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RUNNING FOR A PURPOSE

Boston Lions strut stuff in national competitions

By **CASSIDY MCNEELEY**
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Tomorrow Peoples-Taylor, head coach of the Boston Lions Track Club, is helping neighborhood kids get their lives on track by introducing them to competitive running at an early age.

Says the 52-year-old Boston native who established the club in 2018, "I have a love of track and a big history in track, [so] why not make some track stars while teaching them how to be successful citizens? Because at the end of the day, I tell them, when we're gone, they're going to be left here to rule the world."

The 31-member team, made up of kids ages 3 to 19, is currently in the middle of its summer season and fresh off an impressive outing at the 2024 USA Track and Field's National Youth Outdoor championships in New York.

Solo Lewis, 10, was one of the success stories while competing in the 200, 400, and 800-meter races at Icahn Stadium. The Mattapan resident broke the record for all three events in the girls 9-10 age group and ran faster than every other female athlete in the 11-12 age division.

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Mayor Wu with members of the Boston Lions track and field team, including 10-year-old Solo Lewis, left of the mayor, and teammates Tony Alston, Jeremiah Dawn, Urijah Mejias, Naynay Jones, Dayna Jones, Legacy Lewis, and Laylani Reynoso. Cassidy McNeeley photo

This is the best time to visit your neighborhood's farmers market

By **TAYLOR BROKESH**
REPORTER CORRESPONDENT

There will be no shortage of fresh foods, hand-crafted goods, or community-building this week and next as Dorchester and Mattapan welcomes the seasonal return of an impressive lineup of markets and farm stands beginning in just a couple of days. Some markets will look familiar to long-time fans, while other will

offer refreshed looks and brands for the upcoming season.

Ashmont Friday Market (Ashmont MBTA/Droser Plaza)

July 12 - Oct. 25, Fridays, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The Ashmont Friday Market is getting a revamp after 16 years of being known as the Ashmont Farmers Market, said Elle Marrone, executive director of Greater Ashmont Main

Streets. The change is the result of community discussions about what kind of program best suits their needs.

"This rebranding is trying to put entrepreneurs and change-makers at the center of this market, to potentially reach local residents who felt a farmers market wasn't welcoming or relevant to them," Marrone said. "Fundamentally, we're not changing too



much about the market, but we're leaving room for new ideas."

Small businesses are going to be at the center of the Friday Market and will have the chance to advertise themselves to residents and learn what neighbors want to see from them, as well as create a place for neighbors. (Continued on page 16)

Command move at BPD draws fire from Campbell, local lawmakers

By **SETH DANIEL**
NEWS EDITOR

Backlash is mounting this week following the abrupt demotion from the Boston Police Department's command staff of a veteran officer who had recently been appointed to the Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Commission that is aimed at improving police training and conduct across the state.

Eddy Chrispin, well known in Dorchester and Mattapan for his high-profile positions in the city's police ranks over a 25-year-career, was stripped of his deputy superintendent rank on July 5 by BPD Commissioner Michael Cox, who reassigned the 55 year old as a sergeant detective and assistant bureau chief for the department's Bureau of Professional Development.

The decision has prompted criticism from across the political spectrum within City Hall and the State (Continued on page 9)



Eddy Chrispin, a 25-year BPD veteran. Seth Daniel photo

Cape Verde's PM calls for more tourism, investment back home

By **SETH DANIEL**
NEWS EDITOR

Cape Verdean Prime Minister José Ulisses Correia e Silva spent part of his time in Boston and New England last week urging more tourism and investment in his country by those with ancestral roots in the island nation, but also by the larger African American communities here in the United States.

The prime minister sat down with The Reporter for an interview at the Quincy Marriott on July 5 ahead of a busy day of visits in Dorchester and beyond.

Silva, 62, has been prime minister since 2016. The centrist Movement for Democracy party that he leads won a second five-year term in 2021. A former mayor of the nation's capital, Praia, he comes from a business/finance background and governs in tandem with President Jose Maria Neves, who visited Dorchester last year.

An archipelago off western Africa, Cape Verde has about 500,000 people living on its eight main islands, (Continued on page 12)



José Ulisses Correia e Silva. Seth Daniel photo

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One teen killed, another wounded in Mattapan shootings last Friday

A 17-year-old male teenager from Stoughton was shot and killed last Friday afternoon (July 5) in a double-shooting that wounded a female teen from the same town at Gladeside Avenue and Donwood Terrace in Mattapan.

Stoughton Public Schools identified the murdered teen as Christian Cousins, who would have begun his senior year at Stoughton High School this fall. School officials said the young woman who was shot but survived was also a Stoughton High School student. Both were sitting in a car at that intersection when they were hit by gunfire around 12:25 p.m., police said.

The shootings were two of the several that took place in the span of several hours that day, including a fatal shooting that claimed the life of a 40-year-old man in Roxbury's Ramsay Park around 1:30 a.m. and an unnamed individual was shot at the Mobil station at 783 Blue Hill Ave. and American Legion Highway around 5:15 a.m.

Boston Police officers initially responded to the gas station on a report of a fight between a man and a woman. They found no victim but did find blood and a spent shell casing as the victim and several women raced up to a Boston trauma center for care and a suspect fled the scene in a separate car. The BPD homicide unit was called in due to the severity of the victim's injuries.

In another Mattapan incident on July 7, Boston Police responded to a ShotSpotter signal at 85 Astoria St. early Sunday morning and arrested a man they say fired one round into a neighboring ball field. Denzel Harper, 37, of Dorchester, was charged with discharging a firearm within 500 feet of a dwelling, illegal possession of a firearm, and illegal possession of ammunition, police say.

According to BPD statistics and media reports, there have been seven homicides in the city of Boston this year.

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Boston Police continue to investigate a brazen daytime shootout on Mon., July 1, along the Columbia Road corridor that left one man with a gunshot wound to the leg that required hospitalization.

Police answered a call about a car parked in the middle of the block on Oldfields Road at about 4 p.m. The shooting reportedly took place at Columbia Road and Stanwood Street near the Lilla Frederick School, which was not in session.

First responders to the scene found a passenger in a Ford sedan suffering from a gunshot wound to the leg. Officers provided first aid and used a tourniquet to stem the severe bleeding from the victim's leg until he was transferred via ambulance with police escort to Boston Medical Center.

The victim's injuries were deemed serious, though not life-threatening.

A search in the aftermath of the violence that revealed damage to the sedan and two other parked vehicles resulted in the temporary closing of streets, but no suspects have been identified as of July 9.

- SETH DANIEL



Night Market festival returns to Fields Corner on Saturday

By SETH DANIEL NEWS EDITOR

The third installment of the Night Market/Cho Dem street festival will take place this Saturday (July 13) from 4 p.m to 9 p.m. along Dorchester Avenue in Fields Corner with the avenue closed from Adams to Gibson streets.

The event, organized by the Boston Little Saigon Cultural District, has attracted large crowds each year and expanded into Town Field for entertainment last year.

Boston Little Saigon

director Annie Le expects it to be even bigger this year. "We're trying to do more kids activities within the event," she said. "The first and second year we focused on logistics and vendors and this year we're focusing more on kids and family activities."

This year there will also be three performance stages, including a main stage in Town Field and two smaller stages on Dorchester Avenue - one at Charles Street with DJ Rey Sol and one at Park Street with Lords at War,

The Femmes, and Vuong Nguyen.

The list of entertainment on the Main Stage includes MC Flora Phuong Thao, MC Theresa Tran, MC Victoria Nguyen, Ai My, Duy Ai, Hey Granny!, KoldKwan, LoveV, M2 Live, Ngọc Diễm, STAR Group, V, Vietnamese Traditional Martial Arts - Binh Dinh Academy, Vikballroom Sound & Karaoke, Vinh Khang, Whisper, and Yiqin.

More than 50 vendors are expected to be selling food, desserts, clothing, and fun knick-knacks

right along the avenue. A beer garden and a hard seltzer garden will be located there as well. For those who wish to avoid the lines, Boston Little Saigon is selling \$40 express bracelets that will allow customers to skip the line at up to 10 vendors.

Le said the city did allow them to close the street farther up to Gibson Street to help promote safety for those coming out of Town Field. Park Street will still be open with a police detail for drivers to cross over Dorchester Avenue. Parking restrictions go into effect at 11 a.m., with streets closing at noon.

Bellevue Street is now one-way for vehicles

A traffic calming project along Hamilton Street and various roadways south of Columbia Road has altered a key traffic route with the introduction this week of a one-way status for Bellevue Street from Quincy Street to Ronan Street.

