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Dorchester's Mateo Buyu protects the goal for Milton Academy.

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Dot's Buyu, Milton Academy goalie, an All-America team pick

By SETH DANIEL **News Editor**

Somewhere between the ages of 2 and 3, Dorchester's Mateo Buyu learned to kick a soccer ball in his backyard and develop what became a deep love for the sport that after 15 years of training and devotion has landed the Milton Academy standout on the 2022 High School Boys All-America team.

All of which is overwhelming, Buyu said in an interview last week, but also something he has aspired to since he first took the pitch at Dorchester Youth $Soccer\ (DYS\bar{)}\ games.$

"My dad put me on the field at 2

'Dorchester Duo' stars at Dexter Southfield: The Brookline school's football team features a one-two punch – the "Dorchester Duo" of running backs Takai Whitmore, left, and Quinn Carver – that has been running over most every opponent this year. Said the that we're shredding it up. It's really cool to be able to rep the Dot that way." Story, Page 16 Seth Daniel photo

years old playing for DYS," he said. "I started playing a lot and getting good. When I was 2, I probably stood around a lot on the field, but maybe at 3 years old, I fell in love with it. I learned how to kick a ball and my dad would play in the backyard with me a lot. That's when I just never wanted to stop playing."

This month, the senior goalie, who on average this season he let in less than a goal a game, learned that he was one of 45 boys nationwide and 43 girls to be named to the 12th annual All-America team, which will be split

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Baker signs \$3.76b bill that commits millions to Dorchester recipients

Harvard St. health center, field house get big boosts

By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS Managing Editor

Gov. Baker last week signed a \$3.76 billion economic development package that includes millions for a new Harvard Street Neighborhood Health Center and the Dorchester Field House planned for Columbia Point.

The outlays, funded through a state tax surplus and \$500 million in federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) money, sends \$112 million to the MBTA for work and safety improvements as the public transit agency faces federal scrutiny. They also include \$350 million for Massachusetts hospitals, still struggling as the pandemic continues, \$540 million for



Gov. Charlie Baker spoke to reporters at a recent event inside the Greater Boston Food Bank. Governor's Office photo

clean energy and climate programs, and \$409.5 million for affordable housing.

The package is also chock full of money for local projects and set asides for a number of local venues and organizations, including \$250,000 for The Guild, a social enterprise nonprofit, and \$150,000 for the Dorchester Food Coop, a collective of roughly 1,000 people in Fields Corner, Bowdoin-Geneva, and Four Corners.

But the biggest line items for local projects are the \$8 million for the planning and construction of a state-of-the-art Harvard Street Neighborhood Health Center, and \$5 million for the Dorchester Field House. (Continued on page 11)

City is seeking input for housing on 70 vacant lots

By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS Managing Editor

Looking to kickstart the redevelopment of 70 city-owned lots across Dorchester and Mattapan into affordable housing, city officials will launch a community input effort this weekend.

Most of the lots are north and south of Talbot Avenue at its Blue Hill Avenue end.

The "open house" for local residents is set for Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Boys and cil, is funneling \$35 Girls Club at 15 Talbot million from the fed-

by the Mayor's Office of Housing.

Staffers from the office will be on hand, alongside others from the Boston Planning and Development Agency, which has drafted a plan for more housing in Mattapan, and from the city's Transportation Department, which is working on a proposal for a center MBTA bus lane down Blue Hill Avenue.

In the larger picture, Mayor Wu, with sign off from the City Coun-Ave. Every lot is owned eral American Rescue

Plan Act (ARPA) to fast-track affordable housing through 150 parcels of city-owned land. This weekend's open house will focus on the first 70 lots. They are located within District 4, which is represented by Brian Worrell on the City Council.

City officials are seeking input on the type of affordable housing local residents want to see, and they hope to draw in renters interested in owning a home. City staffers at the open house also plan to high-(Continued on page 15)

'Nutcracker' cancelled for 2022; Covid protocols cited

By SETH DANIEL **News Editor**

The annual "Nutcracker" show, a longtime feature by the Jose Mateo Ballet Theatre at the Strand Theatre and elsewhere, has slipped off its pointe shoes and ended

production for this year's edition. Citing protocols for Covid-19 from some theaters that his organization could not meet, Scott Fraser, the Ballet Theatre's managing director, said that work on the "Nutcracker" had

been cancelled across the board.

He declined to elaborate in detail on the protocols situation.

"The Strand has been absolutely nothing but wonderful to the Ballet Theatre for the last 35

years," he said. "The rumor the Strand had put unattainable restrictions on us – there's no basis for that. In my Rolodex for professional contacts, [the Strand] is at the top of the list. Ballet Theatre has just

not been able to resurrect and do all those things we would need to do post-Covid. ...Some communities have certain guidelines that we cannot meet."

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Police, Courts & Fire

'Brazen' daytime 'drive-by' homicide on Paxton St. under probe

Suffolk DA Kevin Hayden and Boston Police responded last Wednesday (Nov. 9) to another daytime homicide, this one at the corner of Paxton and Harvard streets in Dorchester that was described as a drive-by shooting on social media. The murder was another in a string of violent incidents over the past three weeks that continued the trend in daylight shootings.

The victim was identified as Elijah Pinckney, 35, of Dorchester, who was pronounced dead at the scene. His was the 37th homicide in the city this year.

"It's another unfortunate incident and another brazen shooting in the middle of the day," Hayden said. "We simply have too many guns, and we have gun violence that impacts our communities in tragic and unforeseen ways; and it does so quickly. We continue to be concerned and do everything we can in this and every other investigation to bring the perpetrators to justice."

Hayden pointed out there is a youth center just up the street, and the Blue Hill Boys and Girls Club a few blocks from the scene. "We need to continue to be vigilant," he said.

The investigation remains active, and Hayden and the BPD called on anyone who might have seen something to drop a tip on their anonymous line: (800) 494-TIPS.

A traffic stop at 9:16 pm last Saturday (Nov. 12) yielded the arrest of Angie Garcia, a 29-year-old Dorchester resident, near 465 Washington St. Garcia was found with a loaded 9mm firearm, police said. She was charged with unlawful possession of a firearm and ammunition.

On Wed., Nov. 9, police arrested a 36-year-old Dorchester man after responding to shots fired on Washington Street in Roslindale. According to police, two people had been confronted by a man demanding money and jewelry and during a struggle two rounds were fired with no injuries. After police reviewed surveillance footage, they found the motor vehicle the suspect was driving on Devon Street in Dorchester.

The suspect, whose name wasn't released, was charged with armed robbery, assault by means of a dangerous weapon, armed with intent to rob, and unlawful possession of a firearm and ammunition.

Detectives later searched his Devon Street home and found two firearms, a plastic bag of crack cocaine, and a "small amount" of suboxone.

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The two nonprofits behind plans to convert the Comfort Inn at 900 Morrissey Boulevard into permanent supportive housing filed their proposal with city officials last week.

BPDA given formal plans for Pine Street Morrissey proposal

Pine Street Inn and The Community Builders, Inc. have filed plans with the BPDA to convert the Comfort Inn at 900 Morrissey Blvd. into a 104-unit apartment building with groundfloor retail space meant for people trying to get out of homelessness. All units would be rented to people making no more than 30 percent of the Boston area median income. The proposal also calls for 33 parking

The filing triggers meetings and a public comment period for the public. The BPDA has scheduled an online meeting for Dec. 7 at 6 p.m. on the proposal.

Pine Street and the developer - itself a non-profit — are currently building a 202-unit on Washington Street in Jamaica Plain in which 140 apartments will be similarly reserved for "supportive housing" for people coming out of

As in Jamaica Plain, the filing noted, "PSI will provide supportive services to the tenants living in the project through a contract with the property owner that will ensure tenants have access to daily case workers on-site, with the goal of keeping people living stable lives in their apartment homes longterm."

Unlike in Jamaica Plain, however, where the main opposition came from a landlord

across the street concerned about parking, some residents and elected officials have opposed the Morrissey Boulevard proposal.

City Councillor Frank Baker, while praising Pine Street in general, said he's worried about concentrating so many "high-risk individuals" in one place.

The Community Builders hopes to begin 9 to 12 months of construction next fall.

- REPORTER STAFF

City looking at process change as interest rates keep rising, says planning chief Jemison

By SETH DANIEL News Editor

City officials and local developers are closely monitoring the effects of inflation and higher interest rates on real estate and the construction markets, two areas that have boomed in recent years. City officials are also looking at making changes to the development review process to get affordable housing moving before it's too late, said Arthur Jemison, Mayor Wu's chief of planning and the head of the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA).

The effect of the Fed hiking interest rates as part of its efforts to fight inflation, and the constantly increasing costs of construction labor and materials, have their attention, he said.

"Boston emerged from the pandemic with a very tight residential rental market and continues to be an attractive place for residential investment," Jemison told the Reporter. "Still, if rates and construction prices continue to rise or stabilize at a high level, economists predict a slowdown nation-wide, including Boston."

Dorchester-based developer Travis Lee, who has several projects in the pipeline, said construction material price increases and riscurrent developments, noting they have had to change direction from rental to homeownership housing

'Challenges will persist even with homeownership as homebuyers are confronted with higher interest rates to buy the homes that we build," he said. "We are expecting an overall flattening of values and slowdown in the new construction space."

Jemison said that if things settle higher. it would be even more detrimental to affordable housing projects. To that end, he said, they are looking at revising the Article 80 process ing interest rates have in the context of re-"absolutely" impacted sponding to Wu's recent

executive order calling for expedited review of affordable housing. The term "Article 80" refers to the relevant portion of the city's zoning code.

"We understand that affordable housing projects are particularly challenged by this dynamic," Jemison said. "The BPDA is currently working to identify changes to the Article 80 process to respond to the executive order.

In her Sept. 29 announcement, Wu, noting that it can take up to 337 days for affordable housing projects to get approval, said her administration's goal is to reduce that time in half via the executive order.

