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NAACP, advocacy groups offer their redistricting map as deadline nears

By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS
MANAGING EDITOR

A coalition of advocacy groups has teamed up with several city councillors to offer their version of how the city's political boundaries should be drawn as part of the decennial redistricting process.

The Boston branch of the NAACP joined MassVOTE, the New Democracy Coalition, the Greater

Mattapan Neighborhood Council, the Urban League, and the Chinese Progressive Association's political action committee, among others, in organizing the plan.

The map was filed by Councillors Liz Breadon of Allston-Brighton and Ricardo Arroyo of Hyde Park, both of whom have filed previous maps. A final map must pass mayoral muster and become law by Nov. 7, a year

before the 2023 municipal election.

The redistricting process, which redraws the boundaries of the nine City Council districts every ten years, is driven this time around by a population increase in South Boston-based District 2, home to a new neighborhood in the Seaport, and by Dorchester-based District 3 having lost population. District 4, which in-

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Tanisha Sullivan, head of Boston's NAACP branch, said her coalition's "map is done in a way that has an eye toward Boston as a whole and ensuring we continue to move forward as a city." *State House News photo*

Saluting Dot's urban farmers

Commonwealth Kitchen draws raves from USDA visitors

By SETH DANIEL
NEWS EDITOR

The typical site visit for higher-ups at the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) include muddy boots, rolling fields of wheat in the Midwest, or fruit-filled orchards in California, but this week the USDA came to Dorchester to promote the agency's interest in an urban agriculture model underway at two sites in our neighborhood.

USDA Deputy Secretary Jewel Bro-nough dropped by the Commonwealth Kitchen facility on Quincy Street and Oasis on Ballou near Codman Square on Monday, a visit, the USDA said, that "follows recent efforts to support and expand urban agriculture, which plays an important role in growing healthy food, providing jobs, and beautifying neighborhoods in urban and suburban areas."

At Commonwealth Kitchen, executive director Jen Faigel highlighted the history of the commercial facility, noting that it started as a way for food trucks and home kitchens to expand their businesses while adhering to food safety guidelines. Now, it's the Kitchen's manufacturing program

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Commonwealth Kitchen employee Johana Aponte makes the facility's unique pea-based falafel product as USDA Deputy Secretary Jewel Bro-nough and State Agricultural Commissioner John Lebeaux look on Monday morning. *Seth Daniel photo*

Roxbury Prep's Mardi relishes being a leader

By SETH DANIEL
NEWS EDITOR

Frankline Mardi honed her teaching skills in Dorchester at Roxbury Prep's Magnolia Street campus, but her love of teaching goes back to when she was a student and helped tutor her mother.

Mardi, 28, a Dorchester resident, was appointed as the principal of the Roxbury Prep/Uncommon Schools Dorchester Campus this fall after she spent a year in a training program and four years in the classroom as a history teacher. She said the appointment has brought her joy as she can continue doing exactly what she dreamt of doing: Teaching city kids who share the same



"Families look to me as the person they can bring their children to and to keep them safe and learning every day," says Frankline Mardi. "That's a big responsibility, and it's all me now."

Photo courtesy Roxbury Prep

kind of upbringing that she had.

"I thought it was very inspiring to teach here and everything I've always wanted to do," she said in a recent interview. "I felt very honored to be able to fulfill that role and to teach students that look like me."

Mardi said it was important to her to keep living in Dorchester, where many of her students live. Having that community-centered in-school and out-of-school experience only enhances her ability to lead the students and the staff, she said.

"I live in Dorchester because I want to know what's happening in the neighborhood," she said.

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\$60m community center will be built on Grove Hall site

By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS
MANAGING EDITOR

A "full service" community center on a city-owned vacant lot across the street from the Jeremiah Burke High School is in the works for Grove Hall.

Mayor Wu announced last Thursday that plans were set for the new facility, which could cost up to \$60 million. She was joined by members of her administration and Mike Kozu, the co-director of Project Rebuild and Improve Grove Hall Together (RIGHT), who has long pushed for the center.

"In environmental justice communities like Grove Hall, it is especially important that our residents have safe, comfortable, resilient, and inspiring public spaces," the mayor said.

City Councillors Brian Worrell, Tania Fernandes Anderson, Ruthzee Louijeune, and Michael Flaherty and community leaders were present for the announcement, which occurred during light rain under gray skies. Before the crowd arrived, the

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Teen documentarians focus on Mattapan, its history and its people

By SETH DANIEL
NEWS EDITOR

Between scenic shots of the High Speed Trolley clicking through the falling snow, of water rushing along the lush banks of the Neponset, and of the Blue Hill Avenue streetscape, teen film director Moses Sibley of the Mattapan Teen Center (MTC) located the pulse of the people of Mattapan and put it on film in "Mattapan The Documentary," which has become the talk of the neighborhood.

Last May, Sibley, 14, and the MTC premiered the film to a crowded room at the Hazelton Street center, which is part of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Boston (BGCBC).

After the 25-minute screening that featured youth and senior citizens side-by-side, there were tears of joy across the room.

This weekend, the documentary, which has been nominated for best '18 and Under' doc in the 2022 Scout Film Festival, will be shown

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Police, Courts & Fire

Woman fatally shot, two others wounded in Bowdoin-Geneva

Three people were shot, one of them fatally, at the intersection of Geneva Avenue and Bowdoin Street on Sunday around 8:50 p.m. One of the victims, a woman who was shot in the head, was declared dead at the scene. Boston Police have not released the identity of the victim, but said she was 24 years old. A man was shot in the chest and a victim was found inside the Star 50 convenience store on Geneva Avenue. As many as nine shots were fired.

No arrests have been reported. Anyone with information is urged to call detectives at 617-343-4470.

In a separate incident on Sunday, but in the early morning hours in the Back Bay, a Dorchester man allegedly stabbed four people with a pocket knife. The suspect, Daryl Diamond, 39, was charged with four counts of armed assault with intent to murder and four counts of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon. Judge James Coffey ordered Diamond held until a dangerousness hearing can be held later this week. Police say they responded to 100 Stuart St. around 2:15 a.m. for the reported stabbing incident.

District Attorney Kevin Hayden condemned the assaults. “Violence such as we saw this weekend casts a terrible shadow upon this city. Two incidents in one day involving guns and knives left one person dead and six wounded. I’m grateful for the community leaders who are stepping forward to make a difference and I stand ready to work with all of them,” he said.

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Boston Police issued a warning to the public last week after “three separate incidents” involving a fraudulent scheme targeting Boston Public School families were reported. Police say the scammers have contacted parents or grandparents claiming that their child has been kidnapped or is in danger and demanding money be wired through Western Union.

“In some cases, the scammers can have very detailed information and use that to convince a parent/grandparent that the scam is real,” police said in a statement. They advise parents to “immediately hang up the phone and do not reply to any suspicious emails, calls, or texts.” Do, however, report the incident to the BPD.

Jean McGuire recovering after stabbing

Jean McGuire, the 91-year-old civil rights and education activist who was stabbed on Oct. 11 in Jamaica Plain, was expected to be discharged this week from Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center.

McGuire, who served as executive director of the Metropolitan Council for Educational Opportunity (METCO) from 1973 to 2016, was, when she was elected in the 1980s, the first African American woman to serve on the Boston School Committee.

According to Boston Police, the stabbing occurred in the area of 25 Playstead Park in Jamaica Plain. “Preliminary investigation reveals that the suspect may have been injured during this attack,” their statement said.



Jean McGuire

Speaking to reporters, McGuire said two people who helped her after the attack were “angels without wings. Their parents should be so proud.”

Milly Arbaje-Thomas, president and CEO of METCO, called McGuire a “living legend,” adding in a statement: “Year after year, Jean ensured that tens of thousands of Boston children were welcomed and included at the highest quality schools in our nation, while enriching their

mostly white communities with the diversity and relationships to break down prejudice and prepare for a global society.”

The day after the stabbing, Mayor Wu expressed anger and asked for the public’s help in solving the case. “I’m disgusted and angry to know that an elder in our community had to fear for her safety, going about her daily routine, walking her dog,” the mayor said to reporters. “I want to thank our emergency responders for very quick action to ensure that the health care treatment was so quickly accessed.”

The attack on McGuire also drew condemnation for other elected officials.

State Rep. Russell Holmes noted that the stabbing occurred days

after a 14-year-old was shot and killed in Roxbury. “Those are two very vulnerable groups of people we want to especially protect in our community – senior citizens and our youth,” he said. “It’s unacceptable to have that kind of violence in our city.”

Added South Boston and Dorchester’s state Sen. Nick Collins: “My heart goes out to the victims of violence, including Jean’s family and the family of the young boy that was shot and killed.” Collins said he was “very concerned” about recent violence in the city. “There are a lot of people with mental health issues that require intervention,” he said. “That needs to start happening immediately.”

– REPORTER STAFF

Developer begins work on lot next to Ashmont Station

Construction has begun on a vacant lot next to Ashmont Station this week after the property was purchased in late September by Dorchester-based developer Doug George, who purchased the property for \$4.75 million. The property at 1970 Dorchester Ave. is permitted for 56 apartments and two commercial spaces.

“I was raised in Dorchester and have lived here more than 50 years,” George said. “People want to live in Dorchester now. The Red Line is key here and the Red Line is a draw. They’ve done a really good job in that stretch of Ashmont. There’s a lot happening there and it’s a very busy urban area. The site offers a lot.”

George predicted a 15-to-18-month construction period. The first concrete pour was on Monday.

The developer said he planned to name the building The Francis at Ashmont, a nod to his 88-year-old mother who still lives in a Dorchester three-decker.

The property was previously owned by One

Beale Street LLC, which is controlled by Brendan Feeney and Tim Long. Another mixed-use, five-story apartment building across the street, at 1943 Dorchester Ave., just completed construction and is currently leasing.

– SETH DANIEL

DCR holding off, for now, on its plan for Ryan wading pool

The state Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) has backed off for the time being its plan to convert a wading pool off River Street into a spray deck, saying the pause will give agency the opportunity to schedule additional discussions with the community.

At a public meeting earlier this month, officials said the decision to remake the wading pool at Mattapan’s Ryan Playground as a spray deck had already been

made, citing \$600,000 in state funding that became available over the summer. Contractors had already been hired, and construction was due to start Oct. 15.

In a statement last Thursday, state Rep. Brandy Fluker Oakley, who criticized the agency for moving quickly without fully informing the public, said the project would be halted and that the agency committed to a new “full community process.” The agency later confirmed its decision

to the *Reporter*.

“It is now official that construction will not begin on October 15th, a mere 10 days after the potential project’s first public meeting,” Fluker Oakley said in the statement. “During our conversations, DCR estimated that the design process with community input, including a community advisory board, would take about one year, and that changes to the wading pool and splash pad would not begin for at least the

next 18-24 months.”

