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THE AVE OPENS UP



Vayu Kieta enjoyed riding his skateboard on Dorchester Avenue and taking photographs.
Seth Daniel photo

Cleared of cars, welcome to people

The first-ever Open Streets on Dorchester Avenue took place on Saturday, Sept. 24, from Freeport Street to Gallivan Boulevard – more than two miles of a car-free Dot Ave. The thoroughfare was brimming with activities like music, car smashing, bike riding, food, and games. The event was the last of three official Open Streets festivals in the neighborhoods, with the others being on Blue Hill Avenue and Centre Street in Jamaica Plain. Full page of photos, Page 12

Redistrict plan splits Cedar Grove, unites Dot’s Vietnamese community

BY GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS
MANAGING EDITOR

As the 13-member City Council is grappling with redrawing the boundaries of the nine council districts, a process that plays out every ten years, Hyde Park Councillor Ricardo Arroyo has proposed a map that would put parts of Dorchester and the South End in a single Council district while uniting the Vietnamese community under one councillor.

The panel faces a tight timeline, as the boundaries must be set by Nov. 7, a year ahead of the next municipal election cycle, when councillors will be on the ballot. By this time during the last redistricting go-around, in 2012, councillors had sent two maps to Mayor Thomas Menino’s desk, and he had vetoed both before approving one sent to him at the end of October.

Each district must have, roughly, an equal number of people, a mandate that forces councillors to re-balance the population since the city’s Seaport neighborhood has seen a residential boom over the last decade.

Arroyo’s proposed map puts each district at roughly 75,000 people. Any councillor can propose an alternative to his plan.

The redistricting process comes at a fraught time inside City Hall, with tensions still high among the

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Friends rally to help workingman’s family

A victim of violence

BY SETH DANIEL
NEWS EDITOR

A year ago, Ciarán Moore was a man on the go – a construction foreman who loved Irish hurling and the 12 Bens Tavern and was living in Lower Mills with his wife and fully involved in raising three active children.

A violent incident in the early morning hours of Dec. 27, 2021, changed the family’s life forever – a fight in the Old Dorchester Post in Adams Village that resulted in Ciarán having a traumatic brain injury for which recovery is still a long way into the future.

For all the frustrating days and tough battles on his road to recovery, the shining light helping to lead the way has been a community that has wrapped its generous arms around the family and hasn’t let go since early January.

“Whoever said it takes a village was talking about

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Ciarán Moore, his wife Shauna, and their children, Eve, 12, Emme, 9, and Micheál, 6.
Photo courtesy the Moore family

How Wu’s urban forest can succeed

BY BILL WALCZAK
REPORTER COLUMNIST

Mayor Michelle Wu’s “Vision for Boston’s Urban Forest” is an impressive document. The plan, at 237 pages, has specific goals, cites best practices from other cities,

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and has a system of evaluation toward the goal of increasing the city’s tree canopy.

Mayors Menino and Walsh also had ambitious plans to increase the canopy, neither of which came to fruition. In fact, it has decreased over the past 30 years. But given the level of detail and excitement behind it, the Wu plan might succeed.



A spindly tree grows in the median of Columbia Road.
Bill Walczak photo

The document, which refers to trees as “critical city infrastructure,” calls attention to why we need to increase the canopy – the public health impact in filtering pollution; mitigating heat in the summer (there can be a ten-degree difference between neighborhoods with tree cover and those without it); reducing the need for air conditioning; lessening flooding after storms; and its overall impact on physical and mental health.

The plan points out that most of the tree canopy is on privately owned land and suggests an ordinance that would preserve and increase shade trees on private property. It describes the inequity of some neighborhoods having

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Wu plans revamp of ZBA’s roster

BY GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS
MANAGING EDITOR

As a city councillor, Michelle Wu clashed with Mayor Marty Walsh over Boston’s Zoning Board of Appeal, a powerful city entity that is able to, as she put it in 2019, “interpret the rules for development and decide who can get around them.”

Almost a year after winning the mayoral race, Wu is moving to oust most previous mayoral appointees to the ZBA, as the entity is

known. The 14-member panel is made up of seven primary members and seven alternates who serve at meetings when the primary ones

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Wu plans revamp of ZBA with a new slate of members

(Continued from page 1) cannot. All members of the current board are holdovers from earlier administrations

On Monday, the mayor she announced her 10 picks for the board, as well as four reappointments, one of them being Kerry Walsh Logue, a South Boston resident who represents the Building Trades Employers Association as an alternate member. Her current term runs out in November.

Wu is also seeking reappointments for Sherry Dong, a Dorchester resident who works for Tufts Medical Center, Roslindale architect Hansy Better Barraza, and Jeanne Pinado, a strategic brokerage adviser with the real estate company Colliers who lives in Jamaica Plain.

All the new nominees need City Council approval.

Wu's slate of 10 new members includes one individual from Dorchester and one from Mat-



Shavel'le Olivier

tapan. Alan Langham, a lifelong Dorchester resident and a member of the Laborers Local 22 executive board, would be a primary member if approved. Shavel'le Olivier, a 17-year Mattapan resident who is executive director of the Mattapan Food and Fitness Coalition and co-founder of Mattapan on Wheels, an advocacy group, would get an alternate seat if approved.

The new members will be working work with Wu's chief of planning, Arthur Jemison, in the administration said in a

release, "on "rebuilding trust with communities through planning-led development while advancing equity, affordability, and resilience across all functions of the City's development review process."

Jemison is also director of the Boston Planning and Development Authority (BPDA), a city agency that Wu pledged to abolish when she was campaigning for mayor.

"These ZBA appointees have a variety of experiences in development and community advocacy work in Boston's neighborhoods, and they represent the diversity of our City," Jemison said in a statement.

The other members of Wu's slate are: Giovanni Valencia of West Roxbury (primary seat); Alaa Mukahaal of Mission Hill (alternate seat); Norm Stenbridge of Roxbury (primary seat); David Aiken of East Boston (alternate seat); Katie Whewell of the West End (alternate

seat); Thea Massouh of Brighton (alternate seat); Raheem Shepard of Hyde Park (primary seat); and Dave Collins, Roslindale (alternate seat).

According to the city's website, ZBA members and alternate members receive a stipend of \$200 per day, up to a cap of \$24,000 a year.

In 2020, Wu led a majority of City Council members in voting to block the appointment of three ZBA members after a federal corruption scandal that resulted in a City Hall official being convicted of accepting \$50,000 from a developer who wanted the official to influence the ZBA on permits. A Dorchester real estate broker resigned from the ZBA after the City Hall official's indictment.

Then-Mayor Walsh asked a law firm to investigate, and it said there was no apparent wrongdoing by ZBA members. He later signed an executive order putting

new restrictions on what members can and cannot do.

