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EPA eyes Neponset for 'priority list'

By KATIE TROJANO REPORTER STAFF

The US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will seek a "national priority" designation for a 3.7-mile section of the Neponset River that flows from Hyde Park to Lower Mills, according to agency officials who briefed a group of about 70 people

'Superfund' status, clean-up could be in play years later

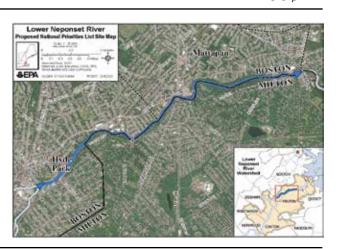
at a public meeting on Monday night at Mattapan's Mildred Avenue Community Center.

This is a step that may eventually make the river eligible for federal "Superfund" status lead-

ing to the clean-up of the designated section, which remains contaminated from industrial pollution that has been deposited into the river over more than two centuries.

Sediment in the Lower

vated levels of polychlorinated biphenvls (PCBs), which are hazardous to human health, fish life, and the environment. The PCBs are a grim reminder of the Neponset's polluted past, when factories along its shore used the river as (Continued on page 15)



Keeping up the taqueria beat in Dot, Dora's serves Mexican on Stoughton St.

By Daniel Sheehan ARTS & FEATURES EDITOR

Dorchester has seen a steady upward tick in Mexican eateries in recent years, a trend that continued last week with the opening of Dora's Taqueria on Stoughton Street. The restaurant is the latest of its kind to open in the neighborhood and the second in the last six months following the arrival of Ghost Pepper Taco and Tequila Barin Savin Hill last September.

Proprietor Kelmyn Mejia purchased the property, which was formerly occupied by the Puerto Rican bakery Boringuen, in November and immediately began renovations with the goal of reopening as soon as possible. A Lawrence resident of Dominican origin, Mejia said he's hoping to ride the growing popularity of Mexican cuisine and meet the demand of taco-crazed Bostonians.



"I think that now the Mexican food is going up," he said. "You see hundreds of taquerias around here. And people love Mexican food."

Mejia, who also owns a Dominican restaurant in Lawrence, admitted that adapting to a new cuisine has been "hard." But he said he hired a Mexican chef to make sure New Stoughton St. spot will tempt taco lovers with the likes of the presentation at right. Daniel Sheehan photos

the food is high-quality and authentic. He sees potential for growth in Dorchester.

"I think I want to move to Boston. I started with this [location], but maybe in the future I'll get



another one and another one," he said, noting that a friend who started the

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Early voting under way ahead of primary

By Chris Lisinski AND KATIE LANNAN STATE HOUSE **News Service**

Completed Massachusetts presidential primary ballots began streaming in Monday morning when the state officially began its first-ever period of early voting in a primary contest. Massachusetts offered early voting ahead of the 2016 and 2018 November general elections, but the state is in new territory this week with five days designated for ballot-casting before the March 3 presidential primary.



In Boston, voters can cast their ballots at Boston City Hall every day this week beginning at 9 a.m. Early voting in Dorchester and Mattapan will be held on Thursday, Feb. 27 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.

On Monday, the first day for early voting, there were 1,184 ballots cast at City Hall, according to the Election Department.

In 2016, the last presidential cycle, about 1 million voters cast ballots during a two-week early voting period before the general election, constituting about a third of all votes cast. Another two-week stretch ahead of the 2018 general midterm election attracted about 600,000 early voters.

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Upcoming state report on BPS won't 'be pretty,' says the mayor

By WBUR STAFF

Mayor Walsh said on Monday that a forthcoming report from the state Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) evaluating efforts to improve and support the BPS district won't 'be

The audit, which DESE is required to conduct periodically for all school districts, will be the first for the Boston school system since 2009 when state officials found some of the biggest challenges facing the district had to do with English learners and students with disabilities..

Speaking on the issue with WBUR's Radio Boston co-hosts Tiziana Dearing and Zoe Mitchell on the 'Mondays with the Mayor' segment, Walsh said, "We're working with [DESE] right now."... "It's not going to be a real pretty report. We're reviewing it now. The School Department is reviewing it, but it's important for us, at the end of the day, regardless of what the study is ... that we need to be one great district for every single student. We've seen a

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Walsh outlines ZBA reforms prior to a City Council meeting

By KATIE TROJANO REPORTER STAFF

Mayor Martin Walsh signed an executive order on Monday that he says will bring more transparency, accountability and public confidence to the Zoning Board of Appeal (ZBA) in the wake of a scandal involving a city employee who admitted to accepting bribes to influence the board.

The mayor framed the order as a "first step," adding that additional details were expected to be hammered out on Tuesday during a City Council hearing that will

likely lead to a home rule petition.

The changes outlined in the order were informed in part by the findings of a report authored by two lawyers from the law firm Sulli-(Continued on page 16)



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DOT BY THE DAY

Feb. 27 - March 9, 2020

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

Thursday (27th) - Presidential inaugural poet Richard Blanco will visit the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the US Senate 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. 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.

Saturday (29th)— 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 by the Boston ILL Harmonic performing music by the Beatles, followed by live band Beatles karaoke. Admission is \$10 at the door. Raffle prizes, hors d'ouevres and cash bar, and a cash drawing will be held. For more information or to purchase tickets for the cash drawing, please contact Elisa Birdseye at jimmyscholarship@gmail.com.

Sunday (8th) – The Boston Athletic Association (B.A.A.) hosts its annual Boston Marathon Youth Jamboree, a free community event at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center in Roxbury that gives young athletes the chance to experience track and field fun. Youth in Pre-K through grade 8 can experience the excitement of the Boston Marathon by participating in a variety of stations—including running, jumping, and throwing activities and agegroup races. Registration is available online at baa. org and is strongly encouraged. Participants can also register on-site at the Jamboree.

Monday (9th) – The JFK Library will offer an historical take on the St. Patrick's Day season with "Celebrate! Celtic Bells: The Irish in Boston" on Monday, March 9 at 10:30 a.m. The story of Irish immigrants in Boston will be recounted through songs and poems of work, humor, protest, longing for home – and longing to feel at home in America. Free admission; space is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Go to jfklibrary.org for further details.

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Residents 'chat with a planner' on a '21st century' Newmarket

By Katie Trojano Reporter Staff

Residents from Dorchester and South Boston gathered at the Dorchester Brewing Co. last week grabbing a beer or a glass of wine before participating in a Boston Planning and Development Agency-sponsored "Chat with a Planner" meeting that focused on the PLAN: Newmarket initiative.

The area included in the study lies within a half-mile radius, or about a 10-minute walk, of the Newmarket Commuter Rail Station and the Andrew station.

The event was the third in a series of three "chat with a planner" meetings, which, BPDA Senior Planner Ted Schwartzberg said, help establish a two-way dialogue. "We're getting the word out about what we're doing so that way we'll have some sense of what the issues are, and also we want to hear from people that come to these events so we know what they are concerned about."

The initiative is a land-use planning study meant to lay the groundwork for establishing Newmarket as a "21st Century" jobs center by analyzing how to protect existing jobs while encouraging new ones in the Newmarket area and following recommendations



Attendees talk among themselves at the meeting on Newmarket Revival.

Katie Trojano photo

outlined as a part of citywide planning through the Imagine Boston 2030 initiative.

"We're trying to create a set of guidelines that allow us to help the area continue to flourish as a center for jobs," said Schwartzberg. "Right now, there's a lot of shipping and distribution, and we don't necessarily want that to go away, but as other job producers come in, we'll need to look at things like transportation needs and climate resilience."

He added that that the Newmarket team is coordinating with other city planning efforts, like the Mass Ave Redesign project and Climate Ready Boston. "Right now, most of these roads are designed for 18-wheeler trucks. We want to look at how we can make them accessible to pedestrians, bikers, etc."

Planning topics to be explored going forward will include mobility, jobs, business, climate resiliency, arts, culture, homelessness, addiction and recovery, among others.

The BPDA is hiring consultants and expects to begin the public planning process as spring moves in, Schwartzberg said.

February presents a spate of murders

A17-year-old man from Dorchester was arrested and charged for the fatal shooting of 18-year-old Kareem Garnett, Jr., who was gunned down outside 6 Cameron St. last Wednesday (Feb. 19). The suspect was charged as a juvenile, so his name has not been released. He was arraigned in Dorchester Juvenile Court on Thursday, charged with manslaughter and weapons violations.

Members of the BPD's Youth Violence Strike Force responded to the call for shots fired around noon. On arrival, officers located Garnett, who was suffering from multiple gunshot wounds. He was transported to an area hospital where he was later pronounced dead.

Police officials say the investigation is ongoing and asked anyone with information to contact

homicide detectives at has not been named yet—617-343-4470. was pronounced dead at

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An investigation is underway after a fatal shooting on Thursday night (Feb. 20) on Woodrow Avenue. Police responded to a report of shots fired near 89 Woodrow around 11:10 p.m. and found a man suffering from life-threatening gunshot wounds. The man, identified by BPD as 42-year-old Marcos Blanco, was transported to a nearby hospital where he later died. It marked the second fatal Dorchester shooting in a week, and the third this month. On Feb. 11, a 62-year-old man died after a shooting on Columbia Road.

A man was shot and killed around 7:35 p.m. on Monday on Delhi Street at Violet Street in Mattapan. The victim — who

has not been named yet—was pronounced dead at the scene, police say. The shooting happened as residents were gathered in the nearby Mildred Street School for a public meeting on cleaning up the Neponset River. It was Boston's ninth murder in 2020, and the second in Mattapan; on Feb. 15, Hilton Clark, 18, was shot to death less than a mile away on Colorado Street.

A 47-year-old Dorchester man was arrested on Sunday afternoon on Ashmont Hill for allegedly carrying a loaded and unlicensed handgun. David Abrain was spotted by police responding to call for a "person with a gun" around 1:55 p.m. Police said that the .40 caliber firearm was removed by officers "from the front of Abrain's

waist band." He has been charged with violating several gun laws.

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Boston Police report the arrest of a 26-year-old Dorchester man who was allegedly trafficking heroin and packing a 9mm gun illegally on Winter Street. Drug Control officers executed a search warrant at 17 Winter St. around 1:30 p.m. last Friday. A BPD account of the search said that says that officers "recovered" a handgun "loaded with seven rounds of live ammunition, a large bag containing a substance believed to be heroin, 15 Suboxone strips, 2 digital scales, and an undisclosed amount of US Currency." Neurel Carr was taken into custody at the scene. Police say the gun they found "had been reported stolen out of Georgia."

UPCOMING CIVIC ASSOC. MEETINGS • FULL LISTINGS ON PAGE 10

Evacuation Day program at DHS on March 22 — The Dorchester Historical Society will host a special Evacuation Day program on Sunday, March 22 at 2 p.m. with guest speaker Julia J. Mize, Lead Ranger at the Dorchester Heights National Historical Park. She will discuss the occupation of Boston, the Siege of Boston, and Washington's plan for the fortification of Dorchester Heights. Free and open to the public at DHS Headquarters, 195 Boston St., Dorchester.

