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Allston Brighton CDC hosts grand opening

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Allston Brighton Community Development Corporation (ABCDC) opened its new All Bright Community Center and Community Glenville apartments on Commonwealth Avenue on Saturday to fanfare

“I’ve been here for four years and when I came in they were just beginning to do the specs for this, so it’s been about four years,” she said. “We’ve still got some final numbers we’re settling, but it came in under budget and on time, so it feels really, really good.”

Aside from the 235 apart-



Hundreds of residents came out on Saturday for the grand opening of the All Bright Community Center.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

of hundreds of residents.

The new center features 235 newly-renovated Commonwealth Glenville apartments for low-income families in Allston, and was celebrated with a block party featuring food, music, and services on Comm. Ave. ABCDC Executive Director Carol Ridge Martinez said the grand opening has been a long time coming.

ment units, Martinez said the community center itself will help to provide a whole host of services for the local community and the residents of the 17 brownstone buildings the ABCDC currently manages.

“We’ve started to have programming here and we have our case management services

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City Point talks upcoming debate, plane noise

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

All across the southern part of the city, residents are saying that airplane noise is up.

In South Boston, City Point Neighborhood Association President Joanne McDevitt said the problem has grown because planes are now coming in lower than they used to and are far more concentrated in their flight paths, both situations she ascribed to the institution of RNAV (Area Navigation).

“I can see the landing gear now, it’s getting ridiculous,” she said. “I think we have to work through the congressman and try to get a meeting in South Boston.”

RNAV is a global positioning system that allows airplanes to

keep to tighter and more concentrated flight paths to save fuel and time, but that has meant that more airplanes are flying over the same neighborhoods in higher frequency. McDevitt said that residents need to up their game when it comes to notifying Massport of their complaints and concerns. She said Milton is currently trouncing South Boston in the complaint department, with 2,253 complaints in August alone. South Boston had 140.

“We call only when it gets so we can’t handle it anymore and we can’t hear our TVs at full volume,” she said.

McDevitt, who said she has lived in the neighborhood most of her life and knows airplane noise, said the noise has been

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Jim Brooks Act moves to state legislature Council moving on its own ordinance



Boston Mayor Marty Walsh signed the Home-Rule petition for the Jim Brooks Stabilization Act last week after the Boston City council voted unanimously to approve it. Many organizations, like City Life Vida Urbana shown above, have been advocating for the act and protesting what they see as unfair rent practices by corporate landlords.

FILE PHOTO

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Last week, the Boston City Council voted unanimously to enact the Jim Brooks Stabilization Act/Just Cause Eviction home-rule petition.

The act, if passed by the state legislature, would help codify reasons for eviction that a landlord can give and require that tenants are informed of their rights after being served an eviction notice. At-Large City Councilor and chair of the Commit-

tee on Government Operations Michael Flaherty said this was a great step in the right direction, but added there was much more the council could start doing now while the act goes through the legislative process.

“Preventing displacement, providing education to residents and notice to the city are consistent with the objective of this proposal,” he said. “We want to stop the displacement, but in order to do so and direct our resources appropriately, we need to learn where it’s happening and we need to know who’s doing it.”

During the same council meeting, District 3 City Councilor Frank Baker introduced a city ordinance that would take effect immediately after being voted on in the council to add a new section to the city’s municipal code to require landlords to notify the city of eviction notices.

“We wanted to make sure that along with the home-rule petition we had a parallel path that we could vote on here and potentially take more swift ac-

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Council passes Community Choice Energy increase

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council unanimously passed the Community Choice Energy (CCE) aggregation ordinance to increase the city’s use of renewable energy by 5 percent.

The measure basically allows the city to leverage its large number of accounts with Eversource, the city’s primary electric provider, to buy in bulk a larger percentage of renewable sources than fossil fuels. The current rate is 12 percent renewable.

“We can leverage our sheer size,” said District 5 City Councilor and chair of

the Environmental and Sustainability Committee Matt O’Malley said. “There are well more than 200,000 accounts among our 650,000 residents and businesses to negotiate a better deal for ratepayers with an increase in our renewable energy portfolio.”

O’Malley said that studies have shown that Boston can increase renewable energy usage up to 6 percent without an increase to the ratepayer, and the ordinance is looking to play it safe at 5 percent. The new agreement will also allow current customers to opt out of the program if they so choose and find a different energy pro-



Boston City Council President Michelle Wu

vider aside from Eversource.

“We will also have an opt-

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Quest Adventures hosting costume 5K for student fundraising



Hundreds are expected for this year's Halloween 5K at the Jamaica Pond.

COURTESY PHOTO

Jeff Sullivan
 Staff Reporter

Quest Adventures is hosting a Halloween Costume 5K on Sunday, Oct. 29 at 8 a.m. to raise funds for trips for Boston students.

The nonprofit organization is dedicated to helping to send students to disaffected areas, both in the United States and abroad, to give them real-life experience and to help areas in desperate need.

Founder Claudia Bell said she first started the organization after working as a teacher in the Boston Public Schools District. She said the impact of these so-called service trips was immediately apparent on the students who went, and she said she wanted to get more students out and about in the world.

"I was a teacher at the English

High School for a number of years and I started taking my students on service trips to Honduras, and it impacted me so much, and impacted them so much," she said. "Our bond and the ability to be able to make a difference somewhere really helped the teachers and the students. We were building houses in Honduras, and it had such an impact on them and me, as a teacher on how I viewed what we could do in the classroom and in the students, it helped to create a vision for themselves. Getting them to do things outside their comfort zone helped to grow and see what they could do in the neighborhood, let alone in the world."

Bell said she, several former students and several other teachers decided to start Quest so that more students in Boston could attend these service trips. She said since its founding in 2008, more than 50 service trips have been funded and more than 600 students have gone out to represent Boston in the country and the world.

Bell said the costs associated with transporting so many students – five classes a year most years – are far more than the organization can afford alone, and so they help students organize their own fundraisers.

"We give them a seed grant of \$5,000 for a national trip, \$6,000 for international trips," she said, adding that they then take a year with the students to help them to fund-raise the remainder of the about \$15,000 to \$20,000 each class needs to raise.

"We help them create a fundraising plan so they know exactly how much they have to raise every month," she said. "In that process they learn a lot of leadership skills."

Bell said the students learn how to present plans to organizations and pitch their trips to others, and she said the whole process' impact is immediately apparent when the students come back.

"We have seen a lot of replication of the skills they have in their classrooms, the teachers often say these students are completely different every year," she said.

Bell said this year they are focusing on the hurricane-impacted areas of the U.S.

"Because of so much damage and destruction having been done in the United States with Irma, Harvey and Maria, this year we have one group going to Costa Rica – one was approved to go to Cuba, but Cuba has just been put on the travel warning list, so the BPS probably won't let us do that – and that group we're looking to send to Puerto Rico. We have one other group going to New Orleans and two groups going to Houston."

Bell said they are also presenting to the organization's executive board a plan to add another team to Puerto Rico, and though she said that has not been finalized, she thinks the board will vote for it.

"It's near and dear to my heart because of having so many Puerto Rican students and frankly being appalled at the lack of compassion from the U.S. government on what has happened to the Puerto Rican people," she said.