The major area of concentration now is behind Uphams Health Center.

The raised crosswalk and curb extension at Bellevue and Trull is mostly completed, and work on curb extensions and ramps at Hancock/Bird and Hancock/Trull and Rill Streets is continuing. Street markings are on the way, and speed humps have been introduced across the area.

-REPORTER STAFF

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The Dudley Jazz Fest returns to Mary Hannon Playground in Dorchester on Sat., July 20, from noon to 6 p.m. Features include free performances by the Fred Woodard Collective, Jason Palmer, Jay Hoggard, and Nadia Washington. 621 Dudley St., Dorchester.

Elma Lewis Playhouse in the Park - Tuesday evenings 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. from July 9-Aug. 13 (rain date Aug. 20). At Valley Gates next to the Playstead ballfields. Bring a lawn chair and friends to hear local R&B, Jazz, Reggae, and Motown bands outdoors under the setting sun. Food and craft vendors. MBTA Bus #16 or walk up the hill from Green St Station on the Orange Line. For more information: franklinparkcoalition.org. Celebrate summer at White Stadium at

a special event on Thurs., July 11, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Co-sponsored by the city of Boston and the NWSL Boston. Ice cream, face painting, soccer, and more.

The 2024 ParkARTS Citywide Neighborhood Concert Series, which will offer first-rate musical entertainment in local parks from July 8 through August 7, is presented in City of Boston parks and made possible by title sponsor Bank of America, and with additional support from Berklee College of Music. All shows begin at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Shows have taken place already in Dorchester (July 8), Brighton (July 9), and South End (July 10). Remaining shows: Be Kind Rewind 90s, Mon., July 15, Billings Field, 369 Lagrange Street, West Roxbury; Swingin' in the Fens featuring Ron Reid's

Liberty Quintet Wed., July 17, 6:30 p.m. (Rain Date: July 24) Ramler Park, 130 Peterborough St., Fenway; Rusty Randoms, Mon., July 29, Fallon Field, 910 South St., Roslindale; Jazz at the Fort featuring Yoron Israel and High Standards, Sun., Aug. 4, 5 p.m., Highland Park, 58 Beech Glen St., Roxbury; National Night Out featuring E Water Band, Mon., Aug. 5, 6:30 p.m., Hunt Playground/Almont Park, 40 Almont St., Mattapan; Country Night featuring Lexi James & Wildheart Wed., Aug. 7, Medal of Honor Park (M Street Park), E 3rd St. and N St., South Boston. All ParkARTS neighborhood performances are free to attend and open to all. For more information, please call 617-635-4505 or visit boston.gov/parkarts. Brew at the Zoo - Visit Franklin Park Zoo

for a beer-tasting event on Sat., July 13, that will take you on a journey through the animal kingdom! Zoo New England has teamed up with some of the best breweries to bring guests a one-of-a-kind tasting experience - from hoppy IPAs to smooth stouts, there's something for everyone. Educators will be roaming the grounds to share wild wildlife facts and introduce special animal ambassadors. Please note: Franklin Park Zoo will close at 3 p.m. Last daytime admission ticket will be sold at 2 p.m.) in preparation for this event, which will take place from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The event is 21+.

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Converting Boston's offices to housing is tricky to do, but it's starting to happen

By SIMÓN RIOS
WBUR

When Rich Kershaw's company bought the building at 95 Berkeley St. in 2016, the plan was to renovate and rent out the offices. "Upgrade the elevators, upgrade the bathrooms, redo the lobbies and the facade and hopefully increase the office rent per square foot," said Kershaw, vice president of development at CIM Group, a Los Angeles-based real estate firm with \$29 billion in assets.

They did the overhaul, but then the pandemic hit, and they could only land a tenant for one of the building's six floors. There's one of many commercial properties with persistent vacancies in the era of hybrid work, particularly at older buildings. Now the city and the state want to help transform these offices into housing.

"I don't see the office being a viable use for the near future," Kershaw said. "So, I think residential is perfect."

Kershaw's company is set to convert the Bay Village building into close to 100 units of housing. It's one of 13 office buildings — covering roughly 400,000 square feet — whose owners are exploring residential conversions with an assist from taxpayers. They could get a 75 percent break in property taxes from the city for nearly three decades, and \$4 million from the state per project.



The views from 95 Berkeley St. are one feature that make the office building appealing as a residential conversion.

Photo courtesy City of Boston

After a recent tour of 95 Berkeley, Boston Mayor Michelle Wu told reporters some owners have gone so long without business tenants for their buildings, they feel they have to look into residential housing.

"Finding any tenant would be easier and more cost-effective than ripping everything out and installing bathrooms in every unit," said Wu, noting just part of a long list of changes needed to make an office building fit for day-to-day living.

The push for office-to-residential conversions comes as officials look to address a number of issues that come with empty buildings: potential blight and keeping a downtown vibrant. And then

there's Boston's pressing need for more housing.

There are also concerns on the part of building owners. Demand remains high for best-in-class office space in Boston — think of the gleaming towers in the Seaport — but for B and C-class offices, like many buildings around downtown Boston, the market is struggling. Office vacancies in the city have doubled since the first quarter of 2020, to 16.6 percent, according to CBRE research.

Advocates say conversions can kill two birds with one stone, warding off vacancies while adding desperately needed housing to the market. The state has set aside \$15 million to subsidize projects in Boston,

and a lot more is lined up in a housing bond bill now on Beacon Hill.

Cities across Massachusetts are identifying office buildings that could be candidates for residential conversions. Architect Tim Love of Utile Architecture and Planning, one of the contributors to Boston's conversion study, said certain features make buildings more adaptable. For example, he said, commercial buildings built before World War II that rely on natural light and ventilation are more suitable for living than ones that came later, with massive floor plates and windows that don't open.

Beyond Boston, Love said, a number of Gateway Cities in Massachusetts have buildings that can be converted. And some of that work has already happened: Consider the converted mills in cities like Lowell and New Bedford. The scale of this new crop of conversions may be smaller, but, Love said, repurposing even one underused building can help revitalize a neighborhood.

"Your downtown will be more successful if you've got more people living over the commercial space on the ground floors," he said. "That is going to make your downtown more lively and less a place that goes completely quiet after 5 o'clock."

Conversions alone can't fix the problems of post-pandemic real estate, according to Greg

Vasil, chief executive of the Greater Boston Real Estate Board. Vacancies have led valuations of some buildings to plummet by more than 50 percent, he said, and many financially troubled properties don't fit the bill for conversion.

If the buildings can be used for residential apartments, owners could be in luck. "But is it going to move the needle and be the ultimate savior?" Vasil said. To him, that's doubtful.

Asked if subsidizing conversions amounts to a bail-out for property owners, Paul Diego Craney, a spokesman for the Massachusetts Fiscal Alliance, said developers need a hand to make certain projects feasible. Environmental regulations and affordable housing mandates can also drive up costs, he said.

"If you want these vacated spaces to become converted, you're going to have to make a deal sweeter for the developers, because no one can afford these new regulations and these taxes anymore," he said.

That argument is not lost on conversion advocates. Love, the architect, said cities might consider waiving some requirements that are well-intended but make conversions untenable.

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How to take action and help protect older adults from scams



Anyone can be a victim of scams. They happen when scammers go after individuals of all ages, using tactics like phone calls, emails and messages to reel in unsuspecting victims to get to their money and personal information.



Older adults are often key targets and it is important to stay alert to common scams and financial abuse signs that can help protect older loved ones from becoming a victim.

Know the signs of a scam

Scammers have grown very convincing. They often can impersonate companies or organizations and make you believe the urgency or need behind their attempts. If you encounter the following signs, you're likely dealing with a scammer.

1. Urgent demands to take action, send money and personal information requests. An imposter may demand quick action, claim that you will lose money, and push for access to your personal account information, passwords or confirmation codes. Remember: neither banks nor the government will threaten you or demand money to protect your accounts. If you receive a call from your bank that you are unsure about, hang up and call the number on the back of your credit or debit card.
2. New relationships that take an interest in their money. Financial abuse often happens from per-

sons known to the victim, like a caretaker or a new acquaintance. Be wary of any new friends approaching you with investment "opportunities" or who take an interest in your financial information.

