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Phillomin Laptiste in her office, which looks out on Bowdoin Street. *Joel Haskell photo*

'This is my life'

Health center chief Laptiste, a Bowdoin St. native, knows what's up in her community

By DANIEL SHEEHAN
REPORTER STAFF

Phillomin "Philly" Laptiste knows the Bowdoin/Geneva neighborhood like the back of her hand. Born and raised on Bowdoin Street, she "just kind of always stayed local," as she puts it.

Laptiste never strayed too far from home in her formative years, attending what was then the John Marshall Elementary (now the UP Academy) on Westville Street and St. Peter's Middle School before moving on to Boston Latin and Emerson College.

As the executive director of the Bowdoin Street Health Center and a leader in public health recently tapped for a seat on the city's Board of Health, Laptiste has built a career around community advocacy, dedicating her life to improving the lives of those immediately around her. She is so vested in the well being of her neighbors for the simple reason that she, along with her family and her two daughters, is a resident.

During an interview in her office with the *Reporter* last week, Laptiste said that when something happens in the neighborhood, it impacts her, as well.

"This is not just a job for me," she said. "This is my life."

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Next moves on Expo site development: Sign the contract, gear up input process

By JENNIFER SMITH
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The next big steps for the team that was selected last week by the University of Massachusetts to lead the redevelopment of the former Bayside Expo land on Dorchester's Columbia Point: Negotiate and sign a final lease agreement and ramp up a "robust stakeholder and community input process" to lay out the future uses of the highly valued waterfront property.

The UMass Board of Trustees and the UMass Building Authority voted unanimously last Thursday to approve a search team's recommendation of Accordia Partners, which is led by Boston real estate executives and financiers Richard



A slide from last week's UMass Board of Trustees presentation shows the Bayside site in the context of the UMass Boston campus and the neighborhood.

Galvin and Kirk Sykes, as the developer of a deal that could yield the university as much as \$235 million over time, according to sources familiar with the financials.

The designation came after an 18-month bid process that narrowed a field of interested developers to a group of six and then two finalists. Sources close to the process say that

the Galvin-Sykes bid was chosen because it offered the most solid financial plan for paying for a 99-year land lease. The group also brings to the table a diverse

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You won Megabucks? Dorchester's now the place to pick up your dough

By DANIEL SHEEHAN
REPORTER STAFF

Beginning this week, ticket holders who win spectacularly in Massachusetts Lottery drawings — more than \$50,000 — will be making their way to Dorchester to pick up their treasure chests. The agency, which had operated out of Braintree since the mid-1990s, opened its new headquarters on Tuesday in the Corcoran Jennison Bayside Office Building at 150 Mt. Vernon St. on Columbia Point.

Also housed in the



Day one at the Lottery's new home.

Daniel Sheehan photo

building are the State Registry of Vital Records and Statistics, UMass Boston classrooms, and the offices of the *Dorchester Reporter*.

"We'd been in the other facility for you know, 25 years, so there's definitely a newer vibe here," said the Lottery's chief marketing officer, Ed Farley. "And it's even the simple stuff," he added, "technology stuff, having ports in the right places; things like that."

The first-floor claim center, its entrance marked by a row of

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Dot-based group making a push for cannabis equity

By JENNIFER SMITH
NEWS EDITOR

Jones Hill residents lobbying to expand the social equity requirements for potential marijuana businesses are taking an initial tour through several Dorchester civic groups

where cannabis is high on their priority lists.

At a meeting of the Jones Hill Civic Association last week, Kamani Jefferson explained the requirements that his Massachusetts Recreational Consumer Council (MRCC) is advocating

for on the city and state level.

"As a social equity vendor and someone who's been advocating for social equity since the beginning, we've put together a five-point program that we are working with the city of

Boston to try to implement when bringing new business to town," Jefferson said.

Their equity plan sets goals for local employment and contributions to a training fund designed to help those who live in a neighborhood

scorched by the war on drugs benefit from the legalized marijuana industry.

Jefferson is a registered lobbyist and president of the MRCC, which is based in Dorchester.

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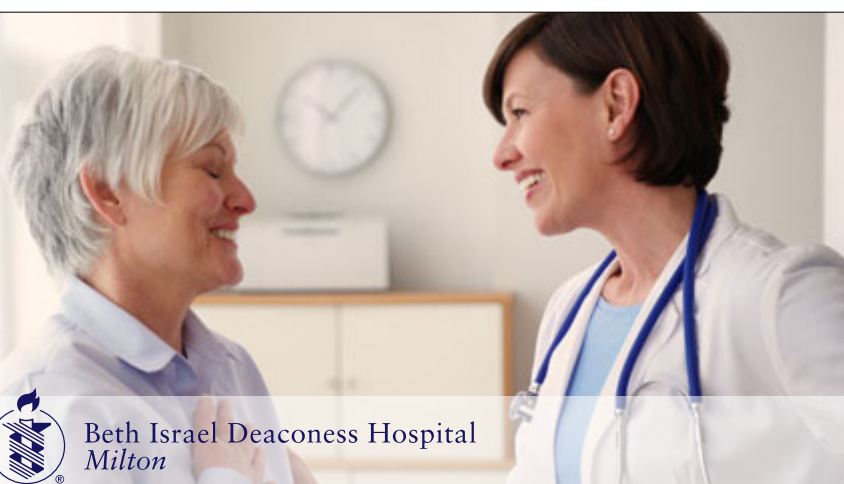
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A snapshot look at key upcoming events in and around the neighborhood for your weekly planner.

Thursday (21st) – Grove Hall BPL celebrates the opening of a new exhibition by local artists of color at 6 p.m. Take a tour of the rotating collection of paintings and sculptures at the branch, including this special exhibit, with work by Mfalme Kenyatta, Shea Justice, Laurence Pierce, and others. Local artists will be present to discuss their work as it relates to activism. Teens and tweens can stay for an art workshop; materials will be provided. Light refreshments will be served. 41 Geneva Ave., Dorchester.

Friday (22nd) – Neighborhood Children’s Theatre presents Annie for two performance at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. at St. Ann parish hall, 239 Neponset Ave., Dorchester. Admission \$5.

Wednesday (27th) – Boston Prep hosts information session for grades 6-10 at 6 p.m., 885 River St., Hyde Park. See bostonprep.org for more info.

Thursday (28th) – The Lawn on D is back with a special winter pop-up event— Chillin’ on D— from noon- 10 p.m. through March 3. DJ, live bands, ice carvings and more. See LawnonD.com for more.

Monday (25th) – The leadership of the Metropolitan Council for Educational Opportunity (METCO) hosts a public forum on proposed changes to the application process at 6:30 p.m. at the Thelma D. Burns Building, 575 Warren St., Dorchester. The proposed new application system would kick into action in October 2019, directed at the 2020-21 school year.

Thursday (28th) – Black History Month event at the Mattapan branch of the Boston Public Library on Blue Hill Avenue at 5:30 p.m. Former Sen. Bill Owens will be a guest speaker. Hosted by the Dorchester-Mattapan Neighborhood Council.

Friday (1st) – Deadline for public comment on the Dot Block project. Go to bostonplans.org/projects/development-projects/dot-block to add your voice to the city review of this project, which has been revised since its initial approval by the BPDA in 2016.

Thursday (7th) – Public hearing at 11 a.m. on a request to remove two public shade trees at 395 Columbia Rd. in Dorchester. The hearing is in the 3rd floor Conference Room of the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at 1010 Massachusetts Avenue, Roxbury. For further information, contact the Tree Warden at (617) 635-7275.

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This architect’s rendering shows the new section of the Neighborhood House Charter School in a lighter shade to the right of the new lobby entrance beneath the tower at left.

Neighborhood House Charter gives details on \$12m expansion

Neighborhood House Charter School (NHCS) has filed plans with the Boston Planning and Development Agency to add 12 classrooms and a gym in a three-story extension to its Pope’s Hill school. One of the oldest charter schools in the state, NHCS says its expanding number of students means the current building on its 2.3-acre site at 21 Queen St. is no longer big enough. The school plans to finance the roughly \$12-million project through a combination of fundraising and borrowing. It hopes to begin construction in March of next year, with the new space ready for students

by the end of June 2021. In its filing with the BPDA, the school explained the need for the new classrooms, gym, and changes to the way traffic flows into and out of the site. “The building is not large enough to house the 8th grade, causing them to be located off-site approximately one mile away,” the filing reads. “The building has several smaller classrooms where columns obscure instructional sightlines. The building has no indoor recreation space. When weather prevents students from playing outside, recess and physical education take place in hallways— which is both limiting to

students and distracting to instructional settings nearby. Current parking is tight, and several staff routinely park on residential streets nearby, frustrating neighbors. Finally, current traffic queuing during drop-off and dismissal times creates challenging situations for the nearby residents.” Neighborhood House, which started in 1995 with 51 students, today has 650 students, a number it plans to increase to 828, following state approval three years ago to open a high school. The first high school seniors are expected to graduate in 2021. – REPORTER STAFF

Three arrested after hate group posters are found in E. Boston

Three men were arrested on Friday night in an area of East Boston where racist flyers were recently posted. A similar flier was spotted at the corner of Gallivan Boulevard and Dorchester Avenue last weekend, according to Universal Hub. The *Boston Globe* reported that officers apprehended the men in East Boston on Friday

night as they patrolled an area where posters promoting the hate group Patriot Front were found earlier. Police say the men were wearing masks, had a spray can, and were “extremely uncooperative.” Matthew Wolf, a 26-year-old Lowell resident, was charged with assault and battery on a police officer after allegedly slapping an officer’s

hand away. Christopher Hood, a 20-year-old Malden resident, and Tylar Larson, an 18-year-old from Rochester, New York, were charged with carrying a dangerous weapon. It wasn’t clear what the weapons were. The men were arraigned Tuesday in East Boston District Court. It couldn’t be immediately determined if they had lawyers.

Forum on METCO proposal set for Feb. 25

The Metropolitan Council for Educational Opportunity (METCO) is proposing a new enrollment process for school-aged children of color to gain access to suburban schools. The council will hold a public forum on the proposal on Mon., Feb. 25, at the Thelma D. Burns Building, 575 Warren St., Dorchester.

The meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. The proposed new system would replace the first come, first served registration process with an annual time window (Oct. 2 - Dec. 31) for parents to file applications online or in person. After registration closes, applicants will be randomly selected and referred to

METCO districts based on available seats. Families could re-apply the next year if not accepted, and siblings would be prioritized if space is available in the enrolled student’s district. “We are proposing carefully analyzed, thoughtful changes to the METCO application process,” METCO

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11 displaced in Topliff Street house fire

The Boston Fire Department reports firefighters responded to 60 Topliff St., near Homes Avenue, around 1:45 a.m. last Friday (Feb. 15) for what turned into a two-alarm fire that caused an estimated \$400,000 in damage. The department says the cause of the fire, which displaced nine adults and two children, is under investigation.

Man found guilty in 2014 Dudley Street murder

A 27-year-old Dorchester man was found guilty last week of first-degree murder in the 2014 shooting death of 20 year-old William Davis, Jr. on Dudley Street. Amir Richardson faces a mandatory life in prison sentence for the crime, which took place on Dec. 17, 2014, outside 555 Dudley St. Davis was shot three times. Police caught Richardson in a vehicle that left the scene and ballistics evidence in the car tied him to the murder. Another man in the getaway car— Marquese Skinner, 31, pleaded guilty to being an accessory to the killing in 2017. “I’m grateful for the work of my prosecutors, victim witness advocates, and the Boston Police homicide detectives who worked to hold Richardson accountable for his actions not only to the Davis family, but to our community as a whole,” said DA Rachael Rollins in a statement. Judge Janet Sanders will sentence Richardson on Feb. 22 in Suffolk Superior Court.

