

The Crane Ledge Woods Coalition held a meeting last week to detail and organize residents' concerns around the proposed development on the Hyde Park, Roslindale and Mattapan lines.

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Getting the Allston Post Office back

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Since December of 2019, the U.S. Post Office (USPS) retail location in Allston – 47 Harvard Ave. to be precise – has been closed due to structural deficiencies.

Wayne Yeh, policy director for District 9 City Councilor Liz Breadon, has been following up with the USPS to try to figure out when or if the services are coming back to that section of Allston, which is one of the most densely populated areas in the whole city (18,505 per square mile, and that's just according to the 2010 census).

In the USPS' original press release on the issue, the office stated that it would be a "temporary suspension," and repairs to the structure would be made.

Currently, Yeh has been filing Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests to figure out exactly where in the regulatory process for replacement the USPS is for the Allston office. He said there is a big fear that the USPS may be stalling to allow the location to fall from local memory.

"To formally and permanently close a postal office, there's a 30-step process," he said at a recent Allston Civic Association (ACA) meeting. "It's really arduous and really thorough, and so their go-to has been to not have a formal closure process and keep them in limbo with this suspension process. Most times they've been suspended for five years, in extreme cases they are a

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CLWC organizing for funds to stop development

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Crane Ledge Woods Coalition (CLWC) met in a virtual format with more than 100 of its members on Wednesday, March 30.

The discussion focused on how the coalition can advocate for the City to purchase 14 acres of the Crane Ledge Woods that are currently slated for development by Lincoln Properties. Mass Audubon President David O'Neill said the organization supports the group's efforts and suggested the advocacy route to try to get the City to purchase the property.

"There's significantly more funding flowing right now for the environment, for climate, for natural infrastructure, including the protection of

our natural lands," he said. "Mass Audubon is currently working with a coalition of local organizations to advocate for an increase of \$200 million in the next round of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) relief funds for acquiring and protecting open space. We're also advocating for these funds to be specifically dedicated to land acquisition within environmental justice and communities most impacted by COVID-19. We're also committed to assisting in any way we can to ensure that the city's fiscal year 23 capital budget includes a line item allocation to acquire the Crane Ledge Woods property."

O'Neill said one tack to take might be to remind local leaders that Massachusetts has a shoddy record

when it comes to investing in land protection.

"I don't know if you all know this but Massachusetts is 50th in all states across the country in its investment in the protection of land and nature," he said. "Yes. Dead last. Sadly, historically, investments in land protection and open space across New England go to the wealthiest communities. In fact, the lowest-income communities, regardless of whether they're in rural or urban areas, receive 50 percent of what the wealthiest communities receive, and Black and Brown communities receive 60 percent less than what the wealthiest communities receive across New England."

O'Neill said the Audubon would

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Senior housing approved at Grove Hall

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

For over two years, as reported by The Boston Bulletin, the Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Development Council (JPNDC) has proposed to remove an old garage and build the first ever senior housing in Grove Hall at Cheney Street, but has met neighborhood resistance; enough so that the Boston Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) deferred a decision for four months at its Dec. 14, 2021 meeting.

On Dec. 14, ZBA member Mark Erlich said it was "a fundamentally good and

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Architect Kendra Halliwell describes her design for the Cheney Street senior building.

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few that have been suspended for 30 years and not gone through the formal process.”

Yeh discussed the rash of post office suspensions and closures that took place start-

ing at the end of 2016, and noted that a majority of post offices suspended from then to now have returned, but some, like the Allston Post Office, are still in limbo.

According to letters Yeh has received from USPS Government Relations Manager Michael Gordon, the suspension seemed like it would indeed be temporary, as Gordon said the community process for finding a new location for the

office would begin a month after the email was sent. But the problem is that the email was sent on Jan. 5 this year, and Yeh said they’ve not heard anything since.

Yeh said that’s why he’s been filing FOIA requests since February to figure out what’s going on for the Allston Post Office, but the USPS has been granting itself extension after extension.

“We don’t have anything concrete in terms of a timeline right now, but theoretically there’s supposed to be a community engagement process for any new siting of a new post office in Allston,” he said. “They’re supposed to include community groups like the ACA, neighborhood groups, local elected officials and possibly even send direct mail to every impacted address,” he said. “I believe they were supposed to do that before they closed in 2019 to begin with, but definitely when there is a proposal, I believe they are supposed to send it to every address. But also, I know anecdotally that in other places, they just don’t.”

Yeh said any documents they can get would hopefully give them a clearer picture of where the USPS is in the process and when the community process could begin. He said he’s heard from USPS officials that the office is doing feasibility studies for new locations in the neighborhood, but if you haven’t looked at Allston’s real estate market lately, you might be surprised to find how expensive property and housing have gotten.

