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Residents can pick up their trees on Saturday for free at the Theo Parker Church, pictured above. Supplies are limited, so it will be first come, first serve.

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Free trees for West Roxbury

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Mothers Out Front West Roxbury (MOF) and Speak for the Trees have teamed up for this Saturday, May 1, to find about 50 seedling trees new homes in the neighborhood.

The giveaway goes from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in front of the Theodore Parker Church in West Roxbury on 1859 Centre St. MOF representative Maxine Hunter said there will be between 50 to 80 trees available depending on demand.

“We collaborate with many other organizations that have intersecting goals and MOF is

very interested in trees because they help draw out carbon dioxide from the atmosphere,” Hunter said. “They also provide shade and cut energy costs for homeowners. Speak for the Trees has similar goals to ours, by increasing the tree canopy and helping to eliminate heat islands in the city. They contacted us to see if we could help them distribute the trees.”

Speak for the Trees has held similar giveaways and tree maintenance events in the city before, including in Hyde Park and Roslindale. For the West Roxbury event, Hunter said there are about five species of 50 trees currently at the Theo

Parker Church grounds.

“We’re going to ask people who come to grab one to sign a pledge that states if they take a tree they’re going to plant it and take care of it,” she said. “Hopefully, these trees will grow to 80 or 100 feet tall. Most of them are going to want a sunny location, and they need to not be in a high-traffic location because they are really small and easy to overlook for their first few years. They’re going to need to be watered regularly until they’re well-established.”

Trees

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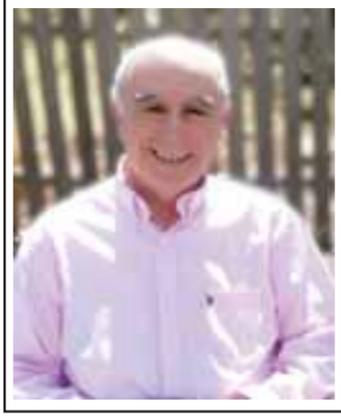
Chickin Lickin

It was just a casual reference uttered amongst a group of friends. Traveling by car from Florida back to Boston last month on I-95, he and his wife stopped at a no-frills place in Hardeeville, South Carolina, for a bite to eat. It seems that a friend of theirs had made a suggestion that the little dive, in between two gas stations at the Hardee exit, had some scrumptious fried chicken.

As a guy who was deprived of fried chicken his whole youth because of the belief then that fried foods were bad for my father's ulcers, growing up I had only boiled and roasted chicken—indeed nothing to salivate about. Yes, I have driven three times down, back and forth on I-95 though Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina—once from Washington, D.C., to Reverend King's funeral, and twice from Boston to Disney World. But I can't remember any stops memorable for their food and/or prices.

So this somewhat diet-conscious friend of mine, who usually waxes eloquent about the gustatory delights that only homemade pies, fresh donuts, and gins-and-tonic provide, went on and on about how he should have ordered more for himself and his wife Shelly: he never had such tasty fried chicken in his life.

Chickin Lickin—it's not a spelling mistake, that's the way it's spelled—does have a website: its prices are very moderate by Boston's standards. Various evaluations tout the outstanding quality of the food at this small place with



My Kind of Town/ Joe Galeota

both counter and patio seating.

At one time it used to open late in the day on Sundays, around 4 p.m., presumably to afford its workers to attend church services and enjoy some rest on the Sabbath. But, according to its website, the owners seemed to have succumbed to the American mantra of opening early in the morning every day of the week.

Now that just about everybody is getting vaccinated, you may be entertaining ideas of driving to Florida before the intense heat of summer. You can rest assured that if I'm ever again on I-95 South, a number of miles beyond the frequently advertised "South of the Border" stop for fireworks, t-shirts, souvenirs, restaurants, mini-golf, and reptile park, this Yankee is going to pull over, ask for a menu and a large lemonade, present my order, take out my wallet, and ask for extra napkins at you-know-where.

HNCA DETAILS 1905-1911 CENTRE STREET CONCERNS

To the Editor:

We are writing to you on behalf of the Highland Neighborhood and Civic Association (HNCA) regarding the proposed development of 1905-1911 Centre Street in West Roxbury.

Recently the comment period for this project closed. We provided direct input to this process in writing and through during the video conference call. In addition, we have written to Brian Golden of the BPDA and Dion Irish of the ISD on this matter.

The Association will support the "best" option possible for the site that supports the commercial district, is of the right scale, is consistent with attractive design, complements the neighborhood, and enhances the community. The solution should meet these criteria and ideally support the abutters, or at the least, not harm them.

The HNCA strongly opposes the development as proposed; this opposition is widely shared among business owners and residents alike.

We are alarmed by the threat this project poses for the community and to the heart of the Centre Street Business District. It presents economic, social, and aesthetic issues to the Business District and adjacent residential neighborhood.

