

## 266 Affordable Apartments Proposed at Green and Washington Streets 144 to be supportive housing



Lyndia Downie, Executive Director of the Pine Street Inn, explains their plans for 266 affordable apartments at 3368 Washington Street.

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**Richard Heath**  
Staff Reporter

Pine Street Inn proposes to build a six story, 226-unit apartment building at 3368 Washington St. at what is becoming the housing epicenter of Jamaica Plain, at Washington and Green Streets.

The proposal is for 140 of those units to be supportive housing for formerly homeless, and the rest will be 100 percent affordable for low and moderate income tenants.

Pine Street has owned the

40,220 square foot building—one of the largest lots on Washington Street, since 1996. The estimated development cost is \$65 million.

Pine Street will partner with and subsequently jointly own the new development with The Community Builders that will become the property manager.

This was the message Lyndia Downie, Executive Director of the Pine Street Inn, brought to a full house at the Pine Street building on March

**Pine Street**

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## Bavis Tournament brings in hundreds to remember friend



Hundreds of players, parents and residents came out for the 17th annual Mark Bavis Tournament in Hyde Park.

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**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

Former Hyde Park resident and Hyde Park Youth Hockey player Mark Bavis died on Sept. 11, 2001 on United Flight 175.

Bavis was a renowned player with three Beanpot titles under his belt playing for

Boston University, but he first laced up his skates at the Bajko Rink in Hyde Park, and now dozens of Mite teams from the Greater Boston Area come together to honor his memory at that same rink every year and over this past weekend.

“This is the 17th year of the tournament since it started in 2003,” said organizer Jay

Rourke. “It was decided in 2002 that it would be a great way to remember Mark and his real impact on the program when he was younger... He was a player for Hyde Park Youth Hockey and so people don’t forget where it all started, so we host the tournament. Pat Bavis and the

**Mark Bavis**

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## Couple looking to open cannabis R&D Site



The new business license will allow the owners of 612 Hyde Park Ave. to start working on new products.

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**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

Mattapan husband and wife team Leah and Sieh Samura are looking to open up a research and development office at 612 Hyde Park Ave. in Roslindale for cannabis product creation and testing.

The site, a small blue building

sandwiched in between an auto shop and a residential building, would be essentially for cooking and producing products, and they said no growing or selling of product would be allowed under the license they are seeking.

“It’s a real small facility, so we

**R&D Site**

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## Hyde Park Neighborhood Assn. still believes 11 Dana Ave. not as-of-right

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Hyde Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA) met last week and the main topic of conversation, as it has been for the last few months, was the project proposed for 11 Dana Ave.

The group voted last month to have the 24-unit mixed-use proposal appealed at its last meeting and sent letters to that effect to local officials in the city and the State House. The crux of the issue, according to HPNA President Jim Kirker and member Craig Martin, is that the developer and the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) believe the project to be in one of the two Neighborhood Shopping NS-2 Subdistricts.

Martin said he believes the development to be in an NS-



Residents say they still do not believe 11 Dana Ave. to be as-of-right, despite assurances from the BPDA.

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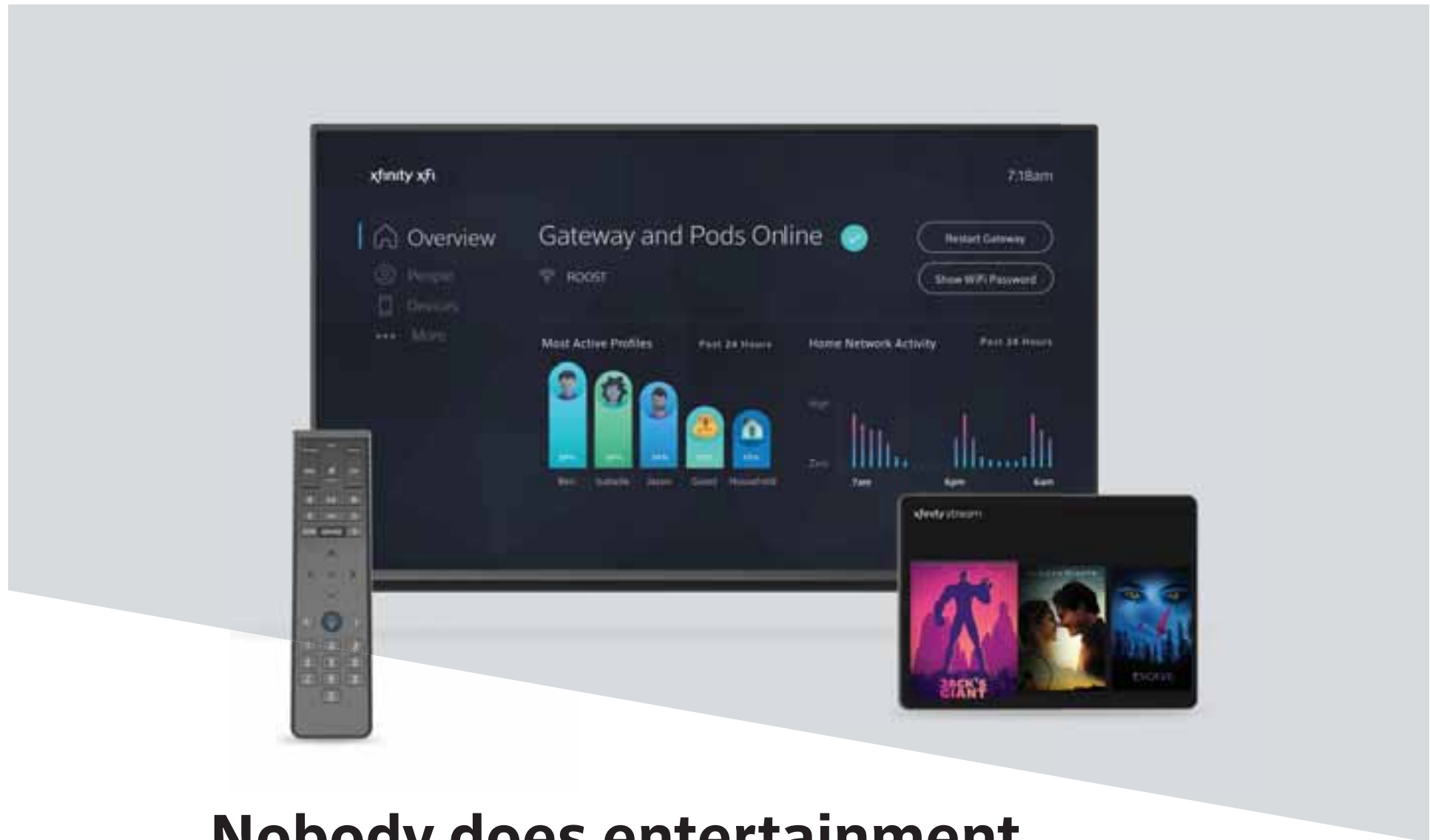
2 district that requires two parking spaces per unit, and that the separate district is noted in the BPDA’s maps. According to the developer and the BPDA’s representatives, only one parking space is required per unit, which the