UPCOMING CIVIC MEETINGS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

Want to play a key role in the future of Boston Public Schools? Two Boston School Committee members' terms are set to expire in January 2023, opening the door to new applicants. Selected Bostonians will serve on the Boston Public Schools' governing body, playing an essential role in setting the education policy agenda, establishing and monitoring a \$1.3B budget, and holding the Superintendent accountable. All are encouraged to apply by Nov.22. New members will serve a four-year term and all applicants must be Boston residents to qualify. See boston.gov for more info, The city of Boston will host a Household Hazardous Waste drop-off on Sat., Nov. 19 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the DPW Yard, 315 Gardner St., West Roxbury, Boston

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Dorchester Youth Hockey invites the public to 'Skate for Thomas,' a benefit event for Tommy Lucas, who was recently diagnosed with Non-Hodgkins Lymphona. The event — which will include skating, snacks, raffles, and prizes— is Wed., Nov. 16, 5-8 p.m. at Devine Rink, 995 Morrissey Blvd. Suggested donation \$12 (welcome but not expected.) Venmo @JokesForThomas. Or email Jokesforthomas@gmail.com.

The BPDA will host a virtual public meeting on the Master Plan for 35-75 Morrissey Boulevard on Wed., Nov. 16 from 6-8 p.m. The meeting will begin with a presentation of the project by the development team from Morrissey CFL Holdings, LLC, followed by Q&A with the members of the Community Advisory Committee focused on the proposed 35-75 Morrissey Boulevard Master Plan which is presently under Article 80C review by the BPDA. See Zoom info on page 18.

A public meeting will be held via Zoom on Wed. Nov. 16 to discuss a proposal by City Realty to construct a new, 52-unit residential building at 13 Norwood St. in Dorchester. See page 18 for meeting details. **Join Greater Ashmont Main Street for its** 7th annual holiday pop-up market and tree lighting ceremony on Sat., Nov. 26 from 3-7:30 p.m. on the Ashmont MBTA

Families Creating Together invites the public to a free workshop session "Nature Collaging: Art with recycling and organic materials" hosted by Speak for

the Trees that celebrates, preserves, and plant trees in Boston. Learn about Tree Equity, Urban Forestry and identifying local trees, all while creating your own collage. Saturday Nov. 19, 10 a.m. -noon at the Fields Corner Business Lab, 1452 Dorchester Ave., Dorchester Please RSVP by Nov. 15 at fcreatingt@gmail.com.

The Vietnamese community will celebrate a special Mass at St. Peter's Church, 311 Bowdoin St. in Dorchester on Sat., Nov. **19**, 1 p.m. According to the Vietnamese Apostolate of the Archdiocese of Boston, it will be the first time the annual celebration has been celebrated in person since 2019.

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Students, parents decry latest plan for St. Brendan situation

By SETH DANIEL NEWS EDITOR

Facing what parents called an "unexpected pivot" by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston (RCAB) regarding the future of St. Brendan's church and school, scores of students and parents last week staged a noisy, but peaceful protest last Tuesday in front of a Braintree office building that houses the archdiocese's administrative offices, including Cardinal Sean O'Malley's.

"Leave our school the same!" yelled dozens of children. "Your plan will only fail!"

The church's plan, as outlined in a Nov. 8 document shared with the Reporter, would keep the K-5 St. Brendan Grammar School open, but under the control of a new church-run board, separating both the church building and the adjacent school from its parish. Saint Martin des Porres. The 87-year-old church building on Gallivan Boulevard would then "become a chapel of Saint Brendan School."

O'Malley would oversee the new "Board of Limited Jurisdiction," whose members he would appoint. A designate of the Catholic Schools Office (CSO) would be a voting member, as would a priest from the Dorchester community. Other appointed members would likely be lay people from St. Brendan's Church and/or School. Under the plan, the archdiocese would lease the school and church-turned-chapel to the new board for \$1 per year.

Critics of the proposal say they are concerned that the buildings' significant maintenance issues could be too burdensome for the school to bear.

Sarah Holt, a parent and teacher's aide at the school, said that parents were "blindsided" by the latest proposal, which had been circulated to parents and parishioners in recent days.

"We want our school to be the same and independently run as it is now," Holt told the *Reporter* as the protest unfolded on site that morning. "The school funds itself and there's no reason to change that. It was always 'the school would not be affected.' All of a sudden, they sprung this proposal. We rejected it and they're trying to push it through," she

Parishioners and school parents are worried, she said, that if they fail to maintain the church or the school under the plan, everything reverts to the archdiocese, and both would be closed.

Terry Donilon, a spokesman for the church, pushed back against that worry, saying that "there are safeties built into the plan, such that if the plan doesn't work financially, the school is protected,' adding that "we have no intention nor have ever considered closing the school. This plan provides a roadmap for both the school and the church going forward."

The protest marked the latest chapter in a multi-year saga that has centered on the future of the St. Brendan church building. The worship space came within days of closing its doors last spring, before O'Mallev called for a pause in May. A committee of church and lay leaders was formed to examine the church's finances and maintenance needs and to offer a plan to keep

In October, that committee was presented with the archdiocesan



Students from St. Brendan School and others protest last Tuesday at the Boston Archdioceses offices in Braintree.

Seth Daniel photo

proposal, but at its next meeting, the panel rejected it, so no formal presentation was ever made to the committee.

The church proposal included a statement saying, "It should be emphasized that this is a proposal only; it is presented for discussion. Cardinal Seán has yet to decide to implement this, nor will he do so without further input from the community."

But parents who spoke to the *Reporter* at the protest said they are concerned that the plan was a round-about way to close the church and blame the move on parishioners and school parents.

Chris Ryan, a parent and St. Brendan's School alumnus, said he worries that there is no way the community can keep up with the costs of running both buildings. "I think for them to try to put the bulk of the church costs and maintenance on the school is untenable," he said. "I don't think that situation could last very long. It's a lot of money. It's \$60,000 just for snow removal at the church every year. That kind of thing would only last a few months. It never was the plan for the school to support the church."

Ryan added that he grew up in St. Brendan's through some of the tough times when the clergy sexual abuse began to surface in the 1990s. "I don't think it's fair," he said. "The trauma doesn't end. It's just one trauma on top of another."

Added parent Katie

Murphy, "It just seems to always be about money for them."

For their part, church officials say they had hoped the letter on Nov. 8 would clear up confusion about intent and how to move forward.

"We hope that this brief document respectfully answers some of the concerns that have been raised," read the letter's conclusion. "We look forward to other opportunities to answer the various questions of the community concerning this new model. We welcome the opportunity to continue an exchange of ideas and recommendations with the working group."

More committee meetings to discuss the plan are expected but unscheduled.

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After redistricting, a look ahead to potential '23 city council contests

By Gintautas Dumcius Managing Editor

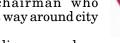
Redistricting, like elections, is about the future. That didn't stop at least one councillor, angry over the new boundaries of his Dorchester district and the carving of Neponset, from inexplicably bringing up the Troubles in Northern Ireland from decades ago.

But the dust is settling on the new map, signed by Mayor Wu on Nov. 7, and many of the district councillors now have thousands of new voters shunted into their respective districts. The map's political lines, barring any legal challenges that would alter them, are set to be in place between 2023 and 2031.

Local political activists say that regardless of where voters and their City Hall representatives

have landed under the map, they're sanguine about what happens next.

"I think things will work out," said Darryl Smith, Ward 14 Democratic Committee chairman who knows his way around city



"Depending upon how the community and people in the community continue to push the narrative that the lines were drawn in a way that they didn't like, it could spur folks to come out" in the 2023 municipal election cycle, he said, a reference to unhappiness in the Neponset area, after Ward 16's Precincts 8, 11 and 12 came out of District 3 (represented by Frank Baker) and landed in District 4 (represented by Brian Worrell). All three are voter-rich areas based out of Adams Corner and Florian Hall.

The 2023 cycle is expected to be a low-turnout affair. The 2021 election drew 33 percent of registered Boston voters, while the 2019 election, without a mayoral contest on the ballot, drew 17 percent.

Smith added that he also sees the potential for comity with the well-respected Worrell stepping into the new parts of his Dorchester-and-Mattapan district.

"He's going to be the type of person who will appeal to all sides of Dorchester," Smith said.

Joyce Linehan, the Ward 17 Committee chair, said she wished that councillors, when they were weighing the different maps proposed throughout the redistricting process, had done more to reach out to activists on the ground. Linehan, a former Marty Walsh aide who is stepping down from the chair next year but staying with the committee, noted that she lives in Ward 17's Precinct 13 and is used to switching councillors thanks to the once-a-decade redistricting process. This time, she was shifted into District 4 from District 3. She called Baker a reliable councillor when it comes to constituent services.

"I've been redistricted a lot of times and I'm sure I'll develop a relationship with my new city councillor," she said.

Redistricting is a "difficult job," she added, and it was bound to cause some unhappiness, as it did in the last round ten years ago. (South Boston's Bill Linehan, who chaired the redistricting committee at the time, ended up voting against the final map that made it to Mayor Menino's desk.)

This time, much of the unhappiness came from Baker and District 2's Ed Flynn, as District 3 absorbed more of South Boston, primarily the public housing developments, and hooked left to pick up the precinct with the Ink Block residential units, while losing the Neponset precincts.

While Flynn voiced his disappointment with the majority of councillors who pushed ahead with the changes, Baker went further with his sectarian screed against the redistricting committee chair, Liz Breadon of Allston-Brighton.

Ed Cook, chair of the Ward 15 Democratic Committee, which didn't see much change to its City Council district contours, said he supported Baker when he first ran for City Council in 2011. But the redistricting "positions he took, I think, may cause people to be less supportive of him," Cook said.

