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ZBA denies 13 Greylock change to five units



The ZBA denied an application to add three units to this building because of unit size problems.

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) met last week and heard two proposals for the Allston Brighton neighborhood.

The Board voted to deny without prejudice the project set for 13 Greylock Rd. by proponent Greylock Nominee Trust. Without prejudice means the proponent can come back with an alternate set of plans to the ZBA. The proposal asked for a change of occupancy from an existing single-family dwelling to a five-family residential building with five parking spaces and rear and side additions. The existing building would also be reno-

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vated. The proponent asked for zoning relief because of excessive floor-to-area ratio (FAR), insufficient parking spaces (five proposed, seven required), multi-family buildings are forbidden in the zoning district, excessive building height in stories, insufficient side yard and insufficient front yard.

Attorney Jeff Drago represented proponent Jacob Simmons. He said the impetus behind the development was to keep the building where it is while increasing capacity.

“The floor plan layout has two duplex units with lower levels for an average of 1,208-square foot units, and those would be two-bedroom units,”

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Council to mull over CPA cash for JP, Brighton projects

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council met at its regular meeting last week and has started the hearing process for several Community Preservation Act (CPA) projects the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) has recommended in the Brighton and Jamaica Plain neighborhoods.

“Ninety-one projects across the city have been funded totaling \$42 million, and with this new round of funding, the CPA will have generated \$67 million for 131 projects devoted to affordable housing, historic preservation and open space,” said Government Operations Chair and At-Large City Councilor

Michael Flaherty said. “Broken down by category, we have nine housing projects for over \$15 million, there are 16 historic preservation projects at \$3.4 million and there’s 50 open space projects at \$5.1 million.”

Flaherty said the hearings on each category will begin later this year and the projects would then have to be officially approved by the Council.

In Brighton, that translates to \$539,000 designated for a new playground for the Winship Elementary School, for use by both the school and the surrounding neighborhood. The school is asking parents and residents to advocate with local City Councilors to make

CPA Funds

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Doyle's Café Sold



The bar at Doyle's with glassware and other items from the historic pub for sale.

PHOTO BY: RICHARD HEATH

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

The bad news is Doyle's closed; the good news is that it has a new owner and “some reimagined Doyle's” will replace it.

That was the message commercial broker Peter Gori brought to the Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Council Housing Committee on Feb. 18.

“It's a fantastic corner,” he said.

Ziba Cranmer of Halifax Street agrees but for different reasons; she's part of Save Doyle's Café which popped

up after word got out in October that the fabled pub was shutting down.

Her fear is that Doyle's will become “a dense market rate housing only for developers.”

“This is the living room of our society.” Cranmer said. “It's a beloved tavern. A third place outside of home and work.”

She said that the loss of Doyle's was a loss of a place to gather.

The storied back room, Cranmer said, “created community cohesion. We need to preserve this local gem.”

She said that 2,500 people

signed a petition to save Doyle's; many were collected during the Nov. 6 auction of the contents of the old pub.

“These back rooms are going away,” she said.

These back rooms don't produce a lot of revenue, Gori said.

“The space today is too big,” he said.

Gori is managing partner of Boston Commercial Realty Partners and lives in Jamaica Plain.

He said he's very active in historic preservation; he has

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Anna's Pals packing full calendar for 2020

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The local West Roxbury-based charity Anna's Pals will be hitting the streets this spring and summer with a slew of events to help the group raise funds to assist families in need.

Founder and President Kris Jerome said the charity was started after her daughter Anna was diagnosed with an aggressive form of Leukemia the summer before her freshman year at the Boston Latin School at age 14. Kris

Anna's Pals

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Anna's Pals was founded on the kindness and strength of Anna Jerome, pictured above.

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FHNA hears the story of local author Michael Boudreau

"The Last Ride into Readville"

Mary Ellen Gambon
Staff Reporter

More than 50 people packed the Boston Police Academy to hear local author Michael Boudreau speak about and read from his memoir, "The Last Ride in to Readville" at the Fairmount Hill Neighborhood Association (FHNA) meeting on Thurs., Feb. 27.

Boudreau said this is the book's first public reading. The third eldest of eight siblings, some of whom attended the meeting, he explained that they grew up in a poverty-stricken, abusive environment where they continually changed addresses. However, he identified most strongly with Hyde Park and the positive influences he found there.

"By the time I reached my 18th birthday and enlisted in the Air Force, we'd easily moved more than 75 times," he said. "For me, Mission Hill and Hyde Park were very impactful to my development with the enablers I came across along the way."

The book, he explained, is part memoir of Hyde Park and other neighborhoods. But it is mainly a poignant memoir of his violent father and his passive and manipulative mother. He told his story in vignettes memories of returning home to care for his mother in Readville before she died and



Michael Boudreau

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reflecting on his past through the lens of a veteran and a psychologist.

"I graduated from Hyde Park High School, no mean feat because of my own personal behavior somewhat, and the busing that was going on," Boudreau said. He had quit school without his parents' knowledge, then reenrolled when he moved away from his parents, at one point commuting from Cambridge and using a local address.

He graduated from school on a Monday and flew to his Air Force base in Texas on a Friday. Little did he know at that time that he would remain in the Air Force until 2003, achieving the highest enlisted grade of Chief Master Sergeant and traveling the world.

It was because of the Air Force that he was able to earn a bachelor's in psychology and later pursue a master's degree in community social psychology at the University of Massachusetts Lowell, a relatively new field at that time.

"It was actually founded here in Swampscott, Massachusetts in the 70s," Boudreau said. "It's all about social justice, social activism, and the community as its own healing agent."

His education allowed him to run an education and training center at Hanscom Air Force Base after he retired from the Air Force in 2003. He also taught psychology as an adjunct professor at schools near the base, which allowed other recruits to earn college credits.

One of the most horrifying stories he shared was upon his entrance to the Air Force when his teeth were examined. Because of lack of resources and

parental neglect, the children never were taken to the dentist.

"The colonel screams at me, 'You take care of your body on the outside, don't you?'" Boudreau said. "The next day, I'm in the hospital getting what's left of 22 teeth pulled."

One of the themes of the book is survival, noting his siblings call him "Mighty Mike." The family lived on government surplus food, as well as on credit from Johnnie's Market in Readville.

Another key to his getting through life was his passion for hockey. He first learned to play hockey "using a stick" on a patch of ice near Poplar St. in Roslindale. He also got enamored with the Boston Bruins, first sneaking a transistor radio upstairs in the bedroom to listen, then watching them on a black and white television.

Boudreau sharpened his skills more at the Bajko Rink after moving to Edson Terr. in Readville. He later was able to join the Hyde Park High School varsity hockey team as a freshman, with only two years of playing experience. He went on to play semi-pro hockey for the Air Force.

One of the most influential people in his life was his high school hockey coach Gary Lewis, who convinced him to return to graduate during a meeting in Brigham's in Cleary Square.

"That was a tipping point for me," he said. He then moved in with his girlfriend's parents, the Dashners, where her father convinced him to go into the Air Force. Her mother continued to be a pen pal during his time in the service,

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Council to hold hearing on Late Night MBTA Service

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council met on Feb. 26 and opened discussion on re-introducing late-night service on the MBTA's subway lines.

"This relates to a lot of third-shift workers who cannot get to and from work on the MBTA and I'd like to propose a hearing order to see how we can go about providing late night service," said hearing co sponsor and At-Large City Councilor Julia Mejia. "And not just for late night shift workers, but also to provide an opportunity for folks who may want to hang out a little bit later in the City of Boston."

Mejia joined At-Large City Councilor Michelle Wu, who has been working on the issue of public transportation at the council for some time, and that work extends to bus route equity, fare redistricting and the apparent low priority the MBTA has for the Fairmount Line.

"I'm excited for the new energy around this, which is an issue that has economic implications across multiple levels and has been frustrating because the City Council has been part of the conversations for years as well," she said. "We need the MBTA to just recognize their part in facilitating an

investment into the larger benefits we would reap across the economy, to be able to support third-shift workers who have no other way of getting to work that is affordable at our hospitals, restaurants in the hospitality sector. Most of all, people need stability. They need whatever we're putting before them to be reliable, affordable and accessible. We need to think about that in terms of time of day as well."

The call for a hearing comes after the MBTA announced its late-night bus service pilot, started in 2018, would become permanent. The service included more frequent service from 10 p.m. to midnight and more trips after 12:30 a.m., as well as more early morning service. According to the MBTA, 50 routes start service before 5 a.m. and/or run past 1 a.m.

District 1 City Councilor Lydia Edwards said this effort is very near to her heart since many residents of East Boston originally helped to call for the pilot program the MBTA started and then ended a few years ago in 2016.

"They wanted it to be expanded, and in many cases they were restaurant workers or cleaners for offices overnight and needed access to low-cost transportation such as the bus," she said. "Now while we do have late night bus, we did just

have a conversation about how Lyft and Uber are taking over and taken up too much of our transportation needs and we already have congested streets, so why wouldn't we want to expand the T at night so people would get on the T instead of losing two or three hours of work dollars to get in an Uber to get home?"