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Greater Mattapan Neighborhood Council Election – A newly formed Neighborhood Council for Mattapan will hold elections for officers on Feb. 23 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at KIPP Academy. Nomination papers for the election are due on Feb. 9 by 5 p.m. at the Mattapan BPL. Nomination papers and other election documentation may be accessed at mncpg.org .
City Hall meeting on zoning change for additional dwelling units – The Boston Planning & Development Agency will hold a public meeting on Mon., Feb 25 at 6 p.m. to discuss a proposed amendment to the Neighborhood District Articles of the Boston Zoning Code regarding Additional Dwelling Units (ADUs).
An ADU is a new typology to Boston that could create naturally affordable rental units without significantly changing the fabric of the existing neighborhoods, by allowing owner occupants to carve out space within the envelope of their home for a smaller, independent rental unit. The meeting will be held on the 9th floor of City Hall in the BPDA board room.

BPDA hosts Glover’s Corner workshop on Feb. 27 – A workshop hosted by the BPDA on Wed., Feb. 27 will discuss the PLAN: Glover’s Corner initiative and build on a November workshop, which evaluated the relation between public goods (affordable housing, infrastructure, and open space) and building dimension. These topics, along with urban design guidelines, have been refined based on input received in November. The workshop will be held from 6-7:30 p.m. at Cristo Rey Boston High School, 100 Savin Hill Ave. Contact Marie Mercurio at 617-918-4352 or marie.mercurio@boston.gov for more info.
St. Ann \$10k Dinner on March 29 – St. Ann Neponset will host its 35th annual \$10,000 dinner to benefit the Alice McDonald Catholic HS scholarship fund, VBS, CYO basketball, youth ministry and the parish on Fri., March 29 at 6 p.m. at Venezia in Port Norfolk, Dorchester. Tickets are \$150 for a numbered ticket and \$50 for a companion ticket. Gpo to

stannstbrendan.com/10k-dinner or call 617-436-0310 or email saintannoffice@gmail.com.
Black History Month event in Mattapan – The Dorchester-Mattapan Neighborhood Council will host a Black History Month event at the Mattapan BPL branch on Blue Hill Avenue on Thurs., Feb. 28 at 5:30 p.m. Former Sen. Bill Owens will be a guest speaker.
Charbo’s Run returns on March 24 – Charbo’s Run – a five-mile road race held in memory of State Trooper Mark S. Charbonnier, returns on Sun., March 24 after a 15-year hiatus. The race will take place from 11-3 p.m. and the post-race festivities will continue from 3-4 p.m. To sign up for the run and for further information, visit Charbosrun.com.

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Next moves on Expo site development: Sign the contract, gear up input process

(Continued from page 1) group of investors and includes the option of UMass Boston choosing to lease back part of the 20-acre site for its own future use. Their initial bid also includes \$25 million in “infrastructure commitments,” which the development team said is a first step toward building a private-public pool of money to target various congestion points and transit hubs near the Point.

There is no concrete re-development plan in place yet at this stage of the process. The Galvin-Sykes team will take the lead in engaging the community in a planning process that will likely begin this year. Officials who briefed the *Reporter* on the contents of their winning proposal last week said that it will include a mix of uses including housing, office or lab space, retail and restaurant options, and the potential for UMass to use part of the site.

UMass acquired the former Bayside Expo Center in 2010 for \$18.7 million after its former owners forfeited the site in a foreclosure during the 2008-09 recession. The university has since then mainly used the waterfront land for parking for its Dorchester campus. The property was briefly included in the failed Boston 2024 proposal to bring the Olympic Summer Games to the city. When that bid was abandoned, Robert Kraft’s sports group began closed-door talks with UMass to lease the site and build a profes-

sional soccer stadium on the site. That plan was scuttled amid negative push-back from elected officials and abutters.

Early indications from the outline of this new arrangement with the Galvin-Sykes partners are that UMass will realize significantly more money in this transaction, while reserving the right to use some of the Bayside parcel for its own future use.

Galvin is the founder, CEO, and president of CV Properties, LLC, which has “developed and acquired more than \$4.5 million square feet of office and residential projects valued at \$2.5 billion,” according to his company’s website. Recent projects in Boston include the D Street hotels next to the Massachusetts Convention and Exhibition Center in South Boston; and 451 D Street, a nine-story office building in South Boston.

Sykes is the senior vice president at New Boston Real Estate Investment Funds. The former chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, he is president of Urban Strategy American Fund, L.P. which specializes in “the creation of urban mixed-use developments.”

State Sen. Nick Collins, who had urged UMass officials to seek a wide range of proposals from the broader development community in 2017, said last week that he was pleased with the new direction and the choice of developer.

“Today marks the next

step in a process the community, elected and UMass officials worked hard to see launched,” Collins said. “The open bid process for Bayside drove some great teams to compete for a chance to partner with UMass to create something special on Dorchester Bay.”

Robert Griffin, the co-head of US capital markets for Newmark Knight Frank—the commercial real estate firm hired by the UMass Building Authority to find an appropriate private partner for Bayside—said there was strong attraction to the site.

“We had lots of people interested,” he told the *Reporter*. “Most of the market saw this as sort of the next sort of Seaport, given the proximity to the Red Line, eight minutes to Kendall Square, a zero-vacancy market right now in lab and in office space in Cambridge—and the Longwood medical area, same thing.”

Griffin added: “At the end of the day, we had six very serious contenders and we got it down to two. Most people were focused on something that would be a credit to the neighborhood, a credit to the school, the community, hoping to have a plan that would attract the kind of talent that would provide jobs in the area. Jobs for the students at UMass, internships, and maybe something that would be synergistic with the programs there, whether it be the wonderful nursing school that they

have or something in life science because there’s so many of those types of requirements out there right now.”

Some “headquarter” type businesses looked at the site, Griffin said, many with lab and tech space in mind, but the mixed-use potential of Bayside rose to the top.

Michael Byrne, executive managing director of Newmark Knight Frank’s Boston office, said the UMass Boston campus was a priority in soliciting feedback from the community.

“In the third round, we actually had Chancellor [Katherine] Newman provide her vision as a kind of mission statement back to developers to help guide their work and refine their pricing,” he said. “So, throughout the process the needs of the campus were put at the forefront of it and the ability to tie in.”

UMass spokesman Jeff Cournoyer said “the process of sort of visioning exactly what the mix” will be on the site is still to come.”

The advisory group—led by UMass Building Authority chairman Victor Woolridge, a veteran real estate executive—worked with Newmark to choose the developer. In doing so, they looped in every local elected official and met with both the Columbia-Savin Hill Civic Association and the John W. McCormack Civic Association throughout the process, Cournoyer said. The existing Columbia Point Master Plan was also factored into the selection.

“It is really going to be up to the developer to work through a full and robust community process from a design standpoint,” Byrne said. “From a campus engage-

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“The process of sort of visioning exactly what the mix” will be on the site is still to come.”

—UMass spokesman Jeff Cournoyer

ment standpoint, we can certainly speak to the rights of the campus going forward.... Put simply, the campus is going to maintain as many rights as possible to future opportunities to develop on their own account—for housing or for other academic needs going forward.

Details were slim last week, but the team said the terms were for a 99-year ground lease for the Bayside site. “My expectation is that there will be a robust conversation around the criteria, which obviously were heavily weighted toward returning the greatest return to the campus and to the university from a financial standpoint,” Cournoyer said. “There were other things taken into consideration, of course: the feasibility of delivering on this project, commitment to that stakeholder process and community input process that we discussed, to diversity and hiring practices and vendors and suppliers and so on and so forth.”

Infrastructure commitments were important part as well. The winning group “went out of their way to make a specific infrastructure commitment,” he said. “We all know there needs to be real dollars spent to help start solving some of those connectivity issues between the Red Line and the campus, whether it’s a new footbridge or rather and [Kosziusko] Circle as well.”

City Councillor Frank Baker, whose district includes the Columbia Point campus, was enthusiastic about the news. “This could potentially unlock transportation issues that we’ve had for years, while putting UMass on good financial footing to plan

for future of the campus,” he told the *Reporter*. “For me, that’s one of the big things. The campus will be great, we’ll be able to walk through there, our kids will have access to job training and internships, but transportation is a big one.”

Also heard on the campus last week: voices raised against the Bayside deal.

In a statement on Wednesday, UMass Boston’s Staff Faculty Union registered its disapproval, citing concerns about rising fees for parking and last year’s UMass Amherst maneuver to purchase Mount Ida College in Newton, which many on the Boston campus view as undermining the Dorchester campus.

“The Mount Ida deal was made behind closed doors, and we are seeing a similar lack of transparency with plans for the Bayside lot,” said Marlene Kim, president of the Staff Faculty Union. “The students, staff and faculty have had no input into major decisions affecting our campus.”

Still unclear is precisely what sort of public review process will accompany the redevelopment project. Since the university owns the site, it will likely remain exempt from the typical large project review managed by the city’s Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA).

In an interview with the *Reporter* last year, BPDA director Brian Golden expressed confidence that UMass and its development partner will include the city in their efforts to plan out what he called a “mammoth” parcel with “tremendous potential.”

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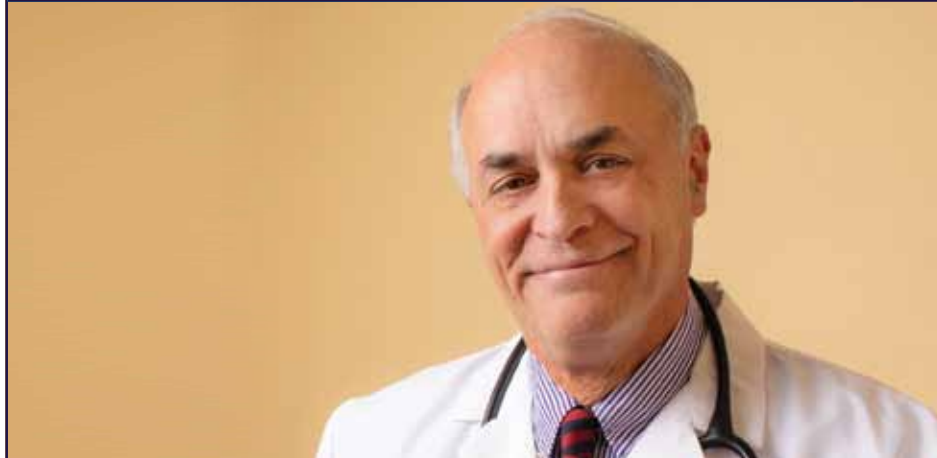
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UMass officials: ‘Whole new day’ for Columbia Point campus

By **BILL FORRY AND JENNIFER SMITH**

The infusion of more than \$200 million in funds generated by the lease of Bayside to a private development team will be a gamechanger for the Dorchester campus that has struggled with creeping debt and a crumbling foundation, according to UMass Boston’s interim Chancellor Katherine Newman.

“I couldn’t be more excited. It’s a brand new day,” Neman told reporters gathered outside a board meeting where UMass trustees approved a tentative lease agreement with Accordia Partners. “This is the first day of the next iteration of UMass Boston.”

UMass President Martin Meehan called the deal “the most significant positive development in fifty years for this campus.” Newman told reporters that funds yielded from the lease agreement will eliminate the campus’ need to borrow more money for a \$155 million reconstruction project that fix the original substructure on the main campus. Governor Baker, she said, has already allocated \$78 million for the substructure project. Some of the new monies from the Bayside lease



UMass Boston interim Chancellor Katherine Newman spoke at a press conference following the Board of Trustees vote last Thursday.

Jennifer Smith photo

will be directed to pay for the balance of that job, she said.

“We couldn’t talk about it until now,” Newman said, “but this will allow us to complete that substructure project that has been a montser and very debilitating. From my point of view, this is a whole new lease on life.”