site plan provides for.

Martin said he’s not necessarily opposed to the project, but he does believe more meetings with the community are required and he

**Dana Ave.**

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# Council looks at use of public ways, 5K's and street fairs

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council held a hearing last week to discuss rules and regulations regarding public, private and nonprofit uses of public ways in the city.

The problem comes, according to District 8 City Councilor Josh Zakim, as an increase in events which make use of public land or rights of way (block parties, road races or parades) makes some areas of the city inaccessible too many times for residents to reasonably adjust their schedules.

“There’s been a proliferation of fundraisers, walks, parades – some political in nature which obviously no one could have predicted after 2016,” he said.

Zakim said he wants to know the framework of approval for these types of events and how residents are notified. He said he wanted to focus on how new events that residents of the area might not be aware of are approved and advertised, if at all.

Neighborhood Association of the Back Bay (NABB) member Elliot Laffer said the disruption in the Back Bay can be a serious problem if you live there and have necessary chores or errands to do. He said the lack of notice on some of the smaller and less well-known events can also create unnecessary problems in his neighborhood.

“When you have them for what seems like almost every weekend, for people who need the weekends to do errands they can’t do during the week it can be very challenging,” he said. “I remember I was coming home one evening when there was one of these 5K road races and I had to sit a block from my house for an hour waiting for the street to clear and I didn’t even know it was coming, and I’m usually very informed about this sort of thing.”

Laffer said there is a need for more of these events to be evenly distributed around the city and not just in the Back Bay.

“While we’re a beautiful neighborhood, we’re not the only beautiful neighborhood,” he said.

Boston Mayor’s Office of Tourism, Sports and Entertainment Director Kenneth Brissette said during the hearing that permits approved by the Public Event Committee (PEC) are required for any event seeking to use public land owned by the city, including roads.

“Whether that event is free or not, open to the public or invitation only, it doesn’t matter,” he said. “It is still necessary to apply.”

He said in 2018 the PEC oversaw the permitting of 568 public events in the City of Boston.

“That’s throughout the entire city,” he said. “In 2017, the PEC oversaw the permitting of 545 public events throughout the City of Boston.”

Brissette said his office guides applicants through the process but does not issue any permits. He said various public institutions, like the Boston Transportation Department (BTD), the Boston Police Department (BPD) the Boston Fire Department (BFD) or the Boston Public Works Department (BPW) must approve these permits.

Brissette said the PEC also takes a look at the upcoming schedule to make sure there are not too many events scheduled in a brief period of time. He said that list is on hand any time someone makes an application.

“When we come to a meeting, we have an Excel spreadsheet of all events that are happening in the city, whether it’s the Red Sox, the Celtics, the Bruins, any concerts at the Garden, any concerts at Fenway, all Parks events and anything that we do,” he said.

Brissette said that they actually put a hold on new events after Sept. 15 because they already have too much going on.

“So we monitor that and we figure out whether a particular race is feasible,” he said. “Since 2014, we have not added any new additional

events on Comm. Ave. with the exception of a few one-offs that we did.”

Zakim said notification can be an issue. He said the updates the BTD puts out for traffic advisories is useful, but he’s concerned that it’s usually the first notification he sees for a particular event in District 8. He said he’d like to see more cooperation with the Office of Neighborhood Services so these events could be included in the office’s weekly newsletters as well as a notification system for all the neighborhood associations in each particular area. Brissette said this was something he would look into.

Chief Engineer for the BTD Edward Hesford said for any street closure, there is always a plan in place.

“The BTD, well we’re always formulating the traffic management plans and the operational plans for a safe event, in coordination with the BPD, BPF, EMS, etc., so we have a nice working committee in special events,” he said. “There’s a lot of thought that gets put in with this, the whole team puts together that plan relative to roadway detours, impacts, etc., that potentially could come about and we want to keep the city open and viable.”

Brissette said the application process is different for every type of event, but it always includes a site plan for the area designated for the event, insurance for any event on public property, designs for any temporary structures and review by all relevant departments before permits are issued.

He said once they have all those permits they need, they will go to licensing for final ap-



District 8 City Councilor Josh Zakim

proval for an entertainment license or a special event license. He said for a road race, BTD Commissioner Gina Fiandaca has to sign off on the idea of the event even before any permits are applied for.

Boston Parks and Recreation Director Chris Cook said in 2018, 4,084 permits were issued by the department, and

that 1,351 were for adult athletics, 991 were for youth athletics, 194 were for weddings and 17 were closings related to construction and renovations of the parks. He did point out that each permit was not necessarily tied to one event, like a little league could pull one permit for use of a field for a full season.



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# Editorial

## BUY YOUR WAY IN

The scandal du jour, and one that has Boston sharing the national spotlight, is a pay-for-placement scheme that allowed the rich and famous (emphasis on the former) to cut ahead of other students for consideration at prestigious colleges and universities.