Bell said though that because of the costs associated with sending students to these areas, their help will probably not arrive until June, but she said anything they can do to help in the meantime they are. The fundraiser at the Jamaica Pond will help students to reach the necessary goals to get them where they are needed, and they will also be in costume during the run, so Bell said it should be a fun time. It will be the group's seventh outing for a fall fundraiser. The event will feature candy other treats from local businesses as well as prizes for the fastest racers. For more information on the event and Quest go to <https://goo.gl/YDQQyc>



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Celebrate Halloween with BCYF



From a costumed roller skate night to haunted houses, Boston Centers for Youth & Families' (BCYF) community centers are hosting a variety of Halloween activities. Check our website for regular updates. Below is the schedule as of October 6. Call the center listed for more information.

Friday, Oct. 20

BCYF Leahy Holloran Community Center

Kids Spooky Halloween Bash. All ages fall-themed games, and DJ. Fee \$5. Food and drink will be available for sale. 5-8 p.m.

Glow in the Dark Mini Golf. Fee: \$5 per person, \$20 maximum per family.

Sunday, Oct. 22

BCYF Hyde Park Community Center

"Paint a pumpkin with the Police." Come to the center between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. and create your own decorated pumpkin with our police friends at Area E-18. Pumpkins and snacks provided. RSVP by October 18 at 617-635-5175. Ideal for ages 10 and under.

Wednesday, Oct. 25

BCYF Leahy Holloran Community Center

Halloween Science Party for ages 6-12 Spooky experiments that pop,

scream, smoke, bubble, and erupt! 4-6:30 p.m. Fee: \$10. BCYF Menino Community Center

Halloween Academics" featuring "Education Stations." Every station hands out learning tasks and fun project creations along with treats and trinkets! Ages 6-12. 5-7 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 27

BCYF Blackstone Community Center

Teen Halloween Party for ages 12-18 with DJ, games, food and more. Dancing in the gym, activities in the Teen Center. 6-9 p.m. Free.

BCYF Girls Skate Night

Halloween themed Skate Night at Chez Vous for girls and boys ages 6-17 (12 and under must come with parent/guardian.) 4-7 p.m. Sponsored by the Shannon Grant, Boston P.A.L. and the Foundation for BCYF.

BCYF Nazzaro Community Center Halloween Dance at the BCYF Nazzaro Center from 7-10 p.m. Ages 10 and older. Food, contests, prizes, and DJ. Free.

BCYF Ohrenberger Community Center "Masquerade Ball" for ages 11-15, 7-9 p.m.

BCYF Paris Street Community Center

Halloween party in collaboration with BPD from 5-7 p.m. DJ, inflatables, games, arts & crafts, balloon twister artist, food, and more.

BCYF Tynan Community Center

Annual Children's Halloween Party sponsored by the Tynan Council will be held from 3:30-5 p.m. and will include Costume Parade, refreshments, music, games, and more.

Saturday, Oct. 28

BCYF Holland Community Center Holland Haunted House. Scary fun for all ages, 5-8 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 30

BCYF Pino Community Center Halloween Party for youth ages 16 and under. Music, games, candy, raffle prizes and best costume contest. 6-8 p.m. Free.

Tuesday, Oct. 31

BCYF Curtis Hall Community Center

In partnership with Mosaic Church of JP, BCYF Curtis Hall will host "Trunk or Treat" from 5-7 p.m. in the

parking lot at the center. Various cars will be decorated and their trunks filled with games and activities.

BCYF Nazzaro Community Center Party in BCYF Nazzaro playground, 2-6 p.m. All ages welcome. Games, music, food, four (!) bouncy houses, pumpkin carving, and face painting. Free.

BCYF Roche Family Community Center

BCYF Roche is one of the stops for the "Parkway in Motion" Halloween Party which includes trick or treating down Centre Street. 10 - 11 a.m. Must register for this party at parkwayinmotion.org/events/trick-or-treat.

BCYF Tobin Community Center

"Halloween on the Hill" starts at 4 p.m. at the BCYF Tobin and ends at One Brigham Circle at 8 p.m. In collaboration with Mission Hill Youth Collaborative and many local agencies, families can participate in the following activities: Haunted Halls, Pony Rides, pumpkin painting, trick or treating and more.

Wednesday, Nov. 1

BCYF Grove Hall Senior Center

Halloween luncheon for neighborhood seniors. 12-4 p.m. Free center membership required.

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CITY OF BOSTON CREDIT UNION

Editorial

NO CLOWNING AROUND

Life can be filled with little joys.

Reading last week's Bulletin, you probably saw a decidedly, and intentionally bland photo caption. "The eight candidates for the four At-Large City Council seats came to the Roslindale Community Center on Tuesday night to talk about the issues currently facing the city."

Big and bold, in the far right of the photo, is a colorful circus clown.

Incongruities of this sort always make the world of journalism a lot more fun. The caption in its blandness is important to take note of (if we may pat ourselves on the back) and we will get to why in a bit.

Here in Boston we are no strangers to the eternal candidate. These are folks who for a variety of reasons and on a sliding scale of realistic chances, keep running for local office time and time again; Althea Garrison, Roy Owen, Doug Bennett (he of the green signs and repurposed chunks of wood that will live on in overgrown lots long past the end of his political desires).

The clown? That was a new one for us. Has movie marketing become so brazen as to work an "It" reference into the election?

It shouldn't have come as much of a surprise to find out that Kevin McCrea, real estate mogul and frequent candidate for mayor and council, has traded in his leather jacket for a polka-dotted romper. McCrea reportedly changed his name to Pat Payaso (the last name being Spanish for "clown"). The Boston Herald reported that after the name change, at a New Orleans district court in February, he kickstarted his own campaign with a \$1 million of his own money to bankroll his candidacy.

His Twitter page proclaims: "Me Gusta Boston!"

We have always like McCrea, at least on an inter-personal basis. He is a congenial fellow. His heart is in the right place (or at least seems to be). And even if one might not agree with his political views, it is duly-noted that he brings creativity and a lot of ideas to the table.

This clown thing, however, especially when paired with a name change? Meh.

An ongoing problem with modern politics is that elections are becoming more akin to a stunt-filled, junior high school student council election. Running for office used to be a more about the job at hand than window dressing and theatrics.

It would be a lie to say that political views haven't always factored in, but at the local level successful candidates traditionally ran on competency, not necessarily ideology. Constituent services and pledges to improve our quality of life were centerstage, and necessarily so. Mayor Menino was a proud Democrat, yet how often did that affect or influence his neighborhood-by-neighborhood activities?

We are sure that McCrea's plan is to serve as a provocateur. In garnering the attention that comes with flamboyance, that he will have a platform.

The problem; and it is one that predates the stunt, is that politics, more than ever, is either a popularity contest or a gathering of protest votes that sometimes pile up into an unwanted victory.

Our outline, as simple and direct as it was, is exactly what the story it accompanied called for. The high road means not letting a funny wig distract us from a very important decision in the at-large council election. McCrea should be treated like the others at that table, regardless of the stunt. Let's not be distracted by novelty when there is so much more deadly serious work to do.

