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Harris-Walz win big in Dot; Trump-Vance notch wins in Neponset

Voters in Dorchester and Mattapan overwhelmingly supported the Democratic ticket for president and vice-president on Tuesday, despite a red surge nationally that has delivered another four-year presidential term for Donald Trump.

Locally, two precincts in Dorchester's Neponset section lined up with the Republican choice, while the vast majority of Bostonians—roughly 76

percent according to the city's Election Department—voted for Kamala Harris and Tim Walz.

The top of the Democratic ticket was strong across the city's neighborhoods and a closer look at several bellwether precincts in Dorchester is indicative of that relative strength citywide. At the double precinct at Lower Mills Library, for example, the Harris-Walz duo won 1,203 votes to Trump-Vance's

278. At the Codman Square Library's 16-5 precinct, the Democrats defeated the Trump ticket 386-55. At St. Mark's parish, precinct 3 in Ward 16 delivered 606 votes to Harris-Walz to 146 for the GOP side.

Savin Hill's closely-watched 13-10 precinct—which experienced delays in the evening due to a ballot shortfall that was reported at multiple polling stations citywide—the Harris-Walz

side won 635-316.

Florian Hall's 16-12 gave Trump one of his only Boston precinct wins: 459-304. One of Adams Street library's two precincts, 16-9, tilted to Trump, 559-539. Both of those red-leaning voting sites went for Biden in 2020 and were won by Trump in 2016.

Compiled by Reporter staff. More election results will be available at DotNews.com.



BINcA Senior Forward Isaac Clerveau splits two CASH defenders on Tuesday afternoon in Almont Park in first round action from the MIAA Division 5 state tournament. *Seth Daniel photo*

BINcA's boys pass first test in state soccer playoffs

The Boston International Newcomer's Academy (BINcA) boys' soccer team has been on a tear this season with the team following up last year's breakout Final Four appearance by streaking into the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) Division 5 tournament with the #1 seed.

Postseason play for the Lions

started on Tuesday night at Almont Park in Mattapan when they defeated fellow Dorchester soccer startup, Community Academy of Science and Health (CASH), 3-2, in overtime.

In a tough, physical contest, BINcA was challenged with every step of the way by the scrappy #33 seed, which tied the game with a penalty late in the contest. Early

in OT, Lions striker Mahmoud Al's corner kick made the winning difference.

Next stop: BINcA plays Rising Tide Charter School of Plymouth this Friday (Nov. 8) at Almont Park at 4 p.m.

The Reporter's Cassidy Mc-Neeley talks soccer with BINcA's players and their coach on Page 12.

UMass Boston touts tuition-free program

For eligible students

By **CASSIDY MCNEELEY**
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Tuition and other fees will be waived for low-income students who want to attend UMass Boston under a new program announced during a press conference last week at the Dorchester campus.

The Beacon Pledge Free Tuition Program will start next fall, according to UMass Boston Chan-

cellor Marcelo Suárez-Orozco, who was joined by Lt. Gov. Kim Driscoll and several other elected officials at the event.

"Sixty years ago, UMass Boston made it a top priority to offer quality higher education to underrepresented and underserved students. The Beacon Pledge today extends this commitment," said Suárez-Orozco.

In its first year, UMass Boston officials hope the program will sup-

port as many as 3,000 students. To qualify, students must be Massachusetts residents and come from families with an adjusted gross income of \$75,000 or less.

"The Pledge is more than just free college; it is about attracting and investing in motivated young people so they can reach their full potential," the chancellor added. "It is about clearing their pathways to meaningful career choices and

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Wu, council send latest tax agreement plan to Beacon Hill

By **CHRIS LOVETT**
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When the City Council voted on Oct. 30 to approve Mayor Wu's compromise over tax rate adjustments, the political conversation was already shifting from meeting a short-term deadline to wrestling with a long-term dilemma.

Having reached agreement on the adjustments with local business groups, Wu hopes the new home rule petition will be approved at the State House before the next quarterly property tax bills are mailed at the end of December. An earlier version of measure that aimed to ease a spike in tax bills for residential property owners, approved by the Council in June, stalled at the State House after meeting with opposition from business groups.

In the new measure, the temporary shift in tax rates, increasing more of the burden on commercial property, would be smaller, with a duration cut from five to three years. The new measure also includes help for business owners, including tenants, with money committed for direct relief and a more generous

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Columbia, Savin Hill neighbors want reset on Morrissey panel

By **SETH DANIEL**
NEWS EDITOR

A state-run commission charged with planning major fixes to the Morrissey Boulevard corridor is facing increased criticism this week from a key constituency that wants the Healey administration and other state leaders to hit the reset button as they near a Dec. 31 deadline to make recommendations.

The Columbia-Savin Hill Civic Association voted to declare "no confidence" in the Morrissey Boulevard Commission's efforts at its October membership meeting. This week, the civic group took the further step in calling on the commission to expand their

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Police, Courts & Fire

A 15-year-old juvenile was arrested on Oct. 25 after police say they watched him discard a replica firearm that they suspect was used in a recent armed robbery on Park Street in Dorchester two days before. Police say the young man matched the description of a suspect who wore a mask and flashed a firearm hidden under his shirt during a robbery at 613 Park St. Arresting officers say they spotted the young man walking from Harvard Street towards Vesta Road in Mattapan. When they approached him, police say the teen fled on foot and allegedly threw what turned out to be a replica gun on the "flight path." He will face charges of armed robbery while masked in Dorchester court.

A 21-year-old Boston man was arrested in Dorchester on Oct. 28 after police responded to a late night gathering near Franklin Park. According to the BPD account, officers found a "large amount of reveler cars playing loud music and blocking the road" at Jewish War Veterans Drive and Franklin Park Road just before 3 a.m. One car that attempted to flee the scene as officers arrived was pulled over and one of the occupants— Joshua Smith— was found to be carrying a loaded handgun. Smith was arraigned in Dorchester court on illegal gun charges last week.

Boston Police arrested a 22-year-old Weymouth man, Cameron Leonard, on Nov. 2 after a 2 a.m. vehicle stop on Columbia Road led to the discovery of an illegal firearm he was carrying. He was charged with resisting arrest and illegal gun and ammunition charges at his arraignment in Roxbury.

Owners of Four Corners restaurant propose a 7-story apartment building

The family that owns Down Home Delivery & Catering at 2 Bowdoin St. in Four Corners has filed plans to replace their building with a 7-story apartment building, with 2,400 square feet of ground-floor space for their restaurant to move back into.

The Webster family's proposed 22-unit building would be one story taller than a typical modern Boston apartment building because rather than the ordinary construction of a steel-and-concrete "podium" topped by five floors made of wood beams, the entire structure will be built out of cross-laminated timber, a strong wood product that means fewer carbon emissions than from creating steel and concrete, according to the family's filing with the Boston Planning Department.

The building would have 5 one-bedroom apartments, 10 one-bedroom apartments with dens and 7 two-bedroom units.



Rendering by Stack and Co.

Four of the apartments would be rented as affordable. There would also be a roof deck for residents.

The building, which is near the 23 bus route on Washington Street and less than a half mile from other routes and the Four Corners/Geneva Fairmount Line stop, would have no parking.

The filing includes letters of support from the United Neighborhood Association, the Mt. Bowdoin Betterment Association, Four Corners Main Streets, state representatives Chris Worrell and Russell Holmes and state Sen. Nick Collins.

—REPORTER STAFF

St. Mark's parish priest dies in sleep at 44; was late vocation

Parishioners and the faith community in St. Mark's parish were shocked this past week by the unexpected death of Rev. Corey Bassett-Tirrell, who died in his sleep at the rectory on Roseland Street on Halloween night.

Father Tirrell, 44, had come to the parish over the summer to assist its pastor, Rev. Marcos Enrique, as St. Mark's was ending its collaboration

with St. Ambrose parish in Fields Corner.

News of his death was shared with the parish community at Masses over the weekend. "Father Corey lived at St. Mark for the past three months and endeared himself to our entire parish community, especially our young people and our children," read a statement on the parish website.

Rev. Bassett was raised

in East Boston and dedicated his adult life to the Catholic Church, joining the priesthood later than his generational peers after working at the Rapino Funeral Home and involving himself in church music and choir while doing so. He noted to family and friends the influence of the writings of the late Joseph Ratzinger, later Pope Benedict XVI, on his priestly vocation.



Rev. Corey Bassett-Tirrell A committed ministry Courtesy Photo

His funeral Mass was scheduled for this Thursday (Nov. 7) at 11 a.m. at St. Adelaide's Church in West Peabody.

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The **Dorchester Historical Society** and the **Boston Women's Heritage Trail** will present a special Zoom program on Sun., Nov. 17, at 2 p.m. on "The Trail of Women's History: From Meeting House Hill to Lower Mills." Anita Danker, Ed.D. will lead a discussion of women who have played a key roles in Dorchester's history from the Colonial era to the present. Register at dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org.

The **JFK Library** hosts a public forum "Interpreting the 2024 Elections" on Tues., Nov. 12, at 7 p.m. The in-person and virtual event will feature Margery Eagan, co-host of GBH's "Boston Public Radio," and Heather Cox Richardson, Boston College professor of history, explore and interpret the results of the 2024 elections with Eileen McNamara, Pulitzer Prize-winning former Boston Globe columnist and Brandeis professor emerita of the practice of journalism. Advance registration for this program is strongly recommended. Go to jfklibrary.org.

The **Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR)** hosts a public meeting on the renovation of Toohig Playground this Thursday (Nov. 7) at 6 p.m. via Zoom. The purpose of the meeting is to inform the public about the proposed renovations

of the playground, basketball court, entry area, and pathways. This is the first of two public meetings to be held concerning the project. Email Mass.Parks@mass.gov or call 617-626-4973 for more info.

A **Community Dance hosted by First Parish Dorchester is set for Sat., Nov. 9, from 6 to 9 p.m.** at 10 Parish St., Dorchester. Includes square dances, international dances, couples, individual and line and circle dances. This event is for all ages, children to seniors. A caller leads dancers through the steps to make it fun for novices and experienced dancers. Refreshments provided. Suggested donation for adults \$10, children free. For more information call 617-981-5201.

