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SMILES ALL AROUND FOR TET

US Senator Edward Markey and Mayor Martin Walsh were among those entertained by a traditional dragon dance on Sunday during the annual Tet in Boston Lunar New Year celebration at Boston College Photo by Jeremiah Robinson/Mayor Walsh's office

Is a booming economy making our city better, or worse? Truth lies in between

By Andrea Campbell

When I was growing up in the South End and Roxbury in the 1990s, my family (and most of the families around us) lived in affordable housing run

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by the Tenants' Development Corporation — first behind Rosie's Place, then

across from the Piano Craft Building on Tremont Street. Our neighborhood was almost exclusively black, and almost exclusively low-income.

The South End back then was segregated by block; as you walked toward downtown, black faces were replaced by Latino faces, and then Asian faces. These groups largely didn't engage with one another.

Change came to the South End slowly at first, then accelerated over time. As wealthier residents began to buy the brownstones around us, my twin brother and I suddenly had more customers for our fledgling dog-walking and snow-shoveling businesses. At home, we heard our dad talk about how much he wished he could buy our house. Eventually, I realized what he meant: not only would it mean owning our home, but it would also prevent us from being displaced by rising rents, as so many of our neighbors were.

As I got older and entered high school, I came to understand a different side of my neighborhood's changing demographics. I often went to a local cafe after school to do my homework. I would sit for hours on end observing the melting pot that my neighborhood had



Councillor Campbell

become. Lebanese families sat next to young gay couples, drinking coffee. A group of Latino young men from Villa Victoria waited in line in front of a couple of white empty-nesters. All were sharing the

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Judge strikes down verdicts against two former Walsh aides No quid pro quo, he says

By Alanna Durkin Richer ASSOCIATED PRESS

A federal judge last week tossed aside the convictions of two former aides of Boston Mayor Marty Walsh who were charged with bullying music festival organizers into hiring union workers.

Kenneth Brissette, the city's former director of tourism, and Timothy Sullivan, who was chief of intergovernmental affairs, were convicted in federal court last in August of conspiring to extort the organizers of the Boston Calling music festival by withholding city permits.

US District Judge Leo Sorokin said that he was overturning the jury's guilty verdict because the government failed to prove the existence of a quid pro quo. "Neither Brissette nor Sullivan received a personal payoff or any other cognizable benefit in connection with the charged conduct," Sorokin

Lawyers for the men applauded the decision and said their clients are "extremely gratified to have been acquitted."

"Today's ruling is consistent with our arguments that the evidence in this case did not support the charges brought against them. Simply stated, Mr. Brissette and Mr. Sullivan did nothing that was wrongful," Bill Kettlewell and Sara Silva, who represented Brissette, said in a statement.

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Cannabis test lab backers eye edging out 'black market'

By KATIE TROJANO REPORTER STAFF

Safety is the priority for the proponents of a cannabis testing lab that could occupy the top floor of a three-story building at Freeport St., the chief executive of the company told members of the Columbia-Savin Hill Civic Association's Planning Committee last Tuesday while noting that he and his backers want to get harmful cannabis products off the street.

"There have already been four deaths in Massachusetts alone due to $vaping\,of\,THC\,[the\,main$ psychoactive compound in marijuana] products, and those are things that could have easily been mitigated through several testing practices," said Dimitrios Pelekoud, the CEO and co-founder of Assured Testing Laboratories. "Those were products that went untested and (Continued on page 16)



Ruby Chan grew her pesto business out of Dot's Commonwealth Kitchen.

Ruby Chan's FreshZen pesto making a mark

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Growing up in New York City's Chinatown, Ruby Chan experienced a childhood similar to that of many firstgeneration immigrants. Her parents, who had been engineers in China,

By Daniel Sheehan struggled to find work popular ginger scallion didn't have that vision without American degrees, so they opened up a Chinese restaurant.

As a kid, she would help out at the restaurant, sweeping floors and washing dishes. Often, customers would come in and ask if her father's

sauce was available for purchase. Sensing an opportunity, she urged her father to start building his own business around the product, an idea he dismissed without much thought.

"As an immigrant, he

to be able to scale something to that size," she explained in an interview with the *Reporter*. "All he knew was putting his head down and working hard and being able to pay the next day's bills." (Continued on page 15)

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DOT BY THE DAY Feb. 20 -25, 2020

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

Thursday (20th) - Children's Winter Festival on Boston Common from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sponsored by Mayor Walsh and the Highland Foundation. Attractions will include the 45-foot-long Toboggan Tunnel mountainous adventure with twin roller lanes, the Snow Mazing maze, the Snowzilla Jr. inflatable winter-themed slide, a ride on the threecar Trackless Train, and hands-on games including Giant Connect4, Baggo, Giant Horseshoes, Inflatable Skee Ball, and much more. In addition, Disney is celebrating the release of FROZEN 2 available on Digital February 11 and Blu-ray™ February 25 with free giveaways and a chance to win a copy of the movie For more information, please call the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at 617-635-4505 or visit cityofboston.gov/parks.

Friday (21st) – Neighborhood Children's Theatre presents "The Sound of Music" at 1p.m. and 7 p.m. at St. John Paul II Catholic Academy, 239 Neponset Ave., Dorchester All tickets: \$5.

Saturday (22nd) - Join storyteller Valerie Stephens for a special Black History Month program featuring cross-cultural folk tales at the Fields Corner BPL branch, 1520 Dorchester Ave., 10 a.m.

• Franklin Park Winter Festival will be held from 10:30a.m. - 1:30p.m. at the Franklin Park Clubhouse. 1 Circuit Dr., Dorchester. Enjoy a cozy day of games, crafts, nature walks, hot cocoa, and more. If snow is on the ground, get ready for sledding and snowman building. This is a free family event open to the public. All ages are welcome.

Monday (24th) - Early voting for the state's presidential primary begins today at Boston City Hall and continues through Feb. 28 at City Hall and select locations. Check your voter status at boston. gov/elections. Election day is Tuesday, March 3.

• The South Boston Historical Society will host a discussion of Evacuation Day and Dorchester Heights on Monday, Feb. 24 from 6:30 p.m.- 8 p.m. at the South Boston branch of the BPL, 646 East Broadway. Learn more about what happened in March 1776 and hear about plans for a major rehabilitation of the Dorchester Heights Monument in Thomas Park. Free.

Tuesday (25th) - In honor of Black history month, join the Boston Public Library in welcoming Dr. Kellie Carter Jackson to discuss her new book, Force & Freedom: Black Abolitionists and the Politics of Violence, which of examines the conditions that led some black abolitionists to believe slavery might only be abolished by violent force. 6 p.m. at the Central Library in Copley Square.

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An architectural rendering of the River Street apartments. J. Garland Enterprises drawing

Senior housing complex on River Street wins BPDA OK

A proposal for a new 3-story, 30-unit apartment building on River Street won approval from the Boston Planning and Development Agency last Thursday. The incomerestricted rental units for senior citizens will be built on what is now vacant, city-owned land at 150 River St, which has been empty since the demolition of a closed nursing home in 2013.

The units are sized for

single and two-person elderly households ages 62 and older, according to the BPDA, which hailed the project as "consistent with the goals outlined in PLAN: Mattapan, including supporting inclusive and equitable development with an emphasis on affordable housing opportunities."

The 42,140-square foot building will also feature a community room and a publicly accessible shade

garden, along with 12 on-site parking spaces for residents, visitors, and management staff.

The proponents of the project are the Planning Office for Urban Affairs— an affiliate of the archdiocese of Bostonand Mattapan-based Caribbean Integration Community Development. The estimated cost of the new construction is \$12.4 million.

- BILL FORRY

Née Dudley Station, it's now Nubian Station, MBTA says

MBTA General Manager Steve Poftak has accepted a recommenda $tion\,by\,the\,MBTA\,Station$ Naming Commission to change the name of Dudley Station in Roxbury to Nubian Station. Poftak ordered MBTA staff to develop a schedule and plan to update station signage, MBTA maps and schedules, and the MBTA's website in the coming weeks and months.

The change follows a November ballot question in Boston in which residents were asked whether to change the name of Dudley Square to Nubian Square. That non-binding referendum failed city-wide, but a majority of voters in Roxbury voted in favor of it and the change was implemented in December.



Activists who pushed for that change say Nubian Square more accurately reflects the people who now call the area home, instead of memorializing Colonial Governor Thomas Dudley, who served in the 1600s when slavery was legal. A similar effort to rename

the Dudley Branch of the Boston Public Library is also under way.

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Police & Courts

ID sought - Around 9:40 p.m. on Saturday, a man was found lying in the middle of the road outside 12 Colorado St. in Mattapan with a gunshot wound, according to Boston Police. He was taken to a local hospital, where he was pronounced dead. Anybody with information can contact homicide detectives at 617-343-4470 or the anonymous tip line by calling 800-494-TIPS or by texting TIP to CRIME (27463).

The 21-year-old man who was shot to death on Feb. 5 on Magnolia Street has been identified as Admilson Ribiero of Dorchester. He was found near 149 Magnolia St. around 6:30 p.m. that day suffering from gunshot wounds. No arrests have been reported and police have asked anyone with information to contact detectives.

Boston Police have named the man shot and wounded by a BPD officer last week in Fields Corner during an altercation in which another man was stabbed. Police say Luis Gomes, 32, was attacking another man outside 207 Adams St. around 11:30 p.m. on Feb. 10. Two officers who intervened and stopped the assault say that Gomes was shot by one of the officers when he tried to attack one of them with the knife. Gomes has been charged with armed assault with intent to murder. He was treated for a non-life threatening gunshot wound.

A 25-year-old Dorchester man was arrested after a traffic stop early last Friday morning resulted in the discovery of a gun, according to police. Jakeem Hanson will be charged with illegal gun possession after BPD officers say they found a.380 Ruger LCP firearm with a missing magazine in the car he was driving near Quincy Street and Dacia Street in Dorchester.

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Ward 17 Dems to caucus on Feb. 25 – The Ward 17 Democratic Committee, which includes parts of Dorchester and Mattapan, will hold its caucus on Tues., Feb. 25 at 7 p.m. at the Sheet Metal Union Hall, 1157 Adams St., Dorchester. At this caucus, Democrats will elect 23 delegates and 5 alternates to the Democratic State convention to be held on May 30, 2020 in Lowell. Any registered Democrat living in Ward 17 can run to be a delegate, and any registered Democrat living in Ward 17 can vote for delegates, provided they are present at the caucus and have signed in before registration closes. Residents of Ward 17 who are eligible to vote may register at the caucus during the registration period. Doors will open by 6:30, and will be locked at 7:15, when registration will close. For more information, email Joyce Linehan at joyce@ashmontmedia. com or visit massdems.org.

Public meeting on 'The Future of Mattapan's Corridors' – The BPDA will host a public meeting on Wed., Feb. 26 at 6 p.m. to explore "The Future of Mattapan's Corridors" as part of the ongoing PLAN: Mattapan initiative. The meeting will be held in the KIPP Academy cafeteria, 37 Babson St., Mattapan. Contact Muge Undemir at 617-918-4488 or mugzy.undemir@boston. gov with any questions.

Ward 18 Democrats to meet on March 7 - Registered Democrats in Boston's Ward 18 will hold a caucus on Sat., March 7 at 10 a.m. at the Hyde Park Municipal Building, 1179 River Street, Hyde Park, MA to elect delegates and alternates to the 2020 Massachusetts Democratic State Convention. This year's state convention will be held May 30, 2020 at the Tsongas

Center in Lowell. The caucus is open to all registered and preregistered Democrats in Boston's Ward 18. Pre-registered Democrats who will be 16 by February 15, 2020 will be allowed to participate and run as a delegate or alternate. Ward 18 can elect 53 delegates and 8 alternates to the Convention. Youth, minorities, people with disabilities, and LGBTQ individuals who are not elected as a delegate or alternate may apply to be an add-on delegate at the caucus or at massdems.org. Those interested in getting involved with Boston's Ward 18 Democratic Town Committee should contact Rob Consalvo, Ward Committee Chair, ward18boston@gmail.com.