3. Unexpected contact from "loved ones." Scammers can use artificial intelligence (AI) to replicate familiar voices, posing as friends or family. They'll call you on the phone sounding like a loved one in danger and demanding that you send money. Hang up and contact your loved one directly to confirm it's really them.
4. Unusual financial activity. Scammers could be accessing your account if you see withdrawals or changes to your accounts, such as new authorized users or missed bill payments. Also, be sure to keep your checkbook safe and keep an eye on check activity. Automate all the payments you can and discuss who are trusted contacts to support money decisions if you ever need help.
5. Changes in ownership and responsibility. If you notice changes

to wills, power of attorneys or any other financial plans, it could be a sign of financial abuse.

Take action to avoid scams

You and your loved ones don't have to be victims. These steps can help reduce the chance of falling for a scam:

- Ignore and block calls and messages from numbers you don't recognize and don't trust caller ID alone. When in doubt, hang up and contact the company, bank or loved one directly to ask if there is a problem.
- Throw away unsolicited mail and be careful with suspicious emails or messages on social media. Don't answer questions about personal finances.
- Keep your personal information, account details and passwords safe so you don't give scammers access to your money and identity.
- Be cautious when using checks. Digital payment methods or your bank's online bill payment feature can help you get money to your intended recipient while eliminating paper checks that can be sto-

len and altered.

- Enable online alerts to be aware of large purchases. You can act quickly if you see fraudulent charges.
- Shred bank statements, receipts, unused checks and credit cards before throwing them away.

If you're an older adult, have conversations with trusted family members about how they can support your money needs as you age, which can help protect you from being exposed to fraud and financial exploitation. For those with older loved ones, start the conversation now and use digital tools to help alert you to possible scams.

Remember that financial scams can happen to anyone. If you feel you've been scammed, contact your bank to verify recent transactions to ensure there is no unusual activity on your account. Don't feel embarrassed if you become a victim, share your experience with friends and family and ask for help.

You can learn more about ways to detect financial abuse and to protect loved ones at chase.com/financialabuse.

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Boston Lions hunt for medals, records in regional Junior Olympic competition

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"It was the best day of my life," said Lewis. "I have an amazing coach and I love running because it shows what I have."

Lewis's younger siblings, Legacy, 6, and Shyne, 4, are also on the team, which practices at Roxbury's Madison Park High. While the trio stretch and train together, but when it comes time to race at practice, Lewis competes against the older boys on the team.

"I feel like [running with the boys] helps me train. My goal is to pass the boys. If I do that, I'll probably set a good record," Lewis told The Reporter.

Her current record for the 400 meter is 1:02, but she and her coach are confident she can get her time down to a minute flat at the Region 1 Junior Olympic Track & Field Championship on Thursday of this week (July 11). If Lewis does well in New York, she will then compete in the 2024 USATF National Junior Olympic Track & Field Championships at the end of the month in Texas.

Her goals go far beyond the Junior Olympics, though. She one day hopes "to be famous and beat Sha'Carri Richardson's records."

Peeples-Taylor says Lewis and other athletes on the team have huge potential.

"When Solo started with me last year in April, she went to her first track meet with me and she lost both events," the

coach said. "She was so determined that this would never happen again. I told her the things she needed to do and from that day forward she has never lost a race."

Another impressive athlete on the Lions is 14-year-old Nasir Camille, who is ranked with the fastest 400 time for Region 1 at 52:89 for the 13-14 boys age group. Camille is currently injured and will not be participating in the upcoming meets, but he is looking forward to supporting his many teammates, a group that includes Urijah Mejias.

Since being on the team, Mejias said, the most important thing he has learned is to

"keep working at whatever you believe in. Even if it's not working out right now, keep doing it and it will happen." For him, this means leaving New York with a new personal record or setting a meet record.

While Mejias has the support of his coaches and teammates, his family is very much behind him as well, especially his mother, Damaris Ayala. She has noticed that since working with Peeples-Taylor, her son has become a better athlete and person. "I see a lot of discipline, responsibility, and prioritizing," she said. The coach "is tough but discipline and being tough on them is a good thing."

Like the little tracksters on the Lions, Peeples-Taylor began her own athletic career rather young. "As a little girl living in the city, I had a lot of lead poisoning in my system," she said. "Growing up, I couldn't walk, I was in and out of the hospitals for years. At one point the doctors sent my mother home with exercises to strengthen my legs up to walk," she added. "My brothers and sisters did the stretches and walked with me. Then I started jogging, then fast running, and then it became competitive."

When she decided to launch her own program six years ago, she chose the name Boston Lions because, she says,



Urijah Mejias (left) and Coach Tomorrow Peeples-Taylor (right) hope several Lions set new personal records at the competition in New York.

"the lion is the leader of the pack. It's not about who's the fastest, or who's the strongest, it's about the leader. It goes hand in hand when I tell them everything is not about a win, it's about pushing yourself to the best of your ability and you will eventually win."

Peeples-Taylor took note of the fact that that "pretty much everybody is from Dorchester, Mattapan, Roxbury. We hear that we're not good enough all the time, we're shown we're not good enough all the time. With this program here it shows them, yes, you can. It may take more work but it's obtainable."

Before the team leaves for the next round of competition in New York, Mayor Wu was scheduled to host a send-off for the team at City Hall on Wednesday of this week (July 10) at 3 p.m.

The Lions look forward to their long-awaited recognition, Peeples-Taylor said. "We need to celebrate our local heroes. They need to be recognized for their accomplishments. It boosts their morale and lets them know that they are somebody."



Above, the Boston Lions smile with their coaches before a hard practice under the July sun in preparation for the 2024 USATF Region 1 Junior Olympic Track & Field Championship which will begin on July 11 in New York. Cassidy McNeeley photos

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Harvard Commons Block party celebrates Caribbean heritage

The Boston Caribbean American Association (BCAA) held its inaugural block party in Dorchester at Harvard Commons last month during Caribbean Heritage Month. The organization, which had its launch in April, is looking to coordinate with community leaders, concert promoters, and elected officials to have a year-round presence in the growing Caribbean American community – which is centered in Dorchester and Mattapan.

The Block Party held on June 8 is meant to be an annual tradition. The group envisions also hosting civic events, debates, and community building programs.



Robert Wint, president of BCAA, kept the grill hot all afternoon.



Chad Bright Reason, Nayah Bright Reason, Nikita Bright Reason, and Aaliyah Ashe outside the bounce house.



Amanda Mitchell joined friends at the party on June 8.



BCAA President Robert Wint with Diana Paris.

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Elected officials, including state Rep. Russell Holmes, his wife Sheree, and Councillor Julia Mejia, gathered on the porch with BCAA members at the Block Party in Harvard Commons. Photos courtesy BCAA

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THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
NOTICE AND ORDER:
PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN OF A MINOR
SUFFOLK PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
24 NEW CHARDON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02114
Docket No. SU24P0166GD
IN THE INTERESTS OF
MYLANI JACKSON
OF Boston, MA
MINOR

Notice to all Interested Parties

1. **Hearing Date/Time:** A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 01/25/2024 by Vernell Bass of Boston, MA will be held: 07/19/2024 09:00 AM Guardianship of Minor Hearing. Located 24 New Chardon Street, Boston, MA 02114, 3rd Floor Probation Department.

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Mail a copy to all interested parties at least five (5) business days before the hearing.

3. **Counsel for the Minor:** The Minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.

4. **Counsel for Parents:** If you are a parent of the minor child who is the subject of this proceeding you have a right to be represented by an attorney. If you want an attorney and cannot afford to pay for one and if you give proof that you are indigent, an attorney will be assigned to you. Your request for an attorney should be made immediately by filing out the Application of Appointment of Counsel form. Submit the application form in person or by mail at the court location where your case is going to be heard.

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Reporter's People News about people in and around our Neighborhoods

ADSL girls notch run of championship titles



The All Dorchester Sports & Leadership's girls softball spring league wrapped up its season over the past few weeks with championship games at several age groups, and a celebration for the T-ball players. League president Kevin George noted that the has been growing in numbers and popularity over the last several years with an all-inclusive town team format that accommodates girls from 5 to 17.

- REPORTER STAFF

T-Ball - Coaches Dory Knoll and Sarah McEvoy helped coach the Piping Plovers and the Wrens throughout the season.

Minors Champions - The Chickadees: Vivian Doherty, Scarlett Burke, Adriana Kelledy, Aidagh McLaughlin, Cora Coughlin, Evelyn Callahan, Reese Kelly, Lola Higgins, Frances Linehan, Keira Curley, Aria McDonagh, Cara Tierney, Aria Giannone, and not pictured Grace Goldie. Coaches included Mary-catherine McLaughlin and Dennis Harrison.

