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## SPIFFING UP CORITA'S TANK



The National Grid gas tank in Commercial Point bears the name of the late Corita Kent, the artist and educator who came up with the design. When she created it for the then-owner Boston Gas Company, it became the largest piece of copyrighted artwork in the world. Seth Daniel photo

# Dot icon called a key player in metro Boston energy grid

By BILL FORRY **EXECUTIVE EDITOR** 

The rainbow gas tank on Dorchester's Commercial Point is getting a fresh coat of paint this fall by union workers from the John W. Egan Company, who are touching up the fading colors of the iconic design created more than 50 years ago by Corita Kent, a Catholic nun turned pop artist who died in 1986. Her whimsical rainbow swash remains the largest copy-written piece of art in the world.

To me it represents hope, uplifting, and spring," the late artist herself said of her creation. "It's a joyous expression, joining heaven and earth together."

Last month, the Reporter's Bill Forry and Seth Daniel were invited to get a closer look at the project by climbing the exterior stairs that lead to a catwalk at the top of the 146-foot-tall tank, which is owned and operated by National Grid. It is from this perch that painters carefully lower themselves over the edge to hand-roll fresh colors onto the sides.

The tank was last re-painted in 2014, but exposure to the elements and proximity to Dorchester Bay can cause the bright red, orange, blue, green, purple and yellow



Painters apply their trade high on National Grid's tank. National Grid photo

colors to fade quickly. The painting crew typically works four days a week- building in days off for inclement weather conditions. The workers use swing stagingequipment employed most often by window-washers—anchored to the top of the tank. The painters also have a separate safety line attached to the top of the tank and

# City planners eye redo of Mattapan neighborhood as a village setting

By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS Managing Editor

City planners hope to turn Mattapan into a "10-minute neighborhood" by allowing the construction of up to 2,400 additional homes, by encouraging a more diverse mix of retail along its major corridors - from bodegas to daycares - and by installing street improvements to create safer crossings for pedestrians.

The idea comes from the "PLAN Mattapan" study released on Monday, the result of several years of meetings and planning sessions even prior to the pandemic. It is touted as the overall planning document for the Mattapan neighbor-

To get to the planners' goal line, though, will require significant commercial and residential zoning changes. The

concept is to transform Mattapan, which is majority Black/African American, into a sort of village, where (Continued on page 10)



neighborhood with amenities a 10-minute walk away. BPDA rendering

focus of the BPDA plan

to turn the area into a

# Third map proposed in redistricting push

By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS Managing Editor

Councillors are now weighing three maps as they rush to redraw the political boundaries of Boston's nine City Council districts.

Allston-Brighton Councillor Liz Breadon and Dorchester-Mattapan Councillor Brian Worrell, the chair and vice chair of the redistricting committee, offered up their map on Monday, with little more than a month to go before the Nov. 7 deadline.

The redrawing occurs every ten years to address population shifts and changes as outlined by the US Census. Redistricting, as the process is known,

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# Backyard parties, street soirees vexing neighborhoods

By SETH DANIEL News Editor

n illicit street soiree or a flier for a backyard party, complete with cover charges and security, can often be the difference between a nice weekend

residents of Dorchester elected officials say.

The loud parties and pop-up street bashes, which had their birth during the pandemic,

in parts of the neighborborhoods, residents and along with Boston Police, to seek new ways to curb them.

> The gatherings have grown into a cottage industry where backyard

and a nightmare for have reached a zenith parties feature metal de- whelmed and outnumtectors, security guards, A social media post for and Mattapan neigh- hoods, leading residents, and \$200 cover charges, the situations, leaving while pop-up parties sleepy residents angry close down streets, without the requisite permit, and draw hundreds of people.

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Police officers, over-

bered, can't fully quell and revelers with nowhere to go.

City Councillor Brian Worrell, who represents (Continued on page 17)



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A six-alarm, wind-driven fire that started at 25 Peverell St. shortly after 10 a.m. on Sunday spread to  $130\,Cushing\,Ave., and\,two\,other\,neighboring\,houses$ on Jones Hill. It was declared knocked down around 10:45 a.m., although firefighters remained on scene to chase down any possible hot spots. BFD photo

#### Student shot, injured by fellow student at Burke High

A student at Jeremiah Burke High School was listed in stable condition after he was shot by another student on school grounds outside the building on Tuesday morning. Boston Police Superintendent of Investigatory Services Felipe Colon said the suspect in the shooting has been arrested, and a firearm was recovered at the scene.

"Shortly after the incident, a description of the suspect was broadcasted," Colon said. "Additional officers responding to the scene located an individual matching that description. That individual is positively [identified] as the suspect."

The school went into lockdown after the shooting, at about 9:30 a.m.

District Attorney Kevin Hayden said city and county officials are focused on the investigation and healing at the school. "We are together, collectively concerned for this community," Hayden said, "for the students involved, for the administration."

Boston school officials said they had extra staff on hand on Tuesday to help support students.

The incident occurred just weeks after a 17-yearold from Randolph allegedly stabbed a Burke High student in the shoulder. The teenager turned himself into police hours later. The stabbing occurred three days into the school year.

– WBUR, REPORTER STAFF A Dorchester man was charged with a midday armed robbery at Downtown Crossing last week. Alex Philogene, 26, was ordered held in lieu of \$25,000 bail after his arraignment in Boston Municipal Court on Sept. 30. Judge Eleanor Sinnott also revoked Philogene's bail on existing charges, including assault and battery on a correctional officer. Philogene will return to court Oct. 14 for a pre-trial conference. According to prosecutors, Philogene is the man who brandished a small handgun and robbed another man entering the Corner Mall on Sept. 22. "This armed robbery occurred in broad daylight at one of the busiest areas of the city," said DA Kevin Hayden. "But no matter where it occurred, it's the type of brazen crime that impacts not just the immediate victim, but the entire recipe designed to pair

State Police are investigating an early morning crash involving three vehicles on the Expressway in Dorchester last Saturday that left a 34-year-old man dead. Christian Yemga of Quincy was "determined Wilkins, 33, of Brockton-was arrested at the scene on before the Reporter's press time. charges of OUI-alcohol, resisting arrest, and assault third car "sustained serious injuries in the incident and were transported to Boston Medical Center."

# New memorial for Savin Hill: Donald Vincent Baker Square

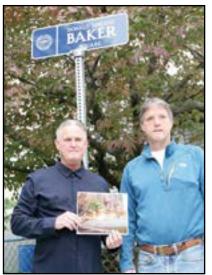
By SETH DANIEL

The fighting associated with the second phase of North Vietnam's brutal Tet offensive in May 1968, wasn't expected to be intense at Dong Ha, where Dorchester resident Donald Vincent Baker, a Seabee attached to the Third Marine Division, was stationed.

But on May 14, the North Vietnamese targeted Baker's location, and he was wounding both by shrapnel and by the effects of a blast that ignited an nearby "ammodump." The double hit critically injured the Sydney Street resident, leaving him fighting for his life with a spinal cord injury that left him paralyzed for the rest of his life.

Last Saturday morning, Baker, who passed away in 2014 at age 82, was memorialized by friends, family members, including his nephew, City Councillor Frank Baker, and by Mayor Michelle Wu. With the USS Constitution color guard in attendance and scores n attendance, the corner where Sydney and Harborview streets meet was officially named Donald Vincent Baker Square.

"We're not here to say Uncle Don was a hero in battle, or a perfect person," said his nephew Frank. "If Uncle Don were 30 seconds earlier or later, or two feet farther away, he would be listed as deceased on the monument over



David and Douglas Baker, with a photo of their father, in front of the Memorial Square dedicated to him last Saturday at the corner of Sydney and Harborview streets. Seth Daniel photo

at Morrissey Boulevard or in DC. "It's important to recognize him here, across from the home he grew up in at 151 Sydney St. They didn't expect him to live... He could only move his eyelashes

Wu spoke as well, noting that as the city rapidly changes, it's important to remember the folks like Donny Baker who came before and served their country. She said he should be remembered for his military service and his commitment to Dorchester.

Don Baker's son, David, showed a scrapbook detailing his father's service in Vietnam, for which he earned a Purple Heart and a Bronze Star, including the letters sent to his mother, Dorothy Baker, about his injuries.

"He sustained shrapnel wounds of the back, arms face and legs and transection of spinal cord during enemy artillery attack," read the first letter sent to the family on May 17. "His prognosis is poor."

David said his father spent several weeks on a hospital ship off of Japan and then more time in naval hospitals on the West Coast and in Chelsea.

"I was only 9 when it happened," said David Baker. "I remember them showing up at the house for my mother. She was in tears, and we didn't know what was going on. It didn't get much better

The ceremony was punctuated by a resolution read by Robert Santiago, the city's veterans commissioner, proclaiming Oct. 1, 2022, as Donald Vincent Baker Day in the City of Boston.

An employee of the city's water department, and past commander of the Robert F. Ryan VFW Post #7604, Donny also was a life member of the Lt. Willis N. Penny American Legion Post #399, and member of the D.A.V. and Paralyzed Veterans of America.

# Dorchester Brewing, The Ice Creamsmith set two days to market pumpkin beer floats

Two Dorchester favor- in a float with Runs on ites, Dorchester Brewing Pumpkin. and The Ice Creamsmith, are working up some unique fall fun. The brewer firm is welcoming fall with a beer release inspired by some of the Ice Creamsmith's hit

Available in the taproom only on Oct. 8 and Oct. 15 are:

•Float Option #1: Runs amber ale. Ice cream: Caramel & Graham Cracker Swirl, a special

• Float Option #2: Dorchester brewing

produced a special Mocha Almond Stout named "Does Not Contain Nuts," inspired by some of The Ice Creamsmith's hit flavors, to be paired with ice cream in a unique sideby-side. This beer will be served on the Brewery's nitro draft line, to inon Pumpkin, Dorchester crease the creaminess, Brewing's pumpkin spice and make it even more reminiscent of ice cream More info at dorches-

terbrewing.com. - REPORTER STAFF

# Man shot to death on Westville St.

Boston Police report a man was shot outside 38 to be deceased on scene" by State troopers who say Westville St. in Dorchester around 12:40 a.m. on Yemga was hit after exited his Hyundai Sonata Tuesday. He was taken to a local hospital, where he near Exit 12. The driver of another vehicle—Nikita was pronounced dead. His name was not released

About 12 shots were fired in an apparent drive-by and battery on a police officer. Two other people in a that saw a second man grazed by one of the bullets, according to Staco Communications, which tracks crime on Twitter via police scanner.