Following is a summary of our input into on this project which we would like to share with the community and your readership. While not included here, the Association did submit important material supporting these positions:

> Zoning Non-Conformance

Building Height: The exception used to justify exceeding the 35-foot limit is not valid because the abutting structures are not non-conforming structures and even if they were, the developer's application of the Section 16-3 rule (exception) fails to take into account the horizontal distance limit restriction limiting the use of the exception. The proposed height would require a variance assuming it would even be considered, which we would oppose.

Parking Facility, Access & Traffic: The project has shifted from a one-way entrance into and exit out of the parking area / garage to a single two-way using a very narrow driveway. The traffic study was not updated to reflect this material change and its significant impact both within the building's parking facility and on Park and Centre Streets with adverse traffic and parking implications.

Screening and Buffering Parking, Loading & Storage Areas: A closer examination reveals that the parking space nearest Park St. violates zoning rules.

40-Foot Rear lot Set-Back Elimination is Inconsistent With Zoning Intent: The combination of two parcels should not remove a zoning protection for a residential abutter and disregard over 100 years of such protection.

> Uninspired Design

A design that is largely unattractive and is not in harmony or compatible with the surrounding area.

> Environmental Concerns

Long-term water management issues, immediate potential exposures due to the potential rock ledge, and energy use infrastructure incompatible with stated City goals for new residential housing.

> Preservation of the historic Keith House

The oldest structure (c 1850) and last remaining Greek Revival building from the pre-annexation period on Centre St. The developer has yet to provide the Boston Landmarks Commission with two non-demolition alternatives each for the Keith House and the bank building.

> Threats to the Business District

Failure to provide meaningful commercially practical commercial space, the threat of predominately residential structures detracting from commercial activity in the district, and threat that extended condo development would undermine the minimum threshold of business enterprises in the area to sustain the viability of the Business District.

Summary

The HNCA believes that proposed development is inconsis-

tent with the character, purpose, and economic development of the Business District and the surrounding neighborhoods.

We close by noting principles defined by the "Small Project Review" and that we believe the proposed development does not meet:

* "mitigate the impacts of development projects on their surroundings" * "mitigate the impact of new development on the City's transportation network and on adjacent residential neighborhoods" * "improve pedestrian and vehicular circulation and access" * "encourage development that is in harmony with its surroundings" * "ensure that new development is compatible with the existing traditional scale and character of Boston"

Whatever mix of residential, commercial and/or public uses the 1905-1911 site ultimately accommodates, those principles resonate with our goals for this site in the heart of our business district.

We believe that its development can and should:

* reflect and strengthen the historic village character of our business district * complement the traditional architectural style of the adjacent residential neighborhood * respect the rights of abutters and the significant investments they have made in their properties over the years * offer public amenities to enhance the visitor, particularly pedestrian, experience (through landscaping and other amenities) * utilize energy technology that minimizes its "carbon footprint"

We are counting on the City to help us achieve these goals and we would like to meet with you as soon as possible to make sure our concerns are clearly understood. We are certainly ready to answer any questions you may have.

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Hunter said there is one other stipulation she hopes potential tree adopters can abide by.

"This is going to be hard for people to figure out we know, but we hope people can avoid areas that have gas leaks," she said.

In Boston, according to Boston University research, there are at least 4,000 active gas leaks — and that's the conservative estimate. By some counts there

are as many as 20,000 leaks, some that can trace their origins to at least 1986. However, they do not flow at dangerous rates or are in areas where they can collect to combustible levels, so they are left alone. District 6 City Councilor Matt O'Malley championed an ordinance that would have required any gas provider in the city (National Grid and Eversource) to repair any leak where the city or another utility are already digging up the pave-

ment, but National Grid complained to the state government, which determined that only state regulations can have such requirements of state utilities.

Hunter said they will also soon be hosting lectures and activities, including a talk regarding the Community Choice Energy aggregation program. For more information on Mothers Out Front go to Mothersoutfront.org/team/massachusetts/west-roxbury/.

For more information on Speak for the Trees Boston, go to [https://www.sfttbos.org/](http://www.sfttbos.org/).

Allston Civic board considers slate of new projects

Justin Roshak
Staff Reporter

The Allston Civic Association (ACA) met last Wednesday and received testimony on a set of projects planned in the neighborhood.

A new proposed eight-unit rental property, at 80 North Beacon St., was the smallest.

“We tried to do a traditional building,” said Mark Sangiolo, project architect. But several members of the board expressed dissatisfaction with the number of units

“I’m amazed at your hubris,” said Mary Helen Black. “That’s way too much development for that lot. I find it just insulting. You have to cut down the number of units.”

