\,Congressional$ District represented by US Rep. Ayanna Pressley — the state's only majority-minority district — would become even more diverse under a redrawing of the state's nine US House districts that also seeks to nearly evenly divide the state's population.

With the state's entire House delegation planning to seek reelection to Congress in 2022, the districts they currently represent will grow nearly equally-by about 53,588 people - the next time their names appear on ballots.

Pressley splits Boston, including Dorchester, with US Rep. Stephen Lynch, a South Boston Democrat.

State Rep. Michael Moran, the House lead on redistricting, said on Monday that the proposed districts have a deviation of just one per-



State lawmakers are proposing some tweaks to US Rep. Ayanna Pressley's district, also known as the 7th Congressional, which splits Boston and Dorchester with US Rep. Stephen Lynch.

son, adding that the map would strengthen the majority-minority status of the Boston-based district represented since 2019 by Pressley.

If the maps are approved by state lawmak-

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would pick up some of Ward 16. Close to the Boston-Milton border, two precincts (16-8 and 16-11) would also flip to Lynch from Pressley.

House and Senate leaders on Monday released the draft of a map that would draw new political boundaries for all nine US House districts, providing some clarity for members of Congress and potential challengers eyeing the 2022 elections. The districts must be equal in size.

The equality of size follows the guidelines upheld by the Supreme Court in a number of cases for Congressional redistricting, but differs from that of the legislative districts finalized last week that kept deviations in the size of districts for House and Senate lawmakers under 5 percent.

Moran also said the minority population in the 7th Congressional District represented by

Pressley would grow from 56.6 percent to 61.27 percent, under the proposed map.

Pressley's district was created in 2011 and represented through 2018 by former US Rep. Michael Capuano, a veteran Somerville Democrat who lost to Pressley in a Democratic primary.

Unlike 10 years ago, Moran and his legislative colleagues in charge of redistricting have only had to contend with a growing and shifting state population, rather than the loss of a seat in Congress that directly and indirectly led to two veteran politicians retiring in 2010.

That shift is expected to produce an expansion in territory covered by the state's westernmost 1st Congressional District, where the population did not grow as fast.

With the population of Massachusetts growing 7.4 percent to more than 7 million people over the last decade, the ideal size of the state's nine Congressional districts has grown to 781,102 people. The near equal distribution of people across the districts to within one person was a goal of Moran's. The Boston Democrat avoided lawsuits when he led the redistricting process in 2011, and is attempting to do the same this

The redistricting committee plans to receive feedback on its maps for the next eight days and convene a public hearing next Tuesday (Nov. 9). After that, co-chair Sen. William Brownsberger (D-Belmont) said, members hope to finalize their decisions "very shortly" with the Nov. 17 end of formal lawmaking sessions for 2021 looming.

We hope to complete the final legislation by early to mid-next week and then to vote on it early to mid-the following week," he said.



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State urges under-12 vaccination role for school districts

By Katie Lannan STATE HOUSE News Service

State education and $public\,health\,officials\,are$ 'strongly" encouraging school districts and local officials to "take an active role" in Covid-19 vaccination for kids younger than 12.

Ahead of this month's anticipated arrival of vaccines for children aged 5 to 11, Acting Public Health Commissioner Margret Cooke and Elementary and Secondary **Education Commissioner** Jeffrey Riley wrote last week to school leaders to advise of "opportunities and resources to achieve increased vaccination rates in younger children and offer some considerations in planning your approach.

The Oct. 28 letter recommended engaging now with parents and parent organizations to encourage vaccinations and provide resources, and work with athletic departments "to further encourage" the shots. It suggested partnering with local pediatricians who can speak at PTA meetings or sign onto communications.

"Since May, many schools have hosted vaccination clinics on campus,

making it convenient and easy for busy families," Riley and Cooke wrote. "We urge all schools to host on-site vaccination clinics once children ages 5-11 are eligible."

Fortheyoungerstudent populations, the commissioners recommended scheduling school clinics "immediately before or after school, in the evening, or on weekends so that a parent or guardian can accompany their child."

