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## Three candidates are running for Scaccia's State Rep seat so far

### Meet Gretchen Van Ness

Mary Ellen Gambon  
Staff Reporter

On April 7, veteran Massachusetts State Rep. Angelo Scaccia announced he will not be seeking reelection after serving 23 terms. The longest-serving member of the legislative body leaves the seat open for the upcoming term, and so far, three candidates have announced their intention to run.

They are attorney and community activist Gretchen Van Ness, who ran for the seat in the last election; former Boston City Councilor and Boston Public Schools Chief of Staff Rob Consalvo, who once worked as chief of staff to Scaccia; and Duckens Petit-Maitre, who ran as a write-in candidate for State Senate in the last election.

Van Ness was the first to respond to requests from The Bulletin seeking an interview, and is being profiled here.

Gretchen Van Ness knows the value of experience. The Rochester, NY native and Hyde Park resident has decades of first-hand knowledge gained



Gretchen Van Ness

from being a civil rights lawyer and advocating for the rights of people of color, people with disabilities and the LGBTQ community. She also is heavily involved in Hyde Park and Roslindale, serving on the Fairmount Hill Neighborhood Association (FHNA) as the founder and co-chair of its zoning committee. She was one of the authors of Hyde Park's zoning code, called Article 69. In addition, she is involved in the Hyde Park Historical Society (HPS), currently working to

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## School children and residents reach out to put smiles on the faces of seniors



Students at Holy Name School in West Roxbury are working to make seniors' days just a bit brighter during this time of uncertainty.

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Ariane Komyati  
Staff Reporter

For over a month now, senior homes across the city, state and country have not been allowing visitors in an effort to stop the spread of COVID-19. These measures are necessary in these critical times, but have caused hardships for people living in or have loved ones in senior homes.

Many community members have come up with creative ways to stay in contact

with those living in these homes in Boston. West Roxbury community member Arthur Moore shared simple ways he has made a difference to those in senior homes, including making photocopies of funny comics he finds and sending them to people who are not on the internet or in senior homes and calling people in senior homes to talk/chat for a little while. "It is surprising how many don't hear from anyone, even if they have family," Moore stated. "I just call

them a lot and send funny things to them. If they need some items I can send I am happy to help."

The Holy Name Parish School has also stepped up to bring joy to those in senior homes during this difficult time. The school asked students and community members to make cards to distribute to senior homes in the area.

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Smiles

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## Temporary Hyde Park COVID-19 testing site open

Matt MacDonald  
Staff Reporter

On Thursday, April 16, Brigham Health opened its first mobile COVID-19 screening, testing, and education site at Brigham and Women's Faulkner Hospital Community Physicians at Hyde Park, located at 1337 Hyde Park Ave.

The mobile testing unit was created by Brigham Health (Brigham and Women's Hospital, Brigham and Women's Faulkner Hospital, and Brigham and Women's Physicians Organization) as part of its effort to address the COVID-19 pandemic in Boston neighborhoods that have been disproportionately affected by the spread of the virus.

Since the start of this crisis, Hyde Park has maintained one of the city's highest COVID-19 incidence rates (according to the Boston Public Health Commission's weekly report), and the 1337 Hyde Park Ave. site is currently the neighborhood's only testing location.

The COVID-19 mobile unit

— as envisioned — is designed to move from neighborhood to neighborhood, setting up for one to two weeks at a time at any given site.

According to Kelly Fanning, Brigham Health's Executive Director for Ambulatory Services, this is the plan for the Hyde Park site, as well. "I think, at this point, we're looking to try to stay through the weekend," she said during a telephone call on Tuesday.

In its first six days at 1337 Hyde Park Ave., the operation has been closed twice because of inclement weather, but has otherwise appeared busy, often with a line of people stretching from the entrance of the parking lot — where the unit is set up — down the Hyde Park Avenue sidewalk toward Dana Avenue at six foot intervals marked by blue tape.

The plan had been for the unit to complete 50 tests per day but — according to Fanning, who administers the site — 76 tests were completed on its first day, fol-

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## Parkway In Motion changing priorities during COVID-19 pandemic

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

Parkway in Motion (PIM) has always been about improving the athletic lives of youth in West Roxbury, Roslindale and Hyde Park, but after this year's COVID-19 situation, the long-lived organization, like most people, has had to adapt with the times.