Boston's Licensing Board will host virtual office hours on Nov. 13 — and every other Wednesday following from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. — to provide one-on-one application assistance from Licensing Board staff. In addition, staff are available to provide support at City Hall on a drop-in or appointment basis. To make an appointment please email: licensingboard@boston.gov. The **Urban Farming Institute will host its annual meeting and community awards on Wed., Nov. 20, at 5:30 p.m.** at the Fowler Clark Epstein Farm, 487 Norfolk St.,

Mattapan. Please RSVP to 617-989-9920 or email ebasile@urbanfarminginstitute.org. The **Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) is encouraging all Boston residents aged 6 months and older to get vaccinated for Influenza (flu) and Covid-19** ahead of the peak of respiratory virus season. Vaccines are especially recommended for residents aged 65 and older, at high risk for severe Covid, or who have never received a Covid vaccine. Several free flu and Covid vaccine clinics are available across the city. Appointments are not necessary, and residents are encouraged to bring their health insurance cards if they have one. However, insurance and identification are not required. **The dates and locations include** this Thursday (Nov. 7) from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the BCYF Curley Community Center. More dates and locations will be added, and residents can visit boston.gov/respiratory-protection for the latest information and additional resources. The **JFK Library hosts "Game Night at the Library" with a simultaneous chess exhibition on Tues., Nov. 19, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.** Kennedy Library Director and chess national master Alan Price will also be conducting a simultaneous exhibition with up to 30 different chess players. Pref-

erence to play in the exhibition matches will be given to advance registrants, though walk-ins may be accommodated if space permits. Make new friends and have fun at this classic game night. There will be a selection of board and card games, old and new, available to borrow on a first-come, first-served basis, as well as lots of seating to join in the fun.

The **Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) will host the seventh public meeting of the Morrissey Boulevard Commission on Thurs., Nov. 21, at 6 p.m.** in-person at the Holiday Inn Express Boston, 69 Boston St., Dorchester with virtual attendance available via Zoom. The **Kosciuszko Circle-Morrissey Boulevard Study** is a joint planning effort seeking to develop a mobility plan for the corridor and will include evaluating and recommending transportation and infrastructure improvements along Morrissey Boulevard in Boston's Dorchester neighborhood. For more information on the Commission, please visit the study website: https://www.mass.gov/k-circle-morrissey-study.

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Carney working group met for first time on Oct. 31

By **BILL FORRY**
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Members of a committee tasked with charting the future use of the Carney Hospital site in Dorchester met for the first time at Boston City Hall last Thursday. The 90-minute session was “designed to set the foundation for future discussions and recommendations,” according to the group’s co-chair, Dr. Bisola Ojikutu, who is the city’s Commissioner of Public Health and executive director of the Boston Public Health Commission.

In a briefing with reporters on Friday, Dr. Ojikutu said the group’s introductory meeting included comments from Mayor Wu and was aimed at setting clear “goals and expectations” about the “overall charge of the group. We talked about the fact that we wanted our work and our recommendations to be grounded in the principles of equity.

“We want whatever we’re doing in this area and for this community to be high quality, to focus on accessibility, and to be focused on culturally and linguistically appropriate care,” she added. “I think about innovation and really wanting to provide state-of-the-art care for a community that hasn’t



People walked up to the shuttered Carney Hospital in Dorchester on Tuesday, Sept. 3, 2024. *lison Kuznitz/SHNS photo*

necessarily had equal access to that type of care.”

The group heard a summary of data about health disparities in the former Carney’s catchment area, which is primarily Dorchester and Mattapan, but also includes Hyde Park and Quincy. The hospital closed its doors in August amid a bankruptcy crisis prompted by its former owners, Steward Health Care System, and expedited by state public health leaders who engineered a plan to save several other Steward hospitals in the state, but not Carney or Nashoba Valley Medical Center, which is also now closed.

“I think that what

was revealing about that wasn’t so much that disparities exist or inequity exists. It’s the fact that the reality is that these inequities have existed for a long time. They existed while Carney was operational. And the fact that we know that they will continue to exist unless we do something differently.

“So really to frame this working group around the fact that we want this to be an opportunity to improve on the health service delivery as well as – even if it’s social service needs – whatever it is that’s needed in this community to promote health and wellness. We want this to be an



Dr. Bisola Ojikutu
“Whatever is needed.”

opportunity to do things better for this particular community to envision a better future in terms of health outcomes.”

A more focused discussion of what form that re-use might take at the Carney’s now-largely empty Dorchester Avenue property will come at future meetings. The

group will next convene on Wed., Nov. 15. A public listening session is expected in late November or early December.

City Councillor John FitzGerald, who is a member of the 32-person working group, agreed with Ojikutu that the first meeting was a productive one. FitzGerald said he left encouraged that “we have the right people in the room to offer up their experience, expertise, and feedback about what’s going on on the ground since Carney’s closure.”

“I think that’s vital to decide what’s going on at the site going forward,” FitzGerald added. “One thing we want to clarify is that everyone is in agreement that a hospital and health care services is what belongs on that site.”

Ojikutu said it’s too early to draw firm conclusions about how Carney’s closure has impacted city neighborhoods and individuals, but she added: “It’s clear that there are significant gaps that have developed.”

“We did talk a bit about community health centers and the fact that they’ve noted an increase in urgent care visits, urgent care needs that previously were probably managed at

Carney Hospital. There’s certainly increased wait times for primary care physicians,” she said.

There is some activity still based at the Carney campus. A Boston EMS ambulance crew continues to operate from a garage next to the shuttered emergency department. And some physicians continue to see patients in an office building—the Seton Medical Building—located at the rear of the Carney complex facing Dorchester Park.

Ojikutu said that the Massachusetts Department of Health has a help-line that’s available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. for former Carney patients. The telephone number is 617-468-2189.

“They can still use that number to access care and find out where their provider has gone,” she said.

The working group will be meeting “approximately every other week in this large group setting,” Ojikutu told The Reporter. “And then, as needed, we are having smaller group discussions around specific issues, because there are many different nuances to this that will weigh into the development of the recommendations that we hope to develop by the end of the process.”

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10



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Streets and roadways which comprise the course will be closed to traffic on the morning of November 10 from approximately 7 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Streets affected include: Circuit Dr (From Blue Hill Ave to Arborway), Arborway (from Circuit Dr to Pond St), Jamaica Way (From Pond St to Pond Av), Riverway (From Pond Av to Park Dr., Pond Avenue (From Jamaica way to Francis Parkman Dr), and Francis Parkman Dr (From Pond Ave to Arborway).

NO PARKING will be posted and enforced on the Franklin Park side of Seaver Street from 12 a.m. – 2 p.m. on Sunday morning for shuttle buses to pick-up and drop-off participants.

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



The Boston Latin Academy girls soccer team are city league champions on Saturday, October 26 after beating O'Bryant 3-2 at Madison Park's field in Roxbury. Led by headcoach Phil Nguyen, the Dragons end at 8-7-2. The city league championship is the third-in-a-row for the team. *Patrick O'Connor photo*



Emcee Jorge Quiroga, AG Andrea Campbell, state Rep. Aaron Michlewitz, and BSHC CEO Meg Hogan at the Oct. 17 gala. *Photo courtesy BSHC*

Brenna Galvin joins BGCD's Young Professionals Board

Dorchester's Brenna Galvin was recently appointed to the Boys and Girls Clubs of Dorchester Youth Professionals Board. The press secretary for the state Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), she grew up in the neighborhood.



Brenna Galvin

"As a Dorchester kid, I've seen firsthand the incredible impact that BGCD has on youth and families," she said. "Giving back through the Young Professionals Board allows me to ensure that as the city grows and changes, we continue investing in the next generation, providing the same support

and opportunities that shaped me and so many others."

In her free time, Galvin is also a girls' youth hockey coach and an assistant coach for the Boston Latin School girls' hockey team.

Boston Senior Home Care celebrates its 50th anniversary with a gala at Four Seasons

State leaders and community advocates gathered as Boston Senior Home Care celebrated 50 years of service to older adults, people with disabilities, and their caregivers at the Four Seasons Hotel in Boston on Oct. 17.

The gala celebrated the agency's efforts to expand access to home and community-based services and underscored the organization's vision to deepen its partnerships with community or-

ganizations and continue to champion policies that ensure everyone has the support they need to live with dignity and independence.

"This year's gala is a particularly special milestone, and we are thrilled to bring together people from so many sectors who embody our mission in their work and strive to make Massachusetts more inclusive and equitable," said CEO Margaret Hogan, "We have come so far but there

is always more work ahead."

State Rep. Aaron Michlewitz presented Massachusetts Attorney General Andrea Joy Campbell, of Mattapan, with the Elder Justice Advocacy Award for her leadership in establishing initiatives that protect older adults.

Since 1974, Senior Home Care has been dedicated to making a difference in the communities it serves by connecting older adults, individuals

with disabilities, and families with social services and resources to live safely and independently in their homes and communities.



Healey notes IBC Awareness Day and meets with advocates - Members of the Legislature and friends and board members from IBC-New England met with Gov. Healey early this month for the proclamation of the second IBC Awareness Day in Massachusetts. Last year, the Massachusetts legislature approved a bill creating the second Tuesday of October as the permanence observance date. IBC largely impacts women under the age of 45 and its symptoms are atypical. While somewhat rare, representing 1 to 5 percent of all breast cancer, the disease can be aggressive and IBC accounts for a disproportionate number of life years lost to breast cancer.