BPDA hosts meeting on new mixed-use proposal for South Bay area – A proposal for a new mixed-use development along Boston and Enterprise Street with approximately 406 residential units will be the focus of a BPDA-sponsored meeting on Thurs., March 5 at 6:30 p.m. The plan from Bass Realty LLC includes the demolition of the existing structures occupying an approximately 169,268 square foot site located and the construction of a 16,910 square feet of retail space, off-street parking accommodations, new public open space, and other associated public realm improvements. The meeting will take place at the Local 12 Plumbers and Gasfitters building, 1240 Massachusetts Ave., Dorchester. More info: bostonplan.org or call Raul Duverge at 617-918-4492.

Friday fundraiser benefits Team MR8 runners – A Friday

night (Feb. 28) fundraiser at Florian Hall will benefit marathon runners who are part of Team MR8, including Dianne Lescinskas, Ron Lescinskas, Michelle Griffin, Debbie Collins and Dave Gilmartin. 7p.m.-midnight. Live music from Thomas Park. Door prize: 50inch flat-screen TV, raffles, auction and more, \$20 a head. Proceeds benefit the Martin Richard Foundation.

Character breakfast on April 4 supports Dot Day Parade – Support the Dorchester Day Parade on Sat., April 4 at St. John Paul II Catholic Academy on Columbia Road in Dorchester for a delicious breakfast and a visit from many different characters including a guest appearance from the Easter Bunny. 9 a.m. Tickets are 20.00 per person and children two and under are free. You can purchase tickets at the door. This event is generously donated by the Bowery Bar and Lucy's.

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.

Cassellius to speak at Greater Mattapan Council meeting – The Greater Mattapan Neighborhood Council (GMNC) will hold its scheduled monthly meeting on Monday, March 2, from 6:30 – 8 p.m., at the Mildred Ave Community Ctr. Dr. Brenda Cassellius, Superintendent of Boston Public Schools, will speak on education throughout Greater Mattapan and how we move forward to improve the experience and outcomes for those who graduate from BPS.

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Local ICE director calls tactical border agents a 'force multiplier'

By Shannon Dooling WBUR REPORTER

Federal immigration officials in Boston are releasing more details on what specially trained US Customs and Border $Protection \, (CBP) \, agents \,$ and officers will be doing in and around the city.

The border officials were deployed to Boston to assist ICE agents with arresting undocumented immigrants that have criminal backgrounds, according to Todd Lyons, the acting director of US Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Boston field office.

Lyons points to socalled sanctuary city policies, including Boston's Trust Act and a 2017 Supreme Judicial Court decision, when justifying the need for reinforcements from the border agency.

"Just because of the amount of cases, with the Trust Act, with the Lunn decision, where we're having more criminal aliens released, we just don't have the infrastructure or the manpower to go after those criminal targets," he said in an interview on Feb. 19.

According to Lyons, "criminal alien" is a broad term used by the agency to describe anyone in the country



Todd Lyons No "SWAT teams"

without documented immigration status and have criminal charges or convictions.

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 also ruled in Commonwealth v. Lunn that local law enforcement officials cannot hold an individualwho otherwise would be free to go solely at the request of ICE. These requests are made via administrative warrants known as ICE detainers.

Immigrant advocates fear ramped-up enforcement will further intimidate some individuals from reporting crimes,

making communities less safe. Eva Millona, the executive director of the Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Coalition (MIRA), denounced the presence of tactical CBP units in Boston.

"We hope that this CBP deployment is mostly a publicity stunt, and we won't see aggressive, paramilitary operations in our communities, which would be dangerous and deeply traumatic," Millona said in a statement.

Lyons attempted to allay such fears, saying the public will not see specialized weapons or tanks being used for immigration arrests.

"There won't be tactical SWAT teams patrolling the streets," he said. "These are specifically trained officers that are a force multiplier."

The Department of Homeland Security says sanctuary city policies result in less cooperation with local law enforcement, meaning ICE is less likely to make immigration arrests of people with criminal backgrounds in secure places like courtrooms and jails. Instead, more arrests are happening in communities, which ICE says puts everyone at greater risk.

Lyons welcomed the

border who come with special skills that he said will be of use in making arrests in the field.

"High-risk vehicle stops, clearing buildings, so those are the type of officers that are being deployed, they're used to dealing in an urban environment," he said.

In conjunction with the additional CBP resources, the Boston field office of ICE is now releasing the names, criminal histories, and photos of individuals who, the agency says, were released by

reinforcements from the local law enforcement and court officials after an ICE detainer request was denied. Some of the charges include child rape, domestic violence and multiple driving under the influence infractions, though not all of the criminal histories mention actual criminal convictions.

> Lyons said two arrests were made shortly after the release of the identifying information on Friday. He said tips were used in locating two of the people who he referred to as "immigration fugitives.'

Senators Elizabeth Warren and Ed Markeysent a letter to federal immigration officials calling the deployment of specially trained border officials an unnecessary escalation and demanding the Trump administration

withdraw the plan.

Shannon Dooling is a reporter for WBUR 90.9FM. She works occasionally from the Dorchester Reporter $newsroom.\ The\ Reporter$ $and \, WBUR \, share \, content$ and resources through a media partnership.

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Youth groups rallied for jobs funding, environmental causes

By Chris Van Buskirk STATE HOUSE **News Service**

Youth activists are never in short supply on top of Beacon Hill. From advocating on climate change to gun reform, young adults and teens have filled the State House time and time again to meet with and lobby legislators.

Another contingent of youth advocates rallied around Boston Common's Parkman Bandstand last Thursday, marched through downtown Boston, and entered the State House in an effort to lobby legislators on various issues affecting them. Items at the forefront of the rally and visit ranged from increasing funding for YouthWorks and School-to-Career Connecting Activities to pushing legislation that would limit the number of firearms a person can purchase within a 30day period.

The Boston-based I Have a Future youth organization planned the advocacy event during school vacation week, a time when most lawmakers are out of their offices in the capitol building. The group pulled people from all across the state, including Springfield, Worcester, and Boston.

For those who gathered Thursday, no one topic stood alone as a youth issue. However, Chaima Hossaini, 19, of Revere, focused on the lack of jobs for young people across the state. Her parents struggled to pay rent and she felt guilty for not helping take on the burden.

An increase in fund-



Rep. Liz Miranda (right) took a selfie with Terron Watson of Randolph and Taliah Nicolas of Roxbury, two youth advocates participating in Thursday's rally at the State House. Sam Doran/SHNS photo

ing for YouthWorks, a program aimed at providing teens and young adults with skills needed to work, might help solve the issue, she said. Advocates are asking for \$19.3 million in funding for the program, an increase of \$3.06 million from the proposed allocation in Gov. Charlie Baker's fiscal 2021 budget.

"Fortunately, I do not resort to illegal activities but some families are in such dire situations that they get desperate and then end up being prosecuted because of it, which is not fair because it's not their fault." Hossaini said to a crowd at the Bandstand.

"The point is that these jobs will get youth off the streets and in an environment where they can learn and build their futures."

Reps. Liz Miranda (D-Dorchester/Roxbury), Daniel Donahue (D-Worcester), and Joseph McGonagle (D-Everett) ioined the youth group in the Great Hall to offer support. Miranda said youth jobs are critical and provide opportunities for young people to take care of themselves and their families.

"And when they can't find a job after school or on the weekends or in the summer, it has detrimental effects on our community," she

told the News Service. "We have to care about our young people just as much as we care about other residents of our districts."

Following a brief speaking program at the Bandstand, the large group of young adults and teens made their way from the Common to Washington Street where they passed through Downtown Crossing. They finished their brief outing by marching up Liberty Mall to the State House steps before entering the building.

While marching to the State House people held signs reading, "We are the Future," "Justice for Youth," and "Youth Justice not Youth Jails." Among them, Jefferson Padilla, 16, of Boston, hoisted a large sign bearing "Want More Jobs." He said he attended the rally with MissionSAFE, an organization working with at-risk youth and their families.

"We're advocating for jobs for the youth because there's barely jobs out here and we're looking for more jobs for them," he told the News Service.

Lianny Gomez, 16, of Dorchester asked lawmakers to increase funding for School-to-Career Connecting Activities to \$5.5 million, which

would link more high school students with economic and learning opportunities as part of a school-to-career transition. Baker's fiscal 2021 budget would allocate \$5,002,363 for the programs.

"My ability to be successful in any career field of my choice should not be limited because of the school I attend or the programs I participate in," she said in front of a crowd in the Great Hall. "We cannot be assets to our community if we don't have anything to offer. We are reflections of the effort, money, and time our communities put into us. Put into us what you want out of us."

Apart from lobbying for funding increases, rally attendees spoke about five different pieces of legislation they want lawmakers to pass. One bill (H 3420) co-sponsored by Reps. James O'Day (D-West Boylston) and Kay Khan (D-Newton) would gradually raise the age of juvenile jurisdiction to 20 years old.

Another (H 4264) would solidify definitions of environmental justice in the state's laws. Somaya Laroussi, 19, of Revere, said there is no issue more central to her needs than environmental justice.

"Look around us right now. How many of us live near the airport, trash incinerators, polluted creeks, and other toxic areas," she said. "This may have been the earth that we inherited, but by being here today, we are refusing to let this be the same one that we pass on to the next generation."

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Early voting under way ahead of March 3 primary

February 27, 2020

While Secretary of State William Galvin said it is too early to predict turnout in either early voting or the primary race itself, he said precincts across the state — which may operate different early-voting hours from one another - reported "a generally good reception and good turnout" in the first hour they were open Monday.

The secretary stressed that early-cast ballots are final and that voters will not have a chance to change their minds on election day.

"If they have some doubt as to their choice or they want to wait for additional debate or want to see what's happening in other states, they probably shouldn't do early voting," Galvin said. "But if you know what you want to do and have decided what you want to do, early voting is an excellent opportunity to get it in, not to worry about the weather, not to worry about a crowd, not to worry about a schedule.

Early voting will end at the close of polls on Friday, allowing Galvin's office to process voter rolls and ensure that those who already cast ballots are not eligible to do so on the Super Tuesday primary date.

Applications for absen-

available until noon next Monday and can be submitted either in-person at local election offices or by mail before that time.

With Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders' campaign seemingly growing in strength after another win in Nevada over the weekend, early voting in Massachusetts began with home-state Sen. Elizabeth Warren in search of places to put a win on the board.

Warren and Sanders are running neck-andneck in Massachusetts, according to the latest polling, but they are hardly the only two Democrats competing in the Bay State.

Massachusetts is one of 14 states that will vote on March 3— Super Tuesday – just days after the next contest on Saturday in South Carolina. Warren was in the Palmetto State on Monday campaigning with US Rep. Ayanna Pressley ahead of another debate there Tuesday night where she will look to build on her performance at a Nevada debate that helped her raise \$14 million.

Warren enjoys significant support in Massachusetts, as evidenced by the throngs of high-profile leaders who fanned out across the state over the weekend to rally support for the senator.

Those supporters included Attorney General Maura Healey, US Reps. Jim McGovern and Lori Trahan and Lawrence Mayor Dan Rivera.

She picked up another notable backer on Monday when House Speaker Robert DeLeo said he would be voting for Warren in the primary.