One of the beer and ice cream float pairings that will be available at Dorchester Brewing.

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

meeting on Tues., Oct. 18, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the Mattapan Line Transfor**mation Program.** The purpose of the program is to make improvements on the Mattapan Line to ensure accessible, reli-Mattapan, and Milton. Additional details regarding the virtual public meeting, including a Zoom link to register, will be available at mbta.com/events.

A virtual meeting will be held online, via Zoom, on Thurs., Oct. 13, at 6 p.m. to discuss the upcoming Codman Yard

trains throughout the yard more effistorage for the future expanded Red ments for more info. During this project, six additional storage improve service, reliability, and safety,

The MBTA will host a virtual public expansion project next to Ashmont reduce maintenance costs, and achieve Thurs., Oct. 20, at 6 p.m. See Codman. MBTA station. The improvements are a state of good repair. Mobilization for org/menofbostoncook for tickets and meant to allow operators to move construction is scheduled to begin in November.. Go to mbta.com/projects/ ciently and create additional vehicle codman-yard-expansion-and-improve-

able, and modern service for Dorchester, Line fleet. The project team will begin The BPDA will host a virtual public meet- trucks, pop up barbershop and braiding the meeting with a presentation at 6 ing on Thurs., Oct. 20, at 6 p.m. to disfort eens and youth, live performances p.m., followed by time for questions. cuss the PLAN: Mattapan draft. See bit. ly/PlanMattapan for more information. tracks will be built to accommodate the **The 25th annual Men of Boston Cook** new Red Line fleet. In addition, existing for Women's Health gala will be held yard components will be replaced to live and in-person under a tent next to Codman Square Health Center on

more info.

Deatrich Wise hosts its annual block party at the Mattapan Teen Center on Sat., Oct. 22, from 12-4 p.m. featuring food and more. Contact Rick Aggeler at 617-533-9051 or raggeler@bgcb.org for info.

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# Opposition voices mark meeting about Pine Street Inn plans for Comfort Inn

to those who do not.

for Wed., Oct. 26.

"beginning stages" of the com-

October 6, 2022

#### By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS Managing Editor

Hundreds packed Dorchester's Murphy School last Tuesday night to speak out - and speak against - Pine Street Inn's proposal to turn the hotel across Morrissey Blvd. into permanent supportive housing for formerly homeless people.

Local elected officials were in the crowd to add their voices to the concerns of large numbers of those in attendance. Dorchester Councillor Frank Baker spoke and said he is completely opposed to the proposal for the Comfort Inn at 900 Morrissey Boulevard.

In a phone interview, Councillor Baker called Pine Street a "good operator" but said, "One hundred units, potentially two hundred people, is a lot to put down there. "It's going to potentially be high-risk individuals," he said.

The meeting was put together by Pine Street and The Community Builders, who are working together to turn the 131-room Comfort Inn into 105-110 studio-sized units of supportive housing. The current timeline calls for the project to go through the Boston Planning and Development Authority(BPDA) for approval and for the purchase of the property to occur sometime during this fall and winter.

The facility would have round-the-clock security, with the average tenant age expect-

manent supportive housing focus remains on creating model, case managers work permanent supportive houswith tenants, who sign a oneing for vulnerable individuals, year lease and pay a third of and we are targeting 50 who their income toward rent if are already housed in apartthey have the income. Rental ments in Dorchester but need assistance would be available an accessible building," the organizations said. "We will Another meeting on the continue conversations with project, sponsored by the local the community and conduct civic associations, is planned additional tours of our existing properties and look forward In a joint statement, The to attending the civic associ-Community Builders and Pine ations' meeting on Oct. 26 to Street said they are in the discuss further.'

The Comfort Inn at 900 Morrissey Boulevard would become permanent supportive housing

for formerly homeless people under a Pine Street Inn proposal. Rendering via Pine Street

ed to be 57. Under the per- the feedback. "Our collective by, said she, like Baker, currently opposes the project. "A lot of the questions were around what's the security," she said, referring to the meeting. "There's a feeling that this isn't the right fit. I really don't think they've done enough work ensuring the neighbors it's going to be a benefit to the neighborhood," she added. "There's no way I can support it when there's that many [opposed]."

According to a presentation made at the meeting, there City Councillor At-Large would be exterior and interior munity process and appreciate Erin Murphy, who lives near-cameras on the property, as

well as fencing and landscap-

Proponents say the conversion would increase the amount of available affordable housing in a city that desperately needs it; it would reduce traffic as fewer people are coming and going than if it were a hotel; and it would create local jobs through construction associated with the conversion and property management.

The first floor would be converted into office space for social services, a security desk, property management, common areas and storage areas. Each of the studio apartments would have a kitchenette and

Pine Street currently manages 637 units of permanent supportive housing and has 251 units under development, according to the nonprofit.

Others who attended the meeting at the Murphy School included Mayor Michelle Wu's housing chief, Sheila Dillon, and Fr. Richard "Doc" Conway. The Wu administration has not taken a formal stance on the project.

Conway took the microphone to voice support. "This problem of addiction - it's in every family. It's in my family, as well as this guy's family, he said, referring to someone in the crowd. "Everybody else's family. We've got to do something to change that."

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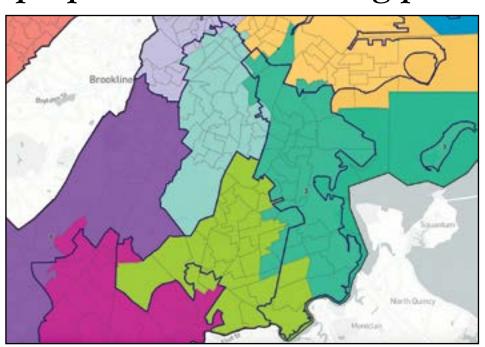


Each City Council district must have roughly 75,000 people under whatever map is finally approved. The nine district councillors and four at-large councillors are facing a tight timeline

– "probably too tight," Councillor At-Large Ruthzee Louijeune noted at a committee hearing last Thursday — to get maps to Mayor Michelle Wu's desk and approved by Nov. 7, a year before the 2023 municipal elec-

At this point in the Corner precinct. redistricting cycle 10 maps that were vetoed by Mayor Thomas Menino.

The Breadon-Worrell proposal has District 3 seeks to unify Mattapan nandes Anderson of Roxprecinct, up to the Fort Point Channel, currently in District 2, while shedding Ward 17 Precinct 13, located south of Dorchester Park, and handing Lara of Jamaica Plain Anderson map would it to District 4, which is said Murphy's map cre-shift the boundaries Thursday for a hearing



Councillors Liz Breadon of Allston-Brighton and Brian Worrell of Dorchester-Mattapan offered a map that redraws the political boundaries of the nine City Council districts. District 3 sees changes, taking some precincts to the north while shedding some in the south. Screenshot

District 3 also picks up 96 percent people of color. them north, up to Copley South Boston's Mary El- That would leave the map Square, nearly consollen McCormack housing open to a challenge based development and a Fields

years ago, councillors At-Large Erin Murphy for a reduction in voting community at the city's had already passed two offered her proposal, power. "That will get us southern border between which also shifts part sued," Lara said. of Fields Corner into Councillor Ricardo Arrovo of Hyde Park.

Councillor Kendra

on the federal Voting Rights Act, which pro-Last week, Councillor hibits "packing," a term

Arroyo and District 7 District 3. Her map also Councillor Tania Ferpicking up a northern under District 4. Mat- bury last week proposed tapan is split between their map, which has Worrell and District 5 garnered support from Lara and Councillor At- ed creating a tenth City Large Julia Mejia.

The Arroyo-Fernandes

cess to take public testi-Friday to meet amongst themselves.

Breadon said on Friday that map-drawing makes it "hard to keep everybody happy" but she is seeking to build consensus and offer a proposal that is fair.

At Thursday's public hearing, Beth Huang of Massachusetts Voter Table, a group focused on building power in communities of color and among working-class people and new citizens, said her group wants to see Districts 3, 4, 5, and 7 drawn in such a manner as to offer a strong opportunities for the election of people of color. The group would also like to unify the currently split neighborhoods of Fields Corner, Uphams Corner, and Mattapan, she said.

Fatima Ali-Salaam, chair of the Greater Mattapan Neighborhood Council, joined the Boston NAACP in calling for more transparency in the process. Deliberations should be livestreamed, both groups said. NAACP's Tanisha Sul-

has called the Arroyo livan added her opposition to Council President map a "non-starter" for him. He instead suggest-President Ed Flynn's removal of Arroyo from Council district seat. the redistricting chair Councillors gathered in the heat of a Suffolk inside City Hall last DA's race. Arroyo, who lost to interim DA Kevin represented by Worrell. ates a District 4 that is of District 3 and push on the redistricting pro- Hayden on Sept. 6, was

idating the South End

within one district while

splitting up the Cedar

Grove/Adams Corner

The Cedar Grove Civic

Association has objected

to the move and Baker

Districts 3 and 4.

removed weeks before afmony and separately on ter a Boston Globe report on sexual assault accusations from when he was a teenager. Arroyo, who was never charged, has denied the allegations.