"We've evolved our mission," said co-founder Ryan Mason. "Prior to everything that's happened, we were doing things like the Easter Egg Hunt

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Billings Field is used for more than just athletics, and is the home for many parades, charity events and other gatherings.

COURTESY PHOTO

# Virtual JP Zoning Committee approves three residential proposals

**Richard Heath**  
Staff Reporter

The Jamaica Plain Zoning Committee held its first-ever virtual public hearing for three residential matters on April 15.

Chaired by Dave Baron, about half the committee joined the Zoom but at one point he wasn't sure he had a quorum.

Several abutters joined the on-line conference too, as well as Lindsey Santana from the mayor's office.

Two of the housing proposals were in the same neighborhood, 24 Spalding St. and 135 Carolina Ave.; both proposed to be owner-occupied.

The third was on tiny Wise Street in Jackson Square, and is a four-story, six rental unit building developed by an owner from the South End.

Patrick Byrne and Stephen Williamson, who used to own Cobwebs Antiques, want to add a one-story addition to their two-family home.

"We want to live out our golden years there," said Byrne. "We'll turn the upstairs unit into a regular rental."

Designed by Michael Kim, the addition is an Arts and Crafts wood-frame building with wide eaves, a steep gable and clerestory windows.

He said the materials would be standard wood clapboard with some fiber cement siding.

Byrne's attorney Cameron Merrill was on the Zoom visual.

"The project is to keep their house," he said. "They want to improve where they live into a safe, happy environment. We have 16 letters of support."

Byrne and Williamson live adjacent to the building at 71-

85 Call St. being built by JPNDNC; Byrne and Williamson will access their two-car parking pad through a shared easement with 71-85 Call St.

JPNDNC supported the project.

"It's reciprocal," said Byrne. "They're [JPNDNC] completely in agreement."

Committee member Kendra Halliwell, who lives on nearby Lee Street, was enthusiastic.

"It's a beautiful project," she said.

A motion to approve was passed unanimously.

David and Tracy Steeves have lived and raised a family at 22 Rosemary St. for 27 years. They bought 24 Spalding from MassDOT in 2017, a 5,000 square-foot vacant parcel left over from land taken for I-95. Steeves also owns a former MassDOT sliver of land along the Spalding Street curve to Rosemary Street.

David Steeves is also the architect and he explained it's a family affair.

"It will be owner-occupied," he said. "We have a disabled son at home who we want to live on the first floor. It will be a fully accessible unit adjacent to an accessible parking lot."

Steeves said that the new house, built on the largest lot on the street, would be accessible to the new headhouse at Forest Hills station.

"It'll be accessible along the SWC Park," he said. "You don't have to cross any streets and the headhouse has an elevator."

Steeves is planning a large, woodframe, L-shaped, two-gabled house that if approved will be the largest home on the



David Steeves (second from the top in the Zoom meeting) describes his new home at 24 Spalding in a split screen presentation.

PHOTO BY: RICHARD HEATH

street.

He said that MassDOT required one affordable unit and that will be the second floor unit; it will be affordable at 80 percent of the area median income (AMI) that is higher than the city requirement of 70 percent AMI.

The second floor unit created confusion among committee members because it was small and divided into two units with a connecting stair to the first floor.

Halliwell was happy to see the lot filled in with housing but had two concerns.

"The architect needs to think about more detail on the exterior, especially the porch front which is just a shed roof," she said. "But I'm really concerned about the second floor affordable unit. There's no living room. No space for a couch or a TV. It's the smallest unit."

Baron agreed.

"Why is this unit so small?" he asked. "It's two small units on the second floor." Steeves did not elaborate.

Two abutters joined the virtual meeting and one was against, Sylvain Paris from 39 Rosemary Street.

"It's the largest parcel in the neighborhood," he said.

Paris said he owns the vacant lot behind his house that records show he also bought from MassDOT in 2017. He has it fenced off.

Baron did not understand Paris's concerns.