Fluker Oakley called DCR’s original move to make changes “unacceptable” and caused an outcry in the community. “Thank you to every member of our community who used their voice to urge DCR to change this process, and I am so grateful to have worked in partnership with each resident who shared their perspective with me so that together we could persist and achieve this result,” she said. —

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UPCOMING CIVIC MEETINGS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

The 25th annual Men of Boston Cook for Women’s Health gala will be held live and in-person under a tent next to Codman Square Health Center on Thurs., Oct. 20, at 6 p.m. See Codman.org/menofbostoncook for tickets and more info.
A hearing to discuss **Boston City Council redistricting** will be held on Thurs., Oct. 20 at 5 p.m. at Community Academy of Science and Health, 11 Charles St., Dorchester. More info at boston.gov/redistricting.
BPDA will host a virtual public meeting on Thurs., Oct. 20 at 6 p.m. to discuss the **PLAN: Mattapan draft**. See bit.ly/PlanMattapan for more information.
The Urban Farming Institute of Boston hosts Food Day Garlic Festival at Fowler Clark Epstein Farm, 487 Norfolk St., Mattapan on Sat., Oct. 22, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Activities include cider pressing, liveraptor demonstration, pumpkin decorating, and healthy Food demonstrations. See urbanfarminginstitute.org for more info.
Harvard Street Neighborhood Health Center hosts an evening with best-selling author Steve Pemberton as it launches a new speaker series at the Media Arts Center at Roxbury Community College on Thurs., Oct. 27 at 5:30 p.m. Free. RSVP at bit.ly/3RIEHB1.
Congressman Stephen F. Lynch will host an information session on Sunday, Oct. 30 at 10 a.m. at East Middle School in Braintree for all high school students interested in applying to one of the United States Service Academies. Contact Joseph Weydt, 617-428-2000.
A Pumpkin Parade will be held on Thurs., Oct. 27 at 5:30 p.m. at Pope John Paul II Park on Hallett Street. (Rain date is

Oct. 28). Costumes and carved pumpkins are welcome. Candles provided, no pre-registration is needed. For more info email ripley@neponset.org.
Zoo Howl, Franklin Park Zoo, October 29-30: Join the fun at Franklin Park Zoo this Hallo-weekend while trick-or-treating among the animals, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. including costume contests and opportunities to learn about all the creepy crawly critters found at the Zoo.
Mayor Michelle Wu and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department host the second annual Fall-o-Ween Children’s Festival on the Boston Common Parade Ground at the corner of Beacon and Charles Streets on Friday, Oct. 21, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Adults and children are encouraged to wear Halloween costumes and participate in a wide range of free, fun, and spooky family-friendly activities.

Go to boston.gov/falloween for 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 trucks, pop up barbershop and braiding for teens and youth, live performances and more. Contact Rick Aggeler at 617-533-9051 or raggeler@bgcb.org for info.
The annual ‘Carry It On’ fundraiser to benefit Mass Communities Action Network will be held on Sat., Oct. 22, 5-9 p.m. at IBEW Hall, 256 Freeport St., Dorchester. The event will include a tribute to MCAN founder and leader Lew Finfer. Contact helena@mcan.us for more info.

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New designs for Mattapan trolley line’s stations due next year

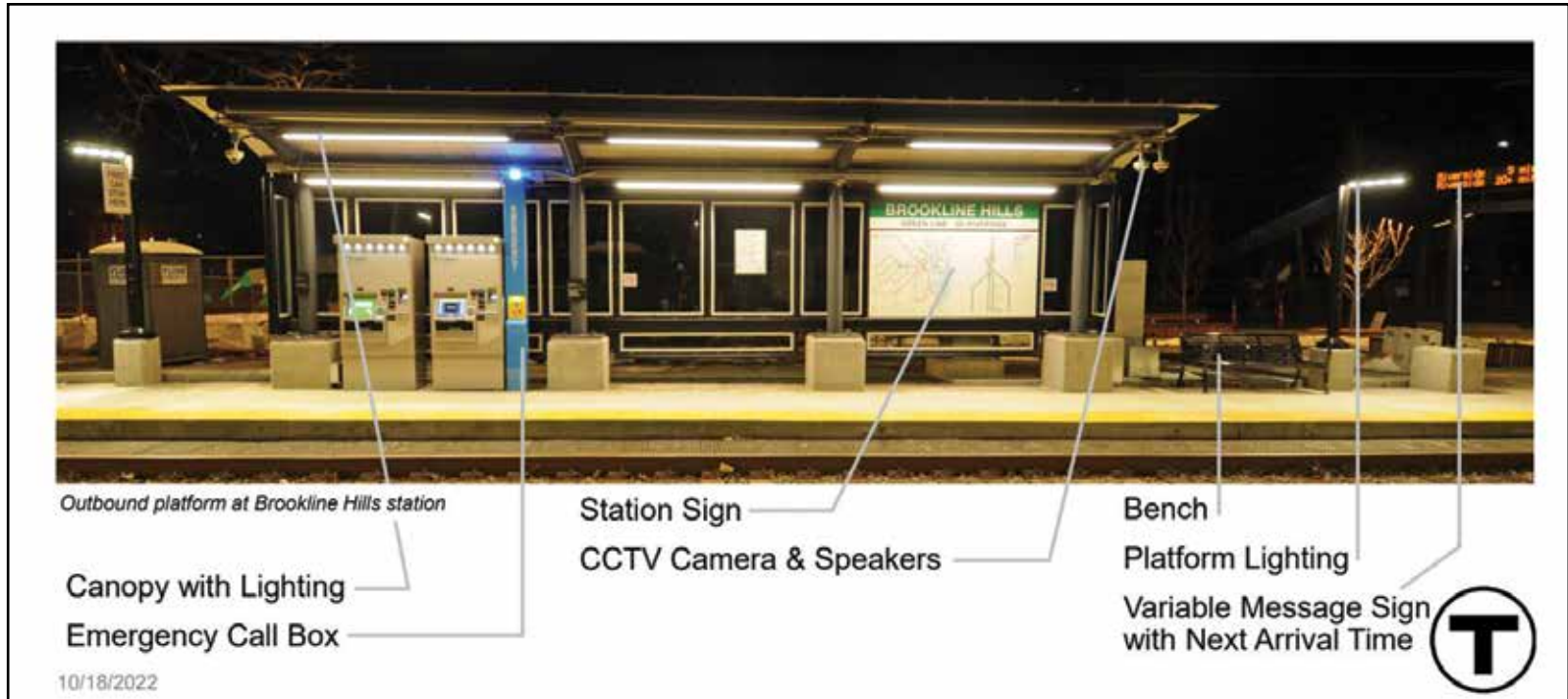
By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS
MANAGING EDITOR

New designs for MBTA stations on the Mattapan trolley line are expected in the first half of next year, officials from the public transit agency said at a virtual public meeting on Tuesday.

The design process is underway for the stations along the high-speed trolley line that runs through Dorchester, Milton and Mattapan, with detailed concepts expected at the next public meeting planned in April 2023. There will be multiple options focused on what the stations will look like.

Since the last meeting earlier this year, the MBTA’s project team working on the modernization of the trolley line have reviewed existing conditions of the corridor, surveyed local wetlands and deployed ground-penetrating radar to see what’s under the tracks, as well as an assessment of the bridges and the line’s resiliency to flooding. All those will help with station concepts, MBTA officials said

The MBTA still hasn’t yet determined what will happen to the current trolley cars when they’re retired. The modernization of the Mattapan



A graphic shown during an MBTA-sponsored meeting on Tuesday shows the layout and features from an existing Green Line station in Brookline. MBTA planners told attendees that many of these same features will be incorporated into Mattapan trolley line stations. New designs are expected to be shown to the public next year. (Screenshot)

line has been running on two tracks: The refurbishment of the current trolley cars, which have been in service for decades, and the overhaul of the stations as the MBTA will transition to using older Green Line trolleys on the line.

Phil Santos, who works for HNTB, the designated contractor on the modernization project, told attendees of Tuesday’s public meeting that while the design process is in the “early phase,” riders will see improved lighting, security camer-

as, wind screens and an emergency call box.

He raised the prospect of having a center island at the Milton stop, which straddles Dorchester’s Lower Mills neighborhood and the town of Milton. The stop currently has separate inbound and outbound station platforms.

If the T goes the center-island route, the existing platforms would need to be demolished and the tracks would need to be shifted, creating service disruptions.

Several of the meet-

ing’s attendees focused on a pressing matter: The decrepit state of the Milton station’s stairs. The Adams Street stairs have been closed for years, prompting frustrated Milton town officials to recently sue the MBTA.

AJ Tanner, the MBTA’s project manager, said the agency is unable to repair the stairs. If they were to undertake repairs, they would need to install an elevator to comply with federal regulations, leading them to hold off until the modernization effort reaches

Milton Station. They are, however, seeking a demolition contractor for the stairs this coming winter, Tanner said.

Sen. Walter Timilty of Milton called that “unacceptable” and noted that the overall modernization program is already behind schedule. The stairs are a “blight,” he added.

“This project needs to get moving and these stations need to be restored and repaired,” he said during the public meeting.

“I know it was delayed

but we are moving it forward as quickly as we can,” Tanner said in response.

The MBTA is refurbishing the current trolleys, which are more than 75 years old, in order to get at least another decade of service out of them, before the transition to the Green Line trolleys.

The next refurbished trolley is expected to hit the tracks again in the next 30 days, and another one should be back by summer 2023, according to T officials.

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Wu vetoes council’s bid for big pay boost in ’23

Mayor Wu has vetoed a City Council measure that would have given councillors elected in November’23 and herself higher raises than she initially proposed.

In her veto message, Wu wrote that the 21 percent increases — from \$103,500 to \$125,000 for councillors and from \$207,000 to \$250,000 for the mayor — were out of line compared to the raises her administration has been negotiating with “front line” workers.

“Like all our workers, our elected officials should receive salary increases, but they should square with the increases that our frontline workers have received and are receiving in the contracts that we continue to settle,” she wrote.

When the councillors approved the increases, they said they stood in solidarity with city workers and would push for even higher wage increases for them, rather than accepting Wu’s initial proposal for more modest increases for elected officials.

Wu’s initial proposal was to increase councillor pay to \$115,000 and the mayor’s pay to \$230,000, roughly an 11 percent increase. Councillors, if they choose, can override the mayor’s veto. It would take nine of them to do that.

The increases for elected officials in either case would not go into effect until after the next elections - 2023 for councillors and 2025 for the mayor.

— REPORTERSTAFF

Early voting starts Saturday, Oct. 22

Early in-person voting is set to start on Saturday, Oct. 22, and run through Friday, Nov. 4. The day of the election itself is Tuesday, Nov. 8.

Early voting is occurring across Massachusetts. In Boston, a number of sites will be available, including Fenway Park. On Saturday, Oct. 28, and Sunday, Oct. 29, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., voters will be able to cast their ballot by the concourse near third base and get a look at the field before leaving through Lansdowne Street.

Other locations and their hours include:

Sat., Oct. 22 and Sun., Oct. 23, all locations open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

BCYF Paris Street Community Center, 112 Paris Street, East Boston

BCYF Quincy Community Center, 885 Washington Street, Chinatown

Thelma D. Burns Building, 575 Warren Street, Dorchester

Another Course to College, 612 Metropolitan Avenue, Hyde Park

Margarita Muniz Academy, 20 Child Street, Jamaica Plain

Dewitt Center, 122 Dewitt Drive, Roxbury

Boston Public Library - Copley, 700 Boylston Street, Back Bay

Jackson Mann School, 500 Cambridge Street, Allston

Richard J. Murphy School, 1 Worrell Street, Dorchester

Mon., Oct. 24
Boston City Hall (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

Tues., Oct. 25
Boston City Hall (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Saint Nectarios Greek Church, 39 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale (12 p.m. to 8 p.m.)

BCYF Tobin Community Center, 1481 Tremont Street, Roxbury (12 p.m. to 8 p.m.)

Wed., Oct. 26
Boston City Hall (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

Thurs., Oct. 27
Boston City Hall (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Florian Hall, 55 Hallet Street, Dorchester (12 p.m. to 8 p.m.)

Institute of Contemporary Art, 25 Harbor Shore Drive, Seaport (12 p.m. to 8 p.m.)

Fri., Oct. 28
Boston City Hall (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

Sat., Oct. 29 and Sun., Oct. 30 (all locations open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.)

Harvard/Kent Elementary, 50 Bunker Hill Street, Charlestown

James F. Condon School Cafeteria, 200 D Street, South Boston

BCYF Perkins Community Center, 155 Talbot Avenue, Dorchester

Mildred Avenue K-8 School, 5 Mildred Avenue, Mattapan

BCYF Roche Community Center, 1716 Centre Street, West Roxbury

BCYF Shelburne Community Center, 2730 Washington Street, Roxbury

Salvation Army Kroc Center, 650 Dudley Street, Dorchester

Honan-Allston Branch Library, 300 North Harvard Street, Allston

Mon., Oct. 31
Boston City Hall (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

Tues., Nov. 1
Boston City Hall (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Saint Nectarios Greek Church, 39 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale (12 p.m. to 8 p.m.)