The ward committee didn't endorse in the 2021 District 3 race, in which Baker easily beat back a challenge from newcomer Stephen McBride with 63 percent of the vote. Baker's best precinct was Ward 16 Precinct 12, which provided him with 692 votes, and is now in Worrell's district. Baker's second best was Ward 16 Precinct 9, which is known as one of the city's most conservative precincts and remains in District 3. During this year's redistricting process, Baker frequently noted that he previously lost precincts that backed him in his first Council race during the 2012 round of redistricting, too.

The new redistricting map also moves Ward 6





Darryl Smith-Ward 14

Joyce Linehan-Ward 17

Precinct 1, Flynn's best in the 2021 election, when he didn't face an opponent, to District 3.

Whether the new map lines and the weeks of backbiting, punctuated by votes to raise City Council salaries, and Baker's invocation of the Troubles, could lead to challengers in next year's election is still up in the air. No one has publicly put their head above the parapet.

But if anybody wants to take on any of the incumbent councillors, they may be interested in taking advantage of the opportunity to fundraise before dollar limits reset in the new year. They'll probably need to, since councillors have decently stocked campaign kittys.

Flynn, who also serves as the City Council president, has \$455,818 in cash on hand as of October, the only councillor to come close to the \$499,000 campaign account of Mayor Wu, according to publicly available campaign finance filings. He is also the only councillor, aside from his at-large colleague and South Boston neighbor Michael Flaherty, to have a six-figure number. Flaherty has \$139,743 in cash on hand. Baker has \$66,921, while Worrell

Fundraisers are already underway. Councillor At-Large Erin Murphy, a Dorchester resident who has \$18,513 in her campaign bank account, has one planned for Wednesday night (Nov. 16) at The Industry. The restaurant, under the new redistricting map, remains in District 3, but just barely. For anybody who ambles across Adams Street, whether they're heading to their car or the Eire Pub, they'll find themselves in District 4, if they notice.

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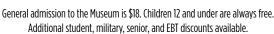
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Elected officials want added resources to stem Blue Hill Ave. violence

By Seth Daniel News Editor

While violence has occurred in other parts of the city, no other area has been affected as much by lawlessness as the Blue Hill Avenue corridor from Mattapan Square through Dorchester to Dudley Street. Residents and business owners have struggled to get their on-the-ground voices heard in the noise of discussions, and the only two elected officials who live along the corridor say their concerns aren't always heard or believed.

Now, those officials, City Councillor Brian Worrell and state Rep. Russell Holmes, are asking for more resources. and, from outsiders, a better understanding of what the community is facing.

Worrell, who represents Dorchester and Mattapan on the council, grew up off Blue Hill Avenue and still lives there. Citing a lifetime of trauma, he noted that there have been 223 shots-fired reports in Dorchester alone this year. As city leaders point to an overall crime decline in Boston, he said, those living in the

community just don't feel it.

"We're dealing with completely different issues than any other part of the city," he said. "I can't expect other people to really understand 223 shots going off in your neighborhood. Keep in mind, 223 shots is down compared to other years. If you've been around 10 or more years, it all just builds up. Years and years of having more than 200 shots fired in your neighborhood is going to affect people."

Worrell plans to release a District 4 Safety Plan calling for targeting resources. "If 30 houses are burning down on a street, that's the street we would focus on to figure out what's going on with all these fires,' he said. "That's the approach I would like to see in District 4."

Holmes agreed with that approach and said he plans need to focus on needs "up and down Blue Hill Avenue, Mattapan to Dudley. That's where it is," he said. "It's not a very big area you have to watch...It's unacceptable that these neighbors have to be terrorized by a few people.'

A resident of Mattapan off Blue Hill Avenue who

grew up in Mattapan Square, Holmes said there are a lot of misconceptions of the moment they're living through as he panned the idea of a self-imposed curfew that has been floated by some activists.

"I'm a taxpayer and a homeowner and I shouldn't have to run away and give the streets away - that doesn't sound like a good idea to me," said Holmes, who also pushed back on the "defund the police" slogan that has gained currency in some circles.

"I still continue to hear a strong amount of support for police and the mayor and a strong amount of confidence in our new commissioner," he said, referring to Michael Cox, who became Boston's top cop in August. "The whole 'defund the police' you'll never hear that in a community meeting here...I've not heard the defund perspective from constituents and it's not in alignment with what I'm hearing. As a matter of fact, it has angered people enough that they will call me to say they don't support that."

What people do support is a return to "community policing," Holmes and Worrell said. "The police are angry," Holmes said. "They are doing the opposite of what we would like them to do. They're only responding to radio calls...We are calling for community policing and not the community to be policed. Those are two

different things."
Said Worrell: "The police definitely need to be walking our neighborhoods and getting familiar with our residents as much as possible. It's different when police are constantly talking to our neighbors as opposed to talking to them when a crime happens."

Both politicians said that people aren't comfortable reporting crimes to the police in the most affected areas. Holmes, noting that several police commissioners, including Cox, have criticized the community for not picking up the phone, said that posture ignores the real fear of retaliation.

"The police know that the people don't trust that if they make a report, it will remain anonymous because historically they have seen people show up at the door, police officers, when it was supposed to be anonymous," he said.



Brian Worrell

"It only takes one or two police going there and folks won't trust it from then on...Without that. people won't continue to report things. I understand that. These crimes are scary."

Instead of criticizing the community for not calling, police need to encourage them and "it's not encouraging when you say, 'Well, y'all don't pick up the phone," Holmes said. "They are scared to pick up the phone."

Worrell said he has heard the same thing and hinted that his safety plan will call for a hotline that is community-led and separate from the Police Department that residents can call to report crime, to talk to someone, or to identify someone who might need mental health resources.

The recent violence has hit Worrell the clos-



Russell Holmes

est of any elected official, as his own barber and close friend, Max Hylton, was murdered while cutting hair at Celebrity Cuts on Washington Street last month. The killing prompted a tearful speech by Worrell on the floor of the Council. He said the tears were the culmination of years of frustration.

"What it felt like was here we are talking about things that should have been solved when I was a teen-ager," he said. "My emotions came from the lack of response when it comes to investing in Black and brown lives, especially young Black men...Because I went to school in Lincoln-Sudbury and I remember thinking there was a curse on us and our family...No one else at school had these problems. I thought there was something wrong with me."

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Reporter's People in and around our Neighborhoods

News about people

IBEW 103 hails completion of solar storage roof project

Nexamp and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 103 celebrated the completion of a solar and energy storage project at IBEW's headquarters on Freeport Street last month. The project will provide IBEW with annual savings on energy costs and supplemental power in the event of a local power outage.

"We are committed to building a sustainable, resilient, and energy-efficient future for our members and our communities," said IBEW Business Manager Lou Antonellis. "The completion of this project demonstrates that IBEW electrical workers are leading the way in transitioning to clean energy and resilient infrastructure. We have always had green technology on our campus and this project completed with Nexamp takes that to the next level."

The system, designed and installed by Nexamp and Lynnwell Associates, will provide enough energy to meet nearly 70



Officials from Nexamp and IBEW Local 103 were joined by local elected officials on the roof to view the completed solar + storage system at the Freeport Street headquarters of IBEW Local103. Photo courtesy Nexamp

percent of the electricity needs of IBEW's headquarters. Combining the solar generation with energy storage has the added cost saving benefit of enabling IBEW to store solar power when electricity prices are low and use it when prices

are high. It can also provide much needed backup power during disruptions caused by increasingly frequent and intense storms.

"Our union is walking the walk when it comes to energy efficiency," said Renee Dozier, Business Agent, IBEW Local 103. "The completion of this project comes on the heels of historic support from the Biden administration, through the Inflation Reduction Act and other measures, that means our transition to renewable energy

will also uphold and create good union jobs.'

In addition to Antonellis, officials taking part in the event included Zaid Ashai, CEO of Nexamp, state Rep. Jeff Roy, House Chair of the Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities &

Energy, state Rep. Dan Hunt, Chair of the House Committee on Federal Stimulus and Census Oversight; and Bernard Treml, Regional Director, US Department of Labor and Office of Apprenticeship.

Host panel preps for Earthshot Day at Kennedy Library

Ahead of Prince William's visit in the first week of December for the Earthshot Prize, the JFK Library Foundation has announced the local host committee made up of representatives from local environmental groups, prominent elected officials, academic institutions, and community leaders in business, philanthropy, and climate innovation.

The panel will be led by honorary co-chairs Boston Mayor Michelle Wu, Massachusetts Governor Charlie Baker, and President Kennedy's grandson, Jack Schlossberg, along with co-chairs Sandy and Paul Edgerley.



Bob Chen is dean of the UMass Boston School for the Environment.



Joe Christo is the managing director at the Stone Living Lab at UMass Boston.

Aside from the JFK Library Foundation, some of the other committee members are Dorchester-based folks, including Bob Chen and Joe Christo, each of whom has an affiliation with UMass Boston.

Chen is the interim dean of the UMass Boston School for the Environment, and Christo is the managing director for the Stone Living Lab.

The Earthshot Prize, inspired by President John F. Kennedy's iconic 1962 "Moonshot" speech calling upon Americans to embrace and commit to the visionary goal of reaching the moon within a decade, is an ambitious global

environmental prize that aims to discover and scale innovative solutions to help repair the planet within a decade.

The prize is meant to honor initiatives that help to meet five key goals: Protect and restore nature; clean our air; revive our oceans; build a waste-free world; and fix our climate.

The five winning solutions, selected from 15 finalists, will be announced at the Library ceremony, and will receive one million pounds each to increase their impact, with Prince William the headliner of the event.

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Historic grave markers have been restored at Cedar Grove Cemetery

Moss, mold, and lichen grow on older headstones in burial places like Cedar Grove Cemetery, causing deterioration and rendering inscriptions illegible. A biological cleaner, water, and a soft brush remove this growth as time, rain, and sunshine whiten the stones.