“I would like to see if there’s a possibility of one of the newer developments coming in the Allston area if there was some way we could advocate for commercial space to be fit out for a postal service,” he said.

Yeh said residents interested in retaining their post office should reach out to their local and federal elected officials (Ayanna Pressley and Steven Lynch) and get the issue on their respective radar.

“We’ve been over the last two years constantly reaching out to Congresswoman Pressley and our senators and have been continuously frustrated,” he said.



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Readville Train Yard tops concerns

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The West Fairmount Hill Community Group (WFHCG) met on Monday, March 28 and discussed several updates including train noise from the Readville MBTA Train Yard.

Residents have long complained of sleep-disruptive noise coming from the area of the train yard and the MBTA Commuter Rail Station, but so far MBTA officials, city officials, residents and others have not been able to unequivocally confirm the source of that noise.

State Rep. Rob Consalvo said that if the current state budget passes, they're getting some help to find the true source of the noise and try to at least mitigate it, if not stop it outright. He said the MBTA recently reached out to him, State Sen. Mike Rush and District 5 City Councilor Ricardo Arroyo regarding upcoming work to help pinpoint the noise.

"We've had three meetings with the MBTA over it, trying to determine if it's the Readville Yard 5, is it the Conrail Yard, is it something else on the Readville Line, and if you remember we went out from 2 a.m. to 4 a.m. to do a walk-through with the community to

try to pinpoint the source," he said. "We found out today that the MBTA is in the middle of presenting its capital budget with the MBTA Board of Directors, who passes their budget. And they've included a \$200,000 noise and sound study for Hyde Park and Readville to try to help us pinpoint this issue."

Consalvo said they'll be hopefully bringing in a third-party professional to come and do that sound study to determine the source of the noise.

"Then, if it is the T, then we'll go through next steps with the Mayor's Office and elected officials to figure out what the T needs to do to remediate that," he said.

In other news, one resident asked about tractor trailer trucks leaving their trailers on the side of the road on Truman Parkway close to the Neponset Valley Parkway in Hyde Park. WFHCG Chair Marcia Kimm Jackson said she had seen this too.

"I saw someone had unhitched a car carrier there over the weekend and left it there," she said. "So I called the State Police that Saturday night and you know what he said to me? He said, 'They're not bothering anybody.' But it could be a hazard because that road is now

narrow and it could be dangerous if people are speeding. The state police said no one called in, that I was the only one, 'But we'll go check it out.'"

District E-18 of the Boston Police Department (BPD) Community Service Officer Paul Broderick said while it is a state road and in the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts State Police, he was aware of an initiative from Consalvo to put signage on the road.

"There are no signs now and it's legal to park there," he said.

"All of Truman Parkway has legal parking for residents but since there are no houses along that particular stretch and without no parking signs, the State Police and Boston Police have a tough time enforcing it," he said, "though you can't leave a commercial vehicle parked overnight in the City of Boston and that is something we're working on. But I do have a request into State Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) about having no parking signs added to the non-residential section near Neponset Valley Parkway just before the first house."

In other news, Keep Hyde Park Beautiful (KHPB) representative Cathy Horn gave an

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WRCIA meeting covers crime, cannabis, and climate

Susan Kryczka
Staff Reporter

The West Roxbury Community Improvement Association (WRCIA) met in person Monday, April 4 with a “pre-pandemic” turnout of about 25 attendees.

Officer Edward Roach from Police District E-5 reported a striking increase in the theft rate of particular car parts. “Seven-to-eight catalytic converters were stolen from cars, mostly in the last week of March. Crime in Area E is even against last year with crime overall down 10 percent.” As in the

past, he noted that many car break-ins occur due to items, like computers, left in full view. He recommended placing valuable property out of sight in cars and locking the doors.

Chief Operating Officer Robert Nichols of Lowkey Dispensary gave an overview of his plans to open a new cannabis dispensary in the rear of 5252-70 Washington Street in West Roxbury. As a founder of the Boston Trust Realty Group, he saw the opportunity to get into the cannabis industry made business sense. “We felt it was a good industry to transition to. We want to make cannabis a

positive story. This will be our second license, as we have a store in Dorchester.” He will focus on a partnership with the community. “We want to get feedback. I want to have regular meetings.”

Nichols was accompanied by two members of the dispensary’s security team, Curtis West, retired state police officer and Mark Conrad, also a retired police officer and West’s partner. “The biggest safety issue concerns those walking near a cannabis loca-

tion. We do patrols of the building. We’ve had no break-ins in Chelsea,” said West, referring to another dispensary he works with. “The biggest problem is someone not being allowed onto the premises.” Conrad assured attendees of their commitment to safety. “I want you to feel comfortable in the community. It’s our name and reputation on the line.”