Board members are now required to submit annual statements of financial interests and undergo ethics and zoning law trainings when they are appointed or reappointed. Members and alternates are also now banned from participation or decisions on any appeal on a project in which they have an ownership interest or for which they've been paid for services within five years before the day of the appeal's filing.

Longtime ZBA chair Christine Araujo resigned on Sunday ahead of Wu announcing her proposed shakeup. At the panel's Tuesday morning meeting, Mark Erlich stepped in as acting chair

and read Araujo's resignation letter, which said she was stepping down with "mixed emotions." She cited "new opportunities" that conflict with board-related matters.

A Roslindale resident, she is a managing partner at Zuaria Partners, according to her LinkedIn profile. Jamaica Plain resident Erlich is retired, having worked as executive secretary-treasurer of the New England Regional Council of Carpenters and served as former Vice President of the Mass. AFL-CIO.

Both Erlich and Araujo were first appointed by the late Mayor Thomas Menino.

Material from previous Reporter articles was used in this report.

Region looking to DC for energy aid

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STATE HOUSE
NEWS SERVICE

Massachusetts is waiting to hear back from the Biden administration about what the federal government can do "to enhance our ability to get through the winter, both in terms of having the power available to heat homes, but also hoping to deal with some of the price issues," Gov. Charlie Baker said on Sept. 22.

A top energy official in the Baker administration last week put residents on notice that the cost of heating their homes and keeping the lights on is likely to skyrocket here this winter as the price of natural gas soars. Judy Chang, undersecretary of energy and climate solutions in the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, said that the Baker administration has "been working with our federal partners in developing a plan for New England's winter."

On Thursday, the governor gave more detail on his team's work with the federal government and other states to prepare for an expensive winter.

"Ever since the war in the Ukraine broke out, this has been a high concern for every cold weather place in the world, basically. The governors in New England got together and started talking about this in the summer. We actually wrote a letter to the federal government, we wrote to the Biden administration and said we are very worried about both price and availability of thermal, which is basically heat, whatever the source of it is this winter," Baker said.

Baker said the governors asked the White House to do a number of things as winter nears

and have been "involved in some pretty active discussions" about what the federal government might be able to do to help.

"We're still waiting for their response on that," the governor said. "But this is something that literally all of the New England governors have been both talking about and pushing the feds on since July."

Pressure is mounting for state lawmakers to do something about the situation as well. MASS-CAP, the Massachusetts Association for Community Action, sent a letter last Wednesday to legislative leaders, members of the conference committee working on the stalled-out economic development bill and the House Ways and Means Committee, which is reviewing a supplemental budget bill, to ask that lawmakers include at least \$20 million to supplement federal fuel assistance in whichever bill advances.

"In light of the information we have gathered from our member Community Action Agencies in the past 24 hours that provide fuel assistance to thousands of households in need, we are hopeful that the Legislature will allocate at least \$20 million and up to \$50 million which would help vulnerable people [avoid] the terrible choices between heating and eating or between heating and medicine," Executive Director Joe Diamond said.

The economic development bill has been in limbo since the House and Senate ended formal sessions Aug. 1 without agreeing on a bill. Top legislators have said they plan to tackle at least some of the topics covered by the economic development bill without proposing a timeline.

Redistrict plan unites Dot's Vietnamese community

(Continued from page 1) councillors. In August, City Council President Ed Flynn removed Arroyo as chair of the redistricting committee after a Boston Globe story outlined sexual assault allegations against him when he was teenager and while Arroyo was running ran for Suffolk County district attorney, drawing outcries from some of their colleagues.

Arroyo was never charged and has denied the accusations.

A public hearing on the redistricting process is set for Thursday (Sept. 29) at 3 p.m. inside City Hall's Iannella Chamber. The session will be live-streamed on the city's website, with Allston-Brighton Councillor Liz Breadon stepping in as redistricting chair.

While Mayor Wu's press office did not respond to a request for comment on Arroyo's proposal, the councillor said he spoke with Wu when he was still chair of the redistricting committee, and she expressed hope that neighborhoods would be strengthened under a map that would reach her desk as well as the unification of the Vietnamese community.

Arroyo said he worked on the map both while he was chair and after his removal by Flynn. His proposal, which was



Arroyo's map for redistricting plan.

by Dorchester's Frank Baker, already has two precincts in the South End, a neighborhood currently split between several councillors.

Redrawing boundaries so that the district absorbs more of the South End and touches Boylston Street, by the Boston Public Library in Copley Square, is a "natural extension," according to Arroyo.

District 2, which would

lose the South End, would then pick up the area around Moakley Park from District 3 under Arroyo's map, which, in uniting the Vietnamese community within District 3, combines them with the South End's Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) community.

The Vietnamese community, clustered in Dorchester's Fields Corner neighborhood, is now

split between District 3 and District 4, which is represented by Councillor Brian Worrell.

Arroyo contended the city's Cape Verdean population, currently split between Districts 3 and 4, is also more united in District 7 on his map, placing the area around the Strand Theater inside that grouping.

Arroyo said he would continue to represent roughly the same amount of Mattapan, with the dividing line for his district (No. 5) and District 4 falling mostly along Blue Hill Avenue.

His map shows District 4 picking up parts of the Cedar Grove area from District 3, a move that local groups are likely to protest.

Steve Bickerton, the chair of Cedar Grove Civic Association, said Arroyo's map came as a "big surprise" in its effort to split Cedar Grove, which also doubles as St. Brendan's Parish, between District 3 and District 4.

"I would say that Cedar Grove/Adams Village is very much a core of District 3," he told the Reporter. "It just seems to fly in the face of reason or logic or those principles of redistricting. It's a matter of keeping the district united, keeping these communities and neighborhoods united

that have common interests."

Bickerton said he expects local groups to oppose the map, similar to their efforts to block a state-level redistricting effort last year.

Senators ended up dropping a plan to break up Dorchester's Ward 16 between the Senate district represented by Nick Collins of South Boston and by Walter Timilty of Milton. The ward's precincts stayed in Collins's district. Labor unions representing MBTA workers and Boston firefighters had voiced opposition to the breakup, and state Rep. Dan Hunt had threatened to sue if the change went through.

Bickerton said his group would support a lawsuit opposing the Arroyo map.

District 3's Councillor Baker was not immediately available for comment, while District 4's Worrell, who is the vice chair of the redistricting committee, said he is "committed to a robust and thorough community process that prioritizes community input," as well as transparency.

"We will continue to meet with community stakeholders, and most importantly listen to ensure the final map is fair and equitable," he said in a statement.