BCYF Hyde Park Community Center, 1179 River Street, Hyde Park (12 p.m. to 8 p.m.)

Wed., Nov. 2
Boston City Hall (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

Thurs., Nov. 3
Boston City Hall (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

St. George Orthodox Church, 55 Emmons-dale Road, West Roxbury (12 p.m. to 8 p.m.)

Institute of Contemporary Art, 25 Harbor Shore Drive, Seaport (12 p.m. to 8 p.m.)

Fri., Nov. 4
Boston City Hall (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

Voters queued up outside of the Murphy School on Worrell Street in October 2020 to participate in the presidential election.

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People can also vote by mail. In order to be eligible, applications must reach the Boston Election Department by Tuesday, Nov. 1, at 5 p.m. When they get their ballot package, voters must remember to sign the yellow ballot affidavit envelope. If it’s unsigned, the ballot will be rejected.

Mail-in ballots can be dropped at any of the 21 ballot boxes around the city, including at each early voting location. The boxes are monitored by video surveillance.

Ballots can be put in drop boxes until 8 p.m. on Nov. 8. If a ballot comes in via mail, it must be postmarked by Nov. 8 in order for the city’s election department to receive it by Nov. 12.

Primary behind, Fifth Suffolk’s Worrell keeps pushing for votes

BY GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS
MANAGING EDITOR

Since the September primary, House candidate Chris Worrell has knocked on doors with US Sen. Ed Markey and been the beneficiary of a Mayor Michelle Wu fundraiser.

Worrell, who is running for the Fifth Suffolk district seat, doesn’t have a Republican opponent. After he beat Danielson Tavares, a former top aide to Marty Walsh when they were in City Hall, and former councillor and state lawmaker Althea Garrison in the Democratic primary, the only other person on the Nov. 8 ballot is perennial candidate Roy Owens, who is running as an independent.

But Worrell still wants to remind people that there’s an election on the calendar.

He won the primary with 1,658 votes out of nearly 4,000 cast in the district, which includes 19 precincts across Dorchester and Roxbury.

“We have the worst voter turnout,” he told the *Reporter* this week.

“What I’m trying to do right now is to bring out the vote to make sure our voices are heard.”

On Sept. 29, weeks after the primary, Wu, who backed Worrell over Tavares in the primary, headlined a fundraiser for Worrell at the Pollo Lounge and Grille on Bowdoin Street. And earlier this month, Sen. Markey joined Worrell and his brother, District 4 City Councillor Brian Worrell, to canvass the district, kicking off at the Fenelon playground on Merrill Street.

Worrell said he is looking forward to working with his brother. “With him on the City Council and me in the Legislature, we will ensure that there is a strong, united voice for Boston’s Black and Brown communities and a streamlined process for getting things done for our neighborhoods,” he said.

Worrell has also picked up support from his former opponent. “Donny is a friend,” Worrell said of Tavares, noting they both worked at City Hall. (Worrell, after he worked as an aide to state Sen.

Nick Collins, was employed by the Boston Planning and Development Agency.)

“Whatever he does next, he has my full support,” Worrell added.

Tavares, for his part, has not yet decided on what’s next. Asked if he might throw his hat into the City Council ring, he said he has been keeping an eye on the redistricting process, as councillors redraw the political boundaries of the nine council districts. (Tavares lives in District 7, which is currently represented by Tania Fernandes Anderson.)

“Whatever I do, it will be rooted in community,” Tavares told the *Reporter*. “Everything I’ve done in the past, I’ve tried to make sure it has a focus on community-building.”

As for Worrell, Tavares said he’s looking forward to having him as his state representative. “I know he has a strong passion for the community,” he said. “I know he’s going to be responsive.”

Campaign regulators flag Palmer’s finance violations

Donnie Palmer, who ran for a City Council at-large seat in 2021 and came in 14th place, quickly set his sights on Congress last year. He’s now on the Nov. 8 ballot as a Republican running against Ayanna Pressley, a Boston Democrat.

But state campaign finance regulators would like a word with Palmer about last year’s Council run. In an Oct. 4 letter, regulators at the state Office of Campaign and Political Finance (OCPF) said they had reviewed his campaign activity and concluded that he broke state law. The law requires political committees to file finance reports, and all contributions over \$50 must be itemized with the name and address of contributors, in addition to disclosures of vendors and expenditures over \$50.

Palmer’s campaign committee disclosed \$11,600 in receipts between April 2021 and November 2021. “Despite receiving numerous audit letters and phone calls from OCPF staff, your Committee has failed to file any deposit reports to disclose the source of the reported receipts,” the letter from regulators said. (Palmer apparently spent some of the money on local eateries.)

The regulators added that if Palmer did not file the reports within 30 days of the letter, OCPF may start legal proceedings to “prevent your name from

appearing on a state or local ballot in Massachusetts.”

Two people are currently prohibited from appearing on the Massachusetts ballot after OCPF filed a complaint in Suffolk Superior Court: Sarah Genova Pimentel of East Boston, who ran for a state Senate seat in 2016, and Lindsey Esser of Monson, a state Senate candidate in 2018.

The OCPF letter was sent to Palmer’s former Dorchester address, his new address in Brighton, and his email address.

Palmer’s 2021 campaign was marked by racist online posts and false claims about the 2020 presidential election. A supporter of Donald Trump, Palmer falsely called Michelle Wu, a Chicago native running for mayor at the time, a “Chinese citizen.”

The Massachusetts GOP supported his City Council campaign with paid social media ads highlighting an endorsement from the Boston Police Patrolmen’s Association (BPPA). After the *Reporter* reached out about Palmer’s posts, the police union said they were unaware of them and his “statements do not reflect our values.”

Palmer’s Congressional campaign this year has continued in the same vein. He has not filed campaign finance reports with the Federal Elections Commission as the state GOP is again spending money on social media ads to support his candidacy.

When not attacking Pressley or Covid vaccines, Palmer has posted to social media links to a JFK Jr. conspiracy on YouTube and a graphic indicating a conspiracy to murder the late chef Anthony Bourdain, among others. “This is just the tip of the iceberg,” he wrote on Twitter.

Palmer has also said that if he is elected to Congress, he would support Trump as House speaker as well as the impeachment of President Biden.

In September, he posted a video to YouTube of his appearance at a Christian flag-raising ceremony in Revere. “I hope I pick up some votes from Revere this election,” he told the crowd.

The city of Revere is not in Pressley’s district and has Congresswoman Katherine Clark as its Capitol Hill representative.

Palmer did not respond to a request through his active Twitter account for comment on the OCPF letter.





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NAACP, advocacy groups offer their own redistricting map

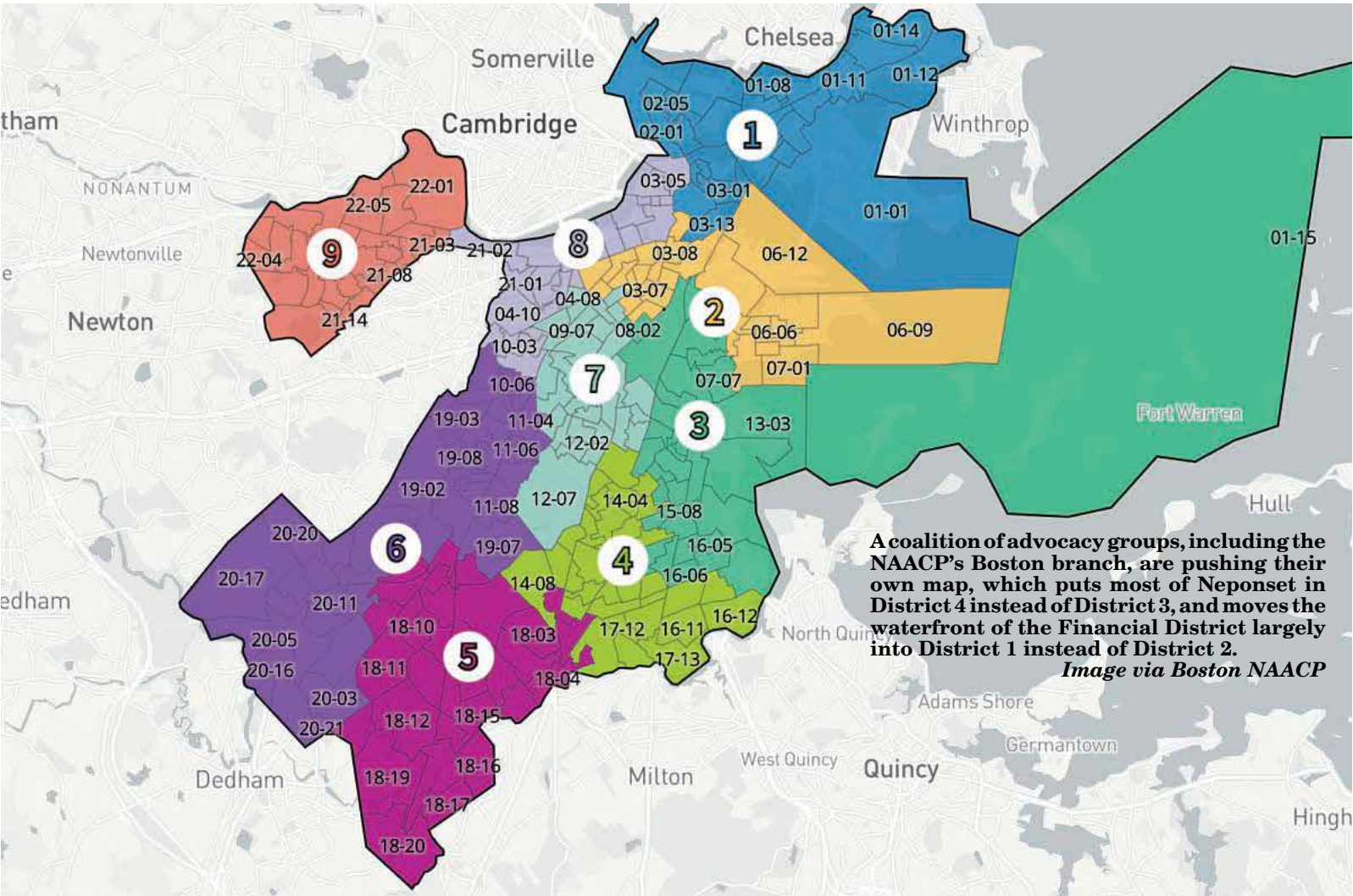
(Continued from page 1) cludes parts of Dorchester and Mattapan, also needs to see an increase in white residents to avoid the “packing” too many people of color into the district, according to advocates.

This latest map moves District 3 up into South Boston, while taking the Financial District’s waterfront away from District 2 and giving it to District 1, which is anchored in East Boston. The Vietnamese community in Fields Corner is also unified in District 3, a move that appears to have broad support across competing map proposals.

Where it is likely to get contentious is how the latest map moves most of Dorchester’s Neponset neighborhood to District 4 from District 3, a realignment that would raise the percentage of white residents in District 4 by 6 percent.

A number of Dorchester groups have opposed splitting Cedar Grove, as other maps have proposed. The Breadon-Arroyo map would keep Cedar Grove within one City Council district, but leave Ward 16’s Precinct 10, which is part of the Neponset area, in District 3.

Tanisha Sullivan, head of Boston’s NAACP



branch, said her coalition’s map meets the goals of the federal Voting Rights Act in keeping districts where there is opportunity for communities of color to elect a representative of their choice. “It is done in a way that has an eye toward Boston as a whole

and ensuring we continue to move forward as a city,” she said.

Councillors gathered inside City Hall for a tense “working session” on redistricting on Monday.