“We have to wait for the process to end,” Newman added, noting the permitting for the Bayside lease and new construction there may need to happen first to unlock some funds. But she added: “We can look forward to the point in which these funds will help us.”

City Councillor Frank Baker, who also addressed media following the board vote, hailed the lease decision as good news for the university

and the neighborhood he represents. Baker acknowledged that he and other residents had been concerned when UMass took ownership of the Bayside site in 2010, fearful that it would “be a parking lot for rest of our lives.”

The development team, Baker says, is committed to transforming the site into a vibrant mix of uses.

“The neighborhood will benefit from transportation and job pathways that are created,” said Baker. “This will bring Dorchester, UMass and the city of Boston into 21st Century.”

One element of the Accordia bid that lifted its prospects was a commitment to contribute \$25 million to “infrastructure” improvements around the site. While

there is no specificity yet on how those funds might be used or leveraged, Accordia partner Kirk Sykes indicated that it would be a “great start.”

“We view the \$25 million as a down-payment on creating a public private partnership that will source other state funds,” says Sykes. “There’ll be a lot of focus in coming months.”

When asked by the Reporter if the Accordia team would seek to assemble other local stakeholders — including the new owners of

the former Boston Globe site—into that effort, he said they would.

“We will have conversations with all of those developers and stakeholders,” Sykes said.

Councillor Baker added that state and city elected officials would need to play a role in coordinating such a collaborative effort to leverage additional state monies.

“If we don’t address Kosziusko Circle, JFK station, and Morrissey [Boulevard] we could potentially be stuck there on our side of the city

if we get a whole lot of development,” Baker said.

Marty Meehan said the UMass officials have already been talking about the infrastructure needs with the Baker administration.

“We are confident that this major development will result in significant public investment in infrastructure as well,” said Meehan.

Sykes told reporters that he believed that the final lease agreement for the Bayside site should be completed within 60 days.



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Registration underway for final Charbo's Run on March 24

By ELANA AURISE
REPORTER STAFF

Charbo's Run, a Dorchester-based five-mile road race held in memory of fallen Massachusetts State Trooper Mark S. Charbonnier, will return one last time on Sun., March 24, after a 15-year hiatus. The race will commemorate the 25th anniversary of Charbonnier's death in the line of duty.

A native of St. Peter's parish, Charbonnier was a six-year veteran of the State Police when he was fatally gunned down during a traffic stop on Route 3 in Kingston in 1994. He was 31.

The inaugural Charbo's Run took place on

March 12, 1995, and ran strong for ten years – reaching a peak of 8,000 runners in 2002. It was one of the largest road races in Massachusetts and one of the largest law enforcement road races in the country. But the planning of the event took its toll and the committee ended the annual run on the 10th anniversary of Mark's death.

"This was a very difficult decision for our family and friends, but one that needed to be made," said Mark's brother, Steve Charbonnier, a Boston Police officer. "We wanted to end the race on our terms, with class, dignity, and respect. It



Mark S. Charbonnier was the same way Mark led his life." Over that 10-year period, the race raised over \$500,000 for the Trooper Mark Charbonnier Scholarship Fund – a charity that funded many scholarships and benefited countless charitable causes.

"Charbo's Run would not have been possible without the support by

the residents of Dorchester and Milton, and Florian Hall for hosting the run," said Steve Charbonnier. "The family, friends, and volunteers put a tremendous amount of time and effort into this race and the overwhelming turnout made it all worthwhile."

Staying true to its tradition, this year's race will start and end at Florian Hall. It will take place from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and the post-race festivities will continue from 3 to 4 p.m. It begins on Hallet Street and follows a course through Milton and Quincy, back to Dorchester to Florian Hall.

"The race started to honor Mark's life through one of his passions: running," said his brother, Steve. "It has been 15 years since the last run and we will still continue to see people wearing the tee shirts with the number '953' proudly on the back – that number, Mark's State Police cruiser number – became synonymous with Mark's ultimate sacrifice. It is a constant reminder of the dangerous job the men and women in blue do every day."

"We continue to hold Mark in our hearts and are forever grateful for the outpouring of support we have received," he said.

Registration will remain open until March 23. To sign up for the run and for further information, visit Charbosrun.com.



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CODMAN SQUARE BRANCH

Fri., Feb. 22, 10 a.m. – Tech Help Time; 10:30 a.m. – Stories, Stories, Stories. **Mon., Feb. 25**, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Tues., Feb. 26**, 10:30 a.m. – Quilting Classes; 11 a.m. – Stories, Stories, Stories; 1:30 p.m. – ESOL Conversation Group; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Wed., Feb. 27**, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Thurs., Feb. 28**, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help.

FIELDS CORNER BRANCH

Thurs., Feb. 21, 1 p.m. – The Barber of Seville. **Fri., Feb. 22**, 9:30 a.m. – Lapsit Story Time; 10:30 a.m. – Preschool Story Time. **Sat., Feb. 23**, 9:30 a.m. – Story Circle. **Tues., Feb. 26**, 6 p.m. – Salary Negotiation Workshop. **Wed., Feb. 27**, 10:30 a.m. – Preschool Films.

GROVE HALL BRANCH

Thurs., Feb. 21, 10:30 a.m. – Preschool Story Time; 6 p.m. – Youth Justice League Presents. **Fri., Feb. 22**, 10:30 a.m. – Preschool Story Time; 2 p.m. – The Barber of Seville; 2:30 p.m. – Teen Gaming. **Sat., Feb. 23**, 10:30 a.m. – Preschool Story Time; **Mon., Feb. 25**, 10:30 a.m. – Preschool Story Time; 11 a.m. – ESL Beginner English Class; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Tues., Feb. 26**, 10:30 a.m. – Preschool Story Time; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 5:30 p.m. – Tracing Our Roots Workshop. **Wed., Feb. 27**, 10 a.m. – Drop-In Career Assistance; 2:30 p.m. – Tech Goes Home; 3 p.m. – ESL Beginner English Class; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Thurs., Feb. 28**, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 6 p.m. – Youth Justice League Presents.

LOWER MILLS BRANCH

Thurs., Feb. 21, 2 p.m. – Caravan Puppets; 5 p.m. – LEGO Club; 6:30 p.m. – A Kind of Freedom: Book Discussion. **Fri., Feb. 22**, 10:30 a.m. – Little Wiggles' Lapsit; 1 p.m. – Ruby Dee Film Series. **Mon., Feb. 25**, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 6 p.m. – SAT Prep Workshop; 6:30 p.m. – Sleepy Story Time. **Tues., Feb. 26**, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 5 p.m. – Teen Book Discussion; 5:30 p.m. – Tracing Our Roots Workshops. **Wed., Feb. 27**, 10:30 a.m. – Preschool Story Time; 11 a.m. – Drop-In Device Help; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Thurs., Feb. 28**, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 5 p.m. – LEGO Club.

MATTAPAN BRANCH

Thurs., Feb. 21, 12:30 p.m. – Tai Chi for Adults; Pop-Up Crafts, 7yo+; 6:30 p.m. – Gentle Yoga. **Fri., Feb. 22**, 10:30 a.m. – Smart From the Start Story Hour; 12:30 p.m. – Tai Chi for Adults. **Sat., Feb. 23**, 9 a.m. – USCIS Information Hours; 12:30 p.m. – Tai Chi for Adults. **Mon., Feb. 25**, 10:30 a.m. – Hugs & Play; 12:30 p.m. – Tai Chi for Adults; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Tues., Feb. 26**, 12:30 p.m. – Tai Chi for Adults; 5:30 p.m. – Tracing Our Roots Workshops. **Wed., Feb. 27**, 10:30 a.m. – Toddler Time; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help. **Thurs., Feb. 28**, 12:30 p.m. – Pop-Up Crafts, 7yo+; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 6:30 p.m. – Gentle Yoga.

UPHAMS CORNER BRANCH

Thurs., Feb. 21, – 6 p.m. – Mike the Bubble Man. **Fri., Feb. 22**, 10 a.m. – Concert with Matt Heaton; 2 p.m. – LEGO Builders. **Sat., Feb. 23**, 11:30 a.m. – LEGO Builders. **Mon., Feb. 25**, 10:30 a.m. – Baby and Toddler Lapsit; 2:30 p.m. – Teen Photography Class; 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 4:30 p.m. – Make It Mondays: Craft: Friendship Bracelets. **Tues., Feb. 26**, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 5:30 p.m. – Tracing Our Roots Workshop. **Wed. Feb. 27**, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; Drop In Crafts. **Thurs., Feb. 28**, 3:30 p.m. – Drop-In Homework Help; 6:30 p.m. – Pajama Storytime.

U.S. Air Force Reserve Airman 1st Class Pierre Alex Demosthene of Dorchester graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas, last month. He completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training also earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Demosthene is the son of Annette Demosthene and Iliovere Demosthene of Dorchester, brother of Samuel P. Demosthene of Salem, Anne C. Demosthene of Boston, Harry J. Demosthene of



Pierre Alex Demosthene Dorchester, and Paul R. Demosthene of Revere, cousin of Carl-Henri Tassy of Newark, N.J., and husband of Djamila P. Tavares of West Roxbury. He is a 2000 graduate of Jeremiah E. Burke High School, Boston. He earned a bachelor's degree in 2005 from the University of Massachusetts Amherst.



Residents of Dorchester's Fieldstone Apartments celebrated Martin Luther King, Jr. Day last month with a delicious brunch prepared by Tenant Association board members Geralyn Skinner and Cynthia Jones. It was the fourth annual event at the apartment complex and an opportunity to enjoy some camaraderie and share stories from throughout the years. Pictured above (left to right) are Geralyn Skinner, Tabitha Jones, and Cynthia Jones.

Dorchester Historical Society given \$15k grant to expand its Veterans Project

The Dorchester Historical Society (DHS) has received a \$15,000 grant that will be dedicated to its ongoing research into the lives of Dorchester-born veterans. The Veterans' Heritage Grant, allocated by the Massachusetts State Historical Records Advisory Board, will allow DHS, through its Veterans Project, to produce biographies of neighborhood residents who served in the military that will be made available online.

"This generous support from the Massachusetts SHRAB will allow the Society to include many more of Dorchester's service members in its research," said DHS president Earl Taylor in a press release. "Building on our initial Veterans Project, it will allow us to develop a fuller picture of the lives



of Dorchester's residents and the roles they have played in serving our nation."

To date, the project, which was initiated as part of the centennial commemoration of World War I, has resulted in biographies

of 43 veterans from Dorchester, excerpts of which have been featured in the Reporter over the past year. The injection of funding will expand the scope of this research, with the goal of telling the stories of Dorchester residents

who served in conflicts from colonial times to the 21st century. A special interest of the project is illuminating the lives of those often "left out of the records," including women and service members of color. — DANIEL SHEEHAN

Four from Dot among Neighborhood Fellows

The Boston Foundation has selected 12 community leaders to join the 2019-2021 class of Boston Neighborhood Fellows. The 12 Fellows, from across Greater Boston, join the ranks of nearly 170 people selected as Boston Neighborhood Fellows since 1990.

Four of the fellows—Reina Guevara, Fatema Ahmad, Gregory Hill, and Chastity Bowick—are residents of Dorchester. Geuvara, a rising senior at UMass Boston, is development director for the Student Immigrant Movement. Ahmad is the Deputy Director of the Muslim Justice League. Bowick is director of the Transgender Emergency Fund in Massachusetts. Gregory Hill is the junior



The incoming group of Boston Neighborhood Fellows: (front row, l-r) : Kaden Mohamed, Fatema Ahmed, Karen Young, Armani White, Shana Bryant, Elsa Mosquera-Sterenber; (back row l-r): Sid Salvodon, Reina Guevara, DaVan Johnson, Chastity Bowick, Nadav David, Gregory Hill.

