# Dorchester Reporter

"The News and Values Around the Neighborhood"

Volume 37 Issue 30 Thursday, July 23, 2020 50¢

## US Senate candidates check in on Dot, Mattapan

## In local swing, Kennedy focus is on small business

By Katie Trojano Reporter Staff

Congressman Joe Kennedy's insurgent bid to unseat US Sen. Ed Markey in the Sept. 1 primary brought him to Dorchester and Mattapan earlier this month for what his campaign billed as a "Jobs & Justice Tour," which included meetings with local merchants. The four-term US House member from Newton

stopped in Grove Hall, Mattapan, and Fields Corner to greet volunteers who were out canvassing voters.

On Dorchester Avenue, Kennedy stopped into the Boston Hairnista Salon, where owner and hair stylist Andrea Sealey talked to him about the difficulties of running her small business during the pandemic. Talking to people

(Continued on page 4)



Senatorial Courtesy – US Rep. Joseph Kennedy III and US Sen. Edward Markey exchanged elbow greetings before a debate in Springfield on June 1.

AP Pool photo by Matthew J. Lee/Boston Globe

# Markey touts 'strong sense of momentum'

By Katie Trojano Reporter Staff

US Senator Edward J. Markey is in a tight race for re-election on Sept. 1 as he faces a vigorous challenge from a fellow Democrat. Nonetheless, he told the *Reporter* on Sunday, he is upbeat, pointing to a deep well of support in Dorchester and other city neighborhoods.

"Our campaign is in its fifth year, and the response we're getting is overwhelmingly positive," Markey said in a phone interview. "The energy level is as high as I've ever seen in a campaign, except it's now having to move in some instances online. The hundreds and thousands of people with whom I speak every week in

(Continued on page 5)

#### PATIO TIME AT ASHMONT GRILL



Local brews from DBCo. are on tap at Ashmont Grill's new beer garden in Peabody Square.

Daniel Sheehan photo

## A beer garden, tables in the driveway

By Daniel Sheehan Reporter Staff

Ashmont Grill, one of the last of the Dorchester culinary staples to reopen since the start of Phase 3, is serving customers once again with a new outdoor setup after officially welcoming the public back last Thursday.

Shuttered since the onset of the pandemic in

March, the eatery has adopted a new al fresco look by reclaiming part of the plaza space in front of its Peabody Square storefront as a new beer garden and converting a driveway space into patio seating that fits 18 tables.

The adjoining areas, along with the restaurant's back courtyard, make for ample outdoor dining op-

(Continued on page 10)

## House counters Senate with own police reform bill

#### Qualified immunity at issue

By MATT MURPHY STATE HOUSE News Service

House Speaker Robert DeLeo and top Democrats plan to seek a vote this week on police reform legislation that makes good on the promise leaders made to Black and Latino lawmakers following the death of George Floyd: proposing a new system to license cops and enforce limits on the use of force, like chokeholds and tear gas.

The bill would also curb the use of qualified immunity, a controversial legal principle that can shield police officers from civil lawsuits in cases of misconduct.

The issue of qualified immunity has become a flash point in the fast-moving debate on Beacon Hill over policing, and while House leaders

will seek to limit its use in state law, they have proposed a different approach than the Senate.

The House Ways and Means Committee opened a poll of its members on Sunday night and gave them until Monday to weigh in on whether to recommend the 123-page bill to the full House. The 34-member bipartisan House committee approved the bill overnight without dissent and lawmakers were given until 1 p.m. Tuesday to file amendments to the proposal.

With just two weeks left of formal sessions for the year, time is running out on legislators to finalize what has become a top end-of-session priority for both the Legislature and Gov. Charlie Baker.

(Continued on page 14)

# 'I feel I have my mojo now,' says Dot MC Red Shaydez

By Daniel Sheehan Reporter Staff

Since the start of her music career, Dorchester-based rapper Red Shaydez has endeavored to understand and embrace her "aura," the innate way her personality and energy affect those around her.

That process of selfdiscovery began with her first album, "Magnetic Aura," released in 2016. "Feel the Aura," Shaydez's second album which is set to drop this weekend, is in many ways a sequel to her first effort, but it's also a benchmark that shows just how much the MC (Continued on page 12)



Red Shaydez eyes the past while seizing the present on her new album "Feel the Aura." Art by ASAMEDIA



All contents
© 2020
Boston
Neighborhood
News, Inc.

#### **SELL LISTINGS:**

121 CUSHING AVENUE — 2,500 SQUARE FOOT SINGLE FAMILY ON JONES HILL LISTED AT \$799K

14 PINE RIDGE ROAD, MATTAPAN SINGLE FAMILY. \$579,999 — UA



#### **SELL LISTINGS:**

169 SHERIDAN AVENUE, #2, MEDFORD 2BR CONDO. \$499,900 - UA 131-133 WILLIAMS AVENUE, #2, Jamaica Plain, 2BR Condo. \$619K — UA

#### **RENTAL LISTINGS:**

35 WHITTEN STREET DORCHESTER, 4BR, LISTED AT \$2,900
32 MAGDALA STREET DORCHESTER #2, 4BR, LISTED AT \$3,200
19 SO. MUNROE TERRACE, DORCHESTER, 3BR, \$2,500 — UA
5 EDWIN STREET DORCHESTER, #1 STUDIO, \$1,350 — UA
702 ADAMS STREET, #3, 2BR, \$2,000

617-326-6365 • www.tmcregroup.com

Police, Courts, & Fire

Two teenage boys

murdered on

Wildwood Street

fire on Sunday after-

noon, two teenage boys

were shot and killed

on Wildwood Street in

Dorchester. Boston Po-

lice responded to a call

for a person shot at about

4:40 p.m. and arrived at

46 Wildwood St. to find

two victims suffering

from apparent gunshot

wounds. The boys were

taken to local hospitals

where they were later

pronounced dead, police

said. Their names have

In a separate incident,

an 18-year-old man was

shot in Roxbury at about

11 p.m. Sunday. He was

taken to the hospital in

As of July 12, Boston

had seen 28 homicides so

far this year, up from 21

at the same time last

year, according to police

statistics. There's also

been an uptick in non-

critical condition.

not yet been released.

#### Baker extends hold on evictions, foreclosures until Oct. 17

By Chris Lisinski STATE HOUSE News Service

Most evictions and foreclosure will remain banned in Massachusetts until Oct. 17 under an extension to the CO-VID-prompted moratorium Gov. Charlie Baker triggered on Tuesday.

Baker's action will add another 60 days to a temporary ban that was set to expire on Aug. 18. It's a step that the governor said will help keep many vulnerable families in secure housing while the state continues its gradual progress to revive public activity.

The moratorium law that Baker signed on April 20 prevents virtuevictions and foreclosures amid the pandemic and gave the governor the authority to extend the eviction ban for up to 90 days. Both renters financially liable for rent or mortgages, but they cannot be forced to pay late penalties if they demonstrate that they are experiencing hardship as a direct result of

"I am aware that the extension I am declaring today will impact many small landlords who rely on rental income to pay pose" and will work with

Boys & Girls Club News ...... 17

Opinion/Editorial/Letters ...... 8

Days Remaining Until

Quadricentennial of Dot..3,709

First Day of Autumn...

Business Directory..

Labor Day.

Columbus Day

Election Day .

**July 23, 2020** 



Tenants rallied for protection from evictions on Highway in Mattapan.

their own expenses," Baker wrote in a Tuesday letter to legislative leaders. "I strongly encourage tenants to continue to pay rent, and homeowners to make their mortgage payments, to the extent they are able while the moratoria remain in place.'

The administration this month made a pool of \$20 million available in supplemental housing assistance to help low-income residents in need. He wrote Tuesday that, before the Oct. 17 expiration of the moratorium, his administration "will assess whether additional federal and state resources should be made available for this pur-

Published Weekly Periodical post-

POSTMASTER: Send address change

es to: 150 Mt. Vernon St., Suite 120

Mail subscription rates \$50 per year

payable in advance. Make checks

and money orders payable to The

Dorchester Reporter and mail to: 150

Mt. Vernon St., Suite 560, Dorchester

News Room: (617) 436-1222 Advertising: (617) 436-1222

FAX PHONE: (617) 825-5516

age paid at Boston, MA.

Dorchester, MA 02125

Michael Dwyer/AP photo the judiciary to ensure tenants have support programs available once

evictions resume.

Supporters of the temporary ban have been pushing Baker to extend its coverage, warning that tens of thousands of evictions could flood the courts — particularly with Massachusetts unemployment the highest in the nation and families facing financial strain — tion when proceedings

With the resumption stalled plastic barriers Monday of front-door boarding at surface-level transit stops, the MBTA has brought back another

able to avoid paying on buses and trolleys for the three-plus months that they were only allowed to enter through the back doors — an attempt to mitigate COVID risks by limiting interactions between drivers and riders — but Tofficials made clear in a press release that when the system returns to normal boarding procedures this week, fares are once again due.

The MBTA has in-

as soon as its protections resume.'

## MBTA: Time's up for those free rides

staple: fares. Passengers had been

keep the moratorium in place for one year after

Legislation that would the state of emergency ends has not advanced in either chamber.

"During this 60-day extension, the administration said, it will consult with the court administrators and other stakeholders regarding programs and policies to help tenants avoid evic-

interact with the farebox

at the front of the vehicle

with limited risks, of-

ficials said. Full fare col-

lection will also start up

again on the commuter

rail, where conductors

would not ask riders

without passes to pay on

board during the worst

stretch of the pandemic

as another risk-minimi-

zation strategy. Rider-

ship had been at historic

lows for the months in

which typical fare policies

- CHRIS LISINSKI

were suspended.

fatal shootings, at 113 for the same period, up from 87 in 2019. The Wildwood Street shootings are being investigated as homicides. between operators and passengers on its vehicles, so riders can now

Anyone with information is urged to contact police or the CrimeStoppers Tip Line at 1-800-494-TIPS. Police also urge anyone affected by community violence to call the Boston Neighborhood Trauma Team at 617-431-0125 or vis-

it BPHC.org/trauma.

Boston Police have identified the victim in a July 12 homicide in Mattapan as Dwight Stamp, 35, of Quincy. Police were called to the area outside 25 Regis Rd. just before 2 o'clock that morning and found

In a breakout of gun- the victim "suffering from gunshot wounds. He was rushed to the hospital, where he was pronounced dead. No arrests have been reported, but police say the murder is under investigation.

A24-year-old Dorchester man was arrested last Thursday (July 16) on Ceylon Street for allegedly carrying an illegal gun. Police say they were patrolling in the area of Ceylon and Quincy streets due to "recent firearm activity." According to a police account, officers spotted Luis Barros, who "the officers knew had an active warrant," walking on Quincy Street with a gait that suggested he was concealing something. Police say Barros ran when they approached him, but he was apprehended. Police say they found a loaded Glock 22 on his "flight path." He's been charged with illegal gun possession.

A29-year-old Dorchester man was arrested early Saturday morning (July 18) after Boston Police say the car he was riding in as a passenger was stopped by police for running a red light near New England and Colonial avenues. Tajh Douglas was taken into custody after officers recovered a loaded .380 handgun in a "fanny pack" that he was carrying in the vehicle. Douglas faces numerous weapons charges and was due to be arraigned this week in Dorchester District Court.

#### **UPCOMING CIVIC MEETINGS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**Listening sessions from Police Reform** participate can be found on boston.gov/ symptoms and elevated temperature. **Task Force** — The city's Boston Police ending-racism. which Mayor Martin Walsh said will Program: Wed., July 22, 3 - 5 p.m.; Implicit bias training: Thur., July 23, 3 -5 p.m.; Strengthening the city's police review "CO-OP" board: Wed., July 29, 3 - 5 p.m.; Use of force policies: Thurs., July 30, 3 - 5 p.m.

The task force includes members from the community, law enforcement, advocacy organizations, and the legal profession. It is led by Wayne Budd. The task force is expected to submit their initial recommendations by August 1, followed by a two-week public comment period before final recommendations are submitted to Mayor Walsh no later than September 14. Residents who are unable to testify live can submit written sessions by emailing BPDTaskforce@ City will continue to screen everyone nutritious breakfast and lunch at no cost

Reform Task Force this week will begin More Outdoor Dining with Food Street pot shop — A virtual community many youth meal sites were limited to hosting a series of listening sessions 
Trucks— In an attempt to assist small designed to gather community feedback, businesses that have been greatly Establishment at 43 Freeport St. will impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic be held on , Thurs., July 30 at 6:30 p.m. in the City of Boston. For locations and help inform the group's review of and to provide additional outdoor dining. The proponent, Brian Chavez of Erba BPD policies and practices and reform options for residents, Boston Mayor C3 Dorchester LLC, plans an adult use recommendations. Scheduled hearings Martin Walsh last Friday announced a cannabis retail store at the location. If include: The Body Worn Camera summer pilot program for the city's Food you would like to attend the meeting Truck program that includes 23 locations, including three in Dorchester, that will conference at https://us02web.zoom. servefoodfromnoonto7p.m.sevendaysa us/j/87627483609. week. The Dorchester locations, days and If you would like to call in to the vendors are Hemenway Park, Thursdays, meeting, call 1-888-475-4499 and enter Northeast of the Border; Roberts the meeting ID, 876 2748 3609, when Playground on Mondays, Northeast of prompted. the Border; and Malibu Beach in Savin 12th Suffolk candidates meet in Hill on Mondays and Thursdays, Sufra. virtual forum — Greater Mattapan Expansion of City Hall in-person services Neighborhood Council (GMNC) plans - Starting the week of July 23, Boston to host a virtual Town Hall featuring the City Hall will be open to the public on candidates for the 12th Suffolk House Thursdays: bringing in-person services to district on Sat., Aug. 1 from 10 a.m.-12:30 3 days a week, on a Tuesday, Thursday, p.m. See g-mnc.org for more information. Friday schedule. Services will remain On July 6, 97 youth meal sites opened by appointment, so people must call through the City of Boston's Summer ahead to the relevant department. A Eats 2020 program in partnership with testimony prior to, or after, the listening good starting place is by calling 311.The Boston Children's Hospital. It provides

'Virtual' meeting on proposed Freeport is required. Unlike previous years where online, please use the Zoom video

boston.gov. More information on how to who enters the building for COVID-19 to Boston youth 18 and under during the

meeting for a proposed Marijuana participants in summer programming, this year all sites are open to all youth times, go to boston.gov/departments/ food-access/summer-eats. Locations starting on July 6 include: BCYF Gallivan, 61 Woodruff Way, Mattapan, 10 a.m.-2p.m.; BHA Franklin Field, 91 Ames St., Dorchester 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; Boston Latin Academt, 205 Townsend St., Dorchester, 8:30-11:30 a.m.; Bowdoin St. Health Center, 230 Bowdoin St., 10 a.m.-12 p.m.; Burke High, 60 Washington St., 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Starting on July 11: Codman Square Farmers Market, corner of Washington and Talbot, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

summer months. No ID or registration

For more information regarding City Hall hours of operation, visit boston.gov.

SEND UPDATES TO **NEWSEDITOR@DOTNEWS.COM SEE NEW EVENTS DAILY** AT DOTNEWS.COM

#### July 23, 2020 THE REPORTER dotnews.com

## UMass pairs tuition freeze with layoffs, spending cuts

year 2021.