At the event, from left: State Rep. Sean Garballey, an IBC-NE board member; Sue Ascii, 24-year IBC survivor and founding board president; Gov. Healey; James T. Brett, of Dorchester, founding board member of IBC-NE and president of The New England Council; and Charles Tevnan, of Dorchester, founding board member of IBC-NE. *Governor's Office photo*

YESTERYEAR ARCHIVE

DORCHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Mahoney Circle at Neponset

John Edward Maloney was born on Aug. 16, 1925. His draft registration card for World War II notes that he was living at 47 Chickatawbut Street in Dorchester and working at the Watertown Arsenal. He was described as standing 5-foot-9, weighing 155 pounds, with a light complexion, brown hair, and blue eyes. A gunner's mate, third class, in the US Navy, he was killed on April 16, 1945, off Okinawa Ie Shima on a littoral combat ship, a small surface vessel designed for near-shore operations.

Ie Shima housed the big airfield of the islands. When the US Army's 77th division landed on April 16, 1945, invading force commanders thought from aerial reconnaissance that the Japanese had abandoned the airfield, but they met up with about 3,000 men as they moved toward the center of the island, which was secured on April 21.

The archive of these historical posts can be viewed on the blog at dorchesterhistoricalsociety.org. The Society's William Clapp House and James Blake House are open to



In 1949, the Massachusetts Legislature created Maloney Circle to memorialize the life and service to his country of US Navy gunner's mate John Edward Maloney. The monument was installed at Neponset Circle the following year.

the public on the third Sunday of the month from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

UMass Boston touts tuition-free program for eligible students

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workforce opportunities without the terrible burden of debt.”

Suárez-Orozco credited the Healey-Driscoll administration’s investment in the MassGrant Plus program for making the tuition-free program viable.

“We want to make it as easy as possible to achieve this thing called a higher ed degree,” said Driscoll. “MassGrant Plus is making all our state public college and universities tuition and fee-free for qualifying low-income students and dramatically reducing costs for middle-income students.”

Students can apply for Beacon Pledge by completing the UMass Boston application and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or Massachusetts Application for State Financial Aid (MASFA).

Currently, over 60 percent of UMass Boston students are the first in their families to attend college.

State Sen. Nick Collins and state Reps Daniel Hunt and David Biele were on hand for the announcement. “I come to you with the title state representative but right now I’m going to put on my first-generation college student hat,” said Biele. “I was the son of a construction laborer and store clerk. I remember when we were applying to schools, filling out the FASFA could be a very overwhelming process, especially for first-generation families and my family is no different.”

He added: “UMass Boston is making sure that world-class education is accessible for families like my family so they can create that generational change. I wouldn’t be where I am without my education. It’s a pathway to great things.”

Isabella Pino, a current UMass Boston student, is also a first-gen student from a Latinx family.

“I spent hours researching and trying

to find the right university for me and I knew I didn’t want to spend every waking minute of my time trying to find out how I could afford my education,” said the 22-year-old. “UMass Boston gave me the opportunity to graduate debt-free and I took it.”

Pino believes this new program will allow students like her to do just the same.

“What truly made a difference for me was the fact that I didn’t have that financial burden hanging over my shoulders. I was able to instead spend time trying to realize all the opportunities they had here, and I know that this program will do the same for others.”

“It will open the doors to allow students to realize they can have self-growth and not have that worry of can I afford to be here? Instead, they will be able to foster community and take advantage of every resource this campus has to offer.”

Pino will be graduating with a degree in communications and management with concentrations in marketing and international management this year.

Abdul Shabayta, a third-year student studying sociology, also spoke at the announcement.

“The benefits of the financial aid here have allowed me to go for my master’s right now as an undergrad, which is extremely beneficial because I am able to use my undergrad financial aid to get my master’s for way less a cost,” said Shabayta.

Like Pino, Shabayta, a Lebanese immigrant, hopes this new program can help other students, too, and is especially excited to see how it will further diversify the campus.

According to Suárez-Orozco, some 80 percent of UMass Boston graduates remain in the state, meaning the more diverse the school body is, the more diverse Massachusetts will be as well.



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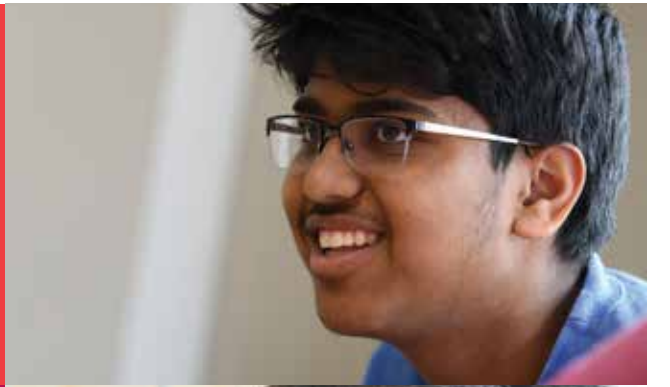
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Elected leaders hail affordable food options at the Daily Table

BY NICOLE BELCASTRO
SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER
Mayor Wu and US Representatives Ayanna Pressley and Jim McGovern visited the Nubian Square location of the Daily Table grocery store last Wednesday to highlight the chain's importance in addressing food insecurity in the region.

They also spoke out in support of more federal and local funding to help low-income shoppers buy fresh fruits and vegetables at a discount.

Federal support that helped to subsidize the Double Up Food Bucks (DUF) program, which gives EBT cardholders an additional 50 percent off certain items, ended on Sept. 30, the result of a sweeping cut in SNAP benefits passed by Congress earlier in the year.

That prompted the Daily Table to temporarily pause the popular discount program in four of their five Boston area stores until new grant funds become available.

According to Sasha Purpura, the CEO of Daily Table, the loss of the federal dollars is having a negative impact on thousands of Boston families who were eligible to use it before. It's also a challenge for the Daily Table's three Boston locations, including the



Sasha Purpura, the CEO of Daily Table (right) spoke at an Oct. 30 press event at the grocery store chain's Roxbury location alongside (from left) Mayor Wu, US Rep. Ayanna Pressley, and US Rep. Jim McGovern. Nicole Belcastro photo

original store in Dorchester's Codman Square and a newer one in Mattapan Square.

The DUF program has been primarily funded by Boston and Cambridge and the USDA's Gus Schumacher Nutrition Incentive Program. Cambridge is currently funding the program, which is allowing for the discounts to continue for shoppers at the store's location in that city.

"We need to bring that [DUF] back, because people choose what they want to choose, and Daily Table is about choice. We need to bring back the tools that enable it to happen," said Purpura.

Since the slash in federal grants, Pressley said, she has personally witnessed customers having to put some of their produce back because it's too expensive.

"We don't want that. That's such a demoralizing experience, and it's just so important that no one knows the pangs of hunger. Health is wealth," she said.

The grocery store chain with five retail stores in the Boston area was founded by Doug Rauch, former president of Trader Joe's, in 2015 to provide affordable and nutritious groceries. Every item on Daily Table's shelves is SNAP eligible,

down to the premade food and smoothies.

According to Daily Table's own statistics, their five stores served 207,513 Massachusetts residents in 2023. They also served 242,205 "SNAP-eligible" meals last year—and report an 84 percent increase in produce purchased by SNAP customers so far in 2024. Roughly one-quarter of the chain's customer base use SNAP benefits.

Boston's Office of Food Justice (OFJ) and Daily Table are developing a collaborative plan to restart the program at the three Boston store locations "as soon as Daily Table's current USDA

grant cycle is complete," explained an OFJ spokesperson through email.

At the event last week, Wu thanked Daily Table staff for taking the "extra weight" off people's shoulders, especially those burdened by the high food costs and with limited time to prepare a full meal.

"We know that the three Daily Table locations in Boston are the lifeblood for so many of the residents in our city," said the mayor. "Following the model that you all have set up here of giving as much agency, options, and dignity to all of our residents in the most important thing of keeping the families fed and healthy and sustained."

Little Leaf Lettuce, a locally grown lettuce company, is one of the vendors available at Daily Table as well as at higher-end retailers such as Whole Foods. Through their partnership, Daily Table is able to offer Little Leaf Lettuce to customers for less than \$4.

Another positive by-product of Daily Table's operations is that it takes some of the pressure off food pantries with limited stock and options.

"We are lifting a load off of the emergency food system and helping it be more of an emergency

food system and not a daily necessity," said Purpura.

"Daily Table has created a solution that doesn't set up a separate area to say, 'I'm low income and I need your help.' It equalizes the shopping experience. Anybody can shop here."

McGovern, who joined in the visit to the Roxbury store, said the Double Up Food Bucks program was one of the "key pillars of the Biden-Harris National Strategy on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health to ensure that every American can eat a delicious, healthy meal every day.

"These programs are foundational for strong families, and we need to make sure they are funded, supported, and sustained at every level. I'm proud to stand with Daily Table, Mayor Wu, and Rep. Pressley as we fight for food justice in our neighborhoods and across America."

Pressley said she and her delegation colleagues hope to reverse cuts made to SNAP in their next session, hopefully in concert with a Harris-Walz administration.

"Food nutrition is not a nice [thing] to have, it's a must have. It is a humanitarian crisis and moral failing. It is a policy choice," she said.

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Work begins on The FieldHouse+

At long last, work began this week on Dorchester's newest facility that will be a game-changer for kids and teens in the city: The FieldHouse+, a collaborative effort by two of this city's most respected and impactful organizations – the Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester (BGCD) and the Martin Richard Foundation. Preliminary site activity started up on Monday on the future home of the \$70 million project along Mount Vernon Street on Columbia Point.

An actual groundbreaking will take place in earnest in the new year, according to Bob Scannell, the president and CEO of BGCD, who said partners have raised about 60 percent of the funds needed to finish the project.

"We've made significant progress in mobilizing the financial support necessary to turn this big idea into a reality," said Scannell. "Supporters of The FieldHouse+ have made some of the largest contributions ever directed to a youth-serving project in Boston. We're grateful that they share in our commitment to this transformative investment in young people throughout our city."

Some of the activities that neighbors will notice this week include the installation of fencing and signage around the perimeter of the construction site, the removal of existing structures within the site footprint; and the introduction of new soil that will be used in the early phases of construction.

Bill Richard, co-founder of the Martin Richard Foundation, said the milestone was the result of many years of planning and community engagement.