In the monument pictured here, "My Husband" is carved in the top triangle of the monument, and the following is written below: "Walter R. Meins/died April 13, 1876/Aged 57 years. Jane Cooper/His beloved wife/1828-1902. Alice Cooper/ Devoted sister/1830-1904." Also buried in the Meins lot are Attorney George E. Curry and Clara Neal Curry, who resided at 51 Port Norfolk St., and Hannah Emery Neal, Charles E. Neal,



The darkened angel in this image is now gleaming white as she reaches toward the Neponset River near the southeast corner of Cedar Grove Cemetery. When the photograph was taken, the left headstone had been completely cleaned while the center monument was being cleaned, and the headstone on the right was still covered with growth. Most stones in this lot have now been rehabilitated.

and James Neal of 49 Port Norfolk St. James Neal was a manager at the Putnam Nail Factory on Ericsson Street in Port Norfolk.

Overlooking the Neponset River, the cemetery, a creation of the celebrated Dorchester architect Luther Briggs, is a burial garden with winding paths, towering trees, hills, rock outcroppings, a reflection pool,

waterfalls, greenhouses. a picturesque chapel, and office buildings. Mr. Briggs also designed the layout of one of the first planned suburb communities known as Port Norfolk and was the architect for many impressive homes in Port Norfolk and on Carruth's Hill, Pope's Hill, and Ashmont Hill.

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

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Editorial

Hurrah for John Drew

One of the city's finest leaders of the last half-century will be feted on Friday at a gala dinner that benefits the organization he served with distinction starting in 1971. John Drew, 85, retired from his top role at Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD) in June, but Friday's Community Heroes Celebration will serve as John's big send-off in front of a large audience at the

Omni Boston Hotel.

Ed Forry, the co-founder of the Dorchester Reporter and the news magazine Boston Irish, worked alongside John at ABCD in the 1970s, when— as Ed puts it—"both were young men" and "anti- poverty programs were not all that fashionable."

Drew, an Irish American from Charlestown, got his start as a milk man, delivering dairy products door-to-door in his old John Drew



neighborhood. He worked his way through school to become a certified public accountant, and his skills ensured that ABCD would stay solvent through lean years when Republicans in the White House and Congress gleefully tried to drive anti-poverty agencies out of business.

Drew stayed in the trenches at the agency and was the "right-hand-man" to its legendary founding leader, Robert Coard, who had roots in the Caribbean island of Grenada. Drew succeeded Coard as

Ed Forry recalls: "I worked with Mr. Coard and John to write press statements and arrange news conferences for them in this war on poverty. Bob Coard used to say it was 'a pop gun war, with very little ammunition."

Together with another Boston legend - Roxbury's Melnea Cass – Coard and Drew built ABCD into a powerhouse of hope and empowerment that survived the killing off of model cities agencies by Richard Nixon's administration largely because John Drew helped Coard figure out a way to pay the bills and prevent any scandals.

"ABCD was a leader in a revolution for poor people," Drew said recently in announcing his successor, Sharon Scott-Chandler, who was previously ABCD's executive vice-president and COO. "And we never stopped growing."

As he has for his whole career, John is modest about his remarkable success in keeping ABCD a robust force for change, education, and equity. But he richly deserves the public recognition that he will receive at Friday's event. For more information on the celebration, see bostonabcd.org.

- Bill Forry

A holiday treat at Martin's Park

It's not happening in Dot, but it's close enough, given the neighborhood connection: The second annual holiday lighting at Martin's Park— the spectacular public space in the Fort Point neighborhood— is set for Sat., Nov. 26. The event is geared toward kids and will include a visit from Santa, who will leave his sleigh up north and instead arrive by boat with an assist from the Boston Police Harbor Unit. If you haven't been yet, Martin's Park is a wonderful amenity for the whole city, but it has special resonance here in Dorchester, since it is named for our own Martin W. Richard, the youngest victim of the 2013 Boston Marathon bombing. The event begins at 4 p.m.

-B.F.

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Highway EV stations may require high-voltage hookups, study suggests

By Colin A. Young STATE HOUSE NEWS SERVICE

If electric vehicles really take off as many environmental activists are hoping they will, highway service plazas like the ones along the Mass. Turnpike could need 20-plus chargers and might use as much electricity as a small town to accommodate fast-charging on peak travel days, a new National Grid study has found.

To meet its decarbonization commitments, Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary Beth Card has said that Massachusetts will need to have at least 200,000 passenger electric vehicles on the roads by 2025 and 900,000 by 2030. To date, there are about 55,000 EVs and plug-in hybrids on the roads in Massachusetts, Card said last month. States and the federal government are also incentivizing electric trucks and commercial vehicles.

But all of those vehicles will need to be charged up somewhere and making charging stations accessible along major highways and at predictable intervals is key to making it easier for people to switch to an EV without having to worry that their car won't have enough juice to get them to where they're going.

To get a better idea of what kind of electric transmission and charging infrastructure will be required, National Grid looked at charging station behavior and traffic data to model the expected power demand

growth between 2022 and 2045 across 71 locations in Massachusetts and New York, mostly rest stops and service plazas on major highways.

"The electric highway future is happening now.," the study asserted. "The timelines required for grid infrastructure upgrades, particularly transmission, are much longer than those required for EV supply equipment installation. While charger installation can be completed in a matter of months, larger transmission interconnections and upgrades can take as long as 8 years to construct. This study suggests that some locations will need upgrades before 2030. Preparation of those no-regrets sites should begin immediately.

The utility company said that more than a quarter of the 71 sites studied are expected to need charging capacity in excess of 5 megawatts – a threshold at which a site could exceed the delivery limit of a typical distribution system interconnection and need to be hooked up to the high-voltage transmission system, which often overlaps with highway corridors – as soon as 2030 and that some sites could hit almost 40 MW of charging capacity by 2045, "a level of power equivalent to that demanded by a major manufacturer."

"These results indicate that transmission interconnections will likely be needed to satisfy demand at many sites," the report said.

Construction unions are paving the road to debt-free educations

By Frank Callahan SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

President Biden's plan for federal student loandebt forgiveness has come as a sigh of relief for millions of Americans who together owe nearly \$1.75 trillion in student loan debt – \$31 billion of that in Massachusetts alone. This innovative plan cannot come fast enough. Equally important is the promoting of alternative post-secondary options, such as a union apprenticeship. Here in Massachusetts, building trades unions lead the way in offering an approach to a bright future without thye incurrence of mountains of debt.

Some people learn better by working with their hands than sitting in a classroom, but everyone fares better when they aren't starting their careers in the red. A union apprenticeship doesn't just provide a debt-free job path, it offers the chance to "Earn While You Learn" by simultaneously providing a paycheck and hands-on training. It gets your foot in the door, allows you to build practical skills, and creates connections that offer a competitive advantage in landing a job.

President Biden gets it right: "The middle class built America, and unions built the middle class." In Massachusetts, more than 75,000 workers can count on family-sustaining jobs thanks to building trades unions, which, with eyes firmly on the future, invest more than \$55 million every year in their apprentice training programs.

But we can do more by way of investing in our communities and in our future. We encourage the next governor and Legislature to follow the lead of President Biden by requiring registered apprentices on all public construction beginning in 2024, and on all construction funded by state tax credits in 2025. Doing so will ensure that apprentices have the necessary work hours to complete their training and provide more economic opportunities for

ing trades unions are breaking down barriers within the construction industry. Massachusetts is leading the way on this front, with triple the national average of female apprentices. Some 92 percent of all women apprentices in Massachusetts can proudly say they are union members. Even with a college education, women face a heavier debt burden than men and also a significant pay gap, earning just 82 cents for every dollar a male worker earns. Thanks to the guarantee of a union contract, building trades unions combat these inequities, ensuring equal pay for equal work,

In addition to adding value to the economy, build-

Building trades unions are also breaking down barriers for people of color - barriers that have led to Black college graduates owing an average of \$25,000 more in college loans than white graduates. As a result, many people of color are choosing union apprenticeships over classroom work. In fact, 85 percent of all apprentices of color in Massachusetts are being trained in union apprenticeship programs. And with wages 17 percent higher than their nonunion counterparts, Black union workers have more breathing room to cover their needs.

Unions don't just fight for your financial security while you're on the job. They also fight for dignified retirements by negotiating secure pensions and annuities, as well as comprehensive health insurance for members and their families. The difference that unions make is about more than wages and benefits — it's about respect and security now and in the future.

If Americans want to escape the crushing debt of student loans, unions are part of the solution. A union apprenticeship offers a debt-free path to life-changing careers with family-sustaining wages and benefits. Opportunity is calling in building trades unions. Take the call – unions have a place for you.

Frank Callahan is the president of Massachusetts Building Trades Unions (MBTU)

To the Editor

Mattapan council: Look to Chicago for guidance on gun violence approaches

To the Editor:

As we continue to see the level of gun violence and physical assaults grow in parts of Mattapan and Dorchester, the Greater Mattapan Neighborhood Council (GMNC) is requesting that the Mayor's Office look to the results of another city's recent efforts that have been effective - the City of Chicago.

Beginning in May of 2022, the Chicago's Community Safety Coordination Center (CSCC), in partnership with community organizations, formed High Risk Intervention Teams to conduct weekly violence reviews and identify the tasks necessary to address people and place-based issues driving violence. These teams represent a holistic and coordinated effort between the city and community partners to identify what is driving violence in each community area to identify what solutions we can quickly use to combat violence.

The teams comprised members from across the city representing Faith-Based, Street Outreach, Community-Based, Mental Health Providers, Victim Services, Police Department, Mayor's Office, and Public Schools organizations and services.

The GMNC appreciates the heartfelt responses to the violence; we all agree that these are never enough. It is very easy to point fingers and make statements that we need this programming or that programming, but a community becomes proactive when it uses issue-based facts to respond to whatever is driving the violence. Our Council looks forward to working with the types of groups mentioned above to become part of the solution.

The Greater Mattapan Neighborhood Council (GMNC) meets regularly and issues recommendations on development, youth affairs, and on other public issues in the area.

