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Hundreds, if not a thousand residents came out for the 43rd annual Anderson Tree Lighting in front of the Muni this past weekend.

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Tree lighting showcases spirit

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The 43rd annual Anderson Tree Lighting in Hyde Park went off without a hitch this year, like clockwork.

That's definitely a misnomer or a mixed metaphor, however, as it implies that the process of putting together such a large event is automatic or easy. It isn't. This year the community pulled together to keep the burgeoning Hyde Park tradition alive.

According to Hyde Park Board of Trade President Scott Batey, the former organizers of the tree lighting at the Hyde Park Municipal Building Boston Centers for Youth and Families (BCYF) Community Center decided they were not going to continue.

Batey said, unfortunately, nobody told the rest of the community and so the planning for this year didn't happen on time. There was a real risk that this year's tree lighting might not have happened.

"It was a little frantic to say the least," he said. "Normally, it (the event) starts organizing in July or August. We realized nothing was happening at the end of September. Really, it was

Michelle Consalvo and Hyde Park Main Streets (HPMS) who banded together to make the event happen this year. We had no blueprint; Michelle just pulled a rabbit out of her hat."

They had no permits, no files, no background information of any kind. He said Michelle Consalvo – along with HPMS Executive Director Thien Simpson and Boston Licensing Board member (and longtime neighborhood activist) Maria Esdale Farrell jumped into action.

Simpson said though it was challenging, it was great to see so many drop what they were doing to help out on short notice.

"It was very challenging this year," she said. "At the beginning it was just Michelle and I trying to figure out if this was happening. We decided it was just such a wonderful community event that we couldn't let it go, even if it was just for one year. The residents would be really disappointed."

Both Batey and Simpson said it could not have happened without the host of volunteers from all over the neighborhood who heeded the call and stepped up to make the event happen.

"We really tried to bring everybody together for this Hyde Park tradition," Batey said.

"We put out the call for the first time to residents in the community to get volunteers to sign up, and they did," she said. "It has just been a blessing."

Michelle Consalvo said local businesses also stepped up.

"Rockland Trust has been very generous to us and we have several other sponsors," she said. "Akiki, Penrose, so many have stepped up for us this year." Other sponsors this year included the Hyde Park Board of Trade, National Grid, the Boston Police Department, the BCYF and the City of Boston.

The tree itself stands at least five stories tall outside the Hyde Park Municipal Building and was donated by one Arthur Anderson several decades ago. Batey said he was a mainstay in the community in his day.

"That kind of predates me a bit but I did meet the man," Batey said. "He and his wife had that tree planted when it was a lot smaller than that, I'm guessing 40-something years ago."

According to Anderson's obituary, which appears to be the extent of his online presence, he donated the blue spruce in memory of his parents, Carl and Agnes. He was also an active

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A view of 250 Centre Street from Jackson Square station. Plaza and greenway entry is shown at the right.

PHOTO BY RICHARD HEATH

Jackson Greenway to begin phase one in 2024

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

The proposed greenway connecting Centre Street with Atherton Street will begin Phase 1 in the fall of 2024, according to officials.

The second Jackson Square greenway update was convened virtually on Nov. 16 by Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Development Corporation (JPND) project manager Lina Jimenez; JPND is coordinating this public walkway with The Community Builders (TCB).

The walkway is being designed by Deborah Meyers, landscape architect with Nitsch Engineering.

Meyers designed the 3,000-square-foot Centre Street plaza at 250 Centre St.; completed in late summer. This plaza will be the head of the greenway, which is about 2,500 feet long and 50 feet wide.

The main goal of the greenway, as Jimenez said opening the

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More wanted at 287 Western

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) recently held a public meeting for the proposed 90,000-square-foot research and office building at 287 Western Ave. in Allston.

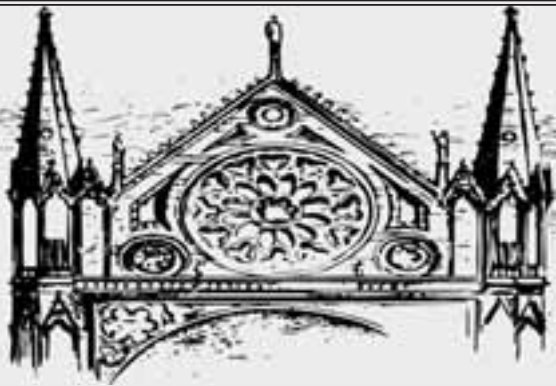
The project, put forth by King Street Properties, will include graduation lab and office space and a two-story fabrication area. King Street representative Brian Grisaru said the spaces, known as graduation spaces, will be set up as the next stage from incubator spaces, allowing projects to get off the ground and then scale up. He said most of the labs being built now are for companies already established or as incubator spaces, and he felt this would provide a solid intermediary step for up-and-coming companies.

The building will be three-stories and 80 feet tall at its highest point, with another section of the building at two stories. The

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meeting, is to connect “2,000 units of housing, 1,500 of which are affordable” to be completed in two years when Amory Park [1599 Columbus Ave.] is completed.

The greenway will connect nine buildings over 11 acres being built or completed by JPND, Urban Edge and TCB over the next 12 years.

The \$2.5 million greenway plan, Jimenez said, is in two phases.

Phase 1, of which Jimenez is the project manager, is 700 feet long from Centre Street to Amory Avenue and phase two, of which John Harding of TCB is project manager, from Amory Avenue behind the PACE building to Atherton.

Harding is also the project manager for 127 Amory St., the six-story, 96-unit apartment building at the rear of the renovated 125 Amory St.; Phase 2 of the greenway will skirt at the rear of the building.