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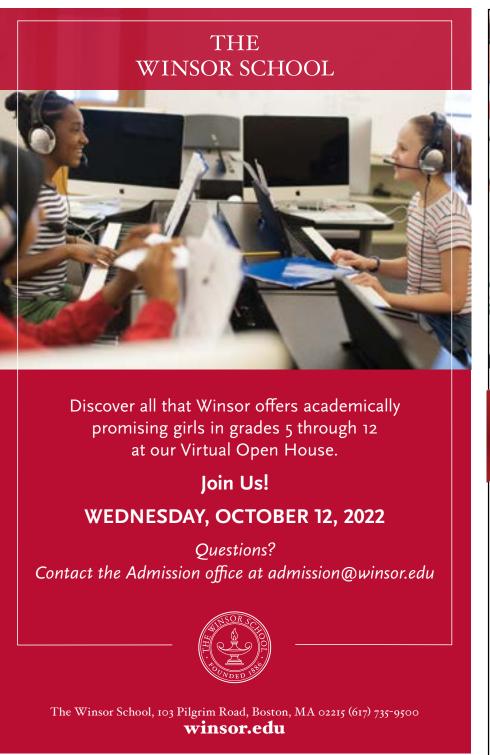
"We're deeply concerned about the arbitrary nature of this decision," Sullivan said of Flynn's move. Several councillors have asked for Arroyo to be reinstated. Breadon has served as chair since Arroyo's removal.

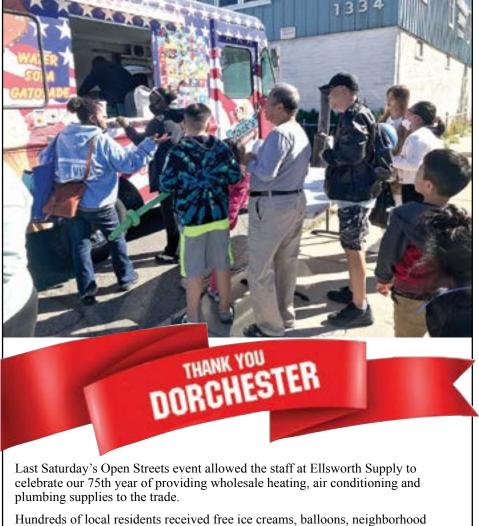
Former state Sen. Dianne Wilkerson also testified, saying that trust in the redistricting process is low, in part due to the sudden removal of Arroyo. "I will say to you we're watching with an eagle eye," she said.

The Arroyo-Fernandes Anderson map is the "only one we have seen so far" that responds to concerns expressed by Wilkerson and other groups, she said.

That map unifies the Cape Verdean community with Roxbury under District 7, she said. "Last I checked Cape Verdeans are Black. So we can't split them up."

Baker disagreed, saying the Cape Verdean community is "all over" the city of Boston. "I think the Cape Verdean community is well served by having three district councillors right now,





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# 'Large influx' of migrants and out-of-staters ups cost of city services, says Wu

By Sam Doran STATE HOUSE News Service

Boston saw a "fairly large influx" of migrants over the summer that underscored the need for resources at the munici- migrant families from all pal level, Mayor Michelle Wu said last Tuesday.

Casting Boston as "a city that is a hub for services," the mayor seemed to chalk up some of the swell to the level of assistance available here while drawing a connection between the city's troubled Mass. and Cass area where substance-addicted people have flocked in recent

"We see the same, I think, situation – sort of parallel situation – when it comes to our opioid area, where the more services we provide, the more demand there is. And folks are coming for services and treatment from outside the state, all across New England, and beyond," Wu said on

WBUR's "Radio Boston." While the city can "create the welcoming ecosystem," it needs funding to support the sought-after services and the community groups that provide them, she

are drawn to the Boston region because of them in to City Hall." its available services is a premise shared by MassGOP Chairman Jim Lyons, though from the other side of the coin.

"...[A]s long as radical progressives here incentivizing illegal immigration by dangling privileges like driver's licenses and welfare assistance, expect the influx to continue. Also, expect to pay for it all in the form of higher taxes," Lyons wrote in a Sept. 16 fundraising email.

Tiziana Dearing about whether Boston could who were unexpectedly dropped off on Martha's Vineyard this month.

She said the city would "love" to welcome "any DPW slots "great jobs families who are looking for local residents, where for work and looking there's training, there's to settle down," before support, and the chance

adding the Vineyard to move up through the first" to arrive in Massachusetts.

"Over the summer we have experienced in Boston a fairly large influx of different countries of origin and locations, many of whom have showed up in need of services in our emergency rooms and hospitals or otherwise.

... And so we've had to expand our capacity as it already stands, and look forward to trying migrant arrivals and the to systematize some of this, as we know this will likely be an issue for some time to come," the mayor said.

The new arrivals result in "a lot of pieces that end up spilling over to local government," Wu said, describing needs for crisis at Mass. and Cass not just funding but also and the surrounding a faster-moving court system and shortened timelines to process asylum requests.

During her hour-long appearance on WBUR, the mayor also touched on staffing shortages that are impacting two basic city government services-filling potholes and getting kids to school

Dearing read a text message from someone named Tahir in Allston: "Ask her what exactly is she doing about the The idea that migrants potholes? They never get fixed, even after calling

Such staple services "are really what shape how you feel about your city," Wu said.

She responded that Boston's response times for issues like pothole in Massachusetts keep repair are "incredibly effective."When Dearing pressed her for some kind of trackable metric, Wu described a desired goal of one to two days that "we would be very proud to see happening all across Boston.'

But, she added, the Wuraised the migrant Department is faced even quite experienced influx in response to with short staffing. "We the full impacts of what question from host have about 50 positions to fill just in terms of the folks who are on that host some of the 48 team alone," Wu said, Venezuelan migrants apparently referring to the staff section that deals with potholes like Tahir's.

Wu called the open

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migrants "were not the career pipeline." She asked the radio show's listeners to connect her administration with interested applicants, or nonprofits interested in cohosting a job fair.

> Boston, like some other Massachusetts cities, has also faced a shortage of school bus drivers through the pandemic.

Now two and a half weeks into the new school year, Wu said  $the\,Boston\,school\,system$ is still falling short of its target for on-time buses.

Around 90 to 92 percent of buses are arriving by "bell time" at the start of the school day, she said, meaning 8 to 10 percent of buses are late, while the target is  $for 95\,percent\,to\,arrive\,on$ time. Around 99 percent of buses have arrived by the time school is 15 minutes underway.

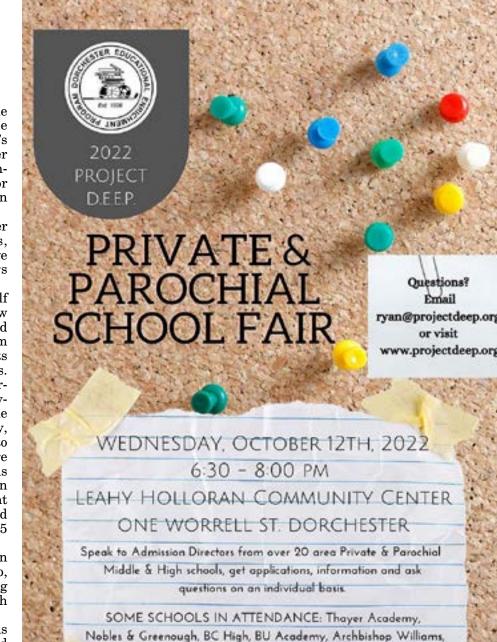
Traffic is a big reason those buses get held up, Wu said, but "staffing also has a lot to do with

All the "official" bus routes have assigned drivers, she said, but the district needs a bigger bench because there is not much wiggle room if a driver takes ill or shows up late.

The mayor also weighed in on the monthlong Orange Line maintenance shutdown that wrapped up at the start of last week. Wu in August had

predicted "chaos" would result from the shutdown and its commute disruptions. She praised the T for completing all its scheduled work and meeting its deadline. "Is the Orange Line

commuter experience today, all of a sudden, what we want it to be? No," she said with a laugh, adding that she sees "very long" wait times between trains. But the ride is "markedly better" and Boston Public Works she thinks "we haven't



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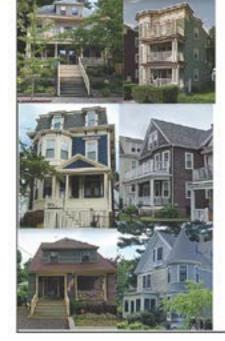
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# Florian Hall filled to overflowing in support of the Ciarán Moore family

Hundreds of family, friends, and acquaintances gathered at Florian Hall last Sunday (Oct. 2) for a benefit to support the Moore family of Lower Mills. The family's patriarch, Ciarán Moore, is recovering from a traumatic brain injury suffered in a vicious assault last December 2021 in Adams Village.

Irish bands played away while folks watched the New England Patriots-Green Bay Packers game, enjoyed refreshments, and bid on hundreds of items in a silent auction.

Ciarán was a construction foreman and is on the long road to recovery from the injury and not able to work. Already, community members have rallied over the last 10 months to support Ciarán's wife, Shauna, and their three children: Eve, Emme and Micheál. Those in attendance represented the Irish community in Boston, St. Brendan's School and Church, members of the clergy and so many other

Mother Olga, of the Sisters of Nazarene in Quincy, has been a spiritual and emotional support to the family, as she has been for other Dorchester families suffering massive challenges. She made an appearance at the benefit and headlined the speaking program and the blessing.

"That's the amazing thing about the Irish people, they really come together when one of their friends has been hurt," she said.

Ciarán is originally from Co. Laois and Shauna is originally from Co. Antrim. They settled in Lower Mills 20 years ago.

- SETH DANIEL



Father Dan Finn with Bridget and Brendan Fleming.

Hundreds of 101ks 110k
Moore Family Benefit.



Micháel, Shauna, Emme and Eve Moore with Mother Olga of the Sisters of Nazarene during Sunday's benefit in Florian Hall.



Jinty McGrath and his Irish band entertained throughout the after-Irish bands that donated their time to entertain



Bill, Anne, and Tina Kennedy were just a few of Dan O'Connor and James O'Donohue staffed the the hundreds that showed up to support the Moore family on Oct. 2.