Majors Champions - The Falcons: Coaches Riley Flynn and Keira Flynn. Players included Gianna Blasi, Nora Lovering, Olivia Poles, Charlotte Mancuso, Caomihe Henry, Aobihe Henry, Penny Luciano, Maddie Maguire, Molly Dolan, Raelyn Connors, McKenna Savicke, and, not pictured, Mia Donovan.

Senior Champions - The Eagles: Coaches Nor-reen and Matt Kelley. Players Keira Flynn, Monica Kelley, Audrey Kelley, Makayla Miller, Aisling O'Hagan, Nina Kelley, Taryn Daniel, Jessica Rioux, and Guilianna Noto. Not pictured: Emma Donovan and Alana Donovan.



2024 CAMPUS CITATIONS

•The College of Business at Eastern Connecticut State University held its annual honor society ceremony recently and among the inductees was senior Monique Mclean of Mattapan, who majored in Business Administration and Women's and Gender Studies and was inducted into Alpha Mu Alpha. Established in 1981 by the American Marketing Association, Alpha Mu Alpha includes undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral students.

•Saint Anselm College student Mia McCarthy of Dorchester, an undeclared major in the class of 2027, has been accepted into Alpha Lambda Delta, a national honor society for first-year success, for the 2023-2024 academic year.

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DORCHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Marker for Revolutionary War Soldiers



A boulder and bronze tablet in the Dorchester Old North Burying Ground, the only public cemetery in Dorchester from the 1630s until 1814, memorializes colonial soldiers who died during the British siege of Boston and were buried in the years 1775-1776. The South Burying Ground was opened on Dorchester Avenue, a little south of Gallivan Boulevard, in 1814. The marker was erected in 1903 by the Massachusetts Society of Sons of the American Revolution

These posts can be viewed on the blog at dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org. The Society's William Clapp and James Blake Houses are open to the public on the third Sunday of the month from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Editorial

If not Biden, it must be Harris

The shockingly poor performance of President Biden during the June 26 debate has prompted a furious debate within the Democratic party – and among many unenrolled and independent voters who are now deeply concerned about Biden’s prospect of victory in November. Some have publicly called for the president to step aside and clear the way for a younger, more alert, and dynamic Democrat to wage the sort of vigorous campaign that is needed to deny Trump and his MAGA devotees another four years of executive powers, a prospect that has now grown exponentially, and not in a positive way, thanks to the right-wing ideologues on the Supreme Court.

Biden has, so far, rejected the polite entreaties of some members of Congress to step down from the top of the ticket. And he has railed against “media elites” who have been more forthright in their grave diagnoses of his campaign’s plight and trajectory. As the nation girds itself for four days of Trumpist idolatry that will no doubt emanate from the GOP conclave in Milwaukee starting Monday, there’s still a chance for the Dems and their 81-year-old standard bearer to take a fresh assessment of this race and the stakes, which could be cataclysmic.

Amid all the uncertainty, one element seems all too certain from this vantage point: If Joe Biden does decide to hang up his campaign cleats before the Dems descend on Chicago for their nominating convention, he must throw his unconditional, full-throated support to his vice-president, Kamala Harris.

Biden and his camp picked Harris for good reason in 2020, and it paid off. The Democratic coalition is a big tent, but its sturdiest pillar is made up of Black voters, particularly women. Harris also happens to be supremely qualified: a former prosecutor and attorney general in California and a US Senator, she has been a proven vote-getter and an effective policymaker. Despite being relegated to a secondary role in this administration, as is common, given the job, Harris’s polling numbers are strong against the presumptive Republican nominee, better than other supposedly “big names” that are being bandied about by pundits.

Harris comes with another key advantage: She is already second-in-command and part of the ticket, which means she can access the tens of millions in campaign funds raised to finance the reelection effort this year. That is not an insignificant factor in an election cycle now being counted down by weeks, and, soon, days.

There’s a deep sense of injustice and indecency attendant to the whole discussion of President Biden’s decision during this week. Only the most embittered and cult-addled foes would deny this man’s well-earned place among American leaders who have represented their countrymen and women with respect and dignity. It’s painful to see him disrespected or discarded, particularly when the other choice is a person so clearly unfit for office.

But his fine legacy of service does not need to end in defeat, disgrace, or ignominy. In fact, his finest hour could still be ahead of him in the form of a well-timed, sincere, and eloquent endorsement of his political partner, the woman, the leader whom *he chose* as his successor. Joe Biden’s greatest achievement to date in a stellar career of service to this nation and to all free nations has been his defeat of Trumpism and its insidious, disloyal lurch into despotism and collusion with America’s foreign enemies. Only he knows the true nature and limits of his capacity and endurance. We hope this good man will make the right decision for the sake of the country and our allies across the globe.

-Bill Forry

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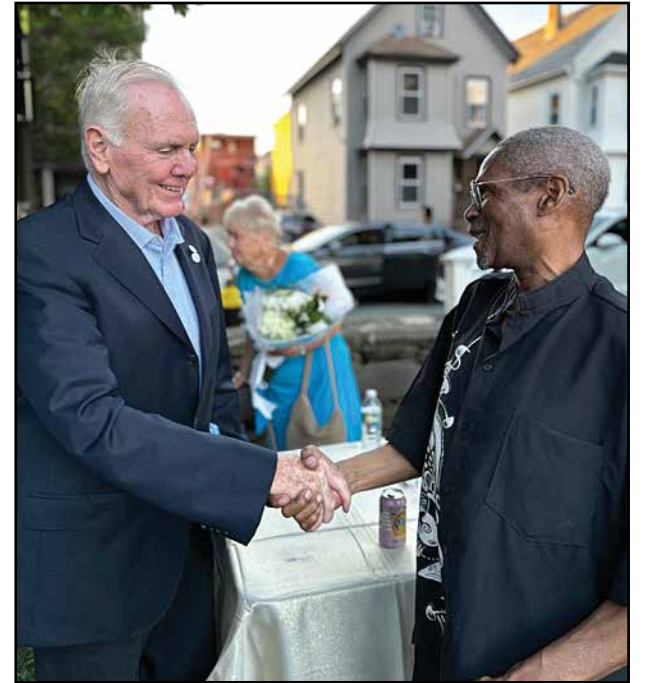
Ray Flynn honored at Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative block party

When the Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative (DSNI) gathered for its 40th anniversary block party and annual meeting on June 27 at the historic Shirley-Eustis House, the organization offered special recognition to former Boston Mayor Raymond L. Flynn, making note of his decision in 1989 to give it eminent domain powers. That granting enabled the group to control vacant lots and abandoned buildings and re-develop them into affordable housing and other uses through a community land trust.

Over the years, DSNI and partners have created 233 housing units, three community gardens, two urban farms, and a playground, among other achievements.

Dorchester activist Lew Finfer, who was on hand for the anniversary event, noted that “when the Boston Redevelopment Authority had to vote on giving eminent domain power to DSNI... some board members balked at taking it.” Mayor Flynn doubled down on the board members, most of whom he had appointed, and reminded them that this was going to get done. And it did.”

Finfer added: “It’s a tribute to Mayor Ray Flynn and his administration that they took this risk. ... Most elected officials are very reluctant to share any of their power. But power does not have to be a zero-sum game of ‘if you win, I lose’. It can expand to others. Both the Flynn Administration and DSNI became more powerful through their relationship.”



Ray Flynn, left, greets Ro Whittington, a former executive director of DSNI during the group’s 40th anniversary event on June 27.

Photo by Romy St. Hilaire

State’s real maternal health crisis lies in stark and widening racial disparities

By DANUBIA CAMARGOS SILVA
AND KELLY HARRINGTON

You may have seen the recent headlines, warning of a crisis in maternal health, citing reports of an explosion in the number of women who die in childbirth. As we note in a recent Boston Indicators report, the reality is actually more complicated. Reported rates of maternal mortality did roughly double during the 2010s, but almost all of this increase is the result of improved data measurement and reporting practices rather than an actual surge in deaths.

The true crisis lies in the stark and widening disparities facing Black women. For both severe complications during childbirth (called “severe maternal morbidity”) and maternal deaths, Black women consistently have the highest rates, and gaps between them and women of other races have increased in recent years. In 2022, for every 10,000 deliveries in the US, 4.95 Black mothers died—more than double the rates of women from other racial groups. Similarly, in Massachusetts in 2020, for every 10,000 deliveries, 191 Black women experienced severe maternal morbidity, a rate 2.3 times that of White women. This disparity increased by 25 percent between 2011 and 2020.