The third section of the Greenway plan is designed by Copley Wolf landscape architects and is called ‘The Gazebo’ at the corner of Dimock and Amory.

Harding described that this pocket park would largely be “spruced up” with new trees and lighting.

Created around 1984 by a local JP landscape architect, it was built to complement the now long-closed food co-op, across the street in the Boston Housing Authority (BHA) owned garage.

The Gazebo is a joint ven-

ture of TCB, JPND and Urban Edge, with Watermark Developers being the firm that first conceived the idea of renovating the parklet as part of its 1785 Columbus Ave. Horizons for Youth building on the opposite corner.

According to Hardy, the project is funded by MassWorks and should begin construction in mid 2024.

Since the first Jackson Greenway meeting on Aug. 1, 2022, Jimenez said most of the money has been raised.

“We are \$250,000 short; ten percent remaining,” she said.

Jimenez said the funding has come from two Community Preservation Act (CPA) grants totaling \$750,000 (Rachel Guilfoil director of the Boston CPA fund was on the call).

Additional funds came from the Henderson Fund (\$50,000), City Choice grant of \$250,000 and allocated funds from the development of 25 Amory (JPND) and 259 Centre Street (TCB).

The ground for Phase 1 has been graded as far as Amory Avenue, leaving a deep trench separating the greenway from the MBTA track walls.

Jimenez said that the main controversy came from the MBTA. “It’s built on MBTA land,” she said. “There have been many negotiations. They didn’t want any trees.”

According to Jimenez and the Meyers firm, there is a 36-inch electrical duct that the MBTA does not want disturbed.

“Getting the license [from the MBTA] has been a challenge,” Jimenez said. “It’s approved but it’s been slow. It would be a nice Christmas gift.”

Jimenez showed a screen share of the plan for Phase 1 and said Meyers designed

thickly planted, low-growing, colorful parallel rows of shrubs, but with no irrigation lines to protect the electric line.

Harding explained that Phase 2 has more advantages.

“It’s already overgrown with trees,” he said, “and no electric line duct. It’s also a shorter connection. The plans are still early. We still need city and MBTA approval.”

After two years of design and unit count changes, 127 Amory, according to Hardy, should begin construction in the spring of 2024.

“The park could start construction then,” he said. “The road [Alliance Way] to connect out to Atherton Street should begin at that time.”

Eight years of public meetings, BPDA and zoning votes, assembling the raft of financing sources are coming to conclusion.

The ribbon cutting for 250 Centre St. was scheduled for Nov. 28 with EOHLC Secretary Edward Augustus as the featured speaker.

250 Centre – like 25 Amory Street – is designed by ICON Architects. It’s a six-story, 110-unit apartment building with 44 units leased at 30 percent to 60 percent area median income (AMI).

A very distinctive building with tall, dramatic rhythmic windowed bays is complemented by a distinctive plaza designed by the Meyers firm directly opposite Jackson Square T station, proving that income-restricted housing does not mean restricted design.

According to TCB more than half of the apartments at 250 Centre have been leased.

Following receipt of the MBTA license the partners, TCB, Urban Edge and JPND, will assume construction ownership and maintenance of the Jackson Square Greenway.

Boston Water and Sewer Commission IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Join us to learn about the upcoming stormwater charge

Hyde Park Neighborhood Association is hosting an informational meeting with representatives from Boston Water and Sewer Commission (BWSC). The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the new way BWSC will charge for stormwater in 2024. Residents and businesses are invited.



Hyde Park Municipal Building

179 River Street
December 4, 2023
7:00 PM



Important Information

We would like to bring attention to a warning that is being shared about Apple technology updates. Recently, warnings are being shared about Apple IPHONE operating system updates. We would encourage you to familiarize yourself with the information to make an informed decision.

The warnings are about "NameDrop" an automatic feature that allows iPhone users to share their contact information with other iPhone users directly from phone to phone. The following information from Apple and articles from two media sites may help aid in a decision to keep the feature activated or to deactivate it.

Apple: <https://support.apple.com/guide/iphone/namedrop-iphone-share-contact-info-iph1b6c664b7/ios>

Media site links:

<https://www.cnet.com/tech/mobile/heres-everything-to-know-about-namedrop-on-iphone/>

<https://appleinsider.com/inside/ios-17/tips/how-to-secure-namedrop-and-keep-safe-in-ios-17>

Mulvey Jacobson's legacy lives on

Over 160 turkey dinners delivered

Ariane Komyati
Staff Reporter

Despite the Thanksgiving traffic and frigid morning temperatures, more than 40 volunteers gathered in the Roche Bros. parking lot to help with the Mary Mulvey Jacobson's (MMJ) Families in Need Thanksgiving meal distribution. The event took place on Tuesday, Nov. 21, and volunteers delivered 163 turkey dinners to households in need in the Parkway area and Hyde Park.

Ethos, Rose's Bounty, the Boston Police Department (BPD), the Parkway YMCA, and the Society of St. Vincent De Paul Boston provided MMJ Families in Need a list of households that were seeking assistance with holiday meals.

"Saint Vincent De Paul is a new partner this year, we're very happy to have them," explained West Roxbury Business and Professional Association (WRBPA) President Jim Hennigan. Hennigan has helped lead and organize the MMJ holiday meal distribution events since the passing of Mary Mulvey Jacobson in 2017. The volunteers, including members of the BPD, loaded the boxes of food into their cars in the Roche Bros. parking lot and delivered them.