GMNC 2020 election on Feb. 29 — The Greater Mattapan Neighborhood Council's next election will be held Sat., Feb. 29. with polling at: the KIPP Academy, 37 Babson St, Mattapan. Polls will be open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Any Greater Mattapan resident 16 or older can vote. Voters should bring proof of residence if not listed on the most current City of Boston list of residents. For more information, email: info.gmnc.election@ gmail.com.

The 14th annual Dorchester Chili Cook-off – will be held on Sunday, March 29 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., at Local 103 IBEW at 256 Freeport St. to benefit Dorchester Day Parade. More than 20 entrants representing restaurants, civic associations, youth groups, and community organizations, vie for bragging rights to the best chili in Dorchester. There is live entertainment. games and prizes. A panel of judges will award prizes in four categories: Best of Show, Best Non-Beef, Most Creative Dish and Team Spirit (decorations, costumes, enthusiasm.) The

People's Choice award earns its winner the golden bean pot and bragging rights.



Lawrence O'Donnell to keynote NepWRA annual meeting The Neponset River Watershed Association (NepRWA) annual meeting will be held on Friday evening, May 29 at 6:30p.m. at Florian Hall in Dorchester, and will feature Lawrence O'Donnell, host of "The Last Word with Lawrence O'Donnell" on MSNBC. Lawrence grew up in Dorchester, near the Neponset River, and has fond memories of jumping in the water

to cool off in the summer. He'll share a few stories with us from those times, as well as his thoughts on how politics affect the state of our environment. The public is invited to the Annual Meeting. Tickets can be purchased at Neponset.org/ annualmeeting or by calling Nancy Mahon at 781-575-0354 x324. An optional pre-meeting tour of the Neponset River, led by NepRWA staff, will take place at 5:30 pm. Registration is

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SWAT-like federal officers working in Boston to assist with ICE arrests

By Shannon Dooling WBUR Reporter

A number of specially trained officers and agents from the US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) agency are working in Boston with local US Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officials, according to a US Department of Homeland Security (DHS) official in Boston.

The official declined to confirm the number of CBP officials deployed to Boston but did say they come from across the country, including the southern border.

"While some of them are trained in tactical operations, that is one of the many areas of training. These officers have also been trained in routine immigration enforcement actions, which is what they have been asked to do," according to a Homeland Security statement.

In a news release last Friday, acting ICE Director Matthew Albence said the agency is utilizing the additional officials in cities throughout the country to mitigate "resource challenges stemming from sanctuary city policies."

He added: "As we have

noted for years, in jurisdictions where we are not allowed to assume custody of aliens from jails, our officers are forced to make at-large arrests of criminal aliens who have been released into communities. This effort requires a significant amount of additional time and resources. When sanctuary cities release these criminals back to the street, it increases the occurrence of preventable crimes, and more importantly, preventable victims."

Boston and many other Massachusetts communities have established so-called sanctuary policies in order to limit interaction between local law enforcement and federal immigration officials. The state's highest court ruled in 2017 that local law enforcement officials cannot hold an individual who otherwise would be free to go solely at the request of ICE.

US Rep. Ayanna Pressley blasted the move as an intimidation tactic by the Trump administration. "Let us be clear, this move has nothing to do with public safety, but rather serves only to further the Trump Administration's agenda to intimidate and re-

taliate against cities that uphold the dignity and humanity of our immigrant neighbors," she said in a statement released Friday evening.

In a separate news release on Friday, Boston-based ICE officials provided detailed information — including photos — about five individuals referred to as "immigration fugitives" who, the agency says, were released by Massachusetts authorities as a result of sanctuary policies.

According to ICE, all of the cases involved declined detainers, which are requests to hold individuals made by the federal agency to local law enforcement.

Acting Boston Field Office Director Todd M. Lyons of ICE's Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) said in the release: "Laws passed by the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court may restrict law enforcement agencies in the Commonwealth from honoring immigration detainers, the law does not limit local agencies from working with ICE to notify us of the release of criminal aliens. The politicization of law enforcement at any level whether it be federal, state, or local does not make anyone safer. ERO Boston from this day forward will continue to notify the public when a criminal threat is released back into their neighborhoods."

Markey, Warren weigh in

The state's US senators, Ed Markey and Elizabeth Warren, are demanding that CBP withdraw from the strategy of deploying agents to Boston and other American cities. In a let-

ter to the heads of CBP, DHS and ICE, Markey and Warren called the initiative "unnecessary, unwelcome, dangerous, menacing, retaliatory and unlikely to achieve its stated goal."

They go on to say that BORTAC agents are supposed to be used to handle dangerous situations outside the normal scope of Border Patrol agent duties - not for "run-of-the-mill immigration arrests" in some of America's largest cities.

In closing, Warren and Markey asked federal officials to answer the following questions by next Monday: 1. How many of the CBP personnel deployed to assist ICE are BORTAC members? 2. In which communities will $these\,BORTAC\,members$ be deployed? 3. What are the specific orders given to the BORTAC teams, and what are their specific rules of engagement while deployed in American cities? 4. What is the chain of command for deployed BORTAC teams?

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Markey vs. Kennedy in debate: Earnest, with a bit of spark

By Tom Mulvoy Associate Editor

When Joseph P. Kennedy III was born in the fall of 1980, Edward J. Markey was a month away from winning a third term in the US House of Representatives. Some 40

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years later, the two men are engaged in a contest for the seat that Markey now holds in the US Senate, with Kennedy, the son of a congressman and the nephew of three US senators (and a president), running a primary campaign against his fellow Democrat while sitting in the US House on the other side of the Capitol building.

On Tuesday night, the candidates sat down with moderators Margery Eagan and Jim Braude in a televised talk-a-thon on WGBH-TV that offered voters their first chance at seeing the two legislators grapple over issues, which proved to be no mean feat since broadly speaking they are in agreement on many of the key matters of the day.

For Kennedy, the first question posed to him was from Eagan, who mentioned a concern that some voters have expressed: Is he an "opportunist" using the family name to jump the line, so to speak, against a sitting Democrat with such a long record of public service? In answering, the congressman conceded that Markey "has been a good senator... who has

made important contributions to the commonwealth and the country," then added, "This election counts, there's a lot at stake. ... at this moment, it's not a matter of filing the right bill; the challenge is different in these times."

For his part, Markey used his time to tout his progressive props in legislative affairs over the course of his 44 years in Congress (and two terms in the Massachusetts House before that). For virtually every question posed by the moderators - on economic disparity and racist repression, on housing, on healthcare, especially Alzheimer's research, on transportation, on immigration, on the environment (he cited his co-sponsorship of The Green New Deal with US Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez), on gun control, on Iraq, on Afghanistan, on money in politics, on rent control, on student debt, on Trumpian dystopia, even on the disputed placement of agas compressor in Weymouth Markey pointed out how in one way or another, his legislative efforts played a role in the political give and take, often successfully for his cause and his constituents.

Other than making sure that viewers and those in the studio knew that Markey voted with the Bush team on the Iraq invasion (the senator said that Bush 43 and his aides lied to Congress, and added that he regrets his vote) and that the senator voted "present" on a war-and-peace Senate vote 10 years later ("Hardly a profile



US Rep. Joseph P. Kennedy, III, at left, and US Sen. Edward J. Markey discussed and debated the issues on Tuesday night with WGBH moderators Margery Eagan and Jim Braude.

in courage," Kennedy said), the challenger didn't veer far off the track from Markey on a number of major issues.

Rhetorical flourishes aside, both said they favor working toward Medicare for all, finding a way to alleviate student debt, looking again at rent control (Markey is okay with a local option), drawing down forthwith the US troop count in Afghanistan, and coming to grips with immigration matters like the DACA situation and the border wall after ridding the nation of Donald Trump as president.

One matter drew a sharp rebuke of Markey from Kennedy: The senator's refusal to join him in signing The People's Pledge, a resolve to keep out of the campaign so-called "dark" money and personal attack ads funded by groups outside of Massachusetts. Markey argued that there is a value to "positive" funding when appropriate to a progressive cause.

At the end of the discussion, when the pair were asked to address what they see as the differences between them, Kennedy amplified on what he had said earlier when he was asked about being an opportunist. "This is a moment of crisis for our party and our country," he said, "and one lesson I have learned in my time

in Washington is that power counts. You have to take it, use it, and leverage it. I will do that for Massachusetts."

For Markey, the answer is in his 44-year resume. "I have led and I have delivered for our state. I have been successful," he said, "and I'll continue to be that way."

that way."

Other high-visibility political happenings have partly obscured the profile of this campaign, which in normal times would attract and keep the public's attention. This debate popped up on Ch. 2 with little public notice. But there's more to come: The primary election is six months away, on Sept. 1.



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Mass. elections system underfunded, Galvin says

By Katie Lannan STATE HOUSE **News Service**

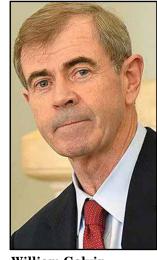
Secretary of State William Galvin is making an election-year ask of lawmakers, telling budget-writers last week that he'll need more money to support this fall's presidential contest.

Galvin, the state's elections overseer since 1995, testified before the House and Senate Ways and Means committees on Feb. 11 on Gov. Charlie Baker's fiscal 2021 budget proposal, which he said contained "a number of notable deficiencies" for his office.

Baker's \$44.6 billion budget proposal recommends a total of nearly \$51.37 million for Galvin's office, including \$12.29 million for the elections division. Galvin said he requested \$14.3 million.

Galvin said Baker's fiscal 2021 recommendation "simply isn't enough to conduct the election as it needs to be conducted," pointing to costs associated with extended polling hours and printing voter registration supplies.

"We also — because of the enforcement of the coming of automatic voter registration, which began on Jan. 1 of



William Galvin

this year-added significantly to the number of registered voters," Galvin said. "We're adding about 10,000 additionally every month, so the number of people who will be voting, especially in a presidential election, is going to be very high. The governor's appropriation proposal simply is not supportive enough of that.' Galvin spoke to law-

makers as voters in New Hampshire headed to the polls for their state's presidential primary. Asked by Waltham Rep. Thomas Stanley to predict turnout for the Bay State's March 3 primary, Galvin said the answer will depend largely on the level of interest and "what the effect of today's activity is."

Voter registration has been "pretty good" so far, he said, indicating a high level of interest. Galvin noted the field on the Democratic side has shifted since he conducted a drawing to determine ballot order in December - Andrew Yang and Colorado Sen. Michael Bennet dropped out the night of the primary, followed by former Massachusetts Gov. Deval Patrick on Wednesday – and said he expects the "intensity of coverage" of the race to continue through Super Tuesday, when Massachusetts, 13 other states, and Democrats living abroad are set to

In 2016, 43.62 percent of 4,271,835 registered voters participated in the presidential primary.

"I'm hopeful of good turnout," Galvin said. "Obviously we spent a lot of money preparing for this election. We hope people will participate, but it's a little early to project exactly what's going to come out."

Feb. 12 marked the last day for Massachusetts voters to register or change their party affiliation ahead of the March 3 primary. A five-day early voting period begins on Feb. $\bar{2}4$.

Galvin said early voting has proven to be 'very popular" since the state first instituted it in 2016, and predicted "a good experience there as well" later this month.

He said Baker's budget, however, was "not adequate to support early voting in our November election come next fall." Baker proposed funding the early voting line item at \$2.29 million for fiscal 2021, and Galvin said he requested \$4.6 million.

Galvin also asked lawmakers to bump up the appropriation for the central voter registry line item from Baker's \$6.55 million, calling the central voter registry "the core...not only of our office, but all the city and

The federal government, Galvin said, has recently appropriated money under the Help America Vote Act, and Massachusetts could get \$8 million of those funds. Galvin said the HAVA money "would be largely used to help some of our cities and towns increase the security of their systems."

Because the federal money would be made available through a matching program, Galvin said the state would need to come up with \$1.8 million before December 2021. He asked that half of that money be included in next year's budget.

Early primary voting begins on Monday

early on the March 3 presidential primary beginning next Monday and ending on Friday. Unlike traditional polling, voters aren't required to vote at their assigned polling locations; they can cast ballots at the location that is most convenient to them. No reason has to be given for filing an early ballot.

City Hall be will the "main" early polling location all week long. It will be open for voting on Monday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and from 9 a.m., to 8 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday.