Among the 50 people accused of the crime are actresses Felicity Huffman and Lori Loughlin, and fashion designer Mossimo Giannulli. They, and others, paid between \$200,000 and \$6.5 million to secure admissions for their kids. Among the schools targeted by the perpetrators and a Boston-based for-profit college counseling firm were Yale, Stanford, and Georgetown. Among the feats of trickery used were fabricating top-tier athleticism (via the magic of Photoshop) to entice coaches and athletic directors and hiring “proctors” to take entrance exams for the would-be students.

In a sad world of war and political divisiveness, Colleaguegate (ok, we just made up that nickname) is the perfect, gossip-worthy story to come along: it has shallow, cheating celebrities; millions of dollars; and a reason to rage about unfair systems that have it in for “the little guy.”

We do need to ask, however, why these crimes are a reason for all that aforementioned “rage”?

Let’s think this through: wealthy parents open up their bank account to ensure that their sub-academic offspring can attend college. How is that any different from standard operating procedure?

College is a business. Like all businesses, despite protestations of self-importance and attestations of societal improvements, these institutions exist to make money. Like any company in a capitalistic world, these schools are in a near-constant state of expansion, and

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## Is this any way to run a city?

- \$684,000
- \$677,000
- \$577,000
- \$536,000
- \$494,000

Staggering numbers, right?

They’re even more staggering when one realizes that these are the 2018 salaries of the top money-makers receiving and then endorsing City of Boston paychecks. They are all police officers, who were reinstated and allowed to collect back pay, probably due to the kindness of mediators who enjoy reinstating “wronged” employees. Also, last year there were two salaries of other police officers netting more than \$250,000 each.

I wonder if any of these recipients will have to redeem cans for nickels or cut coupons from newspapers. Nah, not a chance.

If such people are being reinstated by benevolent arbitrators, perhaps more scrutiny should be given as to why they were laid off in the first place:

were the offenses egregious or only seemingly so? Or maybe review the qualifications of the arbitrators.

If the city treasury had no control of these payments, it could have exercised more control of the buy-out of the former school superintendent’s contract, which netted Tommy Chang a whopping \$450,000. And was there any oversight of a fire department employee’s netting \$260,000 and a building inspector’s pulling in \$10,000 less?

To those of us on fixed incomes, those struggling on Medicaid, those grimacing at having to throw an extra quarter in a parking meter for another 4 minutes, or those pining for an extra dollar for a tip when serving meals, the above people, in effect, had hit the lottery jackpot but, regrettably, at our expense: they’re making money off our backs, as our rising real estate taxes and rents reflect the city’s reluctance and/or inability to rein in expenses. But if they worked for Fidelity, Gillette, State Street



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Trust, and other private companies, more power to them; we would have no basis to begrudge their salaries, outside of pure envy.

Last year the city’s payroll was \$1.7 billion, a huge 8.2% increase of \$129 million over the preceding year. Ah, would that there be a plethora of municipal belt-tightening, indeed a lost art in these days when the city coffers are open for grabbing.

## Letters to the Editor

### PROGRESSIVES AND PLASTIC BAGS

*To the Editor:*

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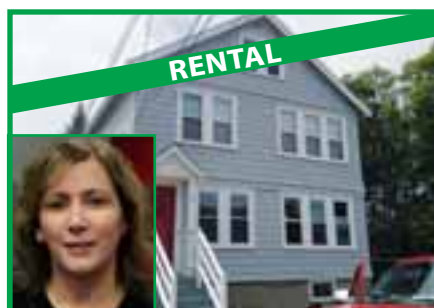
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# East River Street NA talks stop signs and spring cleaning

**Ariane Komyati**  
Staff Reporter

The East River Street Neighborhood Association hosted their monthly meeting on Monday, March 6 at 912 River Street. Office of Neighborhood Services Hyde Park liaison Bryan Flynn and a representative from Councilor McCarthy's office were present at the meeting.

The meeting opened with Officer Broderick reading the police report from the past month for the River Street area. The report included zero robberies, three breaking and enterings, and a report of a wallet being stolen from a woman's purse at

Price-Rite. Police also recovered a vehicle that was stolen from Dedham.

Liaison Bryan Flynn discussed Boston's "Love Your Block" program, which includes mini-grants and neighborhood clean-ups. Mini-grant submissions for 2019 were due on March 1st, and Flynn remarked that Roslindale had the most submissions. In Spring of 2018, Boston received over 60 applications across the city for mini grants and awarded five groups. One Love Your Block project example is a wall painting next to the Mildred Avenue Community Center in Mattapan. In 2017, local community organizations painted a wall next to the community center to make the dark, uninviting place a painted work of art.

Flynn also encouraged neighbors to participate in the 2019 Love Your Block Spring cleanup, which will take place all across Boston on May 4th and May 11th. To learn more about the 2019 spring cleanup or to register for the event, visit <https://www.boston.gov/calendar/love-your-block-spring-cleanup-05-04-19>. After registering, Flynn will reach out with more information.



Office of Neighborhood Services Hyde Park Representative Bryan Flynn discussed this year's upcoming Love Your Block grants and how residents can spruce their streets for spring.

PHOTO BY ARIANE KOMYATI

Flynn also took questions and comments from residents who were present at the meeting. One community member requested a stop sign at the intersection of Pinewood St. and Taunton Ave. Flynn stated that he will put in a request for the stop sign, but explained the process can take a while with the Boston Transportation Department, so he encourages resident to report issues via 311 in the meantime. "Sometimes, you need to be persistent with 311," explained Flynn.

Jean-Claude Sanon, a candidate for City Councilor

in District 5, was present at the neighborhood meeting to meet neighbors and discuss his campaign. "As your City Councilor, I will always put our neighborhoods and families before politics," Sanon stated. Sanon believes in being a loud voice for "making sure that housing is adequate for the marginalized in our society". Sanon is an immigrant; he moved to Mattapan as a teenager and has been a small business owner there for two decades. Councilor McCarthy will not be seeking reelection in 2019, so Sanon is one of many candi-

dates who are looking to fill his seat.