She added she hopes that late night ferry service could be on the table as well.

District 8 City Councilor Kenzie Bok said she attended the MBTA public meetings that ultimately determined the discontinuation of late-night MBTA service, and she said she was less than impressed with the MBTA's commitment to public outreach.

"Four years ago, I was one of only a handful of people who managed to attend the extremely-hastily scheduled hearings the T held, three in a total 24-hour period before canceling late-night service," she said. "It was January of 2016. None of the third-shift workers mentioned today were able to be at noon and four o'clock hearings in Boston and Cambridge. The handful of people who could make it out were people like me who had more flexible schedules."

Bok said late-night service is essential to build Boston's economy and to cater to the city's most vulnerable citizens.

"The way the T was look-

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Boston Fire Chief Retires



After more than 35 years at the department, Boston Fire's Commissioner Joseph Finn said he's putting up the coat and the pick axe on March 12. He said, "It's been my honor to lead & work with the dedicated uniform & civilian staff of the BFD. Tremendous support from Mayor Marty Walsh and a great, beneficial relationship with Local 718. Having risen through the ranks, it's been a rewarding career though challenging at times. Now it is time to be with my family more but continuing on a part time basis in the fire service as I weigh several opportunities. Stay Safe and Protected. Thank You All."

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Public Meeting

Urban Renewal Community Meeting

Thursday, March 26
6:00 PM

West End Museum
150 Staniford Street
Boston, MA 02114

Project Proponent:
Boston Planning and Development Agency

Project Description:
The Boston Planning and Development Agency invites the surrounding neighbors for a meeting to gather information on potential updates to the West End Urban Renewal Plan.

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A joy of parenting and grandparenting: dandling

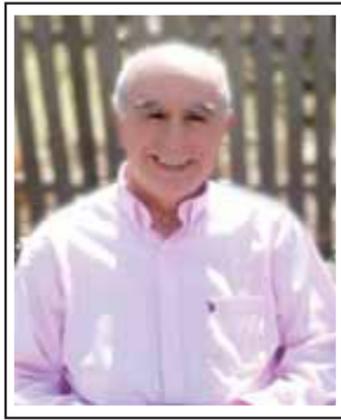
Many of us parents and grandparents, as well as those in other relationships with babies such as aunts, uncles, siblings, godparents, cousins, and neighbors, did not know that we've been dandling little ones for years.

The word "dandling" was explained to me in a priest's blog when he referenced the book of Isaiah: "For thus says the Lord: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you . . ." [Some biblical translations say, ". . . fondled on her lap."]

The revered pastor emeritus of Brighton's St. Ignatius of Loyola Church, Reverend Bob VerEecke, S.J., went on to say that he did not know what "dandling" meant although most of his Jesuit brother priests to whom he posed the question, did. To dandle is to move up and down in one's arms or on one's knee in affectionate play.

When first heard, it sounds like "dangle," which when done to an infant would be pure torment—to hold him/her up by the arms, possibly pulling them out of their socket(s). But if you've got a handle on dandle, you understand that a dandled child is gently but firmly supported around the torso and under the arms: it's a wonderful way to love and entertain a young 'un. They do not seem to get tired of the repetition, day after day, week after week, as long as it's not hours at a time.

Where is all discussion about dandling going? As the decades pass by, the realization becomes more focused that many incarcerated people have not experienced the loving and ethical upbringing that most non-felons have had: maybe they were not lovingly dandled during their early years as much as



My Kind
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Joe Galeota

they should have been by their fathers and mothers. Here on our terra firma judges and juries are not expected to weigh their upbringing in deciding guilt and pronouncing sentences, but it seems a sure thing—some might want to call it a metaphysical certainty—that from His heavenly throne our Maker will take all these items into consideration on Judgment Day. Many like to think that there will be extended mercy bestowed on robbers, pedophiles, car thieves, vandals, rapists, bullies, murderers, perjurers, forgers, scam artists, and other such characters frowned from riding the rails in the gospel song "This Train Is Bound for Glory" because of their deprived upbringing; many like to think that such persons will not be gamboling across Elysian Fields and Green Pastures in the next life, but if they're to be judged partially, if not fully, on their exposure to morality by parents and others who raised them, they might not be responsible for their heinous acts, even conceding that they had free will.

When you enter beyond the Pearly Gates, be sure to look around and see if my prediction about their inclusion and presence comes true.

TWO VERSIONS OF BOSTON To the Editor:

I would like to know how recent city rents are showing signs of stabilization. I did read a Boston Herald news story that stated, "Rental prices are still on the rise in Boston but are slowing — 'good news' for tenants and a sign that efforts to ramp up building is starting to satiate some of the demand for housing, officials and expert said."

Mayor Walsh added, "The stabilization of rents across our neighborhoods demonstrates our housing plan in action." I must say, I search for all this so-called good news. Just because more

housing is being built has little effect on neighborhood rents. Just look at East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, North End, Charlestown or anywhere else in the city where rents are soaring to the stratosphere. But the problem is the more that's built the steeper the rents go as the real estate values of the neighborhoods keeps rising. Housing construction is not helping moderate rent in the city and the new supply is working in the direction of helping to satisfy demand.

Look at all that SmartGrowth housing near MBTA or commuter rail stations. How much of it is mod-

estly priced and how many affordable units are in them and just who defines the term "affordable?"

Our elected officials need to stop talking nonsense or trying to believe what they're saying. The forecast isn't that bright as Boston seems to be headed for two Bostons, one for the wealthy and one for everyone just trying to survive in an ever-more expensive city. Meanwhile, the middle class, regardless of race, packs and moves as fast as they can. The more things change, the worse things get.

Sal Giarratani
Boston, MA

Parks & Recreation Department offers Youth Umpire Training Program

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department invites teens ages 15 to 18 to take part in its Umpire Training Program beginning May 5. Participants learn to umpire in a hands-on, classroom environment and on the field throughout the spring with instructor Bill McCallum of the New England Baseball Umpire Club (NEBUC).

The Umpire Training Program provides a fun way for young adults to learn leadership, responsibility and accountability. Whether a high school athlete or not, becoming a junior umpire in a local Little League program offers teens a way to grow their self-esteem and gain experience in a fun, educational setting.

Upon completion of the

training, participants are guaranteed summer employment through the Department of Youth Engagement and Employment working as umpires in the Mayor's Cup Baseball Tournament and Boston Citywide Baseball League.

The classes will be held at the Boston Parks and Recreation Department headquarters on the third floor at 1010 Massachusetts Avenue in Roxbury on Tuesday and Thursday evenings for eight weeks beginning May 5. Games will be at Moakley Park in South Boston.

This opportunity is open to Boston teens eligible for employment through the Department of Youth Engagement and Employment's

SuccessLink program. Candidates must turn 15 on or before July 6, 2020, and cannot turn 19 on or before August 14, 2020. Applicants must be full-time residents of the City of Boston.

The deadline for applications is Friday, April 24. In order to apply, applicants must first sign up at <https://successlink-boston.icims.com/jobs/intro?hashid=435683065> and select the umpire program. The second step is to fill out an application available by emailing program manager Charlie Conners at charles.conners@boston.gov.

For a more in-depth explanation of this program and program expectations, please call (617) 961-3093.

Free Indoor Golf Clinics begin March 23

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department is offering free indoor golf clinics at local Community Centers for both beginners and experienced players who want to brush up on their skills before they hit the links.

The clinic series is six weeks long with registration on a first-come, first-served basis. The first hour of each clinic is the Junior Session (ages 7 to 17), the second hour is the Adult Session (18 and up). There is a maximum of 25 people per session; all others will be placed on a waiting list.

Equipment is provided, but you may bring your own clubs. Clinicians are highly qualified golf instructors. To register, please contact the sites directly. The clinic schedule is as follows:

Mondays starting March 23

BCYF Leahy Holloran
1 Worrell Street,
Dorchester (617) 635-

5150 Junior Session: 5 p.m.
Adult Session: 6 p.m.

BCYF Ohrenberger

175 West Boundary Road,
West Roxbury (617) 635-
5183 Junior Session: 6 p.m.
Adult Session: 7 p.m.

Tuesdays starting March 24

Salesian Boys & Girls Club
of East Boston 150 Byron
Street, East Boston (617) 567-
6626 Junior Session: 5 p.m.
Adult Session: 6 p.m.

BCYF Charlestown

255 Medford Street,
Charlestown (617) 635-5169
Junior Session: 6 p.m. Adult
Session: 7 p.m. Wednesdays
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650 East Fourth Street,
South Boston (617) 635-5110
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BCYF Jackson-Mann
500 Cambridge Street, Allston
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Junior Session: 5 p.m. Adult Ses-
sion: 6 p.m.

Fridays starting March 27

BCYF Perkins
155 Talbot Avenue, Dorchester
(617) 635-5162 Junior Session: 6
p.m. Adult Session: 7 p.m.