Photo courtesy The Boston Foundation

class academy team leader at the Jeremiah

Burke High School and a former program director

at Dorchester Youth Collaborative.

The fellows receive a two-year grant, along with leadership and other training. The 2017 Fellows played an integral role in designing and leading the 2018 round of Collaborate Boston, a \$100,000 prize competition that encourages new forms of collaboration to solve key problems.

The new class was nominated by past fellows, civic leaders, and key partners selected earlier this year by the Foundation for a two-year program designed to recognize and empower some of those making change happen across Greater Boston. For more, see tbfb.org/ BNF.

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DORCHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Today's illustration is a scan of a real photo postcard circa 1910 showing the house at 135 Savin Hill Ave. at the corner of Hubbardston Road, along with a picture from Google showing a more recent appearance.

The building permit, dated Jan. 4, 1900, identified the owner as Louise Donkin and one of the architects as her husband. Louise acquired the land following the sub-division of the F.C. Welch estate. Roads were put through, and in the 1904 & 1910 atlases, Donkin Terrace was the name of what is now Hubbardston Road. The first owner after construction was Mary A. Bertram of whom little is known, though her will on Ancestry mentions several pieces of property along Savin Hill Avenue and another on Dakota Street.

The house has retained its massing, but there are some little changes to the structure. The vintage photograph shows how much shutters can dress up a house and plays up the original design of the porch, where the elements exhibit a little more style than the more recent porch. In the vintage photo there is a little railing in front of the attic dormer on the side of the house that was lost along the way.

During the early 1950s, the Southeast Expressway was constructed through the west side of



135 Savin Hill Avenue circa 1910

Savin Hill, which had been separated from the rest of Dorchester by the Old Colony Railroad tracks since 1844. The new roadway served to make this isolation even more pronounced. As part of the Expressway project, one street and some houses on the west side of Hubbardston Road were taken out and replaced by concrete retaining wall that opened up a view of Dorchester over the Expressway and the railroad tracks for the houses along the east



About 100 years later.

side of Hubbardston Road.

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

Bayside deal is a good one

UMass has agreed to enter into a long-term lease agreement with a private development team to build out and monetize the Bayside site. It's a good call.

Here are some key facts to consider while weighing the ramifications of this development:

- In 2006/2007, the former owner of the Bayside site — Corcoran Jennison Co.— was on the verge of transforming the 20 acres of land from its use as an underperforming exposition center into a new, mixed-use community on a budget of \$1 billion. That plan was upended when the recession hit and the property went into foreclosure. UMass deftly swept in and bought the site for \$18.7 million.
- Over the years, UMass entertained two other potential paths for the site in recent years. In 2014, it was included as a lynchpin of the Boston 2024 pitch for the Olympic Summer Games. It would have anchored the Athletes Village in that scenario, which was, of course, abandoned.
- Bayside then became the object of Robert Kraft's keen interest as his sports empire scoped it out— in concert with UMass President Marty Meehan's office— as a potential home for his NE Revolution soccer franchise. There was no open bidding process for that use, just a series of old-boy-network negotiations without any public input. The “deal”— which was not disclosed until after talks between the parties broke down— was thin on details about how much UMass might realize in fees or benefits.
- Amid a barrage of criticism about the Kraft talks, UMass changed course and announced plans to seek interest from the wider development community. Sixteen parties responded to the Request for Interest that was prepared in the summer of 2017. That process led to the next phase, which ended last week: the selection of a preferred developer to either buy or lease the site.

• The winning bid from Accordia Partners will be worth up to \$235 million for UMass, much of it directed to the Dorchester campus. And, by giving UMass the right of first refusal to lease back some of the space for its own future use, the deal ensures that UMass Boston will have room for further growth. In the meantime, the money realized from the arrangement will help the cash-strapped campus pay for fixes to its main campus which— without the deal—would have required an even bigger debt burden and, quite likely, long delays and more program cuts.

We have not always agreed with President Meehan and his team on their approach to Bayside. But he and his board and, in particular, the Bayside committee led by UMass Building Authority chairman Victor Woodridge, deserve credit for bearing down on this issue and delivering.

One element of the deal that still needs more discussion — and, hopefully, more partners — is the infrastructure around the Bayside site. In last week's presentation to the UMass trustees, Accordia committed \$25 million to help pay for improvements. That's a great start. But it will take much more to make the necessary fixes to Kosciusko Circle, Morrissey Boulevard, and JFK-UMass station.

Of course, one development team can only be asked to do so much. It's time for a consortium of private interest stakeholders to come together to help leverage an even bigger public commitment to unlock the full potential of this section of the city.

Together, these groups can pool resources and lobby for a more coordinated and well-funded state investment into smart improvements to our road, rail, cycle, and pedestrian system in Columbia Point.

With up to three million square feet of new development space set to come on line in the coming years just at the Bayside site, it's incumbent upon city, state, and private interests to join forces now— as the Bayside planning begins in earnest in the coming months— to get the transportation piece lined up, financed, and executed.

– Bill Forry

A high school diploma will never be enough – even for the valedictorians

By NEEMA AVASHIA

I recently met Sheldon for breakfast at McKenna's in Dorchester. Over pancakes, we caught up on life, work, and our plans to make a podcast. He and I have known each other since the first day of school in September 2004. He was a member of the first cohort of students I ever taught at the McCormack Middle School, a Boston Public School.

I often say that Sheldon taught me more about what it means to be a good teacher than any teacher preparation program possibly could have. He was a brilliant and angry sixth grader, already having learned — multiple times over — the painful lessons that young black men in our society are taught about how the world perceives them, and what the world expects of them.

Sheldon challenged me to be the best teacher I could be for him, and I failed. Miserably. I couldn't see past my own insecurities to help him navigate his own. But in the years since, I've learned what it means to truly be present for young people as they develop. What it means to be a part of their safety net.

When Sheldon was struggling with high school Spanish, we met for tutoring sessions on Saturday mornings. When he decided to apply to private high schools, I wrote his recommendations. When he struggled to navigate the drastically different culture of an elite prep school, I was his emergency hotline — the person he could vent to about the micro- and macro-aggressions he faced on campus. When he decided to “take a break” before going to college, I stayed in his ear about the value of higher education.

And when he finally applied and was accepted to college, and needed a loan for the down payment, I made the no-interest loan, confident that he would pay me back. And he did.

A recent series published by the *Boston Globe* looks at the fate of a group of the city's valedictorians. The stories implicitly assume that the need for a safety net ends when a student earns a high school diploma: admission to college is the ultimate prize. By the *Globe* editors' reasoning, if students get that far, there should be no reason why they *wouldn't* achieve their dreams, and the failure of students to do so is an indictment of our public school system.

I'm a 15-year veteran of BPS. It's true that the series identified some of the major flaws in a system where 25 percent of the highest performing students are segregated into three high schools, and where too many high school students are not getting access to college-preparatory MassCore curriculum. But it missed the bigger structural inequities that many of our students confront throughout their childhoods, after graduating from high school, and even after earning a college degree.

A high school diploma, even one earned by a valedictorian, does not erase a history of homelessness. It does not erase the effects of trauma. It does not miraculously mitigate the challenges of living

in poverty. When our young people graduate, too many assume our collective work, as a society, is done. Sheldon and his peers have taught me that the work is far from over.

“There is no safety net for the poor in this country, and not even in a city as resource-rich and as beautiful as Boston,” author and Harvard professor Anthony Abraham Jack told the *Globe*.

Sheldon and his peers, many of them college-educated, working professionals, have taught me a lot about the work required to weave a solid safety net under our young people, the kind that so many affluent students already have because of their parents. And the kind that would make it more likely that our students will achieve the goals they set for themselves at high school graduation.

We need every college-bound high school graduate in Boston to be paired with a college-educated mentor who has traveled a similar path, and who will stay involved in their lives until age 25.

First-generation college-goers need access to low- or no-interest emergency loans during college, as well as during their transition to the workforce. A health emergency becomes the reason why too many young people don't end up finishing college. The inability to cobble together first, last and security deposit for an apartment has become too big a barrier for those willing to take the risk of moving to a new city for a job.

We need a hotline that our young people can call when they have financial questions about loans and taxes. We need paid internship opportunities in the public sector to support students during the summer, and forge career pathways. We need more networking opportunities, organized by the city, to encourage employers to hire Boston grads. We need more affordable housing to make Boston financially viable for young people who are working or attending graduate school.

Some of these supports exist in pockets, either through longstanding teacher-student relationships, or through a web of unaffiliated nonprofits. But none operate at the scale necessary. Boston needs a comprehensive set of programs needed to keep all our young people on the path to financial independence and security.

If we want our young people to succeed — and not just the valedictorians, but all of our high school graduates — then we have to acknowledge that structural inequality exists, and that education alone will not be enough to surmount the challenges young people face as they navigate college and their early careers.

We can build a safety net for our youth. Being honest about the pitfalls, and planning for the ways we can support youth in overcoming them, is the first step.

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Unions lead the way in closing the wage gap for people of color

By FRANK CALLAHAN AND SHAMAIAH TURNER
SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

Workers with union wages and benefits earn enough money to support their families, invest in their homes and neighborhoods, spend money in their communities, and provide opportunities for their children.

Workers, especially people of color, are having an increasingly difficult time achieving that American dream. It is becoming the American wish. Housing and health costs in Massachusetts continue to skyrocket, and workers without union representation have seen their wages stagnate.

The Massachusetts Building Trades Council and its operating engineers, roofers, iron and sheet metal workers, painters, plumbers and other construction-related professionals are actively involved in creating pathways for greater equity and inclusion.

To keep growing and thriving as a state, we need a strong middle class. That means expanding the number of good-paying union jobs with clear advancement opportunities and benefits. The Union Trades already guarantee equal pay for equal work and have been leading the way in closing the racial pay gap through fair collective bargaining agreements.

Being a member of a union makes a real bottom-line difference for workers of color. Black union workers, for example, earn 16.4 percent higher wages than their non-union counterparts. We're also 17.4 percent more likely to have employer-provided health insurance, and 18.3 percent more likely to have employer-sponsored retirement security.

Collective bargaining ensures that everyone doing the same job gets paid the same amount. That's a key reason why we want to make sure that every young person who wants a job in the union building trades has an opportunity to get one. The stakes are high. As a state, we need to continue reducing inequality in order to thrive.

The building trades unions take our role in expanding inclusiveness and reducing inequity seriously. We envision, and we will continue to pursue, making Massachusetts a state where every city and town, every demographic group, every race and every gender, can equally partake in the commonwealth's economic success.

As a 2012 Building Pathways graduate, the co-writer of this article, Shamaiah Turner, knows first hand what a difference this opportunity can make. After completing her five-year apprenticeship in the Sheet Metal Workers Local 17 training program in 2017, she now has a successful career that she takes pride in, a job where her work is compensated fairly, allowing her to save toward buying a new home, and where she can effectively advocate for more inclusion of young workers of color across the state.

With the building boom come many opportunities. For all the jobs that boom provides, we must all insist on employment equity and opportunity for people of color. As Martin Luther King said, “The time is always right to do what is right.”

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Push is on for cannabis equity

(Continued from page 1) Janey filed an ordinance in early February with strong equity language. It would prioritize potential proprietors from Boston communities adversely impacted by the policies of the war on drugs and also initially give licensing preference to “equity applicants” for two years. After that point, Janey called for a 2-to-1 ratio of licenses given to equity versus non-equity candidates.

Equity applicants would be defined by criteria giving preference to residents who are local, people of color, or low-income, and those who live in communities adversely impacted by earlier harsher drug laws. Fifty-one percent of the ownership team would have to meet those criteria for the proponents to be considered an equity applicant.

