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The Boston Transportation Department is looking to extend the dedicated bus and bike lane on Washington Street in Roslindale to the southbound lane during the afternoon rush.

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Looking to increase Roslindale bus lane use

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston Transportation Department (BTD) held three meetings this week on expanding the Roslindale dedicated bus and bike lane along Washington Street to out-bound p.m. usage; one meeting for English speaking residents, one for Spanish speakers and one for businesses.

The proposal met with generally positive feedback, on the concept at least, with some pushback on a few issues. The proposal is basically the same as the dedicated bus and bike lane in the morning, except that instead of being from 5 a.m. to 9 a.m.

heading toward Forest Hills, it will be from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. going toward Roslindale Square.

The bus lane is currently slated to start at Ukraine Way and go all the way to Target/Bexley Road. BTD Transit Team Leader Matt Moran said they want to push it to Adams Park later on, but at this time when many restaurants are looking to do outdoor dining to recoup losses incurred from the COVID-19 pandemic, BTD felt that it could wait until things are a little bit back to normal.

The plan will also relocate bus stops for more accessibility and safer boarding, as well as put in several new crosswalks, specifically at Arboretum Road and Granfield Avenue.

There is also a plan on the table for a bus lane to take one of the two travel lanes on Corinth Street. Moran said this would not impact any parking and would move up the bus stop from the intersection at Washington Street nearer to the Bank of America.

“This is to provide buses with an easier path down Corinth Street, the hard left onto Washington is difficult and sometimes drivers have to nose their way out in front of traffic. By moving the bus stop back, we bring a bit more public realm onto Corinth Street and offer better bus operations.”

Transit Advocate and Board President
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Resident Ron Odom

Fireworks causing major problems for residents

Mary Ellen Gambon
Staff Reporter

The use of illegal fireworks has skyrocketed this spring, up by a factor of 2,300 percent, prompting At-Large City Councilor Julia Mejia to call a fireworks trauma forum to address their ramifications.

More than 200 people attended the virtual forum via Zoom, Facebook and Twitter on Thursday, June 11, which focused on the social and emotional impacts of the blasts for veterans, elders and people who suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). The booms began as early as March and start as early as 3 p.m. Some can be heard up until 3 a.m. and, in one reported case, were mistaken for gunshots.

“Over the last few weeks, what we

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Against Everett St. condos

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

Nothing less than the soul of Sumner Hill is at stake if a seven-unit condo house is built on a vacant back lot at 12 Everett St.

This was the loud and clear message from over 40 residents who crowded the virtual Jamaica Plain Zoning Committee meeting on May 27.

They protested what Seaverns Avenue resident Charlie Rosenberg

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View of 12 Everett tucked behind 8 Everett Street on Sumner Hill in Jamaica Plain.

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Archdiocese representatives confirmed that this parcel on 12 Church St. in West Roxbury is under a purchase and sales agreement.

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Holy Name Parish, Archdiocese selling 12 Church St.

The Boston Archdiocese confirmed this week that it is selling the building currently housing the Holy Name Early Education Center at 12 Church St.

Boston Archdiocese Secretary for Communications and Public Affairs Terrence Donilon confirmed that the diocese is looking to sell the building.

“We have signed a purchase and sales agreement for the sale of 12 Church St.,” he

said.

Donilon said the reason for the sale is the same as many other recent sales of church property in the city.

“The property is too expensive to maintain,” he said. “The parish has been paying real estate taxes on the property, which has placed additional strain.”

Donilon said the details of the sale are still under wraps at this time.

“As a general practice, we

usually do not discuss the terms of the sale, especially prior to any closing,” he said. “When we do market a property, we seek requests for proposals, not a necessary set price.”

According to the Boston Tax Parcel Viewer (<http://app01.cityofboston.gov/parcelviewer/>), the property has a total value of just under

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Brook Farm archaeological dig to start

Ariane Komyati
Staff Reporter

Earlier this year, Mayor Walsh and the City of Boston's Community Preservation Committee recommended \$3,465,000 in grants for 16 historic preservation projects from the City's Community Preservation Act (CPA) Funds. The preservation projects were among 40 recommended to the City Council for grant funding totaling \$24 million.