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Hicks Auto Body hailed as a ‘legacy business’ after 52 years on Talbot Avenue

By SETH DANIEL
NEWS EDITOR

When he was growing up in 1950s South Carolina, a young man named Willie Hicks Sr. wanted to be a doctor, but being a Black man there in those days, he found that few colleges were interested in training him, and that society had no interest in allowing him to practice medicine.

So he headed north, to Syracuse, NY, where he did what he was good at: fixing cars, and racing them, too. In the mid-1950s, he left New York state and settled in Boston, where he married his wife Barbara, raised a family, and bought into a repair shop on Terrace Street in Mission Hill.

When the planned I-95 highway project was scheduled to plow through the location of their shop (it eventually did not), he left for Dorchester in 1970 and settled in the current location.

The Hicks family has now been doing business under the Hicks Auto Body name for more than 50 years at the nexus of Blue Hill Avenue, Talbot Avenue, and Harvard Street. They even have kept the phone number they received in 1970.

“I’m nervous, excited, and happy,” said Hicks Sr., 85, last Saturday afternoon when more than 100 friends, family, and business associates joined elected officials to honor the legacy business and name the square in Hicks Sr.’s honor.

Nowadays, the business is in the hands of Willie Hicks Jr. who is continuing the tradition. A standout football player at Concord-Carlisle High School and then at Boston College,

Hicks Jr. said his father was the best mentor and boss he could wish for.

“His dream was to become a doctor, but times were different then; let’s just say the Ivies might not have been pursuing the best talent in the South,” he said. “He had to change his course... He had to do what most of us do in life because it’s not perfect; he had to deal with the cards dealt to him.

“At the young age of 31, he purchased this place, and since then we have been blessed to have the same name, the same ownership, and the same phone number and address,” said Hicks Jr.

City Councillor Brian Worrell, who hosted the event, said it’s amazing to have a Black-owned family business thriving into the 21st century on Blue Hill Avenue and an honor to be able to celebrate a strong, legacy business in our community.”

Mayor Wu and Economic Development and Inclusion Chief Segun Idowu noted that Hicks Auto Body is the second company on Blue Hill Avenue to earn a new “legacy business” designation, the city having honored Allan’s Formal Wear earlier this year.

“For a business to have been here since 1970 and having passed this on to the next generation and to show up day in and day out... this is a blessing for all of us,” said Wu. “We’re going to do everything we can to keep businesses in our community that serve and support families in our community for decades to come.”

Said Hicks Jr. of his father today: “It’s amazing because I get to see him from sunup to sundown.... I go to work every day unlike everyone else because



Councillor Brian Worrell and Willie Hicks Sr. unveil the new corner sign proclaiming the area ‘Willie E. Hicks Sr. Path.’
Seth Daniel photo

I would literally die for my boss. As the saying goes, ‘If you don’t seize your moment in time, history will record that you never lived at all.’”

Following the presentations, the Hicks family and elected officials

unveiled the new corner memorial sign that reads, ‘Willie E. Hicks Sr. Path.’ It is located on the traffic island where Talbot Avenue and Harvard Street meet.



Willie Hicks Sr. said he was “nervous, excited, and happy” to be honored as a “legacy business” and to have with a corner memorial in his name.



Willie Hicks Jr., Barbara Hicks, and Willie Hicks Sr. join Mayor Wu on Saturday at Hicks Auto Body’s ‘legacy business’ celebration.



Mattapan’s Aisha Miller takes a photo with Willie Hicks Sr. under the new memorial sign as hundreds gathered on Saturday to congratulate him on going strong for 52 years in the same location.



Willie Hicks Jr. said his father wanted to be a doctor, but times were different during his youth in South Carolina, so instead, found a path to success in fixing cars better than anyone else.

Reporter’s People

News about people in and around our Neighborhoods

Wu appoints 40 members to 2022-2023 SPARK Boston Council



Mayor Michelle Wu announced the newly selected 2022-2023 SPARK Boston Council last week. The diverse, 40-member group will spend the next 12 months working to connect young adults to leaders in city government, city services, and one another.

The panel will also advise Mayor Wu on city policies and programs affecting 20-to-35-year-olds.

SPARK Boston captains from Dorchester include Anthony Nguyen and Kristyn Berr. Members from Dorchester and Mattapan include Abby Jamiel, Brenna Galvin, Alexa Monfort, Yakeisha L. Gray Sinclair, Tania Jaime Lopez, Taufiq Dhanani, and Emmy Carragher. Mattapan’s Lendsey Thicklin is also a member.

Arts Academy to honor Dot’s Latoyia Edwards at 25th anniversary gala



Latoyia Edwards

Dorchester native Latoyia Edwards, Emmy Award-winning anchor on NBC 10 Boston and NECN, will be one of seven prominent Boston leaders honored for their professional and civic contributions to the city on Oct. 8, when Boston Arts Academy host its annual BAA Honors commemorating the school’s 25th anniversary.

A native of Columbia Point, Edwards joined the NBC Boston and NECN family as a morning reporter in 2005.

Other BAA Honors honorees include: Lee Pelton, CEO & President of the Boston Foundation; Lee Michael

Kennedy, President & CEO of Lee Kennedy Co., Inc.;

Bryan Rafanelli, chief creative officer at Rafanelli Events; Kobi Halperin, creative director of Kobi Halperin and Ungaro Paris; Terri Lynn Carrington, Grammy award-winning drummer, composer, producer, and educator; and Michaela dePrince, premier ballerina and second soloist at Boston Ballet.

Modeled after the famed Kennedy Honors in Washington, the event will be held in the brand-new state-of-the-art building which opened at the beginning of the new school year and was named for Roxbury-born education and arts icon, the late Dr. Elma Lewis.

The BAA Honors, which are sponsored by the Boston Arts Academy Foundation, serves as the largest single source of funding for Boston Arts Academy.



From left, Boston Uncornered co-founder Mark Culliton, state Rep. Liz Miranda, Boston Chief of Planning Arthur Jemison, Boston Uncornered co-founder Michelle Caldeira, Boston Uncornered Board Chair Jerrell Engermann, NFL Hall of Fame Announcer Andrea Kremer, Boston Uncornered Director of Development Debbie Mahase, New England Patriots captain Devin McCourty.

Photo courtesy Allegro Photography

Boston Uncornered raises \$500k toward ending gang violence and urban poverty

Leaders of the sports and political world gathered in the Boston Seaport on Sept. 19 for its annual Celebration of Milestones event and raised \$500,000 for Boston Uncornered, an organization with an innovative approach to ending gang violence and generational urban poverty.