By Chris Lisinski STATE HOUSE **News Service** 

The University of Massachusetts system, the third-largest employer in the state, will cut about six percent of its full-time equivalent workforce and furlough thousands as part of its efforts to close a \$264 million budget gap ripped open by the COVID-19 pan-

Nearly three in 10 UMass employees will be affected by the costsaving measures, and university officials will also scale back spending on supplies and capital projects.

At a virtual meeting Monday where the board of trustees approved a \$3.3 billion fiscal 2021 budget that freezes tuition, President Marty Meehan warned that the four campuses and medical school must overcome an "unprecedented financial challenge.'

He added, "we face difficult decisions today and we will continue to face them in the weeks and months ahead. We are coming at this problem from every possible direction."

Officials cut workforce spending by about \$163 million and nonpersonnel costs by \$92 million to help balance entirely online classes. the budget, according to UMass campus officials

a summary provided by The system has alpercent, but said Monday that number could

ready laid off 134 of its nearly 24,000 workers and will terminate employment of another 397. In addition, about 1,125 student and temporary positions have also been cut; 790 open full-time equivalent jobs will not be filled; and more than 3,000 employees face furloughs this fiscal year, according to the

a spokesperson.

About \$243 million in planned long-term capital projects are on hold across the UMass system. Other savings will come from consolidating procurement for the multiple schools and continuing a years-long efficiency effort.

Planning for the upcoming year is made more challenging by uncertainty about federal legislative action and enormous budget strains on state government. In Massachusetts, officials project a revenue shortfall of \$2 billion to \$8 billion below earlier estimates, and state leaders have yet to fashion a plan to deal with that.

Other questions linger

about the number of students who will remain enrolled once their schools shift to mostly or

anticipate a decline in academic year. That get and the tuition freeze enrollment of about five change means UMass unanimously, with trustwill forego about \$18.6 million in revenue for the change as the fall semessystem next year.

ter approaches. The fiscal 2021 budget UMass trustees approved Monday, which is about \$171 million less than fiscal year 2020's spending levels, also responds to the outbreak by planning for additional precautions and aiming relief at students and their families.

Campuses will collectively spend about \$30 million more on testing, personal protective equipment, physical distancing preparations, and other precautions against transmission of the highly infectious

Meehan praised UMass for confronting the COVID crisis "better than many.'

With Monday's vote, trustees gave their approval to a plan Meehan unveiled in May to freeze tuition for nearly 48,000 in-state undergraduates and 9,500 graduate students across the Amherst, Boston, Dartmouth, and Lowell schools.

Officials had increased tuition annually to mirror inflation for the past several years, but it will remain at last year's level for the 2020-2021

ees Stephen Karam and Julie Ramos Gagliardi abstaining from the stu-"Freezing tuition is the dent fees question.

right thing to do, but will UMass labor represenput additional stress on tatives flagged concerns our budgets," Meehan with the plans during Monday's call, urging UMass anticipates its campus leaders to emstudent population will brace more defined plans receive almost \$1 billion for providing personal in financial aid from a protective equipment combination of federal, and cleaning and to seek state, private, and unialternate ways to balversity sources in fiscal ance the budget rather

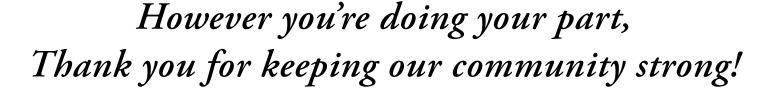
than imposing cuts. The board approved Anneta Argyres, who both the fiscal 2021 buddirects UMass Boston's

dent of the Professional Staff Union for the Boston and Amherst campuses, told the board her 2,000-member union is "very concerned" about the positions that will be lost, arguing that online learning requires more teaching and support staff than in-person in-

"This is not the time to eliminate jobs in public higher education, but jobs are being eliminated across our campuses, Argyres said.



memberspluscu.org



We're here for you, too!





#### In local swing, Kennedy focus is on small business

(Continued from page 1) like Sealey, Kennedy said, has been helpful as he crafts his own ideas about how government can help.

"What we're doing is going out into the communities and saying 'This is what I think, tell me what you think,' Kennedy told the Reporter as he left Hairnista. "We're asking people to give us a sense of what works, what doesn't, what they need, and where the gaps are.

"She lost one employee, a stylist that got another job," he said. "They're not filling all of their seats because they can't, and they're taking a hit. They're able to make it work for a little while, but what's next?" He added: "I think

one of the many lessons of this moment is that, despite perhaps the best this neighborhood, home to both the JFK Presidenof intentions, federal government policy is not tial Library and Museum meeting the needs of loand the EMK Institute for the US Senate. His cal communities as well great-grandmother Rose as we need them to. If Fitzgerald, daughter of it was, we wouldn't have been hit as hard by this." the early 20th-century Campaigning in the mayor of Boston John time of COVID-19 has F. ("HoneyFitz") Fitzger-

presented challenges ald, was raised in a home for Kennedy, despite his on Ashmont Hill. "I'm very proud of my familiar name. He has polled well statewide, Dorchester roots and you know, my extended fambut faces an uphill climb in Boston, where he is a ily has lived all over Bosfirst-time candidate. But ton," Kennedy said with Kennedy said, "We've he can point to roots in a laugh. "East Boston enjoyed really great

By Katie Trojano

REPORTER STAFF

will face opposition from

a first-time candidate

from Dorchester in the

Sept. 1 primary election

for the First Suffolk dis-

trict. Samuel Pierce, who

has been active as a vol-

unteer in city and state

election campaigns, will

be on the primary ballot

"Looking at all the

issues prevalent right

now, from policing to

education, I just knew

Reporter in a phone call.

guaranteed in the Con-

stitution is equal repre-

sentation under the law

and we don't have that.

There's not one Black

person serving in the

Pierce, who lists an ad-

dress on Bushnell Street,

has mainly worked be-

hind-the-scenes to help

elect other Democrats,

including US Rep. Seth

Moulton, Congresswom-

an Ayanna Pressley, and

At-Large City Councillor

between government of-

state Senate."

Julia Mejia.

"One of the things

as a Democrat

 $State Sen.\,Nick\,Collins$ 



Congressman Kennedy greeted residents in Fields Corner over the July 10-11 weekend. Katie Trojano photo

when they first arrived, support from across the obviously Dorchester, Brookline, Brighton and you know we've got a big family, so a lot of folks

in all of the places in

He continued: "There's a reason why the city is home, and to be able to be here and know that history is obviously a powerful connection for

As to his reception in

those neighborhoods,

ate's policing bill.

police officers.

bury's Matt O'Malley. Recently, Rep. Chyna Collins faces challenger for Tyler of Roxbury endorsed him. He also has for First Suffolk Senate seat won the support of the Professional Firefighters

> voted against the Sen-Collins has defended that vote— noting, in part, opposition to the Senate bill from Black Baker said in a statement. "Joe's energy, unrelenting passion, and "I look forward to votsteadfast commitment

of Massachusetts and a ferent," he said, pointing powerhouse Dot-based out that Collins recently union, IBEW Local 103. "Joe Kennedy is absolutely the right person to be Massachusetts' next US Senator," Councillor

across the state, is it's

a younger generation of

Among them, he has

picked up support from

two Boston city council-

lors: Dorchester's Frank

Baker and West Rox-

elected officials."

to the American worker - particularly the men and from local elected and women of District 3 officials. We've also been - is the example that all able to earn pretty ropublic servants should seek to emulate." bust support from local activists. What I've been "We supported Joe proud of, not even just here in Dorchester but

as a representative in Congress and certainly we need new fresh voices in the Senate," said Lou Antonellis, business manager at Local 103. "The Kennedy name is legendary in Massachusetts politics and we're no stranger to the Ken-

That name, Antonellis said, is "synonymous with delivering for working people. Everybody is talking about the need for diversity, and our feeling is that Congress and the US Senate shouldn't be exempt from that. We need generational diversity in Congress and we also need fresh voices in the Senate."

On his swing through the neighborhood last week, Kennedy said that

'what we've been pitching and getting some feedback on are things like a Covid response team that could actually come in and help businesses redesign or retrofit their space.

"I was at a barbershop the other day where the owner was hanging sheets from the ceiling in a makeshift way to try to provide additional levels sanitation. That's expensive, particularly if you're trying to do it the right way. You've got to keep cleaning it and sanitizing it."

Kennedy also mentioned the possibility of a "Coding Corps," modeled after the Federal Jobs Corps, that could train employees in techrelated specialties.

"There are services that we provide from the Jobs Corps. It hires people and gets them trained in new expertise. This is something that's going to be needed for the intermediate term at the very least," he said.

"Then there's the possibility of something like a coding corps, where you would have folks that can outreach to businesses and help them with things like setting up an e-commerce store. So, we're talking an awful lot about all of that."

His booster Antonellis said that those ideas are the kind of initiative that has his local excited about backing Kennedy.

Kennedy is that leader."

"Our membership is younger than it has ever been and they feel like younger workers have been left out by Senate leadership," Antonellis said. "They want leadership on things like worker healthcare and security on the job. Joe

## Galvin plans to finish mailing ballot applications this week

languages.

English, Spanish, Chi-

ed in English, Spanish,

said the print for the

bilingual and trilingual

A spokesperson for the

secretary of state's of-

fice said they could not

send applications to be

to address police misconduct, holds unfit police officers accountable and addresses racial injustice in our Common-There is another major difference between

help elect people that day, Pierce had not set Pierce says that if state's Office of Political elected he would work to and Campaign Finance, dismantle systemic rac- a requirement of all ism. address disparities candidates for office, to in health and housing, disclose the source of take steps to rectify the funds raised and spent. effects of redlining on Nor does Pierce have an communities of color, active campaign website. and reallocate police He has mainly used Collins on his policy

to me means reallocating funds," he said. "I would look at completely gut-"I realized that there is ting construction details officers."

ficials and the citizens that elect them. Campaigning for Moulton was really the start of go-

Samuel Pierce ing against incumbents that I felt weren't living up to the Democratic Party's values," said it was time to have a Pierce. "I feel like the wealth," Collins said in Black person in the state people really don't have a a statement last week. Senate," Pierce told the say in politics because of

special interest groups. and Democrats that the two men: campaign seem like they would look like me often don't."

"Defunding the police

between him and Collins "cut and dry. Our beliefs are fundamentally dif-

ing for a package that brings about thoughtful and meaningful reform

resources. As of Tuesup an account with the Twitter to challenge

positions. The primary elections will be held on Tuesday, a symbiotic relationship and spend that money on the ballot that day on community service include state representa-Pierce called the choice final election, which will

Sept. 1. Other races tive and US Senate. The include the presidential ballot, is on Tues., Nov. 3.

The secretary of state's to all 4.5 million voters be delivered to the post by Tuesday (July 21), a office on Monday and the lawyer representing the reaming 10 municipalioffice said last week durties on Tuesday. Federal ing a court hearing. applications in Boston, Secretary of State

William Galvin's office mailed approximately 1.6 million applications Wednesday, nearly 1.5 million Thursday, and an additional 400,000 on Friday, Assistant Attornev General Anne Sterman said at the hearing.

Those applications were English only "because that was what was ready to go out," Sterman said. Lawyers for and Khmer. Sterman Civil Rights Litigation Director Oren Sellstrom added there are concerns about whether 12 other communities will receive bilingual and trilingual applications on time.

The bilingual and tri- translated into multiple office expected to finish lingual applications for languages until they sending applications for Boston and Lowell, Ster- knew what they would mail-in primary ballots man said, are expected to say in English.

vocacy organizations including Common Cause Massachusetts and state law require and MassVOTE filed a lawsuit in an attempt to Lowell, Chelsea, Holyforce Secretary of State oke, Lawrence, Lynn, William Galvin to send Malden, Quincy, Revere, out ballot applications Southbridge, Spring- by July 15, a date set in field, and Worcester to vote-by-mail law signed be printed in multiple by Gov. Charlie Baker on July 6. Boston's applications

During Friday's hearcontain information in ing, Justice Frank Gaziano ordered Galvin and plaintiffs in the case each nese and Vietnamese while Lowell's are printto submit a status report by Wednesday. If the remaining applications are sent out on Tuesday, Sellstrom said they will ballots is under way. file to dismiss the case.

– STATE HOUSE **NEWS SERVICE** 

## Markey touts 'strong sense of momentum'

(Continued from page 1) my campaign gives me a very strong sense of the momentum we've built."

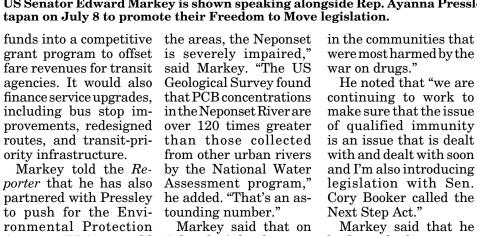
Markey has amassed an impressive and diverse list of endorsements locally, including Mayor Martin Walsh and District Attorney Rachael Rollins. State Reps. Liz Miranda, Dan Cullinane, Dan Hunt, Russell Holmes, and Nika Elugardo are also in his corner.

"It's an incredible array of grassroots support that we've been building and we do feel it everywhere across Dorchester and Mattapan and those great leaders are the ones who are building that

He added: "I won 82 percent of delegates at the Democratic State Convention and my opponent won 18 percent. That was uniform across the entire city."

Earlier this month, Markey appeared in Mattapan Square alongside ÜS Rep. Ayanna Pressley, who has not made an endorsement in the race, but has been closely aligned with him on a legislative package that focuses on transit equity. Markey has been endorsed by Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, who has been a prominent ally in the Green New Deal, which he and the freshman congresswoman from New York rolled out last year.

In Mattapan, Markey touted his partnership with Pressley on their recently filed "Freedom to Move" legislation, which would allocate \$5 billion in federal



to push for the Envi- tounding number." ronmental Protection Agency (EPA) to add July 1 the federal agency the Neponset River to "determined this site is a "priority" SuperFund not going to be included site list, a move that on the national priority could lead to new funds list for SuperFund desigto clean up the river nation in 2020, but will between Hyde Park and be considered in 2021. I am going to, as a member "There is a long indus- of the Environment Com-

trial past... and combined mittee, work to make with the current urban-sure it's on the list. I will ization that continues in get that done."

ority infrastructure.

Markey to Kennedy: Release tax returns; Reply: I will – soon fenses, and "reinvesting this campaign."

US Sen. Edward Markey released seven years worth of tax returns on returns for his time in

senator files separately from his wife, Susan which came from his Sen-rity benefits. ate salary. Blumenthal is health expert.

challenging the incumbent in the Sept. 1 Democoming days.

voters of Massachusetts to have the information they need. I challenge my opponent, Congress-

Friday, and challenged Congress so that voters his rival, US Rep. Joseph can compare and inform Kennedy III to do the their decisions," Markey

The most recent tax Markey posted redocuments disclosed by turns for every year Markey show that the since 2013 on his cam- race for state reprepaign site. The 2019 return shows he earned Blumenthal, and had \$140,458 in salary from \$177,483 in gross income the Senate, and reported endorsed Stephanie Evin 2019, the majority of \$34,726 in Social Secu- erett, a former rival for

POLITICO reported ident Donald Trump's that Kennedy, who is tax returns, which the president has refused to watching her throughout disclose willingly, Mar- this race I have no doubt cratic primary, plans to key said, "Candidates she is the right candidate release his taxes in the shouldn't wait to make to represent the 12th the highest court of the "I am releasing my land or the court of opin- bonnier said in a statefull tax returns for the ion force this sharing of ment from his campaign. years I have been in information. We should the US Senate because require tax releases campaign forum after it is important for the from all candidates for forum, seeing her tire-Congress by law."



tapan on July 8 to promote their Freedom to Move legislation. Katie Trojano photo

were most harmed by the war on drugs.' He noted that "we are continuing to work to make sure that the issue of qualified immunity is an issue that is dealt

Cory Booker called the Next Step Act." Markey said that he had worked successfully to secure funding for Community Health Centers in Dorchester and Mattapan during the

pandemic.