BCYF Quincy
885 Washington Street,
Chinatown (617)
635-5129 Junior Session: 5 p.m.
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he said. "Units three and four are one-bedroom units with 655 square feet on average and unit five is a three-bedroom unit at 1,356 square feet."

Drago said the FAR allowed in the two-family zoning district is .6 while the proposed change in the building is .91, and said they do meet the height in feet at 34 feet and seven inches, just not the stories limit of 2.5 stories. He said the front yard violation is existing, that the side yard is okay on the left side of the house at 23 feet (10 allowed) but on the right they have just three feet.

ZBA Chair Christine Araujo asked for the rationale of the proponent to change from single-family to five family when a two-family is completely allowed by right.

"One, we're proposing extensive renovation and this would help ease that burden, and secondly, around us, to the left of us is a six-unit apartment complex and there are apartment complexes in and around the area," Drago said.

Araujo said the proposal would be a step in changing the character of the neighborhood.

"That's one of the reasons we worked with the (Allston Civic Association) to keep the building itself, we didn't want to raze the building, and by keeping the building and adding that addition we keep the

design of the building," Drago said.

ZBA member and Architect Mark Erlich said he had a number of problems with the design plans.

"I beg to differ with you on the average unit size being 655 square feet, that's not accurate," he said. "I know you said that because 650 is the minimum, but unit three is 580 square feet and unit four is 630 square feet, that's what the plans show and that is less than what is required by the minimum, and these are not compact living units, so I have a problem with this," Erlich said.

Drago said he felt there might have been a discrepancy in the plan, and then at that moment asked for a deferral on the proposal. Araujo said they were in the process of a public hearing, and they would proceed.

Boston Mayor Marty Walsh's Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS) Allston Brighton Representative Conor Newman said the office and the administration were on record in support of the proposal. He said an abutters' meeting elicited eight letters of support from abutters and two in opposition. He added that the ACA is in support. Newman was asked by Erlich why ONS supported a project that violated city guidelines, to which

he said it was based just on feedback from the neighborhood.

"That was in conversation with the community that they were in support of this project and that's how we're responding," Newman said.

Abutter Connie Balodimos also said she was in support of the project.

"I was extremely opposed to this initially, and I know I wrote a letter to you guys and we were not notified of any abutters meeting, but that's a different point," she said. "I have had a lot of issues with the trash and them trespassing on my property, but we have worked out an agreement where they will put up a fence between our properties and they will modify the existing plans, because the current plans do not have any allocations for trash at all. So they would have continued to use my trash dumpsters for their purposes."

Araujo pointed out that the current owners do not maintain the property as a single-family, and Balodimos said she hopes with these changes that they will maintain it as a five-family.

"I am hoping with these changes that they will," she said. "I know I have sent you guys letters with pictures for the last nine months and I got no responses from them. Since then I've been in contact with

someone else who is eager to show me they will address the issues. I have installed \$7,000 worth of cameras within my property and a locking dumpster to try to fix the problems that I've had."

Several residents spoke in opposition to the project, including resident Sam Hui, who said the rat problem in the area is "horrendous."

"I'm a licensed exterminator for over 20 years, I've caught, between a year-and-a-half, almost 200 rats in my backyard alone because of trash," he said. "The trash that this will generate, the parking and the noise that's generally associated with any increase in density will make it worse."

Simmons said he originally bought the property in August and has tried to deal with issues brought to his attention.

"We've very recently worked out a plan with our next-door neighbors to address the trash issues and the parking concerns,

and we feel moving forward we're in a good spot to be a good neighbor," he said.

Araujo said the big issues were the unit sizes and the lack of "neighborliness." She said the owner of the property in the meantime is still responsible for putting up a fence to discourage trespassing and deal with the trash situation there.

The Board also voted to defer on 104-106 Warren St. in Brighton, the proponent of which, Bansky LLC, was seeking to change the occupancy of a two-family dwelling to an eight-family dwelling. The building itself, according to the plan, would include a side and fourth-story addition as well as a full renovation of the existing units. The variances requested for the current plan include lot area insufficient, FAR excessive, height excessive and rear yard setback insufficient. The plans are not expected to change since this was an administrative deferral, which is now set for March 24.

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ing at it was that it wasn't paying for itself, but there are many hours of the day throughout the week that don't pay for themselves on that kind of basis, which is why we talk about a public good," she said. "Yes, it costs us something, but it also benefits us all as a public... The fact that that process was so rushed and frankly not consultative, was part of what enabled people to advocate for the return of the late night buses. I think we've already shown how continuing to push on this issue can win us small victories, but I think absolutely the council should continue to push on this and not settle on the abbreviated service we have now."



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Brighton senior named Student of the Week



This week, Brighton High senior Tony Halliday will be @WCVB's A+ Student of the Week! Brighton High senior Tony Halliday has overcome many obstacles in his personal life, but his studies remain a priority. The Brighton Football Captain also runs track and is in a college prep program

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City council considers different parking fine criteria

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Last week the Boston City Council met for its regular meeting to discuss and oversee grants, programs and legislation.

Most notably, At-Large City Councilor Julia Mejia introduced a hearing order to work out how the city could issue parking tickets based on the income of the alleged illegal parker. Mejia said the idea came from personal experience.

“When I was lucky enough to get hired in this position, I realized that I had \$159 worth of tickets that I needed to pay,” she said. “Let me tell you I was in shock, and I didn’t want to start this job owing a debt to the city, so I scrambled up a little bit of change and paid my debt to the city. But it was during that process that started thinking about those who did not have the resources I had.

“What happens when you’re struggling to handle all your finances, you’re deciding whether you’re going to pay a parking ticket or put food on your table,” she said. “Not that I’m here to breaking any laws or challenge the system, but I do think we have an opportunity to really explore how we can make parking tickets a little more reflective of the financial situations that a lot of



Tickets could get easier to process and perhaps become cheaper for some residents.

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our residents are facing here in the City of Boston today.”

Mejia said the system could work by the alleged violator bringing in income tax documents to be able to pay on a sliding scale, or figuring out other ways of basing the penalty on income. Mejia did not mention whether or not fines would be increased based on an individual’s relatively high income.

District 1 City Councilor Lydia Edwards said she’s not convinced yet whether one should have parking ticket fines reduced because of income.

“But I do think that we should see how this is impacting individuals,” she said. “I think one balancing act is the ticket not tow program. I think having your car towed especially impacts people who are impoverished.”

Edwards added that the private nature of tow companies can add significantly to the financial burden of someone who experiences a tow.

“This is an issue I think we need to analyze. “I had a case where a woman who was living in a shelter couldn’t afford Boston insurance and so her car wasn’t registered here. Then the city put a boot on her car. That was the only income she had, she drove for Lyft and was trying to raise enough money to get her kids back. So here is an example of the city piling on to someone.”

Edwards also discussed the transaction fee residents have to pay if they are paying a ticket online.

“I don’t like that, I don’t like having to pay to pay,” she said. “We’re paying a fee

to pay a fee. I wonder if that’s really a fair and equitable way to pay for those things.”

Edwards also thought an interest-free payment plan would be a good idea.

“I think there are ways we could look at that,” she said.

District 4 City Councilor Andrea Campbell said she has personally helped residents pay tickets after they showed her they were not able to pay.

“These are folks who are willing and would pay if they could, but have something happening in their lives personally where they are unable to pay,” she said. “I think we can get really creative for those particular constituents to come up with different ways to pay, whether it’s an interest-free payment plan, volunteering some sort of community service or something like that. The fact you have constituents showing up here, I think in one case we had one woman make the rounds to all of our offices in tears because she could not afford to pay and even had documentation to prove that is troubling. She was laid off. How do we work with folks who want to do the right thing but are financially unable to do so.”

District 6 City Councilor Matt O’Malley said he was hesitant regarding fines based on income. However, he brought up a pilot plan a few years ago the city tried out in Charlestown where vehicles towed for parking during street cleaning time would be issued a \$90 fine instead of a \$40 fine and a \$120 tow.

Parking Tickets
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Doyle's Cafe *continued from page 1*

been on the board of the Bostonian Society.

"I sold the Goddard House [2015]. That's why they [the Burkes] hired me." He said he works for the sellers.

"Gerry Burke hired me in September," he said, "He's owned Doyle's for 35 years.

"He put the property on the market just before Thanksgiving. We had six offers," Gori said. "We've identified a buyer but we're not yet ready to name who that is. He's done other projects in JP."

"There is absolutely a restaurant component in the redevelopment. One of the requirements of the sale is a re-imagined Doyle's restaurant."

The redevelopment will also include housing, he added.

Gori said the property is in three parcels totaling over 25,000 square feet; the Doyle's building dating to 1887, the two-family wood frame house at 3476 Washington St. at Gartland Street and the Williams Street parking lot behind the kitchen.

"We don't know yet the size of the project," he said. "The old house will be torn down. There will be restaurant in a large part of the old Doyle's, that's what the seller requires."

Nothing can be built either on top of the building or higher than one story on the building's site because it sits on a 20 by 16 foot brick culvert built in

1906 for Stony Brook.