A riot with an inexorable finale

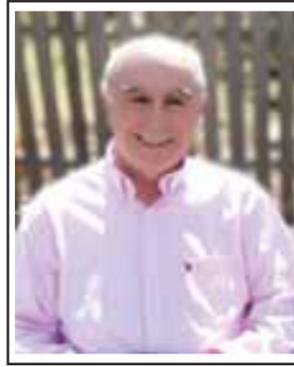
In her essay "Halloween Transitions," writer Alice Camille speaks of October as having entered "... with a riotous bonfire of color, only to exist in the somber brown ashes of leaves."

And presently our Boston area is experiencing this gorgeous melee of hews.

She goes on to say that "October is a dress rehearsal for growing up and growing old." And having attained an age equal to three score plus a dozen, I can vouch for her appraisal of the aging process that autumnal trees do model human surrender to us seniors.

As Halloween approaches here in Boston, we'll soon experience the brown and lack of color that trampled leaves and leafless branches give off.

I was No Sinatra fan in my teenage years - Connie Francis, Dion, and The Temptations on radio station WMEX had more appeal with "Lipstick on Your Collar," "Run Around Sue," and "My Girl" - I have learned to appreciate the insightful lyrics of myriad songs crooned by Ol' Blue Eyes. His "My Way," which your humble scribe originally - can you fathom this? - wanted to be church-



My Kind
of Town/
Joe Galeota

played at our wedding, has lyrics that also address the end of life. Consider the opening verses:

And now, the end is near;
And so I face the final curtain.

My friend, I'll say it clear,
I'll state my case, of which
I'm certain.

I've lived a life that's full,
I've traveled each and every
highway;

And more, much more than
this,

I did it my way.

Before we get too somber about approaching November and its bone-chilling days thereafter, let's frolic and gambol and rejoice in a spectacular New England autumn, mimicked, at least by this writer's harsh standards, only by rural Indiana, Virginia's Shenandoah Valley, and New York's Adirondack Mountains, while remembering the advice by Welshman Dylan Thomas to his sickly, dying father:

Do not go gentle into that
good night,

Do not go gentle into that
good night,

Old age should burn and
rage at close of day;

Rage, rage against the dy-
ing of the light.

Though wise men at their
end know dark is right,

Because their words had
forked no lightning they

Do not go gentle into that
good night.

In one sense, it's too bad
that autumn does not last
longer.

Bringing Bostonians Under One Roof



Mayor's Column

Martin J. Walsh

Every year, more and more people are calling Boston home. Our population is growing: we're expected to surpass 700,000 residents before 2030, which are numbers we haven't seen in decades. This growth means that housing is in high demand.

In 2014, we released our housing plan. It's a roadmap to help us keep up with demand by creating 53,000 new units by 2030. We've made tremendous progress already. Since 2014, more than 13,000 new units of

Mayor

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Letters to the Editor

APARTMENTS DELAYED ARTICLE MISSING FACTS

To the Editor:

The headline on your article, "Parking and new road stalls construction of Jackson Square project," on Sept. 14, 2017, may be correct, but much of the rest of the article, including the first paragraph, was unsubstantiated and untrue. The Jackson Square Partners apartments are not being delayed by "demands" by Boston Community Ventures, and neither anything in the article or the facts support that.

Jackson Square Partners may have "had hoped to acquire" the property at 41 Amory for their parking needs, but they never had control of the property. Throughout the planning for Jackson Square going back decades, and in the request for proposals, it was always envisioned that there would be a new public roadway facilitating access through and around the state-owned parcels. The Boston Planning and Development Agency has been quite consistent in recognizing the need for this public roadway through Jackson Square, for the benefit of future development and access for pedestrians along the MBTA tracks along the Greenway. The zoning for the area actually calls for a Greenbelt Protection Overlay District to ensure pedestrian

parkland and to guarantee public use of public land. The article even quoted the BPDA's John Dalzell from a recent Zoning Board of Appeals hearing: "It was always intended to be a public way."

Terry Bruce
Boston Community
Ventures

STATUE SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED AND MOVED

To the editor:

As I read my Bulletin dated Sept. 28, I found the news story on the Hyde Park Historical Society and the controversy over Civil War monuments quite interesting. I, however, was glad to see the photo of that Emancipation Memorial in Park Square in Boston. I remember when I was a small boy the first time I saw it. My dad told me it honored President Lincoln freeing slaves during the Civil War.

Today with the traffic changes in Park Square, few if anyone gets to really check this statue out, but back in the day when the Trailways Bus Terminal was right in the Square, the statue was much more noticeable. I never liked it because it seemed demeaning to me. It looked like freed slaves were happy polishing his boots,

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- Admission process timetable
- Application process overview
- Interview tips
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BAA hosts annual half marathon at Franklin Park



The Boston Athletic Association (BAA) hosted its 17th annual half marathon at Franklin Park last week. Since first being run in 2001, the B.A.A. Half Marathon has seen winners from eight different countries. The winner of the B.A.A. Half Marathon earned \$10,000. In 2016, a total of 6,198 athletes participated in the B.A.A. Half Marathon, presented by Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and the Jimmy Fund. This year's field had 9,000 participants. Kenyans Daniel Salel and Joan Chelimo swept the top spots for the race.

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up proviso, so that any ratepayer if they so choose can purchase up to 100 percent renewable sources," he said.

If a supplier is found for the increased rate of renewables, which O'Malley said he is sure will happen, safeguards for ratepayers will be taken so that increases in cost can be paused, and no ratepayer will have to make up the difference.

"Now there are significant

safeguards here to protect all ratepayers," he said, adding that after the vote in the council Boston Mayor Marty Walsh's administration will begin the procurement process. "If they are unable to find a provider that is at or below the current rate, they will not proceed. Additionally, if we opt in and find a provider that conforms to our increase in renewables and price, and changes that down the road, we can pause the program."

O'Malley said that if and when a supplier is found, there will be a community process around exactly how that provider will get the energy to the city and what the projected costs will be.

City Council President Michelle Wu said the process to get to the vote was a long road, but that residents and officials came together to get Boston in the right direction.

"Not only are we creating climate change refugees across the country, I mean this has been happening all over the Middle East for a long time now with droughts leading to water crises leading to war, but we're feeling it right at the doorsteps of this country," she said. "Puerto Rico is going through the worst humanitarian crisis that the U.S. has seen in a very, very long time."

Wu added that Boston is already doing its part to welcome Puerto Rican families to the city, but said that more are likely on the way from future catastrophes, and the CCE ordinance is the city's way of trying to lessen the impact of such future events.

"The environmental refugees have already started arriving in Boston," she said. "We are looking to welcome them with open arms, but we are going to continue to see weather driven refugees coming to Boston, and that affects our school systems and that affects our housing situation, so climate change is very real in many, many ways that the city and the council will be feeling."

Wu said that the country is now at a pivotal stage, where so many corporate interests are locked into fossil fuels, she believes that adding to the green economy through actions like the CCE, the council and the city could help to turn the country towards renewables rather than continue with fossil fuels.

"Wind and solar jobs are actually growing 12 times faster than the average job growth across the country," she said.

As the CCE is now passed, the Walsh administration is set to begin the process to find energy sources to increase the renewable source rate for the city.

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getting louder and louder.

“The volume of planes coming over South Boston seems to have increased tremendously,” she said. “So you can google Massport runway use (<http://www.massport.com/logan-airport/about-logan/noise-abatement/complaints-by-towns/>) and you can look at the last report in August and you can look at a comparison from this year to last year.”