Black, a landlord, added,

“If there were more owner-occupied multi-family homes, you would see lower rents. This is why we need to advocate for smaller developments and yes, they can still make plenty of money!”

“We don’t need more of these types of buildings,” agreed resident Paula Alexander. “It’s too bad that the developer won’t make tons of money out of it, but it’s not appropriate for this site.”

But resident Christine Varriale said, “The economics don’t work for them to build a single-family house. They wouldn’t make much money, and it would cost way more for someone to rent it than most people in this neighborhood can afford.”

Varriale advocated removing some parking spaces in favor of more greenspace, on the grounds that fewer than half of Allston households own a car.

Rent estimates were not provided. One project leader pointed out that COVID had reduced rents across Boston and made predicting them difficult.

Another project at 120 Braintree St. also went before the board: a 33,621 square foot building on a 9,613 square foot parcel.

The proposal envisions a five-story building with 32 condominiums. The site is currently a one-story office with adjacent parking lots.

Varriale again suggested reducing parking spaces.

“Less than half of Allston households have a car,” she said. “This site is right next to a grocery store and the commuter rail, serviced by the 64 bus, less than five-minute walk to the 66 bus, and a 10- to 15-minute walk to the Green Line.”

The project would include 15 percent of its units be designated as affordable, which is higher than the 13 percent required by the city’s Inclusionary Development Policy (IDP).

A third proposal at 180 Western Ave. would build a seven-story building with 273 residential units on a 50,277-square-foot parcel. First announced by developer Samuels and Associates in July, 2020, and the plan includes restaurant/retail space.

“If every development is done with this proportion of greenspace to developed space, I think the end result is no greenspace honestly,” resi-

dent Lisa McDonough said. “I don’t understand how the end result is not unhealthy for the environment.”

The association board was divided on the value of a new, dense development.

“I don’t hate the height and massing. We just need to push Samuels to have more IDP units within the building,” said Varriale.

“Dense housing is more energy efficient than single family; however, green space is so key,” said Stock.

Others were more skeptical.

“We don’t want people in Ubers coming down and picking people up,” said Alexander. “It just doesn’t fit in the neighborhood.”

Samuels and Associates built Continuum, a mixed-use development close to 180 Western Ave. However, the

ACA

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Miracle Prayer

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.

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—S.G.H.

Novena to St. Clare

Ask St. Clare for three favors, 1 business, 2 impossible. Say nine Hail Marys for nine days, with lighted candle. Pray whether you believe or not. Publish on the ninth day. Powerful novena. Say “May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be praised, adored, glorified, now and forever, throughout the whole world. Amen.” Your request will be granted, no matter how impossible it may seem.

—S.G.H.

Novena to St. Jude

Oh Holy St. Jude Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles, near Kinsman of Jesus Christ faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need, to you I have recourse from the depths of my heart and humbly beg to whom God has given such great power to come to my assistance. Help me in my present and urgent petition. In return I promise to make your name known and cause you to be invoked. Say three Our Fathers, three Hail Marys and three Glorias. Publication must be promised. St. Jude pray for us and all who invoke your aid. Amen. This must be said for nine consecutive days. This Novena has never been known to fail.

—S.G.H.

Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

(Never known to fail!)

Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech thee from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (three times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (three times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted to you.

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company's experience in the area did not elicit confidence among members of the association board.

Resident Edward Kotomori told the firm's representative: "The question now comes down to: did you mean what you said or not? Right now if I was a resident I would not trust you."

Resident Mary Helen Black also said past behavior by the developer had put her on guard. She said, "We will hire an attorney if that behavior happens again."

The comment period for the project at 180 Western Ave. ends this Friday, April 30.



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project filing for this for at least another few weeks at the bare minimum," he said, noting it is an "as-of-right" project. "Just to be clear, we were not involved obviously in the discussions of this site. This was a discussion between the church and a private entity."

Sinatra explained that there will be at least one community meeting as well as an IAG meeting that includes a group of community leaders chosen by elected officials.

The proposed project would construct 270 units on 12.1 acres of the 22-acre woodland. Thirty-five units, or 13 percent, would be affordable.

Ruskindale Road resident Marilynne Smith Quarcoo asked what the City does to protect greenspace, which she said Boston is "losing by leaps and bounds."

"Our community does not need to lose greenspace," she continued. "My concern is, since the property is privately owned, what recourse do we really have?"

"Why is there such disrespect for us and our community?" questioned Jean-Claude Sanon. "How can we get really organized and fight for our neighborhoods instead of letting them walk all over us?" Jackson

added that the two-mile radius around Crane Ledge is in an environmental justice area designated by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). She noted that Gov. Charlie Baker signed a statute last month that would require an environmental impact report for any project within one mile of an environmental justice population.