The organization sets high expectations for gang members who are

its Core Influencers and have the charisma and intelligence to lead others and are willing to change their lives. “Uncornered is about believing that those closest to the challenges in our communities are the ones that we should turn to and support to make a difference,” said Boston Uncornered co-founder Mark Culliton.

Uncornered supports students with a weekly

\$400 stipend and empowers them to earn an education while providing mental health counseling, and educational guidance. The students work with trusted peer mentors who understand their struggle. This approach is working to end gang violence and generational urban poverty in Boston and beyond.

Boston Chief of Planning and director of the BPDA Arthur Jemison

was named Uncornered Champion of the Year. “I’m honored and thrilled to be part of what Boston Uncornered is doing,” Jemison said. “They have the courage to be available to these young people and have a track record of being there for them.”

The honorary chair of the event, Gov. Charlie Baker, gave Jemison a special citation to mark the occasion.

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DORCHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY Early Manufacturing in Dorchester: Tanning

Carole Mooney contributed to this report.

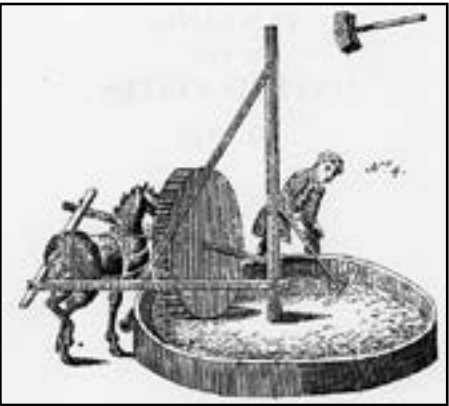
In the Southeast corner of the Clap compound, at 195 Boston Street, rests a reminder of when a young country encouraged manufacturing to bolster its economy to become less dependent on foreign nations for essential supplies (In 1767 Dorchester voted to “encourage manufacturers of the country and less the use of foreign superfluities.”). The giant stone biscuit with fluted edge and a hole carved through its center was once tipped on its side and rolled over bark, crushing it for use in tanning hides. A flier located nearby describes the leather-making process with illustrations. A collection of notes by Daniel Dunn donated by Joe Langis to the Dorchester Historical Society provides information on the political importance of leather manufacturing.

On March 31, 1788, an act passed by



the Massachusetts House and Senate prevented the exportation of green or unmanufactured calf skins out of this Commonwealth by land or water. The legislators wrote, “Whereas the exporting of greener unmanufactured calf skins, will occasion a scarcity thereof, and be attended with disagreeable consequences...”

Alexander Hamilton, Secretary of Treasury, in a 1791 report, said tanners were active in numerous parts of



the country and the government had been asked to prohibit the import of leather and export of bark. “Not only the wealth; but the independence and security of a Country, appear to be materially connected with the prosperity of manufactures. Every nation, with a view to those great objects, ought to endeavor to possess within

itself all the essentials of national supply,” he said.

Leather was manufactured for a variety of items, according to Daniel Dunn’s notes. Shoes were made with cow hide with calfskins for uppers. Sheepskin was considered cheap leather, lambskin was used for gloves, horsehide for harnesses and pigskin for the seat of saddles. Donkey and mule hides, a rough or shagreen leather, was used to create a good grip for scabbards. Oil and lampblack were rubbed in to color the leather. The archive of these historical posts can be viewed on the blog at dorchest-terhistoricalsociety.org.

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The Society’s historic houses are closed at this time due to the pandemic. For now, our in-person programming has been suspended, and we are using Zoom instead. Watch for announcements.

Cleared of cars, Dot Ave opened to people on Saturday

A 2.1 mile stretch of Dorchester Avenue was “open to people” but not cars on Saturday morning as thousands turned out for the last in a series of Open Street Boston events organized by the city of Boston this year. The pedestrian zone— between Freeport Street and Gallivan Boulevard— is an expansion of a similar effort that shuts down Back Bay’s Newbury Street, first piloted in 2016. Earlier events were held this summer in Ja-

maica Plain and on Blue Hill Avenue. And, Fields Corner’s Little Saigon cultural district also hosted a shorter-duration ‘Night Market’ event that closed off the avenue to vehicles in July. Mayor Wu has said her administration will “carefully analyze” the response and feedback from community members, and “download on what went well and what didn’t work so well.”
Photos by Seth Daniel



Jessica Carvalho and Michael Cawley in front of the Open Streets balloon sculpture. Cawley, incidentally, was once a Dorchester Reporter delivery boy back in the day.



Logan Nguyen took charge of slowing down cars on Adams Street.



Avery Thomas holds up Soona Thomas as they dance up Dorchester Avenue on Saturday to the music of Dorchester’s DJ WhySham.



Steven Diaz took his time making a chicken on a sunny day.



Coach Chris from ADSL spun some tunes.



Pedestrians, scooters, and subways. What’s missing? Cars. Dorchester Avenue went car-free on Saturday, Sept. 24, for the first-ever Open Streets festival.



Michael LaRocca had a blast going up and down Dorchester Avenue in his wheelchair.



Vivian Ortiz, the Bike Mayor of Mattapan.



Photographer Mike Ritter (right) and assistant Diuene Novembre took photos all day for the Beautiful Dot photo project.



Sarah Riddel promoted the Fields Corner Business Lab, noting that it has expanded to the second and third floor of the Lenane Building.



Ryan Nguyen heads south on his bike along Dorchester Avenue.



Khang Nguyen and several volunteers from the Vietnamese-American Community of Massachusetts serving up traditional treats.



Tam Le, of Pho Hoa, and Victoria Nguyen, of Anh Hong at Pho Hoa, line up drink specialties as they prepared to celebrate the 30th anniversary of Pho Hoa Restaurant on Saturday.



Teddy Snyder-Norman and Sophia Snyder (right) enjoy walking along Fields Corner.

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Stone, Thomas K	Whelan, Courtney	5 Narragansett St	08/31/22	1,200,000
Magown, Kristine T	Anderson, Erik	122 Walnut St	08/31/22	641,900
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Discarded needles, drug use draw police to Neponset park

By SETH DANIEL NEWS EDITOR

An uptick in reports of open-air drug use in and around a state-owned park in Neponset has prompted increased State Police patrols at the site, according to state Rep. Dan Hunt. The park, which includes Mc Morrow Playground, is located across the street from the Armory on Victory Road and adjacent to the Richard J. Murphy School and Leahy-Holloran Community Center.

"The neighbors have seen a couple of individuals over the last few weeks doing drugs in the playground itself," said Hunt. "Throughout the city and Dorchester, we find needles more and more every day, especially over the last eight years as Mass & Cass has expanded...I've seen an increase of homeless and encampments in the neighborhood, in city and state parks and in the woods around the MBTA property. I've asked State Police to increase patrols of the area."