One of the historic preservation projects includes \$20,000 to Brook Farm, the site of the transcendentalist experiment in the 1840s, for an archaeology dig and landscape improvements.

Brook Farm, located in West Roxbury, was established in April 1841 by transcendentalists and sought to equally distribute the tasks of daily life while providing education for all participants. The ultimate goal was a balance of work and leisure that would benefit the "greater good."

Making a profit from the farm's agricultural surplus was a challenge, and Brook



Boston Archaeologists are looking to find some more history at West Roxbury's Brook Farm.

Farm closed in 1847. However, this experiment at Brook Farm played a key role in the development of American religious and cultural philosophy. Many great thinkers and writers stayed at Brook Farm, including Nathaniel Hawthorne, Charles Anderson Dana and Margaret Fuller.

Despite concerns about the current pandemic, the Boston Archaeology Program still plans on doing the dig.

"I just talked with New Brook Farm about refining the scope of the project last week, and we are all still moving for-

ward with an archaeological survey plan. A primary goal is to better document where the known sites are on the property and create a clear plan for how best to avoid them with any future park improvement projects," explained City Archaeologist Joe Bagley. "The plan will also include what kinds of archaeological survey would be necessary if there needs to be some sort of landscape change (pathway, grading, signage install, etc.) on or near a known archaeo-

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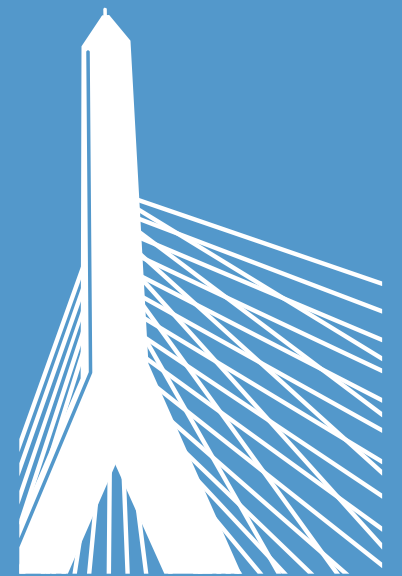
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A tale of two sieges

Undoubtedly, we feel as if we have been under siege by our “enemy” (COVID-19) since early March: indeed, our whole lifestyles have been under “attack” and have changed drastically.

But the siege of America, if not the world, pales when compared to that of Leningrad (formerly Petrograd and now St. Petersburg) in Russia that went on for almost 900 days.

Last week marks the 79th anniversary of the start of Hitler’s “Operation Barbarossa.” Launched in 1941 defying a previously



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*How long, Lord? Will you forget me forever?
How long will you hide your face from me?
How long must I wrestle with my thoughts and
day after day have sorrow in my heart?
How long will my enemy triumph over me?
Look on me and answer, Lord my God.*

Psalm 13

signed nonaggression pact, the surprise invasion of Russia featured 3 million Nazi soldiers streaming across the Soviet border, targeting Moscow, the Ukraine, Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia. The final target was Leningrad, a city with a population of 3 million and more than 600 factories. From September 8, 1941 until January 27, 1944, the siege saw 800,000 civilians basically starving to death.

After the railroad connection to Leningrad and last roads were seized, the Nazis surrounded the city with the help of their Finnish allies to the North. The only way to leave or receive supplies was across a frozen Lake Ladoga, subject to Nazi bombardment.

Hitler is supposed to have written in a memo that he decided to erase the industrial city “from the face of the earth,” stressing that requests for surrender were to be ignored, since the Nazis didn’t want to feed the city’s large population. He had chosen a chilling alternative to advancing on Leningrad directly: he would simply wait for its residents to starve to death.

Food in the city was strictly rationed, with each resident receiving an amount based on how essential—we’ve heard that word before—they were to the city’s defenses. Those most essen-

tial, such as soldiers and supply and factory workers, were given the most rations; the less essential—children, seniors, and the unemployed—were unfortunately not prioritized.