According to Cranmer, in 2005 the Boston Water and Sewer Commission deeded the culvert land to Eddie Burke with the condition that nothing could be built over it. The culvert runs under the long bar in the main taproom.

Gori admitted that a "re-imagined Doyle's is difficult to do."

"It will require at least a million dollars to rehab," he said. "The infrastructure has been neglected and a new kitchen will have to be built; a significant investment."

The restaurant is also not handicapped accessible.

"To make restaurants work is incredibly expensive," Gori said. "And this is a very tight spot."

Gori said there would be additional retail on Washington Street at the back room location.

"The gathering space can be in the second room," he said, but repeated that he doesn't know yet the size of the project.

Gori added the liquor license was sold.

"And that's a great question," he said. "You just can't go out and buy a license and hope for a tenant."

He doesn't know who the restaurant operator would be but said they could purchase a beer and wine license,

"A neighborhood restricted

license; that would cost \$125,000," Gori said.

A source knowledgeable in historic preservation and adaptive reuse put it in perspective for The Bulletin.

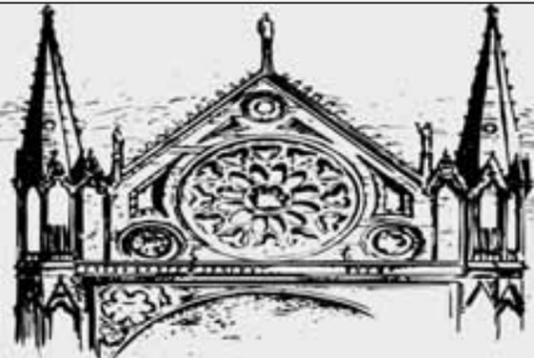
"Apartments or condos could probably subsidize a portion of the carrying costs [of the Doyle's building] because the historic portion is to be a restaurant. This could cover insurance, taxes and debt service. It will require a lot of the restaurant owner's financial contribution."

One scenario is the buyer creates a commercial condo for the restaurant space and sells the responsibility to an investor or restaurant owner." The source predicts that the developer will stop at nine units of housing to avoid having to absorb the costs of affordable units.

The Stonybrook Neighborhood Association has never met a building over three stories that they liked so negotiations over the density and height required to keep a tavern might open up conflicts among the Save Doyle's group and the neighbors, many of whom are the same people.

Gori repeated to The Bulletin that the next steps are still in the planning stage.

"The project has not been fully conceived or designed, and we are some ways from the BPDA filing," he said



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Around the Neighborhood

CITY

COMMUNITY MEETING ABOUT BCYF CURLEY COMMUNITY CENTER

Please join Boston Centers for Youth & Families, and the City of Boston's Public Facilities Department to continue the discussion about upcoming renovations to the BCYF Curley Community Center in South Boston on Wednesday, March 18 at 6 p.m. This meeting will share schedule updates, a presentation showing design progress and updates on the relocation of some of the center's programming.

The Walsh Administration's investment in the center will include a \$15 million dollar major renovation of the existing building that supports re-programming the interior space and provides resilient protection from future sea level rise.

The meeting will be held at BCYF Curley Community Center, M Street entrance, 1663 Columbia Road, South Boston.

BOSTON WOMEN, INC. 10TH ANNUAL 'WOMEN AMONGST US' TEA AND AWARD CEREMONY

On Saturday, March 21st, Boston Women, Inc. will honor four prominent women at its 10th annual Women Amongst Us Tea and Award Ceremony. This year's recipients are Freddie Kay - Founder and President of Suffrage 100MA, Alice Palumbo - World War II Marine, Sally Glora - former City of Boston Auditor, and Monalisa Smith - President of Mothers for Justice and Equality.

The event will feature high tea, guest speakers, and musical entertainment from Riverside Theater Work's Sweet Harmony. Join the 'Women Amongst Us Tea' on Saturday, March 21st, from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m., at Granite Links Golf Course, 100 Quarry Hills Drive, Quincy, MA 02169. Tickets are \$50 and must be purchased in ad-

vance. Reserved tables of eight and sponsorships are available. For tickets and information, visit www.BostonWomen.org, call 617-968-6577 or email tea@bostonwomen.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FRANKLIN PARK ZOO

- Get ready for a wild party! Lion brothers, Dinari and Kamaia, are celebrating their 11th birthday on March 7 and you're invited to join in on the fun.

- On March 14 join the St. Patrick's Day celebration, complete with green-themed animal enrichment.

- Dance and limbo your way through the Tropical Forest at the 21+ event on March 21!

ALLSTON/BRIGHTON

23RD ANNUAL TASTE OF ALLSTON WILL BE HELD SATURDAY JUNE 20, 2020!

Our annual Taste of Allston, which highlights the delicious restaurants of Allston and also the diverse business mix, will be held on June 20th! There will be live music, lawn games, and plenty of family-friendly fun, so bring the whole crowd! Early Bird Tickets to go on sale in March!

HYDE PARK

FRIENDS OF THE HYDE PARK LIBRARY

Annual Meeting on Saturday, March 28 at 1:30 pm

Business meeting and Election of the Directors. Plus special recognition of John P. Thomson (1923-2019), The Friends' 1st President.

City Councilor Ricardo Arroyo

Reception to follow. Weld Hall, Hyde Park Library, 25 Harvard Ave., Hyde Park

For more information, info@friendshplibrary.org or www.friendshplibrary.org

BOSTON WARD 18 TO ELECT DELEGATES TO DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION

Registered Democrats in Boston's Ward 18 will hold a caucus on Saturday, March 7, 2010 at 10:00am at the Hyde Park Municipal Building, 1179 River Street, Hyde Park, MA to elect delegates and alternates to the 2020 Massachusetts Democratic State Convention.

The caucus is open to all registered and pre-registered Democrats in Boston's Ward 18. Pre-registered Democrats who will be 16 by February 15, 2020 will be allowed to participate and run as a delegate or alternate. Boston's Ward 18 can elect 53 delegates and 8 alternates to the Convention.

Youth, minorities, people with disabilities, and LGBTQ individuals who are not elected as a delegate or alternate may apply to be an add-on delegate at the caucus or at www.massdems.org.

Those interested in getting involved with Boston's Ward 18 Democratic Town Committee should contact Rob Consalvo, Ward Committee Chair, ward18boston@gmail.com.

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FREE PERCUSSION AND DRUM CIRCLE with award-winning teaching artist Cornell Coley! Friday, March 20 and Friday, April 3 from 6:00 - 7:30 pm at The Guild, 260 Washington St., Dorchester, a healing, arts-centered venue. www.theguild.works. Children, youth and family members are invited to explore exciting rhythms and songs from the Caribbean, Africa and Brazil, using drums and percussion instruments to tell stories from these lands. Don't miss the follow-up live concert for friends and families featuring music from the workshops at The Guild on Saturday, April 18 at 3 pm.

All are invited to join in with the musicians! This program is provided in collaboration with Families Creating Together, a program of Community Service Care/Tree of Life Coalition in Jamaica Plain. To register go to mfcabrera53@gmail.com or call 857-919-3314. www.familiescreatingtogether.org

FALLS PREVENTION CLASSES FOR SENIORS

Many older adults experience a fear of falling. People who develop this fear often limit their activities, which can result in physical weakness, making the risk of falling even greater. A Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns About Falls is a program designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase activity levels among older adults. Classes run for 8 weeks and include fun videos, group discussion, a safe surroundings survey, and mild exercise to increase strength and flexibility. It is offered at no charge. Those using a cane or walker will also benefit from this program - it is a great class to help improve your balance and self-confidence.

Location: Springhouse Senior Living, 44 Allendale Street in Jamaica Plain

Day and Time: Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Class Dates: March 5th - April 23rd, 2020

For more information or to register for this workshop contact Ann Glora at 617-477-6616 or aglor@ethocare.org

WEST ROXBURY / ROSLINDALE

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Save the Date!

The Community Dinner benefits Rosie's Place, a sanctuary for poor and homeless women, the Roslindale Food Pantry, and provides summer camperships for homeless and needy children. Michael Oliver, Director of Fundraising at Rosie's Place, will join us and share how your support makes a difference.

Gift certificates, gift baskets, sports items, and more will be raffled during silent and live auctions. You can also try your luck at a 50/50 auction. Wonderful items for reasonably priced bids will be yours to take home. Our friend and neighbor, Beth Germano, will be the Emcee for the evening. As many of you know, Beth is an Emmy award winning reporter with WBZ-TV.

In addition, we are very fortunate

to have a wonderful evening of music thanks to DJ Corey Rateau and Michael O'Neill, MCO Productions in Brighton.

The dinner will be held at St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church, 55 Emmonsdale Road, West Roxbury. The church is handicapped accessible and a short walk from several MBTA bus routes. Tickets for the event are \$30 per person and includes dinner and beverages. To reserve your place, make checks payable to WRFORP and return to WRFORP, P.O. Box 320076, West Roxbury, MA 02132 or go to our website westroxburyfriendsofrosiesplace.org. Questions? Contact Doris Corbo (617) 327-5902.