Originally, the noise complaints from all over the city were blamed on the resurfacing for runway 4R-22L, but McDevitt said that shouldn't be the case now.

“We were told all the noise was from that runway being fixed, and the runway has been fixed for two months and we still have noise,” she said.

For the upcoming city council debate, McDevitt said that though the date is currently scheduled for Oct. 18, they may have to push it back for scheduling concerns. The debate will feature district and at-large city councilors.

“For this general election we're asking people to send a question to our email address SBCPNA@gmail.com,” she said. “What is your concern? Development transportation or safety in the community? You need to know where these candidates stand on these issues.”

SBCPNA Vice President Jim Covenor said that all the South Boston neighborhood associations will be attending and that everyone at City Point should send in questions. Two of them will be selected for the actual debate. He added that he knows what his major concern is in the



Residents of City Point are concerned about airplane noise increasing in the neighborhood.

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neighborhood, at least.

“It's traffic for me, it's always about traffic for me, that's why I was late,” he said. “If you have any questions please send them because we're trying to shuffle them.”

McDevitt said that residents should not be afraid to get specific within City Point. She said the neighborhood has its own problems that councilors should be aware of.

“It should be specific if you live in City Point, you may feel development should be different on the west side, some of the height is good for that area but you may not like that height in City Point,” she said, adding that she at least feels that the historical significance of the neighborhood should be considered as well. “There's a lot of people who really want to protect the architectural integrity in our community, so maybe you want to protect the housing in City Point, so

just be specific. Development is not our primary concern right now it should be climate, it's 82 degrees out right now!”

In other news, Boston Police Department C-6 Commander Captain Joseph Boyle brought up a recent issue in which social media was reporting that a sexual assault occurred on Mercer Street.

“There's no report for sexual assault, there is no information on it, and as far as we know it never occurred,” he said. “If you have something like that or concerns or something like that just call us, we'll get right back to you and update you on this situation.”

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here,” she said. “We've increased in all of our buildings our amount of homelessness set asides, so when we have a family coming in from shelter our support systems are good to help them transition back into apartments and help them stay stable and get connected to schools and to all those things.”

She added they are looking to increase services once the building comes fully online.

“We have a food pantry twice a month where people come in to get extra food, and we have Yoga – which is mostly for older people, but I'm going anyway – and it's really fun,” she said. “The Family Nurturing Center will also have a family playgroup for the little ones, so it's really starting to come together here, and we're going to have tutors from Boston College very soon who are going to help kids with their homework and our computer lab is there to help with that, too.”

Boston Mayor Marty Walsh went to the Block Party and celebrated with several officials and community members.

“Housing preservation in Boston is so important, and this renovation helped preserve 235 units of affordable housing here in Allston where affordable rental housing is in high demand,” Walsh said in a statement. “I want to congratulate the ABCDC and our partners who helped create this new community center and made this renovation possible. I know it means a world of difference to the families who live in Allston and Brighton.”

The \$18 million renovation reconfigured the first floor level to create the community center and allowed residents to stay in their homes for the majority of the 18-month renovation. The renovation included new kitchens, new bathrooms, installation of high-efficiency heating systems and upgrades to the building's mechanical and life safety systems. The renovation also included an almost complete replacement of the building's plumbing and the installation of elevators to make it complaint with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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The Harvard Ed Portal and the Ceramics Program, Office for the Arts at Harvard are proud to announce two joint scholarships for a 10-12 week course at the Ceramics studio for spring 2018. Any Allston-Brighton resident or Ed Portal member who is at least 18 years old is eligible to apply. No experience is needed.

The scholarships cover the cost of registration and materials for one course each and will be awarded to two different winners. Scholarship recipients are responsible for payment of a \$40 registration fee. A full list of spring courses will be posted shortly on the Ceramics Program website.

Applications are due Oct. 31 by 7 p.m.—no late applications will be considered. The selection committee will notify all applicants of their status by Nov. 7, and the suc-

cessful applicants should work with Ceramics to complete course registration.

Application: Applications can be filled out and submitted at: <https://ofa.fas.harvard.edu/ceramics>

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BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

A book discussion meets at the Brighton Branch Library on the last Wednesday of each month at 11:15 a.m. The featured selection for Oct. 25 will be *The Warmth of Other Suns* by Isabel Wilkerson. Copies of the book are available at the library. Everyone is invited and new members are welcome. Brighton Branch Library/40 Academy Hill Rd.

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Pathways to Employment is a program sponsored by the Jewish Family & Children's Service to help people with disabilities gain the skills needed to be independent and successful at work. Offered at no cost in Brighton, this program is for adults, who are motivated to work but need to develop workplace skills. For more information, contact John Wills at jwills@jfcbsoston.org or 617-877-0773.

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Children are welcome to come and learn to play chess or checkers with Charlie Cleary on Saturday afternoons. Sponsored by the Friends of the Hyde Park Branch Library. Free to all. The event starts at 1 p.m. located at the Hyde Park Branch of the Boston Public Library.

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AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING PROGRAM

The BCYF Hyde Park Community Center will offer an After-School Tutoring & Enrichment Program once again this year. Is your child grades ONE through SIX? Is he/she in need of Reading or Math Help? How about Homework help? Then this After-School Program is for you!! Drop by and pick-up your registration packet at the BCYF Hyde Park Community Center ("MUNI") 1179 River St. Hyde Park or for more information please call us at (617)635-5178. This program is made possible by The City

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CITYWIDE

LANGONE & PUPOLO PARKS COMMUNITY MEETING

Please join us for the first in a series of community meetings. We look forward to sharing the project scope, including timeline and hearing what you have to say. For more information, please call Cathy Baker-Eclipse at the Boston Parks and Recreation Department (617) 961-3058 or email Cathy.Baker-Eclipse@boston.gov. The meeting takes place on Tuesday, Oct. 24, 6:30 p.m. Located at the BCYF Nazarro Community Center 30 North Bennett St., North End.

FREE ENGLISH CLASSES AT BLUE HILLS ADULT EDUCATION

Sign up for FREE English classes at Blue Hills Adult Education ESOL Program! 28 Draper Lane in Canton - Our next registration will be held on Oct. 23 and 24. Call 781-298-3111 to make an appointment. Visit our website for more information. adulted.bluehills.org

CITY OF BOSTON TO HOST NEIGHBORHOOD CAREER FAIR SERIES EVENT IN JAMAICA PLAIN

On Thursday, Oct. 19, the City of Boston will host dozens of City departments and participating employers in a career fair to help connect Boston residents to employment opportunities within the City of Boston and at private companies and non-profits.

The event will be held at English High School in Jamaica Plain at 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., and residents are encouraged to attend and learn more about career opportunities within the City of Boston and its agencies.

C.Y.O. BASKETBALL

The CYO basketball program is organizing for the 2017-2018 season! Anyone who is interested in participating in the program should contact their local parish for information. You can access information about the basketball pro-

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Council talks automatic voter registration

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council met last week and voted on several issues in the city.

District 8 City Councilor Josh Zakim introduced a resolution in support of Massachusetts House Bill 2091 and Senate Bill 373 to automatically register eligible voters in the state. He said this could definitely help to increase voter turnout during off-cycle elections, like the preliminary election held in recent weeks.