Voting in Dorchester and Mattapan will be held on Thursday

Registered voters can weigh in from noon to 8 p.m. at All Saints' Church at 209 Ashmont St. and First Parish Church at 10 Parish St. and at the Mildred Avenue Community Center in Mattapan.

Pop-up polling locations like those in Dorchester and Mattapan will be available throughout the city on Tuesday and Thursday. All ballot styles will be available at every location.

As to absentee ballots, state Secretary William Galvin is recommending that voters submit absentee ballot applications as soon as possible to allow time for the ballot to be mailed to the voter and returned to their city or town hall. Ballots must be delivered

to the local election office by the close of polls on March 3 in order to be counted.

Ward committee voting time

Local Democratic ward committees will soon vote for delegates and alternates to the party's state convention on May 30 at the Tsongas Center in Lowell.

The panel for Ward 17, which includes parts of Dorchester and Mattapan, will hold its caucus next Tuesday (Feb. 25) at 7 p.m. at the Sheet Metal Union Hall, 1157 Adams St., Dorchester. The Ward 18 committee will caucus on Sat., March 7 at 10 a.m. at the Hyde Park Municipal Building.

- KATIE TROJANO



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Malcolm X's powerful origin story surges to life in 'Detroit Red' at ArtsEmerson

By ED SIEGEL

WBUR CRITIC-AT-LARGE When we think of Malcolm X we're likely to think of a tall, proud, articulate black man. The Miles Davis of the civil rights movement, compared to Martin Luther King Jr.'s Duke Ellington. The name itself conjures a sense of being outside the mainstream, of going one's way with self-confidence and righteous anger. Even those who don't like his message have to $% \left\{ 1,2,...,n\right\}$ acknowledge the power of the messenger.

We also know from "The Autobiography of Malcolm X" that his teenage days in Roxbury and New York were not the stuff of a political theorist in the making. He was a street hustler, pusher, procurer and thief. What led him onto a different path?

The details of that origin story aren't so well-known, but playwright Will Power lives up to his name with a mesmerizing story of how Malcolm Little became the hustler, Detroit Red, while smartly foreshadowing how he would eventually become Malcolm X (dropping his slave name). Not that Power deserves all the credit; he's working with a superb creative team that includes director Lee Sunday Evans and her hyper-imaginative integration of theater and film.

"Detroit Red" begins and ends with Malcolm's arrest during a jewelry store heist in Boston. Ari Herzig's eye-popping, larger than life film projection sets the stage, literally, for Eric Berryman's spotlighted entrance as the conflicted young man faced with the choice of killing a policeman or going to jail. Not only were Malcolm's and the policeman's life hanging in the balance, so was American history.

But "Detroit Red," in its world premiere production under Arts Emerson's aegis at the Para-



Edwin Lee Gibson and Eric Berryman in "Detroit Red," in its world premiere at $the \, {\rm Emerson} \, {\rm Paramount} \, {\rm Center.} \, Photo \, courtesy \, Randall \, Garnick \, Photography$

mount Center (through Feb. 16), is not the story of crime, punishment and redemption. It's the story of Malcolm X taking the first steps in focusing his anger at a white society that murdered his father and drove his mother into madness, all the while demeaning any attempt of his to assert himself. That focus wasn't an option during his teenage years in Boston. The choice seemed clear to the proud Malcolm Little accept a life of menial servitude or take to a life of crime.

The choice is somewhat mirrored by pressure from his black friends and associates to play the game - straighten your hair, butter up the white man, better yourself by doing what he tells you to do, be a hepcat but assimilate. The other game of conniving and doping seems much more inviting to Malcolm; at least he can be himself and speak his own language.

"Detroit Red," though, is not the stuff of sociology textbooks or politicians' speeches. It is a fully-realized artistic exploration of a moment in time - the nanosecond, in fact, when he started to find the third path.

The artistry of "Detroit Red" lies largely in Power's ability to never show that transformation, but to imagine how his own strong personality and his confrontations with racism gave him the tools to formulate that transformation. Unlike "Gloria: A Life" at the American Repertory Theater it is not a representational biography, but a verbally and visually poetic invocation of Detroit Red's thoughts and experiences. (He added a reddish tint to his thenstraightened hair, giving him the nickname.)

Eric Berryman gives a fine, remarkably controlled performance in the title role. He lets you see the wheels turning even while his character tries to cut through the confusion of his lot in life, beginning with a white supremacist organization burning his home to the ground and killing his father. After his mother was committed he moved to Boston and we see an assortment of friends, lovers and associates only adding to the confusion.

The blacks are mostly subservient or criminal; the whites are either overtly racist or condescending. Edwin Lee Gibson plays the black characters, Brontë England-Nelson the latter. She plays both the men and the women and if there's a flaw in the play, it's that Gibson has a lot more to work with than England-Nelson, whose characters are mostly stick figures.

"Detroit Red" continues the "evil white man"

this winter, including "Pass Over" at Speakwhite men don't fare so well in "Gloria: A Life" either. While sackcloth and ashes isn't my favorite fashion statement, I'm not going to argue that Malcolm's anger was anything but justified. Power makes it clear that Malcolm, too, was not a saint but a man of his times as witnessed in the play by his misogyny and homophobia.

That he rose above his times speaks to the contemporaneousness that Power and Evans suggest in their narrative. While we are firmly in the '40s it is all but impossible to not see echoes of Malcolm's life in #blacklivesmatter, hip-hop, Colin Kaepernick and a host of other issues in the production.

Power, in fact, has been credited with being a co-creator of "hip-hop theater," a designation that refers in part to the strength of his prose. It's hard to imagine his script finding a better collaborator than Evans, who like Berryman knows when to get in our face

style of theater I want to see more of it. I don't know about Malcolm Little or Detroit Red, but I think Malcolm X would have been proud.

theme in Boston theater Easy Stage Company and z at A.R.T., where

and when to pull back. Whatever you call their

Hub New Music to take Ashmont stage

By Daniel Sheehan ARTS & FEATURES EDITOR

In an upcoming Ashmont Hill Chamber Music performance (Sun., March 15, at 4 p.m. at All Saints' Peabody Hall), the Boston-based contemporary chamber quartet Hub New Music will team up with the renowned composer/ harpist Hannah Lash for a new collaborative multi-movement work.

The event will mark the latest of many for Hub New Music, a busy quartet that has been hailed for its innovative vision, creative programming, and ambitious commissioning

projects. The group is music notation to create made up of passionate educators whose approach to teaching melds the artistic and entrepreneurial facets of modern musicianship.

Working with student performers and composers at residencies across the country, HNM empowers younger generations of musicians through workshops on building an arts organization, commissioning new work, and developing meaningful collaborations—including HubLab, a K-12 focused outreach program that uses graphic and other forms of non-traditional original compositions with students.

Hannah Lash's music has been performed and commissioned by the LA Philharmonic, Carnegie Hall, and the Boston Symphony Orchestra, among others. Lash, who earned her PhD in composition from Harvard, has been recognized both nationally and internationally for her technical prowess as a harpist and her original compositions.

In addition to joining the ensemble for this 30-minute composition, Lash will also perform her own solo works for the harp. Hub New Music, which is comprised of flutist and founder Michael Avitabile, clarinetist David Dziardzel, violinist Alyssa Wang, and cellist Jesse Christeson, will also perform works from its quartet repertoire and will join Lash in a performance of their transcriptions of Messiaen's Piano Preludes.

Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$18 for students, and \$3 for EBT card holders. Children under 17 admitted free. Tickets can be purchased at the door or online at eventbrite.com.

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Thurs., Feb. 20, All Day – Community Puzzle Drop-In: Africa Map; 3 p.m. - Play Songs & Games. Fri., Feb. 21, All Day – Community Puzzle Drop-In: Africa Map; 11 a.m. – Stories, Stories, Stories; 2 p.m. – All About Anansi. **Sat., Feb. 22**, All Day Community Puzzle Drop-In: Africa Map; 9:30 a.m. Citizenship Preparation Class. Mon., Feb. 24, 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 4 p.m. – BTU Homework Help. **Tues., Feb. 25**, 10:30 a.m. – Unleash the Amazing Quilter in You; 11 a.m. - Stories, Stories, Stories; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help. Wed., Feb. 26, 1:30 p.m. – Knit/Crochet Circle; 3:30 p.m. Homework Help;.

FIELDS CORNER BRANCH

Thurs., Feb. 20, 10:30 a.m. – Films and Fun; 3 p.m. – Mike the Bubble Man; Tech Help. Fri., **Feb. 21**, 9:30 a.m. – Lapsit Story Time; 10:30 a.m. Preschool Story Time; 2 p.m. - Friday Afternoon Fun. **Sat., Feb. 22**, 10 a.m. – The Seasons & Other Things. **Mon., Feb. 24**, 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help. **Tues., Feb. 25**, 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 4 p.m. - BTU Homework Help; 5:30 p.m. - Tracing Our Roots Workshop; 6:30 p.m. - Hatha Yoga. Wed., Feb. 26, 10 a.m. – Adult Stress Relief Coloring; 11 a.m. - 2020 Census Job Fair; 3:30 p.m. - Homework Help; 4 p.m. – 2020 Census Job Fair.

GROVE HALL BRANCH

Fri., Feb. 21, 2 p.m. – All About Anansi; 2:30 p.m. Teen Gaming. **Mon., Feb. 24**, 11 a.m. – ESL Beginner English Class; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help. Tues., Feb. 25, 10:30 a.m. – Preschool Story Time; 3 p.m. – Chess Club; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 5:30 p.m. - Tracing Our Roots Workshops. Wed., **Feb. 26**, 11 a.m. – 2020 Census Job Fair; 1:30 p.m – Knit/Crochet Circle; 3 p.m. – Anime Club; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 4 p.m. – 2020 Census Job Fair.

LOWER MILLS BRANCH

Fri., Feb. 21, 10:30 a.m. – Little Wigglers' Lapsit; 1 p.m. – Kirk Douglas Film Series. **Mon., Feb. 24**, 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 4 p.m. – BTU Homework Help; 6:30 p.m. - Between the Covers Book Club. Tues., Feb. 25, 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 4 p.m. – Technology Help. **Wed., Feb. 26**, 10:30 a.m. - Preschool Storytime & Craft; 3:30 p.m. - Homework Help. **MATTAPAN BRANCH**

Thurs., Feb. 20, All Day – February Vacation Scavenger Hunt; 2 p.m. - Tinkering for Families; 5 p.m. – USCIS Information Hours; 5 p.m. – JeoparDMC; 5:30 p.m. – Family Board Game Night; 6:30 p.m. – Gentle Yoga. Fri., Feb. 21, All Day – February Vacation Scavenger Hunt; 10 a.m. - ESL Beginner English Class; Baby & Toddler Lapsit; 10:30 a.m. – Hugs & Play; 2 p.m. – All About Anansi; 3 p.m. – Crafternoons. **Sat., Feb. 22**, All Day – February Vacation Scavenger Hunt; 1:30 p.m. - Intermediate Haitian-Creole. Mon., Feb. 24, 10:30 a.m. - Hugs & Play; 3:30 p.m. - Homework Help. Tues., Feb. 25, 12 p.m. – Tech Goes Home: 3 p.m. – BTU Homework Help; 3:30 p.m. - Homework Help; 4 p.m. - Tinker Time. Wed., Feb. 26, 10:30 a.m. -Toddler Time; 12:30 p.m. – Tai Chi; 3 p.m. – Full

STEAM Ahead; 3:30 p.m. - Homework Help; African American History Month: From Migration to Discrimination. Thurs., Feb. 27, 12 p.m. – Career Workshops; 3 p.m. - BTU Homework Help; 3:30 p.m.- Homework Help; 5:30 p.m. - Family Board Game Night; 6 p.m. - Sleepy Story Time; African American History Month: Enzo Silon Sirin Poetry Reading; 6:30 p.m. - Gentle Yoga.