For more information on Sanon and his campaign, visit [www.sanon4boston.com](http://www.sanon4boston.com) or email [jeanclaude\\_sanon@yahoo.com](mailto:jeanclaude_sanon@yahoo.com).

To stay up to date with the neighborhood news in Hyde Park, email Bryan Flynn at [bryan.flynn@boston.gov](mailto:bryan.flynn@boston.gov) to sign up for a Hyde Park newsletter, which is sent out via email nearly every week.

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# WR resident running Boston Marathon for affordable housing

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

West Roxbury resident Dina Vargo said she's run six marathons in the past, but the real big one has eluded her for years, that is, until now.

"I've only done some mid-sized cities and it's been a fun way to see different places, but I think everyone wants to do Boston, it's like the feather in the cap of all marathoners," she said. "I mean it's the historic marathon and you have to do Boston, every runner has to. For me, the timing was finally right and so here we are."

Vargo is running to raise funds for Metro Housing Boston, a company working on the ground to raise money for residents in need of affordable housing. The nonprofit was founded in 1983 and works to keep people housed in the Greater Boston Area. It has raised millions for preventative services and representation of residents, and has had a team every year since 2006. Those teams have raised a combined \$431,000 in 13 years, and Vargo said she wanted to do her part.

"I wanted to run the marathon for them because I know how important it is," she said.

"I work in the affordable housing industry myself, but not on the deep grassroots level they do, so for me it was a natural connection. If I was going to run for a charity, I was going to run for Metro Housing Boston."

Vargo said after training and running six marathons, that part of the deal at least isn't so difficult anymore.

"I have a \$7,000 fundraising goal, which is pretty intense," she said. "I think I'm over half-way right now, but it's actually much harder for me than training for the marathon. I know how to train, but besides hitting up my friends for donations?"

Vargo said she's linked up with another member of her team to do trivia events and an author to talk at the Massachusetts State Library in the State House. Vargo is an author herself and discussed her book, the Hidden History of Boston.

"I've learned so much and met a ton of great people," she said.

She added that despite her past experience with marathons, she's still also looking for ideas to help improve her training, which is why she started boxing at the West Roxbury BoxSmith gym.

"It's just a great way to work

your core and get those muscles you don't always but probably should concentrate on," she said.

Vargo said she started the book after working her other job running offbeat tours of the city, and also wrote 'Wild Women of Boston' in the same vein. She said a lot of the stories from the tours gave her ideas for the book.

"Right now I'm working on a tour, which will be the eighth one and we're doing True Lies and False Facts," she said. "I specialize in offbeat tours, so it's not so much like the Freedom Trail, but different sorts of stories. This tour will have stories, some of which are true and some of which are false, and the people who participate get to choose what they think is true and it's almost like a trivia competition. We get together and have a party and give out prizes to people who guessed best. The stories are just so bizarre and as they say, the truth is stranger than fiction. There are just so many oddball things here in Boston."

She acknowledged that putting many of the true stories in her book may be somewhat of an advantage.

"Just read the books and you will get some clues," she said with a laugh.

To donate to Vargo's bid, go to <http://bit.ly/dinaruns>.



Dina Vargo

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In addition, Boston Pride board members will present a preview of 2019 Pride Week celebrations. Learn more about Boston Pride and hear about what's in store for 2019, including volunteer opportunities. Refreshments will be served. The event is free and open to the public. Tuesday, April 9, 2019 @ 6:30 p.m. at the Boston Pride Office, 12 Channel Street, Suite 503. Boston, MA

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Family Gym runs on Saturdays from 10-11:30 a.m. at BCYF Blackstone Community Center in the South End, BCYF Holland Community Center in Dorchester, and BCYF Vine Street Community Center in Roxbury. Family Gym has had over 2,007 children and caregivers participate in the program since it began in 2011. More than 300 college students have volunteered for Family Gym contributing more than 8,000 volunteer hours!

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This session of Family Gym will run through April 13. In the fall the program will expand to additional BCYF community centers. For updated informa-

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wants to see the proposal presented to the residents in the right way.

“We’re trying to have it presented right so that we can have a discussion,” he said. “They’re at a complete advantage coming in and saying it’s as-of-right, and we don’t have any negotiating power.”

Martin said he wants to let residents have a say in the proposal, and that he himself is not opposed to compromise.

“We might say 1.5 cars per unit, that’s a legitimate option, but we don’t even have the ability to have a discussion here and they laugh us off because they have it as as-of-right,” he said. “I mean suppose they came to this group and said ‘we want to build this but we can’t do two cars per unit, we don’t have the space.’ If we say, ‘we like what you’re doing and we appreciate you coming and working with us,’ then it’s possible to override the zoning laws because that’s what the neighborhood wants.”

Mayor’s Office of Neighborhood Services Hyde Park Representative Bryan Flynn said Boston Mayor Marty Walsh is apprised of the situation and has not yet decided

on a course of action, but he said he does not believe the proposal is as-of-right, according to Martin’s maps.

“I am with you on that, this needs to be addressed, definitely in terms of the parking,” he said. “I don’t think it’s as-of-right, I think the maps you showed illustrate that plain and simple.”

Kirker also pointed out that calling the proposal mixed-use is kind of a cop out in his opinion. The proposal calls for 300 square feet of office space, which makes it a mixed-use development and allowable under NS-2 zoning.

“These zoning things were done so we could bring commercial space into various areas,” he said. “Everybody wants commercial space, except as developers tell us, it’s impossible to rent these things... Nobody really wants to build commercial space, but this was the whole idea behind these zoning changes. If you build commercial space, then the city will allow you to have more parking space, more density, etc. It seems the primary objective, the prime directive of these developers is no longer commercial, it’s residential.”

Flynn said whenever he hears an update on the posi-



Residents also said they want the BPDA to come back and present the project as they believe it should be, with zoning variances, so they can have a fair playing field in negotiating with the developers.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

tion of the Mayor’s Office he will inform the HPNA.

In other news, the HPNA voted to send a letter to the BPDA regarding a recent community meeting centered around new zoning that would allow new units to be created in spaces of existing buildings. The new units would essentially carve up an existing unit, most likely in the basement, to create more units while keeping the envelope of the building the same. Kirker said he was upset about the lack of notification for the meeting and

the group voted unanimously to ask the BPDA to hold more.