West also said the business is committed to creating jobs. “Ninety-nine-point nine percent we hire are from the community.” There will be 25 parking spaces available so existing spaces will not be impacted. Conrad felt he could vouch for Nichols’ sincerity. “He’s not a

politician. This is who he is.” Conrad pointed to his police experience as also helpful in building trust. “I have personal relationships with the police department,” indicating that he would work closely with them. West noted that the license will need to be renewed in the future, suggesting that for him, there was a lot at stake to running a business in the neighborhood.

West Roxbury resident and former middle school science teacher Maxine Hunter spoke as a climate change activist with Mother’s Out Front. The group

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update on the group’s past and future cleanups. Firstly, she went over the successful Fowl Meadow Cleanup for which KHPB teamed up with State Rep. Rob Consalvo’s office.

“Fowl Meadow is an area of critical environmental concern in Readville,” she said. “We collected a dumpster full of litter from Meadow Road and the Meadow itself. We collected about 1,400 empty shot bottles and hundreds and hundreds of bottles of pee – which I know is disgusting but it’s a real problem everywhere. It was a very successful event. We had about 50 volunteers and we’re putting together a spring schedule now.”

Horn said the group’s next event is set for April 9 at 1179 River St. (the Muni) at 10 a.m. The group also asks volunteers bring work gloves. The

next big cleanup is the Neponset River Spring Cleanup on April 23 at 9 a.m. For more information on these cleanups and more, go to <https://www.keepphbeautiful.org/events.html>.

Resident John MacDonald also gave an update on the Moynihan Park redesign. He said so far the play area has been redesigned to have more contemporary play structures and better flow. He said several legal issues holding up the project have been ironed out, and DCR just received the City of Boston’s Community Preservation Act (CPA) funding the previous week.

“They’re going to post an RFP (request for proposal) for the surveying this week as well,” he said. “They’re a little bit behind schedule and looking at starting the work in late summer or fall.”

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Too much parking for 59 Belgrade?

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

About 18 residents came to the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) meeting for the proposed project at 59 Belgrade Ave.

Development representative Jay Walsh said that the development was put forward by Michael Forde and Brian Austin, who have both in the past pushed through developments on Stedman and Stonely Streets in Jamaica Plain as well as 317 Belgrade Ave. near the current project's proposed location.

"I think we do nice projects; we like to hold on to them and keep our tenants happy," Austin said. "We've gone through this process to listen to what the neighbors want and we've had successful outcomes before and we hope that's where we're headed here."

The building itself will consist of about 34,000 square feet of residential gross floor area for 31 units and 8,700 square feet of parking in a garage with 23 vehicle parking spaces and 31 bike parking spaces. Four of the 31 units will be designated affordable as per the city's Inclusionary Development Plan (IDP). The developers said they expect to need zoning variances for floor area ratio (1.00 required 2.56 proposed) height in feet and stories (3 stories, 35 feet required four stories, 43 feet proposed), parking (62 re-

quired 23 proposed) and rear yard setback (10 feet required 4.5 feet proposed).

Several residents said they wanted fewer parking spaces than what the developer provided on the plans.

"I'm happy to see new housing, but the only problem is that there are too many parking spaces," said resident Andrew Balmer. "I mean 23 parking spaces? This is right next to a transit station, walking distance to a library, walking distance to a grocery store, walking distance to a Target and walking distance to the Arboretum, which is a really beautiful park. The last thing we need is more parking spaces."

Resident and WalkUP Roslindale co-founder Robert Orthman agreed.

"The parking could be reduced a little bit," he said. "I think it would be ideal if possible and if that could be another affordable unit that would be great. Other than that I think this will be really welcomed. It's not displacing anybody – it's replacing a funeral home that is selling and I think this is the kind of thing we should welcome in Roslindale Square."

Resident Cathy Slade said she liked the design and the inclusion of greenspace, but she said you can't discount that people could bring cars into the neighborhood.

"Some people want no park-

ing, but these days – especially with the two-bedrooms – people are going to have cars," she said. "Not everybody walks around the Square or takes the T in town. I really like the design and it's a really great project, but I'd like to mention that."

Resident and Roslindale Community Center Board of Directors Member Dennis Kirkpatrick said the City is currently conducting a traffic study of the Roslindale business district and, according to him, the city considers Belgrade Avenue a place for people to park coming to Roslindale Square.