One concerned citizen who operates a day care center near the park posted her frustrations on social media last week. "There are needles everywhere," she wrote. "I can't take my daycare kids here to play anymore, and I don't even feel comfortable walking by...This is so not okay."

Hunt told the Reporter that he initiated a similar request for policing when

people were found living in the woods adjacent to Mc Morrow Playground last spring. That was quickly handled, he said. "Over my lifetime, panhandling and homelessness has increased every year," he added. "As a society, including city and state government, we can't get a handle on it."

Concerns about discarded needles and drug use at Mc Morrow Playground and other nearby sites—including the Stop & Shop property on Morrissey Boulevard—have fueled some of the opposition to a Pine Street Inn proposal to convert the Comfort Inn on Morrissey into supportive housing for formerly homeless adults.

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE & FAMILY COURT SUFFOLK PROBATE & FAMILY COURT 24 NEW CHARDON STREET BOSTON, MA 02114 CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 Docket No. SU22P1698GD IN THE MATTER OF: AKYRA CHEVAUN BERRY of BOSTON, MA RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Yvette Randal of Boston, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Akyra Chevaun Berry is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Yvette Randal of Boston, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond. The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority. You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 11/03/2022. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date. IMPORTANT NOTICE The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense. Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court. Date: September 20, 2022 Felix D. Arroyo Register of Probate Published: September 29, 2022

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE & FAMILY COURT SUFFOLK PROBATE & FAMILY COURT 24 NEW CHARDON STREET Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU22P1984EA ESTATE OF: PAUL HYNES DATE OF DEATH: 05/30/2022 To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Ann Marie Hynes of Dorchester, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that Ann Marie Hynes of Dorchester, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration. IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/20/2022. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you. UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court. Date: September 08, 2022 Felix D. Arroyo Register of Probate Published: September 29, 2022

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For banks, Covid time saw closing of some 230 branches in the state

By BETH HEALY AND LAURA KRAEGL WBUR

The pandemic was an opportunity for Bank of America, the region's largest bank, and others to speed up closures and consolidations – shuttering branches in a slew of neighborhoods. All told, banks have closed at least 230 branches across the state since the start of the Covid infection, one quarter of those in low- and moderate-income areas, according to Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. data and a WBUR analysis.

They have permanently closed not only 39 locations in Boston, but dozens of others, including in cities like New Bedford, Springfield, Brockton, and Worcester, places where large swaths of residents live on less than the state median income.

Bank closures in Dorchester included the Bank of America branch at 740 Gallivan Boulevard, the Rockland Trust branch at 960 Morrissey Boulevard, and the Santander branch at 2 Morrissey. There were no closures in Mattapan.

Branch closures have an outsized impact on some customers: small businesses that deal in cash; city dwellers reliant on public transit; older Worcester, who've long done business in person; as well as people with low or moderate incomes and those for whom English is a second language.

"Whether it was intentional or not, given who does online banking, very likely it will have a disproportionate effect on lower-income people in neighbor-

hoods," said former Congressman Barney Frank, a longtime advocate for fair lending and banks treating customers equitably.

Bankers acknowledge that the pandemic accelerated branch closures. They say more customers than ever took to banking online during the pandemic. Even technology holdouts changed their habits, often out of sheer necessity.

But as the economy reopened, many people across the income spectrum expected their local bank branch to be there for them if they needed it. In numerous cases, that didn't happen.

A WBUR analysis of branch closures tracked by the FDIC found that Citizens Bank and Santander Bank – the second- and third-largest bank systems in the state – each has shut down 36 branches in Massachusetts since the start of the pandemic. Of those, 33 percent of the Citizens branches were located in low- and moderate-income areas, as classified by the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council. Many of those were in supermarkets, where the bank says they've been replaced by ATMs. For Santander, about 22 percent of the closures were in low- and moderate-income areas.

Bank of America, which reported profits of \$32 billion last year, has permanently closed 39 branches in Massachusetts, one quarter of those in low- or moderate-income areas. But the overall impact has been greater because the bank also kept more than 20 branches "temporarily" closed during Covid time – some for over two years as of early September.

Together, the shuttered Bank of America branches represent 30 percent of its pre-Covid branches here, and some \$12 billion in customer deposits. No other banking company kept branches out of service for



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Docket No. SU220034DR
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To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown. The Complaint is on file at the Court. An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: Heather M. Bialonczyk, Esq., Kelly Family Law, 20 Walnut St., Suite 8, Wellesley Hills, MA 02481 your answer, if any, on or before 12/15/2022. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication 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. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 20, 2022
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE & FAMILY COURT SUFFOLK DIVISION
24 NEW CHARDON STREET BOSTON, MA 02114
Docket No. SU220058DR
DIVORCE SUMMONS
BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
JOSE FERNANDES MONTEIRO vs. CEMILE SEMEDO MENDE

To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown. The Complaint is on file at the Court. An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: Jose Fernandes Monteiro, 95 Greenwood St., Apt. 1, Dorchester, MA 02121 your answer, if any, on or before 12/01/2022. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication 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. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE & FAMILY COURT SUFFOLK PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
24 NEW CHARDON STREET BOSTON, MA 02114
617-788-8300
CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
Docket No. SU2200457CA
IN THE MATTER OF: NATALIE MARIANNA GAIDA
A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Natalie Marianna Gajda of Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: **Natalie Marianna Gajda**

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Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/13/2022. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE
Docket No. SU22P1609EA
ESTATE OF: MARY KATHRYN SEDOR a/k/a: MARY SEDOR and/or KATHY SEDOR
DATE OF DEATH: July 4, 2021
SUFFOLK DIVISION

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner John W. Sedor of LaVerne, CA, John W. Sedor of LaVerne, CA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

Published: September 29, 2022

Judge's ruling seen as clearing the way for Morrissey digital board

By SETH DANIEL NEWS EDITOR

The long fight over a digital billboard conversion in the parking lot of Boston Bowl on Morrissey Boulevard looks to have cleared the lane and the pins are falling in the direction of the project's proponents.

While MassDOT officials said on Tuesday that no decision had been made on the permitting of the digital billboard conversion, Administrative Law Judge Al

Caldarelli ruled last week that the conversion should be approved, given that another billboard on Tenean Street will be removed.

In January, the switch was denied by the state Office of Outdoor Advertising (OOA) due to the board being too close to the one on Tenean Street. Boston Bowl owners appealed the ruling, and in the interim, the owner of the Tenean Street billboard agreed to take it down.



A billboard in the parking lot of the Boston Bowl property that is being proposed for a digital conversion is at the heart of a major neighborhood controversy.

Seth Daniel photo

they were discouraged those arguments were not reconsidered.