Around 35 years ago, Mary Mulvey Jacobson, a dedicated member of the Parkway community, began assisting families during the Thanksgiving season. With help from the WRBPA, she initially delivered Thanksgiving dinners to five or six

families, dubbing the program "Families in Need." Since its inception, Mulvey Jacobson, as well as volunteers from the Parkway community, have consistently delivered numerous turkey dinners to households in need of assistance, creating a longstanding tradition of generosity during Thanksgiving and the holiday season. In 2017, Mulvey Jacobson passed away, but her legacy lives on through the Mary Mulvey Jacobson's Families in Need nonprofit. The Mulvey and Hennigan families have dedicated their time to keeping the Mary Mulvey Jacobson's Families in Need's giving tradition. The group delivers over 160 meals at Thanksgiving and 150 more meals around Christmas.

Multiple elected officials volunteered at the event, including At Large City Councilors Ruthzee Louijene and Erin Murphy, newly-minted District 6 City Councilor Ben Weber, State Rep. Bill MacGregor, State Sen. Mike Rush, and representatives from Kendra Lara and Michael Flaherty's offices.

"I look forward to participating in this turkey delivery every year," said Louijene. "Mary Mulvey Jacobson has left us with an enduring legacy of caring for our neighbors in all seasons, and especially in Thanksgiving season. When making our deliveries, families were waiting eagerly by the door, showing how small gestures of kindness can go a long way. I'm grateful to Jim Hennigan, Mary's siblings,



Volunteers gathered in the early morning cold to get out more than 150 turkey dinners for Families in Need last week.

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and all the volunteers who carry on this annual tradition."

"Mary Mulvey Jacobson, and the legacy that she's left, has ensured that families in need have had a meal for 30 years now," explained


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"Wake up, it's time for school!"

There are many public school parents/guardians who don't realize the pandemic is over—at least for now; their kids should be arising to prepare for going to school.

The Herald recently ran a piece about attendance/absenteeism in the state's public schools. Shocking, to say the least.

The average child in our state is absent 13 school days a year—about 2 ½ school weeks—which is not really that bad considering flu bugs, colds, mental health days here or there, or leaving for vacation a day or two early. The average rate of attendance is 92.5%, with Worcester leading the big cities with 92.2% for school year 2022-2023. Boston can lay claim to an attendance rate of 88.7%, while Holyoke has the worst rate at 87.4%, Norwood comes in at 92.1%. These, of course, are averages, skewed down by the many chronic offenders in a community, who are defined as those students absent 10% of the 180-school day year (for public schools)—18 days.

I'm not sure if it's surprising but the community with the highest attendance rate at 96.4% is Weston, one of the richest in the Commonwealth. Does all of this mean that Weston's students flock to their schools because they are newer, more spacious, with lots of grass for outside recess? Does it mean that there are more educational amenities inside Weston schoolrooms? Does it mean that their teachers are more committed and exciting than those in other communities? Does it mean that Weston students are healthier? Does it mean that there are fewer no-show buses there? Does it mean that Weston students have



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sufficiently warm coats for those bitterly cold mornings? Does it mean that Weston students, most of whom are probably living in two-parent families, do not have to babysit their very young siblings when their parents have to leave home for an appointment?

I don't know any of the answers to the questions posed above, but I do know that students learn better when they are in school, with all due respect to ZOOM.

Perfect attendance awards have never appealed to me because some children will come to school sick enough to spread germs in order to keep their perfect record intact. But just imagine if your doctor or dentist showed up only 9 out of 10 days.

One of the saddest stories I heard several times is that parents are frustrated when they cannot physically get their children out of bed to go to class because the kids do not want to go to school because of ridicule of their clothing or some characteristic that invites bullying and ridicule. In such cases absenteeism is perhaps somewhat understandable.

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Letters to the Editor

PEOPLE NEED TO GET A LIFE

To the Editor:

As I read a few items in last week's Bulletin, I thought I would throw my two cents in. My first penny concerns two letter writers. While I often disagree with Stephen Smith, his latest letter on the Zoning Board of Appeals is right on the mark. He is so correct when it comes to the ZBA. That board rarely sees a variance they can't support. Smith is right, when it comes to variances; the ZBA does appear to grant them like handing out candy at Halloween.

As for Kirby Boyce's letter about some recent paving on Centre Street, he is correct. What he saw recently between LaGrange to Roche Bros. was a precursor to the Road Diet that city has in store for West Robury.

Now, to drop the second penny, It appears some folks around Bussey Street in the Arnold Arboretum are looking to change the name of the street named after Benjamin Bussey to highlight more neglected figures and concepts.

It appears that Bussey had ties to Harvard University and gave much of his property to it. We call that property today the Arnold Arboretum. Apparently Bussey, like most property

owners back in the 17th and 18th centuries, was a slave owner when slavery was legal.

Seemingly, progressives today don't like Bussey anymore and want the street renamed for somebody with more present-day values. Kudos to resident Kevin Scholfield who has his head on straight. He says this is all a slippery slope and he opposed any name change. He wondered if we should rename Washington Street too since he had slaves. Could anyone alive 200 years ago stand up to the standards we have today? I agree with him wholeheartedly. We should be much more concerned with today's world rather than the world of 175 years ago. Schofield is a rare bird around these parts where too many folks just want to erase the history they dislike.

Leave Bussey Street alone, he is part of Roslindale's history. Accept it and move forward into the future. Otherwise, it's off with heads of most of the Founding Fathers, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and how many others? Don't we have better things to do than judge yesterday by today's standards? Get a life people.

Sal Giarratani
East Boston

A VISIT WITH HENRY

I sometimes ask about local attractions when working in other cities and have more than once received the sheepish reply: "I've never been there." People often overlook local attractions; it seems they don't know what they have in their own back yards. In this vein, I decided to visit a local attraction that I had overlooked.