"I've been a member of the business community here for the better part of 10 years and I cannot remember any meeting we have had as business operators not complaining about a lack of parking," he said. "I have to support the off-street parking this building is going to be providing for these residents. The bike racks are a great thing for those people who feel they want to use it, and I think you've pushed all the positive buttons here with respect to bicycle options, walking options and certainly off-street parking."

Resident Keith Healy said he felt that the project should be about one story shorter and get rid of the roof deck.

For more information on the project and future meeting dates, go to <https://bit.ly/3uKEmEc>.



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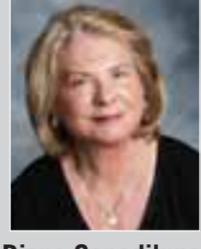
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continue to volunteer technical expertise and has also volunteered an expert to evaluate the land's natural resources and potential wetlands.

Boston Building Trades Council Secretary-Treasurer Brian Doherty said the issue not only concerns the Crane Ledge Woods property, but the proponent as well. He said that the Boston Building Trades Union has negotiated with Lincoln Properties in the past, but have had a bad taste in their mouths since its interaction with the company for the 254-unit apartments at 1545 and 1555 VFW Pkwy. in West Roxbury.

"These are our neighbor-

hoods and this is where our kids go to school," he said. "We had an experience with this development team, Lincoln Properties Residential. They came into West Roxbury, another part of our city just down the street and they said, 'We're going to do all the stuff that you represent, fair wages, fair benefits, treating people with dignity, helping our neighbors, helping our neighborhoods,' and what we found is they did the exact opposite of that."

Doherty said Lincoln hired contractors who, in his words, exploited their workers and did not provide fair wages or benefits.

Local 7 Ironworkers mem-

ber Marquis Meca said he's been a Roslindale 'Quirky' for about 30 years. He said it's rare for a labor union representative to be against local development.

"It sounds weird, because we're taking away from ourselves. However, I was born and raised in Roslindale and I don't want to see nothing go over there," he said. "That is a beautiful piece of land over there."

CLWC Organizer Lokita Jackson pointed out that the loss of the woods would be a detriment to the surrounding neighborhood. Many residents, including WBUR's Jose Masso, testified to the flooding they all experience in the area and the

loss of those woods would only increase those issues.

"I have two sump pumps since we bought our house 40 years ago because of seeping water," he said. "And when it rains now the water rises faster than it has in the past, and I know that if we were to take away those trees that serve as a canopy and replace them with asphalt, that would precipitate more water and more flooding for all of this area. And if we were to remove those trees that would result in a greater heat island effect that we all experienced last year."

Jackson also pointed out that of all the neighborhoods in Boston, Hyde Park is the only one to have endured a net tree canopy loss.

"And so we can't afford to lose any more," she said.

"Crane Ledge Woods canopy is dense, but the neighborhoods around it, you don't see this level of density. These densities are seen in parklands or woodlands."

Jackson added that she does not want the group to get an "anti-development" label.

"We support development and housing, responsible development and housing," she said. "In particular, the affordable housing we support, especially when we're looking at affordable homeownership opportunities to close the wealth gaps. We support such housing at suitable locations near public transportation and walkable shopping districts. We do not support such housing development where there's a loss of natural areas in environmental justice neighborhoods."

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.

—S.G.H.

A Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit, you who made me see everything and showed me the way to reach my ideal. You who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget the wrong that is done to me and you who are in all instances of my life with me. I, in this short dialogue want to thank you for everything and confirm once more that I never want to be separated from you no matter how great the material desire may be. I want to be with you and my loved ones in your perpetual glory. Amen. Thank you for your love towards me and my loved ones. Persons must pray the prayer 3 consecutive days without asking your wish. After 3rd day, wish may be granted no matter how difficult it may be. Then promise to publish this dialogue as soon as this favor is granted.

—S.G.H.

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—S.G.H.

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—V.C.

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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sound project” but board chair Christine Araujo said she “needed a level of comfort on this” and gave the JPNDC a new date of March 23, 2022 to raise that comfort level.

Apparently this was successful, as the JPNDC received unanimous approval on March 22 for its three-building campus at Cheney and Schuyler streets with support from elected officials and the mayor’s office, none of whom testified on Dec. 14.

At the March 22 meeting, Jessica Boatwright from the new Mayors Office of Housing said that affordable, supportive senior housing was “very important.”

“We support this,” she said, “and are encouraged by the JPNDC who worked with the neighbors GTNA and Project RIGHT.”

It was difficult to determine what changed in four months.

The building at 4-8 Cheney St. will still replace the one-story garage with a four-story, 59-unit senior housing building with 28 below-grade parking spaces and two three-story, six- and nine-unit townhomes at 20-22 Cheney and 3 Schuyler with 15 total off-street parking spaces.