UPHAMS CORNER BRANCH

Thurs., Feb. 20, 12 p.m. - Board Game Afternoon. Fri., Feb. 21, 10:30 a.m. - Reading Readiness: 2 p.m. - LEGO Builders. Sat., Feb. 22, 11:30 a.m. - LEGO Builders. Mon., Feb. 24, 10:30 a.m. - Baby and Toddler Lapsit; 2:45 p.m. - Play Reading for Teens; 3:30 p.m. - Homework Help; 4:30 p.m. - Make It Mondays: Cooking. Tues., Feb. 25 3:30 p.m. - Homework Help; 5:30 p.m. - Tracing Our Roots Workshop. **Wed., Feb. 26**, 11 a.m. – 2020 Census Job Fair; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 4 p.m. - 2020 Census Job Fair.

Reporter's People

News about people in and around our Neighborhoods



METCO student interns from Dorchester and Mattapan marked the start of Black History Month at a performance of "Detroit Red," a new play depicting Malcolm X's early years in Boston. The students are engaged in developing the Boston Education Activism Tour (B.E.A.T.) that kicks off in May. The performance provided valuable insight into the history of Boston's neighborhoods which they are researching in developing the tour. More than 100 members of the METCO community from the city and suburbs enjoyed the performance followed by a reception and discussion period at Emerson Paramount Center. The partnership is funded by ArtsEmerson's Boston Summer Arts Institute/Outside the Box Act 2 community outreach platform created by arts patron Ted Cutler. Pictured, from left: Imani Rather; METCO Engagement Coordinator Ivette Melendez; Rhone Charles; Samone Lumley; Mio Martinez; Kayla Simpson; Kendel Yancy; Jabari Murphy; and Tamira English. See review of "Detroit Red" on Page 7.

Santhouse joins city's HR Transformation unit

Dorchester resident Erin Santhouse has been appointed to serve as the city of Boston's Human Resources Project Manager and Policy Analyst. She most recently served as Executive Director of Scheduling and Advance in the Mayor's Office and directed SparkBoston (formerly ONEin3), the City's outreach to millennial residents designed to engage young people with the City of Boston's programs and services.

Mayor Walsh also announced last week that Joanne Wisniewski will join the City of Boston serving as the City's Human Resources Transformation Director. Wisniewski is an accomplished HR professional who has led and supported similar transformations in other public and private sector organizations. She comes

to the City from Deloitte Consulting, where she was a senior member of the team advising and supporting the City on its HR transformation. Prior to joining Deloitte, she held senior roles with Fidelity Investments and Revlon.

She will lead Boston's work to transform its human resources (HR) services, to better manage, train, recruit, and retain the City's workforce, made up of over 18,000 employees in over 60 departments serving the people of Boston.

"Working closely with leaders at City Hall, both Joanne and Erin will improve the employee experience and better enable employees to serve the missions of Boston's agencies," said Emme Handy, Boston's Chief of Administrative and Finance.

BCCS juniors complete two-week internships

By Daniel Sheehan REPORTER STAFF

Last month, a group of students in their junior year at Boston Collegiate Charter School (BCCS) completed a two-week long onsite internship at a wide range of organizations across the city. The program, designed to give students valuable insights into career choices and help them consider potential college majors, connected the juniors with over 40 Boston organizations across several fields including, health, finance, law, and technology. "This internship program is integral to the school delivers on its



Richard Matos de la Cruz at Fenway Park.

mission to prepare each student for college and beyond," said Shannah Varón, executive

director of BCCS. "Our students can only aspire to what they know, and this experience allows them to imagine their future in any number of career fields." BCCS junior Richard

BCCS photo

Matos de la Cruz of Dorchester nabbed an internship with The Red Sox Foundation, while Angelika Kania and Grace MacPherson of Dorchester logged their hours at Log-MeIn, a Fort Pointbased software company. During the internship, each student completes at least 55 hours of onsite work before returning to the school and presenting about their experience to their peers. This year's program saw students intern at corporations, small businesses, medical sites, government offices, and non-profit organizations throughout

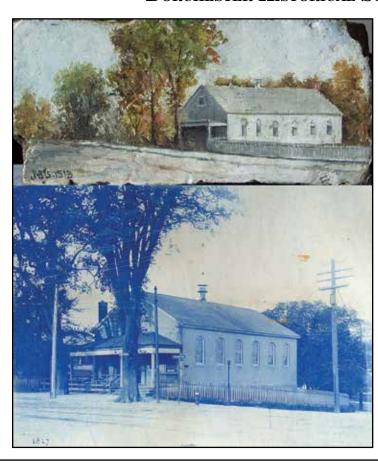
Greater Boston, including collaborations with Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston College, MIT, the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office, and Turner Construction Company. "We know that hands-on experience can provide a competitive advantage for our students when they apply for internships while in college and jobs thereafter," Varón said. "We are grateful to the many businesses and organizations that have partnered with us to ensure that our students are truly prepared for college and the workforce."

YESTERYEAR ARCHIVE

DORCHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Dorchester Town Hall that was built in 1816 on Washington Street at the southwest corner of what is now Codman Square (Washington and Norfolk Streets) is recalled by this 1913 painting on a brick (top) in the Edward A. Huebener Collection at the Dorchester Historical Society. The photograph (below) was probably taken just after the turn of the 20th century and the artist, J.B.S., apparently was evoking the time when the building was first constructed, because he left out the poles and trolley wires.

Edward A. Huebener, a board member of the Dorchester Historical Society, was a gatherer of materials relating to Dorchester history, including a very large collection of graphic materials comprised of prints and photographs now owned by the Society. Huebener set aside bricks obtained from Dorchester



illustrator to paint a picture of each building on a brick, thereby creating a visual record on an actual piece of the house. The collection includes over 100 bricks.

Codman Square, known at that time as Baker's Corner (Walter Baker owned a general store at the northwest corner of the square) was selected for the town hall because it was (and is) in the geographic center of the town at the only intersection of two main east west/north south cross roads - Norfolk and Centre Streets from east to west and Washington Street from north to south. Washington Street connected the entire town to the Neponset River mills and Norfolk-Centre Streets linked the two toll roads - the Blue Hill and Dorchester turnpikes. Second

Dorchester Town Hall (1816-1904)

buildings, then hired a local Church had been built at the intersection ten years earlier. The Codman Square branch of the Boston Public Library, a Colonial Revival style structure with cupola and Chinese Chippendale roof balustrade, replaced the Town Hall building in 1904. Now owned by the city but administered by the Codman Square Health Center, it is known as the Great Hall.

> The archive of these historical posts can be viewed on the blog at dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org. The Dorchester Historical Society's historic houses are open on different dates. The Lemuel Clap House (1712 and remodeled 1765) at 199 Boston Street is open on the third Saturday of each month. The James Blake House, 735 Columbia Road (1661) and the William Clap House, 195 Boston Street (1806) are open on the third Sunday of each month. Open hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Editorial

Wanted: Good men and women for 12th Suffolk

Last week's top headline in the Reporter was State Rep. Dan Cullinane's decision to not seek re-election to the 12th Suffolk seat in the House of Representatives this fall. Cullinane, 34, has served in the seat effectively and honorably since 2013. His leadership in the Dorchester-Mattapan delegation will be missed when he leaves the job at the end of the year.

His decision was a surprise to some, given his relative youth and his passion for public service. He himself has referred to it as his "dream job."

But a political life in 2020- even on the local front— can be a grind on a family. Cullinane and his wife Emily have two very young children—ages 2 and 8 months. He does not yet have a new job, he told us last week and he intends to finish out his term strong. That, too, reflects well on him.

Since Cullinane is not resigning, there will be no special election. His successor will be picked in two already scheduled elections, starting with a primary election on Tues., Sept 1.

In stepping off the electoral stage at this early point in an election year, Cullinane is giving another gift to the district he has served so well: the chance to think big about the possibilities of new representation. We hope that new faces who have never made an attempt to enter public life will consider running.

There is still plenty of time for people thinking about running for state office this year to mount a candidacy. Nomination papers just became available last week- on Feb. 11. A candidate who hopes to run for a district state seat — such as state representative— will need to gather enough signatures to make the ballot and turn them into city or town officials by April 28. (In the case of a state rep district, a candidate needs only 150 certified signatures to make the ballot.)

The 12th Suffolk is a blend of cultures, villages, languages, and interests. It straddles city and suburb and includes everyone from the state's most affluent to our nation's newest, most vulnerable arrivals. It includes two precincts in the town of Milton; precincts in Lower Mills and Ashmont-Adams; and along the River Street corridor from Hyde Park to Mattapan, including Mattapan Square.

It's home to the beautiful Neponset River, the Greenway trail that accompanies it, and the Ashmont-Mattapan trolley line that remains a vital route for commuters.

The district is a busy one. In recent years, activism has been stirred by new development and city-led initiatives such as PLAN: Mattapan. A homegrown neighborhood council now exists in Mattapan and holds its own elections— including one scheduled for next weekend (Feb. 29, 9 a.m.- 2 p.m. at KIPP Academy on Babson Street).

Would-be Democratic candidates who want to get a feel for electoral possibilities would also do well to make it to one of the two Democratic ward committee meetings that will be held in the coming weeks to elect delegates to the state party convention in May.

The Ward 17 Dems will convene on Tues., Feb. 25, at 7 p.m. at the Sheet Metal Union Hall, 1157 Adams St; Ward 18 Dems will gather at Hyde Park's Municipal Building on Sat., March 7, at 10 a.m.

Here's hoping that a robust and talented field of new faces will be seeking this important seat in the State House.

-Bill Forry

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New role for Newman within UMass: system chancellor of academic progress

Katherine Newman will remain a UMass chancellor after she departs the Dorchester campus she has led for the last two years on an interim basis. UMass President Marty Meehan has appointed her to be System Chancellor of Academic Programs, a new position that consolidates two system vice presidencies, Meehan said last week.

This position is designed to strategically align university teaching and research with Commonwealth job creation and workforce development aspirations," Meehan said. "We are fortunate to have the ideal person in Katherine Newman, who is equipped with the academic credentials,

management expertise, and passion to expand economic opportunity, to take on this challenge."

Newman will also hold the title of Senior Vice



Katherine Newman

President of Academic Affairs, Student Affairs, and Economic Development.

"I am excited to return to the Office of the President as the university pursues new opportunities and seeks to expand its impact throughout the Commonwealth and beyond," Newman said. "President Meehan has created an exciting and far-reaching mandate that envisions the University of Massachusetts as a major player nationally and internationally in the provision of higher education to the underserved.

"I'm pleased to lead that effort on the academic side, working with my

colleague, Don Kilburn, CEO of UMassOnline, in translating that vision into reality.'

- BILL FORRY

Musings/Dick Flavin

Whistling past the graveyard on Mookie exit

The idiom "Whistling past the graveyard" is defined as the attempt to stay cheerful in a dire situation. Well, I'm all puckered up and ready to blow. Are you ready?

The Red Sox loss of Mookie Betts might not the mean end of the world.

There. I've said it, and I have anecdotal evidence to back me up. Less than 20 years ago there was another young player who, in the age of free agency, left his original team, the one that had brought him to the big leagues. He was, if anything, even better than Mookie. In approximately the same number of at-bats he had a higher batting average than Mookie does now (.309 to .301), many more home runs (189 to 139), more RBIs (595 to 476), and he even had more stolen bases (133 to 126). Like Mookie, he was a defensive whiz at his position. And at age 25, he was even younger than Mookie is now, which is 27.

The year was 2001 and that player was Alex Rodriguez. He left the Seattle Mariners to sign a massive 10-year, \$252 million contract with the Texas Rangers. How, you might ask, did the Mariners survive the loss of the best young player of the generation? Keep in mind that at this time there had never been any link made between A-Rod and performance enhancing drugs. In their first season without him, the Mariners set an all-time American League record for victories during the regular season, finishing at 116-46. That's 8 more wins than the Red Sox had in their too-good-to-be-true season of 2018. Unfortunately for them, the Mariners ran into the Yankees of Derek Jeter, Mariano Rivera, and Bernie Williams in the American League Championship Series and so never made it to the World Series.

If you're worried about the double whammy aspect flosing both Mookie and David Price, consider this: In 1998, just two and a half years before A-Rod's free agency, the Mariners dealt the best lefthander in baseball, Randy Johnson, at the trading deadline rather than lose him through free agency. In 2000, without Johnson, they made the playoffs as a wild card, and in 2001, without both Johnson and A-Rod, they set the all-time record for wins. Those are the only two times in their entire history that the Mariners have appeared in the post-season.