I like to complain about lines these days formed outside supermarkets until the number of shoppers diminishes, so that we can enter. Except for toilet paper, wipes, and flour, our stores have been decently stocked during the past months; food banks continue to show their largesse to Americans in need. But consider the fate of those living in the Leningrad siege: those lowest in the ration system received 125 grams or three slices of bread every day. Bakeries were allowed to put cellulose in their loaves to fatten up the bread; nonetheless, many residents were forced to survive on approximately 300 calories a day, which is less than 20% of what an average-size adult’s healthy intake should be.

The first winter after the siege began was especially brutal: temperatures dropped to 40 degrees below zero. Without coal and wood those who were lucky enough to have shelter burned furniture and books to provide heat.

Cannibalism occurred; corpses were everywhere: no body bags or refrigerated trucks hid them.

Could Bostonians survive a siege of two-and-half years?

\$2 million, with the land value being \$864,900 and the building at \$1.1 million. The lot size is 37,631 square feet, with a reported living area of 5,498 square feet. The property is listed as a commercial building for 2020. However, inexplicably, the City of Boston Assessing Department designated the property as “Exempt” for at least the previous 35 years. According to the same listing, it generated \$51,546 in taxes for 2020.

The building was originally purchased from the City of Boston Public School District some

time ago and then used by the Parish School for early education.

The Parish School was founded in 1953 by the Sisters of St. Joseph Boston. There is currently 60 lay faculty and support staff at the school, offering kindergarten through grade six. The School is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, and has an overall average class size no larger than 20 students.

For more information, go to <https://holynameparishschool.org/about-our-school>

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have realized is that the fireworks situation across the city has grown louder and louder and more disruptive,” Mejia said. She called the meeting with a panel of mental health experts and community leaders to address this problem, which has become more explosive because of the current civic unrest and tension due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

“This has been really challenging, with every night in every neighborhood, the breadth and the depth of fireworks going off,” added District 6 City Councilor Matt O’Malley. “We understand how they can be associated for folks who have experienced trauma.”

Jerome Smith, the City’s Chief of Civic Engagement and the head of the Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS), said that fireworks use typically starts mid-June, but has become “a significant problem in a short amount of time.

“The intensity we have now is nothing that we’ve seen,” Smith said. Originally, he believed the fireworks were purchased over the state line in New Hampshire, as was the past pattern. But a recent bust showed that larger fireworks are coming from as far as Michigan.

Smith told residents to call 911 rather than 311 to report fireworks explosions, “because right now, that’s the only tool we have.”

“We’re really hoping to set the stage and create a framework so citizens can take a

lead on these things and work in collaboration with the City on responding to these needs,” Mejia said.

Roslindale resident Melida Arredondo grew up in Brooklyn, NY and was a toddler during the riots of 1968 and 1969. She still has memories of looking out her window and watching the city burning down.

“I am not a happy person right now,” said Arredondo, who suffers from PTSD. “I can’t sleep at night. That really gets in the way of me being able to work during the day.”

She added that she was at the Boston Marathon bombing and experiences nightmares.

Ron Odom of Dorchester described how his son was murdered outside his home in 2007, and how the sound of fireworks impacts him.

“I heard the gunshots when my son’s life was taken, and when his body fell to the ground,” he said emotionally. “Just the sound of the fireworks – and I believe there is a difference between fireworks and firecrackers – just reminded me so of my son’s life that was taken that day.

“I just want to let people know the effect that fireworks are having on people in the neighborhood,” he continued. “And it goes a little deeper than just the sound of it. It’s triggering for a lot of people.”

Young people were encouraged to participate in the

dialogue. Alondra Bobadilla, Mejia’s youth liaison from Hyde Park, said it is important not to create “conspiracy theories” against teens or specific groups of people. She said she has seen adults lighting them off in her neighborhood.

“I think the important part of this whole conversation and a solution-based approach is to try not to do things to aggravate,” she said. “When we start pointing fingers it diverts from the whole point of the conversation.”

She added that police should not be called in for minor complaints, and that another problem is that minors have access to fireworks in the first place.

Martin Pierre, Ph.D. spoke about the psychological effects fireworks have on trauma victims. The Fourth of July is the worst time of year because of increased stress, anxiety and isolation. For victims of PTSD, “the world is never the same,” he said.