District 3’s Councillor Frank Baker formally filed his own map last

Friday. He proposed keeping the Chinese community in District 2 as the Chinese Progressive Association requested. Baker’s map also unites the Fields Corner/Little Saigon area within District 3, and puts all of Ward 16 under District 3.

His plan moves just a

dozen precincts around, far fewer than the other proposed maps.

But the focus of Monday’s working session was the NAACP map. Council President Ed Flynn said behind-the-scenes conversations over the NAACP map could be an Open Meet-

ing Law violation, since there was talk that the map has the necessary votes to pass the City Council. Breadon said there has been no whipping of votes and no group discussion over the map, which would have violated the law.

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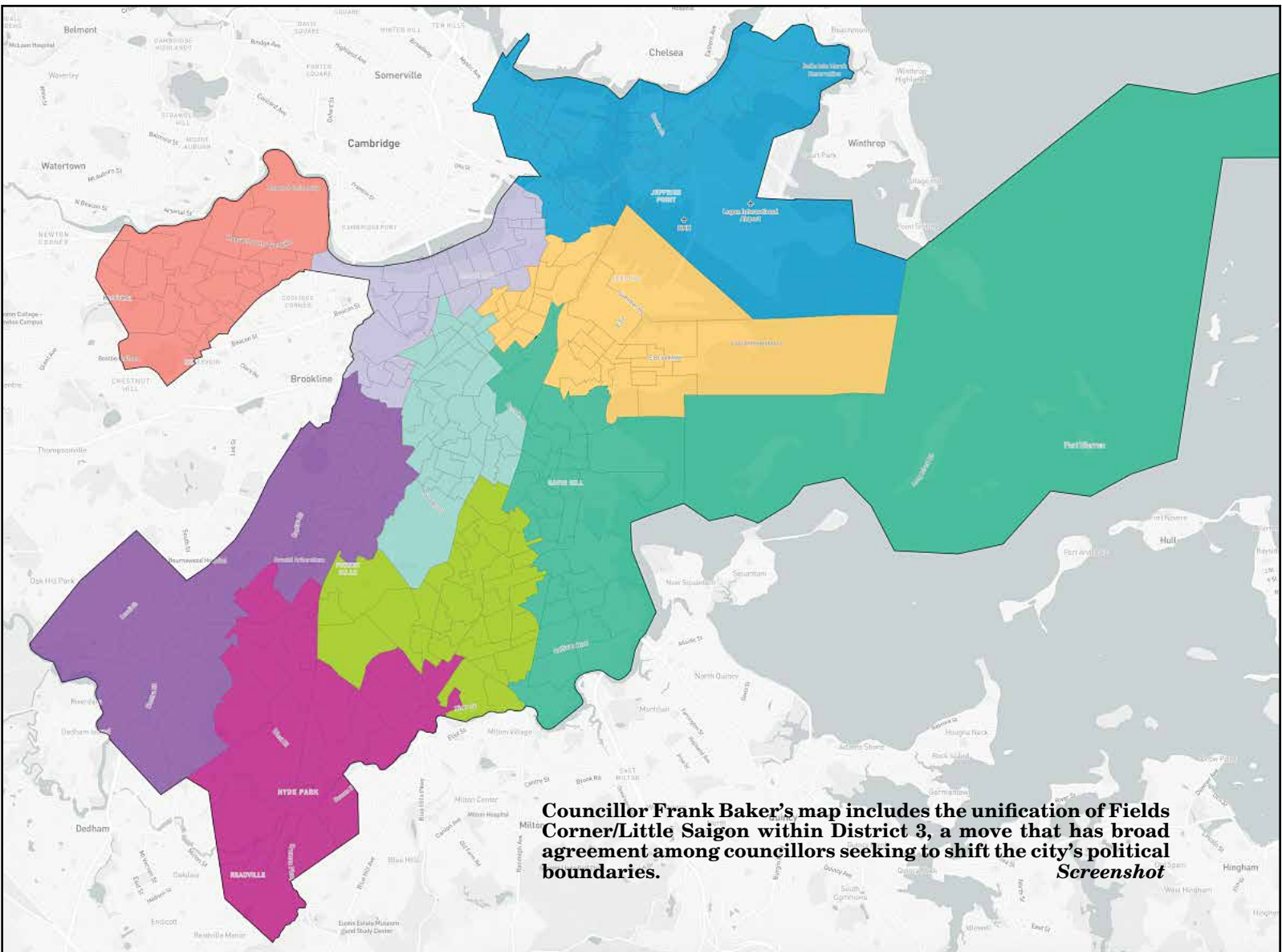
ing they already have the seven votes,” Flynn said. “That is not my understanding.” Breadon responded, adding that advocates are talking to councillors one-on-one, and not groups. “I am not aware of who the advocates have gotten commitments from.”

Breadon added she has not abandoned a separate map she filed weeks ago with District 4 Councillor Brian Worrell. “We’re keeping all the maps on the table,” she said.

Flynn said he opposes any map that divides South Boston and the public housing developments within its borders. He expressed disappointment in Breadon filing the NAACP map on behalf of advocacy groups. Councillor Baker agreed and said the NAACP map “takes a sword to my district.” He added: It “dedicates South Boston, decimates Dorchester.”

But Councillor Arroyo said nobody can make a map that doesn’t split neighborhoods. The city’s population increase has been “too stark,” he said. “There is no map where District 2 can keep every precinct.”

A hearing to take public testimony is scheduled in Dorchester’s Fields Corner this Thursday (Oct. 20) at 5 p.m. at the Vietnamese American Communi-



ty Center on Charles Street.

At a hearing inside City Hall earlier this month, Dorchester civic leaders expressed their wishes for Cedar Grove to remain united within District 3. “The Cedar

Grove area is a clear historic community of interest and is a core constituency for District 3,” said state Rep. Dan Hunt, who worked on the Legislature’s redistricting efforts last year and chairs the Ward 16

Democratic Committee. He added, in a letter to the City Council: “We have retained an attorney and will exercise all legal options should any future proposal dilute the political community of interest of Ward 16.”

Dorchester military veterans have also registered their opposition to splitting Ward 16. “As proud veterans of Ward 16/District 3 and one of the largest and most diverse communities in the city, we stand ready to

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A promotional poster for a 'Zoo Howl' event. The background is a gradient of purple and orange. On the right, there is a close-up photograph of a lion's face. The text 'ZOO' is in large, bold, black capital letters. The letter 'O' in 'HOWL' is replaced by a black silhouette of a jack-o'-lantern with orange eyes and a mouth. Three black bat silhouettes are flying around the text. At the bottom, the dates 'October 29 & 30' are in large orange letters. Below that, the text 'Advance online ticket purchase required.' and the website 'FranklinParkZoo.org' are in white. The Franklin Park Zoo New England logo is in the bottom right corner.

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BGCB inducts five into its Hall of Fame

The Boys & Girls Club of Boston (BGCB) honored its Hall of Fame Class of 2022 with a special induction ceremony at the organization's 128th annual meeting last Thursday night at the Westin Copley Place.

The new inductees, all cited for making significant impacts on BGCB and their communities are:

- James E. Rooney, Edgerley Family South Boston Club alumnus, president and CEO of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce;
- Helen Chin Schlichte, senior advisory board member of BGCB, assistant to the Massachusetts Secretary of Administration and Finance, and co-founder of South Cove Manor Nursing and Rehabilitation Center;
- Paul J. Rooney, Edgerley Family South Boston Club alumnus, BGCB director, managing partner of EBS;



Back row, from left: Robert Monahan, Paul Rooney, Robert Lewis Jr., James Rooney. Front: Catherine Morris, Helen Chin Schlichte.



- Catherine T. Morris, Berkshire Partners Blue Hill Club alumna, director of Arts and Culture at the Boston Foundation, founder of the Boston Art, and Music Soul Festival;
- Robert D. Monahan, Edgerley Family South Boston Club alumnus, member of BGCB's board of trustees, director of operations for Julie's Family Learning Program.

At left, BGCB Nicholas President and CEO Robert Lewis Jr. addressed the gathering during the ceremony.

Dorchester organizations get grants from Mass Humanities

Mass Humanities recently announced it has awarded \$713,876 in Expand Massachusetts Stories (EMS) grants to 42 cultural non-profit organizations across the state, including four projects in Dorchester totaling \$74,576.

The EMS initiative kicked off last year with support to projects across the state that included audio tours, documentary films, oral histories, and public events about new narratives focusing on the people and ideas that shape the state.

"At this critical juncture in the history of our state, we see these projects as the sparks for a much-needed reimagining of our past and a new vision for our future," said Brian Boyles, Executive Director of Mass Humanities, a non-profit based in western Massachusetts. "We believe Massachusetts can only truly thrive when all residents participate in

creating, learning and sharing the stories of Massachusetts."

Funded projects in Dorchester include:

- A \$20,000 grant to Emerson College for "Elma Lewis Living Stories Project: Documenting Stories about Boston's Black Luminaries in the Arts, Education, and Civil Rights," a mostly digital archive of words, images, audio recordings, films, or artistic creations from community members who answer the call, "What Miss Elma Lewis taught me."
- A \$20,000 grant to Essential Foundations for "Standing on the Shoulders of Giants: The Massachusetts Rock Against Racism Oral History Project," an intergenerational, community-led oral history project for engaging youth in collecting and archiving the stories of community elders and demonstrate that model by collecting 10 oral histories of

founders and members of the Massachusetts Rock Against Racism movement in partnership with UMass Boston.

- A \$14,576 grant to the Freedom House for "Smartphone Storytelling Program," a digital media project that empowers Black, Brown, and immigrant youth to explore, narrate, and reflect on the physical and emotional spaces they exist in and present new insights into the lived experiences of young people in Boston.
- A \$20,000 grant to Historic New England for "Teaching the Full Dorchester Story," an investment in re-centering youth education programs at Pierce House in Dorchester. The project engages students through the stories of marginalized people during the Colonial and Revolution Era to foster a deeper, more relevant understanding of our nation's history. —REPORTER STAFF

8 from Dot and Mattapan in first cohort of Black Men Lead Boston

Mayor Wu last week announced the first members of Black Men Lead Boston, a new program launched by the Mayor's Office of Black Male Advancement (BMA) that is designed for Black men between the ages of 18 and 35 in the city who want to become more civically engaged and leaders in their communities. The program includes an 8-week fall course for 24 selected residents. An additional course for the spring will be announced later.

The first cohort includes seven men from Dorchester: Josiah Beech, Derrell Black, Garth French, Herb Lozano, Ayomide Olu-muyiwa, Deryck Reid, and Frank Wilburn, and one from Mattapan, Edosa Osemwegie.

The fall course launched on Oct. 11 and will run through Dec. 6. The goal is to invest the group with the skills, knowledge, and practical experience as a way to organize their communities for social change. They will also meet with city officials and members of the Black Men and Boys Commission to learn how to effectively navigate local government.

REPORTER STAFF



Darryl and Patti Elliott will receive the Forbes House Museum's Civic Leadership Award at its annual Keechong Dinner on Sunday, Nov. 6 at Venezia Ballroom in Dorchester. Darryl and Patti, who run Elliott Physical Therapy, will be honored for their philanthropic involvement in civic and neighborhood associations, educational and athletic organizations, and health-related charities. For more information about the dinner and museum events and programming, call 617-696-1815 or visit forbeshousemuseum.org. Photo courtesy of Ellen Rogers Photography

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DORCHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Emily Fifield - 1840-1913

The following has been excerpted from a much-longer piece published by the Society.

Mrs. Emily A. Fifield was born in Weymouth on Feb. 12, 1840. Her father, Thomas B. Porter, was a lumber dealer in the town and had wharfs on the Monatiquot River which passes out into the sea below Quincy.

Coming out of school before her eighteenth birthday in 1858, she soon married her life-long boyfriend, William Cranch Bond Fifield, who was ten years older. The couple found a house in Dorchester and lived there for 50 years. They had three children Mary; George, who died in infancy; and Charles, who died in 1877.