Social determinants of health, such as barriers to economic opportunity and housing instability, are at play here. They significantly impact health outcomes, with Black women experiencing higher rates of pregnancy complications. Systemic and interpersonal racism within the healthcare system exacerbate these disparities, leading Black women in Massachusetts to access prenatal care at troublingly low rates. Historical mistreatment by the medical field has fostered deep-seated mistrust, further affecting access to quality prenatal care. Present-day racism from healthcare providers often results in dismissal of Black women’s concerns, contributing to maternal deaths or near-misses.

Shockingly, 37 percent of Black women in Massachusetts report experiencing racism before delivery, and 31 percent feel upset due to race-based treatment during pregnancy. This pervasive racial bias causes needless stress, to health deterioration and adverse pregnancy outcomes.

These findings do not come as a surprise. A few years ago, the Boston Foundation partnered with Ariadne Labs and the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health’s Women and Health Initiative to map social support gaps in Greater Boston that perpetuate racial inequities in maternal health. That research pointed to core challenges that people of color experience when obtaining services—in particular, accessing social supports, such as housing, childcare, and mental health counseling in a highly-fragmented system, and experiencing structural and interpersonal racism.

These challenges limit access to opportunities, resources, and services from pregnancy through delivery and contribute to health disparities. And that has consequences for our communities, and particularly our communities of color, because healthy children are connected to healthy families.

Repairing conditions that cause or perpetuate inequities in maternal health is one of the focal strategies of the Boston Foundation’s work. In partnership with deeply embedded and respected community organizations such as Vital Village Networks and Neighborhood Birth Center, we strive to address racial disparities in access, quality, and outcomes, and help create a more unified and better coordinated system of health services and social supports.

The teams from the Chan School, Ariadne Labs, and Vital Village Networks partnered with community organizations to co-create solutions with an equity-centered approach. A key focus was to recognize and honor the role of communities as agents of their own solutions. Long-neglected communities have historically been left out of solutions that impact their lives and, subsequently, little progress has been made. This community-led process, therefore, had an intentional goal of building trust, strengthening relationships, and deepening collaboration among leaders. From this effort, the Greater Boston Birth Equity Coalition launched this past spring, with Vital Village Networks as its backbone and a rotating governance team of eleven leaders selected through this process. Through building community power and giving community voice, this coalition of partners, health care providers, and advocates strives to implement concrete strategies to improve maternal and child health outcomes, reduce racial and ethnic disparities, and achieve equity and justice for all birthing families.

One such community partner is Neighborhood Birth Center, set to open in Nubian Square next year. Only the second birth center operating in Massachusetts and the only BIPOC-led facility of its kind in New England, the center will expand birthing options in the community with a personalized, home-like setting for low-risk pregnancies. Birth centers and other community-based approaches have been shown to improve both birthing experiences and health outcomes, particularly for Black women. Even before it opens, the birth center’s policy advocacy has positioned it for success, with major hospitals eager to partner. Slated to be an 11,000-square-foot state-of-the-art building, the birth center will be co-located with other community organizations committed to helping the neighborhood stabilize and thrive.

While Massachusetts has made important strides over the past couple of decades in improving support for birthing people, disparities persist for Black women. Only through intentional partnerships and genuine commitment to solutions that include the voices of birthing people will we be able to reverse these disparities. To nurture strong beginnings in life, we must improve healthcare access, integrate social supports more effectively, and deliver positive and culturally responsive birthing experiences that meet the needs of each person.

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Command move at BPD draws fire from Campbell, local lawmakers

(Continued from page 1)

House, although Mayor Wu – so far – has backed Cox's decision.

"The mayor fully supports the commissioner's judgment on how best to build his command staff as the most effective senior leadership team for the department and the city," a spokesperson for Wu said on Tuesday. "We're grateful to have Sgt. Det. Chrispin's leadership" on the POST Commission.

For its part, Cox's office suggested that "conflicts of interest" stemming from Chrispin's appointment to the panel by Attorney General Andrea Campbell would disqualify him from serving on Cox's staff.

But Campbell, the state's top law enforcement official, rebutted that suggestion in a statement, saying, "Deputy Superintendent Chrispin has served Boston's communities for 25 years, where he has advocated for better community policing and greater opportunity for officers of color and women. After a thorough vetting process, I was proud to appoint Chrispin to the POST Commission, an appointment that was entirely consistent with the state conflict of interest law."

Her sentiment was shared by City Council President Ruthzee Louijeune, who has worked closely with Chrispin in the Haitian American community. Like her council colleague, Ed Flynn of South Boston, Louijeune said she was "disappointed" by Chrispin's removal from the BPD's command staff.

"I have advocated for his reinstatement,

especially since the original reason given for his removal – a conflict of interest – does not exist," she said. "Over the past week, I have heard from community members and police officers of all ranks and backgrounds who are also disappointed because of Eddy's years of demonstrated strong leadership and moral compass... Few officers are as present in community and as committed to improving policing as Eddy Chrispin."

Two influential Boston lawmakers also slammed the demotion and transfer.

Said state Rep. Chris Worrell of Dorchester: "Eddy Chrispin is a respected leader in the Boston Police Department and in the broader community. Eddy deserves an apology and an immediate return to his prior position as deputy superintendent. Anything short of that is unacceptable."

State Rep. Russell Holmes of Mattapan agreed with his fellow legislator. "Quite frankly, this is the wrong decision," he told The Reporter. "If there's a different reason why you left Eddy off the command staff, then that can be discussed... In the end, though, it can't be that it's a conflict of interest."

City Councillor Brian Worrell called Chrispin "an accomplished officer" and said Cox's move sends a "concerning message to officers and especially to officers of color."

"If we are demoting individuals who advocate for police accountability and transparency, then who are we promoting?" Worrell asked.

The BPD did not return a call requesting comment on the decision and the pushback on Tuesday.

Campbell appointed Chrispin through a process defined by state law that includes reviewing a list of qualified nominees from several sources, including the Massachusetts Association of Minority Law Enforcement Officers (MAMLEO), vetting them, and making the appointment. She said the law is explicit in that appointees can be any officer up to and including a chief or commissioner. Her office noted that Framingham Police Chief Lester Baker serves on the commission, as does Boston Police Union President Larry Calderone.

On Monday, POST Director Enrique Zuniga – the former Massachusetts gaming commissioner – was the first official to criticize the move by Cox. "We urge BPD to reverse its decision and immediately reinstate Commissioner Chrispin to his prior rank," wrote Zuniga in a statement. "This unwarranted decision by the BPD sets an unfortunate precedent and undermines the decisions of the appointing and nominating authorities while also undermining POST's work toward police reform."

Zuniga said he was informed that the decision was made by BPD leadership due to questions about conflicts of interest that might arise, but he said this shouldn't be a concern.

"The POST Commission has procedures to deal with conflicts of interest

that may arise. Commissioners routinely disclose or recuse themselves from a particular matter," he noted.

Holmes, who helped create the POST Commission as part of a larger policing reform package in 2020, agreed.

"I told the mayor and the commissioner when this went down that when there is talk of conflict of interest and POST, it gives me enormous concerns," said Holmes. "I think you would want a POST member in your command staff to ensure all the goals of POST are reflected in your command staff right down to your day-to-day officer."

Fatima Ali-Salaam, chair of the Greater Mattapan Neighborhood Council (GMNC), has hosted Chrispin at meetings in the past on several occasions, and found him very valuable in the conversation.

"I just hope it gets resolved," she said. "Commissioner Cox and Eddy Chrispin are both respected in our community. We just don't want to see this. It's awful watching it happen. There's so many other things we need to get done... We have to stand up to some much bigger things right now, and we can't get side-barred with things like this."

Chrispin immigrated to Boston from Haiti in the 1970s and grew up here, graduating from Boston Latin School and later from UMass Boston in 1992. After working as state social worker, he attended law school at Hofstra University in New York and received his degree in 1996.

Protestors rally for Karen Read at State Police barracks on Day Blvd.

A protest aimed at a controversial State Police trooper under disciplinary review turned into a celebration of sorts along Day Boulevard on Monday afternoon as a group of about 50 people – all supporters of Karen Read – carried signs, waved US flags, and chanted slogans across from the State Police barracks near Kosziusko Circle.

Hours before the stand-out, news broke that the target of the protest – State Police Trooper Michael Proctor – who has featured prominently in the high-profile murder case in which Read is the defendant – was suspended

without pay. During testimony this summer, a series of derogatory text messages sent by Proctor and related to Read were revealed, leading to his suspension.