They outlined different options for school-based or local clinics, including partnering with municipal boards of health, area health care providers, or the local Medical Reserve Corps, administering the vaccines at a schoolbased health center, chusetts population age

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The officials' letter came the same day that the national Kaiser Family Foundation published a new edition of its Covid-19 Vaccine Monitor, which found that 27 percent of parents said they wanted to get their 5- to 11-year-old child vaccinated "right away" once a shot was authorized and available, while 33 percent said they planned to wait and see, 30 percent said they "definitely" would not, and 5 percent said they would do so only if their school required it.

The latest federal data, as of Oct. 22, show 68.4 percent of the Massa12-17 is fully vaccinated against Covid, with 79.8 percent of that age group -or 380,725 people - hav-

ing received at least one dose. Some 80 percent of the 18-and-over population is fully vaccinated,

and more than 10 million vaccine doses have been administered across the



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4	\$40,250	\$67,100	\$80,520	\$101,050	\$120,800					
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Baker run for third term: Answer 'soon,' he says

By KATIE LANNAN STATE HOUSE

News Service Still not ready to announce his 2022 plans, Gov. Baker on Monday outlined "three big questions" on his mind as he mulls whether to seek a third term.

"The first one is do you believe you have something productive and helpful to say," he said. "Do you have the desire and the commitment to serve the people of the constituency that you represent? And do you believe that this is something you want to spend the next few years of your life working on if you're fortunate enough to succeed? Every race I've ever run, from the selectmen to the governor races, those were the key criteria with respect to



Gov. Charlie Baker and Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito (left), who have yet to declare their intentions around next year's election cycle, hosted a regular press availability Monday in their office suite. Sam Doran/SHNS photo

making a decision." The Swampscott Re-

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publican, who last week reelection choice as "a described making his very complicated issue"

involving both professional and personal considerations, did not say how many of those three questions he has so far answered.

"We'll get back to you guys soon on this, I promise," he said.

Baker officially announced his bid for a second term on Nov. 28, 2017, from the Table Talk Pie processing plant in Worcester. He did not answer Monday when asked if a similar timeline should be expected this year, instead telling a reporter, "I don't understand why you're in such a big hurry for me to make a decision

about this. "The people of Massachusetts have had a chance to take a good look at both the lieutenant governor and myself over the course of the previous seven years, and if we believe that we can continue to do the work to make this state better and stronger as we work our way out of this recovery in a post Covid-19 world, I'm sure they'll be interested in hearing what we have to say, but I don't feel any pressure coming from them," he said.

If Baker does run, he will enter a primary field that already includes

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT **PROBATE & FAMILY COURT** FOLK PROBATE AND FAMILY CO 24 NEW CHARDON STREET BOSTON, MA 02114 617-788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME Docket No. SU21C0350CA

IN THE MATTER OF: YUDELKA JULIAN A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Yudelka Julian of Dorchester, MArequesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Yudelka Duran

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the pe-tition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/18/2021. 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 28, 2021 Felix D. Arroyo Register of Probate

former state Rep. Geoff Diehl, who has been endorsed by former President Donald Trump and has criticized the Baker administration's policies mandating masks in schools and Covid vaccines for executive branch workers. Diehl's campaign on Monday said that the Whitman Republican collected \$58,000 in contributions in October.

"More than any endorsement or poll, I am most grateful that so many people see this campaign as a critical part of taking control back from an overreaching government," Diehl said in a statement.

Three Democrats are currently running for governor-state Sen. Sonia Chang-Diaz, former state Sen. Ben Downing, and Harvard professor Danielle Allen.

Like Baker, Attorney General Maura Healey is taking her time to decide whether to run for governor, and her choice could have additional domino effects with potential candidates for her current post.

Bakerfieldedquestions about his electoral future on the eve of municipal election day in Boston and other communities across Massachusetts, after he met privately with House Speaker Ronald Mariano and Senate President Karen Spilka.