Walden Pond is famous because Ralph Waldo Emerson owned a shoreline lot on which he allowed a young acolyte to erect a shanty. During the two years he lived there, Henry Thoreau wrote "A Week on the Concord and Merrimack Rivers." Received indifferently, the publisher returned all unsold copies to Henry, leading to one of his characteristically dry musings: "I have a library of one thousand volumes, eight hundred of which I've written myself." He then wrote a book about his pond-side experience, entitled, "Walden, or Life in the Woods," which has fared somewhat better.

Walden Pond lies off Rt. 126 in Concord, a mile from where Henry lies on Author's Ridge alongside Louisa May Alcott, Nathaniel Hawthorne, and Mr. Emerson. It is a classic kettle pond, those bodies of water settled into holes gouged and abandoned by retreating glaciers. It has a beach and bathhouse, and a cleared bank on its western shore where railroad tracks ran in Henry's time, and commuter rails run today. A broad, gentle path encircles. Walking north from the beach you come to a rock cairn marking the site of Henry's cabin. It is set back from the water, higher in the woods. As I stand envisioning his hut and bean field, I genuinely sense his spirit.

Henry Thoreau had as severe a personality as New England produces. He never would have read "How to Win Friends and Influence People," indeed an ac-

quaintance once remarked, "I love Henry, but I could never like him." Neighbors, in stern Yankee judgement—quintessential enough to inform Hawthorne's "The Scarlet Letter"—considered him slothful and directionless. He was a wandering observer, deeply embedded within his own world, daily walking the countryside and recording in his journal minute and mundane characteristics such as its temperature, the depths of ponds frequented, and dates on which various flowers bloomed. To borrow one of my father's phrases, he was an Odd Duck. He never married; he never raised a family. He never owned a house. He never held a job of consequence. And he wrote a perfect book.

Certain books are best read at the time of life most relevant to their themes. Among books embraced by adolescents, for instance, is "The Catcher in the Rye" by J. D. Salinger; among books appealing toward youthful restlessness is "On the Road" by Jack Kerouac. These books reflect the maturing processes' corresponding emotional and intellectual development. "Walden" and its treasure of ideals is another to be read when young.

In the 1990s conservationists, fronted by musician Don Henley, succeeded in preserving 85 surrounding acres at Walden Pond as a monument to Henry David Thoreau. Though well-intended, I wondered if they really knew Henry, because I could not help but think they should recognize their flawed judgement. In fact, Henry even had a few words for these people, from his perfect book. But before relaying them, let me say this: Henry was our spring love, not the one with whom we seasoned. His was our initial dream, our early hope, our developing vision—until we married, until we worked to feed little mouths, until we began paying for our own little huts, until...until we grew up. By building his cabin he was laying the foundation of moral and intellectual integrity, intending for our lives to assemble the rest. The nails and boards he accumulated were ma-



Don Reddick

terial for the window through which we all could look ahead. Observations and thoughts recorded in his books and journals were stockpiled components for completing our own shanties.

Henry will remain in my core, that energetic, enigmatic, endearing Odd Duck and his perfect book, part of which states, "...many are concerned to know who built the monuments of the East and West. For my part, I should like to know who, in those days, did not build them, who were above such trifling."

The only monument necessary for this man is the one he wrote himself. When you read it, you understand he walked in all woods, not just Walden's. You understand he measured the temperature and depth of all humanity, not just Concord's. When you read it, you understand the flowers he waited to see bloom were...us.

These are my thoughts as I stand by the cairn. I reach down, add pebble to pile, and recall reading that Henry Thoreau's neighbors, after his death, were astonished at his growing reputation.

Seems they didn't know what they had in their own back yard.



Residents said they want more greenspace and more for residents from the developer of 287 Western Ave. in Lower Allston.

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287 Western Ave. *continued from page 1*

split at the front entrance between the two sections of the building will leave about 3,000 square feet for a public courtyard and amenity space. Grisaru also said there would be streetscape improvements based on the recently-adopted Western Avenue Corridor Study and Rezoning Plan.

“We’re also going to continue Boston’s Complete Streets design down Western Avenue with protected bike lanes, a planter area, and a generally wider and safer streetscape for pedestrians,” he said.

Grisaru said they would be working with what’s called a flexible high space area, which would be a portion of the building dedicated to either robotics use or light manufacturing.

“Where it’s essentially a single-story but you have a very high clear height within the building to accommodate a flexible amount of uses,” he said. “This is a typically scarce kind of thing to find in an urban environment.”

He added there would also be public co-working space on the ground floor.

The main building has high bay spaces. Grisaru said the building is really two stories of usable space. The parcel will have about 36 parking spaces and two covered loading bays, and the complex will be LEED Gold Certified.

One resident asked if King Street will be operating the site after construction, since the land itself is owned by Harvard (like about one-third of the neighborhood of Allston). Grisaru said they have an agreement to handle the building for the next 70

years in a long-term lease.

Resident Tim McHale said he liked the project and its size, and is more suited to the neighborhood.

“Thank you for keeping it on the diminutive side, that’s really nice; because we are getting sort of canyon-like on Western Avenue and this will bring things back to a human scale,” he said.

McHale said, however, he’d like to see more concessions to the neighborhood. He likened the situation to Newton’s third law of physics, in that every action has an equal and opposite reaction.

“The action we’re responding to lately is a lot of development; a lot of lab space and residential, and if you add it all up it’s millions of square feet and thousands of residents and employees and cars,” he said. “Welcome, let’s bring them on, but let’s also balance it. And the way you balance it is through good public realm. Arts and culture is particularly what I’m leaning towards.”