"I think there's a rea-

son why these local leaders are supporting me in this race. I've worked very hard for the community," he said. "The Markey said he has community is on my also partnered with colmind constantly and I leagues on legislation really care about the aimed at ending qualipeople in Mattapan and fied immunity, reducing Dorchester and they mandatory minimums have really been great for non-violent drug of- to me over the course of

Joel Richards, a BPS teacher who lives in Dorchester, is among those who have signed on to help Markey's re-

election bid. "This year and these last two years, I've bewith and dealt with soon come more of a supporter and I'm also introducing as a father, a teacher, legislation with Sen. a Dorchester resident, and a Black person in America," said Richards. "There are certain key things he supports that I know are for the well being of all those things

> I mentioned." He pointed to Markey's commitment to environmental issues with the Green New Deal and ending qualified immunity to achieve "actual police reform."

"He's going up against a name that has a lot of sway in Massachusetts and gives people very positive feelings," said Richards. "The best thing about Ed Markey is that he thinks ahead and he thinks about people and

that goes a long way for a neighborhood like Dorchester that needs long-term people focused on solutions.'

Ann M. Walsh, a Lower Mills resident, called herself a "lightweight volunteer" in Markey's campaign. "I've been doing what we're calling social phone banking, meaning I talk to people that I actually know in the community about Ed Markey and making sure they know Sept. 1 is the primary election. With everything else going on, that date could slide past

Walsh said she supports Markey for his progressive issues.

"He's been very strong and out front on reform around criminal justice inequities, showing support for Black Lives Matter]. He has worked with Ayanna Pressley on reducing qualified immunity, which is super important locally to the communities he represents," she said.

"In many cases he is very strategic about putting his name on things and being out front in a way to push the conversations and he lays down legislation that people have to respond to with clear objectives and goals," said Walsh.

"He's also partnering with the right people and pushing on those issues, she said. "I really appreciate that he focuses on the things that he focuses on and continually pushes them."

Walsh noted that Rep Kennedy "doesn't bring a starkly different life experience and perspec tive and set of policy ideas than Markey. So why would I give up an incredibly competent senator and take someone junior, who's not showing revolutionary

## Ex-rival Charbonnier endorses Everett in 12th Suffolk District campaign

REPORTER STAFF

Cam Charbonnier, who withdrew from the sentative in the 12th Suffolk district earlier this month, on Monday the seat and one of three Referencing the recent remaining Democrats a psychiatrist and public Supreme Court decisions who will appear on the regarding access to Pres- Sept. 1 primary ballot.

"Having known Stephanie for several years and Suffolk District," Char-

"Listening to her in less commitment dur-

Cam Charbonnier and endorsee Stephanie Everett. the work she has done during her career in state government, I know that Stephanie will be that fights for the entire

all residents." The endorsement is the latest boost for Everett, - MATT MURPHY ing years of commu- who won the support of

mous vote last week. "Cam is a good man

who works hard and cares deeply about his a state representative community," Everett said. "He added so much district with a unifying to this race as a candivoice and dogged deter- date; I am grateful for his voice and his support," mination that benefits she said.

The other two candidates in the race are

Fluker-Oakley has been backed by the Boston Teachers Union and Rep. Chvna Tvler.

With no Republicans on the ballot, the contest between the three Democrats on Sept. 1 will choose a successor for Rep. Dan Cullinane, who decided not to seek re-election this year. The Jovan Lacet and Brandy district includes parts of SHNS nity service, knowing the Ward 17 Democratic Fluker-Oakley, both at- Mattapan, Dorchester, her personal story, and committee in a unani- torneys from Mattapan. Hyde Park, and Milton.

### After 40 years in Neponset, Lee Dental firm has been sold

REPORTER CO-FOUNDER

After four decades of caring for the dental needs of the neighborhood, the family-run Lee Dental Office is making a big transition this summer. The practice, which has operated at 398 Neponset Ave., has been sold to Sparkle Dental, with nearby offices at 97 Neponset Ave.

For much of its time in Neponset, the office featured husband-andwife team of Bill Lee and June Warren Lee who met as college students and studied dentistry together in Washington DC before returning to Boston.

Bill, an alumnus of Boston Latin School, and June, an alumna of Girls Latin School in Codman Square, began their careers in Quincy, but in February 1980 relocated to the Neponset Ave. storefront office just around the corner from June's family home on Chickatawbut Street. They raised two children and practiced together for three decades until June's death from cancer

in 2010. Bill has continued in a sole practice since that time and will continue to see patients under the new ownership. The Reporter spoke with him last week:

Q. Where did you and



Bill Lee

your late wife meet? **A.** We met in college, at Brandeis University in Waltham. One of the neighborhood boys and June had gone to the same parish at St. Ann's. Somehow, they got talking and he talked June into applying to dental school. And then she talked me into applying to dental school and Georgetown accepted both of us. So, we decided to go there. We went there together and we were the first official married couple to graduate together from Georgetown Dental School

**Q.** June grew up in Neponset and she knew the neighborhood. Is that how you came to choose the neighborhood for your new office? **A.** We got very friendly with my dental dealer, an architectural designer, and he kind of helped us out. One of his agents heard about the Neponset Health Center getting a new building and the

**SIMPLY FREE CHECKING** 

MAKES LIFE SIMPLE

stood empty. And so now. So, I can't give you No dentist would want we went and talked to the property owner, Mr. Riley, and we cut a deal and we moved in 40 years ago, in February of 1980. Q. Did either of you have a specialty or was your practice general

**A.** Neither one of us really had specialties. She did a lot of training for orthodontics. So she branched off and did more orthodontic, for both adults and children, for people who wanted their teeth straightened.

**Q.** Over the course of the years, how many patients would you say you and she have treated?

A. I would say, over 40 years, we probably saw 5,000- 6,000 patients. Maybe 30 or 40 people [is the number] we see now. We had seen their grandparents, they're like the third generation we treated. But you know how the neighborhood is, a lot of the young kids we treated, they moved to the suburbs and they're

**A.** When my lease was near expiration, I sent the landlord a letter saying it's time we negotiate a new lease. And he came back to me and said, "you know, I'm sorry, I want to retire. I'm not giving leases out to any of my

tenants in this block That was also impossible. a lease, you're on a 30day notice." That's it. We always had a lease. and dentistry is such that no dental practice can move easily without making sure the new office, the laws, the landlines, the plumbing are done properly, and the proper electrical outlets for everything, that type of thing. And it takes a

while to set up a practice. So, if you hear, "Okay, you got 30 days to move,' it is almost impossible for that practice to find a location, get it all set up, move all the equipment in, and continue on.

Q. So you looked around for other options and you had to decide what you were going to do, whether you wanted to bring the business lock-stock-and-barrel to a new location or just continue to function the way you've been doing? **A.** The options were:

SelloutifIcantosomeone

to buy into that type of situation. The other option I had was to see if I could find a buyer, or I just stop practicing when the day comes and just close up shop for good. End of story. **Q.** So you have sold your practice to another dental office in the neighbor-

hood, Sparkle Dental? **A.** For my active patients now, their records have been transferred and a letter telling all my active patients what has happened will be Q. And if your patients

want continue to see you for their dental care, how do they do that? **A.** Right now, the phone line at my present location is still there, but if you call that number, it will transfer you automatically to Sparkle and they will make appointments for me. I was up there half a day today. And I'm home right now, who's willing to take over just going through the a practice with no lease. miles of paperwork.

I am going to be an associate at Sparkle Dental for a while. How long kind of depends on the situation and how I feel. I mean, I've been up there, this is the third week and it looks good. A couple of my staff have joined me-my hygienist, Nancy, and also Kathy, my dental assistant.

Q. You must have a lot of memories of people vou've known in your 40 years practice in Dorchester? **A.** Most definitely. And I mean, as my son Dan said to me, even though he's not working, he said that the thing I [will] miss seeing is all those patients that come to the office. So many of them are just such nice people.

Q. You and June, who died of cancer ten years ago, were full partners, at home and at work. Do you think of her as your "better half"?

A. Yes. She was 58. can truthfully say definitely – yeah, definitely - she was my better half. She made me better.

#### Q. What made you decide to sell the practice? Home sales rebounding, but far from 2019 pace new housing inventory sales in May. Sales of

By Matt Murphy STATE HOUSE **News Service** 

Home sales are starting to pick up in Massachusetts, but were still 22 percent off the pace set last June, according to the Massachusetts Association of Realtors.

The data reported Thursday by MAR showed that new listings for single-family homes were down 6.7 percent from June 2019, but those homeowners who are looking to sell are finding a strong market. Homes on the market for sale were down 51 percent from last June. We continue to experi- 4,784 sales closed last ence low production of month compared to 3,748

across the state and now. condominiums in June also were down in June, with the delay of listings entering the market due falling 28.9 percent from to COVID-19, the lack the same month in 2019, of available homes is but like single-family compounded," said Kurt homes sold at a faster clip Thompson, president of compared to May. There were 1,657 condos sold "Many sellers now in June, up from 1,226 listing their homes are in May.

pleasantly discovering The number of condos that the market is very being listed for sale active with well qualiwas down 28.8 percent from June 2019. MAR fied buyers. As a result, we anticipate a very reported that the median energized summer sellsale price of a singleing season." While sales family home in June was in June of single-family \$458,000, up 4.1 percent homes were down from from last year, while the median sale price of a condo fell 7 percent to last year this time, they were up from May, with

#### Pine Street Inn takes lease on hotel

By Lynn Jolicoeur WBUR REPORTER

The largest homeless Inn guests tested posishelter in Boston, Pine tive. Street Inn, has acquired a new property for some other surge of the coronavirus.

Pine Street will lease a hotel at 891 Massachusetts Ave., near Boston Medical Center. The round, brick building has a spread of the virus," most recently been a Best Western Plus. Some 180 shelter

guests currently staying in a Suffolk University dorm will move there, according to Pine Street Inn President & Executive Director Lyndia Downie. The men and women were transferred to the dorm starting in March as part of an effort to de-densify the shelter.

But the move didn't come in time to slow the the facility and hanging content through a media spread of the coronavi- plastic curtains between

rus. In early April, 36 percent of Pine Street "It's drastically different than shelter obviously more privacy The largest homeless and the ability to social

shelter in Boston, Pine distance and isolate if of its guests as part of Street Inn, will lease the a plan to avoid shelter hotel as part of its efforts overcrowding and an- to avoid shelter overcrowding and another surge of COVID-19. "We cannot go back to an [overcrowded] environment like that, because we will just be back to Downie said.

washing stations around

Recently, two percent of guests at Pine Street tested positive for the coronavirus, according to Downie. She said ity are largely elderly or the spread has been frail and have underlyreduced largely due to ing medical conditions, the population being meaning they're more spread out. The shelter has implemented other vulnerable to COVID-19. safety steps since early in the pandemic, including placing portable hand

Downie explained. The homeless service organization has a oneyear lease for the hotel. Housing placement staff will work on site, and their goal is to place the people staying at the hotel in permanent housing within that year, Downie said. The people who will stay at the facil-

thing that we're unable

to do in the congregate

shelters at the moment,"

This article was first published by WBUR 90.9 FM on July 13. The Reporter and WBUR share partnership.

## Reporter's People

#### News about people in and around our Neighborhoods

#### New outdoor amenities added to Harbor Point

**July 23, 2020** 

By Reporter Staff Pickleball on the tennis

dotnews.com

courts, outdoor ping pong tables, bike sharing and a 9-hole disc golf course are among the new amenities at Harbor Point on the Bay, the apartment complex on Dorchester's Columbia Point. The new outdoor features are part of an effort to offset other amenities that have been forced to close temporarily as part of the covid-19 response.

"We took the approach to add new socially distant features to engage the residents and invite them outside to enjoy the waterfront location when many of the amenity spaces remained closed,' said Justin Holstrom, marketing director at Corcoran Jennison Man-

outdoor lawn games that the open, but "socially Residents were found Jam, Bottle Bash just



There are also new can be borrowed from distant" Fitness Center. playing Corn Hole, Kan

outside by the Dorchester HarborWalk.

The management also hired Boston-based Trova, an apartment community social engagement platform, to program virtual events such as Yappy Hour with pets, Netflix Watch Party and Trivia Nights. In April Trova hosted socially distant Clap Because we Care Friday's at 7PM along with many other neighborhoods in the United States.

Regularly scheduled indoor fitness classes led by resident instructors have been moved outside to the waterfront while social distancing. "The classes mean so

much to the residents during what would otherwise be a very lonely time," said Andrew Gosselin, a Harbor Point resident and fitness in-



Dorchester visited the original Field of Dreams in Dyersville, Iowa last week. The Dorchester native donned his old Cedar Grove Baseball jersey, emblazoned with the Eire Pub logo on the back, for the visit, which included a game of catch The field was immortalized in the 1989 film "Field of Dreams," which featured actors Kevin **Costner and James Earl** Photo courtes

Melissa Graham

## Clark tapped to lead state panel on Status of Women

Denella Clark, a Hyde especially women of has helped the school Park resident and president of Boston Arts Acadhas been elected as chair of the Massachusetts the wage gap between Commission on the Status of Women, an independent state agency. more working mothers to Clark was first appointed to the Commission in 2015 and reappointed in 2018 by Gov. Charlie Baker. She was elected to chair by her fellow commissioners. Her past roles include serving as vice-chair and treasurer.

"As the first Black woman to chair the Commission, one of my for BAA, the city's only goals is to amplify legislation that will directly benefit and improve arts. Clark's steward-

Toni and Adolphous Bull-

ock owned the Bullock Fu-

neral Homes in Boston for

40 years after opening their

business in 1958 in the grand

house at 389 Washington St.,

Dorchester, which had been

built in the early years of the

Adolphous was the grand-

son of a Virginia slave and

participated in D-Day action

in Normandy in World War II.

He and his wife, Toni, ran the

business, although it appears

that Toni was the driving

force behind the partnership.

Negro Women's Army Corps

as a radio operator stationed

20th century.

sachusetts women from workplace, decreasing women and their male colleagues, and enabling run for public office – I will help the Commission push for positive change on these issues, among many others."

As president of BAA Foundation, her vision and leadership have created significantly greater visibility and financial sustainability public high school for the visual and performing

color. Defending Mas- provide a world-class, arts-intensive education emy (BAA) Foundation, sexual harassment in the to a diverse student body where most students come from low-income families. For six consecutive years, 97 percent of BAA graduating seniors have been accepted to college. "Denella's election as

the first woman of color to chair the Commission is an important milestone, and we look forward to her continued work to promote equity for women and people of color across the Commonwealth," said Gov.