“As we all observed just last week in the incredibly low turnout at the municipal election, our state elections, a little higher turnout, but still there are many barriers to access,” he said. “As we’ve seen in other states that currently allow automatic voter registration, several in New England, along with a place as diverse as Georgia, Alaska, California, West Virginia, not places that often on the same page when it comes to issues like this. The right to vote is the fundamental right that protects all other rights in our society, and whatever we can do to lower those barriers is important.”

Zakim added that he and the council will be working to support efforts to remove the 20-day deadline to register to vote, if the automatic registration does not go through.

“Certainly, I think in the City of Boston one of the challenges we for folks registering to vote is that if there is a primary in September, a preliminary election on the municipal side, many people, especially in my district and councilor Ciommo’s district, have just moved,” he said. “By definition, unless you’re planning to go register to vote on the day you move in, empty your U-Haul and everything else, many times you’re missing your deadline.”

District 5 City Councilor Matt O’Malley agreed, saying he feels it strange that many states had at least same-day voter registration in the 1990s.

“I can remember vividly as a relatively nerdy college student following election returns in 1998, which was the first year that the state of Minnesota, it wasn’t automatic registration, it was same-day voter registration, but the turnout was 78 percent for a governor’s race, compare that with 14 percent a week ago for our preliminary election,” he said. “We need to make it easier, not harder for people to vote.”

The council also voted to put into committee a grant from the Department of Homeland Security for the Boston Police Department. The grant, awarded under the Fiscal Year 2017 Port Security Program, would give \$115,872 for repairs, installation and repowering of the BPD Har-

bor Patrol Unit vests, the 31-foot SAFE Boat and the 28-foot Kvichak Boat.

At-Large City Councilor Michael Flaherty also introduced a measure to appoint three members to the working group regarding the Community Preservation Act to evaluate candidates for selection to the Community Preservation Committee.

Zakim also brought forth a resolution in support of the dining hall workers at the Northeastern University, who have officially declared a strike last week.

“What we’re trying to see here is that the average worker right now on the Northeastern campus is making a little less than \$22,000 a year, and what they’re trying to do is make these jobs sustainable through these negotiations,” he said. “Negotiations are ongoing, I think there have been some steps in the right direction, but right now the negotiations are with Northeastern’s subcontractor, and what we really need to see is we need to get these to be livable wage jobs. These are folks who are supporting families, working in our communities and working at some of the wealthiest institutions in the country, in the world, and we just ask that both Northeastern and their subcontractor have a fair and open discussion with their workers.”

BPD, BPS celebrate Walk to School Day



The annual “Walk to School” event at the Winship Elementary School in Brighton, started at Rogers Park where dozens of kids and their families turned out for a safe and healthy walk to their school. The kids were delighted to meet New England’s Pat the Patriot along with Boston Police Commissioner William Evans, School Superintendent Tommy Chang, and District 9 City Councilor Mark Ciommo. Principal Mona Ford Walker led the procession after introductions and remarks from the special guests. Once the kids safely arrived at the Winship School, the kids assembled on the playground to deliver a message of hope and support for survivors of Hurricane Harvey in Houston.

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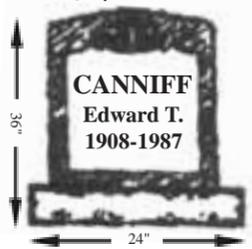


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Friends of Rosie's Place hosting 25th Harvest Brunch fundraiser



The West Roxbury Friends of Rosie's Place (WRFOP) is gearing up for its annual Harvest Brunch Fundraiser, and participants are also soliciting donations for food items for Rosie's Place's meal programs.

COURTESY PHOTO

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The West Roxbury Friends of Rosie's Place (WRFOP) is hosting its 25th annual fundraiser on Nov. 5 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Irish Social Club.

The event was set up in 1992 to help Rosie's Place Food Pantry cover costs in meal preparation for poor and homeless women in the South End. Now, Rosie's Place covers most of the city and also gives funds to the Roslindale Food Pantry and sends homeless and poor children to summer camp. WRFOP President Doris Corbo said originally, six friends started the WRFOP in 1981 – Alice and Bill Hennessey, Helen and Bob Haley and Ellen and Tom O'Brien – and cooked meals at their homes for Rosie's Place.

As neighbors learned about the group's experiences helping at Rosie's Place, the number of people wanting to help grew," she said. "To help cover meal preparation expenses, the WRFOP held their first Harvest Brunch in 1992. Community support for the event was positive and encouraging."

Corbo said a lot has changed since then, but the organization still thrives.

"What hasn't changed is the strong, continuous community support for the Harvest Brunch," she said. "Neighbors get together to help neighbors, people want to help others in need and feel good when given a chance to make a difference. It's a time to enjoy yourself, share a meal with friends, and help others at the same time."

Corob said the WRFOP organization currently has five meal teams serving lunch or dinner at Rosie's Place over the course of the year to help out those in need.

The event will feature food, raffles and gift certificates from local restaurants. Corbo said the main goal of the event is to raise funds for the current year, but she said residents wishing to donate for the up-

coming Fall Wish List initiative – in which more than 500 Rosie's Place guests will be provided for during the holiday season – can also do so.

"The goal of the Harvest Brunch is to raise money to support our mission. We are, however, happy to accept items for Rosie's Place listed on their fall wish list," she said.

Items for the wish list include, but are not limited to, gift cards to local retailers, gift bags, wrapping paper, bath and body sets, hats, scarves, mittens, blankets and more. For a full listing of items, go to westroxburyfriendsofrosiesplace.org/2017/09/08/rosies-place-annual-fall-wish-list/.

Corbo said they are also still accepting items for the raffle at the Harvest Brunch.

"Raffle prizes will include gift certificates from many local West Roxbury and Roslindale restaurants, businesses and retailers," she said. "We're willing to accept gifts for the raffle at anytime."

Corbo said people interested in contributing to or attending the Harvest Brunch should contact the event chairperson Alicia O'Brien, 643 West Roxbury Pkwy, West Roxbury, (617) 469-4199.

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Soap Box Derby fever hits West Roxbury

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The 10th annual Perham Street Soap Box Derby hit the neighborhood last weekend with more than 80 racers competing for bragging rights and charity.

Organizer Jim O'Leary said this year's turnout was lower than some others for racers, but was glad the community still came out to support the kids and the tradition.

"That's probably going to be our lowest one in a while, we have anywhere from 80 to 160 kids registered," he said.

While the racers were getting set up, O'Leary said the event itself started on a spur-of-the-moment conversation he was having with his friend and eventual race co-founder Jeff Cecil.

"It was kind of a whole neighborhood thing you know?" he said. "Jeff Cecil and I were probably the ones who had the brainchild, and then everyone else jumped on and it's been growing every year."

O'Leary said during the neighborhood block party 10 years ago, he and Cecil were just talking about how much their kids loved go-karts.

"We were just standing



Hundreds of residents, Boston Mayor Marty Walsh and the Lord Mayor of West Roxbury Richie Gormley came out on Saturday for the 10th annual Perham Street Soap Box Derby.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

out here – I had two young boys at the time, now they're 20 and 18 – and we were saying that every kid likes a go-kart right?" he said. "So yeah, we'll do go-karts. But Jeff got a hold of someone who had soapbox cars, so we borrowed them and started using them right off the bat."