Among those who gathered along Day Boulevard was Erica Walsh, 37, of Charlestown, who has been a vocal supporter of Read. "We have this community now and we've united on a small front to expose corruption and make it known that we're here and we're outraged about this."

Standing alongside Walsh was 16-year-old Isabella Finch-Reid, a

Taunton resident, who said she attended an event in support of Read almost every day for the last two months. The high school student said she wants to ensure another name isn't forgotten: John O'Keefe, the Boston Police officer who was killed in Jan. 2022, triggering

Read's arrest and prosecution.

"It's never just been about Karen, and it never will just be about her," said Finch-Reid. "We want justice for John. Even a mistrial, even this or that, somehow there will be justice for John."

– CASSIDY McNEELEY



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Judge and lender halt borrowing in Port Norfolk bankruptcy case

By SETH DANIEL
NEWS EDITOR

A federal court judge last week blocked a rescue loan in the Neponset Wharf bankruptcy case in laying out concerns that the lender for the Port Norfolk waterfront project is related to the borrower, leaving the high-profile development without financing as the team faces a key hearing later this month.

In a July 2 proceeding in Post Office Square's McCormack Court House, Judge Janet Bostwick and the federal bankruptcy trustee, Justin Kesselman, gave CPC Ericsson, controlled by City Point Capital's Ryan Sillery, until July 23 to define and further disclose elements of the relationship between lender Chris Anderson of Dorchester's Boston Trust, and the court-approved filer of the bankruptcy, Brian Anderson of Dorchester's Rise Development III.

The men are cousins and have been involved in businesses together in the past, including Capital Finance LLC, where they are both listed as directors of the company.

"I've had the opportunity to read through all the objections and I share a number of concerns that need to be addressed... We need more. It's not going to go



A view of the waterfront at Port Norfolk where the marina and residential buildings would be located in the Neponset Wharf project. The project is in flux at the moment with the owners in bankruptcy and the terms of a "rescue loan" being questioned by a federal judge. File photo by Seth Daniel

forward today," Bostwick said at the outset of the hearing.

"The debtor simply says the debtor's evaluation is \$20 million [for the property]," she continued. "There needs to be more. It can't just be recited as what the debtor thinks. I am concerned about the familial situation of the lender and that relationship... The debtor hasn't drawn out what it's game plan is... It's almost as if this is the end plan."

CPC Ericsson declared

Chapter 11 bankruptcy in May just hours before a public sale of the property on site was to commence, postponing the auction and setting a process in place to resurrect the 120-unit residential marina project on underutilized waterfront property next to Venezia Restaurant.

A June 17 hearing before Bostwick resulted in the case only narrowly moving forward after Brian Anderson came forward that day to authorize the filing, which

Kesselman contended was necessary because Sillery wasn't authorized to file alone.

Simultaneously, Brian Anderson and CPC Ericsson produced a letter of intent to borrow \$1.25 million from Boston Trust to pay "approved architecture, attorney, and engineering expenses."

However, New Jersey's Unitas Funding, the main lender for Neponset Wharf, objected to the loan, alleging that the Andersons were related,

and connected in other business dealings, and that the terms of the \$1.25 million loan were 16 to 20 percent interest. The deal also set their \$10 million loan subordinate, or behind, the Boston Trust loan in the financial pecking order.

"CPC is not viable with current management [under] the proposed financing and that is not expected to change," alleged the Unitas filing from June 28. "Debtor is merely choosing to allow its friends and family to feast on the dead company before it must ultimately allow the Department of Revenue, the City of Boston, and Unitas to divide what remains."

The filing also said that the budget submitted "requires thick rose-colored glasses to be believable" and that the proposed loan appears to be insufficient.

Attorney Gary Cruickshank, who represents CPC Ericsson, said they have a plan to obtain a Chapter 91 permit and then move ahead on engineering the project to avoid more delays. He said they have recently provided a 16-week budget allocation, though that hadn't been submitted to the court by July 2.

"The game plan would be to use this financing

until the final permit is completed," he said. "Then we would be able to put in a plan that possibly sells a portion of the project at the marina or refinances the entire project with additional borrowing because all permits would be brought together. I do agree more information is needed."

Kesselman agreed with Unitas's objection and suggested that the loan not be approved for saving the project. Bostwick agreed and said there needed to be more disclosure on the property valuation and budget for getting the project solvent.

"We need affidavits and maybe an evidentiary hearing on what [this relationship] is so I can make a determination based on evidence," she said. "They didn't look any further [for financing] and went to the same person they are maybe doing other work with. A wink is as good as a nod. Is it, 'I'll charge you 16 percent on this one, but maybe 10 percent on the other one we're working on'?... These are things that need to be more fully explained."

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Cape Verde's PM calls for more tourism, investment back home

(Continued from page 1) but more than one million in the diaspora, which has communities in Brazil, Netherlands, and Argentina but is most concentrated in Massachusetts, particularly Dorchester.

July 5 is celebrated as Cape Verde's Independence Day, marking the day 49 years ago when it became self-governing after many years of control by Portugal.

"It is particularly important to be here for the diaspora," Silva said in the interview, "in Massachusetts and particular in Boston. We have an important community, and they participate in political activities and economic affairs in the United States. They are well integrated here; they are Cape Verdean and American. That's why one part of Cape Verde is the United States, too. That's why we are very interested to be very close to our communities."

Cape Verdeans in the US can register to vote and participate in Cape Verdean elections, and the 72-member parliament includes two representatives dedicated to the United States, making the diaspora important despite the 3,300-mile separation.

A recent problem, though, has been getting the diaspora and



Prime Minister José Ulisses Correia e Silva, middle, with other Cape Verdean dignitaries, Mayor Michelle Wu, and Cape Verdean American elected officials state Sen. Liz Miranda and Boston City Councillor Tania Fernandes Anderson. *Seth Daniel photo*

American tourists to visit the islands, which are tropical, safe, and a popular destination for European travelers. While in the past, the state airline, Cabo Verde Airlines (TACV), had direct flights from Boston, that is no longer the case. Any trip now connects through Portugal and can take days instead of six hours.

Silva wants that to change this year.

"I am very interested in having a direct flight from Boston to Cape Verde, to Praia," he said. "If we can interest JetBlue to fly to Cape Verde, naturally that will increase the possibility of having more Americans in Cape Verde for tourism and other activities."

Silva hopes that such flights will open the door to not just more

Cape Verdean Americans visiting. "We need more Americans to go to Cape Verde to invest, more tourists, and particularly Afro-American," he said.

"I'm going to create a special program because they need to know about Cape Verde. In history, Cape Verde was a platform for slave trading. This platform was very linked to the United States and Brazil...African descendants must know that one part of their history is in Cape Verde. I'm very interested in that."

Cape Verdean Americans have been generous in sending money back home – known as remittances – over the decades. Now, Silva said, they would like to attract more traditional investment from the diaspora in sectors like real estate,

tourism development, the digital economy, and agriculture.

"We approved a special statute to encourage diaspora investors," he noted. "They have good incentives, low taxes, and facilities in terms of land to invest in. The only condition is to create. Now is the moment to attract more."

Yet, he said, what is more important is "human capital." He said the diaspora in Dorchester and New England "integrated very well" and is represented in all sorts of economic sectors. He hopes they will consider returning home to lend their experience and competence to Cape Verde in a multiple number of ways.

He illustrated the possibilities by discussing using sports and noting that Cape Verde, though

small, often competes above its weight limit in soccer (futebol), handball, and basketball and has shown the ability to beat larger opponents.

"You know why? It's because we [have talent] in the United States, Portugal, Spain, France, Netherlands – athletes and players with double nationality," he said with a smile. "Most of them were born abroad and played for our national team. That's why we understand Cape Verde is not just 500,000 people, but more than that. If we do it in futebol, in basketball and handball, we can do it in business, in medicine, and all the areas to amplify...human capital for our nation."

A side issue that has involved a great deal of discussion in the diaspora is the push to make Cape

Verdean creole, known as kriulu, the official language. Portuguese is the official written language of the government, but most residents speak kriulu in a variety of dialects that vary by island. In Dorchester, younger Cape Verdeans and those who were born here or immigrated in the 1970s or 1980s have made a push to learn kriulu as a way to reintegrate with their culture. That's a problem that doesn't exist in Cape Verde, of course, but one that isn't lost on Silva.

"We're working on that," he said. "What we need to continue to do is look at the second generation. They don't speak Portuguese, but they speak creole and understand creole...We need to maintain to keep their identity of Cape Verdean."