“For Blacks and marginalized and underserved communities, we are dealing with historical trauma,” Pierre explained. “So we are not only dealing with the fireworks, but we are dealing with the cumulative effects of childhood trauma, community violence and poverty.”

Marissa Luse said young people need to continue to be engaged in these conversations. For example, she learned in a conversation that setting off fireworks from site to site “is now considered a sport.”

Possible solutions to the fireworks issue include creating a public service announcement campaign; spreading awareness through mainstream and social media; and putting signs in stores and on bus stops and trash cans. Fines could also be considered as a deterrent.

“I really do believe that the power lies within the people,” Mejia said. “City government does play a role, and that is to facilitate the resources.”

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Parks details Phase 2 of Smith Playground renovation

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Boston Parks and Recreation met digitally recently to outline Phase 2 renovations to Smith Park in Lower Allston.

Boston Parks and Recreation Landscape Architect and Project Manager Cathy Baker-Eclipse led the presentation, which can be viewed at <https://bit.ly/2UJ3NF6>.

"I really miss seeing everyone's faces and being able to tell whether you're excited or frustrated by what we're saying," she said.

The current estimated cost

of construction is \$4.5 million, and is looking to start in spring of 2021 and take about a year. The funding comes in part from the City of Boston Capital Fund and has been previously approved and allocated. The first phase of the renovation was opened in the fall of 2019, which included a new playground, amphitheater, soccer field, basketball courts, street hockey court and a pump track. Baker-Eclipse said the input for park design came from the city, safety guidelines and regulations, the Parks Department and community input.

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scape Project Manager Kevin Beutell went over the current design of the renovation, which includes three ball fields as the main space for the area. The three ball fields are set up in a circle design, with a small portion on the south side of the field currently not designated for a specific use. There are two little league fields and a 295-foot softball field, and Beutell said the city is looking for feedback from residents on what that field should be used for.

He said there are some ideas from the city on what they

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logical site. We are coordinating everything with the New Brook Farm, my office, the Landmarks Commission, and DCR (which owns the site)."

When the archaeological dig will take place, who is going to be a part of the dig, and whether or not volunteers will be able to be a part of the dig is all to be determined.

"That will be based on the scope of work and scheduling.

Still too early in the process to make a call and may be weeks to months before we would know," remarked Bagley.

To learn more about the Boston Archaeology program, visit <https://www.boston.gov/departments/archaeology>.

The Community Preservation Act is "financed by a 1-percent property tax surcharge and a state match, the City

raises about \$25 million annually to fund affordable housing, historic preservation, open space, parks, and outdoor recreation. With Mayor Walsh's support, Boston is now among the other 175 communities that have adopted the act. The City implemented our first round of funding in 2018." To learn more about the CPA, visit <https://www.boston.gov/community-preservation>.

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Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked You for many favours. This time, I ask you this very special one (mention favour). Take it, dear Heart of Jesus, and place it within Your own broken heart where Your Father sees it. Then, in His merciful eyes, it will become Your favour, not mine. Amen. Say for three days, promise publication and favour will be granted.

—M.J.B.

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called “the monstrosity.”

“There’s only one Sumner Hill,” he said, “and it will be ruined by this monstrosity.”

Eric Dinicola and Nick Earls of Ascalon Industries bought 8 Everett St. with an option to build on the adjoining back yard numbered 12 Everett St. overlooking the Orange Line.

The proposed three-story building has narrow street frontage, will barely be seen from Everett Street with access from a shared drive to a basement-level parking garage.

Renovation and remodeling of 8 Everett into a three-unit condominium building is underway after a two-month halt.

Attorney Mike Ross represents Ascalon that he de-

scribed as “a small family company.” It’s located in Tewksbury.

“What’s unique is that this building sits behind number 8,” he said.

“We started meeting with the community in August 2019. We’ve had seven meetings and it’s slowly evolving. There’s no street frontage and it abuts a small park on Gordon Street.”

“Since December 2019 we’ve reduced the number of units from nine to seven, it’s a three-story building with six indoor parking spaces under the building,” said Ross.