"Together, we've imagined a facility that will bring accessible, flexible, and intentional programming to the next generation of Boston youth. Now, we are ready to build that future together and it starts today with the site work that positions us to break ground next year. We're excited for what the next several months will bring as we continue our work with existing partners and welcome new supporters."

Scannell and Richard said that their team has established "a centralized email address for neighbors and community members and can be contacted at info@fieldhouseplus.org."

The result of all this effort will be a "transformed space" that will introduce a state-of-the-art, 75,000-square-foot facility to "engage youth in activities beyond just athletics and offer a unified space for kids from different schools, neighborhoods, cultures, and backgrounds to gather, compete and explore together in a safe, engaging environment... Intentionally situated to directly impact nearly 50,000 kids within a 3-mile radius of the site, and with 1,000 Boston Public Schools students directly next door, The FieldHouse+ will support a birth-to-career pipeline of streamlined services."

There's still much to do to get this project across the finish line. But this is a moment to celebrate the start of something very special for city kids who've long been denied the world-class facility that their suburban peers have at their disposal. Boston deserves this FieldHouse+ — and we are grateful to the city of Boston, BPS, the BGCD, the Martin Richard Foundation, and their generous supporters past, present, and future for making this a reality.

-Bill Forry

Fallout from Steward Bankruptcy (cont.)

Norwood Hospital bills on ice as license expires

BY ALISON KUNITZ
STATE HOUSE NEWS SERVICE

Two lawmakers looking to preserve the vestiges of Steward Health Care's network in Norwood and Foxborough filed proposals nearly a month ago to keep outpatient clinics open as they also seek to revive construction at Norwood Hospital, but the bills have idled and the license central to the operations expired this week.

Steward last month announced its intent to abandon the hospital, which closed in June 2020 after catastrophic flooding, and four affiliated facilities that have continued to operate under the same Norwood license. The early October proposals from state Rep. John Rogers and state Sen. Mike Rush didn't even warrant a public hearing since their filing and now the Legislature is out of session until after the license expires.

The proposals authorize and direct the Department of Public Health to extend the license "in order to maintain the provision of health care services, including, but not limited to, the provision of chemotherapy, radiation, radiology, and other forms of life-saving health care and therapies and studies" in facilities in Norwood and Foxborough. The petitions, filed on Oct. 7, specifically mention Norwood Hospital Cancer Center, Norwood Performance Therapy, "Foxboro" and "any other such facilities" operating under the license.

The House sent Rogers's petition to the Joint Public Health Committee on Thursday, Oct. 31 and the Senate concurred in that action on Monday of this week. It also referred Rush's petition, which hasn't received a bill number yet, to the Joint Health Care Financing Committee. The petitions propose emergency laws that supporters deem "necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health."

Said Rush and Rogers said in a joint statement Friday to the News Service: "Our offices have remained in constant contact with the Healey administration voicing the need to extend Norwood Hospital's license, set to expire on Nov. 5 and to establish a task force to prioritize this issue, help secure a qualified buyer, and accelerate reconstruction efforts. We will continue to work tirelessly to keep this issue at the forefront for all involved parties, aiming to restore critical healthcare services and ensure accessible healthcare for the people of Norwood and



A sign tells the story at Norwood Hospital.

surrounding communities."

Asked whether DPH supports the proposals, a spokesperson for the Executive Office of Health and Human Services said the department does not comment on pending legislation.

Steward on Oct. 7 filed its notice with the state about shuttering Norwood Hospital and outpatient satellite campuses, prompting DPH to hold public hearings on the closures on Oct. 21 and Oct. 22. DPH, in a review dated Oct. 29, determined the hospital "is in fact an essential service necessary for preserving access and health status within the Hospital's service area" but said the "determination does not give the Department the power to mandate that the Hospital remain open."

In an Oct. 11 notice, Dr. Octavio Diaz, president of Steward's north region, wrote: "This is a challenging and unfortunate situation, and the effect it will have on the Hospital's patients, employees, and the community served is regrettable. SHC's overwhelming priority is to our patients, their families and our dedicated employees. We are committed to facilitating a smooth transition for those affected, while continuing to provide quality care to our patients. Among other things, SHC will work closely with the Hospital's patients to help them find the best possible care alternative and with our valued employees and health care professionals to assist during this difficult transition."

State sued over St. Elizabeth's property-taking

BY DEBORAH BECKER
WBUR

The owner of the property and buildings for St. Elizabeth's Medical Center in Brighton has made good on its promise to fight the state's takeover of the hospital by eminent domain.

St. Elizabeth LLC, a group of Apollo Global Management investors whose attorney said it became the property's owner shortly before the state takeover, has filed a complaint asking the court to stop the takeover, arguing that it's unconstitutional. The complaint alleges that state officials offered too little for the property, and favored another private hospital operator and therefore the takeover was not a "public purpose" as required by law.

The complaint argues that the process to transfer hospital ownership favored Boston Medical Center, which agreed to pay \$140 million to take over St. Elizabeth's and Good Samaritan Hospital in Brockton after the hospitals' former operator, Steward Health Care, filed for bankruptcy.

"Directly or indirectly, the Commonwealth is funding BMC's acquisition of the hospital or providing improper aid to maintain the hospital while allowing it to use the Hospital Property for no rent or below-market rent," attorneys wrote in the complaint.

The attorneys for St. Elizabeth LLC further argue that they did not stand in the way of transferring St. Elizabeth's to another hospital operator but wanted to negotiate a sale or lease of the property to a new owner, claiming the state made an unreasonable \$4.5 million dollar offer for a property assessed at \$200 million.

Apollo was the mortgage lender for Medical Properties Trust and Macquarie Asset Management, the two companies that owned the real estate of Steward's Massachusetts hospitals. MPT and Macquarie agreed that Apollo would help facilitate hospital sales during the bankruptcy proceedings.

Massachusetts is expected to spend hundreds of millions of dollars to keep the Steward hospitals operating. Much of the funding will come from a state hospital assessment fee and federal reimbursements.

The complaint also asks the court to declare the eminent domain proceedings for St. Elizabeth's Medical Center invalid because the governor did not seek legislative approval



St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Brighton, now run by Boston Medical Center.

The complaint names the state, Gov. Healey and state Health and Human Services Secretary Kate Walsh as defendants. The state Executive Office of Health and Human Services said it does not comment on pending litigation.

In August, Healey announced the state would take St. Elizabeth's by eminent domain. She also announced deals for Steward's other Massachusetts hospitals: Holy Family Hospital in Haverhill and Methuen, which was taken over by Lawrence General Hospital; and Morton Hospital in Taunton and St. Anne's Hospital in Fall River, which were bought by the Rhode Island-based Lifespan system, now known as Brown University Health.

Steward closed two other Massachusetts hospitals, Carney Hospital in Dorchester and Nashoba Valley Medical Center in Ayer, in August after no viable buyers emerged as part of the bankruptcy process.

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Columbia, Savin Hill neighbors want reset on Morrissey panel

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scope of work and focus more on the rotary at Kosciuszko Circle and other infrastructure that critics say the commission has improperly omitted – to date – from its mission.

Jake Wachman, a Savin Hill resident and an appointed member of the commission, said they plan to approach state Sen. Nick Collins next week to present their concerns.

“The Civic Association and [its] Government Affairs Committee hear everyone loud and clear that the Morrissey Commission is not living up to its original mandate,” wrote Wachman in a statement read at Monday’s CSHCA meeting. “The ‘no confidence’ vote at the October civic meeting passed overwhelmingly, showing a clear indication that the community would like MassDOT to more closely follow the original vision and law for the commission.”

Wachman is also the chair of the CSHCA Government Affairs Committee.

Longtime civic leader Don Walsh offered his opinion that the commission’s work to date has been disappointing.

“Halfway through they announced they wouldn’t even look at Kosciuszko Circle and that’s some other group,” he said. “It’s really disgusting...The responsibility fall on us to make some noise right now. We will be the ones that suffer. They don’t care.”

The state-run commission was created through legislation led by Collins in 2022. Meetings started in Nov. 2023. While there was initial hope that the body would bring resolution to long-held concerns about the corridor’s infrastructure needs, residents have grown increasingly critical of the Department of Transportation’s (MassDOT) commitment to the work.

Wachman said that is the crux of what they will present to Collins at the CSHCA Government Affairs Committee on Nov. 13. “In short, the six Morrissey Commission meetings have so far resulted in plans for a road, but not included comprehensive planning and K-Circle as listed in the original law, plus have been increasingly vague on traffic volumes, how to address climate resiliency, and ecological issues on the waterfront,” read Wachman’s statement.

CSHCA is asking Collins and other elected officials for four measures.

First, they would like the Commission to start work on comprehensive plans for population growth in Dorchester and along the Morrissey corridor. Second, they want to reintroduce K-Circle

back into the planning process, as it was removed earlier this year and diverted to a different planning effort. Third, they would like to discuss and implement more climate resiliency efforts beyond the suggestion of building a wall between the neighborhood and the ocean. Finally, they would like the commission to focus on ecological issues for the waterfront and Dorchester Basin.

Asked for comment by The Reporter, Collins said, “I expect there will be a significant part of the next Commission meeting agenda to lead into and focus on Kosciuszko Circle. It was important to begin these conversations with everything that flows into Kosciuszko Circle first. It is a key component to the local and regional transportation plan and deserves the attention it needs to get the best plan possible. That includes short-term and long-term improvements.”

MassDOT received a request for a response, but did not respond.

The Government Affairs meeting is Nov. 13 at 7 p.m. via Zoom and the Morrissey Commission’s seventh meeting will be on Nov. 21 at 6 p.m. on Zoom or in person at the Holiday Inn Express, 69 Boston St.

• **\$750K donation is discussed** – A long-talked-about \$750,000 gift from developer Centre Court Partners to the CSHCA is still in the pipeline, but the civic group is inching closer to resolving red tape issues and accepting an initial donation.

Community Benefits Chair Don Walsh said they have completed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for neighbors to review that would codify how a fiscal partner manages the money. The group had to seek out a fiscal partner to accept and manage the gift as the city indicated CSHCA could not accept it directly. The MOU indicates the check would be delivered to the fiscal sponsor, and they would be responsible for making annual payments to CSHCA from the lump sum and creating reports to keep track of spending. For their effort, CSHCA would give the sponsor \$50,000 over three years.