And what of that huge contract A-Rod signed with the Rangers? After three seasons Texas decided it was too rich for their blood and started actively shopping him around. The first takers were none other than the Red Sox. They put together a package of deals in which Rodriguez agreed to restructure his contract, but the players union stepped in and disallowed the arrangement, claiming that it amounted to a pay cut, so the deal was dead. The Yankees then swooped in and scooped up A-Rod, complete with his baggage of PEDs and untruths that soon came to light. Rodriguez ended up as a terrible (and terribly expensive) distraction to the Yankees, and with his own reputation in tatters. Boy, did the Sox dodge a bullet on that one.

The point is that in the aftermath of the Seattle Mariners letting Alex Rodriguez walk, they thrived.



Mookie Betts

Associated Press photo

The same could happen with the Red Sox in the wake of the Mookie deal; we hope, and we pray.

Exhibit B in our whistling tour is provided courtesy of my pal Tim Samway, a life-long Red Sox devotee and student of the team's history, which I guess explains his emotional scar tissue. Tim reminded me the other day of another terrific young outfielder the Red Sox traded away, then went on to win a World Series without him. It happened more than a century ago, true, but it happened. Tris Speaker had compiled a .337 batting average in seven-plus seasons with the Sox and had already earned the reputation of one of the greatest defensive outfielders of all time. He had just turned 28. As with Mookie, money was a contributing factor. The upstart Federal League had started pirating players from the National and American Leagues in 1914, and in order to protect their investment in Speaker, the Red Sox doubled his salary to \$18,000. When the Federal League folded a year later, the Sox tried to cut Speaker's contract back to the \$9,000 it had originally been. Needless to say, Speaker resisted, so just before the 1916 season began, he was shipped off to Cleveland for pitcher Sad Sam Jones and infielder Fred Thomas, plus \$50,000 in cash. Speaker refused to report until the Sox agreed to fork over \$10,000 of the 50 grand they got from Cleveland, which they did.

Oh, and there was also the matter of religion that factored into the trade. Speaker, who was reportedly a member of the Ku Klux Klan back home in Texas, was virulently anti-Catholic during his Red Sox years, which caused a schism in the clubhouse. And since Boston's fan base was, as was the city itself 100 years ago, largely Irish Catholic, he was, despite his great talent, deemed expendable. Things have a way of working out, though. Once he settled in Cleveland, Speaker met, fell in love with, and married an Irish-Catholic girl. It - that is to say, she - changed him. Not only did his attitude toward Catholics change, but also, when Larry Doby became the first black player in the American League only a few months after Jackie Robinson broke in with the Brooklyn Dodgers, his personal coach and biggest booster was none other than former KKK member Tris Speaker.

In his first season with the Indians, 1916, Speaker led the American League in batting (.386), hits, doubles, and slugging percentage. But the Red Sox repeated as World Series champions. So there.

The darn graveyard is pretty big and plenty scary, but I'm still whistlin' on my way past it. And I'm thinking that maybe, just maybe, losing Mookie Betts isn't the end of the world after all. It sure feels like it is, though, doesn't it?

Walsh, others ask support for Chinatown amidst virus fears

By Philip Marcelo ASSOCIATED PRESS

Boston is trying to throw some love to Chinatown amid concerns about a new Chinese virus that has sickened tens of thousands, including a college student in the city.

Mayor Marty Walsh launched a social media campaign last Thursday encouraging people to share photos of themselves supporting small businesses in the neighborhood with the hashtag #LoveBostonChinatown.

The campaign includes a "small business bingo" card of things visitors can do in Chinatown, like trying dim sum, sipping on bubble tea, buying fresh pastries, checking out public art, or

taking a selfie in front of its signature gateway.

City leaders from Boston and nearby Quincy, which also has a sizeable Chinese community, hosted a dim sum brunch in Chinatown on Saturday.

And city health officials have been visiting the neighborhood centers this week in an effort to dispel misconceptions about contracting the new coronavirus, which was officially dubbed COVID-19 this week.

The virus has sickened tens of thousands, mostly in China.

Massachusetts has had one confirmed case, a University of Massachusetts Boston student who recently returned from Wuhan, the Chinese city at the center of the outbreak.

State health officials have said the patient, who is in his 20s, is recovering at home, where he has been kept in isolation.

Boston is among other cities, including New York and Chicago, that have rallied behind their Chinatowns in recent days.

In Massachusetts, officials say anxiety has also stirred up anti-Chinese sentiment, and the state restaurant industry says there has been a "sudden and swift" decline in business at Chinese restaurants, not just in Chinatown.

Chinatown has been noticeably quieter, with far fewer college students

and tourists, said Brian Moy, whose family owns China Pearl, billed as the state's oldest active Chinese res-

The annual Lunar New Year parade, which typically draws huge crowds and is a boon for restaurants, was also muted, despite good weather. "We were filled, but it wasn't like lines out the door," Moy said. "You could still get a seat with little wait."

The city took similar steps to support Chinatown during the SARS epidemic in the early 2000s. That deadly virus, which also emerged from China, turned the neighborhood into a virtual ghost town, and it took months for businesses to recover, Moy said.

Is a booming economy making our city better, or worse?

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same (small) space, coexisting as only cities can make people do.

When I went away to college, I remember thinking that the change in my neighborhood had prepared me well for the mix of cultures I found on campus — certainly better prepared than if I had stayed in the homogenous South End of my younger years. But when I returned to Boston years later, I also saw what can happen when gentrification goes too far, and a neighborhood becomes inaccessible to its lifelong residents.

We see this change happening on a citywide level today.

Boston has added 275,000 new jobs in the last 12 years — that's more than two-and-a-half times the number of new homes that have been built. Earlier this month, a report by The Boston Foundation revealed that even as Boston's population has surged by more than 100,000 over the past two decades, the city now has 10,000 fewer school-aged children than it did in the year 2000.

As condos sell for \$35 million in Downtown Crossing, the median household income in Roxbury and Mattapan is about \$33,000 per year. It has become a struggle for longtime residents, families, and those not earning six figures to make a life here. The reasons for this are myriad: skyrocketing rents and home prices, schools that aren't meeting their needs, traffic-clogged streets, and an unreliable, inequitable public transit system.

Elected officials can't wave a wand and stop market forces from changing neighborhoods over time. But we don't have to stand idly by, either. If we're willing to ask hard questions and articulate a clear vision, we can shape the future of our city for generations

The key questions that Boston's leaders need to answer now are these: What do we want our city to be? And for whom?

I believe Boston should be a place where anyone — new immigrants and lifelong residents, professionals in high-paying jobs and people living paycheck to paycheck - feel welcome. Living up to this vision will require bold policy solutions on a host of issues. This won't be easy, but it's essential to our future.

I've been committed to advanc-

ing this type of change on the City Council, whether by releasing a plan to bring equity to our public schools, working to improve access to public transportation along the Blue Hill Avenue corridor, or expanding affordable housing through the Community Preservation Act.

But there is much more work to be done. For me, that starts with making sure our schools are preparing all of our children for success, which will help us keep families in the city for the long term. Bostonians should demand bold action and accountability from the leaders of our school system, and accept nothing less.

Second, we need to do more to share the fruits of Boston's prosperity with everyone. Implementing a modest transfer tax on home sales of more than \$2 million will help to fund affordable housing construction across the city. As skyscrapers rise downtown, we need to make sure that affordable housing makes up a significant portion of new development, not just the bare minimum.

Most pieces I read about Boston's future tend to argue that the city's economic boom is either the best thing to happen to us, or that it's destroying the city as we know it. Gentrification is either bringing new opportunities to Boston's neighborhoods, or it's hollowing them out.

My own experience leads me to believe the truth lies somewhere in between.

Boston's economic boom is a good thing. And our success means we have to work doubly hard to preserve the diverse and unique character of our neighborhoods.

The beauty of cities is that as we grow and change, we can discover new opportunities, culture, and identity in places we never envisioned. As long as we hold true to equity as our north star, I trust that we can build a city of which all of us can be proud.

Andrea Campbell represents Boston's fourth district on the City Council and is the first African-American woman to serve as the president of the Boston City Council. She lives with her husband and two sons in Mattapan. This article was first published by WBUR 90.9FM on its Cognoscenti page. The Reporter and WBUR share content and resources through a media partnership.

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WARD 17 DEMS TO CAUCUS ON FEB. 25

The Ward 17 Democratic Committee, which includes parts of Dorchester and Mattapan, will hold its caucus on Tues., Feb, 25 at 7 p.m. at the Sheet Metal Union Hall, 1157 Adams St., Dorchester. At this caucus, Democrats will elect 23 delegates and 5 alternates to the Democratic State convention to be held on May 30, 2020 in Lowell. Any registered Democrat living in Ward 17 can run to be a delegate, and any registered Democrat living in Ward 17 can vote for delegates, provided they are present at the caucus and have signed in before registration closes. Residents of Ward 17 who are eligible to vote may register at the caucus during the registration period. Doors will open by 6:30, and will be locked at 7:15, when registration will close. For more information, email Joyce Linehan at joyce@ashmontmedia.com or visit massdems.org.

GMNC 2020 ELECTION ON FEB. 29

The Greater Mattapan Neighborhood Council's next election will be held Sat., Feb. 29, with polling at: the KIPP Academy, 37 Babson St, Mattapan. Polls will be open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Any Greater Mattapan resident 16 or older can vote. Voters should bring proof of residence if not listed on the most current City of Boston list of residents. For more information, email: info.gmnc.election@gmail.com.

WARD 18 DEMOCRATS TO MEET ON

Registered Democrats in Boston's Ward 18 will hold a caucus on Sat.. March 7 at 10 a.m. at the Hyde Park Municipal Building, 1179 River Street, Hyde Park, MA to elect delegates and alternates to the 2020 Massachusetts Democratic State Convention. This year's state convention will be held May 30, 2020 at the Tsongas Center in Lowell. The caucus is open to all registered and pre-registered Democrats in Boston's Ward 18. Pre-registered Democrats who will be 16 by February 15, 2020 will be allowed to participate and run as a delegate or alternate. Boston's Ward 18 can elect 53 delegates and 8 alternates to the Convention. Youth, minorities, people with disabilities, and LGBTQ individuals who are not elected as a delegate or alternate may apply to be an add-on delegate at the caucus or at massdems.org. Those interested in



US Representative Stephen Lynch spoke to members of The New England Council at a Congressional Roundtable Breakfast in Boston on Feb. 10. The New England Council – the nation's oldest regional business association — regularly hosts members of the New England Congressional delegation at roundtable events throughout New England. At the Feb. 10 event held at the Hampshire House, Lynch discussed infrastructure, the federal budget, and policy priorities and the potential impact on the New England economy with members of the New England Council. Pictured above, from left: Harry Brett, special representative from the United Association of Plumbers and Gasfitters of New England; US Congressman Lynch; and Jim Brett, President and CEO, the New England Council. Photo courtesy NE Council

getting involved with Boston's Ward 18 Democratic Town Committee should contact Rob Consalvo, Ward Committee Chair, ward18boston@gmail.com.

RESIDENT PARKING RESTRICTIONS HAVE **BEGUN IN SAVIN HILL**

The city of Boston's Transportation Dept. have begun enforcement of new resident permit parking on select streets in Savin Hill. Residents are urged to get their stickers as soon as possible. Impacted streets include Savin Hill Avenue, Grampian Way, Southview Street, Evandale Terrace, Wave Avenue and Hubbardston Road (Mon-Fri, 10 a.m.- 6 p.m.). Existing resident parking signage will not change on Playstead Road, Denny Street, Bayside Road and Davitt Street. For more info on how to apply for a sticker, go to boston.gov/transportation/residentparking-permits.

PUBLIC MEETING ON 'THE FUTURE OF MATTAPAN'S CORRIDORS'

The BPDA will host a public meeting on Wed., Feb. 26 at 6 p.m. to explore "The Future of Mattapan's Corridors" as part of the ongoing PLAN: Mattapan initiative. The meeting will be held in the KIPP Academy cafeteria, 37 Babson St., Mattapan. Contact Muge Undemir at 617-918-4488 or mugzy.undemir@ boston.gov with any questions.