"Watching her in the debates and what-not, I think she's best suited to be the next president of the United States," DeLeo said.

Warren's hope moving into Super Tuesday is that the field will begin to consolidate and she can stand out as the consensus candidate, occupying an ideological lane somewhere between Sanders and whoever emerges as the moderate standard bearer.

"The road to the Democratic nomination is not paved with statewide winner-take-all victories," Warren campaign manager Roger Lau wrote in a memo after the Iowa caucuses, predicting at the time that Warren was "poised to finish in the top two in over half of Super Tuesday states" and walk away with a sizable share of delegates.

But, by no means, does the senator have a monopoly on the Democratic establishment in her home state.

Former Vice President

Joe Biden's roots run in places like Somerville deep in Massachusetts, and Sanders rolled out 18 endorsements on Monday to highlight his support

and Cambridge - Warren's home bringing his total to 24.

Sanders won close to

50 percent of the vote in Massachusetts in 2016, losing the state to Hillary Clinton by just over 17,000 votes.

The Reporter's Bill Forry contributed to this

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A look at the interior of Dorchester's newest taco joint.

Daniel Sheehan photos

Keeping up the taqueria beat in Dot, Dora's serves Mexican on Stoughton St.

(Continued from page 1) popular Chilacates chain has been successful in expanding that business.

Mejia said he named the taqueria after his grandmother, Dora, who passed away five years

As the eatery gains its footing in the coming weeks, he plans to expand the menu, which now offers a variety of meat (carnitas, chicken tinga, steak, shrimp, al pastor) and veggie (cauliflower, corn, zucchini)-based tacos in addition to burritos and quesadillas. For dessert, patrons can choose from flan, tres leches, and churros.

The eatery will soon begin offering promotions on food delivery apps like GrubHub and Uber Eats, said Mejia. While Dora's is still in its early days, he is encouraged by the amount of foot traffic he's seen starting out.

"I'm surprised people are coming," he admit-



Owner Kelmyn Mejia says he named the taqueria after his late grandmother.

ted. "They give me support. I talk to everyone and say 'how's every-

thing? Anything that's good or not good – tell me, and we'll fix it."

One of those first customers, Mark Smith, said he was excited to find Mexican street food just a two-minute walk away from his home on Hinckley Street. "I don't think they realize how popular this place will be," he said, noting the relative dearth of restaurants in walking distance. "It's delicious."

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Thurs., Feb. 27, 10:30 a.m. – Films and Fun; 3 p.m. – Tech Help; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help. Fri., Feb. 28, 9:30 a.m. – Lapsit Story Time; 10:30 a.m. – Priday Afternoon Fun. Sat., Feb. 29, 12 p.m. - Boston Youth Arts for Social Change. Mon., March 2, 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help. **Tues., March 3**, 1:30 p.m. – ESL Conversation Group; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 4 p.m. – BTU Homework Help; 6 p.m. – Sashes, Roses & Birds, Oh My!. Wed., March 4, 10 a.m. - Adult Stress Relief Coloring; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help. **Thurs., March 5**, 10:30 a.m. – Films and Fun; 3 p.m. – Tech Help; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help.

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LOWER MILLS BRANCH

Thurs., Feb. 27 – 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 4 p.m. – BTU Homework Help; 6:30 p.m. – Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI. Fri., Feb. 28, 10:30 a.m. - Little Wigglers' Lapsit; 1 p.m. - Kirk Douglas Film Series. **Sat., Feb. 28**, 10 a.m. – SAT Prep Workshop. **Mon., March 2**, 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help; 4 p.m. - BTÚ Homework Help. **Tues., March 3**, 3:30 p.m. - Homework Help. Wed., March 4, 10:30 a.m. -Preschool Storytime & Craft; 3:30 p.m. – Homework Help. Thurs., March 5 - 3:30 p.m. - Homework Help; 4 p.m. – BTU Homework Help

MATTAPAN BRANCH

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. Fri., Feb. 28, 10 a.m. – ESL Beginner English Class; Baby & Toddler Lapsit; 10:30 a.m. Hugs & Play; 3 p.m. - Crafternoons. Sat., Feb.
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Reporter's People

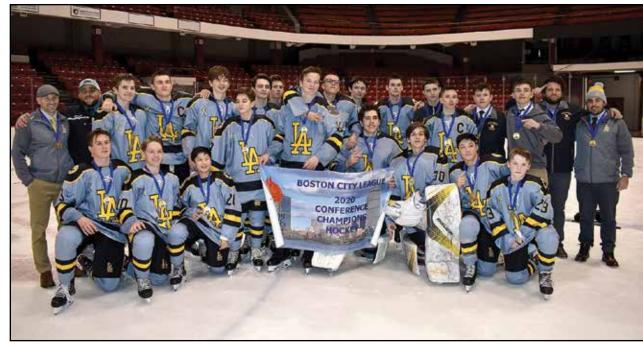
News about people in and around our Neighborhoods

Non-profits can seek grant funds from DA's office

Non-profits in Suffolk County can apply for grant funds from a program administered by District Attorney Rachael Rollins. The Community Reinvestment Grant program distributed \$100,000 to nonprofits working with youth in Boston, Chelsea, Revere, and Winthrop last year.

"This grant program allows my office to invest in our values and give back to the community through organizations that work each and every day to provide the services that Suffolk County residents of all ages, and especially our young people, need to thrive," Rollins said.

The request for proposals (RFP) can be found online at suffolkdistrictattorney.com/community-reinvestment-grant. Application materials will be made available on February 26. Proposals are due no later than March 30 and applicants will be notified of a decision on April 22.



The Boston Latin Academy boys hockey team celebrated its city league championship after beating O'Bryant 7-0 on Feb. 18 at Matthews Arena at NU. The Dragons ended the regular season at 11-7-2 and now await the state tournament pairings to be announced over the weekend.

Lawrence O'Donnell to speak at Neponset River Watershed Assn. meeting on May 29

The Neponset River Watershed Association (NepRWA) annual meeting this year will feature Lawrence O'Donnell, host of "The Last Word with Lawrence O'Donnell" on MSNBC. The session is scheduled for Friday evening May 29 at 6:30 p.m. at Florian Hall.

O'Donnell 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 NBC as a political analyst a few stories from those times, as well as offers his thoughts on how politics affects the state of our environment.

"We look forward to hearing Lawrence's perspective on the state of the Neponset River, from his youth to where we are today, to what he sees for the future," said Ian Cooke, NepRWA Executive Director.

O'Donnell joined MS-

in 1996. He is an Emmy Award-winning executive producer and writer for the NBC series "The West Wing" and creator and executive producer of the NBC series, "Mister Sterling."

From 1989 through 1992, he served as senior advisor to Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan. In 1992, he was chief of staff to the Senate Committee on the Environment and

Public Works. From 1993 through 1995 he was the chief of staff of the Senate Finance Committee.

The public is invited to the annual meeting. Tickets can be purchased at neponset.org/annual meeting or by calling Nancy Mahon at 781-575-0354, Ext. 324. An optional pre-meeting tour of the Neponset River, led by NepRWA staff, will take place at 5:30 p.m. Registration is required.



Adesuwa Igbineweka was sworn in as a member of the City of Boston's Scholarship Fund board on Feb. 2 by City Clerk Maureen Feeney. The nine-member board reviews and awards scholarship recipients for the city. Igbineweka works as a career specialist at UMass Boston. Mayor's Office Photo by Isabel Leon

STEAM Night engages kids, parents at the Kenny School

By Katie Trojano REPORTER STAFF

The Thomas J. Kenny Elementary School last week hosted its first annual STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) night for more than 260 students and their families. Participants engineered towers, made electromagnets, tested

electronic instruments, participated in math games, contributed to a community art project, and more.

"I've never seen anything like this level of community participation at any of the schools I've worked at," said Pallas James, the Kenny School nurse and event volunteer.

More than 40 Kenny school staff and community partners, in addition to 5th grade student leaders, volunteered their time to make the event a success.

"We want students to think of learning as something more than just testing and grades. We want them to remember their education as social and fun," said Christopher Leonard, one of the Kenny School's two science teachers.

The Kenny School will expand to K-6 in September, which will garner more financial support from the Boston School Fund for STEAM programming.

"Our K-6 expansion plan includes financial support from the Boston School Fund to develop a high quality, STEAM-focused learning environment that prepares students for success in high school, college and beyond," said Emilly Bryan, the Kenny School's principal. "As students rise from grade to grade, they will be exposed to advancing

technology skills and courses that include the Google App Suite, coding, digital music production, graphic arts and more. Our goal is to provide students with the knowledge, skills and confidence they need to be leaders in our increasingly digital world."

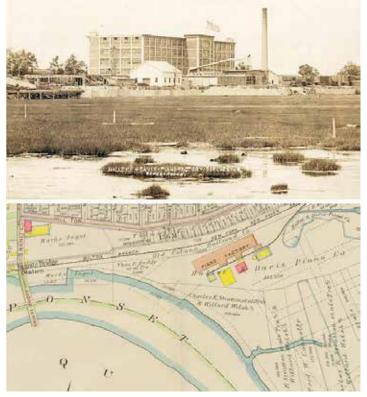
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The Keystone Building: a brief history

The Hallet, Davis & Comany was one of the early well-known American piano makers. The firm was originally established as "Brown & Hallet" in 1835, and its factory was located on Washington Street in Boston. In 1843, Brown retired and George Davis joined the firm. Davis retired in about 1847, and Hallet became part of "Hallet, Cumston & Allen." Allen resigned from the firm, and in 1850 he formed the "Brown & Allen Piano Company." With Allen gone, "Hallet & Cumston" formed a partner-ship, building pianos under both the Hallet & Davis and the Hallet & Cumston names. In about 1879, the business was incorporated as Hallet, Davis & Company and the Hallet & Cumston name was dropped.

In the early 1900s, the company planned for a new



Hallet Street, below, and the Hallet & Davis piano factory of long ago.

manufacturing building to also a piano company, apto Hallet & Davis Piano Co. in 1910. The cost for construction of the reinforced concrete building was estimated by the Boston Globe to be between \$500,000 and \$600,000. A Globe article on April 18, 1910, reported: "The building will be on a branch of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, and the Hallet & Davis piano company has a spur track of more than 1,000 feet in length on its own property there. It will also have fine dock facilities, where coal and other supplies may be brought by vessel and unloaded upon its own land.'

When the company applied to add a stable to the property in 1921, one of the conditions of the permit approval was that manure pits in connection with stables were prohibited. In 1927 the Geo. Steck Co.,

be located in Dorchester next plied to build a new kiln. In to the Neponset River. The 1939 the building was owned building permit was granted by the Chickering Piano Co. The Keystone Camera Company seems to have come on the scene in 1955, and the building has since been known as the Keystone Building. In 1977 a permit application was approved to convert the manufacturing facility into 223 units of housing.

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

Elizabeth Warren is our best bet

The primary season has arrived at our doorstep, Massachusetts. Those of us looking for an alternative to Donald J. Trump have a range of options to choose from on the Democratic ballot.