Emily A. Fifield

William was a member of the staff of the New City Hospital and was connected to that institution for 18 years.

Emily was a member of the Boston School Committee from 1884 to 1900. (The Massachusetts Constitution allowed only males to vote, but the phrasing of the qualifications for holding elective office did not include that restriction. Women were elected to the school committee in some Massachusetts towns as early as the late 1860s.) She later had an elementary school on Dunbar Avenue in Dorchester named after her. It closed in 2012.

Mrs. Fifield was interested in religious matters – she was devoted to the Unitarian cause and to her Dorchester church – and philanthropic enterprises. One of Emily's activities was her work with The Benevolent Society of the First Parish Church. The Society, which was organized in 1861, stated its general purpose as twofold: first, to give deserving women employment in the form of sewing, and second, to give the garments made by these women and by members of the society to charitable institutions, industrial schools and in response to private appeals.

Sixteen women received sewing assignments through the fall and winter months and nine women through the spring and summer. Each

earned \$1.50 per month through payment from the Society. By their work, the Society kept both the Dorchester Ward in the New England Hospital and the Nathaniel Hall room at the Mariners' Home supplied with bed linens, blankets, towels, etc., as required. The archive of these historical posts can be viewed on the blog at dorchesterhistorical-society.org.

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

Editorial

Hoping that Healey hits reset at DCR

The Democratic nominee for governor, Maura Healey, has mainly positive things to say about Gov. Charlie Baker and his administration. By and large, we tend to agree. But, when Healey takes charge – as expected – at the State House next year, there certainly will be room for improvement and reform. And one agency that is ripe for an overhaul is the state’s Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR).

The DCR is an important steward in Dorchester and Mattapan. It’s charged with managing and maintaining many of our most critical assets: beaches like Malibu and Tenean; Morrissey and Gallivan boulevards; the Neponset Greenway; and parks like Pope John Paul II in Neponset and Ryan Playground in Mattapan.

There’s no question that there are many committed public servants at DCR who are passionate about these assets. But they have a lot of ground to cover across the Commonwealth and precious little funding at their disposal to execute well. Too often, that has led to a disconnect between the agency and neighbors in the communities we cover.

That dynamic was on display in a controversy that boiled up in recent weeks as residents learned about a DCR plan to remove a popular water feature at Ryan Playground in Mattapan. The wading pool is a magnet for families in warm-weather months and is one of the only assets of its kind in this part of the city. Earlier this year, regular pool users began buzzing as word filtered out that there was a plan afoot to remove the pool and replace it with a spray deck instead.

To some, this might seem a minor revision and, perhaps, even an improvement, since DCR argued that the deck would double the time available to use a water feature at the park. But the people who frequent the playground begged to differ. An upgrade, they said, would be welcome. But the pool should not be sacrificed in the process. And they should have been consulted in advance.

In a public meeting held on Oct. 5, neighbors were stunned to learn that not only was the pool scheduled to be demolished, but also that work was slated to begin at the site on Oct. 15. Neighbors and elected officials who joined the call insisted that DCR halt the plan and begin a new process for the playground’s renovations. Some even started an online petition.

To their credit, DCR has finally agreed to apply the brakes. But the agency was slow to make their own statement on the matter, leaving it to state Rep. Brandy Fluker Oakley to convey the message. Sadly, part of that message seems to be that Mattapan is too low of a priority in the waning days of the Baker-Polito administration to mount a sensible public process in the first place.

State government —led by the next governor— should think hard about how to better link this agency or a successor agency to communities like Dorchester and Mattapan. In our experience, it has been far too difficult, and sometimes impossible, to get state officials to offer clarity on many important projects, up to and including upgrades to Morrissey Boulevard and the planned extension of the Neponset Greenway between Morrissey and Port Norfolk.

We hope that the turnover at the executive level will include a robust reset of how the agency operates and engages with stakeholders in our neighborhoods.

-Bill Forry

Commentary

Redistricting should follow Menino lead

By Gina Christo and Will MacArthur
Special to the Reporter

When the Boston City Council last took up redistricting in 2012, Mayor Tom Menino vetoed two maps for “packing” voters of color into District 4 and weakening their voting power. According to the *Dorchester Reporter*, Menino wrote at the time that “my concern about the last plan was that it concentrated our many citizens of color into too few districts, and in doing so may limit their equal opportunity to elect candidates of their choice” and that “this overconcentration was especially true in District 4.” The final map passed by the council that year was largely aligned with the previous decade’s map.

Much has changed in Boston since then: The council is composed of a majority of people of color, and the map will be approved by the city’s first woman and first person of color elected as mayor. But so far, the conversation has touched on many of the same issues as in 2012—councilors have raised packing concerns about District 4 and proposed three maps that preserve the basic structure of the City Council districts from the past several decades.

The central question facing map-makers is how to split up Dorchester between Districts 3 and District 4. The Council’s target district size is 75,072 – however, majority-Dorchester precincts include 121,305 residents. Any map that is drawn will necessarily split Dorchester into two or more districts. Instead of splitting the districts from a vertical angle, as all of the proposed maps currently do, we recommend a horizontal split, with the top half in District 3 and the bottom half in District 4.

The source of packing concern is the line between Districts 3 and 4. City councillors do not have the option of maintaining the current map exactly because population growth in District 2 requires them to redraw the lines. While the majority of residents of both District 3 and District 4 are people of color,

District 3 has consistently been represented by white councillors, partly because it includes Precinct 16-12, the consistent highest-turnout precinct in the city and one of its most conservative.

Following the wisdom of Menino, our recommendation in drawing these districts more equitably does not require a wholesale reimagination of the council map—it simply requires changing the geographic orientation of the Dorchester split that is inherent to any council map.

This map includes 4 districts where between 70 percent and 80 percent of residents are people of color, according to either the total population or the weighted estimate based on precinct-level voter registration. Our map represents an approach to making the overall council map more racially equitable, giving communities of color more opportunity to elect candidates of their choices for the next ten years. Its main departure from the priorities outlined by councillors is that it differs meaningfully from the status quo.

While the status quo bias of incumbent officials toward maintaining existing systems is particularly acute in redistricting—where the elected officials who draw the maps depend on them for their jobs—we see similar dynamics across our equity research, planning, and engagement work. The majority support of the status quo locally and across the Commonwealth continues to create pain points and barriers to equity, where the tradeoff for advancing racial equity is the “loss” of power and influence. In determining how to split Dorchester, the Council faces a clear distillation of this now common false binary: Depart from the status quo to enhance racial equity or preserve the status quo.

Gina Christo and Will MacArthur work for Rivera Consulting, a management and strategy consultant firm based in the Boston area. Their full analysis on Boston’s redistricting process on their website: riveraconsult.com/blog/redistricting22.

How to build wealth for all in Codman Sq.

By Gail Latimore
Special to the Reporter

The Codman Square Neighborhood Development Corporation (CSNDC) is a non-profit, state-certified entity based in and serving Dorchester and portions of Mattapan. For over 40 years, we’ve strived to build equity, wealth, and homeownership in Dorchester by providing a range of services. That includes development of more than 1,200 units of affordable housing, both rental and homeownership, and 1,000 (and growing) rental units in our portfolio.

We also have longstanding community organizing and environmental justice components (our Eco-Innovation District department) that work to train residents as leaders who can impact quality of life and climate and environmental issues impacting our community.

Through our Fairmount CDC Collaborative work, we’ve succeeded in getting four new stops and fair fares on this critical transit line, as well as increased service so that the 35 percent of our residents who work downtown have shorter commute times and there is transit equity on this commuter rail line that, until fairly recently, used to cut through our community without stopping.

We have a special focus on wellness issues for men

of color via our MEN@Home and Brothers Building components that focus on peer support and access to core services such as affordable housing and mental and physical health issues.

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Letter to the Editor

Parishes play their role in defining common interests

To the Editor:

As someone who once chaired a City Council Redistricting Committee and continues to maintain a deep interest in the politics and vitality of the entire city – with a particular investment in Dorchester, District 3, – I appreciate your observations in last week’s editorial on the role of parish cohesion in this process. However, your total dismissal of the role of parish dynamics is too broad and eliminates one potential part of a well-drawn cohesive map aligning common interests. Such oversight produces the kind of proposal you referred to as “unwieldy and unsatisfactory.” Parishes play a role, villages play a role, and other neighborhood institutions play a role, each contributing to a more viable community in District 3.

I do not believe any proposed map thus seen meets this challenge. Encompassing all the elements of a neighborhood, not eliminating some, is the route to a successful redistricting process. In much of our

testimony before the members of the City Council’s Redistricting Committee on Oct. 11, there were several references made by community and civic leaders about the historic presence of various churches, Catholic, Episcopalian, and Unitarian to name a few, who supported the many civic associations of Dorchester by allowing the community meetings to be held in their church halls. I would suggest this collaboration strengthened those villages and neighborhoods that we are trying to protect.

I would like to close with a simple anecdote. A little over a week ago I attended the Boston College-Clemson game. As we were tailgating, I started chatting with a very interesting young woman from Connecticut. After a few minutes she told me she recognized my Dorchester accent and then said, “So what parish are you from”? Such a remark may surprise you, but not me.

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Gathering Words

A conversation with the poet Cornelia Veenendaal

What words have caught your attention recently? A word you’ve seldom or never heard, or one used in an unusual way? A word heard in passing on the subway can be the genesis for a poem.

“If a particular word resonates, I’ll add it to my journal,” says the poet Cornelia Veenendaal. “I gather words to keep as part of my arsenal.”

At age 98, Cornelia (Connie) Veenendaal has a rich and creative arsenal of words, and has used them brilliantly. She has published four volumes of poetry, and has one more in the works. In the 1970s, Connie was one of the founders of Alice James Books, a cooperative press with which she published “The Trans-Siberian Railway” (1973), and “Green Shaded Lamps” (1977). Two other books followed, “What Seas, What Shores” in 1984 and “An Argument of Roots” in 2014. Today, she’s working on a fifth book, titled “Terrestrials.”

A long time Boston resident—57 years!—Connie lived 38 of them on Wellesley Park in Dorchester. She taught literature and poetry at UMass Boston for 25 years, retiring in 1990. In 2013, she moved to Franconia, NH, to live with her daughter and grand-daughter. The Reporter interviewed Ms. Veenendaal recently so that her Boston friends and former students would know what she’s been up to.

Q. Please tell us about your childhood. Where did you grow up?

A. I grew up in Springfield, Massachusetts. It was the Depression years, and there were six of us kids. I sometimes wonder how my parents got through it—I remember terrible arguments. My mother had been a second-grade teacher in Holyoke before her marriage in 1920. My father was a self-made architect. Springfield was a fast-growing city, so my father managed to get enough work.

Q. Were your parents originally from Holland?

A. No, they were Irish. After World War II, many young Americans were going to Europe, so I went over on the Holland-American line, and met a Dutchman who worked in the purser’s office on the ship. He was immigrating to the US under the Refugee Relief Act. We married in 1957 and lived in New York City for two years, where our daughter Barbara was born. My first poetry books, many years later, had to do with my separation from the marriage and subsequent therapy.

Q. Please tell us about your college years. When did you take up poetry?

A. At UMass Amherst

The Reporter: Let’s end our conversation with a poem from “An Argument of Roots.” This one takes us to your former home in Dorchester. It’s a wild, windy day a few decades ago, and you are balanced on a step ladder, struggling with a heavy canvas porch awning, like a sailor furling a sail on the high seas. You have indeed lived imaginatively!

Awnings

That sharp thwack is wind
gusting at the awnings.
It could rip the canvas or wrench
iron frames out of the locks
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I’m up on the porch roof
on a kitchen stepladder. The cords
to pull the awnings up and fasten them
are gone. I have to furl them with twine.
Long winds from the west
break against the house,

as high actuarial blasts sweep over
The foretopman trimming sails.
After all those years praying for courage,
and the winds tearing my flags to smithereens,
I find a new prayer:
to live imaginatively.