So far, Walsh and Liz Doyle said they met with Dorchester Bay Economic Development Corporation. Other possibilities include the Boys and Girls Clubs of Dorchester and Cristo Rey Boston High School. “Basically, Dorchester Bay thinks it’s a good idea and they’re happy to do it,” said Doyle.

Walsh said the Committee would have a meeting on Nov. 20 to get final feedback on the MOU, which is on the CSHCA website. He hopes to get a final

vote at the December general meeting.

• **Eversource trenching to continue through December** – Eversource representatives said that they would continue that work in Savin Hill to complete the Andrew Square Reliability Project and that they may be working overnights.

Dave Cotter of Eversource noted that they have work remaining on Gramplan Way, Savin Hill Avenue, and Playstead. “At this point it’s a race against time before we get snow...It’s on the table

and we’ve done it twice already,” he said.

Neighbor Heidi Moesinger lodged her displeasure with the night work, saying it shook houses and residents cannot sleep. “It doesn’t work here for all night long work,” she said.

EverSource is expected to circle back in 2025 to pave roadways, fix sidewalks, and complete the project, which started on Dewar Street and went under the Expressway, through Savin Hill, up Morrissey Boulevard and all the way to Andrew Square.

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Nick Collins
STATE SENATOR

About your Mass. and Cass story: Homeless are victims, not the cause

To the Editor:

Usually, the *Dorchester Reporter* is fair-minded, so I was surprised to read “Mass. and Cass woes are now impacting South Bay and beyond” in the Oct. 31 issue.

The big issue isn’t crime but the lack of housing. Where we used to have rooming houses and cheap apartments, now no more—

they’ve been replaced by \$3,000+ rents and “luxury” condos. Because there’s no available housing, the number of people on the street is sure to increase. And it could be you or me because these days it doesn’t take much. My point is that homeless people are the victims, not the cause.

I once wrote an article called “If I Were Homeless,” saying that if I were out on the street even half a day, I’d be taking drugs to make me feel better, and I’d waste no time getting me a tent!

As for drugs, there should be a big sarcastic flag over Mass. and Cass: “Thank you, Sackler!” As well as “Thank you, USA for Fentanyl.” Yes, reopen Long Island – after ten years! – and open more mental health and drug treatment places – right where they’re needed. Police cars at every corner are a hostile response, not a solution. And we’ve got to put an end to hatred of the homeless and treating them like criminals.

Alison Barnet is an author who has lived in the South End close to Boston Medical Center for 60 years.

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Papa John's gets license to set up shop in Fields Corner

REPORTER STAFF

The Boston Licensing Board last Thursday approved a permit for a Papa John's at 1501 Dorchester Ave. in Fields Corner after the franchisee agreed to add salads, and possibly other healthy offerings to its menu and to require all delivery drivers to make pickups through a rear door rather than clogging up the already crowded street out front.

All three board members said they were sympathetic to the issue of a small neighborhood being overwhelmed by junk food but they agreed that opposition at a hearing the day before was really more focused on opposition to yet another pizza place in the neighborhood - opposition that included the owner of a pizza shop across the street, noting that "competition" is not an issue the board can legally consider in opposing a proposed food-serving license.

"I'm open to the argument that a small little neighborhood could be overwhelmed with bad food options," board member Liam Curran said. "For me, Papa John's I would say is an unhealthy food option."

Said board member Keeana Saxon: "At least some options on the menu allow it to not be as deleterious as some other fast food places," referencing her vote a couple years ago against a proposed Burger King on the Hyde Park/Mattapan line. But, she continued, "most of the opposition" was not about unhealthy food, but competition with nearby pizza places. "I was a little bit annoyed by it," she said.

In a city increasingly overwhelmed by delivery people on scooters, board members said they were particularly appreciative of Johnson's plan - submitted after a contentious hearing the day before - to limit pickups to a rear door.

The board made the rear pickups a requirement on its license, which means that if police find food deliverers cramming out front, they can issue citations,

which would require hearings before the board and possible sanctions.

Board members compared their impending vote in favor of the Papa John's to their vote a few years ago to doom a proposed Popeyes in Codman Square, which residents and community groups opposed as a purveyor of high-fat food and which never filed a plan on how it would deal with traffic.

Curran said there was "a very clear groundswell" against Popeyes based strictly on its menu, not the issue of it competing against nearby restaurants.

Board Chairwoman Kathleen Joyce, who noted the board wasn't even required to hold a hearing on Joe and Ralonda Johnson's application - because they are moving into the location of a previous restaurants - but did so because of the opposition to the proposal.

She said she objected to the way the Johnsons and their attorney, Dennis Quilty kept raising issues related to the business dealings of opponent and Antonio's Hi-Fi owner Brian Chavez - who previously operated a burger place at the proposed Papa John's location; in fact, she called it "out of line." But she said that on the merits of the application itself, she had to side with the Johnsons.

In response to neighborhood concerns, the board rolled back the proposed closing time to midnight most nights and 1 a.m. on weekends and to restrict where delivery food can be picked up and add salads.

"I wasn't able to find it was not in the public good," Joyce said.

The proposal by a New Jersey-based franchisee - but with a local manager who went to Burke High School - was met by opposition at the hearing the day before from a local business group and residents, who say they don't want some national chain with unhealthy food competing with home-grown small businesses in a neighborhood that already has more than enough pizza options.



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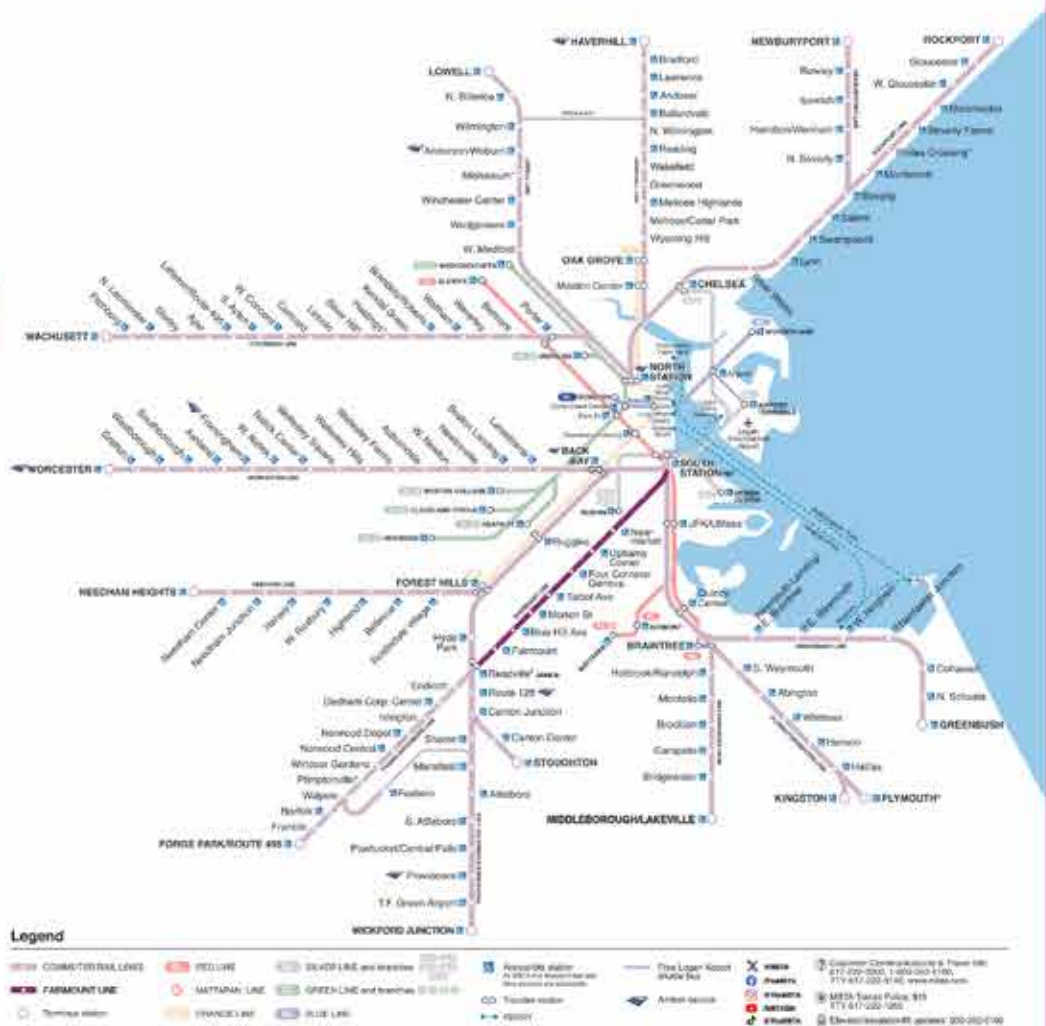
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For BINcA’s widely diverse soccer team, ‘winning’ is a word they all understand

By **CASSIDY MCNEELEY**
REPORTER STAFF

Echoing through the halls of Boston International Newcomers Academy (BINcA) in Dorchester are words in dozens of national languages, but despite these differences, a diverse set of students has excelled through playing the game of soccer. The school’s team is ranked at the top of the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association’s (MIAA) Division 5 boys’ tournament that started this week.

According to their coach, Edmar Varela, who notes that “soccer worldwide” is the most popular sport, “the ball is universal. All of our kids are English language learners. Some recently just came, and some have been in the country for two or three years, but rarely will you find anyone more than three years at the school.”

BINcA, located at 100 Maxwell St. on Codman Hill, welcomes English language learners who are entering a United States school system for the first time and have either limited English proficiency, or a gap in their formal education. On his team this year, Varela, who also teaches physical education at the school,

counts students from Haiti, Syria, Guatemala, Cape Verde, and El Salvador – all brand new to the country over the last few years. While they don’t always understand what their fellow players and classmates are saying, he said, “we find a way to communicate on the field. We don’t have to speak the same language. The ball finds its way around the field despite the language barriers.”