“(District 5 City Councilor Tim) McCarthy was upset with the BPDA about that, as was I, I didn’t know about that meeting,” said Flynn. “They do have a bad habit of scheduling meetings five days before they happen, if that.”

Flynn said he was concerned about the issue, since in his experience fires have a high tendency to start with electrical problems in the basement. As if to exemplify this, Boston Police Department Dis-

trict E-18 Public Safety Officer Paul Broderick said there was one such fire on Feb. 20 at 42 Dana Ave. in the electrical box in the basement. The HPNA voted to send a letter stating the desire for another community meeting to the Deputy Director for Regulatory Planning and Zoning Bryan Glasscock and BPDA Director Brian Golden to this effect.

Kirker also mentioned the need for ideas to fundraise for the group to help refill its coffers.



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"The building now is offices for staff who work with tenants in our scattered site housing," Downie said. "We've shifted our mission from shelter housing to supportive housing; moving from less shelter to more supportive housing which is a national trend."

"We have 850 tenants at congregant sites with a variety of services that we coordinate with other agencies to provide," she said. "We have 38 supportive housing buildings in Brookline and Boston. The average age is 55 and many are veterans."

"One of the apparent issues is aging in place. Some places are not accessible; they're on the third floor, for example. Fifty of the units will be designed to age-in-place to help those tenants not to be displaced."

"This is new for us," Downie admitted to a questioner. "Like you said, this is a new direction. We've been looking for a partner for a long time. There are implications for managing two types of communities in one building; that's what TCB will bring with their management experience. They will manage the whole rental building. They'll execute leases, do rent collection, snow plowing, cleaning, repairs. Pine Street will do the resident services."

"We haven't formally filed yet," Downie said. "This is our first community meeting. We will file a Letter of Intent [with BPDA] next month and after four to six weeks a project notification. But we're on the early side with you. We wanted to get some reactions."

Lydia Scott is the development project manager for The Community Builders.

"Pine Street owns the site,"

she said "So there's no acquisition costs. That's a huge savings. It will be 100 percent affordable with 100 percent tax credit financing. The building will be six stories, mixed use with resident services and a management staff. TCB will be the property manager. There will be 60 parking spaces, some at grade and some below grade. There's the challenges of supportive housing, resident amenities and a separate operation budget."

Financing is still being worked out, Scott explained later to The Bulletin.

"Anticipated operating subsidies for the supportive housing units will not pay down the debt service. The goal is for vouchers used by residents for resident services in all 140 supportive housing units. Financing options are still being studied. Under the tax laws, the new low income housing tax credit regulations increased to include units at 80 percent area median income (AMI). We intend to structure financing so that 85 low-and-moderate-income units will pay down its debt for the entire building."

"The project will file its first funding application in late 2019," Downie told The Bulletin. "We expect a significant contribution from the Boston Way Home Fund to capitalize a resident services endowment for the 140 supportive housing residents."

The presentation showed a slide on Supportive Housing: a funding reserve for all 140 units will be set at \$7,500 per unit or about \$1 million annually.

Those services will include supervision, case management, 24/7 on-site staff including a counselor and security and client transportation.

Downie said there would be a priority set for veterans, in that



Bird's Eye view of the building showing massing and set backs. Green Street on the left.

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over 20 percent of supportive housing residents are for those who served in the U.S. Armed Forces.

A funding pre application was filed with the State DHCD on November 29, 2018. Eric Robinson from RODE architects explained the design process. "We wanted to make something amazing here," he said. "It's high level work by Pine Street and TCB."

The site in the late 19th and early 20th century was a big gravel pit for road and railroad construction by the contractor Patrick Meehan.

"There's quite a bit of grade change," Robinson said. "25 to 30 feet of grade change right next to BMS Paper Company."

"We're trying to adhere to the JP Rox master plan," he said. "It's in one of the [JP Rox Plan] zones that call for more density and height. The building will be 68 feet high and 38 to 40 parking spaces will be below grade to maximize green space."

"We need 68 feet because of the commercial space and Pine Street offices. We're really focusing on an active Washington Street front for the Pine Street offices. We want good design principals. We added a courtyard and set backs for more natural light. We have large windows too. The building is 18 feet from Washington Street.

"The current plan is a work in progress," Robinson said. "It's early yet. Not set in stone. 75 of the apartments will be studios or one bedrooms all above the Pine Street offices, but it's pretty early in how we're thinking of ground floor spaces and the residential interior spaces."

It was, by Washington Street standards, a mild meeting, but Fred Vetterlein of Union Avenue had strong objections.

Helen Matthews lives

"You're pushing people of low income into higher density," he said. "You're getting swayed into low and moderate income. I want to see more market rate. I miss the mixed income that used to be here. Doctors and lawyers. It's too dense in low income. They can't support local business. There're already 700 units of low income apartments in the neighborhood, 138 studios and sro's on Green Street."

Vetterlein was in the minority. Jeffrey Jacobson lives on Lamartine Street. "I've lived next to the Bowditch School [Pine Street supportive housing] for 12 years," he said. "They're wonderful neighbors. I enthusiastically support this project. The gentrification in this area will change. Bring the neighborhood back into balance."

Tim Reardon lives on Beethoven Street near 3033 Washington St, a building built by Urban Edge in 2005 with 15 formerly homeless units managed by Pine Street.

"I live next door to Pine Street housing," he said. "This is fabulous! I commend you. This is exactly what this community needs."

Jon McCurdy of Rossmore Road said TCB should do more

"The 65 low-mod units are not affordable when a family of four needs to earn \$60,000. That's a lot. Affordable is not affordable."

George Lee of Keepit100Egleston agreed.

"The JP Rox fight was for stronger affordability requirements," he said. "There's no way we will be smothered by affordable housing. 64 percent of the new housing in this neighborhood is luxury housing. 80 percent [AMI] is too high, people can't qualify for that."