—By Cornelia Veenendaal



Cornelia Veenendaal
elli wrote, “Time moves faster in the mountains than at sea level.” I use that line as an epigraph in “Terrestrials.”
Interview for the
Dorchester Reporter by
Jean Knox. Photo by Dick Knox.

, I wrote little poems for the student magazine. The spirit of Emily Dickinson and Robert Frost was very strong in Amherst then; I heard Frost read many times and liked his ideas about form in poetry. While I was at UMass, a kind mentor suggested that I get a graduate degree, so I entered Yale in English literature. Then Mt. Holyoke College was looking for an instructor, and I was lucky to teach there. During all those years, I gradually began to think of myself as a poet.

Q. Why do we need poetry? How did you persuade students to read or write poetry?

A. We need poetry because our lives are often in upheaval. Poetry can be stabilizing. It helps you keep your humanity and introduces different points of view. Writing poetry provides something constructive for your feelings so you don’t just dissolve in stress. Plus, poetry is good for your brain!

Q. After so many years in Boston, how do you like living in the country?

A. Well, I don’t ski;

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I’m not an athlete. I relate best to city life. My appreciation for nature probably developed more in the city than in the country. But I’m glad to be here, to be with my family. I have time for my writing.

Q. To what do you attribute your long life?

A. Long life is purely a gift. I’m fortunate to have good health. Many in my family have lived a long time. I think musicians and conductors tend to live a long time. Maybe poets do also!

Q. Please tell us about “Terrestrials,” the book you’re working on now.

A. The book title comes from a letter of Teilhard de Chardin. I’m working now to finish the online copy. There will be three sections: First, poems about living in the mountains, then a section of earlier poems, and a third section about art. In one of his books, the author Carlos Rov-



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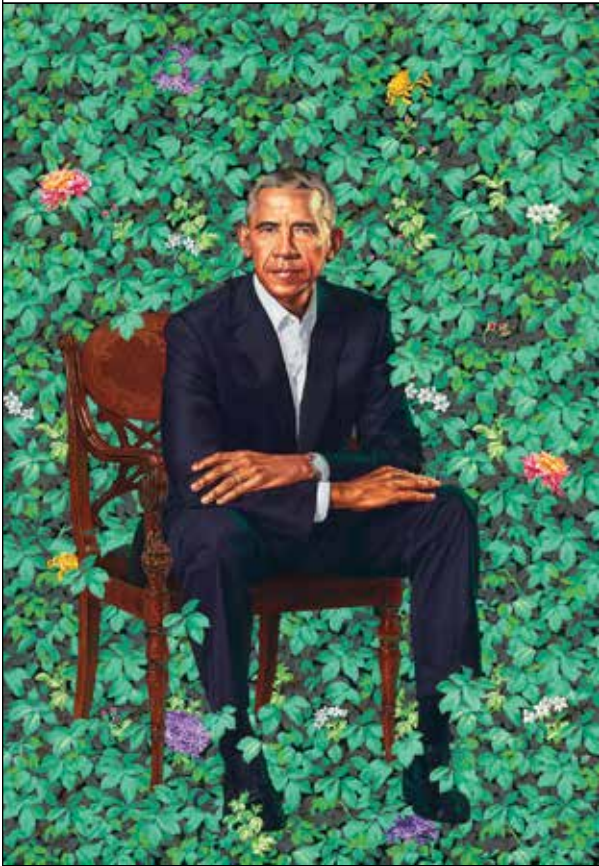
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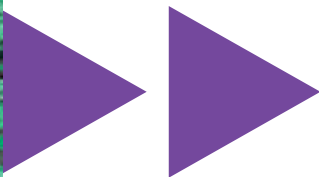


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Sportsmen’s tennis center breaks ground on expansion

By SETH DANIEL
News Editor

The Sportsmen’s Tennis and Enrichment Center (STEC) joined the upgrade parade along Blue Hill Avenue in celebrating a groundbreaking on Oct. 12 for Phase 1 of their expansion plans while launching a campaign to fund a second phase involving an even larger revamping.

STEC members and friends also used the occasion to mark its 60 years of service at its location abutting Franklin Field. “This is the day when the dream of the eight people who founded this organization gets to be expanded,” said Marilyn Chase, STEC board co-chair.

“The dream was not just for a tennis center, but also was a vision to make the community better and the people in this community better,” she added. “It was not just to improve their tennis serve, but also to open doors to better life outcomes and to become better citizens.”

Toni Wiley, STEC’s CEO, said that as Blue Hill Avenue is being upgraded along its corridor, the center is ready to improve with it. “We are here today not only to put a shovel in the ground, but also to put a stake in the ground,” she said,



STEC board member Frank Williams, state Sen. Nick Collins, City Councillor Brian Worrell, STEC CEO Toni Wiley, and state Rep. Russell Holmes. *Seth Daniel photos*

noting they are standing with the same faith that the original founders had when they started STEC six decades ago.

Phase 1 will include enclosing four outdoor courts to make more indoor court space, and then adding lighting to the remaining outdoor courts. Solar panels, 389 of them, will be set on the roofs of the center’s buildings by Dorchester’s Resonant Energy, which sees the location as ideally situated for solar.

A capital campaign spearheaded by STEC



STEC CEO Toni Wiley.

parents Scott and Alison Babka has raised nearly \$5 million to fund this

part of the project, which should be completed by next May.

Phase 2 will establish the Bud Collins Welcome Center, named after the famed Boston Globe and network broadcaster who was a dedicated supporter of STEC from its conception as an idea. Supported by his widow, Anita Klaussen, this phase will add classroom and fitness space, a teaching kitchen, and two outdoor courts.

It will also house the “Breaking the Barriers” exhibit that tells the story of Black tennis in the United States since 1916. Created by the Black Tennis Hall of

Fame, the exhibit was originally on display at the US Open before moving to the International Tennis Hall of Fame.

“This is about community, wellness, education, and investing in our youth so they can learn the wonderful life-lessons that come with tennis,” said Lindsey Keeler, United States Tennis Association (USTA) New England CEO.

Both state Rep. Russell Holmes and City Councillor Brian Worrell said they learned to play tennis at STEC when they were children, and that experience has helped them to this day. “But it can’t be what it was 45 years ago because we have to constantly improve,” Holmes said.

State Sen. Nick Collins noted that members of his family have played tennis at STEC, and that it’s an easy organization to advocate for.

“There are a lot of resources out there and a lot of good ideas, but the people matter so much,” he said. “Toni Wiley and the team at STEC make all the difference. When you’re in the Legislature, you see STEC and know it’s a high-value target and has a high chance for success.”

The project will be completed by Shawmut Construction.

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\$60m community center will be built in Grove Hall

(Continued from page 1) site, which had served as a temporary Covid testing site during the height of the pandemic in 2020, featured graffitied concrete barriers and markings that indicated it was once a basketball court. An auto body shop sits on a skinny parcel next door.

In 2021, Kozu told the *Reporter* that “what stands out is the lack of programming and lack of facilities in a neighborhood that’s been hardest hit by violence since the ‘80s.” Grove Hall’s teen center had closed in 2016, the result of its conversion into a senior center.

Last Thursday, Kozu said the new center, which will serve both teens and seniors, will



Mayor Wu announced the news that Grove Hall will get a new, \$60 million community center outside of Burke High School. *Gintautas Dumcius photo*

provide a “powerful pathway” to overcoming racial disparities. Before settling on the site, the Wu administration created a process that drew

public input from across Dorchester, he added.

He noted the project is across the street from the renovated Burke High School, a senior center,

a Boston Public Library branch, and a Stop & Shop. The new center will help create a “complex that’s providing a lot of resources” and offers a

“safe haven,” Kozu said.

The location of the community center across from the school, rather than inside, is key to providing what Kozu envisions. All of the locations in Dorchester currently run by the Boston Centers for Youth and Families (BCYF) are inside school buildings, limiting access during school hours and after-school programming.

More community centers are expected to be built in Dorchester, according to the Wu administration. “The BCYF Grove Hall Community Center will be a hive of activity for the community and an oasis for youth in the neighborhood,” Jose Masso, Wu’s chief of Human Services, said in

a statement. “I’m really excited that the city will be investing in several standalone community centers in Dorchester and that the community has chosen Grove Hall as the first site of many.”

In that regard, 40 privately and publicly owned locations in Dorchester were seen as potential sites for the new community facility before the decision was made for Grove Hall.

According to the city, construction on the center will start after a community engagement effort focused on its design. Overall, the budgeting, design, and construction process is expected to take three years.

Said Kozu: “It took a lot of people, a lot of effort, a lot of years to pull this together. We’re going to work on the design, we’re going to work on the planning. We want to make sure young people, our seniors, everybody, are part of this whole process and create a facility that meets the needs of our community.”

Asked what services the community center will offer, he said that’s “to be decided. It’ll be large enough to have a basketball court, large enough to have a swimming pool, large enough to have STEM classes, arts, music, dance. It depends on what people want to prioritize.”

Wu told reporters that key features of the new community center will include “space for youth, sports facilities, classroom space, educational rooms as well as dedicated space for our seniors.”

“Part of the design process,” she added, “is going to look at what resources need to be pulled in from different places. We did have some feedback in the original community listening sessions that seniors wanted a dedicated space that they could access anytime and not necessarily be tied to school schedules and availability.”

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Commonwealth Kitchen draws raves from USDA visitors

(Continued from page 1) that is of great interest to the USDA, because it helps farmers by using fresh produce for things like marinara sauces, and then uses in-house labor to make mid-level quantities of the product — up to 200 gallons a day for sauces.

Bronaugh called the facility’s operators “masterminds” for being so nimble and innovative. “I am so interested in what you’re doing here,” she said. “The hard stuff is done here. You increase capacity for these businesses and that’s hard, and you seem to have mastered it.”

John Lebeaux, Massachusetts Commissioner of Agriculture, said the Kitchen has become a key investment for the state over the years. “This place is a game-changer,” he said. “Besides supporting farms, it’s also creating jobs and economic development. It’s become sort of a sweet spot for Massachusetts.”

Said Faigel: “We had a business that was in 150 stores and couldn’t work with a co-packer and she just got stuck,” said Faigel, noting that co-packing facilities will only work with frozen ingredients. “So, we came up with a crazy idea to aggregate the labor here... That actually made partners like Whole Foods more comfortable because they could look to us for food safety assurances.”



USDA Deputy Secretary Jewel Bronaugh and State Agriculture Commissioner John Lebeaux are welcomed to Commonwealth Kitchen by Executive Director Jen Faigel on Monday morning as part of a state agricultural tour.

Tyler Seever, the Kitchen’s COO, said they are about halfway to a co-packer capacity, which is the difference between success and failure for many of the urban agriculture and food-based small businesses in the city.

Having the mid-level manufacturing in-house also led them to develop the ‘Farmer Value Added’ program, which uses surplus foods headed for the compost pile or the trash to make products like sauces or Kale pesto. The farms bring the surplus produce to the Kitchen, and they cook, can, and label the products for the farms.



State Agriculture Commissioner John Lebeaux (left) and USDA Deputy Secretary Jewel Bronaugh at Commonwealth Kitchen on Monday.

Then they can be sold in the off-season.

“The result is these urban farms can make money on something that was bound for the compost pile or the trash,” said Faigel.

On the commercial

truck, said she learned quite a lot about the food business by being in the Kitchen. She started the truck from her experience in Miami where her parents operate a Haitian restaurant. However, she said, a program where new operators can shadow experienced operators at the Kitchen helped her reduce costs by half.

“I was able to shadow another successful food truck running out of Commonwealth Kitchen, called Jamaican



Commonwealth Kitchen Executive Director Jen Faigel.



Gourmet Kreyol Food Truck owner Nathalie Lecorps said shadowing other successful food truck operators at Commonwealth Kitchen helped her to cut her operating costs in half.