Denella is a leader that centers the voices the lives of all women, ship of the Foundation of those who don't often



Denella Clark Positive change her goal

see themselves or their stories represented, who pushes our institutions to serve our communities equitably, and who knows what is at stake when they do not. I look forward to continuing to work with her and the Commission to elevate the voices, experiences, needs, and leadership of women and girls in City Hall and our State

#### Fifteen graduate from Pipefitters program A number of neighbor- us Pierre-Mike and Lar-

hood people were among the 15 who graduated from the Pipefitters Local 537's Apprenticeship Program last week. The ocal's five-year curriculum trains apprentices to master everything from basic approaches to the latest cutting-edge tools and technology. As a result, Local 537 pipefitters, welders, and HVAC technicians are consistently ranked among the top piping professionals in the world. The graduates included Dorchester residents Nathaniel Awan, Ezra Smith, Christian Callahan, Sylvan Cedeno, Hayward Myers, and Clifford Tyler, along with Demetri- program."

elle Pratt of Mattapan. "As our communities re-open from COVID-19. we're proud of all these graduates who will help make sure our economy can safely get back on track," said Tom Kerr, Business Manager and Financial Secretary-Treasurer of Local 537. "These young men and women are now well-equipped for the next stage of their career, where they'll be able to earn sustainable wages and great benefits. We're immensely proud of them and the skill, craftsmanship, and character they've shown throughout the

#### YESTERYEAR ARCHIVE

**DORCHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY** Remembering Toni and Adolphous Bullock

Toni was born Lessie Maye Harris in Rich Square, North in Des Moines. She became Carolina. She studied at an undertaker at age 23 and North Carolina State College was the only black woman in for two years until the start the New England Institute of of World War II, when she Embalming and Anatomy's joined the army to serve in the class of 1946.

Right after war, she and Adolphous married and



settled in Boston. In its obituary of her in 2011, The Boston *Globe* included the following: "When Mrs. Bullock spotted the mansion she wanted for her business, she knocked on the door of the Fottler House and offered to buy the Geor-

was built in the 1890s [Edi- at the mansion, where staff tor's note: the first appearance of the house on a map was played on the grand is in the 1904 Bromley atlas for one of Dorchester's most and a single strand of pearls. prominent businessmen.

Her business plan faced opposition in what was at blue Mercedes and handed the time a predominantly affluent white neighborhood, the Globe reported, noting endured her interrogation that she sought help from the-then young US senator John F. Kennedy, and won a peaceful coexistence with her neighbors, she said.

The Bullocks carved out a multicultural niche for its family clients, who included gypsies, Haitians, and Jamaicans, all of whom brought their own customs to funeral and memorial services.

Added the newspaper: "Mrs. Bullock is remembered

gian revival structure, which for hosting stylish parties would serve tea while music piano. She always wore heels At the height of her success in the 1970s, she drove a out money to neighborhood youngsters after they about their schoolwork and plans for the future, according to her family. She and her husband sent their daughter to private school and then to

Adolphous survived his wife by three years; he died in 2014.

The archive of these historical posts can be viewed on the blog at dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org.



Instant Issue ATM/VISA® check card

with access to Allpoint® network

Online Banking, Bill Pay

and e-Statements

**OPEN ANY NEW CHECKING ACCOUNT AND YOU'LL RECEIVE FREE:** 



Mobile Banking, People Pay

• Plus, get your **FREE GIFT** when you

open any new checking account!

and Check Deposit

\$50 minimum deposit required to open any checking account. Other fees may apply, see schedule of fees for details Free gift is awarded when account is opened. Please note, in the event the value of the free gift exceeds \$10. the bank is required to report the gift value on form 1099-INT. The recipient is responsible for all applicable taxes. Bank rules and



THE REPORTER

#### Survey: What's the best name for Neponset parish

There's an election of sorts under way in Neponset this month and the outcome could have long-term implications for the identity of that part of Dorchester.

On July 1, the longtime Catholic parishes of St. Brendan and St. Ann were officially merged by order of Cardinal Sean O'Malley. The two parishes have been affiliated as sister parishes over recent years, but this canonical combination brings their union to a new level. The individual church buildings will continue to stay open and keep their original names, but only for the worship space. By church rules, the "new" parish requires a new name. And it will not be "St. Ann-St. Brendan" or "St. Brendan-St. Ann."

Says Rev. Brian Clary, the pastor of the merged parish: "A new parish needs a new name, not a hyphen."

Last month, Clary invited parishioners to submit their nominations for a new name. People responded with dozens of suggestions. This week, he circulated the options, with accompanying narratives making the case for each one, a requisite for those that will be seriously considered.

Parishioners have been invited to go online and rank their top three choices by July 31. Cardinal O'Malley will get the final call based on the three finalists chosen from the parishioners' nominees, according to Clary.

Here's a quick look at some of the nominees and brief extract from each narrative:

- St. John Paul II Parish— According to Clary, dozens of people submitted this name, noting that the Catholic school, housed in what was once St. Ann Grammar School, already bears the name, as does the 72-acre state park that is Neponset's big-
- St. Martin de Porres Parish Supporters of this name note that it would—in part—recall the late Martin Richard, a parishioner who was killed in the 2013 Marathon bombing and who posthumously became a symbol for peace, healing, and community service. The actual saint in question would be Martin de Porres Velázquez, a Peruvian lay brother of the Dominican Order who became the first Black saint of the Americas when he was canonized in 1962. He is the patron saint of mixed-race people, barbers, innkeepers, public health workers, and all those seeking racial harmony.
- St. Michael the Archangel Parish— A reference to the patron saint of police, there is no church in the area that presently carries the name. "We need the protection he provides against the evil spirits that prowl around the world seeking the ruin of souls," wrote one supporter.
- St. Florian Parish— "Patron of Firefighters. No parish bears his name. Given the majority of first responders on the combined parish, it's a perfect choice," wrote one supporter.
- Saints Florian and Michael Parish. "Over the years, both parishes have had, and continue to have as members, a great many first responders, military personnel, and their families. These parishioners, who serve their community and country so courageously, are good and helpful neighbors and great assets to the parish," wrote one supporter of
- Corpus Christi Parish— Translated as "the Body of Christ," this name would differentiate the new parish from others in Dorchester, in one person's view, since "all are named after saints." (In fact, the former St. Paul's Church on Hartford Street in Dorchester is now named Holy Family Parish.)
- St. Josephine Bakhita Parish. "For our moment, where so many are finally taking a stand against racism, and in a diverse Dorchester so much changed demographically from when St. Ann-St Brendan were founded, what better way to show the Church's fundamental teaching on the dignity of all people, than honoring a Black saint and former slave?" argues one supporter.
- Our Lady of Knock Parish One supporter writes: "This name would not only honor an important Marian shrine but would also reflect the deep Irish identity of many of the parishioners of both parishes - an identity which first led to the naming of St Brendan's."

Other names offered for consideration include: Come To Me All That Are Burdened Parish; Mary, Queen of All Saints Parish; Communion of Saints Parish; Faith and Hope Parish.

As Fr. Clary advised in his invitation to join the ranked voting effort: "Sometimes everyone's 'second' choice is the most popular. We will compile the names, list our top three, let you know, and send them into the Archdiocese.'

We'll let you know which names bubble up to the -Bill Forry top next month.

#### Commentary

## Balancing reform and good policing: A Boston police officer's perspective

**July 23, 2020** 

By Eddy Chrispin SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

Since George Floyd's murder at the hands of police officers, we have seen a public outcry for change in policing that has evolved into an international discourse on systemic racism and resulted in the world scrutinizing American society and culture.



**Eddy Chrispin** 

In the midst of all these conversations, I have seen extremes at both ends of the spectrum – those calling for the abolishment of the police and those who see the police as always competent and justified in all their actions. The predominant view, as of late, has been advocacy for defunding the police. People clearly know

or at least they should know— that the call to abolish the police is absurd and irresponsible. If they were to listen to a police scanner and experience the volume, variety, and seriousness of the calls received, they would quickly realize that the police are a necessary part of the

social contract. As for those who think that the police can do no wrong, the video of George Floyd taking his last breath while under the knees of a police officer and countless other police incidents speak for themselves.

With respect to defunding the police, this also falls short of its desired goals, whatever they may be. We are part of a society where the burden of almost every single social problem falls on the police. Officers are dispatched to a wide variety of calls such as: misbehaving child(ren), gang violence, emotionally disturbed persons, missing persons, domestic violence, loud music, fireworks, homelessness, drug addiction, and a host of other issues.

There is no other agency, public or private, that deals with all of these problems 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. So, in thinking of defunding the police, we must be careful lest we minimize services to those communities most in need of it.

Can we truly address these issues and rid policing of racist stereotypes associated with Black/Brown people if we have not meaningfully engaged society at large? As a Black man, I can tell you about my many experiences with discrimination, ranging from being followed in a department store to being stopped by the police simply "because," notwithstanding my educational achievements, financial status, or profession.

Ask any person of color and you will find our stories similar. The common theme is that we are judged by the color of our skin, which generally does not bode well for us. Race is often the determinant of how one is treated in this country, and to that end, we must address this as a country. I venture to say that unless and until we are able to deal effectively with the topic of race, we will continue to have these problems in policing because police officers are recruited from the human pool that is America. Police departments are microcosms of society and

State Senate Bill S.2800 — which passed last week by a 30-7 vote — proposes to make several changes in policing that would hopefully minimize and/or negate the instances of negative and violent interactions between police officers and Black/Brown people. It would create a standardized curriculum for police officers and a licensing board to hear cases where officers have been accused of misconduct. Additionally, it would bar choke-holds except in the rare instances where there are no other available means and create a duty to intervene when officers observe another officer engaged in misconduct.

My fellow members of the Massachusetts Association of Minority Law Enforcement Officers (MAMLEO) and I take issue with the limitation of qualified immunity and due process rights in the Senate bill. Historically, officers have been afforded the right of qualified immunity when they acted reasonably in the performance of their duties. The landmark Supreme Court case Harlow v. Fitzgerald (1982) ruled that qualified immunity is a necessary compromise between the need to provide remedies to individuals whose constitutional rights have been violated and the necessity of protecting public officials from "[i]nsubstantial lawsuits" which may deter them [police officers] from carrying out their official responsibilities."

MAMLEO stands firmly with the idea that those who behave in a criminal manner in their interaction with the public should not be given the title or honor of wearing the badge, and that, in some instances, they should be prosecuted for their actions. By the same token, we know all too well the role that our members and others in the profession play in securing the safety and security of members of society.

We can ill afford legislation that limits our ability to catch those who would do harm to our loved ones, friends, and neighbors. The Legislature must think hard and long lest it hurt the very same communities that this bill is designed to help.

In the instance of due process, the Senate legislation would limit officers to a hearing before the commission formed by the bill to determine if their license will be revoked and one additional appeal hearing before the Civil Service Commission. From the perspective of MAMLEO and its members, there is no need to limit an officer's right to appeal to a court where those individuals deemed most capable of setting aside their biases can listen to the facts and circumstances and make a fair and reasoned decision. We should trust in the judicial process and allow officers to appeal revocation of their license and let judges review the decisions of the board and the Civil Service Commission.

The questions of a limitation on qualified immunity and due process rights mentioned in parts of the bill concern me. As the president of an organization that understands the need for reform in policing and the issue of systemic racism, we stand aligned with those who want change. But we say that this legislation cannot, and should not, be a rushed product.

Given the opportunity it offers to effect real change there is no reasonable explanation as to why the Senate bill has not been the subject of any public hearings. Nor did the Senate take time to gain insight into how this bill would affect members of the same group that they aim to protect and serve (Black and Brown people), unless we (Black and Brown officers) do not count when in uniform. Our battles against systemic racism on behalf of officers of color throughout the state are well documented and have been the subject of numerous media stories and legal battles.

The failure by most members of the Legislature to engage in meaningful research by way of public hearings and consultation was a lost opportunity. Conversations with members of the community and officers of color would have substantially improved

The need to have good police officers in our neighborhoods and hold them accountable for their behavior while allowing them to do their jobs in a respectful, community-oriented manner is not a contradiction. The deterioration of qualified immunity will limit and deter officers from police work intended to minimize fear and increase safety in our communities. There are those who want you to believe that there are no genuine bonds between our officers and the community. But I can assure you that most people welcome the presence of police officers to protect their families from community violence.

Police reform is at the forefront of the conversation on systemic racism because of a clearly abhorrent and disgusting police action in Minneapolis. I am wary of the hyper-focus on police because of the potential for people to lose sight of real systemic change. That change must happen, but we cannot allow it to happen without tackling major issues like education, employment, economic opportunity, and political empowerment.

True change against systemic racism may start with the police, but it cannot be the end point.

Eddy Chrispin, a Mattapan native who lives in Hyde Park, is the president of the Massachusetts Association of Minority Law Enforcement Officers (MAMLEO). He is a sergeant in the Boston Police Department.

#### The Reporter

"The News & Values Around the Neighborhood" A publication of Boston Neighborhood News Inc.

150 Mt. Vernon St., Dorchester, MA 02125 Worldwide at dotnews.com Mary Casey Forry, Publisher (1983-2004) William P. Forry, Publisher/Editor
Edward W. Forry, Associate Publisher
Thomas F. Mulvoy, Jr., Associate Editor
Barbara Langis, Production Manager
Jack Conboy, Advertising Manager Maureen Forry-Sorrell, Advertising Sales News Room Phone: 617-436-1222, ext. 17
Advertising: 617-436-1222 x14 E-mail: newseditor@dotnew.
The Reporter is not liable for errors appearing in

advertisements beyond the cost of the space occupied by the error. The right is reserved by The *Reporter* to edit, reject, or cut any copy without notice Member: Dorchester Board of Trade, Mattapan Board of Trade Next Issue: Thursday, July 30, 2020

Next week's Deadline: Monday, July 27 at 4 p.m. Published weekly on Thursday mornings All contents © Copyright 2020 Boston Neighborhood News, Inc.

#### July 23, 2020 THE REPORTER dotnews.com We should try again to sync state and municipal balloting

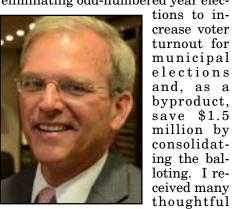
#### By BILL WALCZAK REPORTER CONTRIBUTOR

In last week's Reporter, I proposed eliminating odd-numbered year elec-

tions to in-

thoughtful

responses.



Bill Walczak

I thought it was an original idea until former Boston City Councillor (1972-81) and mayoral candidate Larry DiCara informed me that the proposal had been advanced once before— four

In 1976, the City Council and Mayor Kevin White petitioned the Legislature to approve a charter reform pack- (something that has been advanced by age that would have changed Boston's

elections to even-numbered years. In Massachusetts, such requests are called "home rule petitions."

The Council, which had only nine atlarge members at the time, approved the amendment to the charter by a 5-4 vote. It was signed by White, and sent to the Legislature for consideration.

DiCara explained that the package, which was revised in 1977, included the following:

Changing the City Council term from 2 years to 4 years;

Eliminating the elected School Committee in favor of one appointed by the mayor;

Changing municipal elections to even-numbered years;

Making city elections partisan (i.e., primaries to choose Republican and Democratic candidates who face each other in the final election). We currently have preliminary elections, which result in the two top candidates facing each other in the final election.

The "reform" package offered certain advantages to those who voted for it. A four-year-term for councillors the council on several occasions since

money. In 1977, going to a partisan run-off system was seen as an effort by White to be "mayor for life," as getting the Democratic nomination for mayor could offer a sure path to victory in a

Turning the schools over to the mayor —something that was eventually adopted in 1991—may have been a way to stanch the racial turmoil of the desegregation/busing era.