“The project got a lot better as we moved on. [The architect] Mark Sangiolo got very creative.”

Ross stressed that the building has direct access to

the MBTA and is a transit-oriented development (TOD).

This didn’t satisfy Rosenberg.

“TOD has been satisfied up and down Washington Street,” he said. “JP has given a lot to TOD. There’s no reason to put it on Sumner Hill.”

Resident James Lesnick said that his Sumner Hill neighbors are not transient.

“They came here as stewards of an historic district,” he said. “Sumner Hill is what makes Boston Boston and what makes JP JP.”

Sangiolo of Harwich has designed a rambling, wood-frame, Queen Ann revival house with shingles, bays, turrets, gables and mansards.

That caused committee chair Dave Baron some confusion.

“I don’t exactly get the architecture problem,” he said.

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work; something architects never do at zoning committee meetings.

“Look at the drawings,” he said. “Focus on the actual drawings. My office worked so hard to reduce the size. At one point we crawled around the floor. We made numerous site visits. I’m proud of what we’ve designed.”

Carnochan was unimpressed.

“Architects drawings are just a sales tool,” he said.

Baron was annoyed that the committee meeting was being turned into an abutters meeting.

“I can’t remember when we’ve spent two hours talking about a single matter,” he said.

Baron admitted that the Mayor’s Office is not holding any abutters meetings and none are foreseen.

Ross agreed.

“We didn’t plan on the COVID thing,” he said. “The world has changed. The city told us no abutters meetings. I just don’t know what to do.”

Committee member Marie Turley from Union Avenue did know what to do.

“Your meeting needs to be a public meeting,” she said, “I’m disappointed. Three meetings on a project of this scale? This is premature. There was only an email notification of the architectural changes?”

A motion to approve failed and Ross agreed to return to the zoning committee after he met with the neighbors via Zoom.

“Now we’re being asked to go smaller when we can build as-of-right,” he said. “I’m worried about the opposition getting more well organized. These developers are good guys. I’ll give it one more try.”

“It’s ginger-bready, more richly detailed than other houses. What’s the problem with the gingerbread and the turrets?”

David Carnochan, who orchestrated a line of six opposing speakers, wanted a three-family house. “This is not the best look for the street,” he said. “It’s too big. It’s inappropriate.”

Resident Steven Hales agreed.

“I’m an architect,” he said. “I’ve done a lot of public work. It’s a question of scale, a question of diversity. I can’t support a seven-unit project.”

Baron wondered why the next-door, nine-unit building at 16 Everett St., recently completed by Watermark Development, was easily approved.

“This [number 12] seems to be the exact same building that’s already in front of you, just more luxuriant.”

Carnochan had the answer ready.

“This was a linkage project,” he said, “It was an as-of-right project in exchange for a parcel on Call Street. It was carefully thought out and more historically compatible.”

Condominiums listed at \$1 million have been sold at 16 Everett, and Alicia Mc Donnell is one of the new owners. She said she was surprised to find that a new building was going to be built outside her second floor unit.

Architect Michael Epp lives on Sumner Hill and supports 12 Everett.

“It’s not a townhouse. It’s a large Victorian building,” he said. “Twelve Everett will never even be seen. It doesn’t have the impact that number 16 has. Boston is changing. Density is not the enemy; it preserves neighborhoods.”

Sangiolo defended his

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A) I would first start with disconnecting the battery for a couple of hours. This will cancel out any and all memory in all electronic systems including the electric power steering assist system. There is no information on your complaint. The technician may have to connect a scan tool to the car and someone will drive the car and the technician will observe the power steering system sensor information.

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Roslindale Bus Lane *continued from page 1*

dent of the Roslindale Community School Council Dennis Kirkpatrick said while he is in favor of the southbound dedicated bus lane in general, he has some concerns, specifically with loading zones on Corinth and parking on the city's side streets.

"I think you need to have a traffic study here," he said. "There are a lot of people in the neighborhood, which is predominantly black and Latino, who did not know about the plans. There was an insufficient number of meetings and notifications."