Baker signs \$3.76b bill that commits millions to Dorchester recipients



A rendering of the interior of the Dot Field House from 2020

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Harvard Street recently unveiled plans to turn city-owned vacant lots and a parking lot located on Old Road and Ellington Street into a new facility with roughly 80 units of affordable housing atop the structure. The long-in-the-works project, which could have family medicine, a pharmacy, and dental offices, was slowed by the pandemic. The center is partnering with the nonprofit developer The Community Builders on the project.

Charley Murphy, the center's CEO and a former state lawmaker, said in a recent Reporterinterview that the project will be "transformational" for the area and the Blue Hill Avenue corridor.

On the other side of Dorchester, over on Co $lumbia\,Point, the\,Martin$ Richard Foundation and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Dorchester will use their \$5 million grant for their \$55 million Field House, which has already \$1 million through the federal government, courtesy of Congressman Stephen Lynch, and a second \$1 million in funding from a \$5.2 billion bill focused on repairs to state buildings that was signed by Baker back in August.

In October, the city's Zoning Board of Appeal signed off on plans for the 75,000-square-foot,

three-story Mount Vernon Street facility, which will include basketball courts, running tracks, an auditorium, and a cafeteria.

Other items included in the economic development packaged signed by Baker last week include:

- \$5 million to pay down debt service obligations incurred by the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the United States Senate;
- \$750,000 for "rebuilding and modernization" of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation's digital infrastructure system:
- \$144,000 for the Mattapan Community Health Center to pay for"increased salaries for

nurses, and medical or clinical assistants";

• \$100,000 for the Mattapan Food and Fitness Coalition.

The package did not include \$500 million in tax rebates and \$500 million in estate tax reforms and tax breaks for renters and seniors, among others. State lawmakers, as they were shuttling the package to Baker's desk, said they dropped those measures, citing \$3 billion in state refund checks that started heading out to taxpayers earlier this month. The state was required to send out those checks due to a 1986 law that caps tax revenues.

Baker had unsuccessfully argued that the state could afford to both send out the checks and pass permanent tax relief.

"Happy Hour" was also dropped from the final version. Baker had opposed the measure, which would have given cities and towns the option of allowing "Happy Hour" drink promotions. The promotional discounts were banned 38 years ago.

The Reporter's Seth Daniel contributed to this report, which includes material from State House News Service.

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'Nutcracker' cancelled for 2022; Covid cited

(Continued from page 1) organization," he said. duction has been a local fixture for decades, with Cambridge-based Jose Mateo making its debut in 1987. Traditionally, it performs the Nutcracker at the Strand and at the Emerson Majestic Theatre.

Fraser said the production is already booked for 2023 at the Strand. "The Strand has been the highlight of my Christmas for years. It's important for me and the

He said there was another venue that called on the company to do more health safety protocols than they thought they could do without having to cut back productions in other places like Dorchester.

"We do Nutcracker in several different places," he said. "One theater just had protocols we couldn't meet across the board...If you believe this is the right thing

to do, you have to do it inclusively and not just selectively."

The annual production had become a highlight for the Strand and a big holiday draw for Uphams Corner. It was also a chance for the Ballet Theatre to perform close to their practice studios on Cushing Avenue in the Jones Hill neighborhood.

According to the Strand calendar on the City of Boston website,

there are no events booked at the theater past the first week of December. Beyond that, the months of January and February are blocked out for what is described on the calendar as "Capital Upgrades."

'We look forward to having Jose Mateo Ballet Theatre return next year to continue the tradition," said Kara Elliott-Ortega, Boston's Chief of Arts and Culture.

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Dot's Buyu, Milton Academy goalie, an All-America team pick

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into two squads — East and West — for games that will be played on Dec. 10 in Panama City, Florida. Buyu is one of two goalies on the roster of the East team, and one of three Massachusetts players, the others being Harry Bertos of the Brooks School and T.J. Liquori of Worcester Academy.

Three girls from Massachusetts made the All-America team and will play on the Girls East Team on Dec. 10: Maddie Landers of the Pingree School, Rylie Moschella of Dexter Southfield, and Sophie Reale of Hingham High School.

Said Buyu of his selection: "Milton Academy has had an All-American each year for the last 10 years. I remember seeing that last year and thinking it would be cool if I could be there next year. I try not to think about it too much until after our season is over."

His mother, Virginia Benzan, said she has watched a lot of her son's games, and what sticks out to her is his humbleness. "He has a quiet leadership and people really respond to it," she said. "Everybody likes the hype guy, but the guy who is steady and manages his emotions...can provide just as much leadership as the guy pumping you up or giving speeches. He leads by example."

Chris Kane, Buyu's coach at Milton, said the goalie was crucial this year to sealing up a league title last week against North Andover's Brooks School.



Dorchester's Mateo Buyu has been named to the Boy's High School All-America team as a goalie for Milton Academy. He will continue his career at Providence College next fall. Photos courtesy Milton Academy

"Mateo has been a standout leader during his time at Milton and he has been a huge part of our team's success this season, helping lead our team to a league championship," he said. "He is one of the most talented goalkeepers in the country and his selection as an All-American speaks to his talent and accomplishments as a student athlete."

Buyu has also been a "key tone setter for his peers and role model for younger students; he's always looking for opportunities to give back," Kane added.

He has been steady in goal for the last two years, playing alongside his cousin, sophomore Hayes Benzan, and his brother, Diego Buyu, who is now at Northwestern University but was also a standout at Milton Academy.

Their father, Chris Buyu,



was a Division 3 player at Clark University after coming to the United States from Africa, so soccer talent runs deep in the family, and the youngest Buyu has capitalized on that, landing a Division 1 soccer scholarship to Providence College, a nationally known program in the NCAA universe.

Although he intends to play as long as he can, Mateo said college soccer will be the challenge that determines how long his love of the game can last. "If I do well at Providence, then I want to go on for profes-

sional or semi-professional," he said. "I want to play for my country. I think it would be sick to play in the World Cup or the Olympics."

Seeing elite athletes in his family succeed has made a big impression on Mateo as he watched them make the decisions on when to hang up the cleats or put away the basketball. Another cousin, Katie Benzan, was a standout at Nobles & Greenough in basketball and an All-America in college for Harvard and the University of Maryland. She played in the WNBA, he said,

but last year decided to move away from the sport.

"She didn't enjoy it anymore, even though she could have kept playing," he said.

A continuing love for the sport is not a problem nowadays for Buyu, though. He is devoted to his club team, the Boston Bolts, with whom he plays after the fall high school season. Prior to the Bolts, he played for REAL Boston and then the FC Valeo team in Boston while attending Dorchester's Neighborhood House Charter School (NHCS). It was at Valeo that he was introduced to the goalie position, which wasn't his choice at first.

"The first two years I didn't like it at all," he said. "Some games, we played terrible teams and I wanted to be in the field. I would cry after the game. My coach told me to stick with it and Valeo got a goalie coach, and he changed the way I look at the position."

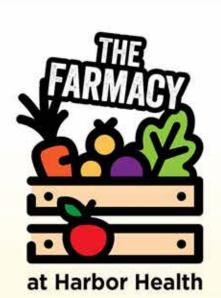
At the same time, Buyu kept fresh by playing outside of the goalie box at Dorchester Youth Soccer—giving him the status of a goalie who uses his feet well, and getting him more attention nationally.

Making saves has been a hallmark this year for Buyu. "Some goalies get noticed for yelling and screaming, but I'm more of a quiet goalie," he said. "What's different about me is I like to play with my feet even as a goaltender. We kick the ball around in the back and my teammates like that. That gets you noticed, along with making a bunch of saves."

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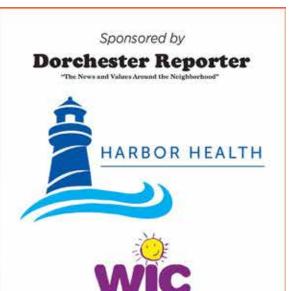
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City is seeking input for housing on 70 vacant lots

(Continued from page 1) light ways renters can buy a home in Boston and prequalify for mortgage products backed by the city.

The new homes could range in style from single-family to duplexes and townhouses, as well as three-deckers.

The parcels have come into the hands of the Mayor's Office of Housing through tax foreclosures. Some once were filled with houses that burned down over time.

The community outreach efforts on these lots will continue through the end of the year, according to Jamie Smith, who works on real estate management and sales for the Mayor's Office of Housing.

"We want to make sure we get feedback that we can incorporate into our development guidelines that go into the requests for proposals for these lots," he said.

Staffers will also put a sign on each parcel to mark it as a future location of affordable housing, and include a QR code that people can by various city departuse to weigh in through their phones.

The requests for proposals will go out to developers sometime early next year, with construction potentially starting in the fall.

City officials are ramping up efforts to build affordable housing as the economy faces a headwind of uncertainty. Costs of labor and material are continuing to rise, and homebuyers are dealing with rising interest rates, in addition to inflation, even as Massachusetts continues to suffer from a lack of inventory when it comes to homes.

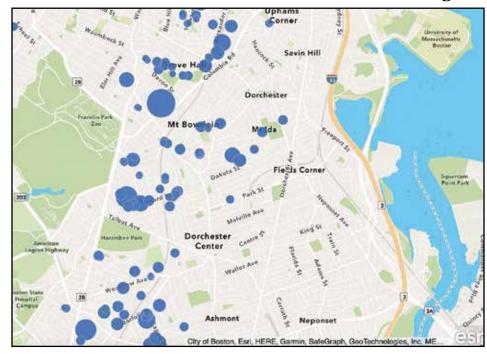
"It's made it more difficult to make the financing work, but we're committed to continuing to find a way," Smith said.

The Wu administration has sought to prioritize affordable housing production within city limits. Earlier this year, Wu joined Arthur Jemison, the city's chief of planning, to unveil an audit of parcels owned

Do you have news to share about you and your family? Send in your people items to newseditor@dotnews.com or reach us on Twitter @DotNews ments. The Mayor's Office of Housing and the BPDA were identified as the city entities with the "most significant numbers of vacant and underutilized parcels," the audit said. The housing office had 921 vacant parcels, while the BPDA had 176.