McHale brought up several new arts projects, like the Herter Building, the Speedway, the Radius Arts Center, the ART and more, that focus on artists.

“We have thousands of artists being transplanted back into the neighborhood after the Sound Museum has been repurposed, and so this area is really in the middle of everything,” he said. “We have Zone3 and Aeronaut and a DPW Yard that’s probably going to be repurposed into a park and affordable housing, and so there is a nexus going on here of artistic energy and

this area is really, if it could be repurposed, where 287 sits is really in the center of it all.”

McHale asked if there is any room in the plan for purposing portions for more artistic uses.

“There is a plan afoot that we’ll be seeing soon that looks like a new arts and culture district that encompasses all that area and so hopefully we can have a discussion about this without damaging your program and your bottom line that can be something on the other side of the equal sign in Newton’s third law,” he said. “We can’t be all labs and all residential and all cars. The residents of the neighborhood will need relief, an outlet, a release of sorts.”

Resident Paula Alexander said she likes the scale as well, but she’s concerned about open space.

“There’s really not a lot of open space; I counted about two trees on the front and two trees on the side, and then there’s a lot of concrete and glass,” she said. “The building looks like a warehouse or office building. Which I guess it is, but I’d like to see some better architectural detail.”

Grisaru said that the retail space they have planned would easily accommodate a coffee shop, but Alexander said she wanted to see more variety, as she said she feels that Barry’s Corner has enough coffee.

“I mean there are other retail spaces that I think we’d like to see along that stretch,” she said.

The comment period for this project has been extended to Dec. 22. Go to <https://tinyurl.com/yc79huu7>



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The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
Docket No. SU23D1957DR

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
Michael S. Serwanja vs. Dorothy Namata

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:
Michael S. Serwanja, 50-56 Broadlawn Park, Apt. 110, Chestnut Hill, MA 02467

your answer, if any, on or before **12/21/2023**. 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 his Court
Date: November 09, 2023
Stephanie Everett, Register of Probate

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member in the community organizations and clubs, and was the Vice President of the Hyde Park Cooperative Bank.

Hyde Park Youth Basketball Association Director Winston Lloyd – who also goes by Mr. Hyde Park – said he knew

it would happen.

“The people here will always do it... This was always a wonderful idea. No one’s going to make it go away, believe me.”

Lloyd said he’s confident Hyde Parkers will continue to make such storied traditions even

more traditional as the years go by.

“The old timers who used to do this are no longer with us, or they don’t have the energy to do this,” he said. “We have to find an appropriate way to make this just as important as it always was.”

Legals

Families in Need *continued from page 3*

Notice of Self Storage Sale

Please take notice Prime Storage - Hyde Park located at 1641 Hyde Park Ave., Hyde Park, MA 02136 intends to hold an auction to sell the goods stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storage-treasures.com on 12/13/2023 at 12:00PM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. Mohamed Nimakan unit #1045; Domingo Montiero unit #1081; Sanon Jeanine unit #2009; Jerry Dessalines unit #20322; Charlie Sidoti unit #20487; Angela Augustin unit #2066; Jenny Guerrier unit #2073. All property is being stored at the above self-storage facility. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details.

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MacGregor. “Her spirit of generosity and love for community continues on in her family, friends, and neighbors. I love being able to do these drop offs, and look forward to it every year. I really appreciate the hard work that Jim Hennigan, Helen Connors, and Tom Mulvey put in with the Rose’s Bounty, Roche Bros, the Boston Police, YMCA and so many of our other local businesses. One of the many reasons our community is so special is because we have so many people who want to give back in some way. I’m looking forward to being able to volunteer again for Christmas deliveries.”

Murphy said that the event has been going strong for 30-plus years and the need for this assistance grows every year.

“Mary knew that there were families who did not have the same delicious Thanksgiving meal as others and that she could do something about it. This act of kindness not only

provides a warm meal, but also offers a sense of community and support during a time that can be especially difficult for those struggling,” she said.

Numerous partners from the community help make this event happen every year. “The Parkway YMCA has been supporting us [MMJ Families in Need] and partnering with us for many years, as well as the Boston Police Department, both E-5 and E-13,” remarked Hennigan. Sponsors that have financially supported MMJ Families in Need include Hennigan Insurance Agency, Roche Bros., the Cooperative Bank, Corrib Pub, Parkway Wealth Management, Mass General Brigham, Waves Car Wash, West Roxbury Roslindale Kiwanis Club, and Karen & Barry Hickman.

For more information about Mary Mulvey Jacobson’s Families in Need, contact mmjfamiliesinneed@gmail.com.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department

CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME Docket No. SU23C0571CA In the matter of: Isaac Adam Madera-Cepeda Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA (617) 788-8300

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Isaac Adam Madera-Cepeda of Hyde Park, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Isaac Adam Madera Any person may appear for purposes objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 12/07/2023. 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: November 10, 2023 Stephanie Everett, Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Docket No. SU23D1613DR DIVORCE SUMMONSBY PUBLICATION AND MAILING Irene Omo St. Fleur vs. Nerva Junior St. Fleur

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. grant him/her custody of the child(ren). allow plaintiff to resume the former name of Irene Omo Igbino ghene Any other relief the court deems necessary & just 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: Irene Omo St. Fleur, 292 Huntington Avenue, Hyde Park, MA 02136 your answer, if any, on or before 01/04/2024. 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. Date: November 10, 2023 Stephanie Everett, Register of Probate

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT Docket Number:23 SM 004303 ORDER OF NOTICE

TO: Tana Kacupaj and Elijor Goxhaj and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. App. § 3901 et seq.: Needham Bank claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Roslindale (Boston), numbered 58 Navarre St, given by Tana Kacupaj and Elijor Goxhaj to Needham Bank dated September 30, 2021, recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 66396, Page 94, and registered with the Suffolk County Registry District of the Land Court as Document 926143, with Certificate of Title No. 138059, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant’s Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before 01/01/2024 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act. Witness, Gordon H. Piper, Chief Justice of said Court on 11/17/2023. Attest: Deborah J. Patterson Recorder

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Docket No. SU23P2502GD CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

In the matter of: Thomas Michael Rudnisky Of: West Roxbury, MA RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Tricia A. Rudnisky of West Roxbury, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Thomas Michael Rudnisky is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Tricia A. Rudnisky of West Roxbury MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.