Hundreds of folks from Dorchester and beyond showed up at Florian Hall on Sunday, Oct. 2, for the

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Above, Tom Gilbane and Kahlil Olmstead from Gilbane Building Company are shown with Rosemary J. Powers, school

# Ashmont Hill recital to feature pianist Terrence Wilson Nov. 13

Terrence Wilson will perform in concert at Peabody Hall on Sun., Nov. 13 at 4 p.m. Wilson, whose piano program will include selections from Schubert and Brahms, has appeared as solo-



Terrence Wilson, at left San Francisco, St. Louis, has received numer-

ist with the symphony orchestras of Atlanta, Baltimore, Cincinnati, Dallas, Detroit, Houston, Washington, DC (National Symphony),

ta, and Philadelphia and the Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra.

Juilliard School, Wilson

and with the orchestras

of Cleveland, Minneso-

Tickets for the concert ous awards and prizes, (adult: \$25; student: \$18; including the SONY EBT Card Holder: \$3; ES Award for Musical Children under 18 free) Excellence, an Avery may be purchased at Fisher Career Grant, the door or in advance A graduate of The and the Juilliard Petat ahchambermusic.org.

# Dot dancer has role in new work on Holocaust survivors

Dance artist Rachel Linsky is debuting her new work, "Hidden," the latest in her ongoing choreographic series that aims to preserves stories of WWII Holocaust survivors through dance, at the Boston Center for the Arts Plaza Black Box Theater in the South End. Three performances are scheduled: Thurs., Oct. 20, and Fri., Oct 21, at 7 p.m., and Sat., Oct. 22, at 6 p.m.

Dorchester dancer Gabriela Amy-Moreno is one of five dance artists able record of his life that in the performance. She said part of Linsky's pro-

across the country.

doing research on some of the history of the material, in this case the Holocaust.

"Hidden" is inspired by the story of Elster, who at 10 years old was hidden from the Nazis for two years in a Polish familv's attic. As an adult, Elster returned to the attic space and gained an appreciative perspective for a situation that, to his younger self, felt like punishment. He died in 2018 but left a remarkinfluenced and inspired Boston-based Linsky.

cess has the performers She and her dancers are working with Elster's son Steven to keep his father's testimony alive.

"I feel very proud to know and work with Rachel," said Amy-Moreno. "She knows what she wants, even if she's still figuring out what that exactly means. In every rehearsal you can tell how thoughtful she is about what needs to be done in order to push the vision forward. Rachel has also been very accommodating of the dancers' well-being: injury and loss."

SETH DANIEL

Dorchester dancer Gabriela Amy-Moreno is preparing for her in the new work "Hidden" by Boston-based artist Rachel Linsky. Nicole Volpe photo

# YESTERYEAR ARCHIVE

DORCHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY The Coffin Valve Company

The Coffin Valve Company was located at the end of Tolman Street in Neponset next to the railroad lines. The company was a supplier of large valves to the Metropolitan Water Works in Boston and to municipalities

Zebulon Erastus Coffin's name appeared in the 1852 Boston Directory, giving his occupation as a housewright. Directories from later years and a pattern maker and that he lived in Newton Centre.

Coffin was either making machinery or reselling it, including lathes, planers, slotters and drilling ma-



indicate that he was also a machinist 
The illustration of the factory at Neponset is from the Coffin Valve Company

turing business for large valves and fire hydrants. During his time with the Boston Machine Manufacturing chines. He later became general agent Co., he was issued his first patent for of the Boston Machine Manufacturing a fire hydrant. By 1881, Coffin had Co., before starting his own manufaceestablished the Coffin Valve Co., mak-

ers of fire hydrants and other valves for municipal water systems. In 1885, he received a patent for the Coffin fire hydrant.

Dorchester to live at 19 Frost Ave-

nue. The company achieved acclaim in an article in the periodical Fire Engineering, June 12, 1907: "This company has attained a national reputation as makers and designers of the largest sluice and gatevalves built and used in America. The Coffin property was destroyed by fire in January 1928 in a \$400,000, four-alarm fire.

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

The Society's historic houses are closed at this time due to the pandemic. For now, our in-person programming has been suspended, and In 1891, he and his family came to we are using Zoom instead. Watch

#### THE REPORTER October 6, 2022 **Editorial**

# RIP Jack Thomas, a newspaperman of insight and grace

Boston Globe's Sunday magazine in July 2021 announcing that his doctors had told him he had but a few months to live, Jack Thomas took stock of his life with a grace that defied the reality behind the accounting. He did what the King told Alice the beginning and go on till you come to the end;

Jack, a Neponset native, reached the end of his personal story over the weekend, passing away at age 83 at his home in Cambridge with his tightly knit family comforting him from close by. Did this warm-hearted and gentle man fight against the dying of the light? "Yes, he did," said his wife, Geri Denterlein. "He really Jack Thomas wanted to stay around.'



Reporter file photo

As beginnings go, Jack was single minded from early on. In the essay, he wrote: "Some people grow into adulthood confused about a career, but I was lucky. From age 14, I wanted to be a newspaperman. Although my father never graduated from high school and worked long hours for a meager salary as a machinist, and although my mother raised five children and mopped floors nights at Filene's, and although our family

Boston Post, the Globe, the Boston American, and "In my working-class Boston neighborhood, at

lived at the edge financially and dressed in hand-

our house was the newspaper — four a day, the

not a day when it wasn't a pleasure to go to work."

And later in his reminiscence: "Till now, life's in Wonderland about telling a story: "Begin at been grand. I was blessed to write for a newspaper, a career H. L. Mencken described as the life of kings. I was a teenager when I began to work for the *Globe* as a copy boy in sports, followed by beats as police reporter, State House reporter, city editor, editorial writer, Washington correspondent, national correspondent, television critic, feature writer, and ombudsman. My first story was in 1958, so publication of this essay today marks the eighth decade that my writing has appeared in the Globe."

For those, like me, who worked alongside Jack Thomas for many years over the course of his six decades or so with the Globe, and for those of us here at the *Dorchester Reporter* and BostonIrish. com, there was not a day when it wasn't a pleasure to join with him in our common enterprise of

papering to join the US Marine as a reservist, Jack spread out his talents, beginning with reporting stints at the Everett Leader Herald & News-Gazette

Jack signed onto that mission with the deep conviction that a newspaper, especially a large one like The *Globe*, should be a force in its community that would seek out injustices and confront them, loudly age 14, I delivered the weekly newspaper, the Dorchester Argus, and the daily Hearst tabloid, the change as citizens, not troublemakers, that would Record, paying 3.4 cents per copy and selling each speak and advocate for those whose voices were

In a remarkable essay that he wrote for the for a nickel, a profit of 1.6 cents per paper, plus denied attention. Over his long career, and with his many influential beats, he held onto those beliefs with a practiced eye, his typewriter (and then his keyboard) at the ready. He also just told stories, a countless number, because he liked to.

At the *Dorchester Reporter* and BostonIrish.com (nee the Boston Irish Reporter), he was a natural resource after he finished his full-time role up Morrissey Boulevard from our offices at the entrance to Columbia Point. Over the course of the last decade, he reported deeply on, and wrote elegantly, and at length about, individuals and families of Irish heritage who were receiving Irish Honors at BostonIrish.com's annual October luncheon.

The lives he chronicled included those of Boston hotelier Jim Carmody, Dorchester's street priest, the Rev. Richard 'Doc' Conway, the family of Joe Leary of the Irish American Partnership, the Brett family, and many others. He also profiled The Forry family when the Reporter Newspaper Co. celebrated its 25th anniversary.

In each case, the subjects of his pieces and their families came to know well Jack Thomas the newspaperman and to marvel at the care he brought to every last word he wrote and to the insights he drew from their stories.

In a time when brio has become the norm across media, especially in the social realm, how a good writer uses graciousness in interviewing and keen attention to what is said, and to what is implied, to produce uplifts of prose and fetching information is something for both writers and readers to savor.

Jack Thomas seemed to have appreciated that from the beginning of his time with newspapers. He kept at it until the end, and then he stopped, having lived the lesson that the printed word, when used with care and clarity and generosity of spirit, can make a difference.

- Tom Mulvoy

#### this: "I've had the privilege of having spent more than 60 years working for newspapers. There was

A soft-spoken man who took time away from news-

and the *Haverhill Journal* before joining the *Globe* fulltime in 1962. From then until his retirement in 2005, he was an integral part of a *Globe* team that grew steadily in circulation and influence as the newspaper began to identify itself editorially and me-downs, the one thing never in short supply at in its reporting as a "progressive journal."

# A few points to be made about Permanent Supportive Housing

By Lauri Martinelli SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

I attended the public information meeting at The Murphy School on 9/27/22 to hear about a proposed

#### Commentary

Pine Street Inn (PSI) and manage the building. and The Community

Builders (TCB) to convert the Comfort Inn at 900 Morrissey Blvd. into 104 affordable studio apartments for formerly homeless people. In addition to studio apartments, the new facility will offer community kitchens, bathrooms, and laundry facilities.

It was quite an emotional evening – over 200, maybe 300, people crammed into the Murphy School cafeteria, most voicing strong opposition to the proposal. Many concerns were expressed about safety of their families, including children in nearby neighbor and landlord references, criminal backschools, reduction in property values, increase in ground, finances, and more. Additionally: crime, destruction of property, and more.

housing can be complicated. If accepted into the program, residents would be securing permanent supportive housing. What is "permanent supportive

Permanent Supportive Housing means housing where assistance and supportive services are provided to assist people in achieving housing stabilitv. Residents will receive wrap-around services for mental health, diet and medicine management, for residents is 90 percent and sometime as high as assistance for people with disabilities and elders

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trying to maintain their independence, and more. This is the *supportive housing component*, a proven strategy that works at other facilities here in Boston and around the country. While PSI will provide the partnership between wrap around services, TCB will purchase, renovate,

> As soon as someone is accepted into the program and moves in as a new resident, s/he will be assigned a PSI case worker. The ratio of residents to case workers will be 1:15.