Dr. David Meshoulam, the co-founder of Speak for the Trees, gave a presentation on the connection between environmental protection and community well-being. He noted that this census tract in which Crane Ledge is contained has a 48 percent tree canopy, well above the city average of 27 percent.

A study he cited noted that urban cooling does not take place until a tree canopy reaches 40 percent. Each mature tree absorbs 300 gallons of stormwater a year, he added. Trees also reduce carbon, ozone and nitrous oxide.

"What we have is a real danger if trees will be removed here," Meshoulam explained, noting that southern Hyde Park already is considered a "heat island."

A survey taken at the end of the meeting found that 76 percent of the attendees said they wanted to see the area preserved

as an urban wild, while 60 percent noted a park would be a benefit. Fifty-seven percent voted for hiking and biking trails. The loss of the tree canopy concerned 85 percent of attendees, with air quality ranking next at 71 percent and noise at 59 percent.

Rep. Russell Holmes, who represents the area including Crane Ledge, expressed concern abutters, including residents of the Clarendon Hills and Victoria Heights condominium complexes, were not notified about the process.

"The reason you guys have gotten involved here lately, from my perspective, is because at one of these meetings, I said, 'Why aren't you knocking on Farrar Ave., Victoria Heights, Pleasantview Street, and Crane Street, the folks that are most directly impacted?'" he said. Jackson clarified his statement, noting the coalition members went door-to-door with fliers for this meeting, which accounted for the high attendance.

"They were reached out to," she said. "We made sure for this meeting we cast even a wider net. At least 95 percent of all of the residential units in your district, Rep. Holmes, surrounding the entire Crane Ledge property on all sides, were leafletted for this meeting. We wanted to make sure that everyone had a seat at the table."

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Entry height is low, open the rear tail gate and again low entry. Safety equipment is abundant blind spot, lane departure, leather seats, steering wheel, shift knob and more. The outside finish was in blue metallic and black interior. This combination works well. Here we are, in Boston in April and still using both the heated seat and steering wheel. Mitsubishi has come a long way just thing about this SEL nicely equipped 4 door SUV with lots of features a great warranty for around \$28595.00. EPA 25 city 26 hwy 25 combined.

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Vigils resume at Holy Name Rotary

Ariane Komyati
Staff Reporter

More than 50 community members stood for justice at a vigil at the Holy Name rotary on Monday, April 26. Attendees wore masks, held signs, and spread out along the rotary.

The vigil was hosted by Progressive West Roxbury/Roslindale and was a vigil for justice. Organizers also said the vigil was held to stand against Asian hate, and call for an end to mass shootings.

“Spring may be here, but justice is still a long way off. Join us to bear witness, raise awareness, and keep the pressure on. Bring signs, wear masks, spread out,” WR/Roz Progressives stated on their Facebook page.

The vigils are scheduled to take place every fourth Monday from April until October.

Multiple vigils were held at the Holy Name rotary last Summer. During the vigils' long run in the spring and summer, fears of violence from left and right groups sprouted up, but no incidents were ever reported.

Those attending the vigil held signs that included statements such as “Black Lives Matter” or “White Silence = Violence.” Many cars driving

around the rotary honked in support of the cause. A few cars voiced their opposition by yelling profanities at the vigil attendees.

Multiple members of Progressive West Roxbury/Roslindale were present at the vigil, including Matt McCloskey of Roslindale.

“I’m on the steering committee for Progressive West Roxbury Roslindale,” he said. “We helped put this together, and we worked with some other groups last summer to establish these vigils. We feel this is important to show that these issues [police brutality, racism, gun violence] still exist and nothing has been resolved. We need to keep it clear that people are still paying attention and watching.”

The vigil on April 26 was in support of Black Lives Matter - many community members came out to honor George Floyd, who was murdered by a police officer in Minneapolis last year and sparked protests worldwide. Last week, the police officer involved in the killing was convicted on second-degree murder, third-degree murder and second-degree manslaughter charges. Many across the country have called this conviction “accountability,

not justice.” At the vigil, many people also called for justice in the killing of Daunte Wright, a 20-year-old Black man who was fatally shot by a police officer during a traffic stop in Minnesota.

The event also called for an end to Asian hate. Anti-Asian hate crimes increased by nearly 150 percent in 2020 (source: www.csusb.edu). Many people have attributed this to the Anti-Asian rhetoric used by politicians during the COVID-19 crisis. In March, a series of mass shootings occurred at massage parlors in Atlanta, where eight people were killed, six of whom were Asian women.

West Roxbury resident Steve Lewis attended the vigil with his children, and said he felt it was important to keep the vigils up in West Roxbury.

“West Roxbury has a well-deserved reputation for being one of the more conservative neighborhoods in Boston, but there is a cultural shift starting here, and these vigils are part of that shift,” Lewis said. “There are two reasons I come out here. The first is to express solidarity with the people of color in this neighborhood, and to let the rest of the city know that things are changing here.