Senior left back William Bazalais, who wears No. 11, hails from Haiti. He said his favorite part about BINcA is playing soccer with his teammates every day. “It’s my first time being on a team that everybody has a different nationality. We don’t have to speak the same language. We have connections with each other. Everyone gets along together, it doesn’t matter your language, it doesn’t matter where you come from, your nationality, or your past.”

Fellow senior Anthony Dilbert, a center midfielder from Honduras, added, “My favorite part about being on the team is we all consider each other a family. We are always together.”

Varela was born in Angola, but, like his students, came to Dorchester as an adolescent.

While he had much to learn about life in America, he already knew all about soccer, and that’s the same experience his current roster brings to the Maxwell Street campus. Once on the field, his players can forget about the uncertainties at home and school, and for a few hours focus on soccer.

“A lot of our kids are from low-income families; they have all sorts of barriers besides language. Some of their home situations are not the best, some of our kids live in shelters,” Varela said in an interview with The Reporter. “It’s just a beautiful thing for them to find a way to thrive on the soccer field and be happy, just do something special for the school and community.”

And thriving on the field is something the team has found offers a sort of common language. For most of the year, they were at the top of the MIAA Division 5 Power Rankings, meaning they are considered one of the best teams in the state, coming off an impressive campaign last year that saw them unexpectedly advance to the Final Four.

This year has been a follow-up to last year’s success, where the Lions went undefeated in their regular season but lost

the City Championship game to Boston Latin Academy (BLA). Wanting to show they were ready for the big moment this year, the team set out on a redemption tour and took home the City League title after defeating the collaborative Jeremiah Burke High School/Dearborn Stem Academy, 2-0, in the championship game two weeks ago.

“The fact that the kids are from different countries, I feel like everybody brings a different type of style to the game,” said Varela. “We have kids who are very defensive and can be physical; we have kids who have dribbling abilities and know how to find and feed guys differently. You can definitely see the diversity in the field. Different styles of play from all the guys.”

Bazalais added, “It feels like we did something big. As a senior in my last year, I feel like I am leaving something in the school so that every time I come back, I can see it.”

While winning the Boston City League is a big accomplishment, the team is not done yet. With Tuesday’s close call against CASH, another Dorchester school that has emerged as a powerhouse in high school soccer this year by using the skills of so many players just arriving in the country, the players have advanced on their mission. “Our goal is to win



states this season,” said sophomore center back Steevenson Chanson. “I want to get two trophies; this year we’re going to bring the championship back to BINcA.”

Coach Varela did his part for the players’ goal on Tuesday when he put Mahmoud Al in as a late substitution ahead of his winning kick. “We came in on the blind side and didn’t know their style, but in a way, it was a good test,” said Varela. “I prefer a harder game to win than too easy of a game... We have to always respect the opponent. Despite rankings, you don’t know who will show up. A

test like this only makes us stronger.”

When asked about his expectations for the rest of the tournament, Varela said, “I’m expecting a solid run. The goal is to try our best to get the second trophy. Obviously, this is a bigger trophy, and my understanding is that a BPS team has never won a state tournament in soccer.”

With the leadership of Varela and co-captains Bazalais and Dilbert, all the players seem to be speaking the same language of victory.

Reporter News Editor Seth Daniel contributed to this article.

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US funds will aid city's shuttle vans, bike options

By ALISON KUZNITZ
STATE HOUSE
NEWS SERVICE

Boston is slated to gain a new shuttle van network and hundreds of Bluebikes, thanks to a federal grant secured by the Metropolitan Area Planning Council.

The \$21.6 million award, part of the Federal Highway Administration's Congestion Relief Grant Program, will be used to create new shuttle routes in Allston-Brighton, Charlestown/Somerville, and the Seaport, with the aim of augmenting MBTA service, the MAPC said. The grant proposal calls for two 14-passenger vans along each route, with 30-minute headways and one to four hours of daily operations.

The shuttles will be operated by the Allston Brighton TMA, the Seaport TMA and the Lower Mystic TMA, an MAPC spokesperson said. Transportation management associations are private, non-profit groups comprising employers, developers and property managers collectively tackling transportation, air quality and commuter issues, according to A Better City's website, which operates two TMAs.

The money will also cover new on-demand "micro-transit" services in the Mattapan and Grove Hall neighborhoods, "provided that one end of the trip is a transit stop, while the other can be their home or another destination,"



according to the application. Via Transportation, Inc. will operate those shuttle routes, according to the grant application.

"This grant will provide more options for people to get around without relying on a car and will make a dent in Boston's status as one of the most congested

cities," Eric Bourassa, MAPC's transportation director, said.

Nearly 400 Bluebikes will be added to the Greater Boston area, encompassing 90 e-bikes and 290 pedal bikes, plus 32 electrified stations and 32 regular stations. MAPC says initial planning will explore where to locate the stations in existing Bluebike communities, including Arlington, Boston, Brookline, Cambridge, Chelsea, Everett, Malden, Medford, Newton, Revere, Somerville, Wattertown and Salem.

The grant will also allow officials to pursue research into reducing driving and encouraging transit use, as well as creating a mobile app for transit planning and payment.

"This federal funding will advance transit equity and reduce carbon emissions by giving more people the option to get to work, school, medical appointments, and other important services without relying on a car," US Sen. Ed Markey said.

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CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME DOCKET NO. SU24C0527CA IN THE MATTER OF: SHEREE HELEN BELL

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Sheree Helen Bell of Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:

Sheree Helen Austin
IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/14/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

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

Date: October 22, 2024

Stephanie L. Everett, Esq.
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Published: November 7, 2024

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. SU24P2281GD IN THE MATTER OF: IDALIS BROWN of BOSTON, MA RESPONDENT

Alleged Incapacitated Person To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Mass. Dept. of Mental Health of Westborough, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Idalis Brown is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve 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.

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

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Neighbors celebrate 4th Nightmare on Nixon Street block party

By **SETH DANIEL**
NEWS EDITOR

The Nixon Street neighbors gathered on Halloween to celebrate their 4th annual Nightmare on Nixon Street block party – but this time they closed off the street and threw a major soiree.

Funny things can happen when an

experienced events planner and the owner of ice cream truck company live on the same block – one of them is epic neighborhood parties.

Myesha Slaughter and Bessie Slaughter, of Style House Events, and the owner of the Mr. Kool Ice Cream truck banded together with neighbors on

Nixon Street in Melville Park to host a fun event on an outstandingly warm Halloween evening.

“This is the fourth year of doing this and we really decided to start it up right after the pandemic to bring our friends and neighbors together,” said Slaughter. “Melville Avenue a block over has a

big group that comes, and we wanted to do something smaller here for the neighbors. The first year it was just in the driveway, and then it just exploded. This year we were able to close the street and bring in vendors and fun activities to the street. It’s really just a great opportunity to bring people together.”



With an Aladdin theme in full effect, Jeffery Johnson, Sr., Cynthia Loesch-Johnson, Jeffery Johnson Jr., and Maya Johnson enjoyed the party.



It is certainly appropriate to wear a popcorn costume to serve popcorn, and that’s exactly what Deborah Jackson did while working the popcorn machine at the block party.



Patty and Ana McCormack enjoyed strolling around.



Myesha Slaughter, one of the block party organizers, in her 1950s poodle skirt.



Gregg Sorensen visited with neighbors and had a huge bowl of candy for the trick-or-treaters.



Jackie Green had a very scary costume.



Glenda, Aileen, Marcos, and Gael Garcia (front) checked out the Mr. Peanut mobile that visited the party and handed out free peanuts. Seth Daniel photos

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Latest tax agreement plan sent to Beacon Hill

(Continued from page 1) exemption for the “personal property” tax on business equipment.

The home rule petition was modeled on a similar measure filed by former Mayor Thomas Menino and approved in modified form in 2004, during a national economic downturn. As with the current measure, the adjustment in tax rates was designed to protect homeowners from a sharp increase in bills, based on a drop or lag in commercial property values while residential values continued to rise.

Menino’s measure was also accompanied by budget cuts, as was the case during the next downturn, in 2009, when he tried to impose a wage freeze to reduce layoffs among city workers. During both downturns, Menino was confronted with a significant decrease in state aid, but he did not reduce the city’s tax levies to less than the annual increase allowed since passage of Proposition 2½ in 1980.

At the end of June, the City Council approved the mayor’s FY2025 budget of \$4.6 billion, with an increase of 8 percent over the previous year. Despite council efforts to make changes in the mayor’s spending plan, there was no attempt to change the spending total, even though the budget was approved three weeks after the council had passed the mayor’s first version of the home rule measure.

Unlike what happened during the economic downturns under Menino, there was no significant fall-off in state revenue this year, and Wu had the same legal authority to increase the city’s overall property tax levy. If Menino had responded to a fiscal necessity caused by a shortfall in revenue beyond his control, Wu and city councillors were making a choice about distribution of the tax burden.

In 2003, Menino faced a similar problem, but the shift of the tax burden onto homeowners was soon eased by national recovery. In 2024, the shift in values has been attributed to declining demand for office space, driven by the switch to remote work since the pandemic. Though city officials cite continuing indicators of economic recovery, other numbers show demand for office space in the city lagging behind levels in Boston’s suburbs.

In a remote briefing with reporters and local activists on Oct. 28, Wu mentioned encouraging indicators, including a positive absorption rate for office property in Boston, meaning more space becoming occupied than vacated. According to the latest quarterly report from the commercial real estate service firm CBRE, Boston’s central business district had the region’s largest gain for absorption, though most of that was generated by a single lease, for the state’s Executive Office of Health and Human Services.

Other third quarter reports from real estate showed declines in asking rents for office space in Boston – in contrast with increases in the suburbs, and even decreases in absorption. One bright spot,

reported by JLL, was that the Boston region “had the largest share of workers return to office of any major market in the United States over the last four quarters.” Adding to that number in 2025 will be Amazon’s requirement for in-person office work five days a week, affecting thousands of employees at the Boston Tech Hub in the Seaport District.