It is important to note that the people who move into these units will have to apply, be thoroughly vetted by the Boston Housing Authority, then carefully reviewed by PSI and CBP before being accepted into the program. The BHA application process is long and thorough - reviewing one's rental history,

- There will be 24/7 security team and only one There is a lot of confusion about this project – and entrance. There was much concern expressed about safety issues once these residents move into our neighborhood. PSI made this astounding comment: "Mostly the security team will protect the people INSIDE the building as many of them will be extremely vulnerable."
  - The average monthly income of tenants is \$890 - from Social Security.
  - PSI reports the average one- year retention rate
  - 50 residents out of the 104 people in the facility will be frail elders and disabled who are already living in scattered housing in Dorchester in PSI facilities. Due to their age and health status, they can no longer climb stairs and need the wrap-around

services that will be offered at 900 Morrissey.

- Federal law prohibits anyone registered as a sex offender from applying for subsidized housing. Naturally this was a big concern about children being exposed to sex offenders, which is not the case.
- Because residents won't have cars, there will be less traffic at the facility and in surrounding neighborhoods (most, if not all, Comfort Inn guests have vehicles). Stop & Shop is across the street, and PSI will provide shuttle service to the subway, so this is a good location for people without cars.

This partnership between The Pine Street Inn and The Community Builders is new and innovative. Housing advocates across the country are looking to convert hotels into supportive housing.

Boston desperately needs affordable housing. Especially in Dorchester where much of Morrissey Blvd will be developed with no subsidized housing ('Subsidized' means the tenant pays 30 percent of their household income toward rent. None of the 13 percent "affordable" units required by developers is 'subsidized"). Boston has now beat out San Francisco as the second-most expensive city in the country.

I believe this project will bring many benefits to Dorchester and Boston: More mixed income; enhanced green space and addition of a community garden; fewer vehicles; 100 new construction jobs (all union) and 25 permanent positions between the two organizations.

People in Dorchester and surrounding Boston neighborhoods deserve to live safety, affordably, and with dignity. Please keep your mind open as this project moves thru the Boston Planning & Development Agency phase. Thank you.

Laurie Martinelli is a Dorchester resident.

#### To the Editor

# Elderly, disabled flip phone user laments missing her fair share of digital coupons

To the Editor:

I am an elderly woman who does her food shopping locally because of age and some disabilities. I don't know if anybody brought this problem up but being elderly and on a fixed income makes shopping very difficult, especially at this time where the cost of living is completely out of control.

My dilemma is that I don't own a smart phone, only a flip phone [I know this makes me a dinosaur. Believe me, I hear it from my grandchildren all the time]. Unfortunately, I am being penalized for not having a new phone - I don't receive the digital

coupon discounts. I don't know if this is a form of discrimination, but a few of my elderly friends are in the same position.

I have talked to customer at Stop & Shop and the Star Market, and, yes, I can pay full price and then go to customer service so they can credit me the discount price. That means I have to stand in line and wait. Does this make sense?

I don't know who to call to bring this problem to someone's attention. I pray and hope you can help me. Thank you for your time.

Danuta Wiktorowski, Dorchester

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**News Editor** 

There's something to be said for the side-of-the-road economy, whether legitimate or on the sly, and no place in Boston showcases this with the same vigor than the west side of Dorchester.

#### West Side Stories

Sure, there are plenty of stores and eateries and tire shops to support, and I like that as much as the next person. At the same time, a huckster on the side of the road can be enticing. You'll find them on Talbot and Blue Hill avenues and along Washington Street, and sometimes in little nooks around the neighborhoods.

Last month I was transported back to another lifetime when a vendor pulled up in the Endicott School parking lot across from Franklin Park with a flatbed full of watermelons. Now these weren't the usual seedless, circular watermelons you'll find in the store, or at the fruit markets of Boston. These old boys were long, like boats, full of seeds and with dark-green stripes.

"You're not going to find these in any store," proclaimed the seller. "You gotta go down to at least Maryland to find this kind of melon.'

For all that, he had me before he even spoke. We sliced it up in thick servings like a Prime USDA steak and chowed down for a week. I enjoyed spitting out the seeds more than the melon, and it made me recall growing up below the Mason-Dixon line, like a lot of folks west of Washington, how once or twice a summer, a man from southern Arkansas would drive up and park on the side of the highway with a flatbed full of watermelons - Black Diamond watermelons so dark green that they looked black and so red inside you'd have thought they were bleeding seeds.

He'd pitch a tent by the highway and stick around until he sold off the lot, slashing a dollar off the price if he was in a hurry to get back home.

That same spirit exists in the neighborhoods west of Washington, maybe because a lot of people here grew up with the same kind of watermelon experiences I had. Or maybe because a lot of people enjoy the informal economy

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Artist Rachel Hu worked some magic on a harried old utility box at the corner of Glenway and Harvard Street earlier this month.

that springs to life in buying sugarcane out of the back of a step van that is labeled "Atlas Movers," or a bowl of delicious meat-infused rice and beans from a lady with a hot plate rigged up to her car's cigarette lighter.

For most of my adult life, I've seen a guy selling tiger-striped rugs on the fence by Franklin Park. I've never pulled the lever on one of those — my wife would kill me - but someone must be buying them, or he wouldn't have been there for so long.

A personal favorite is the Father Pine snow cone man who sets up by Dorchester Courthouse, and sometimes farther up by Murl's Restaurant, a real gift from above on hot days. While Father Pine is a legit, licensed cart, that shouldn't take away from it being a side-of-the-road situation. I like coconut, with "blue" being a close second, but there's about a dozen flavors that will sugar you up and leave you smiling the rest of the day. It's a three-buck bargain in my opinion and, for me, it's made better for being on the side of the road.

The old standby is the ice cream man. In our neighborhood, they've had the same wobbly truck rolling through every summer since maybe 1964. There are times when I don't think the beast is going to make it to another summer, but every year they're back, announced by a blast of the ice cream anthem, that 1890s blockbuster hit, "Turkey in the Straw." But the ice cream man leaves more questions than answers,

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such as how can the white-on-a-bomb playing another maddening round of the ice cream anthem.

Then there's the mobile car wash mafia down Talbot Avenue. There's Road. In a street of three-deckers and anywhere from three to a half-dozen van-based car washes going on every Sunday down by Franklin Field, and I've certainly indulged in taking my turn there. I like the automated smoothness of the Mattapan Car Wash or the Neponset Car Wash, but there's some fun ingenuity on Talbot.

These guys pull up in a van and have a power washer running out of the back. One blasts your car with cascading water pressurized from a gas-engine in the rear of a nondescript white van, while a second fella uses a Shop-Vac (and I'm not sure how that's powered) to give a good spruce up of on the wall at Franklin Field in the shade. Maybe you've got a coconut assured, the car wash fellas work at such speeds that they'll be done long before it melts.

Alas, some of the neighbors don't like the mobile car wash mafia, and I probably wouldn't either if I lived across the street. This past summer the Boston Police put the brakes on the situation and clamped their power hoses. One guy relocated to private property at a nearby tire shop, but I noticed that the price increased dramatically. But even with the crackdown, the side-ofthe-road operators returned. Maybe they're legit now (I'd rather not know, and I'm not going to be the one asking questions). Questions aren't taken on the side of the road.

## EXTRAORDINARY TREES

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Willow tree on Wolcott Street off Erie pop be lime flavor, and why does the Street. I'm no tree hugger and I don't loudspeaker proclaim "Hello!" before shed any tears over sawdust, but I have great respect for trees that stand out.

I noticed this tree a few years ago when a relative moved near Columbia six-families, this Weeping Willow towers nearly twice as high as the tallest roof, and then drapes down gracefully over the middle of the street. It's startling to see, and most wouldn't notice as Wolcott Street isn't a destination unless you live there.

I've asked around to some of the long-time residents who can trace their days back to when that was a Jewish enclave. I figure there's got to be a story there somewhere. The tree appears to pre-date the neighborhood, but no one knew much about it other than it's always been there.

There's another of my favorite trees the interior. All you have to do is sit in Walsh Park, a grand old Oak that is west of Washington by about 10 feet. Judging from the girth of the trunk Father Pine in hand, and if you do, rest and the limbs, it must be hundreds of years old.

Both trees are older than anyone

#### THANKS TO LAQUISA

Closer to home in the West of Washington (WOW) neighborhood, things were cranking this summer with so many activities and activism in the neighborhood. That was not the case before the WOW group started, and the new deal was mostly built off the energy of neighbor Laquisa Burke, a life-long resident. Before her organizing efforts, most of us lived in a small circle, locked the doors, and closed the blinds on the outside world for a few decades. That has changed. Last week, Burke said that she's stepping back a bit and taking a breather after I've been taken aback the last few six years at the helm. We can only say years by an extraordinary Weeping thank you to her for waking us all up.

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#### (Continued from page 1) residents have access to ame $nities\,within\,a\,10\text{-}minute\,walk$ from their homes. Planner say this is an effort to improve the lives of its residents who have the longest commute times compared to other Boston neighborhoods, and the lowest

median household income in

the city. Just 40 percent of households within the draft plan's study area are within a 10-minute walk of a rail station, bus stop, bikeshare, or car share, while the number is at 60 percent citywide. Planners hope zoning and other changes will increase that number in Mattapan to 85 percent.

The draft plan, though, does not touch on planning involving Boston Public Schools, additional parks or the Cummins Highway redesign, the Neponset River Greenway extension, or the controversial center bus lane proposal for Blue Hill Avenue.

The BPDA noted that "PLAN: Mattapan" is the result of a process that started in October 2018 and continued through 110 community gatherings, from public meetings to more informal "Chats with a Planner.'

"One of the things about our community is that right now, change is going to happen," said Arthur Jemison, Mayor Wu's chief of planning and head of the BPDA. "The market controls enough to change the way the city looks and feels. Planning is one of our ways



The BPDA is proposing larger residential developments along the River Street corridor, mixing commercial space with

of shaping that change into that we've heard from the something that meets our values. Inaction in itself is an action. We could let the market or lack of planning guide where we go. We prefer to offer up generational wealth building," options to the community so said Jared Staley, one of the they can make a choice and planners involved with the then take action to shape that change into something that suits them."

The moves could also help create affordable housing and build generational wealth for a mostly residential neighborhood in which 43 percent of homes are valued at less than \$400,000, compared to 23 percent in Boston overall.