"What does it matter?" he asked. "You don't have a shared property line. You have fence around it."

Paris said he might want to build on the lot in the future; it is a 2662 square foot corner parcel.

A vote to approve was called by committee member Gerry O'Connor, but Baron remained skeptical.

"This is a dream house," he said. "There's plenty of time to scale it down. There's is no ZBA meeting planned."

The motion squeaked by on a 5-4 vote.

Wise Street is tucked between Crystal Fruit on Centre St. and Roys Street, steps from Jackson Square T station.

Armando Hernandez of Shawmut Ave. in the South End wants to build a four story, six-unit rental building at 8 Wise Street.

He said he bought the three-story house on the site and the adjacent vacant lot five years ago. He wants to combine the lots and demolish the house.

Anthony Piermarini of Studio Luz is the architect.

"We're proposing a more modern building," he said. "The fourth floor will be set way back. You can't see it from the street."

The four-story apartment building is a square box with a vertical façade of brown and black checkerboard panel ma-

terials broken up by long windows.

Baron asked if Hernandez pledged to set aside an affordable unit; Hernandez agreed and said it would be rented at 80 percent AMI.

But Baron was disappointed.

"I expected at least some modest pushback," he said, "but there is none."

Attorney Derric Small said that an abutters meeting was held at Curtis Hall on Jan. 20, 2020 that was "well attended with most of the neighbors in favor."

Small said that the developer met with the former director of Three Squares JP Main Streets Gerald Robbins on August 5, 2019.

He added that JP zoning committee member Kendra Halliwell met with the project architects during the summer. Halliwell is an architect with Icon Architects.

Baron explained this unusual meeting the next day to The Bulletin.

"Hansie Better Barraza [principal of StudioLuz] asked to meet with the Zoning Committee to discuss project design in JP. I put her in touch with Kendra. Kendra told me she talked with Hansie for an hour on July 27 and advised them to get feedback from and gain support for their project from the community."

The call apparently was successful; Halliwell was impressed.

"This is an elegant, clean, simple design," she said. "It adds to the streetscape."

A motion was made and unanimously carried to approve 8 Wise St. with the proviso that there be one affordable and accessible unit.

Baron said these three approvals would be brought to the full neighborhood council on April 28. That meeting will also be virtual on Zoom.

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# Restaurants find way to adapt to times, give to frontline workers

**Mary Ellen Gambon**  
Staff Reporter

Local restaurants are the heart of a neighborhood. Centered in a community, they are its lifeblood – a source of nourishment, socialization, and memories of good times. They pump revenue and jobs into the local economy and add to its vibrancy and character.

But when an industry – and the world – suddenly halted its rhythm, Joe Garufi, the owner of Antonio's Bacaro in Hyde Park and Sofia's Grotto in Roslindale, showed that his heart was in the right place. While he retooled the eateries to serve take out, he expanded the mission of Antonio's Bacaro by bringing gourmet Italian meals to first responders and area hospitals.

On the evening of Thurs., April 16, Garufi sent Bacaro employee Mary Beth Sweeney to deliver bags of pasta dishes to nurses and staff members at Faulkner Hospital's COVID-19 Unit 7 N as part of the "Feed the Front" effort. She also handed out bags to Boston EMS medics and EMTs in units P5, A5 and A17 as a way of showing gratitude for their valiant efforts against the unseen enemy that is the coronavirus.

"I had a sense of what people were doing to help people on the front lines, and I really wanted

to get involved," Garufi said. "It's pretty cool. A couple of weeks ago, we cooked up some family-style pasta and went to the police station and the fire station down the street. We just wanted to let them know that we appreciate them and all they are doing, especially now."

Garufi added he decided to "take it a step further" by contacting area hospitals, such as the Faulkner. He wants to "spread the wealth, so to speak" by bringing Bacaro's handmade pasta to healthcare workers around the city, boosting their spirits as well as their energy.

"I'm so happy to be doing it," he said. "The hardest part is getting it locked down. When it's done properly, people meet us out front to receive the bags by the emergency room. It just feels really good."