The home rule petition, however, was "dead on arrival" on Beacon Hill, according to DiCara. For one thing, some Boston legislators had an interest in running for city office. Keeping the municipal elections to odd years city council, or school committee without giving up their state seat. Ray Flynn followed this path when he ran for a citywide seat on the City Council as a sitting state representative, positioning himself for his successful run for mayor in 1983.

1976, including in 2019) means fewer tion of about 500,000, of which about elections and less pressure to raise 400,000 are registered. When only 50,000 people vote, it is a skewed ballot with a large part of the voter base being city workers and their families and retired city workers, who in a city with fewer than 10 percent may have particular interests in how of voters registered as Republicans the city is governed. That situation could, potentially, be at variance with the interests of the general Boston population.

We know that changing municipal elections to even-numbered years will result in a doubling of voters seeing a municipal ballot and save upwards of \$1.5 million in the years in which no election is needed.

Improving democracy and saving money via changing the city's election to even-numbered years is good for Boston. It's time to offer a new meant that they could run for mayor, home rule petition to have Boston's municipal elections timed with state elections.

Bill Walczak's column appears weekly in the Reporter. Walczak is a Dorchester resident, former mayoral  $candidate\, and\, former\, CEO/president$ of Codman Square Health Center.

## Let's ease the 'buffer-zone' burden on pot businesses in communities of color



**Linda Champion** 

#### By Linda Champion SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

Creating drug-free school buffer-zones sounds like a good idea. However, the consequences and disparate impacts of these zones - with the high-stakes mandatory minimum sentences that accompany them – have led to the mass incarceration of thousands of Black and Brown residents.

Now this same failed policy is being used to prevent communities of color from opening cannabis retail shops in their own neighborhoods - denying the economic opportunities marijuana legalization was designed to create.

As a former Suffolk County prosecutor, I can speak first-hand to the impacts school zones have had on our families. The perverse justification of "think of our (white) kids," provided cover for law enforcement to heavily punish and incarcerate predominantly Black and Brown kids who lived and were caught within these "sentencing enhancement zones."

In densely populated urban areas, smoking a joint on your "schoolzoned" stoop led to pos-

session, arrest, convic- buffer zones—zones that tion, and mandatoryminimum sentences. Smoking a joint on your front porch of leafy, more spread-out suburbs was just "kids being kids."

rate impact. While Boston's school zones have been largely reformed and eliminated, "sensitive use" buffers continue to materially block Black and Brown people from opportunities to create generational wealth in Boston's new cannabis industry. From the failed 'War on Drugs' and the resulting prisons filled with our youth, we have seen the profoundly disparate human and

societal toll of school

Member FDIC. Member DIF.

Same behavior; dispa-

our communities of color overwhelmingly fall Speaking at the sign-

ing of Boston's new cannabis ordinance, City Council President Kim Janey said, "We have to do everything that we can to dismantle this pipeline to prison that continues to criminalize Black and Brown people." Amen.

Today, Boston prohibits even the submission of an adult-use application located within 500 feet of a public or private school serving grades K-12 under the pretense that the prohibition is a requirement of state law. This is false. Boston does have a choice

and the City Council has an obligation to support communities of color by creating buffers that work for *all* residents.

State law allows Boston to reduce buffers by ordinance or by-law. The state's Cannabis Control Commission has  $itself acknowledged\,that$ overly-strict zoning rules and large buffer zones sharply limit the number of parcels available to potential operators, favoring large corporations with substantial financial resources while disproportionately harming

smaller local companies. School buffer zones will reduce viable adultuse sites and significantly raise costs (and Matter movement has the stakes) for Black and

Brown entrepreneurs. swelled to become the Today, liquor stores are single largest, organized often located in "school protest in modern histozones." Why should canry. While protests can inspire, our policy choices nabis be treated any make them meaningful. differently? Communities like

color and recognize that

we, as people of color,

are able to advocate and

As a Black woman, l

have been proud to stand

with so many of our resi-

choose for ourselves.

Thanks to Mayor Cambridge and Somer-Walsh and Councilor ville have already suc-Janey, we can celebrate the symbolism of the cancessfully reduced school buffers to 300 feet, recnabis ordinance's pasognizing the restorative sage. However, without justice intended by canfurther urgent action by the City Council, this ornabis legalization and dinance will be a symbol how these overly restricof an unfulfilled promise, tive buffers run counrather than a symbol of ter to those goals. The Boston City Council also true restorative justice. Linda Champion is a has a choice: to choose to

respect the self-determi-Black Korean-American nation of communities of attorney and former Suffolk County prosecutor. She serves as an advisor to the president of Whittier Street Health Center, Board Vice-Chair to CUE Realty, a wholly owned subsidiary of Urban shoulder-to-shoulder Edge and an advisor to dents as the Black Lives Boston Showstoppers.

888.828.1690

www.ibankcanton.com



## A beer garden, tables in the driveway at Ashmont Grill

THE REPORTER



(Continued from page 1)

**July 23, 2020** 

portunities at a time when open air tables are in high demand.

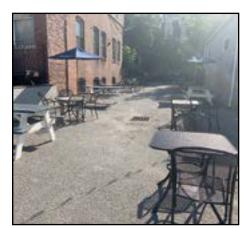
Assistant general manager Mike Lawlor said the grill was "very busy" during its first weekend back open. "People have long ties to this place. We've been kind of a go-to spot in this community for 15 years," he said. "We're happy to see all the local people in the neighborhood again. It's good to see everyone's familiar faces."

Lawlor said that as is the case with other establishments, the restaurant spent considerable time bringing the space up to speed with COVID-19 safety guidelines: spacing out tables, implementing contact tracing measures, taking staff members' temperature at the start of each shift, and posting various signage related to hand-washing and mask-wearing.

In terms of cosmetic changes, Ashmont Grill's new beer garden— a fenced-off space with umbrellas, picnic tables, and Adirondack chairs facing the square— is an addition made for imbibing and grazing through a new collaboration with Dorchester Brewing Co., whose local beers will be available on draft and in cans. Beer garden patrons can also order wine and snacks like chips and pretzels, but not food

The space had been the site of a loitering issue in recent weeks, according to general manager Tara O'Riordan, which brought about an additional obstacle to reopening. But the situation was resolved relatively quickly through a licensing process with the city that made the area available to the restaurant, said Lawlor. "We put in an application for the space and got it overnight," he explained.

The temporary licenses for the beer garden and the side patio, where full food and drink options are available, will keep the outdoor spaces open



Above: Ashmont Grill's converted driveway space adds 18 outdoor tables, with tents to be installed soon to protect from the elements. At left, locally caught steamers and DBCo. beer feature on a reworked "seafood heavy" menu. Daniel Sheehan photos

through October, added Lawlor.

Ashmont Grill's current menu is "seafood heavy" and includes a raw bar with oysters every night (instead of once a week as before), locally caught steamers, lobster rolls, lobster boil dinners, fish entrees, and crab bruschetta. along with standard offerings of salads, pastas, and burgers.

Chef Joe Caruso, previously at Tavolo, is now helming the kitchen at Ashmont Grill.

For the time being, the restaurant will operate with limited hours of 5-10 p.m. Thursday through Monday with reservations and walk-ins both being accepted.

Customers are required to wear face masks upon arrival, but can remove them once seated. Guests can use QR codes to view menus on their personal devices rather than physical menus.

"It's a little different," admitted Lawlor. "I'll miss chatting with people at the bar, stuff like that. But overall it's great to be back.'

## Kids' artwork lifts spirits at BHA apartment units

July 23, 2020

By Daniel Sheehan ARTS & FEATURES EDITOR

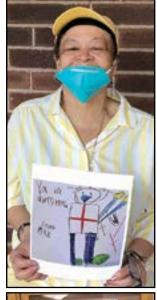
dotnews.com

Earlier this month a project called "Across Generations," made possible through a partnership with the Age Strong Commission, Boston Public Schools, and Councillor Andrea Campbell's office, saw hundreds of pieces of artwork by Boston Public School students delivered to three senior living buildings in Boston, including the Lower Mills and Codman apartments in Dorchester.

The idea for the collaboration came about in March when Lower Mills resident David Mareira expressed concern about the effect that social isolation, deepened by CO-VID-19, was having on older adults. The result: An intergenerational art project that provided seniors with artwork drawn by BPS students from the Tobin, Curley, Edison, and Trotter schools, among others.

Prints of the artwork included messages such as "You aren't alone, I am here with you," surrounded by rainbows and hearts, "Save me some,"  $drawn\,on\,a\,bottle\,of\,hand$ sanitizer, and "We love you, just hold on a little bit longer and COVID-19 will be over."

Sandra Harris, president of AARP Massachu-





setts, and member of the Age-Friendly Boston advisory committee for the Age Strong Commission, facilitated coordination  $with {\it Tony}\, Beatrice\, of \, the$ Boston Public Schools and Councillor Campbell's office. Even before the pandemic, Harris's focus has been on reduc-





Clockwise from lower left: Chris Lezama, manager of Lower Mills BHA housing; Patsy Maloney; Kathy Ford; Claudia Hypolite; Lenny Durham.

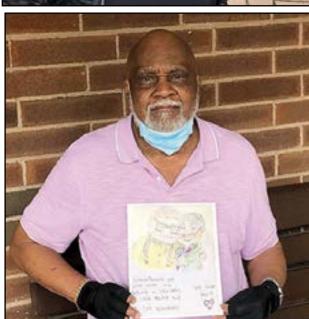
ing social isolation by Bill, why I was calling strengthening intergenerational relationships.

In anticipation of having the artwork printed, she began to call printers in the city. "The first company I called was Boston Business Print- will get it done." ing, which was one of

and asked for printing, he paused and then said. You know what, Sandra, I will donate it to you. We are in this together. When you are ready, send the CD to me and I

In total, around 400 the only companies open. seniors received prints When I told the owner, of student artwork.





"I'm proud of this creative project and great Emily Shea. "It bridges generations through

art and echoes Mayor Walsh's deep commitpartnership," said Age ment to reduce social Strong Commissioner isolation among older

## The Team at Mattapan Community Health Center is committed

to keeping our patients, community and staff safe and healthy during these most challenging times.

#### We Care for the Whole You

Primary Care - Telehealth Visits Behavioral Health – Telehealth Visits Dental – Emergency Visits

Please call 617-296-0061 before coming to the health center or if you have any questions.

We remain open with reduced hours:

Monday- Thursday 9:00am - 6:00pm Friday 8:30am - 5:00pm

Saturday Closed

It is during these challenging times that we come together.



# What You Should **Know about** Marijuana Edibles

## **Start Low and Go Slow**

- Cannabis is legal in Massachusetts for adults 21 and older, and marijuana products are available in a wide variety of forms, like edibles.
- People consuming edibles typically don't feel the effect right away. It can take up to several hours before it kicks in—avoid consuming more edibles too soon.
- Keep children safe! Lock up edibles and other marijuana products and store them out of reach of children and pets.













**July 23, 2020** 

(Continued from page 1)

has evolved since first diving into the Boston rap scene.

For Shaydez, it feels like she's just now coming into her own.

"People kept telling me that other people gravitate towards me, they listen to me when I speak, and it was something that I don't think I was aware of at the time because I was really shy as a person," she said in an interview with the Reporter. "I think I was hiding my light for a long time, but I've grown so much from that project...I feel like this time around for the second installment, "Feel the Aura," it's like, 'Hey, I'm here. I've arrived.' I feel like I have my mojo now."

The forthcoming album, over a year in the works, has seen its rollout altered by the COVID-19 pandemic. Shaydez initially had plans for a film that would act as a visual companion to the project, but that was scrapped as the virus began to shut down the city in late March.

Instead, surviving footage from pretaking shape in the studio became a focal point of the rollout process.

The phone-recorded video clips dubbed "The Aura Sessions"— show Shaydez and her co-collaborators in a studio space bathed in red light, penning rhymes and laying down verses.

The collaborative, in-person nature of this recording process was meant to create a literal manifestation of Shaydez's aura, by which she and her fellow Boston MCs can "craft the song together in the same space under red light so that we both feel the aura and come up with the song and it's organic."

The heavily populated track-list of the final product demonstrates just how much Shaydez and the Boston music community have embraced one another in recent years.

On "Elevation (Bigger Purpose)," Shavdez builds a back-and-forth rapport with veteran rapper Bakari J.B., the two matching one another bar for bar with tightly interwoven wordplay. Taking the role of a tough-talking "Beantown bully," Shaydez impresses with a busy yet nimble flow: "Rose grew out the concrete/from a little bitty cash flow with my palm deep/ when it's feeling itchy, stay low out the hard streets/so nobody kill me build more to achieve more, bring the city with me."

For "We Got It On," Shaydez enlists the help of CakeSwagg and OFDer Brandie Blaze in a showcase of Boston's deep pool of female talent. Roxbury wordsmith Oompa and vocalist Eva Davenport also feature on the project, which marks a departure from Shaydez's largely solo earlier works.

While this sense of community permeates the album, including skits in which friends and family leave her heartfelt voicemails, Shaydez is nevertheless adamant about forging COVID times documenting the album a path for herself and doing things her own way.

On "The Recipe," she scoffs at those ofher peers who "buy" social media followers or plays on streaming services in an attempt to manufacture clout.

"My whole brand is to show that you can literally build something from the ground up and have an impact in the world and in your city without having to forge any numbers and stuff," she explained.

"I was actually proud that I don't have the most listens in the city or in the world, but I have more impact than some people who have more followers than me. I'm fulfilled with that., "she said. "A lot of people do music for different reasons; mine was to touch people's lives in whatever way."

For proof of Shaydez's local influence, one need not look further than

Codman Square Health Center

SAFE & OPEN

YOUR HEALTH & SAFETY

IS OUR TOP PRIORITY

CODMAN SQUARE HEALTH CENTER

IS HAPPY TO BE OPEN

FOR ROUTINE MEDICAL CARE.

We are keeping patients and staff

safe by offering curbside check-in,

limiting capacity, and frequent cleanings.

CALL **617-825-9660** 

TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

CODMAN SQUARE HEALTH CENTER

637 WASHINGTON ST., DORCHESTER, MA 02124

(617) 825-9660 | CODMAN.ORG



"When it finally hit her:" Shaydez posed in front of a billboard in the Seaport advertising her new album, which drops this weekend.

the crowds that show up for her live performances, such as last year's Boston Answering set at the Strand Theatre. The tangible matters more to her than the virtual, and that sentiment is clear in bonus track "Pop Out," in which Shaydez challenges critics who may doubt whether fans will show out for her. "Bet they won't,"

While the songs on "Feel the Aura" were all written months ago, two in particular feel relevant to the turbulent times we are experiencing. The first, "Steppin' Out," is about battling psychological demons and mustering the courage to leave the house after weeks of self-isolation.

year ago, and it was when I was feel- sages are at the heart of her mission ly dark. There was a period six as an artist. months ago where I wasn't leaving the house...I was just falling deeper and on Earth is to uplift people, motivate deeper into a hole and then one day, them, help them find their niche. it was one sunny Saturday and I was That's why I have aspirations of being laying on the couch and I finally came a life coach or a coach in general. I just out of that dark cloud I was under. I

decided 'I'm gonna go outside.''
Now, as neighborhoods begin to reopen and Bostonians warily venture out of quarantine, the track resonates. "It's so timely, it's fitting," observed

Shaydez. On the album's finale, 'Buy All the Land Up," a sample from the Black Panther film soundtrack provides the backdrop as a militant Shavdez urges

have been promised to them. "We gon' buy all the land up, tear because they tell us so."