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In September, Wu signed an executive order to streamline and speed up affordable housing, noting that currently the approval process can last as long as 337 days. She wants to cut that time in half.



A map showing the location of most of the 70 vacant lots that city officials are seeking to turn into affordable housing.



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This is a meeting with the general public to review the proposed 35-75 Morrissey Boulevard Master Plan. The meeting will begin with a presentation of the project by the development team, followed by Q&A with the public. This meeting will focus on the proposed 35-75 Morrissey Boulevard Master Plan which is presently under Article 80C review by the

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'REPPING THE DOT'

'Dorchester Duo' brings the oomph to Dexter Southfield football games

By Seth Daniel News Editor

This year's Dexter Southfield School varsity football team contains a one-two punch in a backfield that has been running all over most every opponent in New England Preparatory School Athletic Council (NEPSAC) competition.

The team from Brookline, which ended the regular season at 7-1 with a 32-25 win over archrival Pingree last Saturday, is prepping this week for a home playoff game this Saturday against Lawrence Academy that will determine the winner of SEPAC's Todd Marble Bowl. The contest will likely feature running backs — and defensive standouts—Takai Whitmore and Quinn Carver of Dorchester as key factors.

The strong season-long efforts of both athletes have earned them the moniker "Dorchester Duo" from students, coaches, parents, and fans of Dexter Southfield. "Not to be cliché, but they do both have that Dorchester blue-collar edge to them for sure," said Dexter Southfield Head Coach Casey Day. "That's a huge luxury to have two No. 1 running backs and both have the capability to take over a game for us."

Earlier this season both players blasted into the spotlight against the New Hampton School when each ran for over 100 yards in a winning effort, nabbing "Players of the Week" honors in the *Boston Globe*. Last Saturday, Whitmore had a 40-yard scamper for a touchdown, and Carver had two key receptions on screen passes out of the backfield against Pingree.

Both young men also play defense



Quinn Carver has excelled on both sides of the ball this season.

Photos courtesy Dexter Southfield School

as well as they run, according to Day. Whitmore, 18, is a top-rated defensive cornerback who will head to Bucknell University next fall on a football scholarship.

But it's on offense that they have found a special synergy that has defenses spinning in their cleats.

"We drive to school and games together," said Whitmore, who transferred in 2020 from Boston Latin Academy (BLA). "Things are a lot different here and there are so many opportunities. I decided to transfer because it was time for a change, and



Takai Whitmore is also a top-ranked defensive cornerback who will head to Bucknell University next fall.

it gave me a chance to concentrate more on my athletics."

Added the 17-year-old Carver: "It's so awesome that he's from Dorchester and I'm from Dorchester and we're shredding it up. It's really cool to be able to rep the Dot that way."

Carver, who said his father, Phil, calls them the "Dorchester Duo" and can be heard yelling as much from the stands at most games, hails from a well-known football family, with his great-grandfather, George "Gigi" Kenneally, being an early professional football player and team owner in the budding National Football League (NFL) of the 1920s and "30s – once

playing for the Chicago Cardinals and Boston Braves [later the Boston Redskins before their move to Washington D.C.].

After retiring as a player, he was a celebrated coach at Revere High School and Brandeis University. Football has been so ingrained in the family, the young Carver said, that when he tried his hand at soccer early on, the football genetics overpowered that inclination.

"I started with soccer, but I was always the one out there hitting kids when I wasn't supposed to and running around like a maniac," he said. "I think my dad was watching that and told my mom, 'I know you don't want him to be a football player, but we're a football family.' That was first grade and we strapped up and went from there."

Carver played his early football for South Boston Pop Warner, while attending Dorchester's Boston Collegiate Charter School. He made the move to Dexter Southfield in the seventh grade to concentrate more on athletics.

Whitmore began his schooling at the William Monroe Trotter School on the Dorchester line, while playing Pop Warner for the celebrated Dorchester Eagles program. "I played running back early on and only played for the Eagles and we did make it to the nationals a couple of times," he recalled.

Both say they're having the time of their lives, particularly since they just started at the running back position this year, moving into the backfield from wide receiver. For Day and the Dorchester Duo, there are no regrets.

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Slow zones still a constant on MBTA lines

By Simon Rios **WBUR**

Lots of MBTA passengers are raving about the long-awaited cars rolling out onto the Orange and Red Lines. Even better, the MBTA says service is mostly back to normal after lengthy shutdowns of the Orange and Green lines. T officials say the service disruptions allowed workers to complete five years' worth of maintenance in just 30 days.

For all that, many passengers were frustrated when the lines first reopened in September, because the transit agency put in place a number of temporary slowdowns to give the new tracks time to settle. MBTA officials said the slowdowns would last days, but some wound up lasting for weeks.

In addition, the T has since established some new slow zones in places where it identified additional problems during the slowdown. The agency says those new speed restrictions could remain through the end of the year, as crews work around the clock to replace aging ties and rails.

"I know that it has been inconvenient for our customers and I regret that, but I have also seen progress," said MBTA general manager Steve Poftak at a recent MBTA board meeting.

MBTA data confirm that Orange Line service is generally back to pre-shutdown levels, according to the nonprofit Transit Matters, which collects and analyzes the information from the T.

But not everything is getting better. The data show delays on the Red Line also have reached some of the highest levels since the derailment at JFK/UMass station three years ago.

Jarred Johnson of Transit Matters said he's frustrated the T hasn't provided more updates about problems on the Red Line. "We've had no answers on what the timeline is for any repairs or for any work to resolve those slow zones," he said.

Transit Matters said it hasn't been able to process service data yet for the Green Line,

where the T shut down five stations for a month and other stations for six briefer periods.

But many passengers have noticed the new cars. The MBTA says the shutdown gave workers time to replace many older trains, something that required training and inspections, as well as software updates. So far, the T has rolled out 78 new cars on the Orange Line.

"I love the new cars," said Julie Johnson, who rides the Orange Line on weekdays from Ruggles to Downtown Crossing stations. "It's so beautiful. So neat. I'm a clean freak, so these are nice." She especially liked the new rigid plastic seats, instead of the old stained fabric seats that were harder to clean. "This is the best!" she said.

But the T still awaits more than 300 more cars for the Orange and Red Lines. Those are part of a massive order of train car shells from China, which are outfitted by a firm in Springfield before going into service in Boston.

Largely due to the pandemic, the T is a year and a half behind schedule on receiving the rest of its 152-car Orange Line order. On the Red Line, just 12 of the 252 cars ordered have been received, and only one is in service.

For all that, Johnson said the service isn't any better now than it was before the shutdown. It takes her roughly the same time to ride downtown. "I think it was pretty much the same."

she said. "I don't see any change whatsoever."

Still, Johnson at Transit Matters, noting that the T's general manager, Poftak, is stepping down in January, said he hopes the new GM can find ways to finally fix the issues without another lengthy shutdown.

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Mass. retailers are looking at 10 percent bump in holiday sales

By Michael P. Norton STATE HOUSE News Service

High inflation and steady recession talk do not appear to be dampening holiday shopping appetites. The Retailers Association of Massachusetts (RAM) last Friday forecast a 10 percent increase in local holiday shopping sales this year. The prediction, based on a survey of association members, contrasts with a forecast calling for a 6 to 8 percent increase in such sales nationally.

'We are asking Massachusetts's holiday shoppers to remember that how they invest their dollars makes a big difference in the local economy," RAM President Jon Hurst said. "We are asking consumers to commit to investing a good portion of their spending budgets right here in our communi-

Holiday sales for the

2021 season increased accounting for about 17 16 percent in Massachusetts and 14 nationally due to pent-up demand from COVID, the association said.

Numbers released last Thursday showed US inflation was up 7.7 percent over the year in October, down from an 8.2 percent year-overyear increase reported in September. RAM said that retailers are also feeling inflation's pinch on outlays for inventory, wages, and energy.

"A projected 10 percent sales increase over prior year leaves little margin for error or increased profitability given the 8 percent inflation rate," Hurst said.

The health of retail is important on main streets across the state where stores offer a base for commerce and community development, but also to the roughly 600,000 people who are employed in the sector,

percent of all jobs in the state, according to the association, whose 4,000 members include "retailers and restaurants of all types and sizes."

The association said consumer spending in Massachusetts has "remained relatively strong for the year to date," with members reporting an average sales increase of 6 percent so far. But retailers are seeing changes in consumer purchasing patterns.

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Covid, and debt levels dropped as well," the association said. "Yet those numbers are now reversing again given the inflation rate, and some sellers report experiences of customers now 'buving down' on their purchases, even as the number of transactions continue at positive numbers."

Hurst reported that 60 percent of the association's members report selling online, compared to 26 percent during the 2019 holiday season.

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The farm will have locally grown fruits and vegetables including apples, potatoes, squash, and more. For \$30, customers will get a reusable Dick's Market Gardens shopping bag to fill up with any fresh fruits

and vegetables.

Cash, credit, SNAP, and HIP are accepted. SNAP recipients are encouraged to use HIP dollars at the Farmacy to get vegetables and fruits for the Thanksgiving holiday. Harbor Health will also provide free blood pressure screenings and health giveaways during the market.

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Led by Dot's Taylor, Irish Wolfhounds power past rival Portland in union finals

By Tara Kerrigan Hayes

SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER
The Boston Irish Wolfhounds, led by their captain, Paul Taylor of Dorchester, emerged victorious last Saturday against Portland at the New England Rugby Football Union (NER-FU) finals held at the Irish Cultural Centre in Canton. The final score was 18-13.

It was a deeply personal win for a team that had endured a devastating 2-point loss to Boston Rugby of Weymouth during last year's semifinals after first racking up a 25-point lead. It was a defeat that would both haunt the Hounds and fuel their determination for this year's successful comeback.