At the March 22 hearing Araujo said she was concerned about the parking – which hadn’t changed – and that seniors living in Grove Hall would get preference for the new apartments.

According to Giovanni Valencia of JPNDC, it is “working to refine the program with the community, so we aren’t ready

to share anything yet.”

JPNDC executive director Terronda Ellis testified on March 22 that she had held community meetings on Jan. 3 and Feb. 22 “and have met on numerous times with Project RIGHT and GTNA.”

In addition, over the same three months JPNDC ramped up its petition drive and requests for support on Twitter and Facebook.

Michael Koza of Project RIGHT has been a consistent critic of the Cheney Street Apartments from the start and, in a long interview with the Bay State Banner on March 3, 2022, he became more specific.

“What’s being presented by the JPNDC is one-sided,” he told the Banner. “They would not do what they’ve been doing in JP – bypassing existing neighborhood associations. They feel that in Grove Hall and Roxbury that they can do that.”

Koza was more conciliatory on March 22 when he submitted what he called a “conditional letter of support.”

Koza was followed by Kalamu Kieta from councilor Tania Fernandez Anderson’s office, Michael Giordano from Rep Liz Malia and Anderson herself who submitted a support letter.

In voting to approve, zoning board member and architect Eric Robinson said, “the plans are quite nice and quite nicely step up along [Cheney] street.”

Araujo voted to approve with a recommendation to Ellis.

“I suggest conversations ev-

ery step of the way with the neighbors,” Araujo said.

“We’ll be in touch [with them] next week,” Ellis replied.

“Keeping the neighbors happy” is what architect David Choi said he wanted to achieve with his substantial redesign of 72 Hyde Park Ave., a six-unit building he is designing for Vlad Sorotin, at their second and more receptive appearance before the Jamaica Plain Zoning Committee on March 23.

Keeping the neighbors happy seems to be the goal of developers seeking to build in Jamaica Plain, if only to avoid lawsuits.

Four have been filed since 2017, the most recent on March 4 by five adjacent homeowners who want to stop the YES Youth Services with four-story attached condo building at 265-267 Amory St.

At another senior housing development, this one in Jamaica Plain at 3371 Washington Street, the JPNDC proposed a 39-unit, 100 percent affordable senior apartment house opposed by the Union Avenue Neighborhood Association.

To mollify Union Avenue, JPNDC reduced the unit number by six, lowered the height and reduced the rear massing of the building.

Although approved by the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) on Jan. 14, 2021, BPDA board member Ted Landsmark said he had been “getting calls from the neighbors.”

“I would strongly encourage you to work longer with the neighbors,” Landsmark said as he voted to approve.

But two neighbors remained

unhappy and after the ZBA voted to approve the housing on Jan. 23, 2021, adjacent landlord Monty Gold and his tenant John Licencum of Turtle Swamp Brewery sued to stop it on May 13, 2021.

This was days after the settlement of the lawsuit Gold filed against Pine Street’s 202-unit supportive housing development across the street that stalled that development for a year.

[Demolition of the 3368 Washington/Pine Street site was completed two weeks ago].

Licencum said the senior housing would be a hardship on him.

“You can’t build in a way that harms your neighbors,” he told the Globe.

Placing a building next to Turtle Swamp Brewery, “will very likely force our brewery to close,” Licencum said.

City Life and Mass. Senior Action held a protest rally outside Turtle Swamp on Sept. 22 2021 and returned on March 18.

About 25 people holding signs that read “Take A Stand Against Greed/ Take a Stand in Support of Seniors” marched on the sidewalk joined by My’Kel McMillen from City Councilor Lara’s office.

Licencum isn’t the only business affected.

El Embajador Dominican restaurant and De Chain Automotive are tenants of JPNDC in the brick building next to Turtle Swamp.

In voting to approve the development, BPDA member Carol Downs specifically noted that JPNDC was helping the businesses.

“It’s really wonderful to see this business El Embajador being saved along with the senior housing,” she said.

De Chain will relocate and JPNDC will build out a new restaurant for Embajador in the completed building. These two businesses have to wait for the Gold lawsuit to be resolved by the courts first.

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DEVINE



William A. "Billy", retired Boston Firefighter, of Moss Hill, Jamaica Plain, passed away on March 28, 2022. Beloved son of the late William A. Devine (former City of Boston Park Commissioner) and Sophia (Visvis) Devine-McBrine. Partner and best friend of Karyn Stewart. Sister of Andrea Devine and her wife Libby Bouvier of Cambridge. Uncle of Lillian Bouvier Devine of Austin, Texas. Billy proudly served his country, in the U.S. Navy, and proudly served his city on the Boston Fire Department. He spent the majority of his career on Ladder #26, Huntington Ave. Billy's fellow firefighters considered him "a good Jake". Billy had a big heart and was very generous. He always followed his father's guidance of always root for the underdog. Funeral from the P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home 2000 Centre St. West Roxbury. Interment Mt. Hope Cemetery, Mattapan. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the charity of your choice. Arrangements by P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons, West Roxbury.