Helen Matthews lives

nearby on Green Street.

"This sounds like a really great project," she said. "I want this project to succeed. It's wonderful to see 100 percent deed restricted but bring the 70 units down to 30- 40- 50 percent AMI."

"We're at a watershed moment," Matthews warned. "How can you lower the AMI? There are three buildings on Green Street. Rooming houses with 90 units that are not stabilized. Don't compete with that. Be careful. Don't take up all the financial and political resources. Don't overwhelm the resources. Stabilize the rooming houses."

An emerging advocate tactic in Jamaica Plain is to also question the wider business practices of a potential developer.

"We need to see progress on 125 Amory Street," Lee said. Lee has argued for two years that TCB is not providing enough lower AMI units in that large development of which it is a partner.

"How many units does TCB own in this neighborhood?" Lee asked. "How many have been displaced or evicted in housing TCB owns? What other projects are in the pipeline?"

Scott said she had no information on property management practices. She said TCB had about 800 units in Jamaica Plain and Mildred Hailey Apartments and 125 Amory Street are respectively in the planning and development stages.

Downie said that Pine Street and TCB will form an LLC in the near future and will jointly own the property; as property owner, Pine Street will play a major role in that organization plan.

Pine Street and TCB will make a presentation to the Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Council Housing Committee on March 19.

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# Franciscan Children's hosts mental health talk at Holy Name School

**Ariane Komyati**  
Staff Reporter

Patricia Coffey, the Mental Health Education Program Manager at Franciscan Children's Hospital in Brighton, came to Holy Name Parish to give a presentation on March 7. Her lecture covered mental illness, specifically in children, fact vs. fiction regarding mental health, common diagnoses, consequences of untreated mental illness, and how to destigmatize conversations surrounding mental health.

Coffey explained that mental health is a very complex issue. "There is not one definitive cause," she stated. Biological, psychological, social, and familial issues can all contribute to mental illness. "Why should we focus on kids? Twenty percent of youth have a mental health diagnosis, fifty percent of all mental illness begins by age 14, and seventy five percent by age 24."

Coffey discussed key facts about mental illness. One fact is that people with mental illness are more likely to be victims of violence - they are victimized at four

times the rate of the general public. "It is not a character flaw, and we need to talk about mental illness the same way we discuss other medical diagnoses, like cancer or diabetes," stated Coffey.

She also discussed common mental illness diagnoses in children - anxiety, depression, and attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD). Symptoms of depression in children include prolonged sadness or feelings of emptiness, guilt, restlessness, difficulty concentrating, changes in sleeping or eating patterns, loss of interest in activities, withdrawal from friends and family, and thoughts of death or suicide.

"Parents often ask me, 'How come I can barely get my son [who has been diagnosed with ADHD] away from video games? How come he can focus on video games, but not on other tasks?'" Coffey explained that children with ADHD often have trouble switching from task to task, rather than having a problem with focusing.

It can often be difficult to identify mental illness in children; this is due to the fact that some children may lack verbal ability to explain thoughts or feelings. The presentation of mental illness symptoms can be different for each child.

"It is important for parents to be within reach for their child. They should be receptive, and not say things like 'It's just a phase'," stated Coffey. Reaching out to a doctor or pediatrician is also important. Common treatments include counseling, therapy, cognitive behavioral therapy, and psychiatric medication.

School failure, substance abuse, and criminal justice involvement are some of the many con-



Mental Health Educator at the Franciscan Children's Hospital Patricia Coffey spoke about the misconceptions around children's mental health last week at Holy Name in West Roxbury.

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sequences of untreated mental illness. Fifty percent of teens with a mental illness drop out of high school.

Coffey also discussed youth suicide. "A common myth is that talking about suicide creates a suicidal ideation among youth," she stated. "This is not backed up with any evidence."

Suicide is the second leading cause of death for youth ages 10-19. LGBTQ youth are five times more likely to attempt suicide compared to heterosexual youth. When discussing suicide, it is important to be direct, listen and be supportive, and know when you should connect with a professional.

It is important to destigmatize conversations about mental illness. When discussing mental health, one should use respectful language (say "she is living with bipolar disorder" rather than saying "she is bipolar") and eliminate using slang or negative terms. Remember that a mental illness does not make

someone less of a person or define who they are.

Franciscan Children's serves children and adolescents (ages 5-22) with complex medical, mental health and educational needs.

They provide inpatient care, acute residential care, and outpatient care. For additional mental health resources for teens and parents, visit [FranciscanChildrens.org/MHresources](http://FranciscanChildrens.org/MHresources).

### Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

(Never known to fail!)

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

### Miracle Prayer

Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked You for many favours. This time, I ask you this very special one (mention favour). Take it, dear Heart of Jesus, and place it within Your own broken heart where Your Father sees it. Then, in His merciful eyes, it will become Your favour, not mine. Amen. Say for three days, promise publication and favour will be granted.  
—G.R.

### Prayer to Our Lady of Lourdes

Blessed, most pure Virgin, you chose to manifest yourself shining with life, sweetness and beauty, in the Grotto of Lourdes. Obtain for me, O loving Mother, this special request... Our Lady of Lourdes, Mother of Christ, pray for me. Obtain from your Divine Son my special request if it be God's will.  
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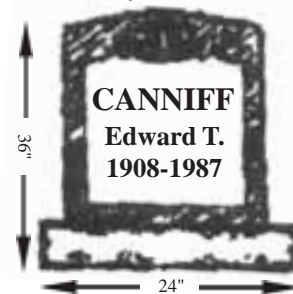
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## Mark Bavis *continued from page 1*

family have been phenomenal to the program and they were always involved. Everyone kicks in and makes it work.”

The Hyde Park Youth Hockey League and the Bavis Foundation set up the tournament every year. Rourke said the tournament consists of four games per player of three versus three hockey.

“The kids love it, the parents love it and even all the grandparents attend,” he said. “There’s been a bunch of different leaders before me in the program, so everyone helps keep it going. We’re coming up on 20 years of the tournament now and almost 20 years since the attacks on 9/11 took place; it’s just hard to believe.”