Redemption became serious during the semi-finals when the Hounds beat Boston Rugby, giving them home field advantage for NER-FU finals. On Saturday, with the stakes high, and the energy palpable, the Hounds roared onto the field, and posted a 13-10 lead at half time after giving Portland little opportunity to find gaps in their overwhelmingly dominant defense. The second half involved



A number of Dorchester residents make up the Boston Irish Wolfhounds rugby team. The team is led by Dorchester's Paul Taylor.

Image via Morgan Thompson

mostly a swapping of numbers leading to the 18-13 final score.

Dorchester resident Ronan Griffin's interception was instrumental to the win, by which the Hounds clinched a spot in the Nationals set for next Spring. Also key to the victory was the kicking accuracy of Javi Martin, who was responsible for 8 points.

Hounds member Adam "Z" Zilcoski attributed the win to vigorous training and dedication by the players, but also to the vast knowledge

base and industriousness of the coaching team, including head coach Liam Swanton — whose father and cousin are former Hounds — Ben Stone, and Wayne van der Bank.

A large contingent of the team resides in and around Adams Village, and includes two Dorchester natives, Jerry Manning and Dave Nguyen. The team practices on Boston College High School's football field.

The Hounds present players from all experience levels, from young BC grads to an active-duty Naval Officer with no prior rugby experience. Despite their different backgrounds, they share a bond that seems to transcend the game.

Zilcoski and Swanton credit Taylor for much of the team's success. "No one deserved this win more than he did," said Swanton. "It's a huge achievement for all the work he's put into the club."

Taylor, a native of Ireland, has been with the Hounds for over 10 years and is known for cultivating team camaraderie, helping new players acclimate, team promotion and more. Yet he's quick to deflect credit and heralds the Hounds for their collaborative skills, calling the team a true family.

When asked about his aspirations for the future, Taylor expresses a hope for continued solid team development, including the recruitment of more American players. "We are proud to have a diverse team that welcomes all players of course, and as the name suggests many of us are Irish, but ultimately we want players who will commit to sticking around," he said.



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3 Ways to Prevent Diabetes in Your Pet

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Sale of Motor Vehicle, under MGL c.265, s.39A. Intent to sell at Public Auction at 8am on 12/08/22 at Peters Towing, 150 Freeport St, Boston, MA 02122. 2015 Hyundai Tucson, Maroon, KM8JUCAG1FU983001 1VXW77. Owner Name: TERELL DAVIS Owner Address: 43 CLAFIN ST. FRAMINGHAM, MA 01702

PUBLIC NOTICE

Moment of Paws

become more common in the past few years is diabetes.

According to a recent study that included data from 43 states and 3 million cats and dogs, researchers saw an 80 percent increase in diabetes in dogs and an 18 percent increase in cats between 2006 and 2015.

Despite these numbers, the risk for diabe-

tes in our pets depends on a number of factors, including age, diet, lack of exercise, and obesity. Diabetes in dogs and cats can occur at any age; the majority of dogs are diagnosed between the ages of 7-10, and for cats, older than six.

Signs of diabetes in pets include excessive thirst, increased urination, significant weight loss, decreased appetite, and a lack of energy. If you notice any of these signs, contact your veterinarian immediately. To accurately diagnose diabetes in your pet, a veterinarian will perform a blood test, looking for excessive sugar.

As with any disease,

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PROBATE COURT SUFFOLK, ss Case No. SU22E0084

Shirby Simmons Lilley F.K.A other persons interested.

A petition has been presented to said Court by Laurell L. Anderson of Brockton in the County of Plymouth representing that she holds as Tenant in common and an undivided 50% part or share of certain land lying in Dorchester in said County of Suffolk and briefly described as follows:

A certain parcel of land with buildings thereon now known as 31 Allston Street, situated in the part of Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, formerly Dorchester, being the Southwesterly portion of Lot 12 on a plan by T.B Moses Surveyor dated April 9 1869 and recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 993, No

218, bounded and described as follows: NORTHEASTERLY: Beginning at the corner of Mather Street and Allston Street,

NORTHERLY: On Allston Street, fifty-two and 3/10 (52.3) feet, more or less, to the fence dividing the premises hereby conveyed from land of Serence

D. Currier, now or formerly, EASTERLY: By said fence and said land of said Currier one hundred (100) feet, more or less, to another fence also dividing the premises hereby conveyed

from other land of said Currier, SOUTHERLY: By said last mentioned fence and said land of Currier, forty-nine (49) feet, more or less, to

said Mather Street, and
WESTERLY: On said Mather Street, one hundred (100) feet, more or less to the point of beginning.

Setting forth that she desire that – all the following described part – of said land may be sold at private sale for not less than the current appraised value dollars and praying that partition may be made of all the land aforesaid according to law, and to that end that a commissioner be appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyance of all, or any part of said land which the Court finds cannot be advantageously divided either at private sale or public auction,

and be ordered to distribute the net proceeds thereof.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTOR. NEY SHOULD FILE A WRITTEN BOSTON BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON the thirteenth day of December, 2022 the return day of this citation.

Witness, BRIAN J. DUNN, ES QUIRE, First Judge of said Court, this 4th day of November, 2022

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Sabrina early diagnosis and treatment is critical, but preventive steps should be taken as well. Keep these tips in mind to decrease the risk of your

pet developing diabetes.

Get them moving! Obesity is a big contributor in developing diabetes, so be sure to keep your pet moving with regular exercise to help maintain a proper weight. A healthy weight also helps to combat other ailments that are associated with weight gain, particularly as your pet ages.

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE and FAMILY COURT
Docket No. SU02P219SEP1
Suffolk Probate & Family Court
24 New Chardon St., Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300
CITATION ON GENERAL
PROBATE PETITION
ESTATE OF:
CATHERINE ATKINS
DATE OF DEATH: 02/25/2022

DATE OF DEATH: 02/25/2022
To all interested persons:
A Petition has been filed by: HSBC Bank
USA of Columbia, MD requesting Reopen
Probate closed 3/14/2029 due to inaction, order co-executors to obtain court approval of non-arms length conveyance to Alden Jones; order co-executors to obtain release of MA DMAclaim; order co-executors to request and btain order of complete settlement of estate

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 writter ppearance and objection at this Court before

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance of which you holged 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 series.

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Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Witness, FIGN. 2011.
ustice of this Court.
Date: November 10, 2022
Felix D. Arroyo

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increased exercise, and monitoring your pet's appetite, weight, drinking, and urination. Depending on the severity of the disease, your pet may need daily insulin injections as well.

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bohydrate diet not only helps your pet maintain a healthy weight, but also aids in achieving steady blood sugar levels. Schedule regular veterinary visits. Routine check-ups go a long way in maintaining our

pet's wellness and early diagnosis of any health issues, including diabetes. Remember, even if your beloved pet is diagnosed with diabetes, it can be treated and controlled. Treatment differs from animal to animal, but it typically involves a strict diet,

important! Dr. Edward Schettino $is\,the\,president\,and\,CEO$ of the Animal Rescue League of Boston. He holds a doctorate in Vet-

Tufts University.

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DORCHESTER, MA 02121

Notice is hereby given by Always Open Towing at 18 Talbot Avenue, Dorchester, MA 02124 in pursuant to M.G.L. c.225, section 39A, that the following vehicles will be for sale at a private auction on December 1, 2022 at 8 am to satisfy the garage keeper's lien for towing, storage and notice of sale:

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BGCD Takes Teens to University of New Hampshire for College Tour: See details below.

CONNECT THE DOT: BGCD Takes Teens to University of New Hampshire for College Tour: On the last Saturday of October, a group of Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester teen members enjoyed a college tour of the University of New Hampshire. The members toured the campus, dorms and the classroom spaces and also had the chance to meet with the Admissions team to answer any questions around the college application process. The tour was part of the Power Forward program which helps current members identify their career and education opportunities upon graduation. Next up for the Power Forward program will be a session on the Trades on November 30th and a session on the finanicial services

For more information on Power Forward, please contact Tricia Chapple at pchapple@bgcdorchester.org.

industry on December 7th.

FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE:
SAVE THE DATE - Jingle & Mingle
at The Barking Crab December 8th:
Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester, in
partnership with The Barking Crab,
presents Jingle & Mingle on Thursday,
December 8th! Join us at the Barking
Crab in the Seaport for a night of
holiday fun!

This festive event starts at 6pm and will include food and drink, raffles, live music, a meet and greet with Santa, and more!

Tickets are \$30 per person when purchased online at bit.ly/bgcdjingle22 or can be purchased at the door for \$40. Please note, this is a 21+ event.

All proceeds will benefit Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester. For more information, please contact Patty Lamb at plamb@bgcdorchester. org.



<u>DID YOU KNOW:</u> Help BGCD Recruit 50 Participants For a \$5,000 Match from MR8K:

Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester is participating in the Martin Richard Foundation's annual MR8K on December 4th. The MR8k is a 5-mile race that begins and ends at Boston Landing, home of the TRACK at New Balance in Brighton, MA. The race is open to runners, walkers, parathletes, and families of all ages and abilities.

Help Us Reach Our Incentive: If BGCD gets at least 50 participants on our team, we will receive a \$5,000 match from the Martin Richard Foundation.

To register, please visit mr8k.org and make sure to select Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester as your team! Please note there is a \$45 registration fee. For more information, please contact Patty Lamb at plamb@bgcdorchester.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

BGCD Thanksgiving Dinner November 17

Elevate Youth Rock Climbing November 19

Thanksgiving Recess - Closed November 24 - 25

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RECENT OBITUARIES



BOLDEN, Daisy F., 69, of Dorchester, formerly of Vero Beach, Fla., and Wrightsville, Ga. Daugher of the late Wilbert Bolden Sr. and the late Bessie M Lucas. She was preceded in death by her brother, Arcephus Lucas and two sisters, Mrs. Bertha Curry and Ms. Mary N Lucas. She leaves two sons, Deross and Darrell Bolden of Dorchester; two brothers, William Lucas(Barbara) of Framingham, and Wilbert Bolden Jr. of Stoughton; three sisters, Pearl Washington, Roxbury, Lois Hodges, Stockbridge, Brenda Lucas, Dorchester; 8 grandchildren, several nieces and nephews and a host of relatives and friends.