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"Definitely not a no," says Baker about third term bid

By Katie Lannan STATE HOUSE **News Service**

Gov. Charlie Baker isn't ruling out running for a third term, and when it comes to a more immediate election—the March 3 presidential primary – he's continuing to keep his plans to himself.

In a radio appearance last Thursday, Baker said he hasn't made the call yet on whether he'll seek re-election, and characterized his lack of decision as "definitely not a no."

During his "Ask the Governor" interview on WGBH, the governor said, "That is a subject for further discussion between me and my wife



Gov. Charlie Baker and some of the folks on the team. I haven't made a decision about that and frankly, I don't think I

need to make a decision about that now."

The Swampscott Republican is in the second year of his second fouryear term, which he won with two-thirds of the vote over Democrat Jay Gonzalez in 2018.

If Baker has made a decision for how he'll vote on Super Tuesday, it's not one he's sharing.

A caller named Nicole from Boston asked Baker which presidential candidate he will vote for, quoting a remark Baker made in 2016 when he endorsed New Jersey Republican Chris Christie.

'I don't ever want to be in a position where people say you didn't have a position on something of significance and importance," Baker said four years ago.

The caller said she considered the presidential election "very significant."

Baker reiterated what he said last Tuesday: He plans to vote but not to get involved in presidential politics.

'I've said many times that I don't want to get into presidential politics because that's not my job, and it's not what I get paid to do," Baker said. "I get paid to worry about what's going on here in the commonwealth of Mass., working on many of the things that we've been talking about

It appears that Donald

Trump has not won him over.

"I have said many times that I didn't vote for the president when he was up four years ago," the governor said. "I was worried about a lot of things with respect to his ability to do the job. I haven't seen anything since then to change my mind.

Asked by co-host Jim Braude if that meant he wouldn't vote for Trump this year, Baker said, "I think my statement kind of speaks for itself, Jim." He didn't answer when Braude asked if he'd vote instead for his one-time boss, former Gov. Bill Weld, who is running against Trump in the Republican primary.

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"I said I'm not going to

As Braude thanked

the caller for her ques-

tion, Baker continued:

"And by the way, no one

asks me about this when

I'm out and about. No

one. They want to talk

about housing and trans-

portation and health

care and climate and all

those things, and that's really what they expect

me to focus on and worry

about," he said.

engage in presidential

politics and I meant it,

Baker said.

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Justice of this Court

Date: January 30, 2020 Felix D. Arrovo Register of Probate Published: February 20, 2020

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ADL report: White supremacist propaganda surging across state

By Colin A. Young STATE HOUSE News Service

White supremacist propaganda distribution rose by more than 300 percent in Massachusetts last year and the state saw the fourth highest level of that kind of activity of any state in the country, according to new data released last week by the Anti-Defamation League.

ADL said it had received reports of 2,713 cases of white supremacist literature distribution across the country in 2019, more than double the 1,214 cases reported

In Massachusetts, the 148 cases reported in 2019 accounted for about 5.5 percent of the nationwide total.

Only California, Texas and New York accounted for a greater share of cases, according to ADL.

The nearly 150 reports in Massachusetts represented a 323 percent increase over the 35 incidents of white supremacy literature distribution in the state during 2018. Thirty of the incidents in Massachusetts last year occurred on a college

"Our data clearly demonstrate that white su-

premacists are doubling down on the distribution of propaganda across the US and in our region, with a particular focus on campuses and the public square," Robert Trestan, ADL New England regional director, said. "By injecting a barrage of racist, anti-Semitic, and anti-LGBTQ fliers, stickers, banners, and posters into the public square and on campus, white supremacists are attempting to normalize their messages of bigotry and to bolster recruitment, all while hiding

behind the cloak of anonymity, never having to face the consequences of their hate and intolerance."

ADL said three groups - Patriot Front, American Identity Movement. and the New Jersey European Heritage Association — were responsible for approximately 90 percent of the nationwide activity. ADL's H.E.A.T. Map - displaying instances of hate, extremism, anti-Semitism, and terrorism-details many of the incidents reported in Massachusetts.

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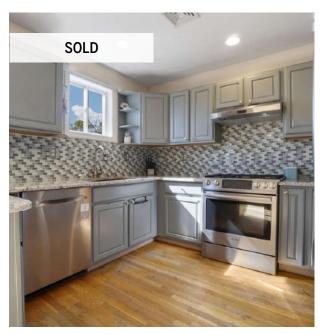
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Pets and chocolate: a toxic combination

By Mary Nee

Take a stroll through any grocery or convenience store during the month of February, and

Moment of Paws

you will see a common sight — a barrage of heart-shaped chocolate.

While these tasty treats are a great impulse buy for your Valentine's Day sweetheart, having chocolate in your home can be dangerous – even life-threatening –

for our canine loved ones. We love chocolate, but

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so do our dogs, and with their enhanced sense of smell, they can lock onto the human indulgence even if it's hidden away. From cakes and cookies to bowls of Hershey's Kisses sitting on the coffee table, chocolate is everywhere — and typically something we are not overly aware of until we see our furry friends munching away.

What makes chocolate harmful for dogs to in-

gest? The chemical ingredients found in chocolate - theobromine and caffeine-cannot be metabolized as well by our dogs. Even trace amounts can cause vomiting, diarrhea, increased thirst, panting, restlessness, excessive urination, and elevated heart rate. Larger amounts can trigger muscle tremors, seizures, heart failure, even sudden death. Due to the high fat content in chocolate, there's also a risk of your dog develop-



Animal Rescue League photo

ing pancreatitis.

These chemicals are also harmful for cats; however felines are not drawn to chocolate like dogs are, so the risk of chocolate poisoning for cats is much lower.

The levels of toxicity levels depend on the size and weight of your dog, as well as the type of chocolate. The darker and less sweet the chocolate, the more toxic it is for dogs.

Clinical signs of chocolate poisoning may take

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hours (typically 6-12) to present themselves, so if you see or even suspect that your dog has eaten chocolate, it is imperative to immediately contact your veterinarian or the ASPCA Animal Poison Control helpline at 888-426-4435.

To treat chocolate poisoning, a veterinarian induces vomiting and administers activated charcoal to block the absorption of the harmful chemicals into the

body. Additionally, intravenous fluids and beta blockers to slow the heart rate may be necessary for severe cases.

Bottom line: Keep any food items containing chocolate out of the reach of your pet. If you suspect that your dog may have ingested chocolate, take immediate action and call your vet. The longer you wait, the more the chemicals are absorbed into the body, leading to greater toxicity.

As dog owners, our responsibility is to keep them from harm so they remain safe, happy, and healthy.

Mary Nee, a Dorchester resident, is the president of the Animal Rescue League of Boston. Pet questions? Email ARL at press@arlboston.org.



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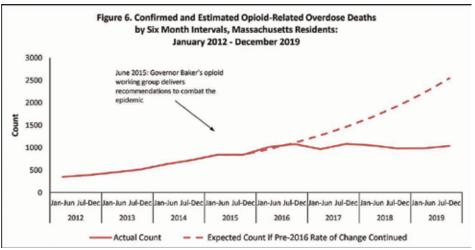
Community Health News

Opioid OD deaths flat despite surge in fentanyl on street

By KATIE LANNAN STATE HOUSE **News Service**

New data indicate Massachusetts has made some progress in beating back the tide of opioid overdose deaths, according to the state's public health commissioner. Commissioner Monica Bharel said the state nonetheless continues to lose too many people to overdoses.

The Department of Public Health last week released the latest statistics on opioid overdoses, showing a total of 2,023 confirmed and estimated opioid-related overdose



deaths in 2019, down from 2,031 in 2018.

"Behind each one of those people is their families, is their communities, Public Health Council.

and each one of those individuals is representative of a preventable death," Bharel told the

"Our job is to continue those efforts along a public health trajectory. It took us a long time to get where we are in this

will take a sustained effort to continue to see a decrease in the number of deaths and to finally, finally look at substance use disorders as the medical illness that they are." Confirmed opioid over-

opioid epidemic, and it

dose deaths in Massachusetts peaked in 2016 at 2,097, according to the DPH. That year, the overdose death rate was 30.5 per 100,000 residents. The DPH estimates a death rate of 29 per 100,000 residents in 2019, representing a 5 percent drop from 2016.

"If we look at 2016 as the peak, we see a stabilization since then," Bharel said. "This decrease is despite the growing presence of fentanyl, which our data shows is a driver of opioid-related death."

In the first nine months of 2019, fentanyl was present in 93.2 percent of confirmed opioid overdose deaths where a toxicology screen occurred, according to the DPH. That rate was 75.6 percent in 2016.

"Thanks to our public health interventions, we've flattened the death rate instead of watching it climb as fentanyl continues to increase in our communities," Bharel said.

Ballot question would let food stores sell beer, wine

By Steve LeBlanc ASSOCIATED PRESS

A ballot question that would let convenience stores and other food outlets sell beer and wine is drawing criticism from some researchers and substance abuse coordinators who say it could result in more crime and alcohol consumption.

The question would let local authorities issue licenses allowing food stores to sell wine and malt beverages, but not hard liquors, to be consumed off the premises. Local licensing authorities would have the discretion to determine the number of food store licenses they issue. The new permits would be in addition to existing licenses issued for the sale of alcoholic beverages.

They could be issued as soon as December if the question is approved by voters in November. There would also be no limits on the number of licenses any one company could control after a phase-in period.

David Jernigan, a professor of health law and policy at the Boston University School of Public Health, said there is a close tie between the easy availability of alcohol and crime. He said because Massachusetts - and Boston, by extension- has limits on the number of alcohol outlets, the relationship between alcohol outlets and violent crime is weaker than in many

other cities.

"More outlets also mean more price competition, which means cheaper alcohol, which literally hundreds of studies have shown is associated with more drinking and more negative consequences, including violent crime," Jernigan told a State House committee last week.

The potential for crime and other negative behaviors like property damage, public urination, and noise is made

worse when those buying the alcohol drink it off premises and are more likely unsupervised, he added.

Supporters of the ballot question say it would require the state Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission to hire at least one investigator for every 250 licenses granted under the proposed law. The question would pay for additional costs to the commission by creating a fund consisting of alcohol excise taxes, fines, and fees collected by the commission.

Matthew Durand, a representative for the coalition pushing for the question - including Cumberland Farms said the threats to public safety are exaggerated. He said it's hard to draw a direct link between crime and beer and wine availability when there could be other factors involved.

"Nothing happens in a vacuum," Durand said. "You have to look at the bigger picture.'

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Community Meeting

PLAN: Mattapan

The Future of **Mattapan's Corridors**

Wednesday, February 26 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

KIPP Academy, Cafeteria 37 Babson Street Mattapan, MA 02126

Project Description:

This PLAN: Mattapan workshop will explore how Mattapan community members use corridors today and how that can be enhanced in the future. As discussed in previous meetings, Mattapan's corridors are major roads that are integral to getting around Mattapan. Together we will begin to rethink corridors as places to live, work, and play so that we can make recommendations that will achieve the PLAN: Mattapan vision.

The purpose of this meeting is to:

- Identify how corridors can achieve the vision of PLAN: Mattapan
- Discuss what scenarios and possibilities will implement the vision

We will incorporate recommendations from City and State Agencies also conducting planning and implementation on Mattapan's corridors.

Attendees can take with them a brief overview of Article 60 (Mattapan's zoning code) and Article 80 Project Review.

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EMK INSTITUTE HOSTS PRESIDENTIAL POET BLANCO ON FEB. 27

Presidential inaugural poet Richard Blanco will visit the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the US Senate on Thurs., Feb. 27 at 6 p.m. for a 'Getting to the Point' discussion on the themes he explores in his recent poetry collection, How to Love a Country, and how Americans can find common ground through shared experiences and ideals. Richard Blanco was the fifth presidential inaugural poet, serving as poet for President Obama's second inauguration in 2013. He stands as the youngest, first Latino, immigrant, and gay person to serve in such a role. He is the author of four collections of poetry and three memoirs. Blanco will perform a poetry reading as part of the program and will also participate in a book signing. For more info, email allison.kaminsky@emkinstitute.org.