As for it becoming the "official" language of the islands, that's a more complicated than a government proclamation. While the country is making efforts to introduce kriulu into the education system, it can be controversial when it's put in writing for textbooks and within the court system – which are now in Portuguese. And which island dialect would be the standard? That's not an easy discussion, Silva said, again with a smile.



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Cape Verdean community members hail homeland's Independence Day

By SETH DANIEL
NEWS EDITOR

Cape Verdean leaders, most of them from Dorchester and Roxbury, and city officials celebrated the 49th anniversary of Cape Verde attaining its freedom from Portugal with a ceremonial flag raising at City Hall on July 5 that attracted hundreds of participants.

The event was one of a host of events that took



The Cabo Verde flag flying at City Hall.

place last week to mark the United States and Cape Verdean birthdays

of independence. Local officials welcomed the prime minister of Cape Verde, Ulisses Correia e Silva, and a cadre of other Cape Verdean officials to the flag raising. There was a music festival at City Hall on July 4, a "40-under-40" gala leadership celebration on July 2, and a breakfast at the State House on July 5.

Mayor Wu and Sil-

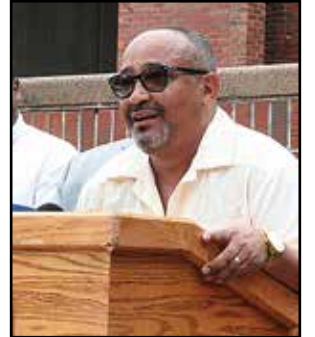
va said they hoped to continue the tradition of coming together in July to strengthen the relationship between Boston and Cape Verde. In the larger picture, Massachusetts has the highest concentration of Cape Verdean Americans and Cape Verdean immigrants in the United States, with a good deal of them calling Dorchester home.



Nhá Balila, right, speaks with an old friend. Balila is known as the Queen of Cape Verdean Batuku – a traditional form of music and dance.



Hundreds attended the flag raising ceremony on Fri., July 5, one of several events celebrating the 49th anniversary of Cape Verdean independence from Portugal.



Paulo Debarros, president of the Cape Verdean Association of Boston, led a moment of silence for the Freedom Fighters who gained independence in 1975.



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Wu: Tax shift hearing 'most likely' next week

After meeting with Boston's delegation of state legislators on Monday, Mayor Wu said she's holding out hope that her plan to shift the city's property tax burden to avoid a residential tax hike could pass through the State House before a quickly approaching deadline.

"Most likely there will be a hearing next week on this," Wu said during the "Ask the Mayor" segment of GBH Radio's "Boston Public Radio" on Tuesday.

Wu's plan seeks permission to tilt a bit more of the city's property tax burden onto commercial owners instead of residential owners for a few years.

The mayor says her plan protects residential property owners from larger increase in taxes due to declining commercial values.

"We are still working very closely and, in fact, just yesterday we had a briefing with the Legislature, the Boston delegation of state legislators, about our residential tax relief proposal and that was, I think, that was very helpful.

The mayor said there's "misinformation" about her plan, that shifting a huge increase away from residential property owners would put that same large hike onto commercial properties.

"That is actually not the case," she said. "If we are able to access this shift to avoid what could be a 33 percent increase on residential tax rates, right - which is just unaffordable and would be at a scale that would be devastating to our residents."

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This is the best time to visit your neighborhood's farmers market

(Continued from page 1) as live music, arts and crafts, culinary lessons, and even dog training demonstrations.

"Anybody who is interested in getting to know neighbors, local resources, get involved in

more volunteer opportunities, or anybody who's interested in becoming more active or familiar with their community, the Friday Market is a perfect entree to that," Marrone said. "We don't think that we are your typical farmers market, so maybe we own that," she added.

Mattapan Square Farmers Market (corner of Cummins Highway and Fairway Street)

July 13 – Oct. 26. Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Mattapan Food and Fitness Coalition (MFFC), which is hosting the Mattapan Square Farmers Market, has been focused on bringing healthy and organic food to the neighborhood for the past 18 years. Shavel'le Olivier, MFFC's executive director, said they have heard from the community that a market like this brings culturally significant ingredients to the neighborhood.

"It's really important that farmers markets represent the community in which they are in, because when you have that it helps to create a feeling of trust and familiarity," Olivier said. "Most of the farmers that we have are selling the foods that our residents

are looking for, and that they cook with on a daily basis."

Olivier said that community programming is also important, which is why they are offering container gardening lessons, cooking demonstrations, Kids' Corner activities, bike repair workshops, and other physical activities.

"Over time, what we've realized is that our market became a place where people can come to socialize, to talk, to meet with each other to network, and also, it's become a place of information sharing," Olivier said, "Whether it's formally by the different vendors that we have, or informally just us talking to our residents, you know, asking what's going on, what's up, what support do you need?"

Codman Square Farmers Market (20 Wainwright Street, Dr. Loesch Family Park)

July 20 – Oct. 19. Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Codman Square Farmers Market has a new location this year while its old spot, Codman Square Park, undergoes renovations, said Catherine Charles, the market's manager.

A unique factor of the Codman Square market

is the fact that many of its booths are staffed by teenage volunteers from the BOLD Teens group.

"They really help to make the market what it is," Charles said. "We've got a nice group of about seven teens that help to set up and talk to the customers. They do surveys to check with community needs. They're really important."

Like the Ashmont Friday Market, the Codman Square market will have a weekly theme that festivities will amplify. For example, in August, the market will have a back-to-school backpack giveaway and celebrate health centers with massages, blood pressure testing, and free food. Additionally, there will be a patio seating area throughout the season in partnership with House of Seven Café.

Charles said this market will help people in the neighborhood access healthy food. "We don't have much access to fresh fruits and vegetables. There are a lot of bodegas and corner stores," Charles said. "We want to make sure that that's right here, that people don't have to drive miles away and go out of the community to find fresh quality foods."

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Physical health, mental health, and social needs are closely connected. For example, financial struggles can lead to anxiety and depression, which can [affect your heart health](#). Lack of access to nutritious food can make managing diabetes difficult. Without reliable transportation or phone service, visiting with your doctors or staying connected with family and friends becomes challenging. Unfortunately, some of these issues can sometimes be invisible. When healthcare organizations focus only on medical needs, they can miss crucial factors affecting a person's longevity and quality of life.

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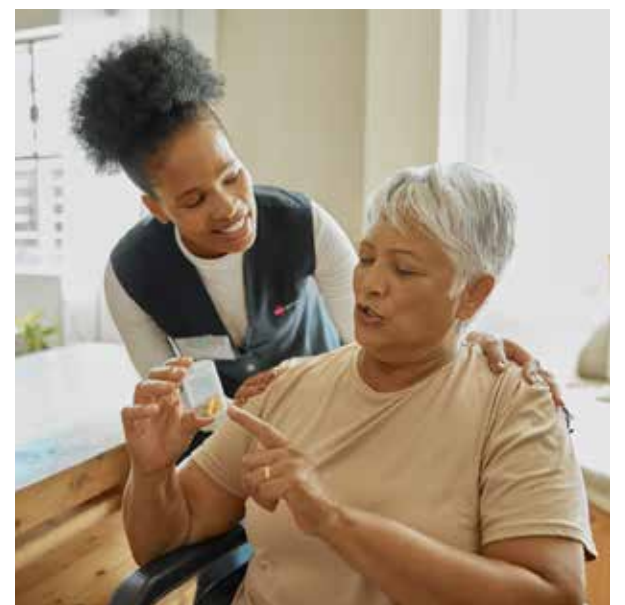
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The CCA care team, made up of nurses, behavioral health clinicians, and community health workers, collaborates to create personalized care plans that address the "whole person" needs of our members. This can include assisting with affordable housing applications, scheduling transportation for medical appointments, connecting to food banks or meal delivery services, finding senior centers or volunteer opportunities, and even connecting members to legal resources for support with issues like eviction.

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BGCD Keystone Club Celebrates Successful School Year with Six Flags Trip: See details below.

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FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE: BGCD Keystone Club Celebrates Successful School Year with Six Flags Trip: A group of members from Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester's Keystone Club closed out the school year program with an exciting outing to Six Flags Amusement Park in Agawam. The 35 teen leaders who make up our Keystone Club put in a collective 1,800+ hours of community service time during the past school year taking part in a variety of volunteer activities. We congratulate our amazing teens on such a successful school year.

The Keystone Club will reconvene in the Fall, BGCD high school members are encouraged to apply to join the group. Keystone Club builds leadership skills while serving the community through a variety of Club and community based service projects. For more information on Keystone Club, please contact Mike Joyce at mjoyce@bgcdorchester.org.