WEST ROXBURY LIBRARY Poetry Contest for All Ages

The Friends of the West Roxbury Library presents the 31st Annual Poetry Contest for All Ages. Submissions are due by Friday, March 20. This year's theme is "Space." Awards ceremony to be held on April 30 at 6:30 pm at the West Roxbury Library. Poems can be submitted either by email to FriendsOfTheWestRoxburyLibrary@gmail.com, by mail to Poetry Contest, West Roxbury Branch Library, 1961 Centre St, West Roxbury, MA 02132; or delivered by hand to the poem drop box in the West Roxbury Library.

Learn more about the contest at www.friendsofthewrlibrary.org

READ IT AND MEET!

Book discussion on Stories from the Shadows by Dr. Jim O'Connell on Tuesday, March 24 at 7 pm at the West on Centre, 1732 Centre St, West Roxbury. (author will not be present) Sponsored by the Catholic communities of West Roxbury, Roslindale, Jamaica Plain and Hyde Park. Adults of all faiths invited to share thoughts on this collection of stories from Dr. O'Connell's 30 years of caring for the homeless in Boston. Book available from amazon.com and is also in the Boston Public Library system. Registration is required to reserve a seat at West on Centre. Contact Mary Campion at 617-323-4410 x13 marycampion@stjohnchrysostom02132.org No registration fee but we ask that you bring a \$5 gift card to Dunkin Donuts on the day of the event to support Dr. O'Connell's ministry.

PARKWAY YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Parkway Youth Soccer League is accepting applications for the 2020 season. Games begin in April. There will be 2 seasons, spring and fall, played at Millennium Park, West Roxbury. Applications may be downloaded and printed from the 'parkwaysoccerwestroxbury' site on Google. Applications may also be picked up at the Roche Family Center, Phil's Barber Shop in West Roxbury, Elie's Barber Shop in West Roxbury and Sebastian's Barber Shop in Roslindale.

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Ask The Doctor

Junior Damato began servicing vehicles in 1969. He owns an 8-bay center in Middleboro, MA. Junior is an ASE-certified Master Technician, ASE-certified L-1 and ASE-certified Natural Gas.

Q) Dear Doctor: We have a 2016 Subaru Crosstrek and a 2017 Subaru Forester 2.5i Touring model. The Crosstrek has 22,219 miles on it and is already on its third battery. The Crosstrek had the first battery replaced at 30 months old. The Subaru technician said the battery was "weak" and replaced it. The replacement battery then died after 18 months and was replaced again this week. I thought it might be due to parasitic drain. However, the Forester battery also had to be replaced after 30 months. The Subaru technician stated the "battery failed a load test." I've been reading Subaru owner forums and the battery problem seems to be occurring quite regularly. Do you have any idea what could be causing this problem and how it can be resolved? -Jean

A) There are only a few battery manufactures left. Battery quality and life are always a good question. I replace batteries every day. Some are 2 years old and others can be 5-6 years old. A weak battery will start most of today's engines as long as the temperature is not below freezing or above 90 degrees. I will say the technician performed a load test on the battery verses a continuity test. The load test is actually puts a load test on the battery which draws a lot of power like a toaster in your home. The continuity tester checks the battery condition without putting a load across it. The old testing procedure was to use a hydrometer and check each cell. Vehicles that are driven low miles and not driven daily are subject to more frequent battery replacement because the battery new is fully charged. Now to battery replacement. I always suggest to replace the battery with a good quality battery with the most cold cranking amps available. The new AGM batteries have gone down in price and have a longer life than most lead acid batteries and seem to hold a charge longer when vehicles have low usage.

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Elder scam seminar coming to German Centre, all ages welcome

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Deutches Altenheim Senior Living Center, also known as the German Centre, is hosting an Elder Scam Awareness lecture on Tuesday, March 10 at noon at its West Roxbury location.

The seminar, headed by Amada Senior Care President Laura Lynn Morrissey, will focus on the myriad of threats facing seniors in modern times, and will feature a free lunch.

“This is meant for the community, basically to help educate family, friends and seniors on how seniors can protect themselves,” she said. “This is a huge issue nationwide, it’s a \$36 billion a year problem... And that’s just the scams and the fraud you hear about, there’s a multiple of that that never gets reported. The reasons can be obvious for those who know many seniors; they’re proud and may be embarrassed to admit the fraud or they might not even know the true extent of that fraud.”

Nigerian Princes aside, scammers are using ever more advanced methods to scam money from residents every day, and seniors can be more susceptible to some of these methods. The fake kidnapping is one seen often in Boston and Massachusetts.

“That happens more often than people are aware and that’s one of the things we’re going to be talking about next week,” Morrissey said.

She said Amada actually had a woman who did marketing for them and was scammed by a perpetrator who used this particular method. She got a call late one night from someone claiming to have kidnapped a family member. Making it all the worse was she had just lost her husband.

“She ended up wiring \$15,000 before she told anybody, and that’s someone who’s super close to us,” Morrissey said. “The main objective of the talk is going to be getting people to understand the scope and prevalence of elder exploitation and to identify it and address it before it happens. At the same time, we need to all be sensitive to the fact that we as a younger generation, well we can’t behave like ‘I told you so,’ we need to be empathetic and encourage seniors to talk about this if it’s happening to them.”

Morrissey said there are many, many other types of scams, but they all fall into three categories: trust abuse, fraud and caretaker abuse. Fraud is one of the methods that can be filed under the Nigerian Prince scam of the 2000s. You get a message from someone who wants to give you a boatload of money, but for some reason can’t get it to you without a substantial fee of a couple thousand dollars or access to your bank account. What’s a couple thousand dollars next to several million? Morrissey said this is still very common, but can run into much more clever territory. She said

perpetrators will read the obituaries of recently deceased persons and call their widows or widowers saying their deceased loved one owed them a debt they are now responsible for.

Caretaker abuse is another huge problem, Morrissey said, mainly because it can be hard to litigate. She said it doesn’t have to be a registered nurse and it can even be a family member. She pointed out that family members who are desperate for money may threaten their grandparent or parent with the prospect of a nursing home and extort money.

“It even happened to Andy Rooney,” she said. “He’s a very high-profile case of elder exploitation by his family and friends over a period of decades where he eventually testified to the Senate Committee several years ago before his death. Even with all the money in the world he could not protect himself.”

She said registered nurses or home health aides can take advantage too, and she said the main thing is to keep valuables and money in a safe place. She said Amada has developed a new program called Truelink Financial, where a debit account is set up and controlled by the family so that if a home health aide has to run errands, buy food or other essentials those purchases can be controlled or monitored.

For more information on the upcoming talk, go to <https://www.germancentre.org/news/3-10-20-elder-scam-awareness/>

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Applications can also be picked up in person on the following dates and times:

Date	Time
Tuesday, March 10, 2020	10:00AM - 2:00PM
Wednesday, March 11, 2020	10:00AM - 2:00PM
Thursday, March 12, 2020	3:00PM - 7:00PM
Friday, March 13, 2020	10:00AM - 2:00PM
Saturday, March 14, 2020	10:00AM - 2:00PM

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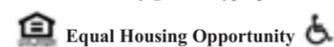
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The Winship Elementary School in Brighton might be getting a brand new playground from the Community Preservation Committee.

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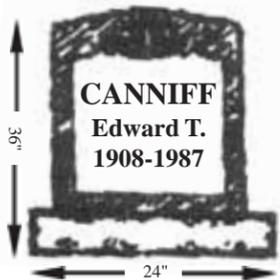
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sure this project passes, as school officials and the Winship School Parent Council say the new structure is desperately needed.

Also in Brighton, \$1 million was designated by both the CPC and Boston Mayor Marty Walsh for 79 new affordable senior housing units, including 15 units set aside for formerly homeless households at the J.J. Carroll Apartments, run by 2Life Communities. The whole redevelopment will feature 144 apartments, replacing the existing 64 apartments on the site. All the apartments will be set as income restricted for those earning up to 60 percent of the Area Median Income (AMI), which translates to \$56,880 for a two person household as of 2019.

The Boston Planning and Development Agency's Article 80 process is underway. More information is available here:

bostonplans.org/projects/development-projects/j-j-carroll-redevelopment.

In Jamaica Plain, \$200,000 is slated for the Footlight Theater Club, which is the country's oldest continually-running community theater, for remediation of structural problems. The funds are also slated to help stabilize Eliot Hall, which is a Greek Revival wood-frame structure built in 1831. The theater only dates back to 1877, far younger than some of its buildings. The theater has been running for almost 150 years, and has kept most of its historical programs, which can be viewed at <https://archive.org/details/footlightclub>.

Jamaica Plain will also see \$1.5 million for the Pine Street Inn and Community Builders to build a portion of the project's total 140 units for formerly homeless individuals and 60 income-restricted units for families at 3368 Washing-

ton St.