The pertinent lyrics reflect ongoing nationwide protests and calls for widereaching social reform in the wake of several high-profile police shootings, but as Shaydez noted, the subject matter represents a time-weary struggle rather than a moment of clairvoyance.

"Being an actual Black woman, that never ends to me," she said of the fight for social justice. "So contrary to some people's belief, these issues didn't just start in May, it didn't start with George Floyd. We were feeling like this since the beginning of time.'

"Feel the Aura" is rife with calls to action, motivational anecdotes, and morsels of advice aimed at having some transformative effect on the "Steppin' Out" was written half a listener. Shaydez said those mes-

> "I truly feel that my calling here want to help people, and that's where I get most of my self-fulfillment."

Last month, Red Shaydez's image graced a billboard in the Seaport in an ad teasing the release of her album, which will follow a virtual event held this Saturday night. Seeing her face posted above the city, Shaydez said she felt overwhelmed

"I think that's when it finally hit me. My life started flashing before my the Black community to engage po- eyes in terms of my musical journey litically, demand change, and reclaim and how far I've come...I'm definitely rights and property that for so long proud and happy and excited."

Feel the Aura will become available on streaming sites on July 27. A all the walls down, hit up the Con- virtual album release party will take gress," she declares while advocating place on Sat., July 26, from 5 p.m. to for activism and healthy skepticism: 9 p.m. and will be livestreamed on "Don't believe the work is getting done Red Shaydez's social media accounts.

#### Mayor pushes back gainst Wu critique of Resiliency Fund By Katie Trojano

REPORTER STAFF In a lengthy press conference last Thursday, Mayor Walsh urged that all Bostonians be tested for COVID-19 and said his priority moving through Phase 3 of the reopening process is to "contain the virus and prevent another surge."

He also used the occasion to offer a strong rebuttal to City Councillor Michelle Wu's negative critique of the city-led Resiliency Fund aimed at helping small businesses and non-profit organizations.

With the mayor noting that testing is available citywide in more than 20 locations and mobile sites, Marty Martinez, chief of Health and Human Services, added that any individuals who have exposed themselves to larger groups of people, or aren't wearing masks often enough in public, should be tested regularly.

"To contain COVID, we have to make sure that people know their status," he said.

Walsh's remarks on the Resiliency Fund were spurred by an early July Boston Globe OpEd article by Wu where tions led by people of she took issue with the color." fund and the mayor's



**Mayor Marty Walsh** 

WGBH radio interview last week.

Wu is increasingly viewed as a likely candidate for mayor next year, although she has not made any definitive statement to date.

Wu by name, referencing only a female councillor. "We've disbursed \$1.2

million in grants from the Resiliency Fund this week, to benefit youth programs, seniors, food distribution efforts, and more," he said. "Since the fund's inception, we've raised over \$33 million through private donors, and to date have used \$24 million – 53 percent of those grants have gone to organiza-

"I usually don't re-



July 23, 2020

Councillor Michelle Wu WBUR photo

she again laid out in a said, "but if the city councillor took time out of her schedule to go on a call with us she would understand what the Resiliency Fund has done. We've been able

to put food on peoples' tables, expand testing to The mayor did not cite community health centers, expand Telehealth medicine and more."

Added Walsh: "So when I hear people talk about how it's not effective, they should take a little bit of their time to learn about why the fund was set up and maybe help us get some money for the fund rather than play Monday morning quarterback on a radio show when they have no idea what they're talking about when it comes to Resiliency Funds."

The mayor said the city will invest \$400,000 handling of such philan-thropic efforts, criticism on the radio," Walsh Boston Resiliency Fund

into a community-spe- ties. cific plan to address inequities the pandemic numbers represent. The funds will be admin-Boston Latino Network, East Boston Health Cen-

the outreach we are doing to provide testing and other support in Latinx communities by reaching families and individuals through grassroots organizations," said Walsh.

Health Center.

The city's Health and Inequities task force has also provided guidance to the Walsh administration on expanding testing in Black and immigrant communities, enhancing language access, and placing mobile testing sites in public housing developments and in senior communi-

Rev. Sam Acevedo, a member of the task force, said that the pandemic has "only proven to inistered to the Greater crease disparities." He said the funding would allow community groups ter, and Whittier Street to enhance testing and support for the Latinx "This will expand on population, and also create bilingual campaigns.

> At the press conference, Police Commissioner William Gross said that he was frustrated by continuing violence in Boston, referencing another shooting the previous Tuesday night in which Tanjim Siam, a 21-year-old convenience store clerk, was shot during a robbery on Shawmut Avenue.

"You can see my frustration. A young man from Bangladesh comes here to Boston to seek a better quality of life, and then a coward, trust me a

coward, shoots him during a robbery," he said.

"We know that the mentality in the street is that you can do what you want because the courts are closed and there's no grand juries. But repeat violent offenders should be held accountable because our neighbors deserve it."

"Our communities are not desensitized to violence, they do care. Let's continue to stick together and work to send a message to the repeat public offenders that they will be held accountable," said Gross.

"I only hope that the judicial process is listening. We should not be bailing people out and putting them on electric bracelets when they get arrested with firearms. It's just sending the wrong message."



Sweet Life Bakery & Cafe 2243 Dorchester Ave.

We are now open for take - out Menu available on-line www.sweetlifelowermills.com 617.696.6510

# Making cannabis products at home?

#### Be Safe and Know the Laws

- Adults 21+ can make marijuana products and grow up to six plants (12 for 2+ adults) in their home.
- It's illegal to use any gas or liquid (like propane and butane), other than alcohol, that has a flashpoint below 100°F when producing cannabis concentrates.
- These flammable materials can release vapors that may trigger explosions and fires in your home.
- High powered lamps, temperature controls, and significant ventilation may be needed when growing cannabis plants at home to reduce the risk of fire.
- Remember to follow all fire codes and safety practices to keep you and your neighbors safe









## Labor leaders organize a 'fast' for undocumented license bill

By Chris Lisinski STATE HOUSE

News Service Returning to a strategy that preceded the bill's progress through a committee, organized labor leaders plan to fast for a day to press lawmakers into supporting legislation that would make standard driver's licenses available to undocumented immigrants in Massachusetts.

mitment to a one-day mate. fast and highlight the stories of "Black and Brown immigrants who face detention, family separation, and deportation for driving without a license.'

THE REPORTER

the region's largest labor 185,000 undocumented dents and law enforcegroups were to rally out- immigrants in Mas- ment," Roxana Rivera, side the State House at sachusetts could obtain 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, licenses within three where they planned to years of the bill's enact- represents a largely imannounce their com- ment, supporters esti-

"By denying tens of thousands of undocumented immigrants the ability to get a license, we are increasing the likelihood of coronavirus transmission and wors-Between 41,000 and ening the trust between 3012/S 2061), dubbed Officials from several of 78,000 of the roughly Black and brown resiby supporters as the President Karen Spilka and Thursday.

vice president of the 32BJ SEIU union that migrant workforce, said in a press release. "Never has there been a more important time

why I am committed to participate in this fast." The legislation (H

for this bill to pass than

now," she said. "That is

said the bill should pass Work and Family Mobility Act, received a for public safety reasons. favorable report along "There's like 14 other party lines from the states that have done Transportation Committhis and the sky hasn't fallen," she said. tee in February, several days after supporters launched a hunger strike

to draw attention to the

issue. The committee

version of the bill has sat

untouched for months

and Means Committee.

commission would in-

clude appointees from

the governor and attor-

ney general, with each

getting two selections.

The remaining three

appointments would be

made jointly, but must

include the chair of the

Massachusetts Law En-

forcement Policy Group

and at least one other

member selected from

a list of three choices

submitted by the Mas-

sachusetts Coalition of

Police, the state's largest

The bill stipulates that

the racial and gender

makeup of the commis-

structure of the com-

police union.

Organizers are rallying around a driver's license amendment sponsored by Reps. Christine Barber and Tricia Farley-Bouvier before the Senate Ways to a policing reform bill marked for House delib-In September, Senate erations on Wednesday

## House counters Senate with own police reform bill

(Continued from page 1 The bill's release and

the anticipated debate later in the week also comes after a weekend during which the country mourned the loss of civil rights icon John Lewis, the congressman from Georgia who died at 80 after a battle with cancer.

Since the May killing of Floyd in Minneapolis while in police custody, political leaders have been under pressure from demonstrators and others to address systemic racism in both law enforcement, and all aspects of society. The bill would create a new permanent Commission on the Status of African Americans to help policy



sachusetts and said qualified immunity has allowed officers to escape civil

makers develop solutions to discrimination the Black community.

The commission, as

**ROOFING CO., INC. ASPHALT SHINGLES · RUBBER ROOFING** · COPPER WORK · SLATE · GUTTERS CHIMNEYS

**DUFFY** 

**AUTO BODY REPAIRS** 

617-296-0300 duffyroofing.com

(617) 825-1760 (617) 825-2594 FAX (617) 825-7937

Fitzpatrick Brothers CORPORATION

Free Pick-Up & Delivery Service Dorchester, MA 02124



(617) 436-8828 DAYS (617) 282-3469

Steinbach's Service Station Inc.

**COMPLETE AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE** 321 Adams St., Dorchester 02122

**Corner of Gibson Street State Inspection Center** 

Flynn Roofing Co.

ASPHALT SHINGLES | RUBBER ROOFS Commercial | Residential | Licensed | Fully Insured | MA Reg #134410

617-479-3431

FREE ESTIMATES FLYNNROOFING.COM

# Rev. Rahsaan Hall serves as the racial justice program director at ACLU Mas-

Chris Van Buskirk/SHNS photo

conceived in the bill, would be a resource and other issues facing for policy makers and a "clearinghouse" of re-

search and information on issues impacting the Black community in Massachusetts. In addition to making policy recommendations to the Legislature and executive branch to ensure equal access to government services for Black residents and to address discrimination, the commission would also recommend candidates

of color for positions

Licensed

throughout state government, including for appointments to board and commissions.

"Those voices demanded we as a Legislature change how we think about public safety and that we address the causes of systemic racism. With this legislation, we will begin the task of making our public safety more equitable for the entire Commonwealth," said Ways and Means Chairman Aaron Michlewitz in a state-

CO., INC. . Air Conditioning

**DUCTLESS MINI-SPLIT A/C & HEAT PUMP** 

**INSTALLATION. SALES & SERVICE** 

Water Heaters . General Repairs . Gas & Oil Heating Installation & Repairs • Gas Fitting & Appliance Installations • Bath & Kitchen • Remodeling

Senior Discounts

Master Lic. #12430 617-282-4300 1146 Dorchester Avenue

 $_{f Affordable\ Roofing}^{ extstyle{Insurance}}$  Call Now 781-312-5846

Best Prices Around on <u>ALL</u> Types of Roofing

LOTS OF LOCAL REFERENCES!

Residential & Commercial

In Business for Over 24 Years!

CALL FOR FREE ESTIMATE

Windows, Siding and General Maintenance

Slate/Rubber/Asphalt Repairs Starting at \$50

New Roofs Starting at \$3,000

**DRIVEWAYS** 

**MATHIAS ASPHALT PAVING** 

Commercial • Residential • Industrial

Bonded • Fully Insured

Driveways • Parking Lots Roadways • Athletic Courts

Serving the Commonwealth

617-524-4372

The two branches also diverged in their approach to qualified imment Sunday night. munity. Heating
 Fuel Oil

Insured

The police unions are strongly opposed to changing the doctrine, which they say protects officers and their families from frivolous of the Judiciary Comlawsuits. However, re- mittee.

bill unchanged.

The seven-member form advocates, including US Sen. Elizabeth Warren and US Rep. Ayanna Pressley, have strongly called for curtailing or eliminating its use, which critics say has become a barrier to holding police accountable.

The Senate bill would limit the use of qualified immunity by allowing civil lawsuits to proceed if a police officer should have reasonably known their behavior violated the law, instead of requiring clear proof that a law had been broken.

The House bill would also ban the use of facial recognition software or sion should reflect the any other form of biostate's population. The metric surveillance by a government official or mission differs from agency unless specifically authorized by law. the one proposed by the

Senate, which would be a However, it would give the Registry of Motor 14-member commission Vehicles permission to set up within the Executive Office of Public use such technology in Safety and appointed by order to verify someone's the governor, and would identity to issue a license have to be reconciled if or permit, and to perform the House passes this a search at the request of law enforcement with a warrant.

"We owe a duty to the public and to the members of law enforcement to ensure that training is consistent and is available in all areas of the state," said Rep. Claire Cronin. the House chair

### KERRY CONSTRUCTION, INC.

**Carpentry, Roofing, Painting** 



**Gutters, Masonry Decks & Porches Windows & Doors** 

617 825 0592



#### Commentary

## Fidelity Charitable should stop facilitating funding to organizations espousing racism

July 23, 2020

By Janhavi Madabushi, Fatema Ahmad, AND SOPHIA COSTA

George Floyd's casual murder by police has made it clearer than ever: We must end police violence and white supremacy. Black-led uprisings have brought millions into the streets, and even those previously silent on these issues are starting to speak up. Recently, Abigail Johnson, the CEO of Fidelity Investments, wrote a LinkedIn post stating that she is "heartbroken and angry that racial discrimination and inequality continue to plague our society."

And yet, behind the scenes, the Fidelity Charitable branch of her corporation lets money from its Donor-Advised Funds flow to organizations that espouse racist idea and practices.

As representatives of the Muslim Justice League, Asian American Resource Workshop, Community Labor United, and the Boston-based Public Good Coalition, we fight outsized corporate influence in Massachusetts and aim to put working families and communities of color at the center of public decision-making. Last year, we asked Ms. Johnson to ensure that Fidelity Charitable stop allowing millions of dollars to be donated to antiimmigrant, anti-Muslim, anti-LGBTQ+, and other organized bigotry groups. So far, she has refused.

The groups receiving money from Fidelity Charitable DAFs include the American Freedom Law Center, an anti-Muslim litigation hub whose co-founder, David Yerushalmi, has stated, "I don't have a problem saying that Western cultural and civilization is simply supreme." That organization received a total of \$1,301,300 in Fidelity Charitable DAF money in fiscal years 2016 and 2017.

During this period, Fidelity Charitable facilitated another \$87,350 to the New Century Foundation, which promotes pseudo-scientific research that attempts to "prove" white racial supremacy. Its founder, Jared Taylor, has said, "Blacks and whites are different. When blacks are left entirely to their own devices, Western civilization — any kind of civilization — disappears." The New Century Foundation has also dismissed the systemic racism that permeates law enforcement and erroneously claims in one report, "if there is police racial bias in arrests it is negligible".

The Public Accountability Initiative and Little Sis recently exposed how police foundations in cities across the nation "can purchase equipment and weapons with little public input or oversight, raising questions about accountability at a time when police budgets are already hotly contested.



Janhavi Madabushi

During fiscal years 2016 and 2017, Fidelity Charitable enabled at least \$45,400 in DAF money to flow to the Boston Police Foundation, an entity whose purpose is to provide private funding to augment the \$400 million-plus Boston Police Department budget to "fund special equipment, advanced training, new technology" and other

Even more troublingly, the Boston Police Foundation bought license plate readers and other technology to support the Boston Police's Real-Time Crime Center, which is part of the Boston Regional Intelligence Center (BRIC). The BRIC was at the center of a recent ACLU lawsuit against the Boston Police Department because of concerns its "gang database" has inaccurately targeted young people of color and has been unfairly used against at least one immigrant in deportation proceedings.