The judge "would not even consider the factual evidence in the MassDOT file that it is in within 300 feet of Neponset River Reservation...or the Greenway, making it against state regulations," she said. "Bay Colony was allowed to update their digital billboard request, with no public input, but we were not allowed to add any evidence or updates."

HBO's 'Julia' film crews are back in Adams Village



Parking restrictions go into effect later this week for the filming of the second season of "Julia."

Ed Forry photo

The HBO series focused on Julia Child, the famous chef, is back again with film crews in Dorchester this week. Parking restrictions went into effect on Wednesday and were expected to end on Friday as the show films part of its second season in Adams Village. The first season aired earlier this year on HBO Max.

Last year, the show filmed inside the Adams

Corner Cafe and Butcher Shop. It has previously filmed in Fields Corner, on Adams Street, and inside the Hall Space gallery at 950 Dorchester Ave. in Savin Hill.

It also has filmed in Framingham, Brookline and Dedham.

der case, was filmed in Cohasset and the South End, and is now in theaters. "Black Panther: Wakanda Forever" was filmed in the MIT neighborhood last year and is due out Nov. 11.

– REPORTER STAFF

MassArt signs up Dot's Linehan

Longtime Dorchester resident Joyce Linehan, who worked as a top aide to former mayor, and neighbor, Marty Walsh, has joined the Massachusetts College of Art and Design as assistant to the president for special projects.

President Mary Grant called Linehan a "creative thinker with deep ties" to the city and state's creative sectors who will focus on supporting the college's 150th anniversary celebration.

MassArt, as the college is known, has 1,635 undergraduates and 115 graduate students. The college first opened in

1873 as the Massachusetts Normal Art School. Linehan, who lives in Lower Mills, worked as chief of policy and planning under Walsh.

Before joining City Hall in 2014, she ran Ashmont Media, a public relations company. She also worked with songwriter Joe Pernice

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Cannabis team makes pitch for Mattapan Sq. storefront

By SETH DANIEL
NEWS EDITOR

With an eye toward getting to a hearing before the Boston Cannabis Board (BCB) next month, the team behind a proposed adult-use cannabis dispensary at 538 River St. in Mattapan Square held its final community meeting on Sept. 21, earning equal amounts of excitement and concern for the shop, called “The POT” as co-founders Dru Ledbetter and Marquis Cohen touted their own roots in Mattapan.

Being a Black-owned business from a group already known to the community was seen as a major positive for the group. However, existing loitering and congestion problems at the site drew concerns from long-time residents and members of the Church of the Holy Spirit, which is located across the street.

After the meeting, Ledbetter said they believe the store’s opening would help make conditions better in the business district.

“It wasn’t hard to engage the community but really it was about finding out what the church’s biggest hang-



The storefront on River Street where The POT proposes to locate.

ups were,” she said. “Besides the religious component, the biggest issue was the existing problem there with people lingering and loitering...We agreed to add an extra camera, and with our presence in a [onetime] vacant storefront, maybe that will deter the things that are going on.”

She added, “We hope we can be the one to drive that change and make (the liquor store) address its issues.”

The meeting was no slam dunk for the couple. Concerns from several church members were front and center, but they were buttressed

by enthusiastic support from a younger crowd of Mattapan residents.

“I must say I am in opposition not to them, but of the location...It’s such a congested area where The POT would be located,” said Sheila Azores.

Many detailed the conditions where people drink, smoke, park and disrespect the church parking lot and property. They feel The POT would only make that worse, and they would like the situation addressed and resolved before the cannabis shop opens.

Rev. Zenetta Arm-
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10.27.2022
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Boston, MA 02116

Honoring:

The Honorable
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strong, of the church, said she is trying to work with Ledbetter, but she says, “I don’t think people are hearing the concerns. They are not against Dru but issues we’ve experienced before Dru came into the picture. It has nothing to do with The POT store, but I think the issues should be taken seriously.”

On the flip side, many at the online meeting were enthusiastic in their support of The POT.

“We don’t have any problem with toddlers at ABCD or teens at the bus stop going over to the liquor store and they have less security,” said

Yonel Jean. “Let’s be a little more realistic, even though it’s reasonable, and maybe a little less emotional.”

Said Farah Benoit: “This is a Black-owned company, and we need more Black-owned businesses in the community...Our biggest critic is ourselves as a Black community. We should support her without the buts, the ands, and the dot, dot, dots.”

Elected officials have yet to sound off on the proposal, but State Rep. Brandy Fluker Oakley said she encouraged everyone to voice their opinions.

“I appreciate that Ms.

Ledbetter appears to be taking the community feedback process seriously, and that this is a proposal from a Black-owned business,” she wrote in a statement. “I want to encourage anyone who lives near the area to express their opinions about the proposal to the owners and the City’s Office of Neighborhood Services.”

After the meeting, Ledbetter said she is frustrated that the church is carrying so much weight in the discussion as “only 10 percent of the church are Mattapan residents,” but said she would continue meeting with them.

City of Westwood Income-Restricted Rental Opportunity

256 Washington Street
256 Washington Street
Westwood, MA 02090

2 Income-Restricted Units

# of Units	# of Bedrooms	Estimated Square Footage	Rent	Maximum Income Limit (% AMI)
1	1-Bedroom	854	\$1,564	80%
1	2-Bedroom	1,070	\$2,013	80%

Minimum Incomes (set by owner + based on # of bedrooms + Area Median Income (AMI))		Maximum Incomes (set by HUD + based on household size + Area Median Income (AMI))	
# of Bedrooms	Minimum Income 80% AMI	Household Size	Maximum Income 80% AMI
1-Bedroom	\$46,920	1	\$78,300
		2	\$89,500
		3	\$100,700
2-Bedroom	\$60,390	4	\$111,850
		5	\$120,800
-	-	6	\$129,750

* 2022 Area Median Incomes for the Boston, Cambridge, Quincy, MA-NH MSA.

Minimum incomes **do not apply to households receiving housing assistance such as Section 8, MRVP, or VASH.**

Applications are available during the application period, from August 15th, 2022 through October 14th, 2022.

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If you cannot complete the application online, please call us at (617) 639-3064 Ext 732, to request that we mail you one and to ask us for any support or guidance you might need to complete the application.

DEADLINE: Applications must be submitted online or postmarked no later than **Friday, October 14th 2022**

Mailed to:
Maloney Properties, Inc.
Attn: 256 Washington Lottery
27 Mica Lane, Wellesley, MA 02481.

Information Session:

Wednesday, September 7th, 2022 @ 12pm

City of Westwood Income-Restricted Rental Opportunity

256 Washington Street
256 Washington Street
Westwood, MA 02090

2 Income-Restricted Units
Join Zoom Meeting
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- Household size preference applies.