Jefferson said he and his team worked with Janey on those requirements, but they are pushing for an additional set of commitments from hopeful marijuana businesses. It distinguishes between types of applicants – national applicants operating in multiple states, general applicants, economic empowerment applicants, and social equity applicants.

Each would have different standards for local contribution. National applications, for instance, would donate two percent of their gross annual revenue to a Boston social equity and training fund. Empowerment and equity applicants would benefit from that fund.

“They should also employ locals and people of color, train others, and provide help with sealing or expunging criminal records,” Jefferson said. Any business coming directly to Dorchester should be working with them.”

At the Jones Hill meeting, business partners Ben Virga and Luke Marut again pitched their recreational shop for 8-12 Hancock St., which would renovate the former Cataloni’s bar into an appointment-only dispensary. The appointment model and data evaluation for the first 60 days would allow them to “really fine tune stuff,” by overstaffing during that period to get a sense of the demand. “We’re looking for a flow,” Virga said.

They are committed to the standards that MRCC proposed, he said. They would fall under the general applicant category, and would give two percent of their gross annual income or \$250,000 annually for seven years to the fund. Even though they will not actually have revenue for a year, Virga said, they will meet the financial requirements anyway.

“We committed to that because it’s exactly what we’ve stood before this group and said,” he noted. They agreed that “if you think this is good for Dorchester, put your money where your mouth is.”

In its diversity plan, Virga’s Frozen Four LLC committed to at least 75 percent of all employees hired for and working at the dispensary being Boston residents. They also pledged to provide business training on the industry focused on African-Americans and Latinos; host or participate in at least three job fairs each year geared toward minorities in Greater Boston; mentor members of those groups through local partnerships; and provide a diversity and commitment report each year.

Civic president Bridget Curd said the discussion post-presentation was in line with the questions raised through the process so far. “The real concern is, what is it gonna look like once it’s there, public safety, traffic, parking – that’s what a large part of the argument was about,” she said, adding that they “voted reluctantly,” as there were only a handful of attendees who did not necessarily reflect the discussion around the proposal happening on social media and out of the room.

Three voted yes, five no, and five more abstained. The Hancock Street Civic Association previously had voted in opposition.

In an email after the meeting, Virga told the Reporter that they remain “very encouraged with community process.” He said that throughout their meetings with the Hancock Street and Jones Hill civic groups and other residents, “only 14 total people officially opposed our proposed use at this specific site compared to 7,000+ people who voted to legalize recreational cannabis from this neighborhood in 2016.” They interpret that as “the clearest indication possible that no substantial opposition exists to our intended use at this specific site”

Still, they, too, were disheartened by the limited nature of the civic process, reflective mostly of those who are able or willing to show up to these evening meetings. To rectify that, Virga said, they created Frozen4store.com, with renderings and details of the equity commitments as a resource for residents looking to engage with the proposal.

“The community process has been incredibly helpful for our development of our business model,” he said, “but the focus of this process has largely been based on the questions of morality and legality, which is not at all

what the process should be when applying for an [alternate use] permit within the city.”

Curd said they expect to have another conversation and likely another vote at the civic group’s March meeting.

Continuing its road trip, MRCC was scheduled to appear before the Meetinghouse Hill civic group on Wednesday (Feb. 20), as was another new marijuana proponent, 617 THC, which is proposing a marijuana retailer at 144 Bowdoin St. A slide deck from its presentation did not offer detail on staffing,

being mostly focused on security while stating, “As a retail store only, the location will not constitute a nuisance to the community.”

All three men on the 617 THC leadership team are long-time Boston area residents. The chief financial officer, real estate investor Richard Gin, lives in Fields Corner; Steve Chan, the firm’s president, is described as a “leading purveyor and supplier of fresh poultry in Chinatown; and chief operations officer Tom Chung “built a successful wholesaling business serving convenience stores across Massachusetts.”

A public meeting on

617 THC’s proposal was scheduled for Tuesday night, prior to the civic meeting.

In other meeting news, the One Dorchester group comprising a few dozen civic, health center, and main street organizations that have formed around the marijuana rollout will have a meeting on Monday to debrief after their inaugural January gathering at the Strand Theatre and plan their next steps.

Two topics that arose at the Strand meeting, which was not open to the public, have gained some traction. They involve the potential for marijuana cooperatives and a fund designated

to help smaller potential applicants navigate the process and generate enough start-up capital to be competitive in the market.

Two elected officials have picked up on the issues. State Sen. Nick Collins has filed a bill to expand the cooperative farming and ownership model to “retail, sales, and all other phases of the marijuana industry.” And Councillor Janey’s proposal would route some fees and taxes from marijuana companies into a small business program geared toward training, educating, and supporting marijuana applicants.



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PUBLIC MEETING ON PROPOSED MARIJUANA
RETAILER ON BOWDOIN STREET

The proponent of a proposed marijuana retail establishment at 144 Bowdoin St., Dorchester will host a community outreach meeting on Tues., Feb. 19 at Holland Community Center, 85 Olney St., Dorchester at 6:30 p.m. The proponent is 617 Therapeutic Health Care.

CITY HALL MEETING ON ZONING CHANGE FOR
ADDITIONAL DWELLING UNITS

The Boston Planning & Development Agency will hold a public meeting on Mon., Feb. 25 at 6 p.m. to discuss a proposed amendment to the Neighborhood District Articles of the Boston Zoning Code regarding Additional Dwelling Units (ADUs). An ADU is a new typology to Boston that could create naturally affordable rental units without significantly changing the fabric of the existing neighborhoods, by allowing owner occupants to carve out space within the envelope of their home for a smaller, independent rental unit. The meeting will be held on the 9th floor of City Hall in the BPDA board room.

BPDA HOSTS GLOVER'S CORNER WORKSHOP
ON FEB. 27

A workshop hosted by the BPDA on Wed., Feb. 27 will discuss the PLAN: Glover's Corner initiative and build on a November workshop, which evaluated the relation between public goods (affordable housing, infrastructure, and open space) and building dimension. These topics, along with urban design guidelines, have been refined based on input received in November. The workshop will be held from 6-7:30 p.m. at Cristo Rey Boston High School, 100 Savin Hill Ave. Contact Marie Mercurio at 617-918-4352 or marie.mercurio@boston.gov for more info.

GREATER MATTAPAN NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
ELECTION

A newly formed Neighborhood Council for Mattapan will hold elections for officers on Feb. 23. Nomination papers for the election are due on Feb. 9 by 5 p.m. at the Mattapan BPL. There are 21 seats on the council that will be filled through the election: five (5) representatives from each of the three (3) different "zones" and six (6) at-large seats. Each zone seat council term runs for two years; the at-large seat council terms are for one year. Residents age 16 and older can be elected to the council. Nomination papers and other election documentation may be accessed



Mayor Martin Walsh celebrated Boston's favorite "brutalist" building— City Hall— on the occasion of its 50th anniversary on Feb. 7 with a ceremonial cake cutting and words by architect Michael McKinnell. Mayor's Office Photo by Isabel Leon

at mncpg.org. The election is being held on Saturday, February 23, from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. at KIPP Academy Boston Charter School, 37 Babson St., Mattapan. Please direct all questions about the election to info.gmnc.election@gmail.com.

CHILI COOK-OFF AT IBEW HALL ON MARCH 24

Dorchester's Chili Cook-off, an annual event to support the Dorchester Day events, is set for Sunday, March 24 from 4-7 p.m. at IBEW Hall on Freeport Street. Admission is \$20 per person and \$30 for families of up to four people.

ST. ANN \$10K DINNER ON MARCH 29

St. Ann Neponset will host its 35th annual \$10,000 dinner to benefit the Alice McDonald Catholic HS

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CHARBO'S RUN RETURNS ON MARCH 24

Charbo's Run—a five-mile road race held in memory of State Trooper Mark S. Charbonnier, returns on Sun., March 24 after a 15-year hiatus. The race will take place from 11-3 p.m. and the post-race festivities will continue from 3-4 p.m. To sign up for the run and for further information, visit Charbosrun.com.

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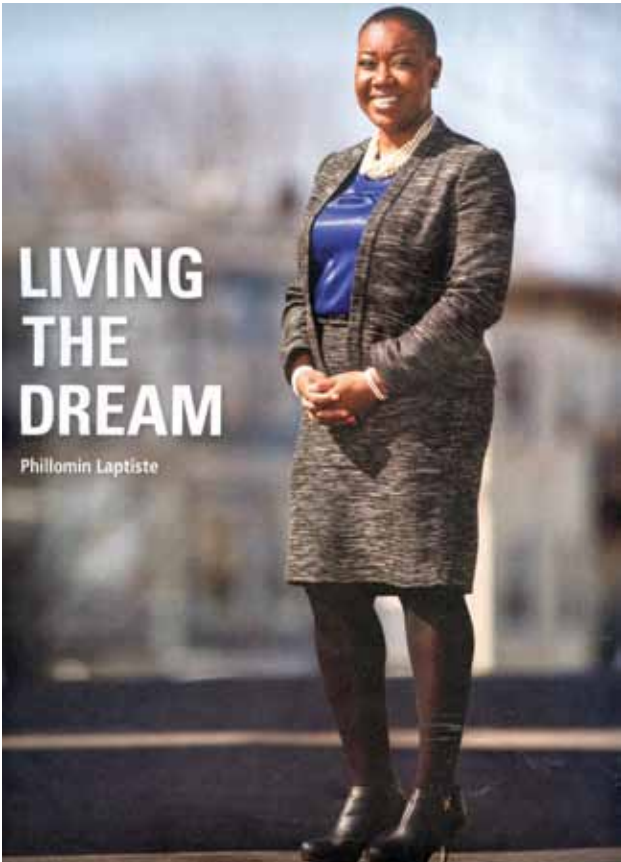
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Health center chief Laptiste, a Bowdoin St. native, knows what’s up in her community

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Yet until 11 years ago, Laptiste had never set foot in the health center, which is down the street from where she has lived her whole life. That changed the day when Laptiste noticed several missed calls from her mother, who had been taking care of her one-year-old daughter, Deanna. After rushing home from her job at the American Diabetes Association, Laptiste recalled her panic turning to terror when she was told that her mother and baby were at the health center. But, she soon learned, her daughter was in capable hands.

“They brought me right upstairs to an exam room where my daughter was very lethargic and not really responding, just crying and moaning and they were asking me all sorts of questions,” said Laptiste. “The attending physician was Dr. Anthony Bonacci, who worked here for about 44 years, and he said, ‘You know, I don’t think there’s anything we can do further for her; we’re gonna send her to Children’s Hospital.’” Her doctors at Children’s determined that Deanna was experiencing side effects from



Phillomin “Philly” Laptiste, executive director of Bowdoin Street Health Center, has been nominated to the Boston Public Health Commission’s Board of Health.
Joel Haskell photo

a medication that her mother’s father took for his tremors. She had found a pill on the floor and swallowed it. She will be fine, though, the doctors told Laptiste. Minutes later, she was told there was a phone call for her in the nurse’s office. “It was Dr.

Bonacci asking me how’s my daughter doing, how am I doing, and what are my follow-up steps, and, you know, making sure that I had all the information that I needed,” said Laptiste. “And he invited me back to visit at the health center.” Through that harrow-

ing experience, Laptiste developed a special bond with the health center. Months later, she noticed an opening at the center for manager of Community Health. She got the job and instantly felt at home.

“I do have very much of a personal connection to the health center because of the emergency with my daughter,” she said, “but more importantly, in working here, I found that a lot of the work that we did in community health was not just focused on managing issues that we identify are huge risks to our patients, but also on doing meaningful work in the community and engaging community residents.”

Laptiste soon identified two major issues facing the Bowdoin Geneva community: violence and food insecurity.