A super PAC run by Baker allies has spent money in support of a number of municipal candidates, including incumbent mayors Paul Coogan of Fall River, Carlo DeMaria of Everett, Stephen DiNatale of Fitchburg, Scott Galvin of Woburn, Donald Humason of Westfield, Nicole LaChapelle of Easthampton, Dean Mazzarella of Leominster, Michael Nicholson of Gardner, William Sapelli of Agawam, Robert Sullivan of Brockton, Arthur Vigeant of Marlborough, and Sefatia Romeo Theken of Gloucester.

The Massachusetts Majority super PAC is also backing mayoral challengers Todd Mc-Ghee in Attleboro, Charlie Sisitsky in Framingham, and Rep. James Kelcourse, who is vying to unseat Amesbury Mayor Kassandra Gove.

"I don't make any decisions at all with respect to who that organization chooses to support," Baker said when asked about Mass. Majority's spending. "I have supported them in the past because Ibelieve in their mission, which is to seek to elect moderate and fiscally responsible Republicans and Democrats in Massachusetts, but I have no role to play and no idea who they're supporting or who they're not supporting heading into election day tomorrow."

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BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF DORCHESTER

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BGCD Hosts Spooktacular Grand Drawing Gala-ween Event: See details

CONNECT THE DOT: BGCD Hosts Spooktacular Grand

Drawing Gala-ween Event: On Friday, October 29th, Boys & Girls Clubs of **Dorchester hosted our Annual Grand Drawing Gala at Granite Links Golf Club** in Quincy, MA. Event included silent auction, live auction, delicious food stations and dancing to amazing "East Coast Soul" band. Three lucky guests went home with our Grand Prizes each valued at over \$5000! Guests were treated to a keynote address by Club member Noa who then gave a spectacular singing performance. It was a great night and helped raise critical funds for BGCD. Thanks to our Gold Sponsor Lee Kennedy Co.; Silver Sponsors DiNicola Law Group, LLC, S&F Concrete; and Bronze Sponsors Corcoran Jennison Companies, Fenney Brothers Utility, Deirdre Karle, The McIntosh Foundation, Jane & Paul Panariello, The Marr Companies, Joe & Gayle Corcoran.

FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE: BGCD Early Education Members

Trick-Or-Treat at The Club: Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester was thrilled to welcome back trick-ortreating inside the Clubs for our Early Education members. Continuing to follow COVID-19 regulations, our Early Education members stopped by our administration and development offices to trick-or-treat and fill their bags with goodies.

After trick-or-treating, members headed outside for their very own Halloween party where they played games, ate candy, danced and had fun with all their friends!

Thank you to our amazing Early Education teachers and our BGCD staff for their efforts and for making Halloween such a special time for our members.



BGCD Early Education Members Trick-Or-Treat at The Club: See details below.

DID YOU KNOW: BGCD After School Highlight -

Gamesroom: At Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester, the Gamesroom is a central meeting spot for our members, located on the ground floor of the Marr Clubhouse. This area is open to members ages 7-12 after school to play board games, table games, art projects and fun activities that are planned by our staff . Our Gamesroom is a safe place to learn and grow while creating ongoing relationships with caring adults and forming lifelong friendships. During our evening hours we offer enrichment activities such as Dance Classes, Video Game Club, Board Game Club, and more. To view our full after school programming schedule, please visit bgcdorchester. org/programs. For more information, please contact BGCD Social Recreation Director, Shannon Zarnoch at szarnoch@bgcdorchester.org.