"These are two key things

community that we want to make sure we're highlighting in this plan, really achieving that affordable housing and the

Planners say easing the construction of additional dwelling units (ADUs) on existing residential properties can help growing or extended families, elderly people, and people who are looking for additional income as landlords.

"are currently permitted with-

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ing the conversion of existing accessory structures such as sheds and garages into ADUs," the draft plan says. "PLAN: Mattapan encourages these modes of property improvement and expansion and recommends that new structures are also permitted as of right

across all residential zoning

districts in Mattapan." The visual impact is "minimal," the draft plan notes, "because structures of this size are commonly found in the rear yard of parcels, often invisible from the street. Enabling ADUs to be built asof-right across all residential parcels holds great potential for increasing both equity and affordability in Mattapan's residential fabric."

Zoning changes on the commercial side would also allow more corner stores, daycares, bodegas, cafes throughout the neighborhood, planners say.

Mattapan Square is one area city planners are focusing on. They propose to add height and density to the square, with building heights rising to 70 feet rather than the one to two-story commercial buildings that dominate the area. Upper stories would be dedicated to housing, according to the plan.

The square would also see street trees that would increase the neighborhood's tree canopy as part of an effort to combat Accessory dwelling units the "urban heat island effect," which occurs when areas are in existing primary structures paved, raising temperatures

and an ongoing pilot is allow- higher than they would be if shade prevailed on site.

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As for center bus lane proposal for Blue Hill Avenue, Staley said that is part of an ongoing process involving the city's Transportation Department. BPDA planners are prepared for whatever the outcome is.

Jemison noted that he worked on a similarly controversial and ultimately unsuccessful effort, known as 28X, to bring better bus rapid transit to the Mattapan area more than a decade ago. "I know that it's a hotly debated subject so we're trying to let the people driving that process have the success they're going to have and not involve ourselves in that directly. But I definitely think having less expensive, wider options is better for everyone.

The draft "PLAN: Mattapan" will be the focus of the Greater Mattapan Neighborhood Council's virtual meeting next Monday night at 6:30 p.m. A second virtual meeting, put together by the BPDA, is scheduled for Thurs., Oct. 20,

Jemison said the BPDA is "completely ready" for feedback and criticism. "Part of our business is community engagement," he said. "Listening to and absorbing people's critiques is part of what we do.

The comment period on the draft plan ends on Nov. 6. Those looking to weigh in should access bostonplans.org/ planning/planning-initiatives/ plan-mattapan.

# Reaction to Mattapan plan mostly likes, with queries

By SETH DANIEL News Editor

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After the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) unveiled the "PLAN: Mattapan" draft to the Greater Mattapan Neighborhood Council (GMNC) on Monday night, officials listened as residents reacted.

"Will the neighbors have a say on these new units or can the property owner just build?" asked resident Louise Gant. "I can foresee there being problems."

Jared Staley, a BPDA planner who worked on the report, said that would be the case if the "ADU 3.0" plan were absorbed into zoning. Such structures would be "as of right" and wouldn't need neighborhood processes. "Where you can have a say," he said, "is helping us through that new zoning process and addressing concerns by working together to set the standards."

In the chat, resident Gisela Soriano approved of the plan. "Yes, for ADU!" she wrote. The "ADU 3.0" plan would involve alternatives to the city's fire codes, such as requiring sprinklers in the units to mitigate, not having two means of

egress or not having the tricts, also received high fire lane access.

Fatima Ali Salaam, GMNC's president, noted that the many fires in Mattapan and Dorchester should be considered before such changes. "The horrific fire this past weekend in Dorchester I hope makes anyone think twice about keeping building fire safety requirements in the forefront of the approval process," she wrote. "It took over 120 firefighters to deal with

that fire." Many residents responded favorably to the way the plan focused on proposed zoning changes on commercial corridors such as Blue Hill Avenue and "residential fabric" areas. New zoning tools for lot coverage and permeable, or open, space were also well-received.

The plan's key idea of a "10-minute neighborhood," or bringing essential items within quick walking distance to residents through marks.

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David Lopes noted the existence of neglected walking paths in the Wellington Hill neighborhood. He said the plan should utilize these

A common refrain from some residents has been skepticism over the plan, with many believing it will be the ticket to gentrification and displacement. It "sounds like gentrification similar to what happened in the South End," wrote Sheila Azores. She added that it felt like the city was "targeting" the neighborhood.

In response, BPDA officials and state Rep. Russell Holmes said the plan wasn't "targeting," but rather a case of preventative medicine to head off displacement and inappropriate development in the future.

"Other neighborhoods like Hyde Park and West Roxbury are begging for something like this," mixed-use zoning dis- Holmes said.

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5-story apartment building eyed for vacant Blue Hill Ave. lot

The company added

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#### roughly 0.6-acre lot. The proposed building

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In addition to the

panels, the roof will also

have a garden deck. Lin-

number of existing "old-

growth" trees on the

Units	bedrooms	Square Footage	THEE	Income Limit (% AMI)	mobility impairments	deaf/hard of hearing
13	1	523-711	\$213,700	80%	1	-
13	1	522-740	\$280,700	80% - 100%	•	1
5	2	885-976	\$252,000	80%	-	-
5	2	884-974	\$326,000	80% - 100%	1	-
1	3	1,191	\$290,300	80%	ı	-
1	3	1,188	\$368,500	80% - 100%	-	-

<b>Maximum Income Limits</b> (set by the BPDA + based on the household size + AMI)						
HH size	80% AMI Maximum Income	100 % AMI Maximum Income				
1	\$78,550	\$98,150				
2	\$89,750	\$112,200				
3	\$100,950	\$126,200				
4	\$112,150	\$140,200				
5	\$121,150	\$151,450				
6	\$130,100	\$162,650				

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## BPDA on Monday, Lin- more energy than it concoln Avenue Capital of sumes and will be topped Santa Monica, CA, said that all the studios, one, not use any natural gas. two, and 3-bedroom units would be rented to people making between 30 percent and 70 per- coln Avenue added that cent of the Boston area it has had the building median income-includ- designed to retain a ing those with Section 8 that the building would Renderings of the proposed building for Blue Hill Avenue. Image via Arrowstreet and Boston Planning and Development Agency ACalifornia developer cant lot at 1471 Blue with a 5-story, 48-unit, has filed plans to replace Hill Ave., at Culbert all affordable apartment a billboard-topped va- Street in Mattapan, building. City of Somerville Income-Restricted Homeownership Opportunity Somerville, MA 02143

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# of Units	# of Bedrooms	Price	Maximum Income Limit (% AMI)
1	1-Bedroom	\$331,283	80%-110%
3	2-Bedroom	\$264,691	80%
1	2- Bedroom	\$380,187	80%-110%

**Maximum Income Limits** 

(set by the HUD + based on Household Size + AMI)

Household Size	80% AMI	80%-110% AMI
1	\$78,300	\$78,301 - \$107,954
2	\$89,500	\$89,501 - \$123,376
3	\$100,700	\$100,701 - \$138,798
4	\$111,850	\$111,851 - \$154,220
5	\$120,800	\$120,801 - \$166,558
6	\$129,750	\$129,751 - \$178,895

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

80% AMI	80%-110% AMI
\$75,000	\$75,000

Does not include retirement. Does include Real Estat

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# MBTA's Mattapan Line **Transformation Program**

**WEBINAR TOPIC** Please join us! **Transformation** Virtual Public **Program Status Information Meeting** VIRTUAL MEETING

(ZOOM WEBINAR) Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 6:30 PM



- The purpose of this Program is to make improvements on the Mattapan Line to ensure accessible, reliable, and modern service for Dorchester, Mattapan, and Milton for years to come
- The MBTA invites you to attend the Virtual Public Information Meeting to learn about the status of the Program and have questions and comments answered by the Program team.

Please visit the Program website:

MBTA.com/MLT to register for the meeting. After registering, you will receive an email containing information about joining



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Suffolk Division
Docket No. SU22W1346 PROBATE & FAMILY COURT SUFFOLK PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT 24 NEW CHARDON STREET BOSTON, MA 02114 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION JENNIFER SAMANTHA MYRTHIL

CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME v. FRANCK JUNIOR JULES. Docket No. SU22C0150CA IN THE MATTER OF: **Defendant(s)**To the above-named Defendant(s) **DALE LYDIA LEATHERS** ranck Junior Jules

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Dale A Complaint has been presented t his Court by the Plaintiff(s), Jennifer Samantha Myrthil, seeking the Court ydia Leathers of Boston, MA make such orders as it deems ex equesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: edient concerning **custody, support** arenting time of the minor child iden Junior Jules. IMPORTANT NOTICE

You are required to serve upon lennifer Samantha Myrthil, plaintiff(s)/ Any person may appear for urposes of objecting to the pettorney for plaintiff(s) – whose addres tition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and Family Court 247 Walnut Ave., Apt. 1B, Roxbury, MA 02119, your answer on or before the October 27th, 2022. pefore 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/08/2022. This is NOT If you fail to do so, the court wi a hearing date, but a deadline oceed to the hearing and adjudication by which you must file a written f this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at 24 New appearance if you object to this

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10	1	775sf	\$269,200	100%	1	-
3	2	1,015sf	\$240,800	80%	1	-
3	2	1,015sf	\$314,000	100%	1	-
1	3	1,375sf	\$278,700	80%	-	-
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**Maximum Incomes** (set by HUD/MOH + based on household size + Area Median Income (AMI))

HH size	80% AMI	100% AMI
11113126	Maximum Income	Maximum Income
1	\$78,550	\$98,150
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We will be holding 2 virtual informational meetings on Monday, October 17, 2022 at 6:00PM to 7:30PM and Saturday, November 5, 2022 at 12:30PM to 2:00PM through the following link:

Zoom Dial-In #:1-309-205-3325 and Meeting ID:894 0440 7209

DEADLINE: Applications must be submitted online or postmarked no later than Tuesday, November 15, 2022 Mailed to: DVM Consulting, 35 Batchelder St, Boston, MA 02119

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- Preferences Apply

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A panoramic view from the National Grid tank looking over Squantum Channel and Port Norfolk with the rest of the neighborhood in the background.