Rourke said despite the somber origins of the tournament, everyone has a real good time, which he thinks is what Bavis would have wanted.

“It’s the last big event of the season and there’s probably 500 to 600 people in the rink throughout the day,” said. “The kids have a great time and it’s something to remember.”

Rourke said the work to prepare for the tournament is difficult, but very worth it.

“It was awesome, myself and all the volunteers were there at 5:30 in the morning setting up and we didn’t get out of there until four in the afternoon,” he said. “We had 20 teams from a dozen different neighborhoods in metro Boston, two full days in the rink and we had the fire pits going and grilled breakfast sandwiches too. The lines were out the door and the sounds of country music were blasting out



*Bavis played for the Providence Bruins and the South Carolina Stingrays in his professional career, and for the Boston University Terriers.*

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of the rink.”

Rourke said the Hyde Park team plays especially hard for the tournament, since they’re hosting it, but he said that doesn’t mean the other teams don’t play hard.

“Hyde Park made it all the way to the semis, but they lost in overtime to Norwood,” he said. “It ended with Dedham winning the championship. I mean there were a few tears in the kids eyes when we were leaving, but we got them ice cream and they forgot all about it.”

Rourke said it takes a lot of funds to make the league and the tournament happen, so they fundraise quite a bit, culminating in a fall golf tournament.

“We kind of go out and start the fundraising in may June or July and hopefully revenue comes in the summer months and our bank is ready and prepared to start paying for our ice time,” he said. “We spend \$100,000 a year to pay for the ice, and put our teams in leagues, each team is around \$14,000 to put them in a league. The Bavis foundation is fantastic to us and we work incredibly well together and they are just the greatest people. They totally get it they understand what it’s all about – it’s about getting these kids a great experience.”

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# R & D Site *continued from page 1*



Business owners Sieh and Leah Samura presented their plan for the small site last week.

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look forward to working with the community and making products,” said Leah.

The couple were able to use a business accelerator grant from Sira Naturals to get their first product off the ground, and are working with the company, formerly out of Milford Massachusetts, to get this facility operating to begin creating products such as infused salves and lotions. Their first product, Purient Bedroom Cannabis, hit the shelves two weeks ago and Sira Naturals Chief Executive Michael Dundas said it is already doing very well in their stores.

“It’s doing very well and it’s only been a week,” he said. “It’s been an honor for me to work with these two in just the last six months. We had this accelerator program and we only took in three groups... Leah and Sieh were, I think, the first to be accepted.”

The couple said they would not require nearly as many deliveries as a retail shop, would have very few staff and no loud signage. Leah said they would have only enough product on site to facilitate their infusion projects, which would be kept in a locked pharmacy cage.

“We would also have electric locks, off-site monitored alarms, exterior lighting, a night vision cam with fill coverage, video access monitoring and recording and motion sensors,” she said.

Sieh said they would be creating recipes essentially to give to wholesalers to produce.

“We’ll be using the office for planning and recipe refinement to produce craft wholesale products,” he said. “We’ll also be using it for community relations, public relations, wholesale distribution training and education.”

The couple used a map during their presentation that showed the location is more than 500 feet from the Home for Little Wanderers and the Brooke Charter School, and more than half a mile from the proposed retail shops at 883 Hyde Park Ave. and the newly-proposed 721 American Legion Hwy. retail shop.

“It’s really an adult intersection, you’ve got a liquor store there, a gas station and an auto repair shop,” Sieh said.

Sieh also said the small staff

and scope of the proposed business would not really affect traffic. He said they’ve been using the office now for three years for other parts of the business and their nonprofit company.

“We know the site really well, I mean we’ve been struggling to get the snow and ice out of there in this last storm, but we’ve been doing it and we know the neighbors really well,” he said. “We’ve heard no added concern. I mean, we’re not going to have delivery trucks pulling up all the time and I just want to reiterate, this is not a store, this is a place where we report to in order to build products.”

The pair said they would be working on installing a ventilation system as well to limit the nuisance of odor, and as they will be cooking they will be installing filters and vent fans similar to those one might find in a restaurant.

They said they would also be updating the look of the building during the renovation.

For the license, the pair are going through the process under the economic empowerment application, making them one of about 120 applicants. Sieh said they are grateful for the boost from the state.

The cannabis prohibition has been miserable, and a tragic failure due to greed and ignorance,” he said. “This is just my opinion, but if you have time I’ll defend it vigorously.”

Leah said she has been working in the nonprofit sector for about 20 years now as a certified tech trainer, working for the Urban League, the United South End Settlements and the WIC Center in Roxbury. Sieh said he first saw the potential for cannabis helping people when he returned from serving in Iraq in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom in 2004. He said he returned to the United States with post traumatic stress and chronic back pain.

“I had some medicinal cannabis from my wife Leah and it radically changed my life,” he said.

The couple said they want to address the damage of the drug war by helping to move small business along in their community.

“This has made our neighborhoods violent with the drug ware, it’s made people distrust their healthcare system and even their law enforcement,” he said. “People like myself can see the prohibition as a miserable failure and something we have to proactively dismantle and take apart, because even after legalization, the stigma endures.”

Residents did not speak in opposition to the proposal, however one resident asked how the couple came up with the idea of Purient Bedroom Cannabis and if it actually works.

“It’s been 23 years we’ve been together, just come talk to me,” Leah said, with a laugh from the crowd.

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Boston’s own Junior Damato, “The Auto Doctor” has agreed to field auto repair questions from *Bulletin* and *Record* readers. Please forward your questions to [news@bulletinnewspapers.com](mailto:news@bulletinnewspapers.com) and we will do our best to get your questions answered.



## Open House

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### Project Description:

Please join the BPDA and Proponent for an Open House, as follow-up to the two previous Public Meetings regarding the proposed Roxbury Preparatory Charter High School project at 361 Belgrade Avenue. Additional information on the Open House will be available on the BPDA’s website at the link below.