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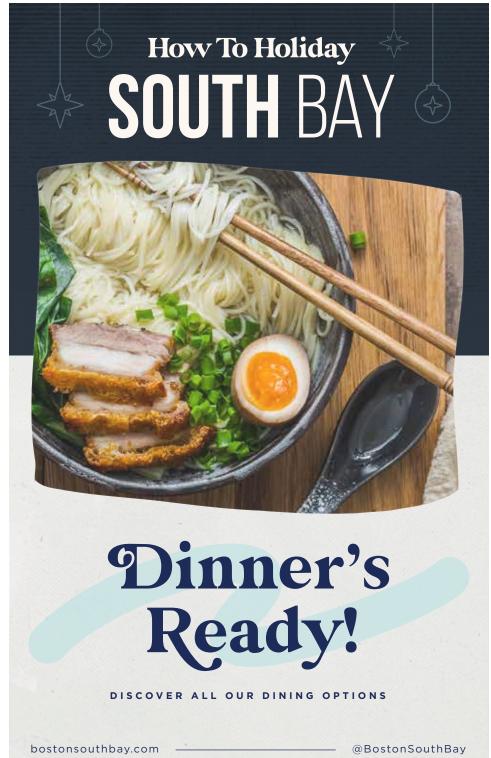
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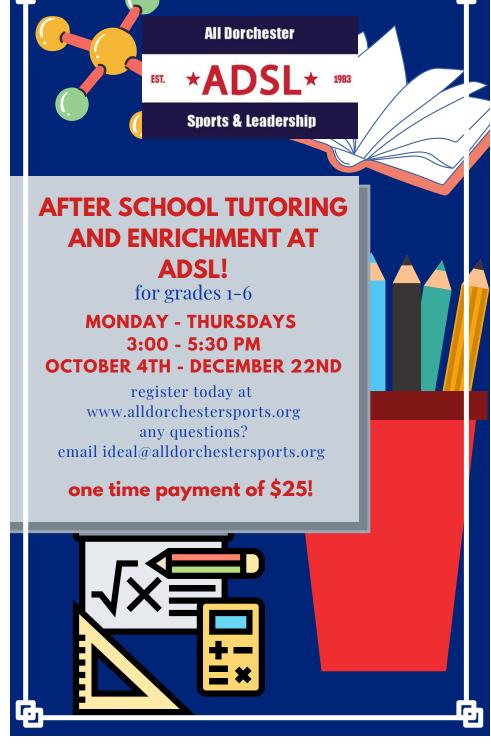
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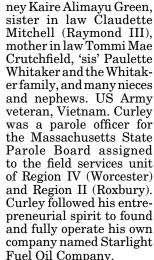


FURTICK, Maureen (Chiminiello), 66, of Dorchester. She was the beloved of Mark Furtick. Mother of Coreen Logan and Steven Chiminiello of Dorchester. Sister of Sandra Foster of Dorchester and several other siblings.

GREEN, Curley Jr., 73, of Mattapan, the only



child of Curley Green Sr. and Inez Green. He was preceded in death by his wife Beverly Anita Crutchfield Green and sons Hilary Page Crutchfield Green and Bilal Marc Anthony Smith (Rosetta). He is survived by his daughter Sydney Inez Crutchfield Green, and grandson Cyd-



Fuel Oil Company.
HENNESSEY, Sister Mary, Harvard Divinity School faculty member and longtime WEEI Radio panelist, Sister Mary Hennessey, was a Cenacle Sister for 66 years. Mary was predeceased by her parents Joseph A. and Angela (McManus) Hennessey, her siblings William F. Hennessey (Alice), Ann Praught (Joseph), Joseph F. Hennessey (Christina, Ann), and Angela Heffernan (Paul), and is survived by her brother-in-law Paul Heffernan and many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.



in Dorchester and grew up on Lyndhurst Street. In 1989, Mary initiated an urban ministry at the Jesuit Urban Center at the Immaculate Conception Church, on Harrison Avenue in the South End, to provide pastoral and other care to Boston's LGBTQ community and to those living with HIV/AIDS. Mary is perhaps best remembered for her twenty years as a panelist on the popular WEEI Radio program "Topic Religion," where she appeared weekly with Rabbi Harold Kushner and Reverend Murray Kenny to discuss topical issues and to spar with them on air over politics and policy. In a 1981, Boston Globe article about the show, Mary noted that listeners who met her remarked that she was much "smaller" than they had imagined. "I must come on like a

Mack truck on the air!", she said. "Well, I have to, to plow my way in with all these men talking."