Lastly, the Haffenreffer Brewery Complex is slated for \$200,000 for a restoration of its roof and windows, specifically for what will be its Prosperity Center, designed to give small businesses services, job training, English as a second language classes and more. The brewery was also established almost 150 years ago in 1870 by Karl Hutter, who arrived in Boston just after the Civil War.

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BPD Youth Leadership meets with city officials and leaders



The BPD's Youth Leadership Program, *We Belong*, chaperoned by members of the BPD's Bureau of Community Engagement, visited with several community leaders this past week including Senator Nick Collins, Boston City Council President Kim Janey and former BPD Commissioner William Evans. The BPD said it was told the kids had a wonderful time interacting with and learning from leaders who encouraged the kids to take an active role in improving, supporting and bettering the community.

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Michael Boudreau *continued from page 1*

even after he and his girlfriend broke up.

One of the few “bonding moments” Boudreau described with his father, a bookie, occurred when his dad took him to purchase a stereo system at Radio Shack. Dad wanted to buy the display model, much to the salesman’s surprise. He conned the salesman into selling it to him for a ten-percent discount after causing a ruckus and throwing in the stand for free.

“See, that’s how you do it,’ Dad said victoriously,” he read from the book. “Remember, always tuck it to them before they tuck it to you.’ I carry that with me to this day.”

Boudreau said he wrote the book not for revenge or catharsis. Rather, he wanted to show people that they could overcome the odds. It also provides some psychological analysis that may help others.

When asked what he did in the Air Force, Boudreau described his service, first as a Morse code operator during the Cold War and later in human resources.

“It’s a nice read because it includes so much of what we know in Hyde Park, people going to Papa Gino’s for pizza,

that kind of stuff, and these local streets that the family lived on,” FHNA chair Joe Smith said. “It was very enjoyable and recognizable.”

To read more about Boudreau, the book and his blog, go to survivingescapingreturning.com.

In FHNA business, Officer Paul Broderick said that there were two incidents of shots being fired during the past month in the vicinity.

“On Feb 21, there was a report of a person shot near 27 Vose St. around 7:20 p.m.,” Broderick said. “He ended up leaving that area in his car. He drove down to the BP gas station, where he was found by police.

“That same night, 186 Garfield Rd. at 9:41 p.m., radio called in for shots fired,” he continued, noting that ballistics were found at the scene.

“It sounds like there was a lot of activity up here,” he said. “But I went over the last three months just to put it in perspective just how safe it really is up here.”

For the past three months, there has been virtually no crime. There were no breaking and entries, auto thefts, zero

except for two car keyings in this report, and no robberies, except for one this month.

Broderick noted in the police report that there have been thefts of airbags and tires from Hondas during the past month.

According to the police report, on Jan. 27 at 7 Vose St. there were four tires stolen off of a Honda, and the car was left on cinder blocks. On Highland St., Feb. 7 and on Feb. 21, an airbag was stolen from a Honda in each incident. On Feb 27. on Pond St., an airbag was stolen from an Acura.

There will be an increased police presence in the area of the shootings, Capt. Joseph Gillespie said.

In other news, Shelly Gillis from the U.S. Census Bureau encouraged everyone to fill out the Census form, which has 10 questions. It is mandated by the Constitution and has been done since 1790.

“We want to make sure that everyone understands that it is safe, it is easy, and it is important,” she said. Gillis noted it is used to determine legislative districts and representation, funding for municipal projects and a host of other services. For more information, go to census.gov.

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We took benefits early; can we get more now?

Dear Rusty: My birth date is 1947. My wife is 1950. We both took our Social Security years ago at age 62 due to health concerns because we questioned if we would live to age 78 to equalize the extra payout if we would have waited to age 66. Taking early at 62 may have been a mistake and I am wondering if there are any options available to maximize my and/or my wife's monthly payment with a restricted application or any other available options? My gross monthly is \$946.60, and my wife's is \$543.60 before the deduction for Medicare. Together our gross monthly is about equal to the per person individual average monthly payment of \$1479. Signed: Regretful we took SS early.

Dear Regretful: I'm afraid the options for either you or your wife increasing your benefit at this point are extremely limited. You cannot file the restricted application you mentioned because that can only be done by someone applying for the first time (and who was born before 1/2/1954), and only by someone who has not yet reached age 70. Neither can you suspend your benefits to earn delayed retirement credits (DRCs) because DRCs are only earned up to age 70. Your wife has a very small window until she reaches 70 in March during which she could suspend her benefits, and by doing so immediately she could perhaps earn, at most, an additional 1% in DRCs (about \$5 more per month). That leaves only two other things which could increase your benefits: 1) Annual Cost of Living Adjustments (COLAs) granted each year depending upon inflation, and 2) returning to work and having substantial current earnings which may replace the earnings in a lower-earning year in your lifetime work record (SS uses the highest earning 35 years



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over your lifetime to compute your benefit amount).

If you have some years in that 35-year history with no or very low earnings, working now could replace one or more of those years. I have no way of determining whether that is a possibility; you would need to get your lifetime earnings record from Social Security and see if that is possible by examining your earnings for each year over your lifetime. But remember, all early years of earnings are adjusted for inflation, so for example, \$10,000 earned in 1990 would be equal to about \$25,000 in today's dollars, and you'd need to earn more than the higher amount to have any effect on your benefit.

I wish I had better news for you, but the unfortunate reality is that once someone claims their Social Security, the benefit amount is quite fixed. Although it's possible to withdraw an application within 12 months of initial filing, and it's also possible to suspend benefits once FRA is reached, neither of those is available to you. And your wife only has a very short window to suspend her benefits, which will reach maximum when she reaches 70 in March. So, except for the COLA increases and returning to work options I've discussed above, I'm afraid you have no other opportunity to increase your Social Security benefit amounts.

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Boston celebrates five years of DoIT

The team compiled an end of year report highlighting major projects over the years.

Recently, Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT) celebrate five years of the Citywide Analytics Team. Mayor Walsh created the Citywide Analytics Team in 2015 with the goal of developing innovative programs and improving performance across all parts of City government. The Citywide Analytics Team is the central data organization for the City of Boston. This year, the team compiled an end of year report highlighting major projects over the years as an effort to describe in detail how the team supports the City of Boston.

“We created Boston’s Analytics Team in 2015, and in five years, the team has helped make data driven decisions that positively impact residents in the City of Boston,” said Mayor Walsh. “We use data, process improvement, and technology to make life better for everyone who lives and works in our city.”

This end of year report also highlights plans for the future of data in the City of Boston. The Citywide Analytics Team has tackled major projects over the last five years which include the implementation of

CityScore, Analyze Boston, VisionZero, the City’s Short-Term Rentals Ordinance, as well as other performance and internal operations projects.

“As Chief Data Officer, the goal of this report is to inform residents and partners about our projects over the last five years, as well as provide a projection of our impact in the future,” said Stefanie Costa Leabo, Chief Data Officer. “Through the use of data, our team continues to make a difference in many different aspects of city services including public health and safety, streets, housing and civic engagement.”

The City of Boston is always looking for the public to interact with Boston’s data and projects. In 2017, the Citywide Analytics Team launched Analyze Boston, Boston’s current open data portal. The site promotes transparency and accessibility, and includes data dic-

tionaries and explanations that makes data more usable for the public and academic partners.

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Boston Public Schools seeks exam school admissions test

The Boston Public Schools (BPS) recently issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for an admissions assessment for its three high schools that require an exam as one part of the admissions criteria. The “examination schools,” Boston Latin Academy, Boston Latin School, and John D. O’Bryant School of Mathematics and Science all serve students in grades 7-12. The goal of the new RFP is to ensure a fair test that is aligned to Massachusetts curriculum standards, is bias-free, and measures student knowledge and readiness for a rigorous high school curriculum. Securing a new test is the district’s next step forward in furthering equitable access to the exam schools, particularly for Black and Latinx students who have historically been underrepresented.

“It’s important that any student who wishes to attend one of Boston’s exam schools is well-prepared and has an equitable pathway to do so,” said Mayor Walsh. “We have made significant progress in recent years to expand access to the test for exam schools, and this RFP is another opportunity for

BPS to continue that important work.”

The exam is available to all Boston residents in grades 6, 8, and 9, including students who are not currently enrolled in a BPS school. BPS provides the admissions exam to interested students for these three schools. Due to the current vendor contract ending, BPS began the process of developing a new RFP last school year, which is required by law in order to contract with an organization for the admissions exam.

“Creating more equitable opportunities for students to get a great education is one of our most important priorities,” said BPS Superintendent Brenda Cassellius. “We believe the new RFP will help level the playing field for students seeking admission to our exam schools by offering a test that actually assesses student’s knowledge of content they’re taught in class and has been rigorously reviewed to ensure it is free of bias. This is a good next step in our efforts to make sure our exam school student body is representative of all the students BPS serves.”

BPS has taken several steps over the years to increase equitable access to the exam schools. This school year, the district administered the entrance exam to BPS sixth-grade students in their home schools.

This change allowed students to take the test in a familiar environment and have the test administered by educators they know. Previously, students taking the entrance test had to travel to one of a handful of testing locations on a Saturday morning. Next year, BPS will administer the exam in-school for both sixth-grade and eighth-grade students.