The second is to let the bigots and those who are blind to the systemic racism built into this city’s institutions, know that we are here and are not going anywhere. That any regressive stance they take will be challenged.”

The vigil was also a call for an end to mass shootings. The US has had almost 150 mass shootings in 2021 (as of early April). Massachusetts lawmakers have recently been pushing to ban assault weapon manufacturing in Massachusetts.

Hyde Park resident Cory Benedict attended the vigil with his dog and attended many of them last year as well.

“I’ve been coming to this since last May. I like being connected to the community and knowing how many people that live here share similar views and want to come out and support Black lives, and the other things we support. Like the ‘Count All the Votes’ after the presidential election. We’ve always had a really good crew of people that come out for these events. It’s great that so many people honk in support,” he said.

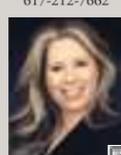
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Woods said the only three areas owned by the city are Iacono Playground, the George Wright Golf Course and the Ross Playground, the last of which he said faced neighborhood resistance when a dog park had been pitched earlier.

The biggest push to date for a dog park targeted the Thompson Center in Hyde Park, but was stopped by select neighborhood opposition and the unearthing of a state law from the 1960s reserving use of the site for disabled persons. That law, while being in conflict with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 that states no disabled persons can be put in segregated populations, still would require an act of the state legislature to reverse.

DCR and the Southwest Boston Dog Park Association (SBDPA) worked on a design for the Thompson Center and then later another area by the nearby Stony Brook Park, but nothing came from those 2017 meetings. DCR stated on background that those plans were not pursued because of “limited public interest.”

There were also efforts to put a dog park in Millennium Park in West Roxbury and along the MBTA tracks off of Oakdale Street (running parallel to Amory Street) but those plans were put on pause in 2020. DCR stated that the reasoning for this was to allow the new DCR commissioner to understand his responsibilities.

Outgoing District 6 City Councilor Matt O’Malley applauded the hearing’s sponsor, District 5 City Councilor Ricardo Arroyo, but warned him that division among residents can be the biggest obstacle to getting a dog park in the city. He said he first called for a hearing to explore dog park possibilities in the city back in 2011.

“From that, the SBDPA was born,” he said. “The only thing I would say having been on this body for a while, and in addition to our approach at

Millennium Park, there was also a wonderful group in Jamaica Plain several years ago that identified an area and actually had buy-in from the state for an off-leash dog park (Oakdale, mentioned above), but it is so important in this conversation that we stay united and stay with it. This just can’t be a hearing and we all talk to each other, agree with each other and call it a day. The work has to continue, because I’ve seen now twice two very promising dog parks end up being scrapped because of vociferous opposition.”

Woods said the way it currently works for city-owned dog parks is that dog park associations manage most of the clean up and day-to-day maintenance of the parks, while the Parks Department cuts the grass and empties the trash bins on the site.

Woods said a resident has come forward with a proposition to put a dog park somewhere on Healy Field in Roslindale, where currently a community garden, ball fields and Flaherty Pool sit.

“We’re working with the Boston Housing Authority development behind it, to make sure they’re fully supportive, since they’re the closest abutters,” he said. “After that, we’re going to have a community process with meetings and discussions and from that we’re going to put a suggestion into the budget. Right now, it’s just about getting the community support because it is self-enforced by the dog owners. They’re the ones activating the space.”

Woods said costs of any city-funded dog park run about \$250,000, on average. Arroyo asked Woods if the city could strike a deal with the state to maintain a dog park on DCR land. Woods said that model has not been set up specifically because as of now, all such parks are maintained by the residents and/or advocacy groups.

Woods said there is currently a plan to have a dog

park in Allston at Smith Field, but none in the Southwest Boston area.

Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (MSPCA-Angell) representative and Hyde Park resident Kara Holmquist pointed out during the hearing that her organization started advocating for dog parks in Boston back in 2004 when other comparable cities of Boston’s size were starting to place dog parks in their open areas.

“It’s really nice to see Boston is catching up,” she said.

SBDPA member Claudia Dunne went over the history of the Thompson Center and the vocal opposition from some residents and the state representative at the time, Angelo Scaccia.

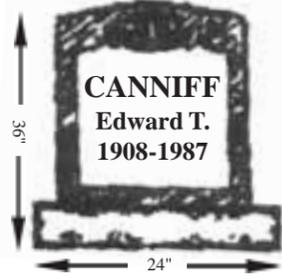
“I think there was a group of people at the time who said they didn’t want it and he went with them, but he never met with us, he never spoke with us or responded to letters from us, his constituents,” she said. “And at the 11th hour when DCR was supposed to unveil the two design plans for the community to vote on, they were informed that there was a law, from 1967, Chapter 750, that requires the Thompson Center be used only for the care and recreation of disabled children.”