MOLLOY, Henry J. **Jr.**, 77 of Margate, FL and a former resident of Dorchester. Son of the late Henry J. Molloy, Sr. and Anne G. (O'Leary) Molloy. Brother of Peter Molloy and his wife Camille of Franklin, Judith Rutledge and her late husband Michael of FL, Katherine Seminara and her husband Anthony of Maryland, and Susan Edmunds of Wrentham and his nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and nephews. Donations in his memory may be sent to MSPCA-Angell, 350 S. Huntington Ave., Boston, MA 02130.

MULLANEY, Henry W. was a distinguished physicist in the U.S. Defense Industry (July 6, 1943 – August 30, 2021), He was the son if Henry W. (Sr.) and Anna M. (Bergen). Henry grew up in Dorchester and Milton He is survived by his children: Joel, Heather, and Nora, and 5 grand-children, and Kira, his 3rd wife, Marcie Duncan, and his 4th wife, Peggy McAllister.

WILLIAMSON, Linda Ann, 56, of Franklin, North Carolina. Wife of Edward Williamson of Franklin, NC. Mother to Elizabeth Romero and Matthew Williamson both of Florida. Sister of Deborah Wagner of Marsh-field, William Wagner of Dorchester, and the late



Mark Wagner. Grandmother of 6. Linda is also survived by all her dear friends. Linda raised in Lower Mills. Donations in memory of Linda may be made to Messino Cancer Center, 10 One Center Circle, Franklin, NC, 28734, Please include Linda's full name when making a donation.



ZARELLA, Henry J. "Joe" Jr., 72, of Dorchester. He was the son of the late Henry J. and Lillian A. (McKechnie) Zarella. Joe was a member of International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 82/25. Joe was the father of Laurie Zullo and her husband John Jr., Carol Zarella, Henry Zarella, III, Tanya Zarella, and Lisa Zarella and her fiance Bill Trembley. He is also survived by six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Joe was the brother of the late John "Jack" Mulvey, longtime companion of the late Maureen A. Agabides and former husband of the late Carol A. (Hennessey) Zarella. Donations in Joe's name may be made to the Cancer Research Institute, 29 Broadway, 4 th Floor, New York, NY 10006-3111.

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Norsing of Dotresset, War in each over captioned matter requesting that the court: Expand the powers of a Guardian. The petition asks the Court to make a determination that the Guardian and/ or Conservator should be expanded, modified, or limited since the time of the appointment. The original petition is on file with the court

appointment. The original petition is on file with the court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 11/18/2021. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition without further notice to you. In addition visition turtifier foliate to you. In adouting the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

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Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.

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Date: October 19, 2021 Published: November 4, 2021

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT CITATION ON PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
Docket No. SU21P1239EA
ESTATE OF:
GEORGE DANIEL DEE
DATE OF DEATH: 10/04/2018

To all interested persons: A Petition has been filed by: Lizabeth Chockley of Boston, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order that Lizabeth Chockley of Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 11/12/2021.

This is NOT a hearing date, but 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.

The estate is being administered under formal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but recipients are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN,

First Justice of this Court.
Date: October 01, 2021

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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. SU21P1289EA ESTATE OF:

RUBY-ANN RICKSON YOUNG DATE OF DEATH: 12/18/2020 A Petition for Formal Propate of Will With Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Shawn S. Young of Dorchester, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Shawn S, Young of Dorchester, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

unsupervised administration.

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You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day

of **11/15/2021**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline Inis is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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the distribution or assets and administration.
Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: October 08, 2021
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THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
CITATION ON PETITION FOR
APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
Docket No. SU07P0232AD1
ESTATE OF:

ARLLIE L. COLEMAN, SR. DATE OF DEATH: 07/07/2005

To all interested persons: A Petition has been filed by: Ryo Coleman of Dorchester, MA and Michael S. Coleman of Dorchester, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order that Arllie L. Coleman, Jr. of Roslindale, MA and Michael Coleman of Dorchester, MAbe appointed as Successor Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond and for such

other relief as requested in the Petition.
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 11/24/2021.