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR DORCHESTER BASEBALL

Registration is now underway online for Dorchester Baseball, open to kids and teens ages 4-16. Sign up at dorchesterlittleleague.org or dorchesterbaberuth. org. Financial assistance available upon request.

DOT CHILI COOK-OFF ON MARCH 29

The 14th annual Dorchester Chili Cook-off will be held on Sunday, March 29 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., at Local 103 IBEW at 256 Freeport St. to benefit Dorchester Day Parade. More than 20 entrants representing restaurants, civic associations, youth groups, and community organizations, vie for bragging rights to the best chili in Dorchester. There is live entertainment, games and prizes. A panel of judges will award prizes in four categories: Best of Show, Best Non-Beef, Most Creative Dish and Team Spirit (decorations, costumes, enthusiasm.) The People's Choice award earns its winner the golden bean pot and bragging rights.

JAMMIN' FOR JIMMY AT FLORIAN HALL

Jammin' for Jimmy — an evening of fun and music to benefit the James P. "Jimmy" Cawley Scholarship at UMass Boston— will be held on Sat., Feb. 29 from 7 to 10:30p.m. at Florian Hall, 55 Hallet St. Dorchester. The evening features a performance



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TOMPKINS HOSTS MAYORS FOR RCC **'CONVERSATION'**

Sheriff Steven W. Tompkins and the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department will convene "A Conversation About Municipal Government" on Thurs., March 19 at Roxbury Community College from 6p.m. to 8p.m. Guests include Boston Mayor Marty Walsh, Somerville Mayor Joe Curtatone, Salem Mayor Kim Driscoll, Lawrence Mayor Dan Rivera, and Yvonne Spicer Framingham Mayor The event is free to the public and doors will open at 5:30pm. For more information or to register, call Nadia Lovinsky at 617-704-6656.

LAWRENCE O'DONNELL TO KEYNOTE NEPWRA ANNUAL MEETING

The Neponset River Watershed Association (NepRWA) annual meeting will be held on Friday evening, May 29 at 6:30p.m. at Florian Hall in Dorchester, and will feature Lawrence O'Donnell, host of "The Last Word with Lawrence O'Donnell" on MSNBC. Lawrence grew up in Dorchester, near the Neponset River, and has fond memories of jumping in the water to cool off in the summer. He'll share a few stories with us from those times, as well as his thoughts on how politics affect the state of our environment. The public is invited to the Annual Meeting. Tickets can be purchased at Neponset.org/ annualmeeting or by calling Nancy Mahon at 781-575-0354 x324. An optional pre-meeting tour of the Neponset River, led by NepRWA staff, will take place at 5:30 pm. Registration is required.

BCYF FAMILY GYM RETURNS FEBRUARY 8

Boston Centers for Youth & Families' (BCYF) Family Gym Program a free, weekly play program that promotes physical activity for children ages 3-8 and their families—returned on Sat., Feb. 8 from 10-11:30 a.m. at BCYF Blackstone Community Center in the South End, BCYF Gallivan Community Center in Mattapan, BCYF Holland Community Center in Dorchester, and BCYF Menino Community Center in Roslindale and BCYF Jackson-Mann Community Center in Allston. Family Gym will also be offered from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at BCYF Vine Street Community Center in Roxbury. Children and adults move at their own pace in supervised activities. Colorful play equipment encourages individual, small, and large group play. For updated information or program cancellations follow @BCYFCenters.

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

POLICE DISTRICT B-3 NEWS

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

HANCOCK STREET CIVIC ASSOC.

The Hancock Street Civic Association meets monthly on the first Tuesday at Uphams Crossing, 530 Columbia Rd., Dorchester. Meeting time is 7 to 8:30p.m. Annual dues are \$5; please contact hancockstreetcivic@gmail.com.

WELLINGTON HILL NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

The Wellington Hill Neighborhood Council meets on the second Tuesday of the month from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Mattapan branch of the Boston Public Library. Updates can be found on Facebook page: @wellingtonhillneighbors. Or Google Group: wellingtonhill@ googlegroups.com

RIVER STREET CIVIC ASSOC.

The River Street Civic Association meets on the second Thursday of each month from 6-8 p.m. at the Foley Senior Residences, 249 River St., Mattapan.

APPLE GROVE ASSOC.

The Apple Grove Association meets on the second Monday (March 9) of every month at 6:30-7:30 p.m. at 1135 Morton St., Mattapan. The contact is Ms. Myrtle Huggins at 617-429-8531.

ASHMONT-ADAMS NEIGHBORHOOD

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

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Ruby Chan's FreshZen pesto is making a mark

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Years later, after moving to the Boston area to pursue an MBA and settling down with her family, Chan found herself hearing the same suggestion from her daughter one night as she prepared dinner with her father's recipe: "You should quit your job and sell this sauce!"

That was the inspiration for FreshZen, the healthy "Asian pesto" sauce brand that Chan started in 2016 and has developed over the past few years at Commonwealth Kitchen, the Grove Hall-based food business incubator.

Last month, Chan learned that thanks to a new partnership, her FreshZen sauces will be sold at 31 Whole Foods Market locations across the Greater Boston area.

"It's my dream come true," said Chan. "I've worked really hard to get to this point."

Combined with that hard work, the guidance provided by Commonwealth Kitchen proved vital in all aspects of growing her business, she said.

"I had no idea how to start," said Chan. "I had no idea how to scale a sauce, no idea what to do with hundreds of pounds of ginger and scallions, no idea you needed a ginormous 100-gallon kettle



Chan's FreshZen sauces are based on her father's special recipe. ig:@freshzenfoods

to make this stuff. They helped with everything from operation and production to taking it to the market to how to pitch it to big retail brands like Whole Foods.

She added: "A lot of people who have this vision of being able to build abrand and create a product and take it to market say the same thing: The task is extremely daunting. For someone to hold your hand through it and support you step by step, breaking down everything, that makes it reachable."

FreshZen's Classic Ginger Scallion sauce is based on Chan's father's family recipe and consists of five basic ingredients: ginger, scallion, sunflower oil, salt, and rice wine vinegar. Chan said part of the vision for the healthy, all-natural sauce came from her own experiences struggling to find time to put together

balanced meals for her family.

"As a working mom of four kids, I'd be rushing home every day trying to put a healthy, clean dinner on the table. It was really hard."

But Chan knew the value of the family dinnertime conversation

and togetherness that accompany a home-cooked meal, and saw the need for a product that would make preparing that meal a little easier for busy mothers like herself.

"Å lot of Asian sauces on the market had a ton of sodium and sugar," she noted. "Our sauces have 75 percent less sodium than most other products, and no sugar...that's where the name comes from— it gives families a sense of zen that their kids are eating fresh."

As FreshZen continues to grow, Chan hopes she can tap into the dining services at places like Harvard, Boston College, and UMass to provide a touch of familiarity for students who might be homesick.

"My hope is it would

give them a sense of being back at the family table with home cooking — even if it's just five minutes — to get that sense of home."

In the success of her burgeoning business, and in the faces at Commonwealth Kitchen, which prioritizes admitting women and immigrant entrepreneurs of color, Chan sees a reflection of her own immigrant roots.

"It's really special being able to pay livable wages and being able to create jobs," she said. "My dad could have been that person. The fact that I've helped to create jobs in the Dorchester community speaks volumes for me because that could have been my family sweeping the floors, chopping scallions...it's an

incredible opportunity for immigrants coming over here who don't necessarily have the skill set to give them that chance. Even at my former job, working with a lot of Fortune 100 companies, they couldn't move the needle like that."

Now, as a model for her peers at Commonwealth Kitchen's Quincy Street complex, Chan is helping them see a path forward and giving them hope for their own businesses.

"I hope they see me and say, 'If Ruby can do it, I can."

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Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 02/27/2020. This is not a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J.

DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: February 06, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo

Felix D. Arroyo Register of Probate Published: February 20, 2020

UMass Boston called nation's third 'most diverse' campus

A report published in *USA Today* last week ranks UMass Boston as the third most diverse four-year college in the nation. The report, based on US Department of Education data and compiled by 24/7 Wall Street, is based on data from the fall 2018 semester.

"In a world where diversity matters —in education, to the business community, and to the nation itself—UMass Boston is the place to find it," Interim Chancellor Katherine Newman said in a statement. "24/7 Wall Street has recognized UMass Boston as the most affordable campus in the country on its list of the top diverse universities. Bravo to UMass Boston!"

The report also notes that "UMass Boston is the only large four-year public school in America in which there is a greater than 80 percent chance that two randomly selected students would have a different race, ethnicity, or U.S. citizenship status," according to a summary released by the university.

Three other New England schools made the list of 25 diverse schools: Boston University (No. 24), Wellesley College (No. 17), and MCPHS University (No. 16).

BOSTON STATE COMMUNITY TRUST, INC.

REQUEST FOR GRANT PROPOSALS

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 Monday, March 2, 2020 between 8:00 am and 6:00 pm. On March 2nd, 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 2ND". 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.

Cannabis test lab backers eye edging out 'the black market'

(Continued from page 1) lives could have been saved. That's really what we're here for, we want to keep everyone safe going forward."

The testing is used to ensure that the marijuana is free of elements known to be harmful and to establish its potency so that customers will know exactly what the dosage they're consuming is and how it is likely to affect them.

At one point, CSHCA President Desmond Rohan posed a question to the visitors. "I assume regulations exist now, so why are people dying from vaping these products?" Assured's cofounder and chief operating officer COO Kris Nybakken answered that the "biggest issue" contributing to vaping deaths in the state is the black market. "These products were not coming out of licensed establishments in Massachusetts, he said, suggesting that part of the issue is that there's a capacity problem in the industry right now."

To date, there are no operational testing labs in the city of Boston and only a few statewide, although all products sold in the state are required by law to be tested by a Massachusetts-based, independent lab.



Proponents of Assured Testing Laboratory hope to lease space in this building on Freeport St.

Google Maps photo

'The black market is able to price out the white market right now. Because there's such a testing backlog, the prices on recreational products have gone up significantly to the point where a lot of people don't think waiting in lines or paying higher prices is worth it," explained Pelekoud. "By creating a company such as this and providing help on the testing backlog, hopefully it can help make recreational prices much more competitive and edge out the black market just simply on price."

Although the Freeport Street proposal is in its preliminary stages and the company is just introducing itself to civic associations in the area, the project team said they will be looking at expanding into the second level of the building in the future to do more agricultural testing. The Susi family, which owns the building, has been "very supportive and helpful," Pelekoud said.

"We're looking to get into the third floor of the three-story location, potentially moving into the second floor as we expand," said Pelekoud. "We've talked with Bob [Susi] about potentially doing that. We've done the numbers and we hope to produce somewhere in the range of half a million dollars of job revenue for Dorchester."

He said that the team

doesn't come anywhere near it. In order to get past the doors, you do need key-card access, and everything will be under security camera watch."

He added: "We want to be as transparent

is not dealing with the

product or the analysis

to be as transparent as possible. As this is a sensitive subject, we wanted to make sure that we're going out of our way, spending our time in the community and making sure that we're addressing all concerns. We don't want people to just not care that we are here; we actually want your support. This is something that's going to bring jobs to Dorchester."

The company is looking to engage students from nearby universities with prospective internship opportunities. "There are the types of opportunities that I was afforded growing up, and I'd love to afford them to a community as great as this," said Pelekoud. "We'd also like to give back to the community, and one of the associations that has been brought to our attention is the Boys & Girls Club. We've had

preliminary talks with them and they seem in full support."

The lab team is in the process of filing with the city and hopes to schedule an official host community meeting in roughly a month. Until then, they will continue making the rounds at local civic groups.

"I would note that [43 Freeport St.] is right in the middle of Glover's Corner, and there is a big planning process that's going on that would include this building,' said longtime Dorchester resident Don Walsh. "It's not by itself. Those conducting planning efforts are wrestling with how many housing units, industrial units, commercial, and whatsoever." CSHCA's Rohan told Pelekoud and Nybakken that he'd put up a vote for a letter of support at the group's next meeting on March 2, adding, "We'd rather have Freeport-Adams [Neighborhood Association | kind of drive the car here, and then if you want to expand your support, we're willing to take this to our members."