CONWAY, John Harris "Iggy", 8, of Salem, NH formerly of South Boston and Dorchester. Son of Erin Kathleen Fox and John Joseph Conway. Grandson of Betty Conway and Margy (McManus) Fox "Nana Grouchy". Nephew of Jillian Fox, Katherine Balnis, and Cathy Lastih. Also survived by many uncles, aunts, cousins and friends. Iggy attended the Mary A. Fisk School in Salem, NH.

DOHERTY, Win-ifred M., 88, of Milton, originally of Dorchester. She is predeceased by her parents Catherine (McLaughlin) Doherty and Edward Doherty, her sister Elizabeth (Doherty) Storms, her brother Brian Doherty,



and brother's in-law: Peter Storms and Donald Ford, also her niece Donna (Ford) Scollans. Winnie is survived by her sister Kathryn (Doherty) Ford, and her nieces and nephews. Survived also by many grand-nieces and grand-nephews and great-grand nieces and great-grand nephew.



FISHER, David L. Dr. of Stoughton, formerly of Dorchester. Husband of the late Diane Claire Murray. He is survived by his son Jason Fisher and grandson Andre Barth-Fisher of Westchester New York, his sister Rena, brother in law Michael, and nephews Daniel and Paul Silevitch of Brookline.

GREENE, Mary L. (Walsh), 73, of Hull, formerly of Dorchester. She was the daughter of the late James and Patricia (Ryan) Walsh. Wife of Paul J. Greene of Hull. Mother of James P. Greene and his wife Donna of Norwell, and Suzanne Darling and her husband Kevin of Hull. Grandmother of 5. Sister of James Walsh



and his late wife Mary of Weymouth, Francis Walsh and his wife Gale of Hull, Kathleen Richmond and her husband Donald of Hull. Preceded in death by her siblings, Patricia Travers, Richard and Stephen Walsh. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Donations in memory of Mary may be sent to Caring Hospice Services of Massachusetts, 1208a VFW Pkwy., Suite #204, West Roxbury, MA 02132.



LEWIS, Alan E. of Kensington, NH, formerly of Dorchester. He leaves behind his wife, Harriet R. Lewis, son Edward and wife Caroline Lewis, daughter Charlotte Lewis and Michael Aylward, and three grandchildren. Donations can be made to the Alan E. Lewis Fund at Grand Circle Foundation to support special projects to protect land and Indigenous Peoples.

MAESTRE, Jason, 37, of Dorchester. Son of Ada Dowdye and Hector Sanches. Father of Angel, Lewis, Jovanni, Julie, Jada, Nyari, Anija, and Tavi. Brother of Warda Villanueva, Erica Maestre, Lateesha Maestre



and the late Octavis Maestre.



SHIELDS, John F. (Jack), 81, of Milton and Harwich, originally from Dorchester. Husband of Martha Wedgeworth Shields. Father of John Shields and Patricia of South Boston, Katherine Keohan and Sean of Milton, Sarah Rowley and Gerard of Milton and Julie McPhillips and Noel of Quincy, He also leaves 9 grandchildren. Son of the late William and Mary (Downey) Shields. He was the brother of Joseph Shields of Walpole, the late Kathleen Lovett of Milton, Elizabeth Shea of Quincy, and William Shields of Woburn. He was the brother-in-law of William Lovett of Milton and Joan Shields of Woburn. He also leaves behind his extended family including many nieces and nephews. Contributions in Jack's name may be sent to Alzheimer Association and Tommy's

SULLIVAN, John Patrick Sr., 82, of Needham, and most recently Dedham, originally from Dorchester. Son of the late Joseph Sullivan (County Kerry, Ireland) and Anna

(O'Brien) Sullivan (County Cork, Ireland). US Army veteran. John is survived by his longtime companion, Barbara Conry; sister Eileen Roche (Needham, and Marco Island, FL); son Brian Sullivan (Somerville); daughter in-law, Donna Sullivan (Spring City, PA; and his 3 grandchildren; as well as many nieces and nephews. John was proceeded in death by his wife Frances Josephine (Gallagher) Sullivan (Donegal, Ireland); sons John Patrick Sullivan, Jr. and Kevin Sullivan; parents Joseph and Anna Sullivan; mother in-law Molly Gallagher; brother in-law Sean Gallagher; sisters Mary Clune and Ann Glancy; brother Joseph Sullivan; sister in-law Patricia Sullivan; and nieces, Patrica Roche and Priscilla Clune.

WERMERS, Virginia "Ginger" (Donovan), 80, of Dorchester. Mother of John G. Wermers and James "Jimbo" Wermers both of Dorchester. Sister of John J. Donovan, Jr. and Francis X. Donovan both of Dorchester. Grandmother of 1. Also survived by her friends Lillian McLaughlin, Bette Salimbas, Tom and Carol Foy and many other friends and extended family. Donations in memory of Virginia may be made to the St. Mark Church, 20 Roseland St., Dorchester, MA 02124.



WHITLEY, Earl Kenneth Jr., 82, of Dorchester. Son to Earl Kenneth Whitley Sr. and Virginia Whitley. Husband of the late Vicky Jean. Brother of Beverly Wright, Richard Whitley Sr. Phyllis Jennings, and the late Elizabeth Parker. Father of Rachel Whitley, Earl Kenneth Whitley III, Jerome J. Whitley his departed son Kenneth A Whitley.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE & FAMILY COURT
SUFFOLK PROBATE & FAMILY COURT
24 NEW CHARDON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02114
CITATION GIVING NOTICE
OF PETITION FOR
APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR
OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER
PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B,
§5-304, & 55-405
Docket No. SU22P2474PM
IN THE MATTER OF
DEBRA A. TREADWELL
of BOSTON, MA
RESPONDENT
(Person to be Protected/Minor)

(Person to be Protected/Minor)

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Carney Hospital of Dorchester, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Debra A. Treadwell is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that Sara Spooner of Auburn, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve With Personal Surety on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that a protective order or appointment of a Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or our attorneum ust file a written appearance. (Person to be Protected/Minor)

proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 Å.M. on the return date of 12/02/2022. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance i you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date action may be taken in this matter withou further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorned specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense. Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.

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Date: November 04, 2022
Published: November 17, 2022

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE & FAMILY COURT SUFFOLK PROBATE & FAMILY COURT 24 NEW CHARDON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02114
CITATION GIVING NOTICE
OF PETITION FOR
APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN
FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON
PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 1908, §5-304
Docket No. SU22P2477GD
IN THE MATTER OF:
DEBRA A. TREADWELL
of BOSTON, MA
RESPONDENT

Alleged Incapacitated Person named Respondent and all othe Interested persons, a petition has been filled by Carney Hospital of Dorchester, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Debra A. Treadwell is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Sara Spooner of Auburn, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointe as Guardian to serve on the bond. The petition asks the Court to determine

RESPONDÉNT

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

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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. SU22P2512EA ESTATE OF:
CLAUDIA GEMMA ALLEYNE a/k/a: CLAUDIA ALLEYNE DATE OF DEATH: 06/27/2022

A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestact A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Nadine N. Bennett of Brockton, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Nadine N. Bennett of Brockton, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervise

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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 12/21/2022.

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UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed unde the MUPC in an unsupervised administration the whole in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of

he distribution of assets and expenses of administration.
Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.

Date: November 09, 2022 Felix D. Arroy Register of Probat Published: November 17, 2022

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF **MASSACHUSETTS** THE TRIAL COURT **PROBATE & FAMILY COURT** SUFFOLK PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT 24 NEW CHARDON STREET BOSTON, MA 02114 617-788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME Docket No. SU22C0522CA IN THE MATTER OF: JONATHAN ANIBAL PABON

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by by Jonathan Anibal Pabon of Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:

Johan Quintero 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 11/24/2022. 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 21, 2022

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24 NEW CHARDON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02114
Docket No. SU21D2118DR DIVORCE SUMMONS
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JOSHUA RODRIGUEZ

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this Court.
Witness, HON. BRIANJ. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.

Date: October 26, 2022

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vs. KEIARA S. MOORE

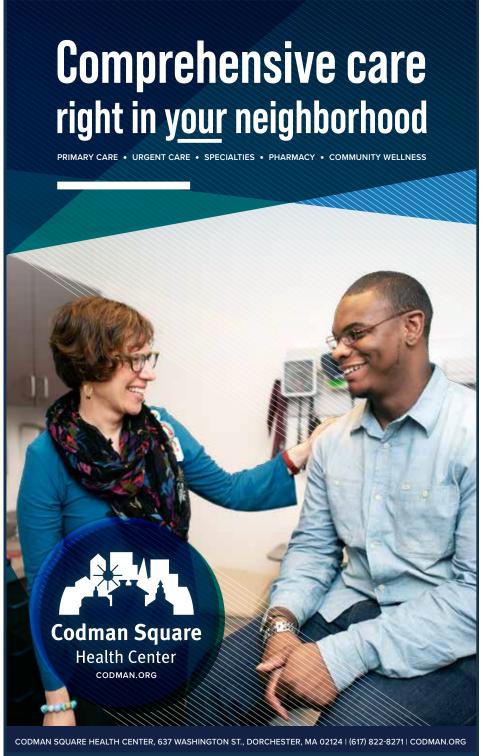
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Witness, HON. BRIANJ. DUNN, First Justice of this Court. Date: October 25, 2022

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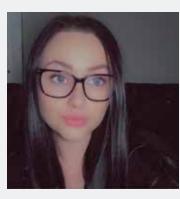
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