Me Hungry, and what I learned allowed me to cut costs down by half,” she said. Added Faigel, “A lot of this is conversations and learning from each other. It’s a surprise for a lot of people that food trucks help each other be successful.”

The USDA troupe’s visit included a stop at the urban farm Oasis on Ballou, where they observed the roots of urban agriculture. Other stops included a cranberry bog in Middleborough and a tour of UMass-Lowell.

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Teen documentarians focus on Mattapan, its history and its people



State Rep. Brandy Fluker Oakley was one of many neighborhood leaders and residents interviewed as part of “Mattapan The Documentary.”
Photo courtesy Mattapan Teen Center

(Continued from page 1) again at the Deatrich Wise Annual Block Party. It will also be shown at the Scout Film Festival at District Hall in the Seaport on Oct. 29.

Sibley, who attends Lincoln-Sudbury High through the METCO program, said the project started with a simple conversation about portraying Mattapan differently.

“I was having a random talk with (MTC Director Rick Aggeler) and I said since we’re here, we needed to ply our trade to Mattapan,” said Sibley, who studies video production at school. “It sparked an idea. When you listen to people talk about Mattapan, they usually speak about the bad things or

call it ‘Murder-pan.’ We wanted to do something incredible to change peoples’ perceptions of Mattapan. This was a completely youth-involved and led project. This is Mattapan’s first real film produced by teens.”

Sibley and his peers mapped out their production schedule starting in December 2021, organizing shoots and scenes and passing milestones down to the day with help from Aggeler and MTC Music Director Sean Stover. In the film, they visit the Fowler Clark Epstein Farm, the Neponset River Reservation, Café Juice Up, and Brother’s Deli, to name a few locations. They interviewed many adults alongside the

young people – focusing on the neighborhood’s history, positive places like parks, and community involvement.

Those interviewed included Mattapan’s Kenya Beaman of the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA), Boston Police Officer Donald Caisey, Greater Mattapan Neighborhood Council President Fatima Ali Salaam, Pat Spence of the Farm, state Rep. Brandy Fluker Oakley, the comedian Jonathan Gates, the activist Allentza Michel, Ruth Georges, Vivien Morris, and Barbara Crichlow – among others.

At one point, there was a major fire at the apartment building across the street, and they were able to include in the film the MTC’s response at raising money with a bake sale to help the displaced families.

Sibley said he and the film crew learned a great deal about their commu-

nity in the process, but he was especially taken by the Fowler Clark Epstein Farm on Norfolk Street.

“My bus passes there and it used to be run down,” he said. “I thought it was a witch house when I was younger. Then I saw they rebuilt it, but I never knew what was in there until we did the documentary. Now I’m very impressed by what’s going on in there and what they do.”

Crichlow, noting that MTC is full of kids that are “focused and talented,” said she was so proud of the young people for showing the community in the positive light that residents often experience, but that rarely reflected to the outside world.

“It was a long-time coming,” she said. “I think these young people came up with a good idea to highlight where they live, where they play, and where they socialize. The way they put it



Mattapan Teen Center’s Moses Sibley, the 14-year-old director of “Mattapan The Documentary.”
Seth Daniel photo



Moses Sibley and the MTC team with Pat Spence at the Fowler Clark Epstein Farm on Norfolk Street.
Photo courtesy Mattapan Teen Center

together by reaching out to some of the people in the know of Mattapan was excellent.”

Added Aggeler: “I’m just proud. It’s groundbreaking to have youth talking with seniors. It was a common statement when I came to Mattapan that youth don’t talk to seniors and vice versa... It was the fact that this documentary bridged that gap, that was the thing that made me most proud. When we had the premiere here last spring, it was such an interesting moment to see the reactions after the movie. A lot of people from the community were crying tears of joy.”

Sibley and his brother began going to the Blue Hills Boys & Girls Club at Franklin Field when he was six, and last year they moved to the MTC. Commuting back and forth to the western suburbs for school is quite

a sacrifice, he said, but he enjoys the resources – which include video production facilities, the Sudbury TV station, and live broadcasts of school events.

Still, his heart is clearly in Mattapan. “We are the voices of the future, and we have to get involved in the present,” said Sibley. “These are the things we can do in our community. We had a big premiere of our film that was a success. Now we’re on to the Scout Film Festival with some super big heavy hitters. Think about what else we can do to highlight the Mattapan Teen Center.”

The teens at MTC plan on making another documentary this year loosely titled “Portraits.” It will be a look at people in Mattapan and throughout Boston with the help of new equipment and more time for production.

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Roxbury Prep’s Mardi relishes being a leader

(Continued from page 1)
“Sometimes I see my students in the neighborhood or after school. I go to the same places or shop in the same stores they do. I make an effort to go to places like community events that they will be at, so they can see me and see that I’m also a part of the place they live.”
Mardi has been a part of Dorchester since moving here from Florida as a child. She attended the now-closed St. Matthew’s School on Stanton Street through sixth grade, then graduated from the John D. O’Bryant School of Math and Science. She noted that she didn’t attend the O’Bryant for math and science, but rather for the traditional high school pathway, where she found great opportunities in the classroom and in school activities.

It was during those primary and high school years that Mardi said her spark for teaching was born – ignited by the satisfaction she got from helping her mother. “She spent most of my childhood trying to get her GED,” she said. “I was able to see her fight to get that GED and then continue her education...I was always there to help my mom with her homework or

school. I gave her a little tutoring sometimes and that brought me a lot of joy and helped me to see myself as a teacher.”
Mardi noted that with her being part of an immigrant family in Dorchester, there were a lot of expectations about getting an education and prioritizing that over all other things. It was a key reason she quickly moved on to Mt. Holyoke College after high school and pursued a degree in history and a minor in education. With the degree in hand, she began looking for teaching jobs. “That’s when I found Uncommon Schools,” she said.

Roxbury Prep/Uncommon Schools is a network of public charter school campuses throughout the city serving about 1,335 students in grades 5-12. Mardi now oversees 280 students in grades 5-8 at the Dorchester campus on Magnolia Street. Other campus locations include the Lucy Stone campus in Dorchester (grades 5-8), the Mission Hill campus (grades 5-8), the Roxbury Prep High School lower campus (grades 9-10) in Hyde Park, and the Roxbury Prep High School upper campus (grades 11-12) in Nubian Square. Six years ago, she began her first job at

Magnolia Street, teaching sixth grade history. While she intended to teach high school at first, she came to enjoy helping middle school students learn.
“Middle school gets a bad rap because they don’t always look like kids, but they feel like kids sometimes,” she said. “They are going through so many changes...When you ‘get’ middle school, you know you’ve earned it because it takes a lot to get that buy-in and get them excited. You know you have it when they are all in.”
After assuming leader-

ship roles in the History department and other areas of the Dorchester campus, Mardi was tapped for a fellowship training program for principals. Working under another principal, she left the classroom last year to learn how to run a school. It was a challenge, she said, figuring out how to build relationships with students while not in a classroom environment. The same was true of building relationships with staff.
In late August, she got word that she would be the next principal of

the Dorchester campus. “This year it’s definitely even more strange because my principal isn’t here anymore,” she said. “It’s not a fellowship anymore. It is my school now. It is a real privilege to have 40 staff come to you for leadership and guidance constantly. Families look to me as the person they can bring their children to and to keep them safe and learning every day. That’s a big responsibility, and it’s all me now.”
So far, Mardi is embracing that role and looking to create some of her own initiatives,

including bringing joy back into the building after a few years of Covid-time stress. Some of them include community meetings of the whole school four days a week, as well as a return of frequent field trips. Already, the classes have visited the Blue Hills Reservation for a hike, with many more trips planned – as opposed to last year when they were only allowed one field trip all year.
“I want to create more joy in the school...and I’m starting by being the face of that joy every day,” she said.

Roxbury Prep okayed for a new high school on Dorchester boundary

Roxbury Prep recently announced that the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) had approved a project by which it would be partnering with Suffolk Construction to build a new 9-12 high school on the edges of Dorchester, next to Clifford Park between Massachusetts and Norfolk Avenues and nearby Newmarket.
This will mean that once construction is completed, the students in the high school would be united under one roof. Today, with a total enrollment of 650 students, grades 9 and 10 are in class in Hyde Park, while grades 11 and 12 are in Nubian Square, five miles away.

“After a long, sustained effort, we could not be happier to finally move forward with our plans to build a permanent, world-class high school for our scholars, teachers, and community to keep our promise of college and beyond,” said Shradha M. Patel, founder of Roxbury Prep High School, which had long sought to develop a high school on Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale but faced vigorous neighborhood opposition.
The proposed 83,000-square-foot building will include a full-sized gymnasium, cafeteria, performing arts spaces, and high-tech science classrooms.
While the school is technically in Newmarket, some 38 percent

of the student body comes from Dorchester and Mattapan, with Roxbury being the top neighborhood represented.
“I am thrilled that Roxbury Prep can now build a brand-new high school so that all four grades can be together in a permanent building,” said Natasha Cole, a Dorchester resident and Roxbury Prep parent. “During the four years Roxbury Prep attempted to secure a location for a new high school on Belgrade Avenue, we consistently faced uncertainty, pushback, and prejudice...The stability, community, and sense of pride this new campus will bring is hard to put in words.”
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Dot native is tapped to lead DA’s juvenile squad

Suffolk District Attorney Kevin Hayden has named Migdalia Iris Nalls as chief of the office’s juvenile unit.

Nalls has served as a trial attorney in the Committee for Public Counsel Services Youth Advocacy Division since 2016, according to Hayden’s office.

From 2014 to 2016, Nalls was a staff attorney at South Coastal Counties Legal Services. He previously served in the DA’s office, first as a prosecutor in the Roxbury Division of Boston Municipal Court from 2007 to 2011, and then as a member of the juvenile unit from 2011 to 2014. He also served as president of the Massachusetts Association of Hispanic Attorneys in 2017.

Nalls grew up in Grove Hall and attended English High School. He is a graduate of Boston College and Boston College Law School.

STATE HOUSE NEWS SERVICE

Open Studios event planned this weekend

Dorchester Open Studios will be held this weekend, Oct. 22-23, from 11a.m. to 5 p.m. at two locations: Humphreys Street Studios and Dorchester Art Project in Fields Corner.

Organizers say they expect 45-plus artists at the Humphreys Street Studios.

“The hope is that this is a build-back year for Dorchester Open Studios,” said HSS artist Cristina Todesco. “Moving forward, we plan to hold neighborhood-wide Dorchester Open Studios twice annually, in May and October.”

Go to dorchesteropenstudios.com for more info.

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Commentary

It takes a vision, and a village, to reforest Boston

By MEG CAMPBELL AND BILL WALCZAK
SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

At 45 Norfolk St in Codman Square, there’s a spit of land carrying a big dream. The 4,855-square-foot triangular space is sited next to what was originally a curving pathway used by indigenous tribes connecting the upper falls of the Neponset River to the harbor waterfront. Its odd shape and small size preclude residential or commercial development, so the lot was placed on the City of Boston’s vacant lots inventory in 1991, an orphan waiting to be adopted.

As it happens, the nearby Codman Academy Charter Public School is rooted in the design principles of EL Education, which stresses the importance of the natural world. The K1-12 college prep school places a strong emphasis on environmental justice, which includes field work such as summer marine biology residential studies at Shoals Marine Lab off the coast of Maine and its annual autumn three-day camping and leadership course for students in grades 9-12 hosted by the American Youth Foundation in New Hampshire.

Since its founding in 2001, it has been important to the school’s mission and vision that the natural world be integrated into students’ daily education and lives. In densely populated Codman Square, however, the natural world could sometimes be a stretch of the imagination.