“When I first started in community health, one of the biggest things that we were challenged with was the neighborhood being identified as a food desert,” said Laptiste. At the time, Bowdoin/Geneva had a lot of bodegas, but no grocery stores. But a series of initiatives spearheaded by Laptiste and the health center has

changed that.

“Food in the Hood,” an organization that Laptiste inherited, started a weekly farmer’s market in the center’s parking lot, one of few in the city at the time. The center also enlisted the help of the Fresh Truck, a refurbished, refrigerated school bus that functions as a mobile walk-on produce aisle to provide access to fresh fruits and vegetables. Then, after America’s Food Basket opened its store, Laptiste led a “Healthy Corner Store Initiative” to make nutritious foods more visible and more accessible.

“That was really about moving all the really inexpensive 25-cent bags of chips and unhealthy food further back and really highlighting the fruits and vegetables as people enter the store,” she explained.

The center also worked with Mayor Martin Walsh in 2017 to establish a Neighborhood Trauma Team on site to support healing in the community in the aftermath of tragedy. Laptiste said that the health center’s behavioral health services team of five social workers and two psychiatrists

offers mental health resources to any member of the public grappling with the pain of loss, a program deeply personal to Laptiste, who lost a cousin to gun violence in 2011.

“If you were impacted by violence in any way, shape, or form, whether it be through community violence or what have you, it does fall under this grant,” said Laptiste. “So if we’re doing outreach after a violent event, we can offer those services. But one thing I find, having done outreach myself, is that a lot of times these instances are so fresh that there’s so much going on for the individual that they can’t even begin to think about it. So part of the protocol now is that we have is we do check-ins every three months.

For Laptiste, her new role on the Board of Health represents a chance to share and expand on her vision of community advocacy.

“I’m super excited about it,” she said. “I’m looking at being an advocate for the work that’s happening and also looking at opportunities that are presented. Like, what can I share and what can I bring to the table?”

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(Continued from page 1) floor-to-ceiling windows, will be the new face of the Lottery to the public, Farley noted. “We have multiple facilities where you’re able to cash prizes of \$50,000 or below; this facility will be able to cash all the grand prize

winners in excess of \$50,000.” The space, he said, includes a “grand prize room,” an interview room, and an event room that the agency expects will eventually host some of the live televised drawings.

In total, the Lottery

will occupy roughly 32,000 total square feet in the building. In addition to the 9,000 square feet of space on the first floor, there are some 23,000 square feet on the third floor that will house all other administrative operations.

Up there, roughly 120 employees from the organization’s marketing, sales, and design departments will take care of business while enjoying views of Dorchester Bay, Carson Beach, and the downtown skyline. Farley explained that the office was designed specifically with window space in mind; much of the old Braintree facility is windowless.

“We really tried to design the office so as many people as possible get this natural light flow, so it has an open feel to it,” he said.

“One of the things we tried to do is create collaborative work area spaces throughout the building to encourage people to, you know, get up, take their laptops, and go over some ideas without having to be

in a formal conference room setting,” explained Farley.

The streamlined workspace reflects the Lottery’s efforts to promote a younger, more efficient vibe, which have been spearheaded by state Treasurer Deborah Goldberg’s vision to take the Lottery “to the future.”

At a Lottery Commission meeting last March, Goldberg named access to public transportation “a critical factor” for the agency, arguing that its Braintree location could make it harder to “appeal to a younger demographic.” The new headquarters, located steps from the JFK-UMass Red Line station and adjacent to the UMass Boston campus, addresses both of those concerns.

“Generally speaking, we’re looking to modernize our business in all aspects,” said the Lottery’s director of communication, Christian Teja, who pointed to the impending construction of The Beat, a 16-acre tech campus now being built on the former Boston Globe property on Morrissey Boulevard, as a positive sign of burgeoning growth in the area. “We got in at just the right time,” he said.

Teja noted that some of the lottery’s assets – its warehouse, distribution center, data center – will remain in Braintree “for



Harold Leonard of Lower Mills was among the first to buy scratch tickets at the new Lottery headquarters Tuesday morning.

Daniel Sheehan photo the time being. We’ll maintain a footprint on the South Shore.”

Goldberg’s decision to move the Lottery headquarters to Dorchester has drawn criticism, largely driven by the comparatively high cost – a ten-year lease totaling more than \$15 million, which Lottery Executive Director Michael Sweeney noted is “significantly higher than the old lease.”

But from the vantage point of the new third-floor headquarters on Columbia Point, Lottery employees are adjusting quickly. “It has been a really great team effort from the folks at the lottery,” said Farley. “They’ve really come together and really made this move rather seamless.”

Lottery by the numbers

A lot of money makes its way through the Lottery’s offices. The agency reports that in Fiscal Year 2018, which ended on June 30, outlays and income were as follows:

- Sales: \$5.29 billion.
- Prizes paid: \$3.89 billion.
- Bonuses & commissions to retailers: \$303 million.
- Expenses: \$100.3 million.
- Net profit: \$997.057 million

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Community Health News

Opioid overdose deaths down, but still total nearly 2,000

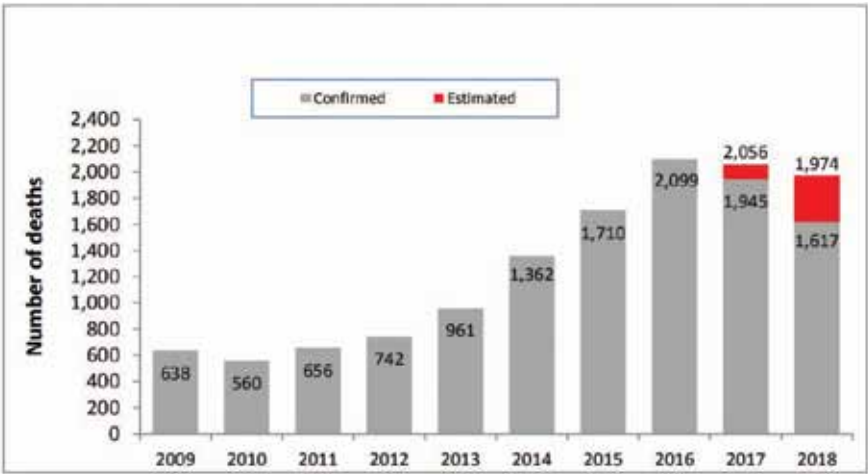
By Chris Lisinski
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Deaths from opioid-related overdoses declined in 2018 for the second consecutive year, according to state figures released Wednesday that officials said showed signs of progress in the fight against an epidemic that took nearly 2,000 lives last year.

Total confirmed and estimated opioid-related deaths dropped from 2,056 in 2017 to 1,974 in 2018, or about 4 percent. From 2016 to 2017, the figure decreased 2 percent.

The death rate is still significantly higher than it was before it began climbing rapidly at the start of the decade, but state officials said two straight years of decreases should be seen as evidence that efforts to support treatment programs, to improve access to the overdose-reversing drug naloxone and to raise awareness about the risks of addiction are working.

“When you look from 2016 to now, we are making progress,” Department of Public Health Commissioner Monica Bharel said Wednesday after a meeting of the



Opioid-related overdose deaths in Massachusetts, 2009-2018. [Source: DPH]

Public Health Council. “We are making progress and fighting this devastating opioid epidemic. We’ve seen a 6 percent decrease, we know the efforts we have in place are beginning to work, and importantly, to me, from a public health point of view, we have to continue our sustained work to bring those deaths down further.”

A key area of improvement in recent years has been a reduction in Schedule II opioids prescribed by doctors to treat pain, such as oxycodone and methadone. Experts warn that those medications can trigger addiction and create pathways to use of illegal heroin or other drugs.

In 2015, in an attempt

to curb overprescribing, the state revamped its Prescription Monitoring Program and began requiring doctors to use it to track what was being given to patients and in what quantity. Between the first quarter of 2015 and the fourth quarter of 2018, Schedule II prescriptions written decreased about 35 percent.

Despite the optimism about making a dent in the crisis, several critical concerns remain.

Opioid-related overdoses still account for almost 40 percent of all deaths for adults between 25 and 34 years old. Recovery has been uneven across demographic groups, with deaths in recent years increasing among black

males and decreasing among all other groups. And fentanyl, a synthetic opioid up to 50 times more potent than heroin, is becoming more prevalent.

“While we are encouraged to see fewer opioid-related overdose deaths for a second consecutive year and a 35 percent decrease in reported opioid prescriptions since 2015, the opioid epidemic continues to present a very serious challenge that is made more difficult due to the presence of fentanyl,” said Gov. Charlie Baker said in a statement.

The state has tracked toxicology reports on overdose deaths, which involve many but not all cases, each quarter since

2014. When that effort first started, substances likely to be heroin were present in almost 70 percent of cases and fentanyl was present in less than 30 percent. But in the third quarter of 2018, the most recent for which data is available, fentanyl was detected in 89 percent of of post-overdose death toxicology reports, far more than any other substance.

Most of the deaths related to fentanyl come from illegally produced batches of the substance that are then mixed into heroin or cocaine, making what would be a typical dose dozens of times more powerful. Drug users often do not know that fentanyl is present.

Baker’s fiscal year 2020 budget filed last month includes \$266 million to fund treatment and opioid-related services, and the governor has also proposed spending \$5 million on a Regional Fentanyl Interdiction Task Force to limit the spread of the substance.

“One of the most important public health interventions is awareness and education,” Bharel said. “When people are using illicit drugs, they have to be aware of fentanyl, that fentanyl

is deadly, that fentanyl is present in almost all of the opioid deaths right now.”

Bharel also pointed out a key trend in the state’s data: not all people are experiencing the opioid epidemic in the same way. While overall opioid deaths are down slightly, confirmed overdose-related deaths among those aged 25 to 34 have increased three years in a row. In 2018, 40 percent of all deaths for that group were related to opioid overdoses.

The death rate from opioid overdoses decreased for most demographic groups from 2014 to 2017, but increased for black males in that same timespan. Bharel said state experts do not yet know what is driving that disparity, but that public-awareness campaigns in communities of color have been running in recent months.

“For us at the state level and also at the community level, that gives us the opportunity to say, ‘Let’s make sure we’re engaging and investing in every community,’” Bharel said. “There are some of us who are at highest risk. We want to make sure our work focuses on them.”

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The Boston State Community Trust, Inc. a subsidiary of the Boston State Hospital Citizens Advisory Committee, Inc. is requesting grant proposals from community-based organizations located in the neighborhoods of Roxbury, Mattapan, Dorchester, Jamaica Plain, Hyde Park, and Roslindale. This funding round invites proposals in the following funding categories: Education & Job Training Initiatives; Youth Recreation & Social Development Initiatives; and Mental Health Initiatives. A maximum of \$10,000.00 per organization will be distributed in this funding round.

The Request for Proposals (RFP) will only be available for distribution to interested parties via electronic mail on Friday, March 1, 2019 between 8:00 am and 6:00 pm. On March 1st, interested parties must submit an electronic mail request for a copy of the RFP. NO REQUESTS WILL BE PROCESSED AFTER 6:00 p.m. NO REQUESTS WILL BE HONORED “PRIOR” TO MARCH 1st. Upon submission of the request, an electronic version of the RFP will be forwarded to each respondent. The electronic mail request must be submitted to: bjohnson@bevcoassociates.comcastbiz.net.

The Boston State Community Trust reserves the right to suspend, withdraw, or amend the aforementioned RFP without prior notice.

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DOTFEST SET FOR APRIL 11 AT DOTHOUSE HEALTH

Join DotHouse Health in celebrating community life in Dorchester’s Fields Corner neighborhood and one of the best community-based health and social services organizations in the City of Boston. The celebration will take place on Thurs., April 11 from 6 to 9 p.m. at DotHouse Health. For more information, please visit DotFest.org.