“By many metrics, Boston’s economy is stronger than it has been in a really long time,” Wu said at the briefing. “You think about foot traffic, job growth, tourism numbers, hotel uptake, everything is looking strong and continuing to progress in the right direction.”

“Recent studies have shown that Boston exceeds comparable US cities in its reliance for revenue on property taxes, a point raised locally by fiscal watchdogs. During the briefing, Wu acknowledged that “property taxes are 71 percent of the city’s revenues, and that is just not a sustainable number.”

Her case for new revenue was expressed as a need for public spending to support private investment by residents and businesses: “Cities are constantly trying to find new ways to just stay on top of what we need to do to maintain our workforce and maintain our service levels at a time when we need to be expanding and increasing our service levels, so we do need to talk about diversifying our revenues and getting your help again up at the State House to advocate for other ways the city could be funding important priorities.”

Revenue diversification was among the alternatives posed by the Boston Municipal Research Bureau in its May report about the tax rate measure, along with slowing growth in spending. At the Oct. 29 hearing on Wu’s revised measure, by the Council’s Committee on Government Operations, the bureau’s interim president, Martha Walz, outlined recommendations on revenue to be issued in a report this month.

“The headlines on it are that, given the scale of the property tax, and that it’s 71 percent of the operating budget, to diversify to lower that 71 percent, is going to require a large amount of other revenue,” Walz told councillors. “And the short version is this is going to be very difficult to do. It’s going to take an extensive period of time. But we lay this out in our report because we think this is an incredibly important conversation to have: Should we rely less on the property tax and what are the consequences of that?”

Wu’s chief financial officer, Ashley Groffenberger, has repeatedly noted that less reliance on property taxes could also pose a disadvantage. She said financial ratings agencies, which determine interest charges for the city’s capital spending budget, consider the property tax to be more stable, less vulnerable to downturns in business earnings and personal income. And she argued that city finances seem even more stable if the maximum property tax levy is con-

sistently imposed, as it has been since the 1980s.

Groffenberger has also cautioned that any benefit from scaling back the tax levy would be distributed according to share of the tax burden, with more savings for owners of commercial property—barring a change of law that could withstand a legal challenge. And any proposals at the State House that could help Boston scale back its property tax levy would also have to win over legislators from other cities and towns, where for some, maximum levies have been exceeded by overrides.

District 2 (South Boston, South End, Chinatown) City Councillor Ed Flynn – the lone vote against the revised home rule petition on Oct. 30 – has repeatedly pressed for spending cuts, especially in the Boston Public Schools. Along with suggesting other possible sources of revenue, Flynn has mentioned potential gains in revenue from Boston’s tax-exempt institutions, through the city’s “PILOT” (payments in lieu of taxes) program, but Wu estimated that any gains would still fall far short of the gap in the tax burden addressed by the home rule measure. If approved, officials estimate a 14 percent annual increase for residential owners – payable in the next two quarters of FY 2025 – could be reduced to as little as 9 percent.

At the Oct. 29 hearing, Assessing Commissioner Nicholas Ariniello described the potential tax spike that the measure aimed to head off as a “thirty-day problem” for homeowners that would not be addressed in the short term by pursuit of revenue diversification. “I would view it as we are giving people time to acclimate,” he explained.

Measures of that value were expressed at the hearing from long-time elderly homeowners and members of the Mass. Senior Action Council. Though they bought homes when prices were low, as early as the 1970s, they said their lim-

ited incomes made it hard to keep pace with taxes based on the later increases in property values.

Enid Eckstein, an activist and labor leader serving as the co-chair of the PILOT Action Group, told councillors that tax relief would require more than just increased revenue from institutions.

“Boston has a structural revenue problem, and we keep kicking the can down the road. Full-scale reliance on property tax is a structural problem,” she insisted. “Boston needs to diversify its revenue streams with reliable and predictable sources. It’s incumbent on the mayor to bring a working group, including community leaders, together to determine potential sources of future revenue rather than just rely on property tax faced with a similar budget crunch.”

Though District 4 (Mattapan/Dorchester) Councillor Brian Worrell voted for the new home rule measure—reversing his vote against the earlier version, he cautioned against new revenue sources. “If we are always going to take the full 2.5 percent levy hike, like nearly every other municipality does,” he said just before the vote on Oct. 30, “then I’m wary of adding further revenues.”

District 3 (Dorchester) Councillor John FitzGerald also switched from opposition to the earlier measure, though he repeatedly stressed that tax relief for homeowners would only be temporary. Just before the Oct. 30 vote, he said, “I think, after this vote, let’s not act like we’ve cleared a major hurdle, because there are certainly still hurdles in the future.”

In the last comment before the vote, Council President Ruthzee Louijeune—a supporter of the home rule petition in both versions—closed with a qualification. “I want to acknowledge that there are some longer-term issues that we’re going to be dealing with,” she said. “And we do that through the budget, and we do that through our hearing orders. And I look forward to those continued conversations.”

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BGCD Walter Denney Youth Center Hosts Halloween Haunted House Party: See details below.

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BGCD Partners with Elevate Youth for Blue Hills Photography Hiking Trip: To close out October, BGCD partnered with Elevate Youth for our monthly outdoor adventure. For this outing our members took part in a Photography Hike up to the Blue Hills. With beautiful autumn scenery as the backdrop, members were equipped with a camera to shoot photos on the Mountain, capturing the sights of fall in New England. Our members also enjoyed time at the Trailside Museum prior to the Hike to learn about all of the exhibits and what to look for on the hike. For our November outing our members will travel to Duxbury to pick Cranberries from a bog and learn outdoor cooking skills. Thanks to our friends at Elevate Youth for providing these fun opportunities. To learn more about partnering with BGCD, please contact Mike Joyce at mjoyce@bgcdorchester.org.

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BGCD Walter Denney Youth Center Hosts Halloween Haunted House Party: On Halloween night, members of Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester attended a frighteningly amazing Halloween party and Haunted House at our Walter Denney Youth Center site located in Harbor Point. Throughout the night, members were able to play games, dance to their favorite spooky songs and enjoy a delicious meal. Those who were brave enough took a tour in the haunted house that was created and decorated by our very own BGCD staff. A special thanks to all the BGCD staff and volunteers, as well as our friends from UMass Boston, who helped make this event such a success for our members! This annual event is highly anticipated by members and families all year round. For more information on the Walter Denney Youth Center, contact Queenette Santos at qsantos@bgcdorchester.org.

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BGCD Keystone Club to Hold Canned Food Drive Throughout November: Help us give back! BGCD's Keystone Club will be holding a Canned Food Drive for the entire month of November. Members are looking for non-perishable canned goods for collection for families this holiday season. All donations can be dropped off at our Marr Clubhouse located at 35 Deer Street, Dorchester, MA 02125 during regular business hours. Our Keystone Club builds leadership skills while serving the community through a variety of Club and community based service projects. Keystone is also a great way to complete required high school service commitments and presents well on college and scholarship applications. For any questions about the Drive or more information on Keystone Club, please contact Mike Joyce at mjoyce@bgcdorchester.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Elevate Youth Outdoor Cooking November 9
- Marr-lins Meet at Billerica Club November 9
- Power Forward Salem State Tour November 16
- Harbor Point Welcome Wednesday November 20
- Bright Futures Grand Drawing Gala November 23
Learn more at bgcdorchester.org/grand-drawing
- Thanksgiving Break - BGCD Closed November 28-29

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Maximum Incomes*	
(set by HUD + based on household size + Area Median Income (AMI))	
Household Size	Maximum Income (100% AMI)
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Maloney Properties, Inc. Attn: Northampton Residences Lottery
27 Mica Lane, Wellesley, MA 02481



Information Session:
Attendance at the information session is not required. The session will be recorded and available for at-request viewing
Wednesday, November 20th, 2024 @ 12pm
<https://maloneyproperties.zoom.us/j/82261799568?pwd=YMVoBsbmSjF8PWEiF852FsYVgvaqM1>
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VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING

NOV 19
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT GUIDEBOOK


Register: bit.ly/adu-guidebook-launch
Toll Free: (833) 568 - 8864
Meeting ID: 160 571 9865



DESCRIPTION:
The Planning Department will host a virtual public meeting on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, from 6:00-7:30 pm to present the Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Guidebook and talk about next steps in zoning for ADUs. The guidebook provides design inspiration to help owners of small residential properties understand what kind of ADU could be right for them and their property, and what they must consider in order to move forward in the design process.

Interpretation will be provided in Spanish, Cantonese, Mandarin, Vietnamese, Haitian Creole, and Cape Verdean Creole. Additional interpreting services and document translation services are available upon request at no cost to you. Please request interpreting services no later than 5 days before the meeting date.

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VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING

NOV 19
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

2-8 BOWDOIN STREET

Register: bit.ly/4fnD1sL
Toll Free: (833) 568 - 8864
Meeting ID: 161 518 8028



DESCRIPTION:
The Planning Department is hosting a Public Meeting for the 2-8 Bowdoin Street project located in Dorchester. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Small Project Review Application. The meeting will include a presentation followed by Q&A and comments from the public.

The project entails the construction of a seven-story building comprising 22 residential units, 2,400 square feet of commercial/restaurant space, and 1,500 square feet of shared tenant amenities, including bike parking, storage space, and an accessible roof deck for all building residents.

At this time, the Planning Department is continuing to host public meetings in a virtual setting for the health, safety, and accessibility of Boston residents. For more information and updates, visit bostonplans.org.

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Close of Public Comment Period:
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RECENT OBITUARIES

Mark Nolan Dailey, Sr.

Mark Nolan Dailey, Sr., died peacefully at home, surrounded by family, after facing the challenges of Lewy Body Dementia for several years. He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Anne (Barry) Dailey, his son Mark Jr., and his wife Angela, his daughter Josefina (Chepita), and his younger son Colin and his wife Paige. He leaves behind his beloved grandchildren, Rose and John Dailey. He is also survived by numerous brothers and sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, and cousins. Mark was the son of the late Dr. Joseph Dailey, Sr., and Margaret (Mooney) Dailey. He was pre-deceased by his brother Joseph, Jr., and his sister Alice Price.