Codman Academy’s upper school library looks out onto the 45 Norfolk vacant lot, so students and faculty are confronted by this eyesore every day. Beginning in 2012, school leaders approached different community gardening groups to encourage them to adopt the site. When there were no takers, the school began to work with the city to ensure environmental safety issues were addressed, as the lot had been a gas station and had water testing pipes protruding above ground. After a thorough environmental review which indicated that the gas tanks had been removed, the school solicited ideas for development from parents, students, faculty, and community members in 2014.

Raised beds were a top suggestion, so these were subsequently installed in the patio co-owned with Codman Square Health Center, and also behind the newly renovated K-8 Lithgow building. The school didn’t need more raised garden beds. So 45 Norfolk sat vacant and unattractive, owned by the city. What could go there?

In 2018, Pre-K teacher and Dorchester resident Tasha Harris received a Pat Cooke Environmental Science Fund fellowship to become trained in the long-standing and well-researched Japanese practice of Forest Bathing, which promotes mental and physical health. Studies have found that even 20 minutes in a natural setting with trees can increase senses of well-being and happiness and decrease stress.

Upon returning from Costa Rica and earning certification in this practice, Ms. Harris proposed that 45 Norfolk Street be transformed into Boston’s first Micro Healing Forest. “I take my 4-year-old students to the Arboretum, where they love to journal and play, but it is a trek by bus. I want to be able take them across the street, so they see the beauty in our own community.”

Advanced Placement Environmental Science Teacher and Instructional Coach Ed Yoo embraced the idea as an opportunity to build an outdoor learning space and he joined Head of School Thabiti Brown on the working group.

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

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Reassurances given as Codman Yard project is set to go

BY SETH DANIEL
NEWS EDITOR

As the contractor is about to mobilize on the MBTA's Codman Yard project, officials reassured neighbors at a virtual meeting on Oct. 13 that they would adjust traffic plans on Hillsdale Street — a major point of contention at a meeting in March.

The train yard next to Ashmont Station will be modernized and expanded during the three-year project, which is being done to accommodate a new set of Red Line trains in 2025.

Neighbors had previously raised concerns about the use of Hillsdale Street as access to the yard for heavy construction equipment. At last week's meeting, the MBTA's Roodly Dorleans said the project plans have been changed to account for those worries.

“We need access points to maintain the project schedule and we also want to minimize impacts on the neighbors,” said Dorleans. “We had been going to use Hillsdale and Gallivan as the two entrances. But due to community feedback, during construction there will be temporary access now on Hutchinson Street. This point and Gallivan will

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

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be the primary access points to minimize heavy construction impacts.” Dorleans said that workers would use the entrance on Gallivan for much of the construction traffic, and they will use a new temporary gate on Hutchinson Street behind Carney Hospital and next to Dorchester Park for the other access point.

The Hillsdale Street entry gate will be reconstructed and moved farther into the Yard late in the project so that normal MBTA vehicles entering with a secure key card don't idle on the street while waiting to enter.

The MBTA did announce a new wrinkle in the project in that they will install a temporary construction access point at the end of Beale Street near Ashmont Station

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SUFFOLK DIVISION**

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

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

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**COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE
Docket No. SU22P1823EA
ESTATE OF:
JEAN P. CHRISTOPHE
DATE OF DEATH: January 21, 2021
SUFFOLK DIVISION**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Carline Christophe of Chelsea, MA; Allison R. Burns of Salem, MA, has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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for construction traffic working on the feeder track that runs from Ashmont Station to the Codman Yard. That entrance will be carefully monitored to prevent major impacts to the residential street. MBTA officials noted that they plan to give

the contractor, Barletta Construction Heavy Division, notice to proceed late this month or early in November. They are not expected to do major work until the spring. There will be a total of five phases, or milestones, and the project will end in the fall of

2025. At that point, new Red Line trains will be delivered to the Yard where they will be adjusted and prepared for use on the entirely refurbished Red Line network.


Other project news:

- There will be some weekend work on the

project, approximately two such periods over the three years, that will require busing passengers between Ashmont and JFK Stations.

- During the weekend closures, the Mattapan High Speed Rail will be shut down as well.

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5	\$121,150	\$151,450
6	\$130,100	\$162,650

Applications are available during the application period for 34 days, from Wednesday, October 12, 2022 through Tuesday, November 15, 2022. To request an online application or to have one sent by email visit www.saigeonfountain.com/lottery or call 617-209-9262.



After careful consideration and an abundance of caution, the City of Boston has decided to cancel the in-person application distribution period. If you cannot complete the application online, please call us at 617-209-9262, to request that we mail you one and to ask us for any support or guidance you might need to complete the application.

We will be holding 2 virtual informational meetings on **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:
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DEADLINE: Applications must be submitted online or postmarked no later than **Tuesday, November 15, 2022**
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at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **11/03/2022**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

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

Felix D. Arroyo
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RECENT OBITUARIES

LorrieAnn Bartley

LorrieAnn Bartley, age 49, passed away on October 11, 2022. LorrieAnn was the beloved wife of Torrey Bartley. Loving mother of Nicholas Bartley and Christina Bartley. She also leaves behind many relatives and friends who will miss her dearly. Public Viewing will be held Saturday, October 22nd from 10AM to 11AM at Blue Hill Church of Christ, 1505 Blue Hill Avenue, Mattapan. The Funeral Service will begin at 11am.



ALLEN, Sydney George, 87, of Dorchester. Husband of Ina M. Brown-Allen. Father and grandfather. Dear brother. He is also survived by a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, church family, other relatives and dear friends.



BRUYNELL, Kenneth Charles "KCB", 94, of Dorchester, formerly of South Boston. Husband of Mary C. (Shaw) of Dorchester. Father of James "Chip"

Bruynell and his wife Betty of Marshfield, Michael Bruynell and his wife Claire of Milton, Marie Barrett and her husband Billy of Milton, Kenneth "Buddy" Bruynell and his wife Karen of Weymouth, and the late Bobby Bruynell. Brother of the late Robert Bruynell, Shirley Midgley, and Margie Shafer. Grandfather of 8. Great-grandfather of 2. Donations in memory of Kenneth may be made to the Alzheimer's Association Boston, 309 Waverly Oaks Rd., Waltham, MA 02452 alz.org or Boston Firefighters Burn Foundation, 55 Hallet St., Boston, MA 02124, bostonfirefightersburnfoundation.com



CROWELL, Timothy "Tim" V., 41, of

Dorchester. Husband of Nicole (Bertone) Crowell. Son of Victor and Nancy (Harrington) Crowell. Brother of Matthew Crowell. Son-in-law of James and Kathleen Bertone. Brother-in-law of Christopher and Lindsey Bertone. Also survived by several aunts, uncles, cousins, extended family and friends. Proud member of IBEW Local 103. Donations in memory of Timothy may be made to the Gavin Foundation, ATTN: Development Department at 675 East 4th Street, South Boston, MA 02127,



CUNNINGHAM, Sister Theresa, SND-deN, 96, of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur. Sister Theresa was born in Boston, daughter of Francis and Rose (Branley) Cunningham. Sister taught for many years at Notre Dame affiliated schools including St. Gregory Elementary and St. Gregory High schools and St. Ambrose School, all in Dorchester, and St. Mary School in Lawrence. Later, she worked on the staff of The Pilot, the Boston Archdiocesan newspaper. Sister leaves many nieces and nephews and her sisters in religion, the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur. She was predeceased by her sister Dorothy M. Curtis and her brothers, Msgr. Richard G.

Cunningham, Francis A. Cunningham, Jr., and Thomas J., John P., William A., Philip J. and Edmund O. Cunningham. Memorial donations may be made to the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, 351 Broadway, Everett, MA 02149.



FORD, Rev. Michael F, SJ of Weston. Son of the late J. Joseph and Alice (Loftus) Ford. Brother of Thomas G. Ford, Martha Collier, the late John J. Ford, and Mary Doherty. Father is also survived by nieces and nephews as well as his many Jesuit brothers. Donations may be made to Jesuit Community, Campion Center, 319 Concord Rd., Weston, MA 02493 to support its ministry of care for elderly and infirm Jesuits.



GARVEY, Mary E. (Harkins), formerly of Dorchester in Weymouth. Wife of the late Andrew M. Garvey. Mother of Margaret "Peggy" McGovern and her husband Robert

of Weymouth, Andrew "Gerry" Garvey and his wife Tara of Norwell, Edward J. Garvey and his wife Julie of Dorchester and the late Mary Ann Hoppie and Catherine R. Garvey. Also survived by 11 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.



HUDSON, Donna M. (Reardon) of Coral Springs, Florida, formerly of Dorchester. Daughter of the late William J. and Alice Reardon; wife to the late William F. "Bill" Hudson; mother to William E. Hudson and his wife, Melissa of Coconut Creek, FL, Elizabeth F. Hudson of Quincy, MA, David M. Hudson of Palm Coast, FL, Sheila A. Hughes and her husband, Brendan, of Groton, MA and Christine L. Hudson of Hyannis. Nana of 6 grandchildren. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, grandnieces, and grandnephews. Donations in Donna's memory may be made to the Dana Farber Institute's, Pan Mass Challenge Bicycle Ride: Checks payable to PMC, can be mailed to Pan Mass Challenge, 77 4th Avenue, Needham, MA 02494, or donate online at PMC.org Please note with donation that it is for PMC rider John Hudson, JH0352.

LESTER, Elizabeth "Betty" Josephine (Cachelin), 97, of Dorchester. Wife of the late William K. Lester.



Mother of William G. Lester, Richard K. Lester, Madonna M. Lester, Louise A. Whitehouse, and Annette-Marie Lester. Mother-in-law to Judy, Melissa, Mark and Steve. Sister of the late Mary, Joseph, and John. Also survived by several nieces, nephews and extended family members. Donations in memory of Elizabeth may be made to St. Labre Indian School, 112 St. Labre Campus Drive, Ashland, MT 59003



SHEA, James T. "Jim", 30, of Martha's Vineyard and Milton, originally of Dorchester. Son of Betty Gervasi Shea and the late James T. Shea of Milton. Brother of Kate Shea of Hikkaduwa, Sri Lanka and Tara Smith-Houle of Quincy. Jim is survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins, and Emily Lowe of West Tisbury. Please consider a donation to support the Carolina Hill Shelter, 728 Main St, Marshfield.

SMITH, Carol Anne (Campbell), 71, of Dorchester. Wife of the late John T. Smith. Mother of Kellie Roderick and her husband Alfred "Rick" of Falmouth. Grandmother of Cole, Kyle and Cody Roderick. Caring sister of Marion Luning of Lodi, CA, Donna Cook of Dorchester and the late Warren, Steven, Joanne, Larry, Geraldine, Linda and Barbie. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

SPEARS, Darrell J., 61 of Boston. Darrell was predeceased by his parents Melvin and Mary (Reil) Spears, brothers Melvin, Stephen and Michael. He is survived by his sisters Nora Politano of Dorchester, Dorothy Spears of Austin TX and Grace Spears of Kansas City MO, brother James of Kansas City KS.



VINOYA, Francisco S. of Dorchester, 84.



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THE TRIAL COURT
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Suffolk Probate & Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU22P2171EA
ESTATE OF:
SUSAN L. DUNLEAVY
DATE OF DEATH: 07/09/2022

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Regina Rowell of Quincy, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Regina Rowell of Quincy, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/03/2022.

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

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 27, 2022
Felix D. Arroyo
Register of Probate
Published: October 20, 2022

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Probate & Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU22P2231EA
ESTATE OF:
LAURA VAL
DATE OF DEATH: 01/03/2022

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/16/2022.

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

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Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: October 05, 2022
Felix D. Arroyo
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Published: October 20, 2022

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Probate & Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU22P2286EA
ESTATE OF:
CLIFFORD ELIZABETH JUNIOR
DATE OF DEATH: 08/13/2022

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy has been filed by Johnny W. Junior of Milton, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Johnny W. Junior of Milton, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/09/2022.

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

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Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: October 12, 2022
Felix D. Arroyo
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