The run-up to our 'Super Tuesday' primary has been a bit chaotic. The results of the early voting in Iowa, New Hampshire, and Nevada have given an early lead and strong momentum to Sen. Bernie Sanders, who has clearly built upon the strong base he amassed in 2016. Good for Sanders. And if he ends up being the nominee, I will enthusiastically support him. Truth be told, I'll be all-in for whoever gets the Dems' green light to unseat Trump.

But let's put that aside for a moment. Let's believe national polls that show any one of these men and women can beat Trump. Let's be a community paper for a moment and focus on who is in our best interest, *locally*, in addition to being a solid choice to lead the national ticket. In that respect, the person whom I've been most impressed with—all along— is Elizabeth Warren.

So, yes, there's a pinch of homerism mixed into this calculus. Warren is a known quantity in our neighborhoods. She has pressed the flesh at Greenhills and crisscrossed the avenue during the Dot Day Parade. She has scarfed pancakes at McKenna's. Her first big political pow-wow before she unseated Scott Brown was at Joyce Linehan's house on Adams Street. Her Senate campaign headquarters was in Dorchester until last year.

It's more than just a 'Hey, I've met the future president' reflex. It's not for a lack of trying, but Massachusetts hasn't had a "resident president" since JFK. (George Herbert Walker Bush, RIP, was born in Milton, but was never really a local.)

It'll be good to have someone in the White House who knows what the Fairmount Line is and why it should be transformed into the Indigo. A president who can direct the EPA to lean-in on cleaning out the filthy sediments from the Neponset's muddy bottom, and who can steer more dollars into public housing and city schools.

In April 2018, before she was officially a candidate for president, the *Reporter* hosted a Dorchester town meeting with Warren at the Boston Teachers Union hall. She was running for re-election to the US Senate, a race she won handily over Trumpist Geoff Diehl. But clearly she was tuning up for the race she is in now.

"These are tough times. It's grim out there and I am optimistic," she said. "I am optimistic because I went to the inauguration, I saw Donald Trump sworn in. And this was an important thing for me. It's burned into the back of my eyeballs. Whenever I feel tired, I close my eyes, see Donald Trump being sworn in and I'm back, I'm ready."

Warren hasn't lost any of that fight, even as she's absorbed three disappointing results, particularly in New Hampshire. In some circles, she's already considered electoral toast. But she has seen a surge in donations since she dismantled longtime Republican Mayor Mike Bloomberg on the debate stage in Las Vegas last week. On Tuesday, she sought to position herself as a viable, more practical alternative to Sanders.

That's how I see her, too. With the right partner on the ticket, Warren can beat Trump and shore up Democratic ranks in Congress. And once in office, she can move the needle on major issues and *govern*. Sanders, who seems intent on waging a two-front assault on both parties at the moment, is less likely to accomplish that feat.

All that said, Elizabeth Warren needs a strong showing on March 3 to carve a path forward. Here in Massachusetts, she's earned that shot. We should back her up.

— Bill Forry

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Regional Rail boosts mobility, equity, environmental justice

By Nick Collins and Marilyn Forman

Fairmount Line residents have had a great few months. First, we celebrated the T's Fiscal and Management Control Board's embrace of a new vision for commuter rail – Regional Rail. This new system offers the opportunity to unlock economic mobility for many who face barriers today while addressing environmental justice and transitinequities throughout the region. A Regional Rail system that has cheaper fares, more frequent trains, and faster trip times will connect low-income residents across Greater Boston and Gateway Cities to jobs and opportunity.

The FMCB also voted to add eight new week-day trips to the Fairmount Line, providing more convenient times and shorter trips for high school students, workers, families, and seniors along the corridor. As several editorial boards have noted, including the *Dorchester Reporter* and *Boston Globe*, this change advances the Regional Rail vision and is a model for short-term improvements that build ridership for the eventual transformation.

The Fairmount Line is the perfect place to start moving in that direction. One fifth of the population of Boston, 83 percent of whom are black or Latino., lives within 1/2 mile of the line. Currently, these residents face barriers to accessing rapid public transit, pushing them into cars, underfunded and inefficient buses, and driving congestion. Reducing public transportation travel times to and from the job centers in Boston and along the waterfront means more economic opportunity, a larger pool of housing choices for commuters, and less reliance on fossil fuels.

Deploying modern electric trains and finishing high platform work will enable the MBTA to provide a world-class service that will change lives along the corridor. We are aware that these changes cannot happen in a vacuum, and we are prepared to ensure this activation is coupled with housing stabilization, job training, and workforce development to avoid displacement and create better outcomes for the individuals living on these transit corridors today.

Current commuter rail operations are inefficient and often only make sense for 9-5 commuters in higher-paying jobs. The high operating cost and current ridership of commuter rail accounts for 26 percent of the operating budget while only carrying 9 percent of the trips. The Red, Orange, and

Blue lines account for 23 percent of expenses and a whopping 43 percent of trips. This means taxpayers subsidize each commuter rail trip to the tune of \$6 compared to bus and subway fares which are subsidized at around \$2. Cost-prohibitive fares encourage single occupancy car trips and limit options for low-income riders. This is not equitable or efficient transportation.

We're glad the FMCB called for early action on the Fairmount Line, which is well-positioned to benefit from faster, more frequent, electrified service. The Line is the MBTA's shortest, with nine stops along its 9.2 miles of track. Heavy diesel locomotives are ill-suited for its short station spacing. The subwaystyle electrified train cars will be able to cut the end-to-end trip time on the Fairmount Line from a half-hour to 18 minutes.

For decades, advocates in Dorchester, Mattapan, and Roxbury have been applying this thinking in reimagining the Fairmount Line to function as rapid transit, complete with clean, electric, frequent, reliable service. The MBTA's Rail Vision team found that electrified rail in the urban core would reduce vehicle miles travelled by 166-428 million per year, and total car trips by 18-36 million per year.

While congestion and pollution are at crisis levels for many communities, we know some face higher burdens. Low-income commuters face longer commute times and disparate public health outcomes. Low-income neighborhoods and communities of color like those around the Fairmount corridor have some of the worst air quality and highest asthma levels. A move to electric service system-wide would cut air pollution and carbon emissions substantially.

We're happy to see the MBTA take small steps towards a better Fairmount Line and we'll be working with the MBTA and Keolis to make the new trips pilot a success. We're even more excited for a transformed commuter rail network and we look forward to a robust plan and meaningful engagement from the Rail Transformation Office. Let's get rollin'!

Nick Collins is the state senator representing Mattapan, Dorchester, Hyde Park, and South Boston. Marilyn Forman is the lead organizer for Codman Square Neighborhood Development Corporation, a member of the Fairmount Indigo Transit Coalition, a diverse collection of organizations and businesses working to expand affordable transit service to Roxbury, Dorchester, Mattapan, and Hyde Park.

Let's hope it won't be too late when we ask 'to what end?' on climate crisis

By James W. Dolan Reporter Columnist

In the course of dealing with disputes as a lawyer and judge, I observed people getting lost in the weeds of controversies to the point where they lost sight of the purpose or consequences of their actions. Objectives are eclipsed in a struggle, which itself becomes the purpose. A cost-benefits analysis is overlooked as means obscure objectives. To focus attention on goals and consequences, I often found myself asking: "To what end?"

Off the Bench

On a large scale, take for example the Vietnam War and our military involvement

in the Mideast. The purpose behind the Vietnam War was to prevent the spread of communism; the so-called "domino theory." As the war progressed, we became so involved in the war effort that we failed to reassess the validity of our engagement. Purpose and consequence gave way to military calculations of our progress as the war created its own reality.

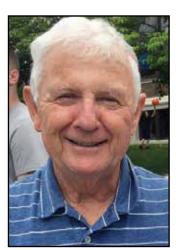
The result was a colossal disaster: 58,000 American soldiers and over a million Vietnamese were killed. We destroyed the country, lost the war, and none of the dreaded consequences of the "domino theory" occurred. We had intervened in a revolutionary war in which the Vietnamese sought the independence they had been denied under French and Japanese occupation.

The Iraq War was based on the false assumption that Saddam Hussein had weapons of mass destruction. Despite our losses in blood and treasure over 19 years, we remain bogged down in a conflict without end. The Mideast remains in turmoil, thousands have been killed, and tens of thousands made refugees.

Both wars were fought to protect our national security. When you consider the consequences in blood and treasure and all that could have been done with the trillions spent, was it worth it? By

any rational costbenefit analysis the answer would be no. "To what end" was an early casualty in both conflicts.

Now the world faces a problem that transcends national security. Global security in the form of climate change is at risk in this century. Protecting the planet will require a cooperative effort by all the nations of the earth – a Marshall Plan on a



James W. Dolan

global scale – to preserve this blue speck in the vastness of space that is our home.

Instead, it seems that humanity is so far incapable of acknowledging the threat or unwilling to set aside "national security" to meet the larger objective of self-preservation.

Instead of leading the effort, the United States is now an outlier, having withdrawn from the Paris Climate Treaty. Unwilling even to acknowledge the crisis, President Trump refuses to initiate the steps necessary to reduce the risk. Such policies will require regulations and expenditures that run counter to his populist agenda. Better to deny the threat than to risk alienating his base. After all, the threat is not so imminent as to demand immediate attention. Leave it for the next generation.

At some point the danger will become so apparent it will have to be faced. Let us hope it will not be too late. "To what end" is a question often asked when the time for a critical earlier response has elapsed. By then, it may be too late.

James W. Dolan is a retired Dorchester District Court judge who now practices law.

Rider, revenue ripples seen from low-income MBTA fare

By Chris Lisinski STATE HOUSE News Service

An income-based MBTA fare option could attract tens of thousands of new rapid transit and bus riders and could prompt hundreds of thousands more trips on the RIDE paratransit service, according to an ongoing T study.

The MBTA still does not have a clear timeline for when it might attempt to launch a pilot program offering halfprice fares to low-income riders — something the T's board endorsed in December – but the costs and potential for increased demand became clearer Monday as officials work toward implementation.

Estimates vary based on where the income threshold would be set, as compared to the federal poverty level, which in 2020 is \$26,200 annual household income for a family of four. Allowing those who earn less than twice that level to acquire income-based passes would draw in roughly 50,000 to 90,000 new commuters to the bus and subway every year, MBTA Deputy Director of Policy and Strategic Planning Lynsey Heffernan told the Fiscal and Management Control Board.

Those riders would

cause the T to forgo between \$23.3 million and \$42.3 million in revenue each year, Heffernan said.

Both projected new ridership and costs decrease with a lower income threshold and vice versa.

A qualifying income at 125 percent of the federal poverty level could bring in about 27,000 to 59,000 new riders with between \$12.8 million and \$28.2 million in forgone revenue. Setting the limit at 300 percent of the federal poverty level could attract between 83,000 and 131,000 riders with \$39.7 million to \$62.3 million in forgone revenue.

On the RIDE, a lowincome option could increase demand 29 percent - about 363,000 more trips per year bringing with it the need for almost 200 more vehicles in the first year of implementation. That alone could increase costs 20 million to 25 million for "medium participation" and \$35 million to \$40 million for "high participation," the bulk of which comes from greater operating costs rather than foregone fare, Heffernan said.