BREASTFEEDING SUPPORT GROUP AT UPHAMS CORNER HEALTH

A breastfeeding support group meeting is held the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month from 5:30 - 7:30 pm at the Upham’s Corner Health Center at 415 Columbia Rd., Dorchester.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH ART EXHIBIT IN GROVE HALL

Grove Hall BPL will hold an exhibition by local artists of color from February 21-28. Take a tour of the rotating collection of paintings and sculptures at the branch, including this special exhibit, with work by Mfalme Kenyatta, Shea Justice, Laurence Pierce, and others. Join us for the opening Thursday, February 21. Local artists will be present to discuss their work as it relates to activism, Teens and teens can stay for an art workshop; materials will be provided. Light refreshments will be served. 41 Geneva Ave., Dorchester.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENT IN MATTAPAN

The Dorchester-Mattapan Neighborhood Council will host a Black History Month event at the Mattapan BPL branch on Blue Hill Avenue on Thurs., Feb. 28 at 5:30 p.m. Former Sen. Bill Owens will be a guest speaker.

FUN IN THE TROPICS AT FRANKLIN PARK ZOO

Longing for an island getaway? Escape to the Tropics with the Zoo’s young professionals group, The Wild Things, at Franklin Park Zoo on Sat., March 23 at 5 p.m. Join us in your best luau gear as you dance and limbo your way through the Tropical Forest with friends. Watch the ring-tail lemurs as they discover tropical themed enrichment in their decorated exhibit, and don’t miss special opportunities to meet some of the Zoo’s animal ambassadors. Join Zoo staff to learn more about the free-flight birds, including scarlet ibis, yellow-billed storks, hadada ibis and more! This is a 21+ event and includes one drink ticket, appetizers and a cash beer and wine bar. Western lowland gorillas, pygmy hippopotamus, and a Linne’s two-toed sloth are just a few of the animals that call the 72 degree Tropical Forest home. Proceeds from Fun in the Tropics will support the operation and continued growth of Zoo New England, its education programs and conservation initiatives. The Wild Things member price is \$25. For non-members, early bird tickets cost \$30 until March 8. After March 8, tickets will cost \$40. See franklinparkzoo.org for more info.

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BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY’S HOMEWORK HELP

Boston Public Library’s free Homework Help program is underway offering free afterschool help and mentorship provided by high-achieving high school students. The program, offered Monday through Thursday from 3:30 -5:30 p.m. is open to students in grades K-8; no registration required. Boston Teacher’s Union tutors are also available during select weekdays from 4-6 p.m. for students in grades K-12. Visit bpl.org/homework.

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POLICE DISTRICT B-3 NEWS

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APPLE GROVE ASSOC.

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

ASHMONT-ADAMS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

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

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Meetings are generally held the last Thursday of the month. For info, see ashmonthill.org or call Message Line: 617-822-8178.

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CEDAR GROVE CIVIC ASSOC.

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

CLAM POINT CIVIC ASSOC.

The meetings are usually held on the second Monday of the month (unless it’s a holiday) at WORK, Inc. 25

Beach St., at the corner of Freeport St., across from the IBEW; on-street parking available.

CODMAN SQUARE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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

COLUMBIA-SAVIN HILL CIVIC

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

DORCHESTER NORTH NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

The Dorchester North Neighborhood Association (formerly the Annapolis Street Neighborhood Association) generally meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the meeting room of 8 Annapolis Street. Please see our Facebook page (search Dorchester North) for updates and announcements. Send questions and agenda items to: dorchesternorth@gmail.com.

FIELDS CORNER CIVIC ASSOC.

The FCCA meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 at the Kit Clark Center, 1500 Dorchester Ave. For more info. contact V. Girard, chair, at: vivian8120@gmail.com .

JONES HILL ASSOC.

See joneshill.com for additional information.

EASTMAN-ELDER ASSOC.

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

DORCHESTER UNIFIED NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

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

FREEPORT-ADAMS ASSOC.

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

GROOM/HUMPHREYS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

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

HANCOCK STREET CIVIC ASSOC.

Hancock Street Civic meets on the first Tuesday of each month, 7-8:30 p.m. at the community room of 530 Columbia Rd, Dorchester. https://sites.google.com/view/hasca02125/ for more info.

HECLA/LYON/EAST STREETS WATCH

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

LINDEN/ELLSWORTH/LEEDSVILLE WATCH

For info, call 617-288-0818.

LOWER MILLS CIVIC ASSOC.

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

MCCORMACK CIVIC ASSOC.

Meetings are held at Saint Teresa of Calcutta Parish Hall in basement of Saint Margaret Church beginning at 6:30 p.m. More online at McCormackCivic.org. Please bring ID for proof of residency within association boundaries. Dues are \$5 or \$10. If you have any questions, please e-mail McCormackCivic@gmail.com.

MELVILLE PARK CIVIC ASSOC.

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

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MEETINGHOUSE HILL CIVIC ASSOC.
The Meetinghouse Hill Civic Association meets monthly at the First Parish Dorchester, 10 Parish St. Dorchester. Their next meeting will be on Wed., Feb. 20 at 7 p.m. Contact civic president Shirley Jones at jones713@msn.com.

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

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

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

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

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

CARNEY HOSPITAL'S PROGRAMS
A Breast-Cancer Support Group, the second Wednesday (only) of each month, 6:30 to 8 p.m. The Carney's adult/child/infant CPR and First Aid: instructions every week for only \$30. Call 617-296-4012, X2093 for schedule. Diabetes support group (free), third Thurs. of every month, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Info: 617-506-4921. Additional support group at Carney: Family Support.

WEST SELDEN ST. & VICINITY ASSOC.
The group meets on the fourth Monday of each month.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
Redberry Council #107, Columbus Council #116, and Lower Mills Council #180 merged into a new Dorchester Council #107, with meetings held the second Wed. of each month at St. Mark's VFW Post, 69 Bailey St. (new address) at 7 p.m. Contact Mike Flynn at 617-288-7663.

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To all interested persons:
A petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Maria Elisa Ciampa of Milton, MA; Joseph G. Ciampa of Dorchester, MA; and Margherita Ciampa-Coyne of Hyde Park, 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: Maria Elisa Ciampa of Milton, MA; Joseph G. Ciampa of Dorchester, MA; and Margherita Ciampa-Coyne be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 03/28/2019.
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.
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Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: February 14, 2019
Felix D. Arroyo
Register of Probate
Published: February 21, 2019

LEGAL NOTICE

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Request For Proposal (RFP) Announcement
The Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) Infectious Disease Bureau is seeking submissions in response to a request for proposals (RFP) to deliver effective prevention interventions to identified populations and sub-populations of individuals at high risk of HIV, Hepatitis C and/or sexually transmitted infections (STI). Providers within the City of Boston are eligible to submit proposals. The City encompasses the neighborhoods of Allston/ Brighton, Back Bay, Charlestown, Dorchester, East Boston, Hyde Park, Jamaica Plain, Mattapan, North End, Roslindale, Roxbury, South Boston, South End and West Roxbury. Qualified applicants for a Major-Grant as part of this RFP must have a minimum operating budget of \$500,000.00. Applicants that do not meet the threshold for the minimum operating budget may engage a sponsor agency to apply on their behalf with clearly articulated roles for fiscal, operational and programmatic assurances and practices. Applicants for Mini-Grants under this RFP do not need to meet this budget threshold. This RFP seeks proposals to deliver effective prevention interventions to identified populations and sub-populations of individuals at high risk of specified infections.
In applying for this funding, an applicant must describe the gap(s) in services the proposed program will address, and clearly explain what unmet need will be addressed and for what specific population of people at risk for HIV, Hepatitis C and/or STI Epidemiological data and needs assessments must be used to justify proposed activities.
The RFP documents will be released at bphc.org/workingwithus/rfps on Friday, March 15, 2019 at 12:00 PM. A Bidders' Conference will be held on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM at BPHC, 1010 Massachusetts Avenue | Hayes Conference Room, 2nd Floor | Boston, MA 02118. Completed proposals must be submitted to Dr. Jenifer Leaf Jaeger, Director, BPHC Infectious Disease Bureau, 1010 Massachusetts Avenue, 2nd Floor, Boston, MA 02118 by 12:00 PM, Friday, April 12, 2019. There are no exceptions to this deadline. BPHC reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if it deems to be in the public interest to take such action.



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Local projects win designation for CPA funds

**By JENNIFER SMITH
NEWS EDITOR**

Eight projects in Dorchester and three in Mattapan were recommended for Community Preservation Act funding in the most recent round, the mayor's office announced last Saturday. They are included in a 54-project, \$34 million bundle submitted to the City Council for a vote in March.

Voters in 2016 approved the one percent property tax surcharge that designates funding for affordable housing, historic preservation, and green space projects.

The Morton Station Village project, including 40 units of mixed-income housing and a



The Pierce Building in Uphams Corner is slated for renovation. serenity garden on Morton Street, would receive \$1 million of CPA funds. Also in Mattapan, the Norfolk Park track and field area and nearby playground would

get a \$680,000 boost. A new urban farm could be on the horizon on Flint Street, with the Astoria Farm project recommended for \$135,000.

Dorchester projects range from \$75,000 for another urban farm — for the Farmers Collaborative to renovate an empty lot into a farm near Fields Corner — to \$850,000 for a new playground for the Joseph Lee K-8 School.

Some existing projects are set to receive a chunk of funding from the CPA, like \$790,000 to complete the renovation of Garvey Playground with active use areas and a dog park, and \$500,000 to renovate the Pierce Building at Uphams Corner.

Four recommendations would lead to new parks or plazas: \$600,000 to build a new park for family day care programs and community events adjacent to Lena Park's affordable housing units; \$460,000 to purchase three lots for a new park and playground at Norwell Street with a public-private partnership and a neighborhood association; \$140,000 to plan and design a new park in the center of Grove Hall; and \$100,000 to design the renovation of Coppens Square near Meetinghouse Hill with a fountain, plaza, and landscaping.

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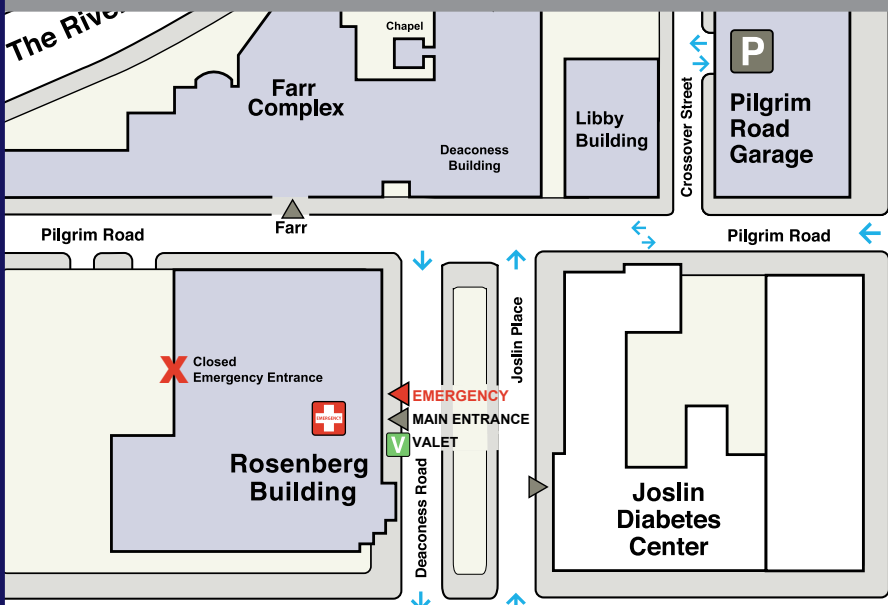


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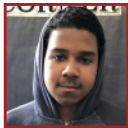
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BGCD to Host Winter Arts Bash: See details below.