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

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 12/28/2023. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person’s right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court Date: November 16, 2023 Stephanie Everett, Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department

Suffolk Division Docket No. SU23P2503PM CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 §5-405

In the matter of: Thomas M. Rudnisky Of: West Roxbury, MA RESPONDENT (Person to be Protected/Minor) Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114

To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Tricia A. Rudnisky of West Roxbury, MA In the above captioned matter alleging that Thomas M. Rudnisky is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that: (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve Without Surety on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that the protective order or appointment of Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed Conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 12/28/2023. 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 Date: November 16, 2023 Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department

SUFFOLK Division Docket No. SU23P2547GD CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

In the matter of: Wilfredo Nevarez Of: West Roxbury, MA RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114

To THE named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Department of Developmental Serv of Boston, MA In the above captioned matter alleging that Wilfredo Nevarez is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Reverend John R. Odams of Weymouth, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.

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

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 12/21/2023. 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 Date: November 22, 2023 Felix Arroyo Register of Probate

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Boston's CCE announces lower rate increases than Eversource

This week, the City of Boston announced new electricity rates through Boston's Community Choice Electricity (BCCE) program, and encouraged all customers to choose BCCE as their electricity supplier. The City's new rates will be in effect beginning December 2023 until December 2025 using a new contracted supplier, Direct Energy. BCCE's default and Green100 rates offer more renewable energy and cost less than Eversource's Basic Service Rate. Eversource's winter rates will begin on January 1, 2024. For a period of at least seven months, all three BCCE rates will remain lower than the utility.

Since the beginning of the program, the BCCE Standard rates have always been lower than Eversource Basic Rates. The average resident that uses 600 kilowatt hours of electricity a month on the BCCE Standard option is expected to save nearly \$15 per month compared to the Eversource Basic Service Residential rate (\$0.17251/kWh). In the first six months of 2023, Boston residents on BCCE saved nearly \$60 million, with an average household savings of \$340 compared to Eversource Basic Service. Residents can learn more about switching their electricity supplier here. Since the program's inception in 2021, BCCE has helped

Boston residents and business owners have access to affordable, clean energy while supporting Boston's carbon neutrality goals.

"I'm excited to announce the new electricity rates through Boston's Community Choice Electricity program—allowing Boston residents to further reduce utility bills as they support clean energy options," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "This program is an important part of the City's efforts to serve constituents through affordable, environmentally-friendly initiatives and also accelerate progress toward our carbon neutrality

CCE Rates
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Gormley presented the Cherverus Medal

Richard Gormley, long time West Roxbury resident and funeral home director was among parishioners from throughout the Archdiocese of Boston presented the Cherverus Medal from Cardinal O'Malley on Sunday, November 26 at Holy Cross Cathedral.



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CAHILL

James A. "Shea" of West Roxbury, formerly of Brighton, November 23, 2023. Beloved husband of Patricia "Patti" (Raymond) Cahill. Loving father of Katie Cahill and Tracey Cahill, both of West Roxbury. Devoted Ampy of Emma, Chloe and Benny. Brother of Kevin, Maureen, Mick, Jean, Maggie, Pete, Elizabeth and Bill. Also survived by ten loving nieces and nephews. Shea was predeceased by his parents, James A. and Jean (Dingwall) Cahill. Funeral from the Robert J. Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. Interment in St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, remembrances in memory of Shea may be made to Compassionate Care of ALS, ccals.org Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home 617-323-5600.

FAY

James "Jimmy" of Dorchester, formerly of Cavan, Ireland, passed away peacefully the morning of November 23, 2023, at age 83. He was predeceased by his parents, Patrick and Bridget (McEntee) Fay; brother, Hughie Fay; sister, Sue Fay; uncle, Jack McEntee and his wife, Mary; Aunt Mary Urciuolo and her husband, Dom; and sister-in-law,

Ellen "Ellie" Fay. He is survived by his sister, Mary Fay-Shannon of Norwood; brother, Pat of Dorchester; and brother, John and his wife, Sara of Roslindale; along with many nieces and nephews and grand-nieces and nephews. Funeral from the Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. Interment St. Joseph's Cemetery, West Roxbury. For full obituary, directions or to share a memory of Jimmy, please visit <https://www.lawlerfuneralhome.com/> Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home 617-323-5600.

GREGORY

Edward T. Jr. of West Roxbury, passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family on November 22, 2023. Cherished husband of Donna (McLaughlin) Gregory. Devoted son of the late Edward T. Gregory, Sr. (BFD) and Francis (Condon) Gregory. Ed is also survived by many loving, dedicated brothers and sisters-in-law and nieces and nephews, all of whom he adored. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend Visiting Hours in Funeral from the Robert J. Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre Street, WEST

DEATHS

ROXBURY. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in St. Theresa of Avila Church on Wednesday, November 29, 2023. Interment in Mount Benedict Cemetery, West Roxbury. In lieu of flowers, donations in Ed's memory may be made to Adapt Transition Services, 315 Littleton Road, Chelmsford, MA 01824, adapt-aba.com For directions and guestbook, please visit: [lawlerfuneralhome.com](https://www.lawlerfuneralhome.com) Robert J. Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home (617) 323-5600.