The study team is less clear on what the impacts of a low-income fare would be on the commuter rail system. Based on current ridership, half-priced tickets for qualifying riders could create a \$2.1 million yearly revenue loss, but Heffernan said ridership is more difficult to model.

Board members asked Heffernan to return at a future meeting date with more information on what other public transit agencies are doing with low-income fares and how the MBTA could

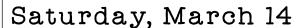
find a partner organization, which could either help subsidize the costs or use its resources to determine which riders are eligible.

"It's a lot easier to manage and a lot easier to communicate to the public: 'if you're eligible for X, you're eligible for Y," Heffernan said.

While she offered rider-

ship and forgone revenue estimates Monday, she said staff are not yet sure what administrative and operational costs will come with the potential change.

Transportation Secretary Stephanie Pollack warned that the operational costs are key to understand: if the Tattracts tens of thousands of new passengers, it will likely need to increase its rail and bus output to maintain a sufficient level of service.





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GREATER MATTAPAN NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL 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.

BPDA HOSTS MEETING ON NEW MIXED-USE PROPOSAL FOR SOUTH BAY AREA

A proposal for a new mixed-use development along Boston and Enterprise Street with approximately 406 residential units will be the focus of a BPDA-sponsored meeting on Thurs., March 5 at 6:30 p.m. The plan from Bass Realty LLC includes the demolition of the existing structures occupying an approximately 169,268 square foot site located and the construction of a 16,910 square feet of retail space, off-street parking accommodations, new public open space, and other associated public realm improvements. The meeting will take place at the Local 12 Plumbers and Gasfitters building, 1240 Massachusetts Ave., Dorchester. More info: bostonplan.org or call Raul Duverge at 617-918-4492.

PUBLIC MEETING ON PROPOSED 29-UNIT BUILDING FOR BAILEY STREET

A proposal to build a new four-story, 29-unit residential building at 69 Bailey St. in Dorchester will be the subject of a BPDA-sponsored public meeting on Wed., March 18 at 6:30 p.m. at All Saints Church, 209 Ashmont St., Dorchester. See bostonplans.org for more info on the proposal or contact Stephen Harvey at 617-918-4418 or Stephen.j.harvey@boston.gov.

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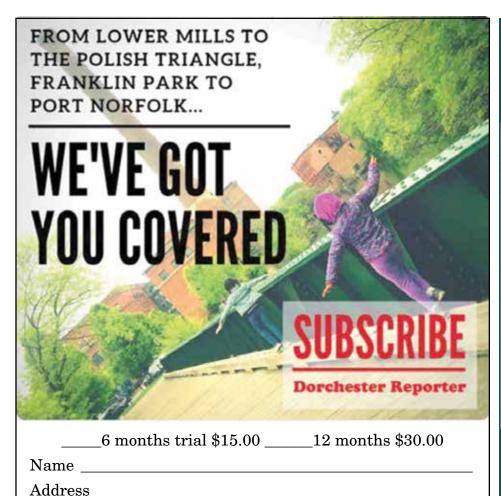
Mayor Martin Walsh joined chef/owner Anthony Caldwell and his family on Sunday at the official opening of 50 Kitchen, a Southern American/Asian fusion eatery on Dorchester Avenue in the heart of Fields Corner. Caldwell, a native of Dorchester, won a contest sponsored by the Fields Corner Business Lab with a prize of six months free rent in a storefront at 1450 Dorchester Ave., followed by reduced rent over the next few years and free legal and marketing coaching from other local business owners. Out of nearly 60 women and minority applicants who pitched their businesses, Caldwell won. Caldwell's menu features what he calls "real fusion": jambalaya egg rolls with a gumbo dipping sauce, kimchi and collard greens, and smoked brisket banh mi.

Photo by Isabel Leon/Mayor Walsh's office Photo by Isabel Leon/Mayor Walsh's office

CASSELLIUS TO SPEAK AT GREATER MATTAPAN COUNCIL MEETING

The Greater Mattapan Neighborhood Council (GMNC) will hold its scheduled monthly meeting on Monday, March 2, from 6:30 – 8 p.m., at the Mildred Ave Community Ctr. Dr. Brenda Cassellius, Superintendent of Boston Public Schools, will speak on education throughout Greater Mattapan and how we move forward to improve the experience and outcomes for those who graduate from BPS.

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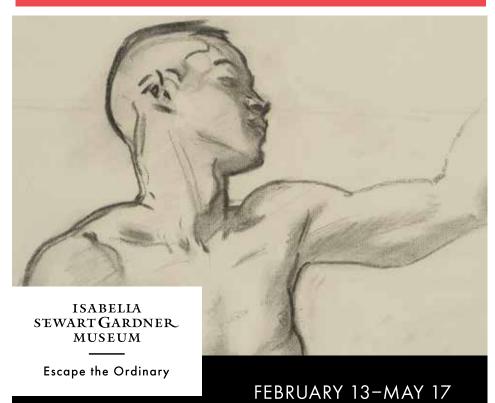
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State Police step up patrols as distracted driving law kicks in

By Chris Lisinski STATE HOUSE News Service

The State Police planned to deploy "dozens of additional patrols" to Massachusetts roadways starting Sunday, increasing the presence of law enforcement as a new distracted driving law kicks into effect.

Motorists can expect to see troopers more frequently, particularly during busy commuting times, Massachusetts State Police Col. Christopher Mason said at a press conference highlighting the imminent implementation of the law that Gov. Charlie Baker <u>signed</u> in November.

Some cruisers will carry two troopers, allowing one to serve as a "spotter" for motorists who do not comply with the new restrictions on virtually all handheld cell phone use behind the wheel.

"Our goal is for you to get home safely to the ones that you care about and the ones that care about you," Mason said. "Nothing on your screen is worth your life or the life of another."

Officials and supporters of the measure hope that, after more than a decade of effort, Sunday



Transportation Secretary Stephanie Pollack held up her cell phone during a press conference last Thursday about implementation of the new safe driving law. Sam Doran/SHNS photo

marked the start of a new era on Massachusetts roads.

Drivers will only be allowed to make a single tap or swipe to activate a device's hands-free mode, and they must place a phone on a dashboard- or windshieldmounted rack to use it for GPS navigation. Those under 18 cannot use a phone in any capacity while driving.

The new law, speaker after speaker said, will save lives of drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians.

"There's simply no

question that the evidence on this one is clear," Baker said. "Distracted driving is a tremendous risk for the drivers, for the passengers in the vehicle, and for anybody who happens to be on the other end of an accident that involves a distracted driver."

Mason stressed that motorists under the new law are not even permitted to use devices when they are stopped at red lights or stuck in traffic, a practice he said is widespread.

"Just take a ride down the expressway at any rush hour and take a look to your right and take a look to your left if you're in the middle lane and you'll see people watching videos, you'll see people texting, you'll see people manipulating the phones," Mason told reporters. "People have a misbelief that, because they're in stop-and-go traffic, it's very slow, that they're still going to be able to react in a timely fashion, which we as the state police, as the people who respond to those crashes, know is not the case."

While the law officially took effect on Sunday, penalties will not kick in for another five-plus weeks. Police will only issue warnings to drivers through March 31 as they work to increase awareness about the new limits, though the existing ban on typing or reading messages while driving can still draw full punishments.

On April Fools' Day, authorities will begin issuing fines of \$100 for a first violation, \$250 for a second violation and \$500 for every violation beyond then. Second and subsequent offenses will mandate drivers complete a training program, and third and subsequent offenses are deemed surchargeable, allowing automobile insurers to increase rates.

"Anybody who doubts whether or not the Legislature has a sense of humor should reflect on the fact that April 1 is the first day on which people start paying for their tickets," Baker said at the press conference. "That's a very interesting choice, guys.'

Baker said the law aims to prompt a "dramatic change in behavior" in the long run, a theme that several public safety advocates also echoed Thursday.

Distracted driving is a growing problem in Massachusetts, where law enforcement deemed a 2010 ban on texting while driving unenforceable because it did not extend to other device uses such as dialing a phone number.

The state saw 38 crashes involving a distracted driver in 2018, compared to 28 in 2014, according to the Baker administration. During that span, 233 Bay State residents died in crashes involving a distracted driver.

With a 12.8 percent increase from 2015 to 2016, traffic fatalities in Massachusetts grew at more than double the national rate.

"Changing behavior is a very difficult job," said Jeff Larson, the state's highway safety director. "It's often said that these devices are addictive. They are addictive. Education is part of the process of changing behavior, but enforcement of the traffic laws is critical in that process as well."

Implementation of the new law comes after more than a decade of effort. Some supporters had pushed for a full hands-free use require-

ment before the existing ban on texting while driving went into effect, but the Legislature's two branches for years were not on the same page with bills.

Families of distracteddriving crash victims repeatedly petitioned lawmakers to find compromise, upping their push during a monthslong stretch last year when the House and Senate had both passed individual legislation but could not agree on language intended to monitor for profiling during traffic stops.

Jerry Cibley, whose son, Jordan, was killed in a crash while reaching for his phone, told the News Service that he believes advocates finally gained momentum this session because lawmakers "got tired of seeing us and realized that we were right."

We failed and failed and failed and then failed again, and then this year, we finally got some serious support," Cibley said. "To be able to know that something like this is going to save lives and impact people in a positive way - it's the best feeling in the world."

Cibley called distracted driving an "epidemic" that is "getting worse every day."

After Thursday's press conference, State Police Lt. Mike Sonia stood on a Newton sidewalk and gestured out at the cars that passed.

One driver, he said, was looking down at his lap, a telltale sign for police of hidden cell phone use. Another was making appropriate use of a dashboard mount.

Sonia pointed out a silver sedan as it turned.

"Right hand on the phone, left hand steering," Sonia said. "We would have told the Newton officer right there, 'pull him in."

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
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PUBLICATION NOTICE Docket No. SU20P0045EA ESTATE OF: MARY ALICE GRAY DATE OF DEATH: 11/04/2019 SUFFOLK DIVISION

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Latrina Gray of Boston, MA, Latrina Gray of Boston, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PROBATE AND FAMILY **COURT DEPARTMENT** SUFFOLK, ss. Docket No. SU19P1409PM

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Witness, BRIAN J. DUNN, ES-QUIRE, First Judge of said Court, this 19th day of February, 2020 Felix D. Arroyo

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT
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DEPARTMENT
SUFFOLK DIVISION Docket No. SU19W1874WD SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION **THANH NGUYEN (Plaintiff)**

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Witness, BRIAN J. DUNN, ESQUIRE, First Judge of said Court this18th day of February of

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
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INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE Docket No. SU20P0251EA SUFFOLK DIVISION 24 NEW CHARDON ST., BOSTON, MA 02114 617-788-8300 ESTATE OF: JOSEPH GILLAN DATE OF DEATH: 12/11/2019 SUFFOLK DIVISION

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitione Stephen Gillan of Wakefield, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate. Stephen Gillan of Wakefield, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond

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Community Health News

Medicaid rule leaves up to \$2.5B at risk in Mass. reimbursement

By MATT MURPHY STATE HOUSE News Service

Governors around the country, including Gov. Charlie Baker, are fighting the Trump administration over proposed changes to how the federal government reimburses states for Medicaid, seeking to avoid a shift that could blow a massive hole into state budgets.