BPS has also addressed equitable access and student representation at the exam schools by creating and expanding the BPS entrance test prep program, Exam School Initiative (ESI), which focuses on serving Black, Latinx, English Learner, and economically disadvantaged students. With the support of Mayor Walsh and the Boston Latin School Association, the ESI program expanded from serving 400 students in 2014 to serving 775 in 2019. In addition, the BPS Office of Opportunity Gaps overhauled the direction of the program in 2017 and made important changes to ESI recruitment that resulted in enrollment shifts. While in the summer of 2014, 45% of ESI students were White, in 2019 almost half (49%) of ESI students were Latinx or Black.

BPS has also expanded communication efforts to inform families about the exam school admissions process.

This includes multilingual emails and automated and personal phone calls to parents/guardians. In 2016, BPS decreased the number of forms of identification that students are required to possess to take the ISEE from two to one. Previously, a requirement of two forms of identification, such as a social security card or birth certificate, presented a barrier to some students’ participation.

“BPS is committed to ensuring equitable access to rigorous learning environments for all our students, and has worked for many years to increase the diversity of our exam schools,” said Boston School Committee Chairperson Michael Loconto. “We began offering free test preparation courses a number of years ago, and earlier this school year we began in-school administration of the entrance exam for sixth-graders and free T passes for grades 7-12 to minimize transportation barriers. As we continue to look at other ways to increase access to advanced academics across high schools, this search for a new assessment is another important step forward.”

To develop the RFP, BPS participated in an extensive process that included input and recommendations from an internal working group, as well as community feedback, with the goal of ensuring the RFP

results in an assessment that tests students on material they have learned in school. BPS is asking all interested vendors that submit a proposal to demonstrate their assessment is aligned to Massachusetts state learning standards and is bias-free.

All three exam schools accept new students for grades 7 and 9. The O’Bryant School also accepts a limited number of new students for grade 10. The exam school admissions process will remain unchanged with admissions decisions continuing to be determined by a combination of exam scores and grade point averages (GPA). Families of students not currently enrolled in BPS are also required to confirm Boston residency.

For those already participating in test prep programs, BPS encourages parents to speak with the provider to ensure the materials are appropriate for the student’s grade and aligned to Massachusetts state curriculum standards. The best test prep is daily attendance in school and learning grade-level reading and math.

More information on the BPS exam schools, including instructions to request a copy of the Request for Proposals, can be found here. BPS aims to award the new contract to a vendor in June 2020.



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A West Roxbury mother’s plea to Mayor Marty Walsh: Please support my son’s dream of a new school



Braxton Rocha with Mayor Marty Walsh

Dear Mayor Marty Walsh

It was wonderful to meet you recently at the Boston Latin School service event, which honored the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. I was able to get this great picture of you with my son. You said you liked his Boston College hat, given that you are a proud alum.

It is as meaningful to me as it is to you.

My son received that hat for school because his homeroom this year at Roxbury Prep Charter School is called Boston College. At Roxbury Prep, all of the homerooms are named after universities, underscoring the school’s mission to send every child to and through college.

When Braxton was in 4th grade, the principal at the school he attended wrote me a letter saying that my son was not “college material,” and that I should start thinking of other plans for him. Instead, I entered him into the charter school lottery at Roxbury Prep, where he received a 5th grade placement.

Braxton was so behind academically when he

started at Roxbury Prep. And yet, with the incredible love and dedication of Roxbury Prep teachers, my son is no longer behind. In fact, he makes honor roll and now receives MCAS scores at or above the state average. Most importantly, college is absolutely in his future, just as it is for all of Roxbury Prep’s students. He feels proud. He feels smart. He knows that he matters.

Only one thing is missing: a state-of-the-art high school building for Braxton and his hardworking classmates to learn in as they prepare to pursue their dream of a college education. You can play a huge role in helping with this by getting the project onto the agenda for the upcoming March monthly meeting of the Boston Planning and Development Agency, which must vote on the plan.

As you know, Roxbury Prep and their students and parents have been working for several years to develop 361 Belgrade Avenue in Roslindale into a beautiful, new high school that would be an asset to our community, and replace the run-down auto dealership that sits there now. Roxbury Prep has searched all over the city and had to balance cost, public transportation access, where the students live, as well as educational use zoning in searching for a building. For all those elements, 361 Belgrade turned out to be the very best location.

I have been helping to fight for this new building from the beginning — from the first proposal through all of the public meetings. I have been proud of the way that Roxbury Prep has listened to community input, even downsizing the size and scope of the facility to be responsive to community concerns. The location could not be better—a train station right behind the building, plus multiple bus lines at its front door.

I live in West Roxbury, so I know that not all of your constituents want a school there. A very few number of residents keep citing traffic and safety

issues, but some of us wonder if it’s really traffic and safety they are worried about. I have heard people say things about my children, who are of African descent, and have heard alleged fears about the mayhem that the influx of “teenagers” might cause.

To these concerns I say this: Come to one of Roxbury Prep’s middle schools and watch dismissal as I have. Adults are always outside ensuring students are getting off to their homes safely and acting as a positive presence in the neighborhood. Roxbury Prep is a good neighbor across the city in its other locations and would be a good neighbor in Roslindale, too.

I have been encouraged by the reactions of a majority of my Roslindale and West Roxbury neighbors. This was reflected in the fact that 85 percent of the comments filed during the official BPDA comment period were supportive of the project. Despite the opposition of the handful of people who cite traffic as the problem, the vast majority of the community around 361 Belgrade has shown overwhelming support.

Now, how about you?

Mr. Mayor, Roxbury Prep did everything it was supposed to do, but now we need your public support. We are asking you to put the Roxbury Prep High School project on the next BPDA board meeting agenda, and we need you to make a public statement about whether you think our students deserve a building in a location already zoned for a school. On January 16, the BPDA held its regular monthly meeting while our kids were outside City Hall in the cold asking why they were left off the agenda yet again.

Please don’t let that happen again to our kids.

Sincerely,
Sarah Rocha

This commentary piece first appeared in CommonWealth magazine.

Anna's Pals *continued from page 1*

said she faced the disease and its treatment with strength and dignity, even declining a gift from the Make a Wish Foundation because she felt she was fortunate enough already to have the friends and Pals who stuck with her in her most dire times.

Now that Anna has lost her battle with cancer, Jerome said she's making sure that kindness and strength lives on in Anna's Pals. The group raises money for pediatric cancer research and other treatments focused around children.

The group will be hosting comedian Christine Hurley on Friday, March 13 at 7 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus at 5250 Washington St. in West Roxbury. Jerome admitted that she has not seen Hurley live yet, but that's not because of a lack of trying.

"People rave about her, and I've tried to see her a couple of times and every time tickets were sold out," she said. "I knew she was definitely a hot commodity."

Jerome said this was the first time the group decided to have a comedy night.

"We were just thinking we hadn't had an event in a while and it was time to do something different," she said. "We just figured we would try to see if people who have been good to us in the past would like to come to a comedy show at the Knights of Co-

lumbus." Further out, the group's annual Blood Drive for the Boston Children's Hospital is taking place on May 30 in front of West on Centre from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. This year marks the fifth the group has been fundraising for children and childhood disease research, and Jerome said as someone who has experienced the treatment for Leukemia, she knows how many blood transfusions just one person needs.

"It became very apparent how much the Children's Hospital needed blood, so we do this once a year to help the other kids who are struggling, and not just with Leukemia either, for everybody," she said. "And the Children's Hospital was just a clear choice, everybody knows somebody who's child or had a child who's been treated there, whether it's for a broken arm or other injuries, because Boston Children's is crucial to our community."

Jerome said the bus will pull up to West where residents can have blood drawn and then rejuvenate themselves inside the restaurant.

"West is very good to us, and the people who donate give back to West too," she said.

Way out in the sunny month of June, Medium Marybeth Sheehan will join the group at West on Centre on the 11th starting at 6 p.m. Jerome said while she can understand why



Anna's Pals holds different events all throughout the year, like this casino night hosted at St. Theresa's in 2019.

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some might be skeptical regarding mediums and speaking with those who have passed on, she said that most people who have gone to one of Sheehan's readings come back convinced.

"People always say that they are skeptical until they actually have an experience with a medium," she said. "And that's fair, sometimes they can be like the ones on TV, like the Long Island Medium where they feed off the crowd and are for entertainment purposes, but there are some people who are certainly gifted with the ability to communicate with people they can't see. For someone who's lost a child, having a medium be able to let them know their loved one is okay can be really healing for people."

The group's biggest

fundraiser will take place on June 15, culminating in the third annual Anna's Pals Golf Tournament at the George Wright Golf Course.

"They're really awesome for letting us do this every year," she said. "It's never a serious game, we don't usually have a lot of serious golfers, it's just people who want to support Anna's Pals and have a really fun day. Prime will also donate a car for a hole in one, and we usually have some vacations for prizes and all registrants get an Anna's Pal Golf Tournament T-shirt and some promotional gifts as well."