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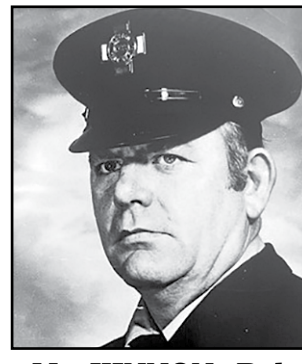
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JEFFERSON, Walter Mae (Lee) "Red", 72, of Stoughton formerly

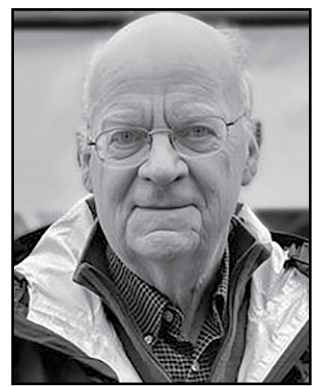
of Mattapan. Daughter to Walter and Fanny Lee. Former wife of Needham Jefferson III. She was preceded by her father Walter Lee, her mother Fanny Lee (Noble) and sibling Pearl Mae Lee (Barbara), and Bra Lee, Beatrice Lee (Bea) Mae is survived by her daughters: Wendy Verna Jefferson of North Carolina, Cindy Verna Jefferson Stoughton, and Lashonda Verna Jefferson of Milton; 3 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. Sibling: Della Lee (Doll), Gloria Lee (Glo), Robert Lee, Wonda Lee (Louise), Azelia Lee (Verdell), Zonolia Lee (Sandy) and a host of nieces, nephews and other friends and family. Donations in memory of Walter Mae see Cindy Jefferson daughter of Walter Mae Jefferson.

Braintree, formerly of Dorchester and Quincy. Daughter to Mary T. (Gorski) and Edward H. Zdankowski. Wife of William F. Jones of Braintree. Mother to William F. Jones Jr. and his wife, Trisha of Grafton, Lisa M. Jones and her husband, Robert Bellis of Marietta, GA, Elizabeth A. Jones and her partner, Carol Connors of Abington and Philip E. Jones and his partner, Bruce Wheeler, Jr. of Dorchester. Grandmother to 4. Also survived by her sister, Paula A. Carroll and her husband, Daniel of Sharon. Donations in memory of Nan may be made to Home Base, 125 Nashua Street, Suite 540, Boston, MA 02114.



MacKINNON, Robert B., 86, of Marshfield, formerly of Dorchester. Retired Boston Firefighter Eng.-3. Husband of the late Mary G. (Flaherty) MacKinnon. Son of the late Ralph A., a Boston Fire lieutenant with Engine 10, and Lucille Irene (LeMay) MacKinnon. Father to Robert B. MacKinnon Jr. and his wife, Claire, of Plymouth; Michael P. MacKinnon and his wife, Lisa, of Marshfield; Scott A. MacKinnon and his wife, Cara, of Marshfield; Amy MacKinnon and her partner, Johannes Pfeifenberger, of Cohasset; and Jonathan A. MacKinnon and his wife, Ashleigh, of Marshfield. Brother of John A. MacKinnon of Seattle, WA and Richard D. MacKinnon of Middleborough and his wife, Margaret. He is also survived by 12 grandchildren, one great-grandchild, and many nieces and nephews. Please consider a donation in Bob's name to the Boston Firefighters Burn Foundation, 55 Hallet St., Dorchester, Mass., 02124.

and close friends. He was preceded in death by his mother Clodie Smith and his brother William Smith, Joseph Smith and his sister Evelyn Smith. US Marine Corp veteran. Larry worked at New England Auto Body on Talbot Ave. in Dorchester, for several years, he was also employed by Longwood Security.



McLAUGHLIN Paul W., 75, of Milton, formerly of Dorchester. Son of the late John P. and Mary A. (Flynn) McLaughlin. Husband of Barbara A. (Erlandson) McLaughlin. Father of Mary Carol McLaughlin of Long Beach, CA, Matthew P. McLaughlin and his wife Stephanie of Norwell, and Mark E. McLaughlin and his wife Annie of Baltimore, MD. "Pa" of 5. Brother of Maura Lapping and her husband Rob, Brian McLaughlin and his wife, Debby, Sheila Ware and her husband Michael, Kevin McLaughlin and his wife Linda Baumeister, and Brendan McLaughlin and his wife Mary. Uncle to many nieces, nephews, grand-nieces, and grand-nephews. Paul is also survived by numerous cousins and friends. US Marine Corps veteran. He retired in 2015 as CIO/IT Director for the State Auditor. Donations may be made in his name to Saint Rock Haiti Foundation, 372 Granite Avenue #1, Milton, MA 02186.



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JONES, Nan Marie (Zdankowski), 74, of

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24 NEW CHARDON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02114
617-788-8300

CITATION ON PETITION FOR ALLOWANCE OF ACCOUNT
Docket No. SU21P0211EA
IN THE MATTER OF:
MILDRED REAVEY

DATE OF DEATH: 11/05/2020
To all interested persons:

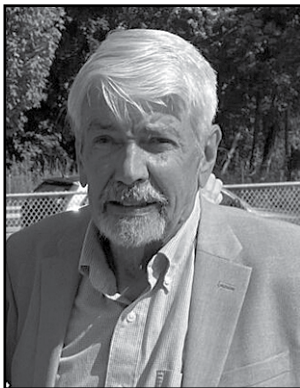
A Petition has been filed by: Albert Reavey of Weymouth, MA requesting allowance of the First account(s) as Personal Representative and any other relief as requested in the Petition.

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 08/12/2024.

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 date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 1, 2024

Stephanie L. Everett, Esq.
Register of Probate
Published: July 11, 2024



MacDONALD, Donald "Mac" Jr., 79. Son to the late Donald and Mary (Macleod) MacDonald of Sydney, Canada. Husband of Deborah (Logan); father to Scott MacDonald and his wife Jennifer of Quincy, and "Papa" to 2. Brother of the late Florence "Pee-Wee" MacLaughlin of Bellingham and the late Dorothy Gayer and her late husband Gerry of Bellingham. He spent 25 years at Westminster Dodge in Dorchester, where he excelled as an auto body specialist until his retirement. US Marine Corps veteran.

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE & FAMILY COURT
SUFFOLK PROBATE & FAMILY COURT
24 NEW CHARDON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02114
CITATION GIVING NOTICE
OF PETITION FOR
APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN
FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON
PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304
Docket No. SU24P0386GD
IN THE MATTER OF:
LIDIANY H. ALVES TEIXEIRA
of BOSTON, MA
RESPONDENT

Alleged Incapacitated Person
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Laurinda C. Alves of Boston, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Lidianny H. Alves Teixeira is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

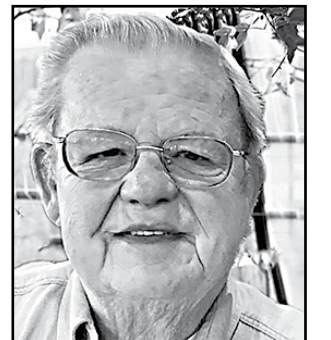
You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 07/29/2024. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you 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.
Stephanie L. Everett
Register of Probate
Date: June 28, 2024
Published: July 11, 2024



McAFEE, Larry Carl (LC), 71, of Brookline. Larry leaves his children, Patrick Jordan of Seattle, Washington; Reno McAfee of Jackson, Mississippi; and Derrick McAfee of Boston, his sisters Dorothy James (Walter), Janice Gray (Ernest) and Delores all of Boston; three uncles Tommie McAfee, Eddie McAfee (Elaine) and Fred McAfee all of Boston and one aunt, Lillie (Emma) Terry (Thomas) a host of nieces, nephews, cousins,



O'NEILL, Jeremiah J. "Jerry", 85, of Falmouth, formerly of Dorchester. Husband of Bonnie V. O'Neill; and son of the late Agnes (Sweeney) O'Neill and Jeremiah O'Neill. Survived by wife Bonnie; daughter B. Catherine O'Neill of Falmouth; son Shawn K. O'Neill (April L.) of Harpswell, Maine; daughter Lynn A. O'Neill of Falmouth; and son Terrence M. O'Neill (Michelle A.) of Bath, Maine. He leaves seven grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and many extended family members. US Coast Guard veteran. Barnstable County Deputy Sheriff in the Bureau of Criminal Investigation.

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