The new regulations proposed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services could jeopardize some of the financing arrangements Massachusetts uses to pay for its \$16.7 billion MassHealth program, according to the Baker administration and various state health care

Nursing care facilities, particularly those located within continuing care retirement communities, could be especially hard hit.

A summary document put together by the Executive Office of Health and Human Services and shared with the News Service estimates that Massachusetts could lose between \$365 million to \$2.4 billion per year in federal revenue if

the rule were to go into effect. The public comment period on the rules ended on Feb. 1.

The Baker administration says the rule would probably lead to "the restructuring or elimination of existing health care related taxes" and require the negotiation of new waivers that the state uses to advance new care delivery strategies and supplement payments for certain

Baker told the News Service this week that while in Washington, D.C. over the weekend for the National Governors Association meetings he and other governors "spent a ton of time talking about health care, especially about Medicaid and, sort of, the future of the program."

The gathering in Washington came a week after Baker and Oregon Gov. Kate Brown wrote to the Trump administration on behalf of the National Governors Association warning that the rule could "significantly curtail the longstanding flexibility states have to fund and pay for services in their Medicaid programs."

"We understand that CMS desires more oversight. However, the (rule) makes broad changes that could prohibit or limit many permissible financing and supplemental payment arrangements in Medicaid programs across the states," Baker and Brown wrote.

CMS Administrator Seema Verma in November proposed the rule, known as the Medicaid Fiscal Accountability Regulation, as a way to ensure that supplemental payments and financing arrangements are fairly administered.

"We have seen a proliferation of payment arrangements that mask or circumvent the rules where shady recycling schemes drive up taxpayer costs and pervert the system," Verma said in a statement.

CMS said that the national Medicaid program had grown from from \$456 billion in 2013 to an estimated \$576 billion in 2016, with a disproportionate share of the growth falling on the federal government, whose share climbed to \$363 billion.

Supplemental payments - those given to providers in addition order to ensure that none to the base payment for individual services - have also been growing from 9.4 percent of all other payments in fiscal 2010 to 17.5 percent in fiscal 2017.

Assistant Secretary for MassHealth Daniel Tsai said Massachusetts supports the goals of transparency and accountability but said the new regulation, as proposed, would be an "unprecedented federal overreach."

Tsai, in public comments submitted to CMS, urged Verma to withdraw the rule, calling it "ambiguous," "poorly defined," and one that would put "arbitrary limits on common financing arrangements."

In particular, Tsai said that by limiting intergovernmental transfers to revenue derived from state or local taxes, the administration would be prohibiting states from using other "legitimate" sources of funding, including bonds, lottery funds, and public college tuition, to cover its share of Medicaid costs.

The rule, the Baker administration said, could also force the state to segrate all federal revenue from its general fund in

of it is appropriated to MassHealth during the annual budget process.

"The ambiguous and inconsistent nature of the rule creates significant uncertainty for states and would impose severe limitations on states' flexibility to channel funding toward new policy and delivery system reforms," Tsai wrote.

The sentiments expressed by the Baker administration have been echoed from leaders -both Democrats and Republicans - in states from California to Illinois. Florida Medicaid Director Beth Kidder said the impact of the rule in the Sunshine State would be "immediate and crippling."

Attorney General Maura Healey joined six attorneys general to write a letter opposing the rule, while the Massachusetts Medicaid Society joined sister organizations from around the country to submit testimony raising concerns about projected impacts on state finances and the ability to deliver care to low-income patients.

Boston Medical Center President Kate Walsh said it was "unrealistic'

to think that states would be able to continue with existing supplemental payments to safety-net providers like BMC if existing revenue streams like intergovernmental transfers and provider donations were no longer allowed.

"These reforms would place an exceedingly high and disproportionate financial burden on safety-net providers-legitimately putting BMC and many others at risk of failing to continue to operate - with dire consequences for low-income patients and their ability to access timely, quality health care services,' Walsh wrote.

The public comment period was extended by 15 days in December, and ended on Feb. 1.

MassHealth is the state's \$16.7 billion Medicaid program, which provides health insurance coverage for 1.8 million residents, including 40 percent of all children and 60 percent of all residents with disabilities.

The federal government reimburses Massachusetts for about half the cost of the program, sending back more than \$8.3 billion a year to pay for care.

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mail to: Raul Duverge

Boston Planning & Development Agency

One City Hall Square, 9th Floor Boston, MA 02201

phone: 617.918.4492 raul.duverge@boston.gov **Close of Comment Period:**

3/12/2020

Neighborhood Notables

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

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.

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CHARACTER BREAKFAST ON APRIL 4 SUPPORTS DOT DAY PARADE

Support the Dorchester Day Parade on Sat., April 4 at St. John Paul II Catholic Academy on Columbia Road in Dorchester for a delicious breakfast and a visit from many different characters including a guest appearance from the Easter Bunny. 9 a.m. Tickets are \$20 per person and children two and under are free. You can purchase tickets at the door. This event is generously donated by the Bowery Bar and Lucy's.

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 6-8 p.m. Guests include Boston Mayor Marty Walsh, Somerville

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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.

BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY'S HOMEWORK HELP

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

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POLICE DISTRICT B-3 NEWS

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 7-8:30p.m. Annual dues are \$5; please contact hancockstreetcivic@gmail.com with any questions you may have.

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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.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT **PROBATE & FAMILY COURT** SUFFOLK PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
24 NEW CHARDON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02114
617-788-8300
CITATION ON PETITION

TO CHANGE NAME Docket No. SU20C0072CA IN THE MATTER OF: QI XIONG

A Petiition to Change Name o Adult has been filed by Qi Xiong of Dorchester, MA requesting that he court enter a Decree changing their name to:

Eva Qi Xiong IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/12/2020. 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 19, 2020 Felix D. Arroyo Register of Probate Published: February 27, 2020

TRUST CITATION
Docket No. SU20P0284PO
COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
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1995 REVOCABLE TRUST

To all interested persons:
A Petition has been filed by: Douglas E.
Cardinale of North Easton, MA requesting
that the Court ratify the signed, unnotarized
copy of The Elizabeth Buckley 1995 Revocable Trust so that a certified copy of the
same can be recorded with the Suffolk
County Registry of Deeds to clear title to same can be recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds to clear title to the real property located at 401 Morrissey Boulevard, Dorchester (Boston), Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding.

You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 03/25/2020. This is NOTa hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without return date, action may be further notice to you.
Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: February 13, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo

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Published: February 27, 2020

EPA eyes Neponset River for 'priority list'

(Continued from page 1) a place along its shores would dump their chemical waste into the water.

"At this point we want to talk about the fact that we think we're going to move forward with this action, and we want to continue communicating with folks about the process," said Meghan Cassidy, the EPA's supervisory environmental engineer in New Eng-

The state's Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) asked the federal agency to consider adding the Lower Neponset to the **EPA's National Priority** List (NPL) two years ago, according to Steve Johnson, the state agency's Northeast Regional deputy director.

"From my experience working with the EPA, this process seems like the best move for a site like this, one that might otherwise not get cleaned up," said Johnson. "The EPA has taken on some of the more complicated and costly site cleanups in the state."

He added: "In this case, MassDEP was asked to help identify sources of PCBs that were behind the dams in the Neponset River going back ten or twelve years. We took a survey that identified

some really high concentrations of PCBs at Mother Brook and saw that this was going to be a very complicated and expensive liability case."

The EPA evaluates sites by conducting preliminary assessments, Cassidy said, that determine if they "rise to the caliber" worthy of a designation to the NPL, which then establishes a site's eligibility to receive Superfund program assistance.

She noted that the classification — and any federal funding that might come with it - is contingent on determining responsibility for the pollution, a legal process that involves researching past practices and assigning culpability. The EPA cannot delve into those investigations or complete a comprehensive site evaluation without first adding the site to the priority list.

"The work we have done to date is by no means an effort to fully evaluate the extent of contamination," explained Cassidy. "The EPA cannot do that until after we place the site on the NPL. These studies are in no way, shape, or form meant to be comprehensive. The full evaluation comes later."

Attendees expressed

curiosity about what parties that might be responsible for pollution, besides the Lewis Chemical Corporation, which dumped hazardous material into the Neponset during the last century.

"We don't have a full list of responsible parties, that investigation doesn't happen until the site is added to the NPL,' explained Cassidy.

Sites are added to the NPL through federal rules, one of which requires a letter of concurrence from the governor. After a site is proposed to the NPL, a 60-day public comment period ensues before the proposal is finalized. When a site is added, the next step for the EPA in its long-term Superfund process is to begin the comprehensive probe of parties responsible for the pollution and then start initial clean-up efforts.

The EPA is already at work assessing where the Neponset River site fits in its Hazard Ranking System, which is documentation that they need to propose the site to the NPL. Other things being equal, the team thinks that the EPA could finalize the site to NPL sometime next year.

"We want to be open

and clear that the Superfund process is a lengthy one. The investigation will take several years and the cleanup will take many more," said Cas-sidy. "Right now, we're at the very start...and we will be having many more meetings."

Many of those who were at Monday's meeting flagged concerns over the current signage along the river, saying that in some areas, signs don't warn the public not to fish or swim in the water. A few also pointed out that the signage isn't accessible in languages other than English.

Leon David, an aide to state Rep. Dan Cullinane, said that the signage issues are on Cullinane's radar, adding that "there have been changes within DCR that have slowed the process down, but he is aware of concerns for appropriate signage along the river and we're in the process of working on that.'

Ian Cooke, the executive director of the Neponset River Watershed Association (NepRWA), said he's very excited to see the process getting started. His group has spearheaded efforts over several years to clean up and improve areas of the river. Those efforts prompted MassDEP to investigate the buildup of sediments around dams, which led to the discovery of hazardous PCBs.

Cooke asked the EPA team to explain exactly where and how people might come in contact with the contamination.

"The sediment is at the bottom of the river, and if you aren't exposed to something, there's no risk," said Cassidy. "If you're not swimming or walking through it, we don't expect that there would be exposure.' She noted that PCBs bioaccumulate in fish, and communication of that issue to the public has been a longstanding

Fatima Ali-Salaam, chair of the Greater Mattapan Neighborhood Council, asked the EPA officials to connect with local organizations by meeting local civic groups and neighborhood associations where they gather.

"In the effort of trying to be healthy and be active, people want to be engaged with projects like this because they want to use public spaces like the Neponset River," she said. "It would be great if you came out to the neighborhoods,

which are all connected; information will compile and travel."

She also noted, "There are members of major groups here tonight.' pointing out people and listing neighborhood associations, "Within this room tonight, I think we could pull together 1,000 people in our networks. If you really want people to buy in you have to come out and engage them where they are," a sentiment that moved the attendees to break out in applause.

Doug Gutro, EPA's regional Director of Public Affairs, said the team would definitely engage with local groups going forward.

We can be a resource and we will be a resource. We know that we're in this for the long haul and this is your community and your backyards, said Gutro.