FOLEY

Dorothy, age 85, passed away peacefully on March 12, 2022. Beloved wife of the late James Foley. Loving bonus mom of Jimmy, Maureen, and Kevin, all of Florida. Dear sister to her twin, the late Dolores Wall, Hazel Myers, Barbara Lee, Thomas Lee and Jean Brown. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Dorothy was a proud resident of Roslindale and member of the class of 1954 from Roslindale High School. She met the love of her life, Jim and married in

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1974 and moved to Walpole where they hosted the annual Foley/Lee Family barbecues. She worked at the Pediatric office of her late brother-in-law, Dr. Lawrence Brown, where she worked alongside her sister, Jean. Dorothy was always known for her love of Snoopy and Peanut M&Ms among all patients and those who loved her. Dorothy always enjoyed her girls' sleepovers with her twin sister, Dolores and their dear friend, the late Polly Coleman. Dorothy also enjoyed watching her beloved Red Sox, especially Ted Williams. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral Service, April 11 at 10:15 AM in the MA National Cemetery, Bourne, MA. For online condolences please visit www.hamellydon.com. Donations may be made in Dot's memory, to the Sacred Heart Parish in Roslindale Memorial Fund, 169 Cummins Highway, Roslindale, MA 02131.

GALLIVAN

James A. of West Roxbury, formerly of Sneem, County Kerry, Ireland passed away peacefully on April 1, 2022. Beloved husband of the late Margaret (O'Rourke) Gallivan. Devoted father of Elizabeth Forde of West Roxbury and the late Mary Ellen Finnegan and her husband Mark. Loving "Papa" of Joe, Jen and James Forde all of West Roxbury and Peter and Michaela Finnegan of Holbrook. Dear brother of Paty Gallivan of England. He was predeceased by his 4 brothers and 4 sisters. Also survived by numerous nieces and nephews. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend Visiting Hours in the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, WEST ROXBURY on Friday, April 8, 2022 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Funeral from the funeral home on Saturday, April 9th at 9:00 a.m., followed by a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Theresa of Avila Church at 10 o'clock. To live stream the Funeral Mass, please visit: www.sttheresaparishboston.com. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, donations in Jim's memory may be made to the National Pancreatic Cancer Foundation, NPCF, P.O. Box 1848, Longmont, CO 80502 or at www.npcf.us. For directions or to leave a condolence message for the family, please visit: gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

KELLEY

Marjorie E. (Carr) of Milton, formerly of Roslindale, died on March 18, 2022. Beloved wife of the late William J. Kelley, Jr. Loving mother of Mary Donovan and her husband Edward of Maryland, Francie Kelley and her husband Quentin Fennessy of Belmont, Patricia Kelley-Borchert and her husband Robert Borchert, Jr., of Connecticut, and Joan Shobbrook and her husband Timothy of Plymouth. Sister of the late Geraldine V. Carr, Marie F. Carr, Rev. Mark V. Carr, and Anna S. Carr. Also survived by 8 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. A Funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Anne's

Church, 90 W Milton St., Readville, on Wednesday March 30. Interment, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Roslindale. In lieu of flowers, donations in Marjorie's memory may be made to Emmanuel College Scholarship Fund, Office of Development and Alumni Relations, 400 The Fenway, Boston, MA 02115. For guestbook condolences, please visit www.bradyfallon.com Brady & Fallon Funeral Home 617-524-0861.

McDOUGALL

Joseph T., longtime resident of Roslindale, Scituate, and originally from Jamaica Plain, March 26, 2022. Beloved husband of Elizabeth L. (Gleason) McDougall. Devoted father of Thomas McDougall and his wife Mary Jane of Whitman, and Joseph McDougall, Jr. and his wife Jessica of Swampscott, Richard McDougall and his wife Lauren of Hanover. Loving grandfather of Jake McDougall and his wife Allison of Swampscott, Matthew and Daniel McDougall of Hanover. Brother of the late Mary Egan. Brother-in-law of Joseph and Shirley Malone of Roslindale. Uncle of Jay Malone, Jennifer Nevin, Lee Egan, and Beth Kennedy. Joe served in the U.S. Army as a Field Medic in Germany. He worked at Western Electric of Watertown for 30 years and worked with his son Richie at Dog Gone Days of Hanover. Joe was an avid walker throughout West Roxbury. Funeral from the P.E. Murray-F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, 2000 Centre Street, WEST ROXBURY. Interment in St. Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury. Expressions of sympathy may be made in Joe's memory to Alzheimer's Association, 309 Waverley Oaks Rd., Waltham, MA 02452. For directions and guestbook, pemurrayfuneral.com P.E. Murray - FJ Higgins George F. Doherty & Sons West Roxbury 617-325-2000.