# Dot icon called a key player in metro Boston energy grid

(Continued from page 1) The view from the top design transferred onto tor for LNG facilities. strapped to their bodies.

getting up and down using the fire-escape- and city skyline. like stairs, which wind along the side of the tank at a fairly steep grade. National Grid recently installed a new, more user-friendly railing along the stairway to help with the descent in particular.

— as seen in this photo—the current tank, which Still, it can be a har- essay— is spectacular, now also includes the in the facility," says rowing experience just revealing panoramic an- National Grid logo, along gles of the neighborhood Kent's artwork was

that tank was disman-

originally painted on largest copywritten piece grid. the side of a second large of art is a priority. But LNG tank that stood at so is keeping the tank the site in 1971. When itself—built in 1971—in "pristine condition," says a lot less people in the tled in 1992, the Boston Joshua Cardoso, Nation- area. These peak shavers

"We take a lot of pride months from November Cardoso, who notes that to March, we vaporize with the artist's distinctuhe tank itself serves as gas, we take the liquid tive "Corita" signature. a "peak shaver" for the in the tank, we warm Preserving the world's metro Boston energy it up, and we put in the distribution system to

"The gas system was offset that peak demand. designed for over one "So, it's important. Not hundred years ago, with that just this facility, but the others located within our territory; we make Gas Company had the al Grid's Regional Direc- make up the difference that difference. If we Company.

that the gas system can't weren't there, gas pilots provide. So, in the winter would go out. So that's why these facilities are very key," Cardoso said.

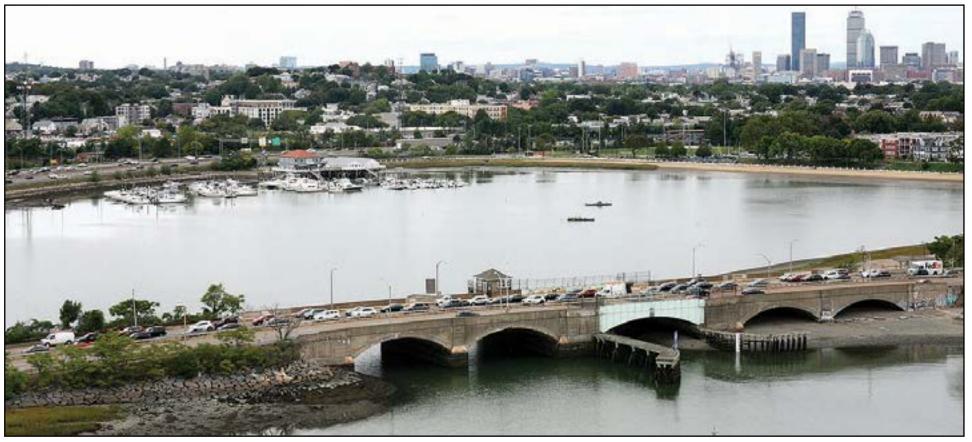
> The job is a high-profile one for the painters' union, said John Doherty, a Dorchester native who is an organizer for Painters DC35, which helps in training and certifying signatory contractors like the Egan



Dorchester Reporter News Editor Seth Daniel spiraling stairway to the top. Bill Forry photo



Shown atop the tank on Sept. 21: National Grid's Joseph Carroll, the company's director of community reaches the top of the tank after climbing up the and customer management. He is shown with Joshua Cardoso, National Grid's LNG Regional Director, and Chris Cirelli, senior supervisor of the Commercial Point facility. Seth Daniel photo



A view of Morrissey Boulevard with Savin Hill Beach and Yacht Club in the background.

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FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU22P2190EA

ESTATE OF: JOHN RICHARD OSBORNE a/k/a: JOHN R. OSBORNE

**DATE OF DEATH: 02/18/2022** 

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requested in the Petition. The Petition

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24 NEW CHARDON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02114
CITATION GIVING NOTICE
OF PETITION FOR
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OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B,

§5-304 & §5-405 ocket No. SU22P2088PM IN THE MATTER OF:

of DORCHESTER, MA

RESPONDENT

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has beer flied by VA Boston Healthcare System or Boston, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that James Jefferson, Jr. is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that Wayne DeVaughn or Revere, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve Withou Surety on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that a protective order or appointment of a Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed Conservator is appropriate. The petition is or

onservator is appropriate. The petition is one with this court.

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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 10/17/2022. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which

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appearance, you or your attorney must file written affidavit stating the specific facts an grounds of your objection within 30 days after

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Date: September 19, 2022

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Date: September 29, 2022

IMPORTANT NOTICE

#### **LEGAL NOTICES**

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THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT folk Probate & Family Cour 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU22P2193EA ESTATE OF: SALLIE TISINGER DATE OF DEATH: 04/05/2019

Petition for Late and Limited Formal Testa To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Bernice Osborne of Boston, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal personal data and formal formations. asciucco on behalf of Home Reconstruction

C of Quincy, MA requesting that the Co other relief as requested in the Petition. titioner requests that: Peter D. Pasciu behalf of Home Reconstruction 11 requests that: Bernice Osborne, of Bostor MA be appointed as Personal Representa Quincy, MA be appointed as Pers

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE & FAMILY COURT FFOLK PROBATE & FAMILY COUR JFFOLK PROBATE & FAMILY COU 24 NEW CHARDON STREET BOSTON, MA 02114 CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON JANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-3 of DORCHESTER, MA RESPONDENT

by Brigham and Women's Hospital of Bostor MA in the above captioned matter allegin that Emilie Montoute is in need of a Guardi and requesting that (or some other suitab person) be appointed as Guardian to ser ithout Surety on the bond.

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 thi proceeding. If you wish to do so, you rour attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the at this could not be let 0.504 A.M. of this return date of 10/18/2022. This day is NO a hearing date, but a deadline date by whic you have to file the written appearance. ou object to the petition. If you fail to f the written appearance by the return dat action may be taken in this matter witho further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attor

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Felix D. Arrovo Register of Probate Date: September 28, 2022

The outcome of this proceeding may limi or completely take away the above-name 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.



**BRODERICK**, John **J. "Jay,"** 75, of Quincy, formerly of Dorchester. Son to the late Patrick and Bridget (Lyons) Broderick. Husband of Barbara E. (Craven) Broderick. Brother of Stephen Broderick and his wife, Coranna of FL, Paul Broderick and his wife. Joanne of Quincy, Mark Broderick and his wife, Susan of Quincy, and the late Joseph,

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tree, and the late Stasiu sie" (Klimek) Nowak, 86, Of Braintree, forand Tadziu. Sister of Józefa Janik of Poland, merly of Poland. Wife and of the late Barbara of the late Bronisław Surówka and Krysty-Nowak. Mother of Hana Klimek. "Babcia" of lina Haluch of Poland, 19 grandchildren, and Stanisława Wojewodzic 4 great-grandchildren. of Dorchester, Józef and Donations in Jessie's his wife Agata Nowak of Poland, Małgorzata memory may be made and her husband Piotr to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Gubała of Maynard, Ma-**DEWAR, Paula**, of B ria Szelest of Worcester, righton and Osterville. Tadeusz and his wife

Beata Nowak of Brain-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 cher-

ished friends. Donations

Wife of the late Donald

in memory of Paula may be made to Dana Farber Cancer Institute PO Box 849168 Boston, MA 02284.



DILLON, Maria Louisa, 50, of Dorchester. Maria was preceded in death by her mother, Ann "Nancy" Dy; her grandparents, Charles and Elizabeth Carroll; and her uncles, Eddie and Bob Carroll. She is survived by many cousins. In Maria's memory, please consider a donation to Project D.E.E.P. projectdeep.org or World Central Kitchen wck.org

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#### Public Media Release - DRAFT

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3	\$29,939	\$2,495	\$576	\$42,606	\$3,551	\$820
4	\$36,075	\$3,007	\$694	\$51,338	\$4,279	\$988
5	\$42,211	\$3,518	\$812	\$60,070	\$5,006	\$1,156
6	\$48,347	\$4,029	\$930	\$68,802	\$5,734	\$1,324
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# Backyard parties, street soirees vexing neighborhoods

October 6, 2022

(Continued from page 1) Dorchester and Mattapan, said he was introduced to the growing problem this summer on Old Road, which is located across Blue Hill Ave. from Franklin Park – when hundreds of people began staging pop-up parties that lasted beyond 2 a.m.

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"I live on Columbia Road, so I have walked over there myself and witnessed it and heard the noise, too," said Worrell. "This is an issue we're dealing with throughout the district... and Boston where there's a lack of spaces to congregate and people are just using parking lots and the parks and even side streets like Old Road."

He added, "It's not just 10 to 30 people like in other parts, but hundreds of people in the street."

State Rep. Russell Holmes blamed social media. "It used to be hard to get 200 people to show up because you couldn't make 200 phone calls," he said. "Social media is the driver for getting these pop-up parties going in the middle of the night that we have to chase from place to

place." In the West of Washington(WOW) neighborhood, leaders there said they have tried a coordinated and respectful approach that includes working with neighbors, police, and partiers. "When you all work together the police respond quicker, and they have to pay attention," said WOW board president Laquisa Burke. "That one person calling is just not going to work."

She added that many partiers come from JP and other areas to Dorchester, "It's because they know it will be tolerated here. We have to call 20 times and talk to the police and have meetings. In other areas, it's stopped immediately."

Dustin Gardner, a member of the WOW board, said they've had great success curbing the backyard parties by showing respect. "What I've liked about our

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month about loud partying on Old Road in Dorchester.

phone trees, but we also dropped off letters to issue was coming from,"

Sandy Zamor Calixte said her neighbors on gatherings in front of a vacant lot and business at the end of the street. "The car dealer place is open and the cars park on the sidewalk and they are partying in that lot and having a great time," she said. "I don't understand why they can't do anything about it."

Boston Police are encouraging residents to inform them before the parties start, and they utilize district detectives to deal with the situation – even visiting absentee landlords at their homes. Residents are now being encouraged to use an anonymous tip-line if they don't want to get involved, police said.