Marcus Holmes, the EPA's Environmental Justice coordinator, is working to create a team that will work more closely at a hyper-local level. "We've been doing a lot of work coordinating with our city and state partners," he said, "but I want to let you all know that we're also trying to do a better job of getting down on the local level. One of the things I'm trying to do is put an internal team together to do exactly that type of outreach.'

Upcoming state report on BPS won't 'be pretty,' says the mayor

(Continued from page 1) decrease of 1.9 percent in our graduation rates in 2019. They're still higher than 2017. And over the last 10 years, [the rats are] up significantly."

Asked if he thinks the state will recommend more involvement or other actions, Walsh said "We'll see. I mean, I might welcome [the state in. I might bring them in. Let's be quite honest here. I think a lot's been written in the [newspapers]... onesided stories, not giving enough credit to the district and what's been aone mere.

"We're talking about an area... a school district of 56,000 kids. A third of those kids that go to those schools are kids that English is not their first language at home. About 4,500 of those kids are homeless kids," the mayor said. "Two-thirds of those kids live in poverty. We have buildings that were built before WWII that we depend on to have our kids educated in. There was no plan before I became the mayor to fix those buildings.

He added: "There's a lot of work that needs to be done here [and] it's not simply just instruction in the classroom, it's also wraparound services... So, it's not just simply the educational piece in there. It's a lot of other things that we have to do."

Does he think there might recommendations for a state takeover of some Boston schools, or a receivership given that the state already has receivership of two Boston schools?

"I'm not even gonna go there right now," answered Walsh. "I think we're in the process of dissecting the report and seeing exactly what the report says. We're not even at that conversation point yet... Over tne iast six years since I've been mayor, we've done plenty. We've done a lot, we've made investments... I mean, we have

performing schools. "The state gave a report the other day that we're making significant improvement in a lot of our districts," he added. "We have more Level 1 and Level 2 schools right now than any other period in the history of our schools. We're building more new schools right now, quite honestly, than any other period, maybe since the beginning of our district. "There are a lot of good advancements [being] made... This has been about four decades of turmoil... and you're not

going to turn that around

in three or four years."

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CITATION GIVING NOTICE
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APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN
FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON
PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304
Docket No. SU20PO108GD
IN THE MATTER OF:
JOHN S. HALL
of BOSTON, MA
RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person
To the named Respondent and all other
nterested persons, a petition has been filed

interested persons, a petition has been filed by Mary Hall of Boston, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that John S. Hall is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Mary Hall of Boston, MA (or some other

that mary Hall of boston, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardiar to serve on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessing and that the proposed Cuardian is necessing and that the present of Cuardian is necessing that the present of t sary, and that the proposed Guardian i appropriate. The petition is on file with thi court and may contain a request for certain

court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 03/23/2020. This day is NOT abarring date but a deadling date by which a bearing date but a deadling date by which return date of U3/23/2020. In say is NO1 a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without turther notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written afficiavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within acts and grounds of your objection within fter the return date.

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

Felix D. Arroyo
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Date: February 24, 2020



Public Meeting

69 Bailey Street

Wednesday, March 18

6:30 - 8:00 PM

All Saints Church

209 Ashmont Street Dorchester Center, MA 02124

Project Description:

The proposed project consists of a new four-story, 29unit residential building, with 4 affordable units being provided pursuant to the City's Inclusionary Development Policy. Eight surface parking spaces will be provided, as the site is located approximately four hundred feet from the MBTA's Ashmont/Peabody Square station on the Red Line. The project was designed as, and will conform with the requirements of, the City's Compact Living Pilot initiative.

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Teresa Polhemus, Executive Director/Secretary

Walsh outlines ZBA reforms before meeting with City Council

(Continued from page 1) van & Worcester, which was made public on Monday. Walsh ordered the independent review last September after John Lynch, a former city official, pleaded to federal bribery charges connected to ZBA proceedings.

"The ZBA plays a critical role here in the city," Walsh added. "It determines how we preserve, enhance, and grow our neighborhoods, and allow people in those communities to have a voice at the step of the process when a project gets to the ZBA. To be effective in this role, and maintain public confidence, the board must operate on the highest standards of professionalism, ethics and accessibility."
The order Walsh

signed seeks to address ethics and transparency by increasing board modernization, function, and efficiency. The mayor said that "key steps" of the order include strengthening disclosure requirements for both board members and applicants of commercial projects appearing before the board, a requirement that each board member submit annual statements on their financial interests, and comprehensive ethics and zoning law training at the time of appointment or



Mayor Walsh signed an executive order outlining ZBA reforms that e hopes will increase transparency. Katie Trojano photo

re-appointment.

The order also prohibits board members and alternates from participating in or deciding any appeal on a project in which they held an ownership interest, or received compensation for services within five years prior to the date that the appeal was filed.

Members will also subject to a two-year ban on business dealings involving projects that come before the ZBA for a vote.

City Councillor Lydia Edwards, who joined Walsh at the signing, said, "We're trying to get people to trust growth again. Part of not trusting growth is feeling that the process the government has set up is not accessible to you." She added: "We are experiencing monumental growth here in Boston, and there's an increasing

sentiment that government at all levels must work faster and in every facet be more directly and deeply accountable to the communities that we serve."

Modernization efforts will include first-time electronic submissions in order to streamline operations, including enabling online applications and payments for permits and petitions, electronic submission of plans, email notification of hearings, deferrals and new hearing dates, online subscription list for interested residents and parties, and a search database of all pending applications and decided petitions.

The Inspectional Services Department (ISD) is commissioned through the order to work with the Mayor's Office of Languages and Com-

we've also proposed the possibility of having an environmental seat and

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must also designate an

ombudsperson to assist

members of the public by

answering any questions

about the ZBA process

and explaining how to

Walsh said that the

makeup of the board,

which is required by

state law to represent

certain areas of exper-

tise, needs updating "to

better reflect modern

interest and concerns."

This is another facet that

Walsh said he'll continue

to work with the City

Council on, one that will

likely be discussed at

session will address how

to establish term lim-

its, among other issues,

which, she said, could

change the standard for

Edwards said that

Tuesday's hearing.

navigate it.

an urban planner seat.

"This is speaking to the pipeline that we're blocking by having people on there for lifetime appointments, I think if we had term limits we'd see

a lot more people apply."

who could one day serve

Among many things.

she added, "We're going

to discuss term limits.

We'll discuss who's at

the table in terms of

current positions, and

on the ZBA.

Walsh concluded that the goal of ZBA reform is collecting information in order to boost transparency and regain public trust. "The goal is really about information - getting as much information as possible. Having a greater understanding of what [board members] work on and what they have worked on in the past, and having them understand what the obligation is moving forward," said Walsh.
"It's all about trans-

parency," the mayor added. "The ZBA has an important function: It's the agency that approves growth. It has to be completely honest and straightforward and people have to have confidence in the process. I think the more information we get on the people that serve on that board

is good for all of us and good for the board."

Walsh called the Lynch case "very disappointing," and "devastating" in terms of lost public trust in the city, but added that he is not immediately concerned that there might be other instances of corruption within the Boston Planning and Development Agency, the agency for which Lynch worked, or the ZBA.

"No, I'm not concerned, and obviously you can't tell until it happens," he said. "I was surprised about John Lynch. But to be clear ... we did this report and found that there was no bribery in the ZBA," said Walsh.

Lynch, the former assistant director of real estate at the Boston Planning and Development Agency's (BPDA) Economic Development Industrial Corporation, was charged in Aug. 2019 with one count of bribery and one count of filing a false federal tax return that failed to report the bribe payment.

He pleaded guilty to accepting \$50,000 from a real estate developer in return for using his influence to secure a vote on a permit extension from a Zoning Board of Appeals member. He was sentenced to 40 months in prison in January.



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BGCD Teens Go Bowling with Boston Police: See details below.

CONNECT THE DOT: BGCD Teens Go Bowling with Boston Police: During the school vacation week, BGCD members of the Teen Program enjoyed an outing to Boston Bowl with several members of the Boston Police Department from our local C-11 Station.

The officers joined each team for a spirited battle to determine the top team. Thanks to our friends at the Boston Police Department for joining us on this fun outing.

We look forwards to many more activities that are planned with our local B.P.D. Officers in the coming months.

For more information on the Teen Program, please contact Ariana Nazario at anazario@bgcdorchester. org. FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE:

BGCD Goes Cross Country Skiing
with Elevate Youth: This past week
Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester
continued our year-round partnership
with Elevate Youth as members
enjoyed a trip to Cross Country Skiing
in Weston.

Thanks to our friends at Elevate Youth for including our members in these new and exciting outdoor opportunities. A special thanks to Elevate Youth's Corporate Sponsor GenCon Inc. for their generosity.

Upcoming trips in March include Ice Skating on March 10th and a Ski Trip to Wachusett Mountain on March 15th.

For more information on our Social Recreation program, please contact Shannon Zarnoch at szarnoch@bgcdorchester.org.



DID YOU KNOW: BGCD Changes to After-School Homework Help: BGCD will be making changes to our after-school

making changes to our after-school Homework Help program beginning after the February School Vacation Week.

The new schedule, which is designed to provide more 1:1 assistance will run as follows in our Education Center at the Marr Clubhouse: 2:00-3:30 p.m. (all ages); 3:30-4:30 p.m. (Juniors ages 9 & 10); 4:30-5:30 p.m. (Cadets ages 6-8): and 5:30-6:00 p.m. (Tweens ages 11 & 12).

There will also be 1:1 assistance provided from 6:00-7:00 p.m. for those in need but will require pre-registration.

For more information on the Education program, please contact Joel Figueroa at jfigueroa@bgcdorchester.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

WDYC Still Museum Event

Marr-Lins Host Beanpool Invitational Meet March 1

Elevate Youth Ski Trip March 15

Young Professionals Event at Dorchester Brewing Co. March 19

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U.S. Army. After his service, he carried on the family business, as the proprietor of Tom English Pubs in South Boston and Dorchester for over 50 years. Jack was the husband of Suzanne (Weeks) English for 60 years. Father of Nancy Marie Fitzgerald mar-

ried to Brian J. of Wayne, PA, John P. English, Jr. of New Orleans, LA, and the late Michael Patrick English and Brenda Jean English-Yovicsin. Brother of Mary Anne English of Osterville and the late Thomas A. English, Jr. Grandfather of Connor, Jake, Maggie,

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE and FAMILY COURT PROBATE and FAMILY COURT
Docket No. ES20A0011AD
Essex Probate & Family Court
36 Federal Street, Salem, MA 01970
978-744-1020
CITATION
G.L. c. 210, § 6
In the Matter of:

In the Matter of:

ABIGAIL ELIZABETH FUGATE

To: any unnamed or unknown parent and persons interested in a petition for the adoption of said child and to the Department of Children and Families of said Commonwealth, 280 Merrimac St., 2nd fl., Lawrence, MA 01843.

A Petition has been presented to said

II., Lawrence, MA 01843.

A Petition has been presented to said court by: Juan Mauricio Guerrero of Methuen, MA and Jaime Leigh Guerrero of Methuen, MA requesting for leave to adopt said child and that the name of the child be changed to Abigail Elizabeth

Guerrero.