NEE

Patrick W. Sr. of Roslindale, March 28, 2022, after a long struggle with Parkinson's Disease. Son of the late Coleman Nee and Mary Anne (Molly) Cooke. Father of Patrick W. Nee, Jr., of New York City and Christine Nee of Venice, California. Grandfather of Sebastian, Mattia and Victoria Nee of Milan, Italy, and Theodore Udelson-Nee of Venice, California. Brother of Coleman Nee of Bal Harbour, Florida. Predeceased by his brothers Thomas P. Nee, Rev. Francis J. Nee, SDB, Mary T. Gwynn, and Dr. James M. Nee. Survived by numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. Funeral from the Robert J. Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. Donations may be made in Patrick's memory to the Parkinson's Foundation, 200 SE 1st Street, Suite 800, Miami, FL 33131 www.parkinson.org Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home www.lawlerfuneralhome.com

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RORKE

Helen M. (Burke) of Sudbury, formerly of West Roxbury, passed away peacefully at the age of 96 surrounded by her loving family on March 29, 2022. Beloved wife of the late Joseph F. Rorke (BFD District Fire Chief). Loving mother of Kathleen Lopez and her husband John of Charlestown, Joseph Rorke and his wife Deborah of Westford, Donna Bradley and her husband Michael of Natick, Maureen Martin of Needham, and the late Eileen Kirby. Devoted grandmother of Steven Bradley and his wife Ive, Diana Bradley and her partner Alex Chu, Elizabeth Bradley, Julie Lopez, Janelle Dennen and her husband Andrew, Courtney Rorke, Brian, Sean, and Joseph Martin; and great-grandmother of Griffin Joseph Bradley and Cecelia Rose Dennen. Dear sister of the late Edward J. and John T. Burke. Sister-in-law of the late Rev. William T. Rorke. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Helen's memory to her cherished Catholic TV Network, P.O. Box 9196 Watertown, MA 02471 (catholicstv.org) or Rhode Island PBS, 50 Park Lane Providence, RI 02907-3145 (ripbs.org) For guestbook www.gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

SZAMRETA

Helen Theresa of Hyde Park, passed away peacefully at the age of 92 on March 31, 2022. Loving daughter of the late Teofilia and Felix Szamreta of Hyde Park. Loving sister of the late Genevieve (Wojciechowski) of Sharon, Leona (Kondracki) of Lynn, Felicia of Hyde Park, Edward of Pocasset, and Alfred of Hyde Park. Helen is survived by many nieces and nephews. Helen

loved to entertain and bake, hosting many family gatherings. Auntie Helen enjoyed spending time with her nieces and nephews. She dedicated her life to taking care of her sister Felicia. Visiting Hours at the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street West, Roxbury on Thursday, April 7th from 9AM-10:30AM, followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Anne Parish, 90 W. Milton Street, Readville at 11 o'clock. Interment at Fairview Cemetery, Hyde Park. For directions and guestbook, please visit: gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

WALSH

Stephen M. of Roslindale, formerly of Dorchester, passed away from complications from cancer on March 28, 2022. Beloved husband of the late Mary Maureen (O'Sullivan) Walsh of Lispolo, Ireland. After meeting the love of his life, Steve married Maureen in 1966 and enjoyed 29 years of marriage – including a 25th wedding anniversary in Hawaii. Steve was the devoted father of Stephen Walsh of Kihei, Hawaii; Joseph Walsh and his wife Lynn of Needham; David Walsh and his wife Kristen of Plymouth; and Dennis Walsh and his wife Kimberly of Milton. Beloved Papa of Stephen Patrick, Daniel, Amanda, Sean, Matthew, Adrianna, and Emma. Great-grandfather of Peyton and Jocelyn. Steve was predeceased by siblings Mary Machaby of Holbrook; Joseph Walsh of Boca Raton, FL; Michael Walsh of Alexandria, VA; Ann Walsh of Hingham; Sr. Barbara Joseph Walsh of Wellesley; and his twin brother Tom of West Roxbury. He also leaves sisters-in-law Pat Walsh of West Roxbury; Judy Walsh of Alexandria, VA; Bridie Mallon of Armagh, Northern Ireland; Noreen Janes of Jersey,