HAGAN

Marie (Cerullo) of Braintree, MA, formerly of Roslindale, passed away on November 19, 2023 surrounded by her family. She was 75 years old. Marie was the loving daughter of the late Vincent and Mary (Leo) Cerullo. Marie is survived by her sons, Dan Hagan (Kristin) of West Roxbury and Anthony of Key West, FL; as well as her brother, Michael. She was predeceased by her brother, Vincent Cerullo, Jr. She is also survived by two grandsons, two nieces and many friends. Marie was born and raised in Jamaica Plain and graduated from Blessed Sacrament High School. A Mass of Christian Burial was cel-

ebrated in The Holy Name Church on Saturday, November 25. Funeral from the Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. Interment in Brookdale Cemetery, Dedham. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to the [https://www.nationalmssociety.org/Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home 617-323-5600](https://www.nationalmssociety.org/Lawler%20%26%20Crosby).

SOUGARIS



Areti (Gouras), age 73, longtime resident of West Roxbury and formerly of Jamaica Plain, passed away peacefully at her home surrounded by her loving family on November 24, 2023. Beloved wife of the late

Arthur Sougaris for 55 years. Devoted mother of Georgia Sougaris of West Roxbury and Sotiri Sougaris and his wife Heather of Foxboro. Loving grandmother of Anastasia, Grace, Sophia and Alexis. Sister of Panagiotis Gouras, Iosif Gouras, Konstandinos Gouras, Koula Ntokos. Visitation was held at St. Nectarios Greek Orthodox Church, 39 Belgrade Ave, Roslindale. Interment in The Gardens at Gethsemane Cemetery, West Roxbury. In lieu of flowers expressions of sympathy may be made in Areti's memory to St. Nectarios Church, 39 Belgrade Ave. Roslindale, MA 02131. For online guestbook, pemurrayfuneral.com. Funeral arrangements by P.E. Murray-F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, West Roxbury.

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Around the Neighborhood

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Classes at Brookline/Cleveland Circle Reilly Memorial Rink, 355 Chestnut Hill Avenue start December 1st, 3rd & 7th. Classes are on Thursdays at 4:00 p.m., Fridays at 4:00 p.m. and Sundays at 1:00 p.m.
Classes Brookline/Larz Anderson, 25 Newton St., Brookline, start Sunday, December 16th at 10:45 a.m. and Saturday, December 17th at 10:45 a.m.
Classes at the Newton Daly Ice Rink on Nonantum Road start December 10th. Classes are on Sundays at 2:00 pm.
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ELLINGTON STREET FIRE RECOVERY DRIVE LAUNCHED
On Saturday night, tragedy struck our Dorchester neighborhood with a six-alarm fire that displaced more than two dozen residents, including two families. These families include a newborn, twin boys and more. Today, I'm asking for you to help these neighbors. They are in need of baby equipment, clothes (new or gently worn and clean), shoes, socks, underwear and gift cards. These items should be new or gently worn and clean, and can be dropped off at the District 4 and Suffolk Fifth Office (5 Erie St., Dorchester; Mon.-Fri., 12-6 pm) as well as Thumbprint Realty (472A Washington St., Dorchester; Mon.-Thu., 11 am - 4 pm).
We've also partnered with the Boston Project to launch a recovery fund for all those affected. Any contribution you can make is welcome. If making it online, choose "Ellington Street Families - House Fire" from the dropdown menu. If donating by check, make it out to "Boston Project Ministries" with "Ellington Street Fire" in the memo. Checks should be sent to: Boston Project Ministries, 15 Elmhurst St., Dorchester, 02124.
The scene on Saturday was incredibly tragic, but it could have been worse if not for the work of quick-thinking neighbors, Boston firefighters, first responders and more. I want to thank all of those who showed up that night, and ask that we all show up now for our friends and neighbors.

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PERFORMANCE AT THE MENINO ART CENTER
Award winning Boston singer/songwriters Terry Kitchen, Jim Infantino and Danielle Miraglia will be performing at The Menino Arts Center, 26 Central Ave., Hyde Park on Friday December 8. Each performer will do a solo set, followed by a round robin song swap with all three performers. The show begins at 7 PM and admission is free. For more information visit hpaa-mac.org.

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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.
—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.
—V.C.

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.*
—V.C.

Archdale comes through for Thanksgiving



Archdale residents and members of the Boston Police Department rolled up their sleeves and got to work distributing and preparing bags of food for the Archdale Food Drive last week.

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goals.”

Mayor Wu is committed to Boston’s Green New Deal, making Boston affordable, healthy, and sustainable for all residents and business owners. The City of Boston has elected to increase the renewable energy content in BCCE’s Standard (default) product by an additional 15% beyond the State’s required renewable portfolio standard, increasing the total renewable energy content in the default product to 39%. Boston Community Choice Electricity uses the City’s collective buying power to provide more renewable electricity to Boston’s residents and businesses at a competitive rate. BCCE is the largest municipal aggregation program in Massachusetts and includes three options for electricity supply: Optional Basic, Standard (default), and Optional Green 100. These plans include between 24% and 100% local, renewable energy, and customers are able to choose which electricity rate and renewable energy portfolio is the best option for them. Eversource continues to serve as the utility delivering electricity to BCCE customers. Eversource also handles customer billing and service, grid maintenance, and power outages.