If you object to this adoption you are entitled to the appointment of an attorney if you are an indigent person. An indigent person is defined by SJC Rule 3:10. The definition includes but is not limited to persons receiving TAFDC EACDC, poverty related veteran's benefits, Medicaid, and SSI. The Court will efits, Medicaid, and SSI. The Court will determine if you are indigent. Contact an Assistant Judicial Case Manager or Adoption Clerk of the Court on or before the date listed below to obtain the necessary forms. IF YOU DESIRETO OBJECTTHERE-TO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILEAWRITTENAPPEARNCE INSAID COURT AT SALEMON OR BEFORE TEN

O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM)

ON 04/27/2020.
Witness, JENNIFER M. R. ULWICK,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: February 7, 2020
Pamela Casey O'Brien

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Griffin, Kennedy, Liam, Porter, Nolan, Walker, Rose.Brother in Law of Marcia English. As well as endeared family friend, Igor Popienko. Ĭf desired, contributions in Jack's memory may be sent to The Salvation Army, Attn: Development, 25 Shawmut Rd.,

Canton, MA 02021. O'BRIEN, Edward J. Jr. of Westwood, formerly of Dorchester. Husband of Diane M. O'Brien for 43 years. Father of Kristine Matthews and her husband Corey of Walpole, Kevin O'Brien of Canton and Jill Toomey and her husband Kevin of Westwood. Grandfather of Lily and Coleman Matthews and Colin and Brendan Toomey. Brothof James O'Brien Dorchester, Mary O'Brien of Dorchester and Patricia Pietrantonio and her husband Al of Marshfield. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Dear friend of Bob Mc-Namara, Bill Brackett and Dan Sweeney. Edward was a Boston College graduate, Class of 1971, a 38 year Social Work Supervisor for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Welfare. Donations may be made in Edward's memory to Massachusetts General Hospital, c/o Parkinson's Disease Research, 114 16th Street, Charles-

LEGAL NOTICE

town, MA 02129.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS SUFFOLK, ss. Docket No. 19P0904PM

To all persons interested in the mat ter of: Walter M. Konik of Boston, MA in said County of Suffolk - a person under conservatorship.

A petition has been presented to said Court, for license to sell a private sale-public auction-certain real estate of Walter M. Konik of 357 Commer cial Street, Boston, MA 02109 in the County of Suffolk, for maintenance and praying that the petitioner Martin F. Connolly may become the purchaser of said real estate

LAND DESCRIPTION: Unit 206,

357 Commercial St., Boston, MA Property Address: 357 Com-mercial St., Boston, MA, Unit: 206, Percentage Interest: 0.43263677

Unit described above in San/ Marco/Lincoln Wharf Condominium is created by Master Deed dated April 14, 1987 and recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds with Book 13585. Page 180, as amended of record, in accordance with the provisions of G.L. c. 183A.

The Unit is laid out as shown on a plan recorded with the unit deed from SUFA CORP to Walter M. Konik and Phyllis Konik, dated September 26. 1988 and recorded with the Suffoli County Registry of Deeds in Book 15061, Page 136, which is a copy of a portion of the plans filed with the Master Deed, to which is affixed a verified statement in the form provided

for in G.L. c. 183A, Section 9.

The Unit is conveyed together with the above listed percentage interest (a) in the common areas and facilities of the condominium as described in the Master Deed, and (b) in the San Marco/Lincoln Wharf Condominium Trust, recorded with said Registry of Deeds on April 15, 1987 in Book 13585, Page 212 as amended of record.

Reference is also made to the Affidavit Relating to Title and Certificate of Relevancy of Henry H. Thaver dated August 16, 2013 and recorded August 20, 2013 with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 51983. Page 220.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Bostor before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the 4th day of March 2020, the return day of this citation.

Witness, BRIAN J. DUNN, ES-QUIRE, First Judge of said Court, this 19th day of February, 2020. Felix D. Arroyo

Register of Probate Published: February 27, 2020

James Paul Cifrino, at 94; of Supreme Market family



James Paul Cifrino died last Friday at his home in Cohasset after a long and happy life. He was 94.

Mr. Cifrino was born in Dorchester in 1925 to Italian immigrants Mary (Ferroli) Cifrino from Tramonti de Mezzo in northern Italy and Paul Cifrino, from Prepezzano in Campagnia, southern Italy.

Mr. Cifrino attended the Boston Latin School and St. Phillip's Preparatory School before entering Harvard University in 1943. While a freshman, he enlisted in the US Army and served during and after World War II in the Philippines and Japan. He then returned to Harvard and graduated in 1949.

After college, Mr. Cifrino joined the family supermarket business that had been founded by his father and his Uncle John as the Upham's Corner Market in Dorchester, a vast food store which was attributed in the book "Once Upon a Store" as "the World's First Supermarket." In 1950 he married Anne E. Garvey of Dorchester and together they had eight children.

James and his brothers John and Paul expanded the family business, which had become Supreme Markets, with locations in Boston, Cambridge, and the South Shore area of Boston. After merging with the Purity Save-Mor stores in 1970, Mr. Cifrino worked briefly for the newly formed Purity Supreme supermarket chain, but, preferring to work in a family business, he then became president of Dorchester-based Superior Realty and Supreme Liquors, working side by side with his wife Anne, who served as the bookkeeper until her death in 1989.

Mr. Cifrino was an avid golfer and long-time member of Wollaston Golf Club and Cohasset Golf Club in Massachusetts and Quail Ridge Country Club in Boynton Beach, Florida. He was also an avid sports fan who loved to read and to listen to classical music.

He leaves his eight children: Mary Ellen McNamara, and her husband Martin of Ellicott City, Maryland, James P. Cifrino, Jr. and his wife Olivia of Okatie, South Carolina, Thomas M. Cifrino of Cohasset, David A. Cifrino and his wife Sheryl of Cohasset, Anne Cifrino of Duxbury and Cohasset, where she cared for her father lovingly for many years at his home, Michael Cifrino and his wife Frances of Hingham, Steven Cifrino and his wife Patricia of Cohasset, and Amy Rooney and her husband William of Charlotte, North Carolina, 15 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and a sister, Mary Roever of Hingham.

Mr. Cifrino was predeceased by his brothers John and Paul and his sisters Anne, Elizabeth, and Eleanor and daughter-in-law Jane Cifrino.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Probate & Family Court 24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300
CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU20P0317EA
FSTATE OF: ESTATE OF: MARIANO VARGAS

A petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestac A petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Pedro Vargas of Milton, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Pedro Vargas of Milton, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration. the bond in an unsupervised administration IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 04/03/2020.

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

Unsupervised Administration
Under The Massachusetts Uniform

Under The Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code (MUPC)
APersonal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the debiation of the comment of the comment of the country of the comment of he administration directly from the Persona Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First ustice of this Court.
Date: February 18, 2020

Felix D. Arroyo Register of Probate Published: February 27, 2020

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Probate & Family Court Suffolk Probate & Family Cou 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU19P2834EA ESTATE OF: NESTOR JOSE GARCIA a/k/a: NESTOR JOSE GARCIA SPRAUS DATE OF DEATH: 02/15/2019 DATE OF DEATH: 02/15/2019

To all interested persons: A petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy lo all interested persons:
A petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Gisel Pimentel Garcia of Hyde Park, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Gisel Pimentel Garcia of Hyde Park, MA and Amanda Garcia of Hempstead, NY be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/26/2020.
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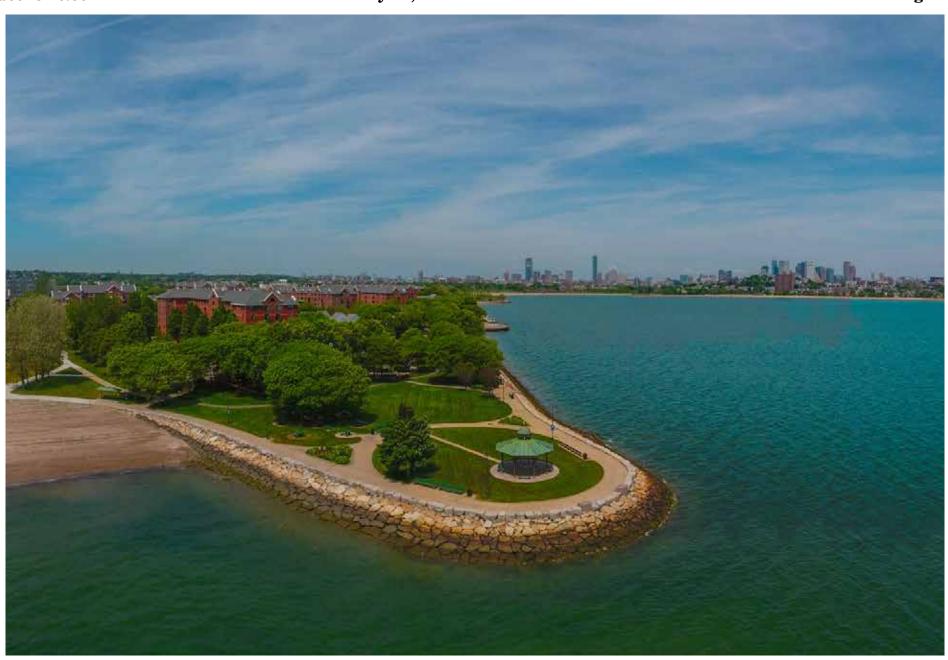
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Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: February 13, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo

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Published: February 27, 2020



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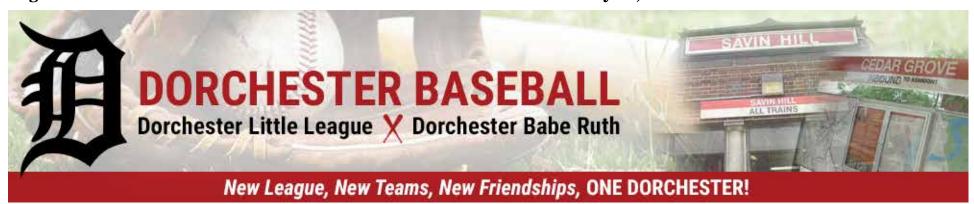
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MANDATORY: Players MUST attend 2 or more sessions

Date	Group	Time
	Last Names A-I	8:00 - 9:00 am
March 1	Last Names J-M	9:00 - 10:00 am
	Last Names N-Z	10:00 - 11:00 am
	Last Names J-M	8:00 - 9:00 am
March 8	Last Names N-Z	9:00 - 10:00 am
	Last Names A-I	10:00 - 11:00 am
	Last Names N-Z	8:00 - 9:00 am
March 15	Last Names A-I	9:00 - 10:00 am
	Last Names J-M	10:00 - 11:00 am
	Last Names A-I	8:00 - 9:00 am
March 22	Last Names J-M	9:00 - 10:00 am
	Last Names N-Z	10:00 - 11:00 am

AGES 13-16 Evaluation Sessions - Marina Bay Sportsplex (Quincy)

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IMPORTANT: Players who register but do not attend the requisite number of tryouts (applies to ages 8-16) AND who have unpaid balances will NOT be placed on a roster.