BRIC has also hired the private social media surveillance outfit Geofeedia, ultimately collecting "thousands of social media posts" from Boston residents "about political and social activism, current events, religious issues, and personal matters totally irrelevant to law enforcement concerns."

BRIC's use of Geofeedia included scanning for posts by students protesting public school cuts, posts advancing the #BlackLivesMatter movement, and posts including everyday Arabic words or the hashtag #MuslimLivesMatter. Such surveillance techniques are "likely to treat people as inherently suspicious based on their race, religion, or ethnicity, or because they are politically active, without advancing public safety or criminal investigations."

Despite Fidelity Charitable's claim that its donors help "make the world a better place," Abigail Johnson allows donations to be funneled to organizations that uphold racist ideas and practices.

Such leniency speaks volumes to Fidelity's true motivations: profit over people. Recent demonstrations and polling have shown Massachusetts residents are deeply concerned about systemic racism and racist policing. If Abigail Johnson truly shares those concerns, the least she can do is demonstrate it by leading change within her own organization.

Fidelity Charitable should not allow money from its Donor-Advised Funds to be funneled to organized bigotry groups. We urge Fidelity Charitable to implement a screening mechanism similar to that adopted by Amalgamated Foundation and 83 other organizations, which forbids "any support of organizations engaged in 'hateful activities.' This is the only real option if Abigail Johnson and Fidelity are truly committed to "making the world a better place" instead of allowing themselves to be used by agents of white supremacy.

Janhavi Madabushi is the Director of Political Education at Asian American Resource Workshop, a Dorchester-based non-profit organization. Fatema Ahmad is the executive director at Muslim Justice League, where she leads MJL's efforts to dismantle the criminalization and policing of marginalized communities under national security pretexts. Sophia Costa is an intern at Community Labor United and a student at Tufts University.



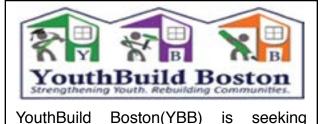
#### HELP WANTED

#### **Backend Engineer**

for DataRobot Inc. (Boston). Dev, test, &support features; create & maintain auto unit & func tests. Regd: MS in csci, status, IT or rel + 3 yrs exp; or bach + 6 yrs. All must have 3 yrs exp in flask, docker, pytest, MongoDB, redis, nginx, OpenSSL LDAP, & python; & 1 yr exp in R, data sci. Apply to jobs@datarobot. comn. Apply to jobs@datarobot.com

#### **Geospatial Data Scientist**

at DataRobot Inc. (Boston). R&D work of building enterprise geospatial feature engr pipeline & machine learning algorithms w geospatial modeling. Regd: MS in CSci, IST, GeoInfoSci, or rel; & 2 yrs exp geospatial data & prediction models. May telecommute FT from any US location.



an exceptional purpose-driven leader committed to social justice, equity, and sustainable employment for young people to serve as its next Executive Director. YBB seeks a diverse pool of candidates for this position. Send resume and cover letter to sbarry@egmontassociates.com by 8/6/20

**LEGAL NOTICES** 



#### **Notice of Public Meeting**

Notice is hereby given that a Community Outreach Meeting for a Proposed Cannabis Establishment is scheduled for:

Date: Wednesday, August 5, 2020 11me: 6:00PM - 8:00PM Event Link: <a href="https://bit.ly/2WCNKcZ">https://bit.ly/2WCNKcZ</a> **Event number:** 129 813 6821 Event password: uqYA5CkaU86

**Hosted online per the Cannabis Control** Commission 4/27/2020 administrative order

The Proposed Cannabis Establishment is anticipated to be located at: 43 Freeport Street, Dorchester 02122

Please, test and charge your device ahead of time.

**Edward McGuire, Chief of Staff Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services** (617) 635-3485l edward.mcguire@boston.gov

Please note, the City does not represent the owner(s)/developer(s)/attorney(s). The purpose of this meeting is to get community input and listen to the community's positions on this proposal. This flyer has been dropped off by the proponents per the city's request.

#### **Community Outreach Meeting Dorchester, Massachusetts**

Notice is hereby given that a virtual Community Outreach Meeting for a proposed Marijuana Establishment is scheduled for Thursday, July 30, 2020 at 6:30pm. Participants may choose to attend the meeting either virtually or by telephone.

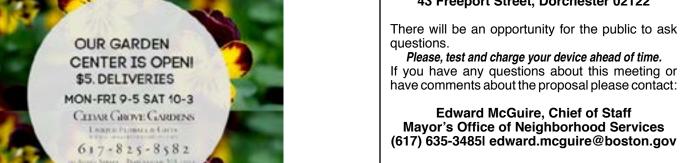
The purpose of the public meeting is to provide interested parties with an opportunity to comment on a proposed adult use cannabis retail store in Dorchester, Massachusetts. The proposed adult use cannabis retail store is anticipated to be located at 43 Freeport Street, Dorchester, Massachusetts 02122.

If you would like to attend the meeting online, please use the Zoom video conference at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87627483609. If you would like to call in to the meeting, please use the following toll-free telephone number 1-888-475-4499 and enter the meeting ID, 876 2748 3609, when prompted.

You will have an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback during the meeting. For general inquiries or technical support, please email info@c3industries.com or visit https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/ articles/201362193-Joining-a-Meeting.

For the applicant, Brian Chavez Erba C3 Dorchester LLC

July 20, 2020



## It's tick season; prevention is the best weapon

By Dr. Edward **SCHETTINO** 

Since the onset of CO-VID-19, have you been spending more time outdoors? If so, you're not alone. According to a recent study by the Outdoor Industry Association, less than 20 percent of Americans spent time outdoors more than once a week before the pandemic. However since then, the sale of outdoor equipment has soared, and a recent survey found that 18 percent of respondents are now spending a significant amount of time outside.

Spending more time outdoors, hiking, running  $and\,walking\,may\,put\,you$ and your beloved pets at risk for tick-borne diseases. Ticks can be found anywhere from the dog park to your backyard, but wooded areas and tall grasses present the most risk.

A colleague of mine was telling me recently how she went for a short hike with her canine companion, and pulled

Open your heart

and home to an

individual with

disabilities.



Protective booties are a good idea for dogs like Ellie, shown out for a stroll in the summer heat.

of antibiotics usually pro-

vides effective treatment.

However, given that

tick-borne diseases can

trigger recurring health

issues, it is vital to follow

more than a dozen ticks is not right, contact your off herself and her dog! If you suspect that a tick may have bitten your furry friend, just keep a close eye on them. As long as they are eating, petite, acute lameness, drinking, and acting normally, have no fear, but among others. A blood

veterinarian.

Some signs your dog has been infected by a tick-borne disease include fever, loss of apand swelling in the joints, if you suspect something test will determine if

Lyme disease or another recommendations for ongoing follow-up care after tick-borne disease is presdiagnosis and treatment. ent, and if it is positive and caught early, a course

So with ticks seemingly everywhere outdoors, how can we prevent getting bitten? The measures are relatively simple, and it is a multipronged approach. Preventatives — Speak

with your veterinarian to determine the best tick preventative to use.

Vaccination — Speak

with your veterinarian about the Lyme disease vaccine

dotnews.com

Avoiding outdoor areas where ticks are known to inhabit. – After spending time outdoors, whether in the backyard or after a hike, check both yourself and your pet for ticks. For dogs, pay particular attention to their ears, eyelids, between toes, genital areas, and around the collar.

Maintaining your yard Keep the lawn mowed and shrubbery trimmed around your home.

Despite the forecast for an above-average tick season, it's simply a matter of being aware and being vigilant to protect both yourself and your pet. We all have so much on our minds, especially now, so make these measures part of your routine and it will become one less thing to think about!

Dr. Edward Schettino is the president and CEO of the Animal Rescue League of Boston, and has a Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine from the Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University. Pet questions? Email ARL at press@arlboston.org.

ROXBURY PREP

Request for Proposals

Roxbury Preparatory Charter School is seeking a single food vendor to provide breakfast and lunch to 1600 students at five campuses in compliance with USDA guidelines.

For information visit www.roxburyprep.org/Nutrition or contact the school at (617) 858-1306 or ksmithendorf@roxburyprep.org.

Proposals are due August 5, 2020 at 10:00am.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Massachusetts

MENTOR

Become a Host

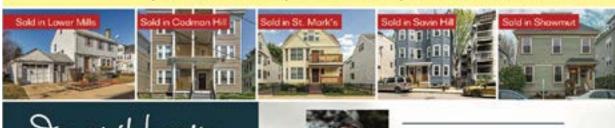
**Home Provider.** 

To learn how you can make a difference as a Host Home Provider, visit www.makeadifferenceathome.com

# Thinking of selling?

We've got buyers who want to own in your neighborhood!

Get a FREE comparative marketing analysis—find out what your home is really worth in today's market! Mention this cord.





Cell: 617-784-8635 617-298-2400 www.BostonBayside.com



through so many different real estate offices until I found these

guys who really made me feel comfortable. I recommend their services to anyone" - Judy S., Boston

## NOTICE

The Dorchester Historical Society is always looking for photographs and high school yearbooks from Dorchester's past.

Due to the pandemic, the Society is closed to the public at this time.



William Clapp House, 195 Boston Street **Lemuel Clap House, 199 Boston Street** James Blake House, 735 Columbia Road

www.dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org



dotnews.com

## **BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF DORCHESTER**

Page 17



**CONNECT THE DOT: BGCD Receives Supplies** for Members from Medfield **Donation Drive:** Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester would like to thank Abigail O. and her friends Caroline S., Caroline B., Allie W., and Annika B. for hosting a drive to collect 100 craft boxes equipped with a wide range of supplies to support members taking part in the Summer program.

The Drive was supported by St. Edwards the Confessor Church in Medfield, the Medfield Girl Scouts. Jim James Owner of Park Street Books, and the Medfield community a large. Our appreciation to this terrific group of young leaders who took on this project from start to finish with outstanding results.

To all of our friends in the Medfield community, thank you for supporting the Drive and members of BGCD!

FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE: Special \$5,000 Rodman Ride Match **Opportunity for BGCD: Please** consider joining our 2020 Rodman Ride team! Our Board Member Don Rodman who sadly passed away this year, created the Ride for Kids to help raise money for at-risk-youth. This year's Ride will be virtual, where participants can register to bike 25 miles, 50 miles or choose their own adventure. This can be completed on your own time line leading up to September 26th. The Ride has an incredible incentive for BGCD. We need 25 team members to register in July. Each participant will commit to raising \$300 by Ride day, which totals \$7,500. The Ride will then match at an additional \$200 per rider, which means \$5,000 to BGCD! Join Team BGCD today at rodmanrideforkids. donordrive.com/ event/bgcd2020. Check out our team video at https:// vimeo.com/435852202.



**BGCD Summer Virtual Programming** for Members: Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester will be continuing our "BGCD At Home" Virtual Programming this Summer. Mondays through Thursdays we will be providing activities such as Brain Games, Boxing, Body + Fuel Fitness, Art, Reading and much more! Programs will run from July 13th to August 21st and will meet online via Zoom.

We will also be hosting Family Movie Nights every Wednesday at 6:30 PM online via Zoom. We will be watching some of your favorite new movies like Trolls World Tour, Coco, Sonic and more. Make sure to RSVP with

For more information or to register, please email Brendan McDonald at bmcdonald@bgcdorchester.org with your child's name and age.

#### <u>UPDATES</u>

Boys & Girls Clubs of ester "BGCD At Home" Virtual Programming Highlight:

This week's highlight is non-contact Boxing! soxing Club with Katie is held on Zoom on Mondays at 4:30 PM for ages 5 - 9 and at 5:15 PM for ages 10 - 18. Thanks to our friends at TMX Boxing or supporting this amazing club for ou members.

For more information or to register, please email Brendan McDonald at bmcdonald@bgcdorchester.org with your child's name and age.



617.288.7120 | 1135 Dorchester Ave. | www.bgcdorchester.org



#### **Virtual Meeting**

## **780 Morrissey Blvd**

Tuesday, August 11

Zoom Link

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

bit.ly/MorrisseyBlvdAug11

#### **Project Description:**

The Proponent proposes to develop one (1) building of varying heights containing a 5-story portion and a 6-story portion ("Building") totaling approximately 163,885 gross square feet that will contain two hundred and six (206) residential units, residential amenities and one (1) level of garage parking at ground level. The proposed residential units will contain a mix of studio units, one-bedroom, and two-bedroom units. There is one (1) level of structured parking that contains one hundred and thirty (130) spaces, with an additional six (6) outdoor spaces.

mail to: **Stephen Harvey** 

Boston Planning & Development Agency One City Hall Square, 9th Floor Boston, MA 02201

phone: 617.918.4418

stephen.j.harvey@boston.gov

BostonPlans.org (5) @BostonPlans Teresa Polhemus, Executive Director/Secretary

# **BLACK**

CODMAN SQUARE HEALTH CENTER STANDS WITH OUR COMMUNITY IN FIGHTING RACIAL INJUSTICE



#### **RECENT OBITUARIES**



CONNOR, John F. of Quincy, 81. The son of Irish immigrants Thomas and Kathleen Connor, John was born and raised in the Codman Square. He graduated from Dorchester High School and served in the Army National Guard. He taught both primary and secondary students for many years in English, social studies, and reading in the Boston

COVID-19 restrictions will be in place

**Cedar Grove Cemetery** 

GREENHOUSE NOW OPEN

A quiet place on the banks of the Neponset River

Chapel available for: Weddings, memorial services, and celebra-

tory masses. Indoor Services available for winter burials. Green-

house on premises for fresh flowers. Columbarium for cremated

920 Adams St., Dorchester, MA 02124 • 617-825-1360

Consecrated in 1868. Non-Sectarian.

TEVNAN|TEVNAN

617-423-4100 617-265-4100

Attorneys at Law

www.tevnan.com

"Caring for your life's journey..."

**FUNERAL SERVICES** 

Cremations

Service times and directions at:

www.dolanfuneral.com

Pre-Arrangements

460 GRANITE AVENUE

MILTON, MA 02186

617~698~6264

Funerals

1140 WASHINGTON STREET

DORCHESTER, MA 02124

617~298~8011

Boston, MA 02109 Dorchester, MA 02124

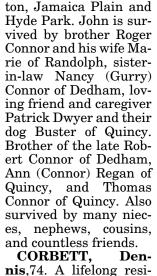
15 Broad Street

415 Neponset Avenue

remains. Plant a tree program.

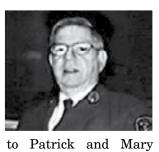
at various schools in Dorchester, South Boston, Jamaica Plain and

dent of Dorchester, Dennis was the eldest of nine children born



Public School system,

THE REPORTER



Corbett. Dennis was brother to Julie Corbett of Dorchester, John Corbett of WA, Kevin Corbett of TX, Patrick Corbett of Brockton, Mary Nipper of NC, Teresa Jimenez of Braintree. Brian Corbett of NH and Kate Casanova of Braintree (predeceased). Uncle to his 19 nephews and nieces and godfather to Anthony Littlefield of Quincy.