For more information on these and other upcoming events, go to Annaspals.org.

Parking Tickets

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"So, by increasing the violation schedule for parking in a street cleaning block of time, and removing the tow fee, we actually saved tax payers, those who would fall victim to that a significant amount of money," he said.

O'Malley said he recognized that it is very difficult to be poor in the City of Boston, but he said a better approach might be looking at some of the causes as it relates to public transportation.

"Looking at better and more creative ways to deal with parking and to support our business districts, analyzing certain metered parking in certain areas, looking at alternate ways of transportation such as an increased bike network, bike shares, electric scooters and multi modal vehicles as well are some ways to deal with this," he said. "The thing that gives me pause as it relates to income adjusted ticketing is the enforcement piece and how we would make that determination. It does seem extremely difficult."



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A Petition for **Late and Limited Formal Testacy and/or Appointment** has been filed by
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requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.
The Petitioner requests that:
John E Kenney of Hyde Park, MA
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety 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 03/12/2020. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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: February 28, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
Hyde Park Bulletin: 03/05/2020

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION DOCKET No. **SU20P0285EA**
Estate of: **Arthur I. Fox** Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA. 02114
617-788-8300
Date of Death: **11/28/2019**

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by:
Jonathan A. Fox of New York, NY
requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.
The Petitioner requests that:
Jonathan A. Fox of New York, NY
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an **unsupervised** administration.

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You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00a.m. on the return day of 04/02/2020. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: March 2, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 03/05/2020

Parkway Youth Soccer is in its 42th season. Children born between Jan 1, 2005 and Dec. 31, 2015 are eligible to play in the regular league. High school students born between 2002 and 2004 are eligible to play in the Senior Division. Applications received after Feb. 28 depend upon availability of space. For more information, contact 617-962-4271.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

The deadline to apply is Sunday, March 29, 2020. Local artists encouraged to apply! Applicants are not required to be West Roxbury residents. All media, 2D, and 3D art accepted for consideration.

Step 1: Submit your application and upload photos of your artwork. Artists may submit up to five pieces of art for consideration in their application.

Step 2: Pay your \$10 application fee online on our secure Square Store or mail a check to West Roxbury Main Streets at 1842 Centre Street, West Roxbury, MA 02132.

Step 3: WRMS will notify you by email if your work is selected by early April. Selected artists are required to sign an art waiver, due upon acceptance into the program.

If you have questions, please email director@wrms.org or call 617-325-6400. Follow our Facebook page and sign up for our e-newsletter for updates and more information.

PARKWAY CONCERT ORCHESTRA - MARCH 8

Parkway Concert Orchestra continues its 75th anniversary season with 'Sounds of the Symphony Orchestra' on Sunday, March 8 at 3:00 p.m. at Holy Name Parish Upper Church, 1689 Centre Street, West Roxbury. Music Director Thomas Kociela will conduct a lively program including the first movement of Schubert's Symphony in C major, selections from Elgar's Enigma Variations, music from 'Hamilton' and 'The Sound of Music' and the finale from Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 4. The program will feature Moises Carrasco in Giovanni Bottesini's Double Bass Concerto No. 2 in B minor.

To enhance your concert experience, the performance features a pre-concert talk (from 2:35 to 2:50) with Resident Conductor Brian Bell.

This concert is presented by Holy Name Enrichment Program and is sponsored by Vogt Realty Group in memory of Gene and Ann Vogt. During intermission, the audience will have a chance to meet and learn about the orchestra instruments at an instrument petting zoo. Concert admission is free. Doors will open at 2:30 p.m. For more information, please call 617-792-4277, visit the orchestra's website at <http://www.parkwayconcertorchestra.org/content/2019Season/19-20> or

visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/parkwayconcertorchestra.

THE VILLAGERS

The Villagers of Roslindale meet on the first Tuesday of each month from 12-3 at St. John Chrysostom Church Hall, 4740 Washington Street, West Roxbury.

Social hour is 12-12:45 with refreshments followed by a meeting, raffles and bingo. Occasional day trips and dinners are planned. Our dues are \$10.00 per member paid annually. All inquiries, please call Diane Grallo at 617-323-8654 or Jean Parrelli at 617-325-4695.

PARKWAY LITTLE LEAGUE REGISTRATION AND OPENING DAY PARADE

Calling your future All Stars! Registration is currently underway for the 2020 Parkway Little League spring season, which will kick off with the 68th annual Opening Day parade on Saturday, April 11th. Players aged 4-12 who live or attend school within the Parkway area are eligible to participate. Early registration is encouraged to avoid late fees and to guarantee your spot. For more information and to register online please visit <https://www.parkwaylittleleague.org> today. Additional questions can be emailed to playball@parkwaylittleleague.org. Register now for another exciting and fun season down at the complex!

PARKWAY BABE RUTH REGISTRATION AND TRYOUTS

Parkway Babe Ruth is looking forward to their 51st Season with Babe Ruth in the Parkway area. Players age 13 -16 are eligible to continue their baseball after completing Little League. Final tryouts for the upcoming 2020 Season will be held on March 28th and 29th from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at West Roxbury High. Anyone interested in playing must register at <https://www.leaguelineup.com/registration> and www.parkwaybaberuth.org. Additional information can reach us at parkwaybaberuth@gmail.com or via our website <https://www.leaguelineup.com/welcome.asp?url=pbrl>

“THE UNIQUENESS OF THE IRISH GARDEN” WITH KARIN STANLEY.

The Evening Garden Club of West Roxbury - Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 7 PM at The Elks Lodge, 1 Morrell St, West Roxbury, MA. We request a non-member donation of \$7.00.

Join us for an exploration of the Irish garden through the centuries. Warm currents of the Gulf Stream create a broad palette of zones nurturing an extraordinary range of plants and historic gardens for which Ireland is famous. Ms. Stanley illustrates beautifully how Ireland claims its place on the world

gardening stage. Join us and share an evening enjoying this stunning visual and informative tour.

About Our Speaker: Ms. Stanley, an Irish-born artist, sculptor, poet and writer has lived in the United States for over thirty years now. Originally a knitwear designer interested in textures, fibers, patterns and symbolism. A passionate observer of the changing landscape in Ireland and Scotland, her interest in Celtic archaeology, Megalithic art, the influence of the Arts and Crafts Period naturally expanded to include garden design and its history. She is a graduate of the Landscape design program at Radcliffe College. Learn more about Karin Stanley and her interests at KarinStanley.com.

Doors open for meeting, sign-in & light refreshments at 6:30 PM We welcome all and hope to greet you there. *THIS LECTURE QUALIFIES FOR MASS. MASTER GARDENER EDUCATION CREDITS*

FREE PRESENTATION AT THE DEUTSCHES ALTENHEIM

Deutsches Altenheim will be hosting two free presentations in March. The community is invited to join us.

* Tuesday, March 10 @ 12:00 noon: ELDER SCAM AWARENESS – Seniors all too often fall victim to exploitation. This workshop is designed to help you recognize scams and schemes directed at seniors today. Join us to learn how we can work together to create a blanket of protection for ourselves and those we love. This is a can't miss presentation with (free!) lunch. RSVP Required: 617-325-1230 or info@germancentre.org.

* Thursday, March 26 @ 5:30 pm: MEDICAL MARIJUANA-HEALTH RISKS & BENEFITS – Medical marijuana is in the news daily with many claims about what it can do for people with all types of illnesses and symptoms. Dr. John Halpornof Brigham & Women's Faulkner Hospital will share his perspective on the use of marijuana as a medication and review methods of use, benefits, harms, and future developments. A light dinner will be served.

Deutsches Altenheim is located at 2222 Centre Street, West Roxbury.

ROSLINDALE GREEN & CLEAN

On Thursday, March 12th at 7:00 PM, Roslindale Green & Clean brings you the latest in our annual series of winter escapes to the gardens of summer. Join us for this Armchair Garden Tour that begins and ends in warm comfort at Roslindale House, 120 Poplar Street, just a couple of blocks from the Square.

Called, “a breath of summer near the end of winter”, it will include a presentation and discussion of images from the stunning Terra Nostra Botanical Garden in the Azores as well as other places in those beautiful Atlantic islands.

It's free and light refreshments will be served. For more information - rgc.plantsale@gmail.com.

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Insight Realty Group is thrilled to announce they are joining forces with Tierney Realty Group. Michael McGuire, President of Insight Realty Group, Kris MacDonald, Managing Partner and Pat Tierney, President of Tierney Realty Group are excited for this new venture. Mike, says "It's an honor to work with a legendary real estate pioneer and leader in the Boston Real estate scene".

The powerhouse offices who dominate their markets (Insight commanding #1 market share in West Roxbury & Roslindale while Tierney Realty Group is leading sales in Hyde Park) share strong core values & clear vision for the future. Pat Tierney added "We are thrilled to join the Insight Team and their culture of collaboration and community support which has always been important to us. We see this as an opportunity to grow and expand the services we provide to our team and our clients."

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