Channel Islands; and brother-in-law John O'Sullivan and his wife Anne of Lispolo, Ireland. Steve is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, cousins, and loyal friends. He will be greatly missed. He was a U.S. Army veteran. Funeral from the Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St., in WEST ROXBURY. Interment Mt. Benedict Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in Steve's memory can be made to Dana Farber Cancer Institute or the Alzheimer's Association. To leave a message of condolence to Steve's family, please visit: gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

WATSON

Concetta M. "Connie" (Paolucci) of West Roxbury, passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family on March 31, 2022. Beloved wife of the late Vincent O. Watson. Loving mother of Eileen MacDonald and her husband George Barnes of No. Reading, Elizabeth Watson of Chicago, IL, Valerie Sullivan and her husband Stephen Henkin of Taunton, Vincent Watson of Taunton, Christine Watson and her husband Stephen Robinson of Dedham, Michael Watson and his wife Karen of Dover, Marissa Abouraddy and her husband Ayman of Ovito, FL, and the late Diane Mitchell. Dear sister of Janice Carr of Woburn, Ann Marie Millette of FL, and the late Mary Carson and John Reid. Also survived by her adored thirteen grandchildren, ten great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend Visiting Hours in the William J. Gormley Funeral Home on Friday, April 8, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated in St. John Chrysostom Church at 11:30 a.m. Interment Knollwood Memorial Park, Canton. For directions and to leave a condolence message for Connie's family, please visit gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.



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Date of Death: **August 15, 2021**

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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION DOCKET **SU22P0280EA**

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

Date of Death: **01/22/2022**

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by
Adam M. Lewis of Newton, MA
requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that:
Adam M. Lewis of Newtonville, MA
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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: March 28, 2022
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. **SU22P0370EA**

Estate of: **Helen Johnson** Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300

Date of Death: **10/08/2021**

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Marie Hatzis of Hyde Park** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that:
Marie Hatzis of Hyde Park
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an **unsupervised administration**.

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: March 22, 2022
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department

SUFFOLK Division Docket No. **SU21C0374CA**

CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300

In the Matter of: Dorian Nathan Cesar
A Petition to Change Name of Minor has been filed by
Dorian Nathan Cesar of Hyde Park, MA
requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:
Dorian Nathan Etienne

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 04/14/2022. 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: March 29, 2022
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court Department

Suffolk Division Docket No. **SU19P2458EA**

CITATION ON FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA. 02114
617-788-8300

Estate of: **Carmella A. Panico**
Date of Death: **03/26/2019**

A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by:
Stephanie Osborn of Barrington, RI
requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account, and the amended Final Account and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. **You have a right to object to this proceeding.** To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of **05/03/2022**.

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

Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: March 29, 2022
Felix D Arroyo,
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WRCIA

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is fighting climate change and is a national association working to support the use of clean and renewable energy. “We helped pass community choice electricity for the City of Boston. On April 30 we’ll be on Centre Street passing out free trees. It’s going to take a big village to get this job done,” she said. Hunter says that 20 percent of electricity must now be “green” and not made with fossil fuel. Eversource still owns the “wire” for delivering electricity but there are cheaper options that can be greener to use in terms of electricity sources. “The more who participate the lower the cost will be.” She handed out a two-page list of ways that individuals could make changes to benefit the environment and save money.

Speeding on Washington Street was raised as an ongoing issue that does not seem to improve with time. “No one is concerned about the dangers of Washington Street,” said Kerry Castor, president of WRCIA. The group continues to be frustrated with the lack of attention. Installing speed bumps was mentioned as a possible solution. Another problem is trash around the neighborhood generated by various apartment complexes. “Washington Street is a mess,” Castor reiterated.

Ginny Gass from the Bellevue Hill Improvement Association provided an update. “We have not had a meeting in two years, but we’re going to have our first in-person meeting in about a month,” she said. She reported that the Highland Avenue Civic Association is now active again and has joined with others opposing the redevelopment of the buildings/land at 1905-1911 Centre Street. She said Gary Martell, the owner of the properties, has stated that he was “going to be in West Roxbury, come hell or high water.” The WRCIA also opposes the development.

Also at the meeting was Jake Lacey, the new West Roxbury Liaison from Mayor Michelle Wu’s Office of Neighborhood Services. He will soon be making available a schedule of Mayor Wu’s neighborhood visits.

Obituary policy
The Bulletin Newspaper publishes obituaries from information supplied by funeral homes. Relatives and friends also may supplement information by e-mailing to news@bulletinnewspapers.com by Monday at 1 p.m. Photos also will be accepted.

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