Kirkpatrick said parking on the side streets is already an issue and would not be made that much better by losing street parking on the outbound side from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Moran pointed out that currently, during the a.m. bus lane implementation, street parking is using less than 50 percent of its capacity. Kirkpatrick said that some of his employees cannot find parking in their neighborhoods and have to park more than a block away from their homes.

He added that many businesses on Corinth Street use the right lane for loading merchandise, and Moran said they

would look into specifically adding a loading zone for those businesses on Corinth.

"The Family Dollar has an 18-wheeler truck that parks overnight on Corinth and unloads from 8 a.m. to noon Monday, even though the BTM sign says 'half-hour loading zone,'" said resident Jim Nichols.

Boston Director of Small Business Natalia Urtubey encouraged any businesses with concerns to reach out to her at Natalia.Urtubey@Boston.gov.

Resident and business owner Michael Cassidy said he felt the 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. window was too large and would negatively affect many businesses in the area. He said he felt the city should reconsider that window.

"I'm actually surprised that's even being proposed," he said.

WalkUP Roslindale co-founder Matthew Lawlor said he was in favor of the proposal, but felt the 2-7 window could be tweaked.

"It would definitely benefit me and the thousands of people who take the bus here," he said. "Whether 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. is the right window is a good question."

Many residents felt that the outbound lane could help the 19,000 daily bus riders of the corridor get home faster.

Former Roslindale Village Main Streets Executive Director and local transit advocate Steve Gag said he felt parking in the area is not a problem.

"I frequent the businesses on Washington Street often during the day," he added.

"My family commutes up this corridor from the Square both on bus and bike," stated resident Adam Shutes. "The Northbound lane has been a godsend, both for bus speeds and bicycle safety. The extra addition on Corinth St is a great idea. The outbound/south will be a welcome addition to speed up getting home from the Square on the bus, or without getting run over by a truck on our bikes."

"Keeping the bus out of traffic is essential to maintaining and creating more frequent service and preventing crowding on board," said resident Julia Waller. "Happy to see this move forward."

For more information on this and where to submit your comments on the expanded bus lane, go to boston.gov/departments/transportation/roslindale-bus-lanes

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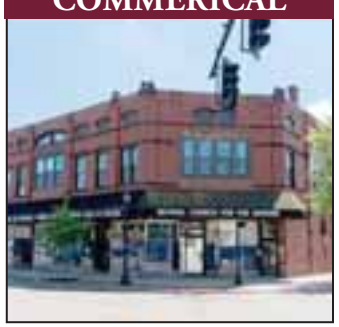


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Deaths

McDONALD

Joseph C. Age 73, of Hyde Park, formerly of Roslindale, passed peacefully on Tuesday, June 9, 2020. Joe was a lifelong resident of Boston. Prior to losing his sight to retinitis pigmentosa, he was employed at Massachusetts Envelope Company, Inc. where he served as the shop steward for many years. He was also an avid motorcycle enthusiast. In 1977, he married the love of his life, Diane M. (Cummings) McDonald, who predeceased him in 2010. Joe and Diane raised their loving son, Joseph Jr. in Roslindale, MA. They enjoyed spending many weekends and summers at their vacation home in Woodsville, NH. Joe was the son of the late Alphonse J. McDonald and Anna Marie Kane McDonald. He is preceded in death by his son Scott, USMC and brothers Jack (John Joseph), Lawrence (Larry), and Walter. In addition to Joe Jr., Joe is survived by his daughter Laurie and his brothers Thomas and his wife Ann, Kevin and his wife Kathy, and Michael. He is the beloved grandfather of Robert Michael and Samantha McDonald and was the treasured uncle of many wonderful nieces and nephews. Joe was a fun, intelligent man who will be remembered with great affection and love. Visitation with covid-19 guidelines were held at the P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home 2000 Centre St. West Roxbury on Monday, June 15th from 11am - 12noon, followed by a funeral service beginning at 12 Noon in the funeral home. Interment Mt. Benedict Cemetery, West Roxbury. Arrangements by P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, West Roxbury.