BCCE Product
Renewable Energy Content

BCCE Rate
Optional Basic
24% renewable energy
\$.14205 / kWh
Standard (default)
39% renewable energy
\$.14805 / kWh
Green 100
100% renewable energy
\$.17195 / kWh

The renewable energy content will increase to these percentages on January 1, 2024*

Recently, Eversource filed its proposed new Residential Basic Service rate (\$.17251/kWh) and its Small Business rate (\$.17.587/kWh) with the

Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities. These rates will be effective January 1, 2024 until July 31, 2024. As the City moves into the winter months, electricity usage is expected to rise. The City of Boston cannot guarantee that the BCCE rates will remain lower than Eversource’s Basic Service rates after July 31, 2024, because the local utilities change their rates twice a year. You can find more information about basic service prices here.

Some Boston residents and businesses are enrolled in contracts with third-party suppliers, whose rates can be significantly higher than BCCE. Competitive electric suppliers often mislead and take advantage of residents, particularly seniors, people of color, and residents who speak a language other than English, promising them unreliable savings. According to a report from the Massachusetts Attorney General’s Office, third-party suppliers charged Massachusetts residents \$525 million more than the general utility would have between 2015 and 2021. The Attorney General’s Office also reported that these suppliers continue to target low-income residents and communities of color, charging them higher rates for their electricity. The report found that residents in Dorchester, Roxbury, Mattapan, East Boston, Hyde Park, and Roslindale were heavily targeted, with more than 40% of low-income residents in these neighborhoods signing competitive electric supply contracts. In Roxbury, 57% of low-income residents are enrolled in third-party supply. As a part of Mayor Wu’s 2023-2024 State legislative agenda, she supported proposals to ban residential predatory competitive electric supply companies (bills H.3196 and S.2106). Boston residents and business owners can compare electricity rates

here. Technical support is available from City of Boston experts by scheduling an appointment, emailing bcce@boston.gov, or calling 3-1-1.

“At a time when many Bostonians are making difficult choices about paying for food or fuel, utilities or rent, the City of Boston has a program to help residents reduce electricity costs while supporting the health of our planet,” said Reverend Mariama White-Hammond, Chief of Environment, Energy and Open Space. “I am grateful to Mayor Wu for her commitment to supporting Boston residents and small businesses through this program and to our team in the Environment Department who have been steadfast in their efforts to ensure affordable energy prices, especially to those who are being targeted by predatory energy companies.”

The Standard BCCE rate is the default option for Boston residents and business owners. Customers may choose to “opt up” to enroll in the Optional Green 100 rate, with 100% of electricity coming from local, renewable energy sources, like solar or wind. By opting up, customers can support the City of Boston in reducing carbon emissions, improving local air quality, and taking climate action within our communities. Boston Community Choice Electricity’s Optional Green 100 plan costs less than Eversource’s basic residential rate while utilizing 100% renewable electricity compared to Eversource’s 22%, the state requirement for renewable electricity. Residents and business owners can opt-up, down, or out of BCCE at any time with no penalties.

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INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE Docket No. SU23P2478EA

Estate of: Anita E. Stathakes
Also known as: Anita Stathakes
Date of Death: May 21, 2023

Suffolk Division

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of **Petitioner Roberta Trahan of Franklin, MA** a Will has been admitted to informal probate **Roberta Trahan of Franklin, 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.

Boston Bulletin: 11/30/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
 Docket No. SU22D1703DR

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
Robert Colome vs. Elvia Esperanza Seclen

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 Of the Marriage**. 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:
Robert Colome, 12 Powellton Road, Apt. 1, Dorchester, MA 02121
 your answer, if any, on or before 12/14/2023. 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 his Court
 Date: October 20, 2023
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Docket No. SU23P2204GD

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

In the matter of: Fidel Machado
Of: Jamaica Plain, MA

RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person

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

To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Brigham and Women's Faulkner Hospital of Boston, MA** in the above captioned matter alleging that **Fidel Machado** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that

(or some other suitable person) to be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.

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

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00AM. on the return date of **12/19/2023**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
 The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
 Date: November 15, 2023
 Stephanie Everett, Register of Probate

Boston Bulletin: 11/30/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. SU23P2450EA

Estate of: Alice C. Sayward
Date of Death: 11/20/2011

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by: **Floyd Emerson of Melrose, 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: **Floyd Emerson of Melrose, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **With Corporate Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

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 01/04/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
 Date: November 22, 2023
 Stephanie Everett, Register of Probate

Boston Bulletin: 11/30/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. SU23P2538EA

Estate of: Loretta Marie Adger
Date of Death: 07/10/2023

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Testacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Samuel E. Manora Jr. of Brockton, MA and Breanna L. Manora of Attleboro, 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: **Samuel E. Manora, Jr. of Brockton, MA and Breanna L. Manora of Attleboro, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

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 01/02/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
 Date: November 20, 2023
 Stephanie Everett, Register of Probate

Hyde Park Bulletin: 11/30/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION TO EXPAND THE POWERS OF A GUARDIAN

Docket No. SU92P0339

In the Interests of:
Immanuel Semper
Of: West Roxbury, MA

RESPONDENT
Incapacitated Person/Protected Person

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

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Victor Sloan of Sudbury, MA** in the above captioned matter requesting that the court:

Expand the powers of a Guardian of the Respondent

The petition asks the court to make a determination that the powers of the Guardian and/or Conservator should be expanded, modified, or limited since the time of appointment. The original petition is on file with the court.

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 before: 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **12/12/2023**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to this 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 a 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
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