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The group previously proposed a shop at 1187 Blue Hill Ave. next to Morningstar Baptist Church. Ledbetter said they had a good relationship with that church, and it took a non-opposition stance. BCB approved it in Oct. 2021, and they received a Host Community Agreement in November 2021. They were to have a hearing at the Zoning Board of Appeals on Jan. 22, but a sudden change by their landlord threw a wrench in the process that could not be resolved.

The proposal at 558

River St. was a result of members of the community and Mattapan Main Streets helping them to find a spot in the fall-out. Another cannabis operation, Pure Oasis,

attempted to locate at 558 River St., but abandoned the attempt.

Ledbetter and Cohen expect to have a date in front of the BCB in October.

Ashmont Adams Area Yard Sales
Saturday, October 1st
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Dorchester
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Bartlett Place A
2505 Washington Street, Roxbury, MA 02119

40 Income-Restricted Units

# of Units	# of bedrooms	Estimated Square Feet	Rent	Maximum Income Limit	# built out for mobility impairments	# built out for deaf/hard of hearing
1**	1 BR	664	\$1,578	60% AMI		
1**	1 BR	664	\$2,105	80% AMI		
5	2 BR	875	\$1,577	50% AMI		
1**	2 BR	875	\$1,577	50% AMI		
18	2 BR	875	\$1,893	60% AMI	2	1
3	2 BR	875	\$2,524	80% AMI	1	
1**	2 BR	875	\$2,524	80% AMI		
2	3 BR	1,154	\$1,823	50% AMI	1	
4	3 BR	1,154	\$2,187	60% AMI		
4	3 BR	1,154	\$2,917	80% AMI		

** These units have a preference for BPDA Certified Artists.

3 Homeless Set-aside units will be filled through direct referral from HomeStart. For more information please contact us at the email address or phone number below. For direct referrals, please visit <https://www.homestart.org/bostonhsa>

*Minimum Incomes (set by owner + based on # of bedrooms + Area Median Income (AMI))					Maximum Incomes (set by HUD/MOH + based on household size + Area Median Income (AMI))				
# of bedrooms	30% AMI	50% AMI	60% AMI	80% AMI	Household size	30% AMI	50% AMI	60% AMI	80% AMI
1 BR	N/A	N/A	\$54,102	\$72,137	1	\$29,460	\$49,100	\$58,920	\$78,550
					2	\$33,660	\$56,100	\$67,320	\$89,750
					3	\$37,850	\$63,100	\$75,720	\$100,950
					4	\$42,050	\$70,100	\$84,120	\$112,150
					5	\$45,450	\$75,750	\$90,900	\$121,150
3 BR	N/A	\$62,506	\$75,008	\$100,011	6	\$48,810	\$81,350	\$97,620	\$130,100

* Minimum incomes **do not apply to households with housing assistance (Section 8, MRVP, VASH) or for the units in this development that include a project-based voucher.**

Applications are available during the application period for 42 days, from 8/19/2022 to 9/30/2022

To request an online application or to have one sent by email visit <https://bit.ly/BartlettApp> or call **617-442-8472**

After careful consideration and an abundance of caution, the City of Boston has decided to cancel the in-person application distribution period. If you cannot complete the application online, please call us at **617-442-8472**, to request that we mail you one and to ask us for any support or guidance you might need to complete the application.

We will be holding 2 virtual informational meetings on Zoom:

Thursday, August 25, 2022 at 6:00pm <https://zoom.us/j/97987013061?pwd=SnN0N04K1kZlU3bV0NbnTWNyU141d09>
Meeting ID: 979 8701 3061, Passcode: bWMSFI, Dial In 1-929-205-6099

Thursday, September 15, 2022 at 6:00pm <https://us05gub.zoom.us/j/83655911386?pwd=YlhGZGZlM0NlU0NkWTJlZlVlYjNKSXNkSVZoz9>
Meeting ID: 836 5591 1386, Passcode: xHkRb0, Dial In 1-929-205-6099

DEADLINE: Applications must be submitted online or postmarked no later than 4:00pm 9/30/2022
Mailed to: Bartlett A, 233 Blue Hill Avenue, Roxbury, MA 02119

- Selection by Lottery.
- Asset & Use Restrictions apply.
- Preferences Apply.

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RECENT OBITUARIES



BAKER, Karen D. of Dorchester. Daughter of Monroe and Frances Baker. She leaves her mother and only son Ronald D. Baker and his wife Shamika D. Baker. Grandmother of 5 and one great-grand child. Sister Debra L. Baker, cousin Pamela Williams, one niece and a host of other relatives and friends to cherish her memories.

DEWAR, Paula M. (Johnson) of Brighton and Osterville. Wife of the late Donald Dewar. Mother of Diane Dewar of West Roxbury and Debra Dewar of Dorchester. Sister of Joan O'Connell and her late husband, Vincent, Lois Cohan and her late husband, Joseph. Sister-in-law of the late Joan Sheppard and her late husband, John. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and cherished friends. Donations in memory of Paula may be made to Dana Farber Cancer Institute, PO Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284.

FITZGERALD, John F. "Jack," 85, of Braintree, formerly of So. Yarmouth and Dorchester. US Marine Corps veteran. Husband of the late Eileen F. (Higgins) Fitzgerald. Father of Carol Fitzgerald of Plymouth, Jack Fitzgerald, III and his wife Sharon of Braintree, Laurie Hannigan and her husband Paul



of Braintree, and Brian Fitzgerald and his girlfriend Linda Cugini of Rehobeth. Brother of the late Suzanne Madden and her husband Thomas Madden of NH and the late Katherine Kofnovec and her husband Bill of CA. "Papa" to 7. Brother-in-law of Thomas Higgins and his wife Jacqueline of Marstons Mills, James Higgins and his wife Carol of Hanover and the late Fr. John Higgins, S.J. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Memorial contributions may be made in Jack's name to the Jesuit community at Campion Center, 319 Concord Rd., Weston, MA 02493.



FLYNN, Kathleen A. of Mattapan. Daughter of the late Lucia (Birolini) and Francis X. Flynn, Sr. Sister of Daniel Flynn of Mattapan, Paul Flynn and his wife Theresa of Dedham, and the late Francis X. Flynn, Jr. and his wife Virginia Flynn of Marshfield. Aunt of Rachel, Benjamin, and Alana Flynn. Also survived by many loving cousins.