Suzanne Moran and her husband Sean of Braintree, Kelly Kelly and her husband Jeffrey of Millis, and Julie Ryan and her husband Bill of Canton. Loving nana of Gavin and Caitlyn Moran, and Emma and Avery Ryan. Dear sister of Geraldine Cash of Winthrop, Nancy Buckley of Westwood, William Aldridge of Walpole, and the late Bobby Aldridge. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. Katherine was a dedicated nurse practitioner with MIT Infirmiry and Hebrew Rehabilitation, Roslindale. Funeral was from the P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home 2000 Centre St. West Roxbury on Monday, June 15th. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. Arrangements by P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, West Roxbury.

MOORE

Wendy Ann of Roslindale, formerly of Jamaica Plain, June 9, 2020. Beloved wife of Jean Marie Long. Loving daughter of the late Thomas J. and Elena (Spagnoletti) Moore. Sister of Thomas Moore of Natick and the late Gregory Moore of Jamaica Plain. Aunt of Tiffany & Jeffrey Moore. Funeral from The Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in the Holy Name Church on Saturday, June 13. Burial at The Gardens Cemetery. www.lawlerfuneralhome.com

POWDERLY

Harold J. Jr. "Joe" of West Roxbury, passed away at home in the comfort of his loving family on June 12, 2020. Beloved husband of the late Barbara A. (Reddish). Devoted and loving father of Susan Sullivan and her husband Daniel of Hyde Park; Stephen "Puff" Powderly of West Roxbury; Jean Butler and her husband John of West Roxbury; Kara LeBlanc and her husband Timothy of Norwood and the late Keith Powderly. Devoted grandfather of Lauren and Stephanie Myers; Jennifer Saville, Kelly Sullivan, Shannon Landry, Keith Butler and Brianna and Jake LeBlanc. Great-grandfather of Ariana and Patrick Lee, Caitlyn Saville and Grace Weafer. Dear brother of Kent Powderly of Pocasset and Joanne Frawley of NH. He is also survived by his sister-in law, Beverly Abruzese and many nieces and nephews. Joe had a long career with the City of Boston including serving as Traffic Commissioner. He was a past member of the Knights of Columbus 309, member of the Loyal Order of the Moose Dedham where he served as Governor. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, WEST ROXBURY. Funeral and burial was private. In lieu of flowers, donations in Joe's memory may be made to Loyal Order of Moose, 79 Lower East Street, Dedham, MA 02026. For directions and guestbook, please visit: gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

McDONOUGH

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What's going into the left side of Phase 2 at Smith Playground? Parks and Recreation want your ideas.

COURTESY PHOTO

Smith Playground *continued from page 5*

could use the space for. One scheme included three volleyball courts.

“At the last public meeting, there seemed to be some interest for volleyball here, and so what we’re really looking at in this scheme is a passive park with a flat lawn where the area for volleyball could be permitted for volleyball, but otherwise would just be an open space,” he said, adding trees would surround the area in a denser pattern.

Beutell added there would be other play features including a dish and bowl for skating and bicycling, and would also include a pole area for rock

climbing. Another scheme included more trail-oriented uses with an adult fitness zone and more greenery. The next scheme included tennis courts, with the ability to use the courts for pickle ball, along with a small area for exercise equipment and possibly an orchard planting.

Beutell said the ball fields will have state-of-the-art LED lights for night play.

“We’re also looking at including scoreboards, bleachers, team areas with shade structures, drinking fountains and bottle fillers and also athletic equipment storage areas that are lockable,” he said.

On the north side of the park, Beutell said they are looking to put in a large dog park comprising almost 20,000 square feet.

“We’re looking to break it up into two areas, one area for small dogs that’s going to be approximately 5,000 square feet and another area for large dogs that’s going to be just under 15,000 square feet,” he said.

Beutell added that no other dog park in the city gets close to the square footage of the Smith dog park.

Residents are encouraged to submit their feedback at Boston.gov/departments/parks-and-recreation/improvements-smith-playground

BFD honors fallen members at memorial service



The Boston Fire Department honored its fallen members on Sunday, June 14, at the Forest Hills and Fairview Cemetery. Each year on the second Sunday in June, the Charitable Association of the Boston Fire Department conducts a memorial service to honor the deceased firefighters buried there and to pay tribute to all firefighters who have given their lives in the fire service. The Firemen’s Lot holds the remains of 137 members of the department, including 15 members who died in the line of duty.