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organization that uses BPD spokesman. "It's much easier to prevent this from happening the homes where the rather than respond after it's happening."

Local leaders disagree on root causes. Worrell said the problem is the Hazelton Street have lack of legitimate gathlong complained about ering spaces. With few liquor licenses, restaurants, and event spaces, people turn to the streets and the backyards. He said he is trying to steer more neighborhood-based liquor licenses to the Blue Hill Avenue area, and has a study funded in the city's capital budget to look at the need for event space such as the "Lawn on D" by the convention center

in South Boston. "At the end of the day, it's about creating a space for young people or people in general to enjoy themselves inside the district," he said. "We can't blast music until 3 a.m. and block off the streets. We do have laws to abide by. We want people to enjoy themselves,

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"We want the commu-

around it."

Burke, the WOW board president, agreed, saying there are few places to go at night. When there are existing bars and restaurants, she noted that they charge entertainment fees and covers, putting more barriers in place to socializing.

"I don't remember Boston being so rambunctious with music and people having so many house parties in the past," said Burke. "I guess there were a lot of bars and places to go. We don't have restaurants or resources in our community where you can go and have a drink or a meal that caters to the Black community and what we like and our culture.'

But others, like Rep. Holmes, say the answer is more enforcement. "Let the city shut down

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because it gives it a It's one reason I like chance to breathe," he Boston, because it shuts said. "We need the city to down, and that's part of

have a chance to breathe. our culture here.

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#### **Legal Notice**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup, One Winter Street, 3rd floor, Boston MA. Public Notice of MassDEP Corrective Action Proposed Remedy Decision in accordance with the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of the United States Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) and Massachusetts General Law Chapter 21E (MGL 21E).

Facility Name and Location: Shaffer Property, 75-105 Taylor Street, Dorchester, MA. USEPA Facility I.D. #: MAD049440951. MassDEP Release Tracking Number (RTN) 3-0014073.

Suffolk Services, Inc. operated a hazardous waste transfer station at the Shaffer property from 1977 to 1985. The facility was licensed by the Massachusetts Division of Water Pollution Control to store up to 250 drums of hazardous waste. During its operation the facility handled organic liquids and solids, oil liquids and solids, inorganic liquids, photographic liquids, and pesticides. The hazardous waste storage area was formally "clean closed" in accordance with RCRA regulations in 1985. The Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) acquired the property in 1986 and used the property for storage of various materials. The property was generally unoccupied until it was redeveloped into a passive

On April 24, 2015, GEI Consultants submitted a Revised Phase III Remedial Action Plan (RAP) and Phase IV Remedy Implementation Plan (RIP) to MassDEP for the Shaffer site. Cleanup activities, as outlined below, have occurred in the past and these documents identify no further activities are needed at the site.

Proposed: The proposed final remedy for the Shaffer Property included removing limited lead-impacted soil in select areas, on-site treatment with solidification/ stabilization, and offsite disposal of the soil as non-hazardous waste. As part of the remedy, an AUL will be placed on the upland portion of the property prohibiting the use of residential or agricultural purposes, as some contamination remains on site. The AUL will also limit excavating soil from 3 to 15 feet below ground surface without a soil management plan and LSP oversight as well as prohibit installation of utilities with the exception of the planned area drainage line.

The source of much of the contamination in the onsite bank/mudflat areas, especially PCBs, is upstream sources, many of which are still present. Because of the likelihood of recontamination during flood events, remediation of these areas is not considered feasible at this time and a Temporary Solution will be placed in the bank and mudflats.

In conjunction with the remediation activities, DCR constructed a public passive park at the site. Park elements include a multiuse path, a walking path, and interpretive signage. DCR will keep the existing onsite maintenance garage and some of the surrounding pavement and concrete in order to access the garage.

Remediation activities were completed in 2016 and a condition of No Significant Risk has been achieved under the MCP for all current and foreseeable future site uses. Public Comment: The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) invites the public to comment on the Corrective Action Remedy Decision proposed by DCR for the Shaffer property. A Fact Sheet describing Revised Phase III RAP and Phase IV RIP and any other supporting documentations are available by contacting Rose Knox at Rosemary.Knox@mass.gov at MassDEP's Boston office. The public has thirty (30) days to comment on the proposed remedy decision. Any member of the public may file written comments on the draft decision during the public comment period, which ends at 5 p.m. on November 5, 2022. Comments should be submitted to: Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup, One Winter Street, 3rd Floor Boston, Massachusetts 02108 Attn: Rose Knox.

Public Hearing: Mass DEP may schedule a public hearing on the Proposed Corrective Action Remedy Decision if. during the comment period or within 15 days of the close of the comment period. MassDEP determines that there is significant public interest in the Proposed Corrective Action Remedy Decision.

Final Decision: MassDEP will consider all written comments received during the comment period and all verbal comments received at a public hearing, if held. A notice of the final decision will be sent to Robert Lowell at DCR and to each person who has submitted written comments or has otherwise requested notice of the final decision. A final decision will become effective twenty-one (21) days after the date of the notice of the decision. The final decision will be postponed if a request for an adiudicatory hearing before MassDEP is made within the twenty-one (21) day period. For additional information, contact Rose Knox in the Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup (BWSC) at 617-556-1026.

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# **Virtual Public Meeting**

# **PLAN: Mattapan**

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Attendees will learn about what can be found in the Draft of PLAN: Mattapan, where to access the Draft, and how to provide feedback. The event will begin with a presentation from the planning team and will be followed by a question and answer session. Translated materials and interpretation will be available in Haitian Creole and Spanish.

To make a comment on the Draft of PLAN: Mattapan, visit the PLAN: Mattapan webpage at bit.ly/PlanMattapan.

Los documentos mencionados tienen información crucial para usted como residente y parte interesada de la ciudad de Boston. Los servicios de traducción están disponibles para comunicar el contenido de estos documentos para usted sin costo adicional. Si necesita servicios de traducción, contáctese con: (jared.staley@boston.gov) (617.918.4206)

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# BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF DORCHESTER

October 6, 2022



Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Partners with BGCD for Fall Cooking

**CONNECT THE DOT: Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Partners with BGCD for Fall Cooking Classes:** After a long stretch of virtual only classes, Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester was excited to return to **Christopher Kimball's Milk Street this** past week as part of a seven-class Fall program. These in -person classes will provide our teen members with valuable culinary and nutrition skills taught by our Milk Street friends.

For our first class, our members enjoyed a Chicken Cutlet Smackdown where teams of members had a choice of seasonings and breadings they could choose from to try and create the most popular version.

Thanks to our friends at Christopher Kimball's Milk Street for their longstanding partnership with BGCD. For more information, please contact Mike Joyce at mjoyce@bgcdorchester.org.

**FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE: BGCD** to Host Wicked Halloween Bash Party on October 29<sup>th</sup> at **Granite Links Golf Club:** On Saturday, October 29th, Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester will be hosting a Wicked Halloween Bash at Granite Links Golf Club under the Pavillion Tent. Join us from 7-11pm for a ghoulish night full of dancing, sipping on witches brew and snacking on delicious food. Make sure to wear your best costume to take part in our spooktacular costume contest. Take your chance at raffles and finish off the night with a devilish donut wall. Note this is a 21+ event.

Purchase your tickets now at https:// bit.ly/whb2022. Tickets are \$50 and includes a drink ticket and food.

For more information, please contact Patty Lamb at plamb@bgcdorchester. org. Proceeds will benefit our Team **BGCD Rodman Ride for Kids Team** 



GCD to Host Wicked Halloween Bash Party on October 29th at Granite

**DID YOU KNOW: BGCD To Host Destination U College** & Alternative Programs Fair: On November 3rd, Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester will be holding our annual Destination U Fair as a part of our Power Forward program. Members will be able to learn more about college and alternative programs by engaging with admissions counselors and apprenticeship/certificate professionals. Mentors and coaches

Destination U will be held at our Walter **Denney Youth Center in Harbor Point** at 270 Mt. Vernon Street in Dorchester. The fair will run from 6-8pm and is open to all teens.

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For more information or to register, please contact Tricia Chapple at pchapple@bgcdorchester.org.

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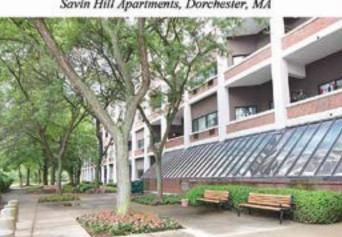
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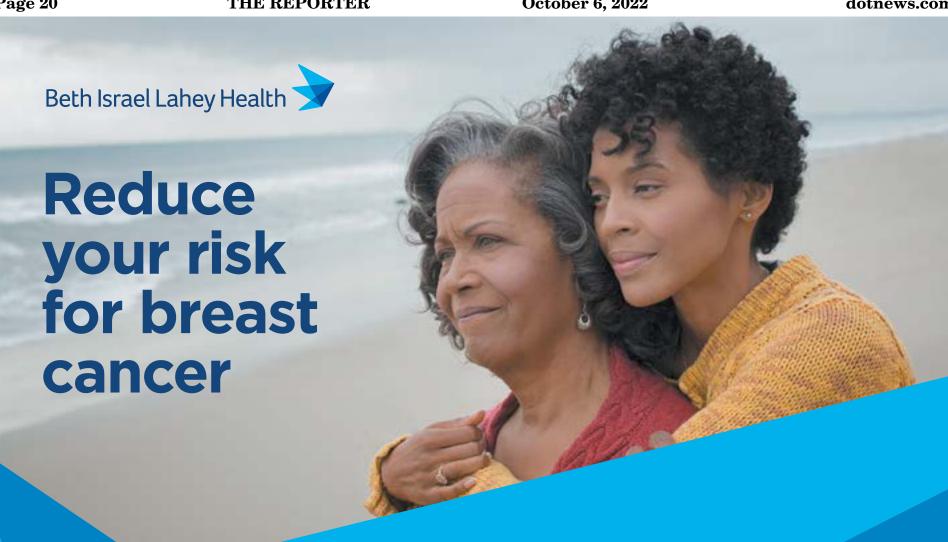




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