A graduate of BU and Tufts School of Dental Medicine, Mark practiced dentistry in Dorchester for over 40 years, retiring in March of 2020. For a brief time, he served as an instructor in the dental clinic at Harvard University, training new dentists. He was a coach for Quincy Youth Soccer, a supporter of CYO Basketball, and served as a eucharistic minister at St. Mary's Parish. In his youth, he possessed a unique fascination with model rockets, and later, the adventures that a motorcycle and a sailboat offered. He loved putting around the house on numerous projects, with the four-legged friends his wife or children gifted him in tow. He appreciated the adventures of traveling to destinations familiar or new. Most especially, he cherished time with family, while creating a photographic record of all their shared experiences.

Mark is beloved and will be missed by all who knew him.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Saint Mary's Church, 115 Crescent Street, W. Quincy, Tues., Oct. 29 at 10:00 AM.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that you recognize Mark by donating to the Lewy Body Dementia Association, 912 Killian Hill Road, SW, Ste. 105, Lilburn, GA 30047 or <https://www.lbda.org>

To leave the Dailey family a condolence message, please visit dolanfuneral.com

COHEN, Amy Marie, 56, of Dorchester. Daughter to the late Oretta M. and Columbus Cohen, Sr. She is preceded in death by her parents and her sister Ondra L. Cohen. Amy is survived by her partner, Michael Lesley, her children Mi'Kela Cohen, Mekhi and Kyla Cohen-Lesley; 2 grandchildren; siblings, Columbus T. Cohen, Jr., Elliott K.

Cohen and his wife Jo-sette Cohen, Cynthia D. Cohen and Robert D. Cohen.

GAFFNEY Joan Connolly, 90 of Dorchester. Mother to Patricia Brown and her husband Stephen of Nashua, NH; Stephen Gaffney and his wife Elaine of Braintree, Susan Gaffney and her husband Stephen Feiner of Florida; Michael Gaff-



ney of Dorchester; Robin Cousineau and her husband Joel of Weymouth, and Christine Gaffney of Braintree. She was predeceased by her parents, Doris and John Connolly, her brothers, John and Daniel Connolly, and her sister-in-law, Bernadette Connolly. She is survived by her sister-in-law, Nancy Connolly of North Hollywood, CA, and many nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

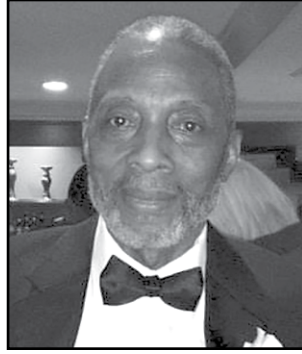


HOEY, Richard Edward, 93. He was preceded by his eldest son, Richard; and is survived by his children, Sharon, Joe, Julie Marie and Tom; and seven grandchildren. He had eight nieces and nephews and thirteen great-nieces and nephews. Dick grew up in Arlington and raised his children with his wife, Pat, there. He also lived in Dorchester and then Andover. He was in the Navy and was a medic in the Marine Corps at the end of the Korean war. He worked at the Boston Globe for most of his career as a photoengraver. Donations can be made at Hope for Recovery, 293 Wilson St., Manchester, NH, 03203 or paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/117919



LUNDRIGAN, Evelyn M. (Cleary), 94, of Scituate, formerly of Milton and Dorchester. Wife of the late Cyril J. Lundrigan. Mother of Ann E. Gilleran and her husband Dennis X. Gilleran, and Lawrence J. Lundrigan and his wife Elizabeth M. "Lisa" Lundrigan. Grandmother of 5. Great-grandmother of 3. She was predeceased by her mother Margaret (Sampson) Cleary and father Captain Kevin Cleary, and brother Gerald J. Cleary. Also among those that left before her were close friends Kathleen (Kay) Nolan, Julie Sullivan, Helen Barker

and Mary Kearney, and cousins Mary Brophy and Geraldine Maher, as well as sister-in-law Marge Lundrigan. She began her career as a telephone operator. She retired in 1991 after 43 years. She was a long-time member of the Telephone Pioneers of America. Donations may be made in her honor to the Sisters of Charity of Halifax Retirement Home, Attention Sr. Evelyn Dobzanski, 125 Oakland Street, Wellesley, MA 02481 or to the Catholic TV Network.



McQUEEN John Lee, Jr., 75, of Dorchester. He is survived by his wife, Kelly M. McQueen and seven children: John McQueen III of Boston, Damon McQueen of Pittsfield, Mona Fuller Childs (Alvin) of Boston, Terence Pennington (Lisa) of Lawrence, Deborah Chappell (Shawn) of Loganville, GA, April Pennington of Boston, and Barbara Jones (Raymond) of Boston. John was predeceased by several siblings Nettie Bowman Shelia Jordan, Frankie Rouse. He is survived by his siblings Marvin Rouse, Ella Vasquez, Angela Davis, Gloria Davis, Barbara Rouse, Leander McQueen, Jonnie McQueen, Larry McQueen, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, family, and friends.

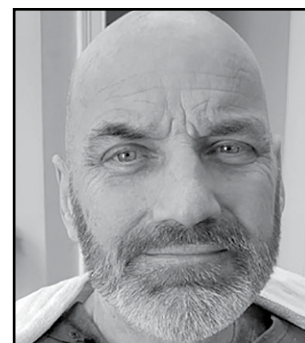


O'BRIEN, Joan A. (Larkin), 82, of Dorchester. Wife of the late William J. O'Brien. Mother of Paul O'Brien and his wife Marian of Dorchester, William O'Brien and his partner Jean Marie Burns of Dorchester, Carol Linnane of Maine, Joanne Beswick and her husband John of West Roxbury, Daniel O'Brien and his wife Linda of Quincy, and the late Dennis O'Brien. Sister of Michael Larkin of Weymouth. Grandmother of 14 and great-grandmother of 4. Please consider making a donation in memory of Joan to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

PETTWAY, Charles S. ("CS", "Charles", "Son" and "PA"), 86, of Dorchester, formerly of Alabama. Son to the late Araina King Pettway and Pierce Pettway. Hus-



band to the late Lizzye Gray (Pettway-Steward), they had seven children together. He later met his wife Alice (Frederick-Pettway) and they adopted their daughter, Sabrina (Pettway) Chery. They raised three children together. Charles spent the majority of his career working at Raytheon, as a custodian. Charles was preceded in death by his parents, grandmother, Eliza Booze, and brothers, Leroy Pettway (Alice), Lavern Pettway, his grandson Rashaud Pettway, his granddaughter Samantha Smith and, his stepson, Pepi Frederick. He is survived by his wife, Alice Frederick-Pettway; his brothers, Ronnie Pettway (Mary), Woodrow Pettway (Leda), his sisters, Audrey Merity; Odell Stanford, his children --Sharon Pettway-Moody, Sheila Pettway-Harper (Egerton), Carlton Pettway (Patricia), Cassandra Pettway-Johnson (George), Gary Pettway (Dorothy), Pamela Pettway, Kimberly Pettway, Sabrina Chery-Pettway (Elisee) and Tiffney Smith; his 17 grandchildren; and a host of great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, family members and friends.



STEELE, Michael J., 63, of Quincy, formerly of Dorchester. He was the son of the late Robert F. and Mary C. (Lydon) Steele. Before retiring, he was employed as an inspector for the City of Boston Water and Sewer Department. He was the father of Patrick Yanovitch and his wife Amanda of Tewksbury. He was the brother of Kathleen M. Smolinski and her husband John of Mansfield, Maryann Steele of Merrimac and her late husband Skip Hall, Carol A. Ledoux and her husband Joseph of Gorham, Maine, Daniel W. Steele and his wife Sharon of Rockland and the late Robert F. Steele, who is survived by his wife Debra Steele of Braintree. He was the uncle of 8 and the late Rob Steele.

TRZCINSKI, Anna A. (Rakauskas), 92, of Dorchester. Wife of the late Edward J. Trzcinski; mother of Edward, Beth, Paul and the late Michael



Trzcinski. She is also survived by many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, and pets.



WALSH, Patrick J. "Doc", of Dorchester. Husband of the late Bridget (Fahy) Walsh. Father of John P. Walsh and his wife Julie of Milton, Brian J. Walsh of Dorchester and Laura A. Creed and her husband James of Bridgewater. Papa of 5. Brother of Mary Flaherty of Norwood, Bert Walsh and Mattie Walsh, both of Ireland and the late John Walsh, Martin Walsh, Tommy Walsh and Micheal Walsh. Donations in Doc's memory may be made to Irish Pastoral Centre, 540 Gallivan Boulevard, Dorchester, MA 02124 or Society of African Missions, 337 Common Street, Dedham, MA 02026.



WILSON, Nancy Christine (Moulds), 88, of Scituate, formerly of Dorchester. Daughter to John and Ruth Moulds. Nancy is survived by her husband Richard H. Wilson; her children, Nancy Palubicki and husband Dave, Cheryl Wilson and husband Rick Jakubowski, Richard Wilson and wife Celia Rutkoski, Tara Lumnah and husband Gary, Kristen Filardi and late husband Joe, and Kevin Wilson and wife Marianne. She also leaves 13 grandchildren. Sister of Ruth "Chickie" Hardin and late husband Bill; predeceased by brother John Moulds and wife Ronda. Survived by many nieces and nephews and her dear friend, Eileen Shea. A school teacher of 22 years at St. Paul School, Hingham. Donations in Nancy's memory can be made to the Greg Shinney Memorial Fund. Please visit <http://bird-ease.com/gregshinneygolf> or send checks to the Greg Shinney Memorial Fund, c/o Gretchen Carey, 24 Gordon Road, Milton, MA 02186 or Scituate Community Christmas, (<https://scituatecommunitychristmas.org>) 125 Mann Lot Rd., Scituate, MA 02066.

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