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.

The estate is being administered

under formal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but recipients are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Witness, HON. BRIANJ. DUNN, First

Justice of this Court.
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Dot's Dr. Lund is making her mark in the world of orthopedic surgery

By Grace Mayer

REPORTER CORRESPONDENT An image of Rosie the Riveter, trading out her red bandana and navy button down for blue surgeon scrubs, sits on the wall of Dr. Vanessa Lund's office at Morton Hospital in Taunton, MA. For Lund, an orthopedic surgeon, the poster from the American Association of Orthopedic Surgeons serves as a reminder for how far she has come after eight years completing her residency training and then starting her private practice.

Only 6.5 percent of orthopedic surgeonsthe most male-dominated surgical fieldare women, according to the association, but that "certainly didn't stop me," said Lund, a 34-year-old Dorchester resident who moved to Lower Mills more than two years ago with her husband Craig.

She has already made her mark at the hospitals where she has worked in Massachusetts, work that earned her an invitation into the American Society for Surgery of the Hand's "Young Leaders Program." The Society is focused on develop-

ing educational materials for its membership,



Dr. Vanessa Lund, left, at work in her office at Taunton's Morton Hospital. Photo courtesy University Orthopedics

including doctors who perform surgeries spanning from the hand to the shoulder.

The program receives between 45 to 50 applications each year from doctors who have accrued up to thirteen years of experience practicing orthopedics. Only 15 surgeons, 3 of whom are women, were invited into the program this year. While it's common for applicants to be selected after their second or third time applying for the program, Lund earned acceptance on her first try.

"It's pretty unusual for somebody so young to be chosen," said Mark Anderson, CEO of the American Society for Surgery of the Hand.

Lund has been working with the other members since October on brainstorming how to improve educational materials for orthopedic surgeons. In the past, Anderson said, members of the program developed a video platform to train an educate surgeons on

the best ways to operate-what Anderson refers to as "YouTube for hand surgery."

Before Lund was accepted into the program in late August, she had already contributed to the hand society, notably a video celebrating the society's 75th anniversary. In the video, Lund raps about the history of hand surgery, charting it all the way back to the ancient Greeks. The presentation harkened back to an earlier rap video Lund made while attending Drexel University College of Medicine in Philadelphia.

"Her communication skills are extraordinary, and we're hoping to use those in the program," Anderson said.

Lund completed her residency at Tufts Medical Center, and took a fellowship at the Philadelphia Hand to Shoulder Center. She's currently at Morton Hospital, where she deals with musculoskeletal issues, fractures, sprains, breaks, tendonitis, and arthritis in the arms or hands, the latter her specialty, a practice she has always wanted to focus on.

"I love the surgeries I get to do," Lund said. "I think the anatomy of the hand and arm is just the most beautiful, intricate anatomy."

For her private practice at University Orthopedics, Lund works alongside Drew Rogers, an orthopedic surgeon and the head team physician for the USA Na $tional\,U18\,Hockey\,Team.$

"Most orthopedic surgeons are dedicated," said Rogers. "But she continuously goes above and beyond in how she wants to be at the forefront of what she does."

After meeting Lund

more than two years ago, Rogers said United Orthopedics wanted to hire her immediately. He said the connections she develops with her patients—close to 90 of them per week, Lund said—are part of what make her a unique sur-

"The way that she talks to the patients, I think it relaxes them so much," said Jennifer Reis, the charge nurse at Morton Hospital, "that when they're going into the operating room, her demeanor and everything about her just calms the patients.

Reis saw this firsthand when she went to Lund to treat her 16-year-old daughter's hand, which had been injured during cheerleading practice. While her daughter was recovering from her injury, Reis said she received texts from Lund every day checking in on her progress.

After only two years working with the hospital, Reis said, Lund has already left a mark on their community. "I've been in this community hospital for almost 25 years, and it's nice to see that she's obviously very well loved and respected here."



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