Jamaica Plain resident Kelly O’Keefe pointed out that the current model for dog parks in the City allows residents with the means to advocate and fund them, making this an equity issue. She pointed out that those neighborhoods with dog parks generally have a population of dog owners who can afford to drive to another neighborhood or town to use a dog park anyway.

“Many of us do not have the luxury of a private fenced-in yard for our dogs to exercise in safely, or a car to drive to a dog park located in another out-of-range area,” she said. “I know I don’t. In contrast, I can walk a few blocks in any direction and find a playground, which is a safe and secure place for children of the community to play and exercise in. Yet there are no safe and secure places for dogs of the community to be found. Why the disconnect? With more than 7,000 dogs licensed in the City in 2020, the existing amenities for tax-paying dog owners do not meet the current population’s needs, and haven’t for a long time.”

O’Keefe said the city needs to install at least one off-leash dog park per neighborhood in the City of Boston.

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BALERNA

Joseph J. of Cumberland, RI, formerly of Stratham, NH and Sharon, passed peacefully on April 25 at the age of 88. Beloved husband of Concetta (D'Alessandro) of 65 years. Devoted father of Maria Fidler and her husband John of Taunton, Donna Moore of Naples, FL, Joseph, Jr. and his wife Carol of North Stonington, CT, and Stephen of Sharon. Cherished brother of John Balerna of Long Boat Key, FL, Al Balerna of Dedham, and the late Gino, Emma DeCristafaro, and Lillian Russo. Loving "Grampy" of 10 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren, and also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, in-laws, and friends. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Monday, May 3 at 11:00 am at Most Precious Blood Church, 43 Maple Street, Hyde Park. Please wear a mask and respect social distancing. Interment at Forest Hills Cemetery. Joe was a proud Air Force Veteran. Please, in lieu of flowers, all donations can be made to www.stjudes.org

CONNOLLY

Jean M. of West Roxbury, formerly of Jamaica Plain, surrounded by her family, April 21, 2021. Beloved daughter of the late Ina and Frank Connolly. Loving sister of Mary and her husband Dave Crowley of Woburn, Kathy and her husband Jeff Dee of Framingham, Betty and her husband Liam Shalvey of Thompson, CT, Frank Connolly and his wife Mary Ellen of Jamaica Plain and the late Billy Connolly. Devoted and loving aunt of many nieces and nephews and great-nieces and great-nephews. Jean was a graduate of Framingham State College, Class of 1968. She was a longtime Human Resource Manager for New England Telephone and Verizon. Jean was known best for her storytelling of her great worldwide adventures and travel. Funeral from the Robert J. Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. A private family service was held in the Funeral Home on Monday, April 26. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Jean's name to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168, www.dana-farber.org All Services under Covid-19 guidelines. www.lawlerfuneralhome.com 617-323-5600.

CUMMINGS



Maureen E. (O'Halloran) of West Roxbury, formerly of Dedham, April 19, 2021. Beloved wife of David W. Cummings. Loving mother of Timothy J. Cummings of West Roxbury. Beloved daughter of the late Louis and Catherine (Duffy) O'Halloran. Sister of Richard O'Halloran of Malvern, PA, Catherine Cantillon of Cohasset, Patricia Blomquist of Dedham, and Christopher

O'Halloran of Stoughton. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. Funeral Services will be private. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Maureen's memory to the National MS Society, nationalmssociety.org Online guestbook at gfdoherty.com George F. Doherty & Sons Dedham 781-326-0500.

FLAHERTY



Ann T., 66, of Plainville, formerly of Wrentham and Roslindale, MA, passed away peacefully on Saturday, April 10, 2021 at Boston Medical Center in Boston. She was the beloved wife of the late Paul R. Flaherty, who passed away on November 29, 2018. Born in Boston, MA on April 23, 1954, she was a loving daughter of the late Eugene and Mary (Coyle) Glynn. Ann grew up in the Roslindale neighborhood of Boston and was a 1972 graduate of Roslindale High School. She was employed by Liberty Mutual Insurance Company for forty years until her retirement. She leaves her devoted daughter, Meaghan M. Flaherty and her companion Paul Saulnier of Plainville, and also leaves her cherished granddaughter, Addison of Plainville. She was the dear sister of Jean Canale and her husband Richard of Lexington, Paul Glynn and his wife Cora of Mansfield, and Irene Meredith and her husband Charles of West Roxbury. She also leaves many nieces and nephews. She was the sister of the late Michael Glynn. In accordance with Ann's wishes, there will be no services held. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Sperry & McHoul Funeral Home of North Attleboro, MA.