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HALL, Ralph Leo, 91, formerly of Dorchester. Son of the late Ralph N. and Irene (Fogel) Hall. He was predeceased by his sister Lois. He served in the Navy from during the Korean War. Ralph is a member of the Local 103 Electrical Union and was an instructor in the Apprentice Program. Ralph owned and operated his own TV repair shop in Neponset. Ralph was a Past Commander of the American Legion Post 78. He was also a Past Commander and lifetime member of the United States Power Squadron. For many years, he taught boating safety classes and is a lifetime member of the Old Colony Yacht Club. Husband of Rita (Avon). Father of Donna Morris and her husband, Ed (Avon); Stephen Hall (Avon); David Hall and his wife, Kerry (Weymouth); and Christopher Hall and the late Adrienne (Dorchester). Grandfather of 10. Great grandfather of 3.



HARVEY, Maria Matilda, 72, of Dorchester. Daughter of Hyacinth Harvey and Clairmont Ford. Maria worked for more than thirty years as a teacher in the Boston Public School where

she touched the lives of many young children. Maria is preceded in death by her siblings Gloria Mason, Dorothy Harvey and Jameison Harvey. She is survived by her twin sister Elaine Harvey (Boston), brother Stephen Elcock (London England). She leaves to mourn nephew's Kenrick, Carlos, Kevin of (Boston) Mark of California) and Jimerson Jones of (Barbados) nieces Wendy, Myrna, Quinta, Rhonda, Andrea Belus of (Boston) and Ernesta Forde of (Barbados). She is also survived by a host of other relatives and dear friends too numerous to mention.



HERRINGTON, El-len Rita (Adomunes) of Melrose. Wife to James F. Herrington. Mother of Lisa E. Herrington and her husband, John Sutich of Charlestown and Jessica A. Sullivan and her husband, Neil of Melrose. Grandmother of 6. Sister of Robert Adomunes of West Yarmouth, Gerard Adomunes and his wife, Ruth of Milton, and the late Mary Ann Cushing and her late, husband Francis. Sister-in-law of David Herrington and his late wife, Kathleen of Everett, Maryann Decourcy and her partner, Michael of Saugus, and Teresa Mahoney and her husband, James of Shrewsbury. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and nephews, and friends. Contributions may be made in Ellen's name to The Ellen Adomunes Herrington Memorial Scholarship Fund for Melrose High School graduates

pursuing a nursing career @ mhsfund.org

HUDSON, Donna M. (Reardon) of Coral Springs, Florida, formerly of Dorchester. She was survived by the late William J. and Alice Reardon, wife to the late William F. "Bill" Hudson, mother to William E. Hudson and his wife, Melissa of Coconut Creek, FL, Elizabeth F. Hudson of Quincy, David M. Hudson of Palm Coast, FL, Sheila A. Hughes and her husband, Brendan, of Groton, and Christine L. Hudson of Hyannis Nana of 6. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, grand-nieces, and grand-nephews.



KEARNEY, Elizabeth "Betty" (MacCurtain) Of Foxborough, MA, formerly of Dorchester. Wife of Michael E. Kearney and mother of Michael W. and Brian P. Kearney. Daughter of the late Pearce J. and Mary C. MacCurtain also known as "Mac and Molly." Sister of Mary "Claire" Sullivan and her late husband, John L., John MacCurtain and his wife, Jane, Chief of Boston Fire Dept. (Ret.) Kevin MacCurtain and his wife, Maureen, Robert MacCurtain and his late wife, Judith "Judy," Thomas MacCurtain and his wife, Gail. Also survived by many in-laws, cousins, nieces and nephews, and numerous friends. Donations in Elizabeth's name may be made on behalf of the Melanoma Research Foundation, 1420 K Street NW, 7th Floor, Washington, DC 20005 info@melanoma.org or Massachusetts General Hospital, c/o Dr. Barbara J. Kane, 125 Nashua St., Suite 540, Boston, MA 02114-1101.

SULLIVAN, Kathleen "Kathy" M. (Kelly) of Plymouth, formerly of Dorchester. Mother of Molly A. Sullivan, and Thomas M. Sullivan, both of Plymouth. Grandmother of 2. Fiancé of Jeffrey Nason. Sister of Theresa Fahey and her late husband Stephen of Braintree, Michael Kelly and Debbie of Braintree, Karen Healy and her husband Lawrence of West Roxbury, Daniel Kelly and his wife Sheila of Dorchester, Patrick Kelly and his wife Claire of Dorchester, John Kelly and his wife Tara of Dorchester, and Sarah Kelly of Braintree. Kathy is also survived by many cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.



O'CONNOR, Anne T. (McGrath) of Milton, formerly of Dorchester. Daughter to late Brigid and Malachy McGrath. She was predeceased by her sister, Mary, who passed away at age 4. Wife of the late Gerard P. O'Connor. Mother of Paul O'Connor and his wife Mary Anne of Mobile, AL, Beth Tevenan and her husband Michael of S. Weymouth and the late Jeanne Reardon and

Kathleen Gordon. Mother-in-law of Helene Coner of Lighthouse Point, FL and Mamie Ross of Abington. Grandmother of 5. Great Grandmother of 3.



SALMON, Catherine B. (Walsh) of Murrells Inlet, SC, formerly of Dorchester, Milton and Scituate. Wife of the late John F. Mother of John J. Salmon and his fiancé Kerry Renzi of Murrells Inlet, SC. Grandmother of 2. Sister of Matthew Walsh of Hingham, Jeanne Kelly of Murrells Inlet, SC and the late Marie Willis and James Walsh. Donations may be made in her memory to Boston Children's Hospital at childrenshospital.org



SULLIVAN, Kathleen "Kathy" M. (Kelly) of Plymouth, formerly of Dorchester. Mother of Molly A. Sullivan, and Thomas M. Sullivan, both of Plymouth. Grandmother of 2. Fiancé of Jeffrey Nason. Sister of Theresa Fahey and her late husband Stephen of Braintree, Michael Kelly and Debbie of Braintree, Karen Healy and her husband Lawrence of West Roxbury, Daniel Kelly and his wife Sheila of Dorchester, Patrick Kelly and his wife Claire of Dorchester, John Kelly and his wife Tara of Dorchester, and Sarah Kelly of Braintree. Kathy is also survived by many cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.



SULLIVAN, Marylynn A. 91, of Quincy, formerly of Dorchester. She was the daughter of the late Charles and Susan Sullivan, and she is predeceased by her brother James. Marylynn is survived by her niece Pamela Sullivan of Manlius, NY and her nephew Stuart Sullivan of Porter Corners, NY. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Marylynn's memory to The Parish of All Saints, 209 Ashmont Street, Dorchester, MA 02124.

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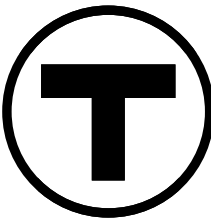


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