**LEGAL NOTICE** 

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS SUFFOLK. ss. **DOCKET NUMBER: 19E0176** TO: Heirs of the late Odell Joyner, late of ston, in said County of Suffolk and to a

ther interested persons
A petition has been presented to t obate and Family Court of Suffolk Count the Commonwealth of Massachusetts b Speed of 145 Intervale Street, Dorcheste A. representing that she, hold as Tenan ertain land lying, Boston, MA in said Coul

The land with the buildings thereon, sit ated in that part of Boston, called Dorcheste Suffolk County, Massachusetts bounded ar escribed as follows:

Beginning at a point on the easterly side Varner Street, forty-four and 61/100 (44.61) eet northerly from the northerly line of Wes Park Street, thence extending northe along the said easterly side of Warner Stree forty four and 72/100 (44.72) feet to land of wners unknown; thence turning and runni 101) feet to land formerly of Asa A. Westcot nence turning and running southerly along aid Westcott's land parallel to said easter side of Warner Street, or nearly so, forty-five and 43/100 (45.43) feet to other land forme of said Asa A. Westcott; thence turning an ning westerly along said last mentic land one hundred and one (101) feet to the

Said parcel contains 4552 square feet

and, more or less. The above described premises are con reved subject to an easement granted to the City of Boston for water purposes as set forth in instrument recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 2155, Page 402. setting forth that she desire that all of the fo owing described part of said land may be sol at private sale for not less than \$600,000.00 praying that the partition may be made of al e land aforesaid according to the law ar o that end that a commissioner be appointe make such partition and be ordered t nake sale and convevance of all, or any par f said land which the court finds cannot be advantageously divided either at private salor public auction and be ordered to distribut

net proceeds thereof. If you desire to object thereto you or yo orney should file a written appearance i aid Court at Boston before ten o'clock in the enoon on the 6th of August, 2020, the return

Witness, Brian J. Dunn, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this 29th day of June, 2020. Felix D. Arroyo Register of Proba

Dennis retired as a Lieutenant from Boston Fire Alarm in 2013. US

**July 23, 2020** 



MAZZONE, Joseph of Dorchester. Born in Pennsylvania, he grew up in Naples, Italy. Husband of Ann Marie (Puleo) Mazzone. Father of Joanne Paul of Bridgewater, Michael Mazzone of Houston, TX, Theresa Dickey of Scituate, Maryann Mazzone of Dorchester and Annmarie Scarlata of Braintree. Grandfather of eleven and great grandfather of two. Brother of Diomede Mazzone of Italy and the late Theresa and

O'BRIEN, Kevin M. of Braintree, formerly of Dorchester. Son of Margaret Parenteau of Braintree and the late James O'Brien, Sr. Brother of James O'Brien Jr. and his wife Tia of Dorchester, and Michelle Mullaly

**LEGAL NOTICE** 

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE & FAMILY COURT SUFFOLK DIVISION
24 NEW CHARDON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02114
Docket No. SU20D0552DR DIVORCE SUMMONS
BY PUBLICATION and MAILING PHONG CHAN LUU

vs.
MARIAH ANN MORALES the Defendant: The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint fo livorce requesting that the Court gran divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown ne Complaint is on file at the Court n Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financia us of either party. SEE Supplementa

obate Court Rule 411. You are hereby summoned and re You are nereby summoned and re-quired to serve upon: Khuong Nguyen, Esq., Law Office of Khuong Nguyen, PC, 572 Freeport St., Unit B, Dorchester, MA 02122 your answer, if any, on or before **08/20/2020**. If you fail to do so, the cour will proceed to the hearing and adjudica-tion of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court. Witness, HON. BRIANJ. DUNN, First Date: July 3, 2020

Felix D. Arroyo Register of Probate

#### **NEW CALVARY CEMETERY**

Serving the Boston Community since 1899 - Non Sectarian Reasonable pricing and many options to choose from.

Grave pricing starting at \$1,200 Package pricing from \$3,800 (includes grave purchase, first opening & liner for a weekday service). Cremation Niches starting at \$1,400 (Includes Niche Purchase, First Opening & Inscription) 617-296-2339

> 12 Month No Interest on Grave Purchases, **Pre Need Opening Arrangements**

Lots with multiple graves and oversized graves available. Package price only available for an 'at need' service.

Overtime Fees apply to Saturday and Holiday Interments Other options available at Mt. Benedict Cemetery in West Roxbury

The B.C.C.A. Family of Cemeteries Main Office located at:

366 Cummins Highway, Roslindale, MA 02131 Pricing information and maps available online at:

www.BostonCemetery.org 617-325-6830 info@bcca.comcast.net Elizabeth "Betty" Devlin (Andrews) Hart



of Dorchester, died peacefully surrounded by her loving family on July 18, 2020. Beloved wife of the late James F. Hart. Loving mother of Charles F. and his wife Maura Hart of Watertown, James E. Hart of Dorchester, Joseph A. and his wife Diana Hart of Roslindale, Elizabeth D. and her husband Christian Hayes of Milton, and John S. and his wife Leah

Hart of Chicago, IL. Devoted "Grandma" of Emily Hart, Nicholas Hart, Christian Hayes, John Hayes, Elizabeth Hayes, and Christopher and his wife Emily Dymond. Sister of Grace Garlick of Watertown, and the late Buddy Andrews, Anna Andrews, Mary Bowen, Charles Andrews, John Andrews, and Joseph Andrews. Survived by many nieces and nephews. Family and friends will honor and remember Betty's life by gathering for a Funeral Mass in St. Margaret Church of St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish, on Friday morning, July 24, at 10 A.M. Burial will follow in Locust Grove Cemetery in Rockport. Visiting hours will be private. A lifelong resident of Dorchester, she was a graduate of Roxbury Memorial High School and Emmanuel College, and studied as a postgraduate at Boston College School of Social Work. She cherished her faith, her family, and her friends, and her grandchildren were her pride and joy. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to St. Mary's Center for Women and Children, 90 Cushing Ave., Dorchester, MA 02125. For guestbook, please visit www.jmurphyfh.com. Arrangements by the Murphy Funeral Home, Dorchester.



and her husband Rick of Dorchester. Uncle of Kaleigh McCarthy, and Rosemarie, Ana, and Michael Mullaly. Great-

uncle of 2. PULEO, John J. (Det. Sgt. BPD Ret.) Husband of the late Mary T. (Killilea) Puleo. Father of Sr. Marie T. Puleo MFIC of Rome and Newton, Kathleen A. Coughlin and her husband Michael of Dorchester and the

**LEGAL NOTICE** 

COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
NOTICE AND ORDER:
PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT
OF GUARDIAN OF A MINOR
Docket No. SU15P0598GD AHRIANNA YVONNE MATSON Of DORCHESTER, MA

Of DORCHESTER, MA
MINOR
Notice to all Interested Parties
1. Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor
filed on 03/18/2015 by Siobhan A. Grealish
of Fitchburg, MA will be held 08/19/2020
08:30 AM Guardianship of Minor Hearing.
Located 24 New Chardon St., Boston, MA
02/114. 3rd Fit Prohabiton 20114, 3rd Fir Probation.
2. Response to Petition: You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to:

File the original with the Court; and Mail a copy to all interested parties at leas what a copy of all the state of a tree at reasons (e.g.) business days before the hearing.

3. Counsel for the Minor: the Minor (or ardult on behalf of the minor) has the right to quest that counsel be appointed for the mind

4. Counsel for Parents: If you are a pare
the minor child who is the subject of the oroceeding you have a right to be represented by anttorney. If you want an attorney and annot afford to pay for one and if you give proof that you are indigent, an attorney will be sistinged to you. Your request for an attorney should be made immediately by filling out the application of Appointment of Counsel form.

submit the application form in person or by nail at the court location where your case is

oing to be heard.

5. Presence of the Minor at hearing: A minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is not in the minor's best interests. Is not in the minor's best interests.

THIS IS A LEGAL NOTICE: An important court proceeding that may affect your rights has been scheduled. If you do not understand this notice or other court papers, please contact an attorney for legal advice.

Date: July 16, 2020

Felix D Arroyo

Felix D. Arroyo Register of Probate Published: July 23, 2019



and his surviving wife Lorraine of Braintree. Grandfather of 5. Great-grandfather of 3. Brother of Ann Mazzone of Dorchester and the late Carmello Brillo and Rose Strack. After leaving the Navy in 1951, he became a member of the Boston Police Department from 1951 to 1995. He was part of the Tactical Patrol Force and Mobile Operations. Donations in John's memory may be made to Missionary Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate Conception, 790 Centre St., Newton, MA 02458.



SULLIVAN, John **Kevin** of Dorchester. Husband of the late Susan (Cantara) Sullivan. Father of Matthew Sullivan and his fiancé Kailyn Moore of Dorchester. Brother of Cornelius J. Sullivan and his wife Brenda of Dorchester and the late Joseph F. Sullivan and Mary H. Dolan. Uncle of many nieces and nephews. John worked for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for

(Continued next page)

over 20 years at Lemuel Shattuck Hospital in Mattapan as an accountant. He was an active parishioner, lector, eucharistic minister and CCD teacher at Saint Gregory Church. TEIXEIRA, Domin-

dotnews.com

gos S. husband of Josefina "Fina" (Pontes) Teixeira for 66 years. Father of BPD Sergeant (Retired) John Teixeira and Andrea Teixeira, both of Dorchester. Grandfather of 2. Great-grandfather of 4. Brother of Francisco "Bebelo" Teixeira, Maria "Tutuzinha" Teixeira, Dirce Baptista,

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE and FAMILY COURT Docket No. 16P0672 CITATION In the Interest of: OMAR ADJOUT

To all interested persons: A petition has been filed by: Tewfi

Adjout requesting: that is honarable court order the legal guardian to give the father an update on Omar's situation and visitation rights.

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 you attorney must file a written appearan and objection at this Court before 10:0 A.M. on August 12, 2020.

This day is NOT a hearing date, b a deadline date by which you must file a written appearance and objection you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affida of Objections within thirty (30) days o he return date, action may be tak rithout further notice to you. Date: July 01, 2020

> Register of Probat Published: July 23, 2020



the late Antonio "Tutu" Teixeira and Raul De

ZDANKOWSKI (Zinkavich) Alenna "Helen," of Quincy, Zdankowski of Quincy. formerly of Dorches-



July 23, 2020

ter, 95. Helen was the wife of the late Stanley J. Zdankowski. She was mother of Craig S.

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS SUFFOLK, SS. SUPERIOR COURT DEPT. CIVIL ACTION NO.: 2084CV00545F ELDON LIU, and JENNIFER Q. LIU, Plaintiffs

MORTGAGE FUNDING CORP., and JOHN A. MERCAUTO, Defendants BY PUBLICATION TO: MORTGAGE FUNDING CORP., AND JOHN A. MERCAUTO

WHEREAS, a civil action has been commenced against you in Suffolk County Superio Court, Suffolk County Courthouse, 12th Floor, Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 by wherein it seeks a declaratory judgment declaring that the Mortgage recorder with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 24317, Page 016 has been fully satisfied, is discharged pursuant to M.G.L. c. 183 § 15(a) and does not encumber the

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Douglas L. Whitaker, Esq., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is Fidelity National Law Group, 125 High Street, Suite 1813. Boston, MA 02110, an answer to the complaint, which is herewith served upor you, within 20 days after the return date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You are required to file you answer to the complaint in the office of the Clerk of this court at Suffolk, either befor service upon Plaintiff's attorney or within a reasonable time thereafter, but no later that It appearing to this Court that actual service on these defendants cannot be, or has

not been made, it is ORDERED that notice of this suit be given to them by publishing ir newspaper such as Dorchester Reporter, a newspaper of general circulation published n Suffolk County. Massachusetts, once a week for three consecutive weeks, the las publication to be prior to August 14, 2020. Unless otherwise provided by Rule 13(a), your answer must state as a counterclair

any claim which you may have against the plaintiff which arises out of the transaction o occurrence that is the subject matter of plaintiffs claim or you will thereafter be barred from making such claim in any other actior Witness, at Suffolk, the 2nd day of July, 2020

> SO ORDERED Judge Mary K. Ames Suffolk Superior Court Judge



Do you want to be tested for COVID-19? ONSITE COVID-19 TESTING IS AVAILABLE AT SELECTED SITES



No one will be turned away!

Please wear a mask or face covering Please bring a photo ID and your insurance card.

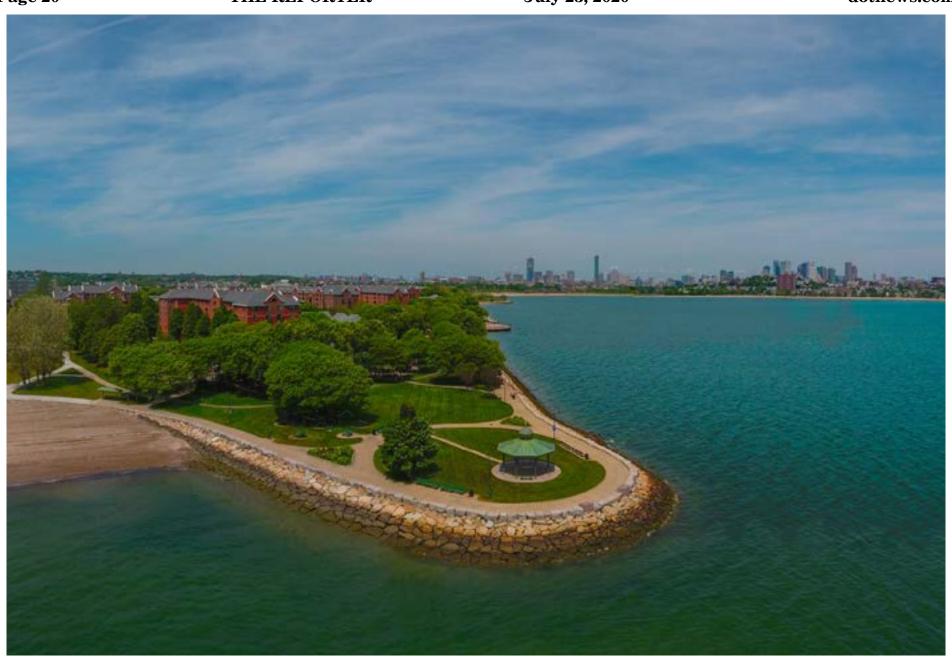
July 2020

109048	MONDAY	Tyesner	WINDSCHOOL STREET	Investor	150.046	SAFURDAR
				23 Saye Smitten Australia Depter Paris (20) States 19 Saves 19	24	35 Star pre-Dris Oue- 1) St Stanfactor Aus Stanfac Spin
5	27	28 scholede lant, legal legale (n/ho teoristisch) (M) Sertepe AA berroten	29 erdanhenerdum, ringer Samblig ihr file familierdenis zillt bententr kall ben to lan	30 bonders or dependent forms region Soundate (nome terror-bon terror-bon	31	August 1 Cartolic Durintes Nation Math Services Carton 185 Columbia Rd Bark to John

Onsite COVID-19 Testing at DotHouse Health Monday - Friday 1 pm - 4 pm Saturday 9 am - 12 pm

> 1353 Dorchester Ave Dorchester, MA 02122 COVI D TRIAGE LINE 617-740-2292





Harbor Point on the Bay, Dorchester, MA



Doubletree Hotel, Boston Bayside Dorchester, MA



Ocean Edge Resort & Golf Club Brewster, MA

Corcoran Jennison's portfolio includes, residential housing, hotels, resorts, health facilities, academic campuses, retail centers, and golf courses.

corcoranjennison.com | cjapts.com | cmjapts.com