MURPHY

Mary Margaret (Tivenan) "Mae" Age 98, a lifelong resident of Boston, MA, died April 18, 2021 in Dennis, MA. Born in Boston, August 4, 1922, to Margaret and Joseph Tivenan. Mae married Joseph D. Murphy in 1964. Mae worked for AT&T for 37 years and enjoyed a long retirement. Mae and Joe enjoyed their retirement in Dennisport, MA and Deerfield Beach, FL. Mae was a beloved sister, aunt and daughter, neighbor and co-worker. Mae is survived by her sister Marjorie C. Tivenan, and her niece and nephews and their spouses, David and Kristine Cleary, William and Carolyn Cleary and Linda and Arnold Dupuy. Also, their children, Kaitlin and John Sitarz, Kevin Cleary, Michael and Joseph Cleary, Jeffrey and Elisabeth Dupuy. Mae was predeceased by her husband Joseph D. Murphy, her siblings Walter Tivenan and Elinor Cleary and her nephew Robert F. Cleary. Funeral from the Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. Interment Mt. Benedict Cemetery. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home 617-323-5600.

SANDERS

Paul Theodore (BPD Retired) Age 81, of Emerald Isle, North Carolina, formerly of West Roxbury passed away on Monday, April 19, 2021, at Carteret Health Care. Paul was born on June 24, 1939, in Boston, Massachusetts, to the late Edwin and Lillian Sanders. Paul was a true patriot who served his country in the Massachusetts National Guard for 12 years. He proudly worked in the Boston Police Department for 34 faithful years and during that time he worked his way up to detective and later retired as a Sergeant. Never one to be idle, following his retirement he worked as an investigator with Suffolk County District Attorney's office for 10 years. Paul loved being at the beach which made the move to Emerald Isle a happy one. He relished the carefree beach life which included riding through the neighborhood in his golf cart. He always enjoyed a good Red Sox baseball game and a competitive New England Patriots football game. More than anything, Paul valued his family and was appreciative of the time he was able to spend with them, especially his grandchildren. He is survived by his wife, Cherlyn Sanders; daughters, Alexis Sanders and husband Steven Albritton of Ayer, MA, Nicole Sanders O'Toole and husband James of Dedham, MA, and Rachel Sanders of Waltham, MA; sons, Paul T. Sanders Jr. and wife Kelly of Walpole, MA and Scott Sanders of Somerville, MA; sister, Marjorie Sayre of Oldsmar, FL; brother, Richard Sanders and wife Frances of Weymouth, MA; grandchildren, Ava Sanders and Paul Sanders; numerous nieces and nephews; and many special friends. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Donald Sanders and Robert Sanders. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to visit with Paul's family on Friday, April 30, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, WEST ROXBURY. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in memory of Paul may be made to the Vasculitis Foundation at P.O. Box 28660, Kansas City, MO 64188. For directions and guestbook, please visit: gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

SKUNCIK

Najlah (Naddaff), formerly of West Roxbury, passed away April 21, 2021, at age 93. Dear and devoted wife of the late Francis Skuncik. Loving mother of Nancy Matte and her husband Stephen of Norfolk, Frank Skuncik and his wife Leslie of Norwood, Yvonne Driscoll and her husband James of Eliot, ME, Susan Collins and her husband Richard of Medfield, and Donna Skuncik and her fiance' Thomas Rota of S Yarmouth. Proud Sitto of 13 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. Daughter of the late Najeeb and Chafika Naddaff. Sister of Jeanne Handy of Foxborough, the late Mitchell Naddaff, Madeline Handy, Frederick Naddaff, Yvonne Habeeb and James Naddaff. "Naj" was happiest when she was taking care of her family. She enjoyed spending time with friends, monthly lunches with her nieces, volunteering at church, crocheting blankets, watching soap operas and crimes shows. She loved holidays and parties, anytime with family wouldn't be missed. She made the best Lebanese food and Dagwood

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Date of Death: November 23, 2020

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate, by Petition of
Petitioner: **Nancy M. Foppiano of Wayland, MA**
Nancy M. Foppiano of Wayland, MA
has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division **Docket No. SU21P0783GD**

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF
GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO
TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

In the matter of: William Vitta **RESPONDENT**
Of: Brighton, MA **Alleged Incapacitated Person**

To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by St. Elizabeth's Medical Center of Brighton, MA

In the above captioned matter alleging that William Vitta is in need of a Guardian and requesting that
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The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00A.M. on the return date of **05/26/2021**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

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Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
April 14, 2021
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION **DOCKET No. SU21P0025EA**

Estate of: Irving David Maron **Suffolk Probate and Family Court**
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA. 02114
617-788-8300

Date of Death: 02/13/2019

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed** by Eleanor S. Manoogian of Bethlema, PA.
requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that:
Eleanor S. Manoogian of Bethlema, PA
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IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. **You have a right to object to this proceeding.** To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 A.M. on the return day of **05/27/2021**. 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
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court Department

Suffolk, ss **Docket No. SU21E0010PP**

TO: Frank N. Famulari of Marshfield, MA, Richard D. Famulari of Windham, NH, Kathleen J. Famulari of Boston, MA and Ann Marie E. Famulari of Fayetteville, NC and to all other persons interested.