New music program set for grades 3 to 5

Last week, the Dorchester-based music education organization Boston City Singers and the Paraclete Center launched a new music program in South Boston for children in grades 3-5.

Singers will learn folk songs from their own traditions while developing life-long skills, including leadership, active listening, and collaboration. The program will be led by Sarah Eastman, who is also director of Boston City Singers Jamaica Plain Training Chorus.

"We're delighted to have the opportunity to bring our program to South Boston," said Boston City Singers Founding Artistic Director Jane Money in a press release. "We look forward to working with the Paraclete Center to help broaden children's horizons by introducing them to the joys of learning, performing, and appreciating music from around the world."

"We look forward to participating in the first of its kind pilot program here in South Boston with the Boston City Singers," said Paraclete Center Executive Director Joseph Burnieika. "We view this pilot program as just the beginning of what we hope will be a long-term association with one of Boston's premier youth programs.

"Paraclete is uniquely positioned to be the site of the first South Boston-based program of this

all-inclusive youth program and we anticipate a wide recruitment of children from all of South Boston."

Classes will meet once a week at the Paraclete Center in South Boston starting on Thurs., March 12, from 4 p.m. to 5:15 pm. Cost of the program is \$50 for six classes, which includes a showcase performance for parents and friends. Financial assistance is available based on need.

Interested families should send an email to Info@bostoncitysingers. org with PARACLETE in the subject line or call 617-825-0674 for additional information.

– DANIEL SHEEHAN



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Timothy Sullivan, above, and Kenneth Brissette were first tried in 2018.



Judge strikes down verdicts against two former Walsh aides No quid pro quo, he says

(Continued from page 1) hire union stagehands.

It's the second time the government's case against the men has fallen apart.

The same judge in 2018 dismissed the charges against Brissette and Sullivan days before the trial was set to begin after prosecutors protested the judge's order that the government prove the two men personally benefited from the hiring of the union workers.

The 1st US Circuit Court of Appeals later revived the case.

Officials from festival organizers Crash Line testified at trial they feared they would not get the necessary city permits if they didn't comply with Brissette and Sullivan's request to

Crash Line ultimately hired nine union members and secured the necessary permits.

Lawyers for the mayoral aides argued at trial that their clients were simply asking concert promoters to consider hiring unionized workers in order to avoid a potentially embarrassing union protest, complete with a large inflatable rat.

US Attorney Andrew Lelling said his office is disappointed in the ruling and will review its options. "An impartial jury, following legal instructions written by the Court, voted unanimously to convict these two men," he said in an emailed statement.



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The event will take place from 2 - 6 p.m. at our McLaughlin Location - 1135 Dorchester Ave, Dorchester, MA 02125.

For more information, please contact Abbey at aaiguier@bgcdorchester.org

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Classes are for BGCD members ages 6 & older and you must be pre-registered. The schedule includes Dance Team (Mondays), Hip Hop (Tuesdays), Musical Theatre (Wednesdays) and Contemporary Dance (Thursdays). These classes take place at 6 and 7 p.m. every week.

For more information on our dance programming, please contact Shannon Zarnoch at szarnoch@bgcdorchester.



DID YOU KNOW:

Save the Date for BGCD's New England Women's Leadership Awards: On May 7th, Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester will be hosting the 27th Annual New England Women's Leadership Awards (NEWLA). In the past, we have recognized over 125 remarkable women who meet the challenges they face with confidence, persistence and compassion. Our honorees are role models and mentors for our members – their stories inspire our young girls (and boys) to dream big, work hard and succeed.

This year our challenge and theme for the event is for our members to commit to making positive changes and affirmations that can help them feel more confident about themselves.

For more information, please visit bgcdorchester.org/newla.

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born in St. Ann Parish, Dorchester and graduated from Cathedral High School. As a school girl, she worked at the Boston Public Library. She trained at Boston City Hospital and became a lab technician.

CONNOR, Kathleen Teresa (Carroll) of Milton, originally from Dorchester. Kathleen was welcomed to heaven by her husband of 60 years, the late Roger T. Connor and sons Daniel, K. Michael, and Paul. She was the daughter of the late Christopher and Eileen Carroll of Limerick, Ireland, and Dorchester. Kathleen is survived by her children, Roger and his wife Ruthann of Poughkeepsie, NY,

Kevin and his wife Melissa of Austin, TX, and Eileen and her husband Bill of Long Valley, NJ, and Laurie Masterson of West Warwick, RI. Kathleen was grandmother to Daniel, John, Christopher, Narise, Roger, and Liam Connor; Megan Cotter and her husband Chris; and Kathleen, Maggie, and Elizabeth Callahan. She was great-grandmother to Emily, Joseph, and Charles Cotter and Elijah Connor. Kathleen was a longtime administrative assistant at Milton Academy and volunteered at the front desk at Milton Hospital for over 20 years. Donations can be made to the Milton Council on Aging, 10 Walnut Street, Milton, MA 02186.

COUGHLIN, Ester Margaret (Thebado). Ester grew up in County Clare, Ireland and later lived in Mattapan, Weymouth and Braintree. She worked as a

bookkeeper for 20 years at Hale and Dorr Law Firm in Boston before retiring. Wife of the late Ernest A. Thebado, Sr. and Arthur W. Coughlin, Sr. Mother of Michael Thebado of Franklin, Patrick Thebado of Plymouth, James Thebado of Weymouth, Neal Coughlin of ME, John Coughlin of Quincy, Stephen Coughlin of ME and their spouses and companions, Reverend Paul Coughlin of Medford and the late Ernest Thebado, Jr., Ruth Sampson, Arthur Coughlin, Jr., Dennis Coughlin and Kevin Coughlin. Predeceased by 13 siblings. Grandmother, great-grandmother and great-greatgrandmother to many. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Donations in memory of Ester may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis,

FORBES, Helen Marie (Hurley)

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10:00 a.m. on the return day of **03/17/2020**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by

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which you must file a written appearance an objection if you object to this proceeding. you fail to file a timely written appearance an objection followed by an Affidavit of Objection within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you. Unsupervised Administration Under The Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code (MUPC)

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

Published: February 20, 2020

Witness, Floris Court.
Date: February 04, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo

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TN 38105.

South Easton, originally Dorchester and Braintree. She worked for 40 years at MDC as a supervisor until retir-Daughter of the late Frank and Helen (Woods) Hurley. Wife of the late Seaward "Buddy" Forbes. Mother of Stacey Carr and her husband Peter of Scituate. Sister of Gerald Hurley and his late wife Gertraud of Concord, John Hurley and his wife Judith of Norwell, Bill Hurley and his wife Elizabeth of Braintree, and the late Frank Hurley and his wife Ruth and James Hurley and his wife Kathleen. Grandmother of John Burke and Katelyn Freeman and greatgrandmother Mack Freeman. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Predeceased by her dear friends John and Mary Graham. Donations may be made to WORK, Inc., 25 Beach St., Dorchester, MA

 $02\dot{1}22$ LYONS, Evelyn of Dorchester. Mother of Theresa Reason (David) Lyons, Diane Miller, Willette (Edwin) Lyons, Willie B. (Linda) Lyons and David (Dixie) Lyons. She leaves 11 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, extended family and dear friends. She will be truly missed by her family in Charleston, SC and Boston, along with her Kingdom Hall family.

McLAUGHLIN, Cecelia (Doherty) longtime resident of Roslindale, formerly of Clonmany, County Donegal, Ireland. Wife of the late Edward P. McLaughlin. Mother of Maureen Killoran and her husband Paul of Pomfret, CT, Ann Herman and her husband Michael of Roslindale, and Linda Butler and her husband Kevin of Grand-Tilton, NH. mother of Meghan and Kathryn Killoran, Kevin and Matthew Herman, and Kaelyn Butler. Sister of William Doherty and his wife Sarah of Dorchester. Also survived by several nieces and nephews in the U.S. and Ireland. Donations may be made in Cecelia's memory to Dana Farber and the Jimmy Fund, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284.

REANEY, Mary M. longtime resident of South Boston, formerly of Dorchester and proud OFD. Daughter of the late Thomas and Mary (O'Donnell) Reaney. Mary is survived by and leaves her many loving cousins, godchildren and dear friends, local and in Ireland and England, to mourn her. Mary was a retired employee of Blue Cross/ Blue Shield for over 37 years. Donations in Mary's memory may be made to St. Anthony Shrine, 100 Arch Street, Boston, MA 02110.

RIDGE, James, P. of Hull, 83. Husband of Jean (Gammie) Ridge for 60 years, he was the father of five: Laura Ridge of Cambridge, Marie Pitaro (and husband Vinnie) of Hull, Kathleen Sullivan (and husband Dan) of Hull, Carolyn Sullivan (and husband Daniel F.) of Halifax, and Ellen O'Brien of Plymouth. And he was grandfather of 12: Mariah and Luke Ridge-O'Brien; Vincent and Christopher Pitaro; Aleigha, Brianna and James Lawless and Matthew Sullivan; Caitlin, Teresa and Danny Sullivan; and Declan Brother O'Brien. Mary (Ridge) Swidey of Somerset, he also leaves several nieces and nephews. Born and raised in Dorchester, he was the son of the late Patrick K. Ridge and Nora (O'Brien) Ridge, both originally from Ireland, and was predeceased by his brother Warren and sister Eleanor. He graduated from Boston College High School and Boston College and served in the US Army from 1959-61. He taught at the Phillips Brooks School in Boston before beginning a distinguished 35-year career

in Hull Public Schools. SKELLEY, Joanne T. of Dorchester, 68. Daughter of the late Charles and Louise Skelley and stepdaughter of the late Margaret (Ronavne). Sister of Kathleen Monahan and her husband Hubert of Hanson and the late Richard and John Skelley. Aunt of Amy Wodjag and her husband Mike of Hanson and Matt Monahan and his wife Jen of Leominster. Great-aunt of Emma, Ryan, Jack and Grace. Also survived by many caring relatives and friends. Joanne was a graduate of Mass General Hospital School of Nursing and a 45 year **Emergency Room Nurse** of Boston City/Boston Medical Center.

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24 NEW CHARDON STREET 24 NEW CHARDON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02114
CITATION GIVING NOTICE
OF PETITION TO EXPAND
THE POWERS OF A GUARDIAN
AND/OR CONSERVATOR
Docket No. SU18P1431GD
IN THE INTERESTS OF:
OLIVER SISCO
of QUINCY, MA
RESPONDENT
Incapacitated Person/Protected Person
To the named Respondent and all
her interested persons, a petition has

other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Boston Medical Center of Boston, MAin the above captioned matte

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

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Essex Probate & Family Court
36 Federal Street, Salem, MA 01970 978-744-1020 9/8-/44-1020 CITATION G.L. c. 210, § 6 In the Matter of: ABIGAIL ELIZABETH FUGATE

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Witness, JENNIFER M. R. ULWICK, First Justice of this Court.
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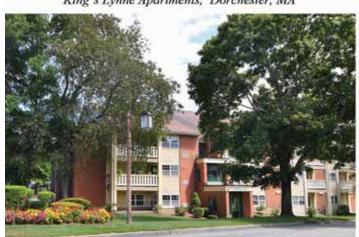
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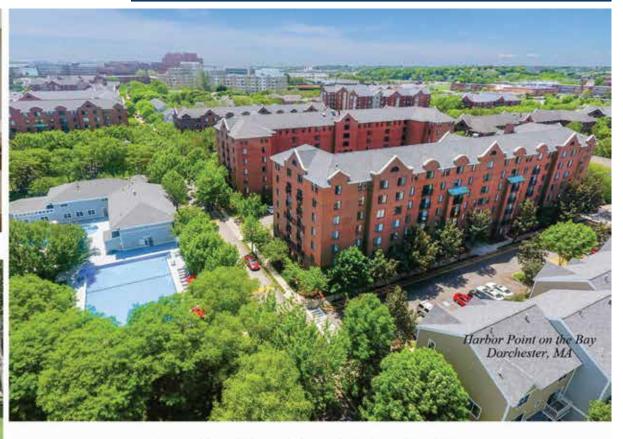
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