O'Leary said it's just grown from there.

"Over time, we've solicited sponsors, you'll see it on the cars," he said. "We have friends and companies donate cars and now these

are all our cars. So we got 14 this year, and they usually get pretty banged up so we usually race about nine or 12 and two to five will be back-ups as cars crash and go to our pit crew."

The race has garnered the support of community organizations like the Corrib Charitable Trust and the Parkway in Motion to name a few. He added that that hay itself – used to keep the racers off the sidewalks as bumpers – was donated by someone very high up in the

Massachusetts government.

"It's a lot of fun and there are a lot of sponsors," he said. "(Gov. Charlie) Baker donates the hay, and he's helped a lot with that."

O'Leary also said they help out the community as well, and asked for a moment of silence for two members of the West Roxbury community lost this year.

"West Roxbury is a great community and every year we make a donation to a family or two," he said. "This year, we lost two of our great-

est community members, Jacky (John) Linso and Steve Mullen, great people. They represented West Roxbury well and that's what it's all about."

Regardless, when Boston Mayor Marty Walsh and Lord Mayor of West Roxbury Richie Gormley each started the races, O'Leary said the kids are really what the race is all about.

"This is our 10th year, it's a big year for us and it's a great event, we really love doing it," he said. "We love seeing all the kids, the faces when they go down the street, it's pretty awesome."

Resident Andrew Jelly said she's been helping the race for years now, and says it's a great tradition to keep for the kids.

"So we've been probably actively helping out for three years, participating probably for five," she said. "We live on the street and we want to continue the tradition for our kids. It's been hard work, but it's worth it. It's like you go back in time, to have a soapbox derby."

Resident Christine Bott said the connections the kids make here help them later on in life.

"It definitely creates a sense of community for the kids," she said.

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gram online at <http://www.bostoncatholic.org/CYO.aspx?pid=506> The CYO basketball program sponsors boy's and girl's teams in the following age:

5th & 6th grade, 7th & 8th grade, 9th & 10th grade boys teams, 11th & 12th grade boys teams, 9th thru 12th grade girls teams. The Archdiocesan CYO EMASS Tournament will be held in early March and the New England CYO Basketball Tournament will be held the last weekend of March.

BOSTON BLOOMS WITH DAFFODILS PROGRAM RETURNS

Mayor Martin J. Walsh has announced that the "Boston Blooms with Daffodils" beautification initiative will distribute 20,000 daffodil bulbs this fall to volunteers for planting on public ways citywide.

The plantings will take place in approved locations along the City's public ways on the weekends of Oct. 28 and Nov. 4. Groups with approved planting locations will be contacted by the Parks Department and given bulb pick-up instructions and dates.

For more information on how to participate in Boston Blooms with Daffodils, please call the Parks Department at (617) 961-3006.

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR MAYOR'S CUP SOCCER TOURNAMENT

Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department have announced that registration is now open for the 2017 Mayor's Cup Soccer Tournament.

This year, the Mayor's Cup Soccer Tournament will be held on the weekends of Oct. 21 - 22 and Oct. 28 - 29 at Moakley Park in South Boston. The Mayor's Cup Soccer Tournament offers local youth soccer programs the opportunity to compete against each other for the right to be called the best soccer team in Boston. Reflecting changes implemented by US Youth Soc-

cer, divisions are now grouped by grade and age.

This year's age/grade groupings are: Grades 3/4 (U10), Grades 5 /6 (U12), and Grades 7/8 (U14) with boys and girls divisions for each age/grade grouping. Coaches may register their teams online at: <http://tinyurl.com/2017MayorsCupSoccer>. Registration is open now through Friday, Oct. 13. For more information about the Mayor's Cup Soccer Tournament, please contact Woodley Auguste at woodley.auguste@boston.gov or call (617) 961-3084.

WEST ROXBURY/ROSLINDALE

DEUTSCHES ALTENHEIM HOLDS ANNUAL HARVEST BAZAAR

Mark your calendars for Saturday, Nov. 4 as Deutsches Altenheim's annual Harvest Bazaar makes its return in time for the holiday season. The Bazaar, which runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 2222 Centre St. in West Roxbury, is a fantastic way to kick off your holiday shopping. Explore the dazzling jewelry, handmade knit goods, creative raffles and delicious bake shop and try your luck at the White Elephant table. Traditional German and American fare will satisfy your lunchtime cravings. Admission is free and all proceeds benefit the Deutsches Altenheim Resident Activity Fund, offering Deutsches Altenheim residents a diverse selection of recreational programs.

VETERANS DAY PROGRAM AT DEUTSCHES ALTENHEIM

Deutsches Altenheim will hold its annual Veterans Day remembrance program on Saturday, Nov. 11 at 10 a.m. Please join us at 2222 Centre St. in West Roxbury as we pay tribute to the men and women of the United States Armed Forces. Admission is free and refreshments will be served.

THE BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY HOSTING FIRST COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Under the leadership of Mayor Martin J. Walsh, the Boston Public Library will host the first community advisory committee meeting to discuss the design for the estimated \$6.4 million renovation of the Roslindale Branch on Tuesday, Oct. 17, at 6 p.m. at the branch's location at 4246 Washington St. The renovation is a capital project collaboration between the Boston Public Library and the City of Boston's Public Facilities Department. Leers Weinzapfel Associates is the architecture firm selected for the project and will reconfigure the layout of the interior of the building utilizing the existing planning study as a starting point, completed with the community in 2013, which the firm also lead. All are invited.

BCYF OHRENBERGER COMMUNITY CENTER INVITES SENIORS TO CHECK OUT THE FALL SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Boston Centers for Youth & Families (BCYF) is pleased to announce that the BCYF Ohrenberger Senior Program is beginning its fall activities.

Senior activities will be held on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. On Thursdays, there will be open access/instruction in the Computer Lab from 10 a.m. to noon. New programs scheduled to be offered include senior exercise classes held every Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. beginning on Tuesday, Oct. 17. Tai Chi begins on Wednesday, Oct. 18 from noon to 1 p.m. In January, a new workshop called "A Matter of Balance" will teach seniors the importance of keeping strong and active. Free Flu Shots are scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 19 at 11 a.m.

A Senior Advocate from the City of Boston Elderly Commission will be at the center the first Monday of each month from 10

a.m. to 2 p.m. to provide information and referral services to seniors. Taxi Coupons will be available at that time.

Find out more about what's planned by coming to Monday's breakfast or call the center at 617-635-5183 and ask for Lorna or Patty. Support for these senior programs is provided by the City of Boston, Ethos, Boston Elderly Services, Boston Public Health Commission, the Foundation for BCYF, Osco Drug, and the BCYF Ohrenberger Community Center Council

WRFORP HARVEST BRUNCH

The West Roxbury Friend's of Rosie's Place invite you to its 25th Annual Harvest Brunch and Raffle on Nov. 5 from 10 a.m.-noon. This worthwhile fundraiser supports homeless and poor women, Rosie's Place Food Pantry, Roslindale Food Pantry and sends homeless and poor children to summer camp. It will be held at the Irish Social Club, 119 Park Street, West Roxbury. Gift certificates from some of your favorite local restaurants and shops will be raffled-off. Join the fun and connect with your friends and neighbors over brunch while helping out a beneficial cause. Admission is \$20.00. You may pay at the door, by check to WRFORP c/o O'Brien, 643 West Roxbury Pkwy, West Roxbury, MA 02132 or by credit card on our website westroxburyfriendsofrosiesplace.org. If you need additional information, please call 617-469-4199 and be sure to check out our Facebook page and like us at <https://www.facebook.com/WRFriendsRosies/>.