A petition has been presented to said Court by Carol Ann G. DuGuay of Boston in the County of Suffolk representing that she holds as tenant in common a one-fifth part or share of certain property lying in Hyde Park (Boston), in the County of Suffolk and briefly described as follows:

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- SOUTHEASTERLY by Lot 2 as shown on the plan hereinafter mentioned, one hundred four and 64/100 (104.64) feet;
- SOUTHERLY by and now or formerly of the City of Boston and by the end of a Street as shown on said plan, fifty-two and 40/100 (52.40) feet; and
- NORTHWESTERLY by land now or formerly of Anthony Capossi et al one hundred twenty and 33/100 (120.33) feet.

All said boundaries are determined by the Court to be located as shown on a plan drawn by K.E. Benkart, Surveyor, dated May 7, 1966, as modified and approved by the Court, filed in the Land Registration Office, a copy of a portion of which will be filed with the original Certificate of Title Issued by this Decree, and shown thereon as Lot 1 on a plan filled with said Registry District as Plan No. 25968A.

This title to said land to Frank N. Famulari, Richard D. Famulari, Kathleen J. Famulari, Ann Marie E. Famulari, and Carol Ann G. DuGuay is derived as devisees under the will of Celia M. Famulari (Suffolk County Probate Docket No. 20P0586), surviving tenant by the entirety, by virtue of a Deed dated August 11, 1955, which was entered as Original Certificate of title No. 60574 at the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, and your petitioner further represents that the names and residences of all the tenants in common and their respective shares and proportions and the nature thereof, are as follows:

1. CAROL ANN G. DUGUAY, 40 Como Road. Boston. MA undivided one-fifth interest;
2. FRANK N. FAMULARI, 100 Acorn Street, Marshfield, MA undivided one-fifth interest;
3. RICHARD D. FAMULARI, 36 Hadleigh Road, Windham NH undivided one-fifth interest;
4. KATHLEEN J. FAMULARI, 40 Como Road, Boston, MA undivided one-fifth interest; and
5. ANN MARIE E. FAMULARI, 2238 Baywater Drive, Fayetteville, NC undivided one-fifth interest

Setting forth that the petitioner desires that all said land may be ordered to be sold at no less than Five Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars and praying that partition may be made of all the land aforesaid according to law, and to that end, that commissioner be appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyance of all, or any portion of said land, which the Court finds cannot be advantageously divided, either at private sale or public auction, and be ordered to distribute and pay over the net proceeds thereof in such manner as to make the partition just and equal.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said Court at Boston before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the 24th day of May, 2021 the return date of this citation.

Witness, HONORABLE Brian J. Dunn, First Justice, this 12th day of April, 2021.
Felix Arroyo, Register of Probate Court

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sandwiches. She will be missed as her family carries on with the many traditions she instilled in them. Funeral Services will be private. Contributions in Najlah's memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital stjude.org 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or Our Lady of the Annunciation Melkite Cathedral bostonmelkite.org 7 VFW Parkway, West Roxbury, MA 02132. Guestbook and other information at www.KfouryFuneral.com

SYMON

Patrick M. of West Roxbury, formerly of Brookline, on April 21, 2021. Beloved husband of Sheila (Kilgallon) Symon. Loving father of Lindsay Hartzell and her husband John of Chesapeake, VA., Kelly Symon and Michelle Symon both of West Roxbury. Adored "Grampy" of Colin and Keegan. Devoted son of the late Charles and Eleanor (Love) Symon. Also survived by Sheila's family "and his house mate" Rita Kilgallon, Elizabeth Sullivan and Mary Murphy both of West Roxbury, Janet Burke and husband Stephen of Brookline, Jerry Kilgallon of Monterey, CA, and the late John "Jack" Kilgallon, as well as many nieces and nephews. Funeral from the Bell-O'Dea Funeral Home, 376 Washington St., BROOKLINE. Interment Walnut Hills Cemetery. Retired employee of Brookline Highway Dept. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Pat may be made to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute www.dfci.org

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division

Docket No. SU18D2035DR

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
Doris Tochukwu Uyanwune Jackson vs. Jerry M. Jackson, Jr.

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114

To the Defendant:

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable breakdown. The Complaint is on file at the Court. An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. **SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.**

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: **Ahanna Orji Igwe, Esq., Law Office of Ahanna Igwe, 97 Central St., Suite 403, Lowell, MA 01852** your answer, if any, on or before **07/05/2021**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
April 21, 2021
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

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