Body + Fuel Classes Continue: See details below.

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BGCD to Host Winter Arts Bash:
BGCD is excited to share that we will be hosting our annual Winter Arts Bash on Wednesday, March 20th. It will be held in the fourth floor media center of the McLaughlin Clubhouse at 1135 Dorchester Avenue from 6 to 7:30 PM.

Please come join us for a fantastic night of performances, raffles and an inspiring showcase of art pieces our members have worked hard on throughout the year. Be sure to stop by for this creative celebration!

Please contact Fine Arts Director, Katy Farrar, at kfarrar@bgcdorchester.org or at 617-288-7120 to learn more about this event and other happenings in our art program.

FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE:
Body + Fuel Classes Continue:
Throughout the year BGCD has formed an exciting partnership with Body + Fuel, a local gym on Dorchester Avenue within steps from our campus. Body + Fuel has generously offered our members a workout location three afternoons a week (Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays) from 3:30 to 4:30 PM.

Our members enjoy a circuit training workout with all of the available equipment. Body + Fuel classes are open to members ages 12 & up and there are limited spots available due to high demand. Special thanks to our friends from Body + Fuel for making this fitness opportunity available to our members.

For more information on this program please contact Brendan McDonald at bmcdonald@bgcdorchester.org.

DID YOU KNOW
BGCD to Hold Volunteer Orientation Night: Ever been interested in volunteering here at the Club? If so, you're in luck! BGCD will be hosting a volunteer orientation night on Monday, March 4th at 6 PM. Come learn more about available opportunities and ways you can get involved at BGCD.

Some available volunteer positions include a yoga instructor, group activity leaders, swim lesson instructors, tutors, career speakers and so much more!

If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to Katie Russo at krusso@bgcdorchester.org. Be sure to also fill out a volunteer inquiry form on our website at bgcdorchester.org/volunteer.

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BARRETT, Carol A. (Whalen) age 72, of Quincy (formerly Roslindale). Born in the South End of Boston in 1946, she was the daughter of the late Thomas Whalen and Catherine (McManus) Whalen. Carol was a retired Radiation Therapy Technician, having worked at The Joint Center for Radiation Therapy, St. Elizabeth's Hospital & Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. Mother of daughter Tracy Flater and Tony Falcetti of Wilbraham, MA, son Herbert (Billy) Barrett and wife Angel of Virginia Beach, VA, daughter Julie Barrett of Boston, and son Dana Barrett (Sgt. BPD) and wife Deb of Hyde Park. "Nana" of seven. Cherished sister of Thomas Whalen and Sharon Lawrence. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws, and friends. Donations can be made in her honor to Playhouse Theatre Group, Inc., PlayhouseOnPark.org / 244 Park Road, West Hartford, CT.

BIRMINGHAM, M. Louise age 96. Daughter of the late Francis and Elizabeth Birmingham. Donations to the Sophia Snow Place Resident Fund, 1205-1215 Centre Street, West Roxbury, MA 02132.

CONWAY, Michael G. of Needham,. Son of the late Dr. James F. Conway, MD and Mary (Campbell) Conway. Michael is the brother of Rev. Richard C. Conway of St. Teresa of Calcutta



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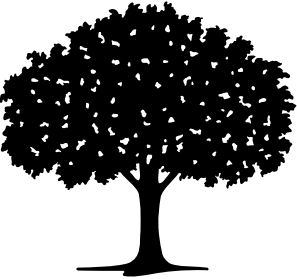
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Parish, Dorchester, Dr. James F. Conway Jr., MD and his wife Ruth of Bedford, NH, Mary Stewart and her husband Richard of Framingham, and the late Sr. Pedro (Ellen) Conway, SMSM and Dr. Stephen T. Conway, MD. He is also survived by his sister-in-law Lorraine Conway of Windham, NH, and 13 nieces and nephews. Michael was a graduate of Catholic Memorial and had been a repair technician for Verizon for 40 years. Please omit flowers. A donation in memory of Michael to the Marist Missionary Sisters 349 Grove St., Waltham, MA 02453, would be appreciated.

DARCY, Catherine A. "Mamo" (Kane) Of Milton, formerly of Dorchester. Born in Renvyle, County Galway, Ireland. Wife of Larry "Pops" Darcy. Mother of Larry and his wife Kerry Darcy of Milton, Lorraine and her husband Greg LeFever of Milton. Grandmother of Larry, Emma, Jack, Darcy and Kane. Sister of Virginia Bodkin of Belmont, Helen Finn of Medfield, Seamus Kane of Ireland, Christopher and Eamon Kane both of England and the late Stephen and

Martin Kane. Remembrances may be made in memory of Catherine to the Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

DWYER, Gerard F. "Gerry" of Dorchester, formerly of County Galway, Ireland. Husband of Bridget P. (Mulkerrin) Dwyer of Dorchester. Father of Gary Dwyer of Dorchester. Brother of Mary Lynch and her husband Sean of Ireland, and Vincent "Vinny" Dwyer and his wife Margaret of North Reading. Also survived by many loving nieces & nephews. Remembrances may be made in Gerry's name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

FIELDING, Mary Jean (Johnson) age 55, of Brockton, formerly of Milton and Dorchester. She will be deeply missed by her family: husband, Robert Gibson, daughter, Rebecca Golson, son, Robert Fielding, mother, Josephine Johnson, sister, Joanne Johnson, and close-knit extended family. She was predeceased by her sister Linda Walczak and brother William Johnson. Donations can be made to NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) of Massachusetts at <https://donatenow.networkforgood.org/namimass> or by mail to NAMI Massachusetts, The Schrafft's Center, 529 Main Street, Suite 1M17, Boston, MA 02129.

HURLEY, Rita M. lifelong resident of Neponset. Daughter of the late Joseph B. and Mary E. (Doocey) Hurley. Sister of John Hurley, Nancy H. Karis, Judith Hurley, Elizabeth Connell, the late Joseph P. Hurley, Arthur V. Hurley, James W. Hurley, Robert A. Hurley, and all of their families. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

KEEFE, Anna Jean (Drass) age 93, of Dorchester. Jean was the beloved wife of the late Frederick T. Keefe. Mother of Margaret Martin of Salem, Barbara Kelley and Thomas Keefe, both of Dorchester. Grandmother of David Martin of FL, and Thomas Kelley of

Dorchester. Jean lovingly called her great-granddaughter Madison Kelley of Wakefield her "little one", she was the apple of her eye! Jean was the daughter of the late Leo and Carrie (Irwin) Drass. She was predeceased by her 5 brothers and 3 of her sisters. She is survived by her sisters Regina Taylor, Caroline Kratzer and Amelia McClain, all of PA.

LOFTUS, Mary A. of Dorchester. Daughter of the late Redmond and Catherine (Flaherty) Loftus. Sister of Redmond Loftus of NC, Brendan and his wife Mary of Middleboro, Anthony F. Loftus, and his partner Uschi Kullmann of Medford, and the late John, Thomas, and Kevin Loftus. Sister-in-law of Christina Loftus of Melrose. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or to your favorite charity.

McTAVISH, Patrick J. "Jimmie" of Dorchester, formerly of Carna, Connemara, Co. Galway, Ireland. He was 84. He worked many years for the Boston Housing Authority until his retirement. He was a member of the Bricklayers and Craftsman Union Local #3, the South Boston Irish-American Society, and a Past Grand Knight for the Knights of Columbus Council #180 in Dorchester. Jim was a devout Catholic at Saint Gregory's Church, where he served as an usher and a volunteer at weekly Bingo. Jim was one of the original founders of the Carna Flyers Gaelic Football Club. He will be dearly missed by all those that knew and loved him. He was the husband of 56 years to Claire M. (Colman). Father of Ellen Joyce and her husband, Paraic, of Weymouth, Peggy Comer and her husband, John, of Holbrook, James McTavish, Kathleen Bartlett, and Steven McTavish all of Dorchester. Papa to Bryan Joyce and his wife, Ann Marie, Meaghan Comer, Siobhan Joyce, Brendan Comer, Aidan Joyce, and Liam Bartlett. Great-grandfather of James Dara Joyce. Brother of the late Sean, Bernard, and Tommy McTavish. Brother-in-law of Mary McTavish of Ireland. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, and dear friends, both here and in Ireland. Donations in memory of Jimmie may be made to St. Mary's Church, Carna, Connemara, Co. Galway, Ireland. See www.Keohane.com for directions and online condolences.

MORRIS, John T. "Jack" Of Bridgewater, formerly of Braintree and Dorchester. Husband of Mary M. (Griffin) Morris. Father of Stacy M Sims (Erik) of Michigan, and Susan M. Morris of Texas. Brother of Kathleen M. Morris of Dorchester, Edward J. Morris (Donna) of Avon, and predeceased by siblings Margaret A. Callahan, Francis M. Morris, Robert J. Morris, and Elizabeth A. Morris. Veteran of the United States Air Force and United States Army. Donations may be made in Jack's memory to the Norwell VNA & Hospice, 120 Longwater Dr., Norwell, MA, 02061.

QUINN, James L. Of Dorchester. Husband of the late Mary T. (Holt) Quinn. Father of Francis J. "Frank" Quinn of Mansfield and the late James P. Quinn. Grandfather of Theresa Quinn Strickland. Brother of William Quinn, Joseph Quinn and the late Eleanor Hernon, Margaret Gilbert and Thomas Quinn, Rose Marie White, Richard Quinn. James is also survived by many nieces, nephews and friends.

WELSH, Walter J. of Hanson. Walter was raised and educated in Dorchester, and had lived in Hanson for many years. He served in the US Air Force during the Vietnam Era. He went on to have long successful careers with both Gillette and Brady Enterprises. Walter was a member of the Weymouth Eagles. Husband of Donna (Raffa) Welsh of Hanson. Father of Jonathan Welsh of FL, Derek Welsh of FL, Robert Caliendo of FL and Robert Lee Welsh of Abington. Son of the late Herbert and Mary Louise Welsh. Brother of Henry Welsh of FL and the late Herbert "Sonny" Welsh. Papa of 5 grandchildren. Son-in-law of Joseph Raffa of Weymouth. Also survived by many extended family and in-laws. Donations in memory of Walter may be made to a VA charity of your choice. See www.Keohane.com for directions and online condolences or call 781-335-0045.

WOODWARD, Ellen (McDonnell) of Whitman, formerly of Dorchester, at the age of 77. Born in Boston, Ellen was raised and educated in Dorchester, where she met her husband. Ellen also was a ceramic teacher for many years. Wife of the late James Woodward. Mother of Deborah Lee and her husband Peter of Holbrook, Stephen Woodward of Seattle, Donna Sidman and her husband James of Middleboro, Kenneth Woodward of Holbrook, Theresea Aiguier and her husband James of Taunton, and the late Maureen Woodward. Sister of Margaret Haltmaier of North Andover, Nancy McNamara of Northboro, and the late Philip McDonnell. Also survived by 12 grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Donations in Ellen's memory can be made to the American Cancer Society at donate3.cancer.org.

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ASSOC OF REALTORS.....-500

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ASSOC OF REALTORS.....-500

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ASSOC OF REALTORS.....-500

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\$7,827

MSRP.....\$26,825

QUIRK DISCOUNT.....-2,327

REBATE.....-2,750

COMMERCIAL BONUS.....-5,000

PROMASTER CONQUEST BONUS.....-750

LEASE CONQUEST.....-500

ASSOC OF REALTORS.....-500

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SAVE UP TO
\$8,742

MSRP.....\$47,740

REBATE.....-3,500

QUIRK DISCOUNT.....-4,242

ASSOC OF REALTORS.....-500

LEASE CONQUEST.....-500

COMMERCIAL BONUS.....-500

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