HOLY NAME CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

On Saturday, Nov. 11, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., 535 West Roxbury Parkway, Parish Hall Get a jump start on your Christmas shopping while having fun with family and friends. On Saturday, Nov. 11, Holy Name Parish School will be hosting its annual Christmas Bazaar featuring holiday shopping, photos with Santa Claus, plenty of great food items, raffle prize opportunities, fun children's activities and games, hair braiding, face painting, our annual Cake Walk, Basket Raffles and more. You'll also have the opportunity to purchase gifts from local businesses like Top it Off and Fabutique, as well as many talented crafters offering unique, homemade items. Proceeds from the day's event will go towards Holy Name Parish School. So bring the kids, tell a friend, drive a neighbor, stop by for an hour or join us for the entire day - it's sure to be a fun-filled event.

WBZ'S DAN REA WILL BE SPEAKING AT THE WEST ROXBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

WBZ'S Dan Rea will be speaking at the West Roxbury Historical Society Oct. 14, 2017 at 1 p.m. The event will take place at the West Roxbury Branch Library. The topic is Boston Baseball!

FREE DROP-IN HOMEWORK HELP

Boston Public Library locations offer free after-school homework help and mentorship

provided by trained, high-achieving high school students. Homework Help is available Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoons between 3:30 and 5:30 p.m., Sept. 18 through May 24. Open to students in grades K-8. No registration is required.

Program is not available on Boston Public School holidays, early-release days, or long weekends.

Homework Help mentor trainings provided by Harvard University's Public School Partnerships Team, the developers of SmartTalk, a program that uses research-based tools, strategies, and resources to support students during homework time. Homework help takes place on Monday, Oct. 2 at 3:30 p.m. Located at the West Roxbury Branch of the Boston Public Library.

41ST ANNUAL BAZAAR & FOOD FAIR PLANNED

St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church of Boston is proud to announce their 41st Annual Bazaar & Food Fair to be held at their community center located at 55 Emmonsedale Rd., West Roxbury, on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 20 and 21 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 22 from noon - 3 p.m. Free Admission Wheel Chair accessible. Full Kitchen service and take-out available. Authentic Middle Eastern Cuisine and Pastry, American Foods and Pastry, Country Store, Photo Booth, White Elephant table and much more. Do your Christmas Shopping here at St. George. Purchase galaxy Raffle Tickets to win fabulous prizes. There's something for everyone at the St. George Church Bazaar! For more information, please call the church at (617) 327-6500. Proceeds to benefit church projects. Thank you!

CHILDREN/YA USED BOOK SALE!

The Friends of the West Roxbury Library is hosting their annual Children/YA Used Book Sale! Date and Time: Oct. 21 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Location: West Roxbury Branch Library. Description: Books for All (Young) Ages at Great Prices. Free kid-friendly entertainment at 11:30 a.m.

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Ask The Doctor

Junior Damato began servicing vehicles in 1969. He owns a 10-bay auto repair service center in Hyde Park and an 8-bay center in Middleboro. Junior is an ASE-certified Master Technician, ASE-certified L-1 and ASE-certified Natural Gas.

2017 Dodge Charger SXT AWD

Dodge has put this Charger together for all season driving with all wheel drive with out sacrificing the ride or raising up the ride height, nor making the ride bumpy. In fact the handling is amazing as is the handling. The retro look of the 1970 Charger it has the wrap around rear tail light will bring back the image of the old days. Open the hood and there is plenty of room for any service needed. The interior lay out has a large clear center touch display along with knobs so you can have it your way. Heated and ventilated seats, heated steering wheel and rear out board seats. The V/6 pumps out 300 HP via an 8 speed automatic and all wheel drive system. The standard radio has just under 300 watts our car had the optional 562 watts of power that sounded clear even at full volume. The seats are large and firm with plenty of fore and aft movement for short and tall. The Charger does seat 5 in comfort and if the V/6 all wheel drive isn't what you want check out the other rear drive Chargers including the 707 HP Hellcat Charger.

The AWD SXT has a firm ride yet takes the bumps with out a lot of bouncing. On the back winding roads of Lakeville with some occasional broken pavement the car road smooth and never followed the imperfections and the asphalt. The 8 speed transmission has under gone updating and programming since introduced and it never missed a beat. I did use the paddle shifters often and again the transmission worked perfectly. Base price for the Charger SXT Premium AWD is \$31,995 destination \$1095.00. Our car did have a couple of popular options including customer preferred option group, AWD premium group. And black painted roof. All in with options MSRP \$41,180. Not bad for a car with AWD loaded with options and a EPA 18 city 27 highway combined average 21 miles per gallon.

Boston's own Junior Damato, "The Auto Doctor" has agreed to field auto repair questions from *Bulletin* and *Record* readers. Please forward your questions to news@bulletinnewspapers.com and we will do our best to get your questions answered.

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Boston Mayor Marty Walsh signed the home-rule petition last week with other city officials.

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tion with data collection and notification and again, I think, that if we're able to see the trends – and a very important piece of that is if someone is notified and through that notification we're able to let them know their rights and the office of Housing Stabilization, that person is now in front of an advocate that is going to help them in their situations – I think that can potentially do more than what the home-rule petition, in my opinion, can do," Baker said.

Flaherty said getting the real-time data will allow the city to provide services to those facing displacement and help them to fight displacement legally, if applicable. The measure came out of several hearings in which housing advocates and others stated that many residents facing eviction do not try to fight it, even if it is served improperly or illegally. He said the first step to fighting displacement is to know where it is going on.

"That will then allow us to take advantage of the very precious resources that we do have as a city through a variety of different departments and funding streams, and our hope is that the (Community Preservation Act) will be able to provide some relief as well, but we'll be able to direct it where it needs to go," he said. "The Jim Brooks Stabilization Act/Just Cause Eviction has reared its head in a number of forms over the years... My sense is that this will die at Beacon Hill, but this is the game-changer... This will really make a difference."

Flaherty said he felt that the development boom and population increases in the city aren't going away any time soon, and felt that anything they can do to keep current Bostonians housed is a good move.

"As more development is coming, and Boston becomes more attractive than it already is and more people want to come here, all the kids that come from around the world to get their diploma, in years past they'd walk across that stage and head back home," he said. "But that brainpower, those kids are stay-

ing, they're staying because the economy's great, they're staying because it's a happening place, they're falling in love with the Red Sox, they're falling in love with the Patriots, the Celtics, the Bruins, they're falling in love with the waterfront and the restaurants and establishments."

District 8 City Councilor Josh Zakim said the ordinance is the best way for the city to keep residents here, but he said more work is needed and that the ordinance is not a cure-all for the displacement concerns throughout the city.

"We are limited under state law as to what the city can do on its own, but this is something that we can do, that this body can pass and can be enacted swiftly to find out where these things are happening, to make sure we can get services like the Boston Office of Housing Stability, like the Greater Boston legal services, like so many of the other great nonprofit organizations in touch, in real time, so that they're aware of their rights and they can make sure they are being treated fairly," he said.