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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION **DOCKET No. SU20P0900EA**

Estate of: Ruthann Martini **Suffolk Probate and Family Court**
24 New Chardon St.
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Date of Death: 05/12/2020

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by:

Theresa A. Martini of Oviedo, FL

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

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You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00a.m. on the return day of **07/22/2020**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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

Date: June 10, 2020

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

Hyde Park Bulletin: June 18, 2020

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION **DOCKET No. SU20P0047EA**

Estate of: Joseph Morris, Jr. **Suffolk Probate and Family Court**
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Date of Death: 10/21/2019

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by:

Joseph Morris of Roslindale, MA

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

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Latinx Organizations in Massachusetts come together to keep culture buzzing

Leading Latinx organizations based in Massachusetts launched Cadencia Latina today, a series of virtual events that support Boston performers with Latin American roots and amplifies their footprint in the virtual stage. With the collaboration of Amplify Latinx, Hyde Square Task Force and Boston's Latin Quarter, Cojuelos' Productions and Ágora Cultural Architects, 11 performers of music, dance, and poetry will showcase their talents and entertainment and inspiration.

The events will be live streamed on Facebook every Sunday and Thursday at 7pm, and will kick off with the recognized Puerto Rican cuatro player and composer Fabiola Méndez. Fabiola opened doors for the national instrument of Puerto Rico by becoming the first cuatro player to graduate from Berklee College of Music, and has since built a name for herself and her music in the Boston community. Cadencia Latina will also feature artists from México, Cuba, Puerto Rico, Colombia, Costa Rica and Venezuela, among others.

The project hopes to also remind the Latino community, a historically undercounted group, of the importance of filling out the Census and defending its rights and political voice.

"We've been presenting Latin American arts and culture in Boston for over a year; we've seen the difference it makes in the communities and we miss being able to do that safely in the times of COVID-19. That's why we're so ex-

cited to produce this series and reconnect with our audience," said Beba Rivera, co-founder of Ágora.

"Hyde Square Task Force is thrilled to partner with such powerful artists and organizations to bring Cadencia Latina to the community. As the managing partner of Boston's Latin Quarter cultural district, we hope that coming together virtually through an amazing lineup of Latinx artists lifts people up during this difficult time," shared Hyde Square Task Force Executive Director Celina Miranda.

Amplify Latinx Executive Director, Rosario Ubiera-Minaya, also looks forward to these events and their capacity to ramp up civic engagement: "Our Latinx artists and creatives bring a lens of true representation of the sentiment of our culture and communities. Through their talent and vibrancy of their work, they are great to voice messages that will resonate with our community. We are excited about this collaboration that not only thoughtfully engages our artistic community, but also supports Amplify Latinx's goals for civic engagement and representation."

Here's the full list of events, which will be streamed on the artist and all organizations' Facebook Pages:

June 18, 7pm, Modern Dance with Marsha Parrilla

June 21, 7pm, Salsa, bachata and merengue by Eli Pabón

June 25, 7pm, Monologue by Paloma Valenzuela

June 28, 3pm, Ana

Masacote's Dance Class

July 2, 7pm, Zahili Gonzalez and her piano

July 5, 7pm, Andrea Cruz's music

To keep these events on your calendars and select where to stream them, visit any of the participating partner's pages: www.facebook.com/culturalagora, www.facebook.com/amplifylatinx, www.facebook.com/cojuelosproductions or www.facebook.com/bostonlatinquarter.

About the organizations:

Amplify Latinx is a non-partisan, collaborative movement whose mission is to build Latinx economic and political power by significantly increasing Latinx civic engagement and representation in leadership positions across sectors.

Hyde Square Task Force's mission is to amplify the power, creativity, and voices of youth, connecting them to Afro-Latin culture and heritage so they can create a diverse, vibrant Latin Quarter and build a just, equitable Boston. HSTF is the managing partner of Boston's Latin Quarter, which is a culturally, racially, and economically diverse cultural district located in Boston's Jamaica Plain neighborhood that aims to preserve and uplift its rich Afro-Latin history and culture.

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