For more information please visit:

<http://www.bostonplans.org/projects/development-projects/roxbury-preparatory-charter-high-school>

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# Legals

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department  
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. **SU19D0242DR**  
**DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING**  
**Nii Amarte vs. Adenike Mola Apata**  
Suffolk Probate and Family Court, 24 New Chardon St., Boston, MA 02114  
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**Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.**  
February 22, 2019  
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate Court  
*Hyde Park Bulletin, 03/14/19*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department  
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. **SU19C0093CA**  
CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME  
**Suffolk Probate and Family Court**  
**24 New Chardon St.**  
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**617-788-8300**  
**In the Matter of:** Melanie Morgan Yalcinkaya  
A change of name has been filed by  
Melanie Morgan Yalcinkaya of Roslindale, MA  
requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:  
Melanie Anais Morgan Wilcox  
**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: **Suffolk Probate and Family Court** before 10:00 a.m on the return day of 03/21/2019. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.  
**WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court**  
Date: February 27, 2019  
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate  
*West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin, 03/14/19*

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*Boston Bulletin, 03/14/19*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court  
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**Date of Death: July 21, 2018**  
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this growth requires revenue. Tuitions keep spiking and assorted fees keep multiplying. For larger schools, even those with generous financial aid packages, endowments total in the tens-of-billions of dollars.

We can illustrate our point simply. A wealthy family wants their aca-

demically ungifted kid to go to their alma mater, so they hype their status as a “legacy,” capped off with a large donation for a library wing, planetarium, science lab, etc. That prospective student will son have an admission’s letter in their mailbox, and the whole process is both legal and common among

rich folks (see: Bush and Trump).

Yes, the whole admissions process is a scam from the get-go. If you don’t hail from wealthy stock, then start dribbling a basketball. The other express lane to most schools is to excel at a sport (be it football, baseball, basketball, field hockey, golf or synchronized swimming) and be willing to earn the institution notoriety and money while you toil under NCAA rules.

As for the testing that leads to the admissions process, it too is Big Business. Heck, we wouldn’t be surprised if there were kickbacks from the #2 pencil people to muscle out the #3 competition.

Yes, there is something noble about higher education, but don’t for a second lose sight of the mountains of cash made from issuing sheepskins and tasseled hats. No colleges seem to have knowledge or involvement with the pay-to-play admissions process that is at the heart of the recent controversy, but their legal business plans are not really that much different.

# Letters

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to every home in Boston. Many of these bags end up on the streets littering our neighborhood, and if the “progressive” narrative is true, end up with its plastic shopping bag colleagues killings whales in the Pacific Ocean. After this is done, the “progressives” can work on banning plastic straws, plastic water bottles, the internal combustion engine, the single family home, and liberty.

*Hal Shurtleff  
Boston*

# Legals

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Proposal documents will be/are available upon request after 10:00 AM, March 11, 2019, at the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, 1415 Hyde Park Avenue, Hyde Park MA 02136, or via email at [Plittlehale@bosotonrenaissance.org](mailto:Plittlehale@bosotonrenaissance.org).  
Office Hours: Mon – Fri., 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM  
Philip Littlehale  
Chief Financial and Operations Officer  
Monday, March 11, 2019  
*Hyde Park Bulletin, 3/14/19*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department  
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. **SU19P0414GD**  
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304  
**In the matter of: Joanne Walsh** **RESPONDENT**  
**Of: West Roxbury, MA** **Alleged Incapacitated Person**  
To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Department of Mental Retardation of Boston, MA  
In the above captioned matter alleging that **Joanne Walsh** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that  
Susan Braus, Esq. of Hingham, MA  
(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.  
The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.  
**You have the right to object to this proceeding.** If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **03/21/19**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.  
**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
**The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person’s right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.**  
**Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court**  
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pate in activities. On Friday, January 25th we will have a guest presentation from Boston Water and Sewer Commission.

**Freelance Players:** Calling all actors ages 8 -13 years old, the Freelance Players, a non-profit musical theatre company, is offering a spring session at the community center. They Hyde Park Troupe will meet on Tuesdays from 4:00-6:00pm from February 5th – May 10th. For more information contact Freelance Players at 617-274-6065 or info@freelanceplayers.org.

**After school Tutoring:** Tutoring for students in grades 2 – 6. Our program is offered Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday from 4:00-6:00pm. A new Session will be starting January 22nd. Contact us for more information 617-635-5178.

**FREE MOVIE NIGHT**

The Stratford Street United Church will show Mary Poppins Returns on a Big Screen Free Movie Night for the Community! Stratford Street United Church will show Mary Poppins Returns on our 20 foot movie screen at #77 Stratford Street in West Roxbury, for everyone and anyone. Children are especially welcome. We have chairs, but feel free to bring your own lawn chairs, bean bags, pillows or blankets. Popcorn and other snacks will be served. 77 Stratford Street, West Roxbury, MA, Friday, March 22nd at 7:00 pm, doors open at 6:30 pm.

**PURIM BALL TO BE HELD AT TEMPLE BETH DAVID OF THE SOUTH SHORE**

Temple Beth David of the South Shore will host a Purim

costume ball on Saturday, March 16 beginning at 6:00 p.m. The dragon-themed event will include a full Chinese food buffet, dancing to the tunes of professional DJ Jimmy Jay and some terrific raffle prizes. Guests are encouraged to come in costume to this adult-only event.

Tickets are \$25 per person, and reservations can be made by emailing event1@templebethdavid.com. Please reserve by March 1. Temple Beth David is located at 1060 Randolph Street in Canton, MA.

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**Summer Camp 2019** The BCYF Hyde Park Community Center is currently accepting applications for our summer camp. Our summer camp is for 7 – 12 year olds and runs from July 8th through August 16th. Hours are 8:30-am-4:30pm with extended hours available. Stop by the community center to pick up your application!

**Senior Fitness Class** New program! Our Senior Fitness Club is a low impact exercise class will use light weights, exer-

cise bands and your own body weight while standing behind and sitting in chairs. All levels are welcome. Classes are Wednesdays & Fridays from 11:30-12:30 beginning March 20th. Stop by Friday, March 15th for a demonstration!!

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