The Jim Brooks Act itself would also allow the city to collect data, but would protect tenants from no-fault evictions, including evictions for causes such as racial discrimination, owner-foreclosure and building clear outs (developers buying a property, clearing out current residents and filing to redevelop the property). Any resident facing a Notice to Quit – basically a letter disinviting them from coming back to their rental – would also have to be informed of all rights they have during the eviction process.

Communications Coordinator for City Life/Vida Urbana Helen Matthews and the organization has been on the front lines of the displacement fight for years now, most recently coming up against Advanced Property Management (APM). APM has notified dozens of residents of increases in rents of more than \$500 a month in some cases, despite any mitigating circumstance the renter may have.

Boston Resident Eddy

Nicaisse, an APM tenant, said he received one such rate hike of \$500, which he has said he cannot afford being on fixed income. He said he has lived there for decades, raising his children and taking care of his wife, who is paralyzed.

"I have a lot of stress and the fight with Advanced Property Management has caused me much pain...Despite this pain, I'm determined to fight for my home of 37 years," said he said.

Matthews said in a release that if the Jim Brooks Act passes, it would certainly help the fight in the city's affordability crisis.

"The 'state of emergency' for renters in Boston has grown worse and has disproportionately impacted residents of color, as evidenced by recent displacement trends in Dorchester, East Boston, and other neighborhoods," she said. "Two-thirds of Boston residents are renters and over 55 percent of renters are people of color."

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To the Public Safety Commission
Committee on Licenses
Building Department

Boston, MA September 25, 2017

APPLICATION

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City of Boston. In Public Safety Commission October 25, 2017. In the foregoing petition, it is hereby ORDERED, that notice be given by petitioner to all persons interested that this Committee will on Wednesday the 25 day of October at 10:00 a.m. o'clock A.M., consider the expediency of granting the prayer of said petition when any person objecting thereto may appear and be heard; said notice to be given by the publication of a copy of said petition with this order of notice thereon in the Boston Bulletin and by mailing by prepaid registered mail, not less than 7 days prior to such hearing, a copy to every owner of record of each parcel of land abutting on the parcel of land on which the building proposed to be erected for, or maintained as a garage is to be or is situated. Hearing to be held in 1010 Massachusetts Ave, Boston, MA 02118.

A true copy,
Attest: Brigid Kenny Secretary
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Boston Bulletin, 10/05/2017, 10/12/2017, 10/19/2017



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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. SU17D0791DR
DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
Meghann C. Jack vs. Jesse Grant
Suffolk Probate and Family Court, 24 New Chardon St., Boston, MA 02114
To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court Grant a Divorce for
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: **Meghann C. Jack, 55 Gordon Ave., Hyde Park, MA 02136** your answer, if any, on or before **10/26/2017**. 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. Joan P. Armstrong, First Justice of this Court.
September 19, 2017
Terry Klug Cafazzo, Register of Probate Court
Hyde Park Bulletin, 10/12/2017

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. SU17C0380CA
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300
In the Matter of: Kahin B. Geedi
Of: Roslindale, MA.
To all person interested in petition described:
A petition has been presented by Kahin B. Geedi requesting that:
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WITNESS, Hon. Joan P. Armstrong, First Justice of this Court
Date: September 27, 2017
Terri Klug Cafazzo, Register of Probate
West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin, 10/12/17

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. SU17D1324DR
DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
Rosemary T. Aragonas vs. Henry A. Aragonas
Suffolk Probate and Family Court, 24 New Chardon St., 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: **Rosemary T. Aragonas, 46 Keenan Street, Watertown, MA 02472** your answer, if any, on or before **11/16/2017**. 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. Joan P. Armstrong, First Justice of this Court.
September 18, 2017
Terry Klug Cafazzo, Register of Probate Court
West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin, 10/12/2017

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE DOCKET No.17P1602EA
Estate of: **David William Frank** Suffolk Division
Also Known As: **David W. Frank**
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To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate, by Petition of
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X Emily F Frank Berkowitz of Baltimore MD
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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: 10/12/2017

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thanking him for lifting their chains of bondage. I think this statue has always sent the wrong message. Lincoln was not a great savior in the late 19th century, but a politician trying to hold the Republic together anyway he could. In reality he, like General Robert E. Lee were both 19th century men with 19th century attitudes on race. Lincoln, according to historical researchers, actually believed that African Americans could probably never live side by side with whites in America. He, of course, was proven wrong despite all the bad news we see today. I do not condemn those 19th century figures or hold them to 21st century values. America grows all the time. We are far better today than we were 50 years ago, 100 years ago or over 200 years ago. We learn from our mistakes and evolve as a people.

I think this statue I needs to be moved, perhaps to the Boston Public Library in Copley Square, where it can be appreciated as a piece of art with historical value. Lincoln should be hailed for his actions in regards to slaves, but he need not be over-glorified. We already have enough fake news without fake history too.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION DOCKET No.SU17P1921EA
Estate of: Pericles Nicholas Kassaris Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA. 02114
617-788-8300
Date of Death: 12/05/2016
To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by:
Valerie Burns of West Roxbury 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:
Valerie Burns of West Roxbury MA
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in an **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: 10:00a.m. on the return day of 10/25/2017. 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. Joan P. Armstrong, First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 13, 2017
Terri Klug Cafazzo, Register of Probate
West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin, 10/12/2017

Mayor

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housing have been created, with an additional 8,400 under construction. In addition to building more housing, we're finding creative new ways to address this challenge.

We know that our population isn't only growing — it's also evolving. Household sizes are smaller, and the definition of a household is changing. Priorities are also shifting. People are working from home more often. They are more interested in sharing spaces and items more frequently. All of these changes mean that the housing stock that was built for Boston's population in the 1950s no longer meets our needs. We need to expand options in our housing stock and meet the needs of today's Boston.

One such option is the Intergenerational Homeshare Pilot. Together with the Boston Commission on the Affairs of the Elderly, our Housing Innovation Lab, and Nesterly, we are creating solutions for one of our city's largest populations, graduate students; and our fastest-growing population, seniors.

The program will match older homeowners who have a spare bedroom, with graduate students who are seeking an affordable place to stay. Homeowners will get assistance with house maintenance, students will get discounted rent, and both of them gain new opportunities to engage with the local community. It is our hope that this innovative housing pilot will provide more affordable housing options for all who participate.

Already, we're seeing the demand for this type of housing option. We're also seeing results. To date, we've made eight matches between homeowners and graduate students, and we've received more than 80 applications. And we're getting positive feedback so far. One of our first participants in the program described herself as an empty-nester whose new student brings a lively and pleasant presence into her home. They are cooking dinner together, and learning from one another. This pilot not only helps us solve housing needs in our City, but it also brings together different generations in a new and meaningful way.

We will continue to find new ways to serve the needs of Boston's current and future residents. We will keep pioneering innovative housing models, and we will accelerate the pace of innovation in the housing sector. Throughout all of our work, we will bring the spirit of exploration and experimentation to one of the most important issues facing our city: ensuring everyone has a place to call home.

To learn more about the pilot program, please visit: www.nesterly.io.

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