Since COVID-19 hit, Hyde Park's premiere dining experience, located on Fairmount Ave., has taken a blow. But Garufi said it forced him to adapt in a way that larger chains cannot.

"Obviously, we are doing less business than when we were fully open," he said. "But with a smaller restaurant, you are able to think quicker and be a little more nimble. Corporate restaurants are really getting killed."

"At some point, everyone is going to run out of money," he continued. "Business will ebb and flow, and we understand

that.

He added that chains' problems are "exponential" regarding staffing, hours and menu, where he has greater flexibility.

"Business has been good, considering," Garufi said. "We have started to evolve, and people have really supported us. We offer our whole menu for take-out, and thanks to the Mayor, we are able to have beer and wine at reasonable prices for pick-up with meals as well. We want people to keep coming here."

Bacaro is now offering a special to encourage family dining and price-conscious patrons. Called "Il Pacco," or "the package" in Italian, it is a complete dinner for two, with a choice of one of three salads and a double portion of one of eight meals for either \$20 or \$27, depending upon the entrée. Options range from pomodoro to shrimp bagoli to sausage and orecchiette, to name a few.

The hours have changed as well, with Bacaro now open seven days a week from 4 to 8 p.m. Earlier in the week is slower, he said, but by mid-week, regulars keep the lines busy along with interested newcomers.

"I was really kind of surprised that it was slower Monday and Tuesday," Garufi said. "But because the end of the week is steady, I was able to

keep every employee pretty much, except part-time people take shifts. We'll just have to see how it plays out."

Garufi is no stranger to charitable causes. Earlier this year, Garufi started "BFF Tuesday" nights. People would suggest a charity to Garufi to be sponsored on a particular Tuesday. Fifteen percent of the sales for the night would then be donated to that cause.

Sofia's Grotto in Roslindale, run by Garufi's wife, Sonia, offers an array of Italian dishes and pizzas, now on a take-out basis, he added. Delivery is available Thursday through Sunday night.

What is equally important are Sonia Garufi's contributions to the coronavirus cause.

"On Tuesdays, one of the customers has a birthday fundraiser on Facebook," Garufi explained. "Sonia said that whatever money she raised, she would donate 50 percent to the Faulkner."

According to the restaurant's website, 30 percent of gift certificate sales will go into a fund to supplement earnings lost from the kitchen staff.

Sonia also gets involved in a hands-on way – by making masks, according to Garufi.

"Sonia is in the fashion industry," Garufi said. "For the past four weeks, all she and the four or five designers have been doing is making masks, including

David Joseph. It's a very inspirational thing."

On Easter Sunday, business at The Corrib in West Roxbury was steady between 2 and 3 p.m., as devoted diners wanted to support a restaurant that historically has given back to its community through events like the Corrib Classic, which was recently postponed due to COVID-19.

Carol Sisson from West Roxbury lives about two blocks away. She and her husband are regular Corrib customers.

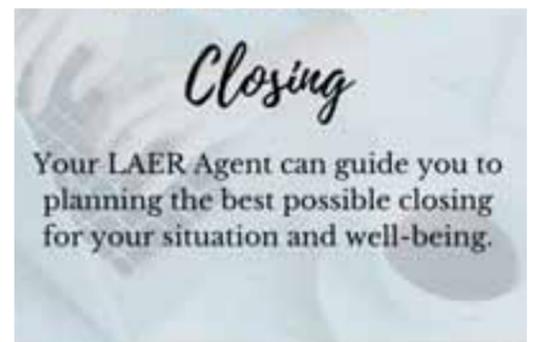
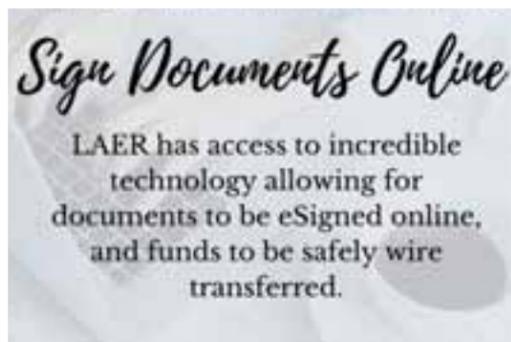
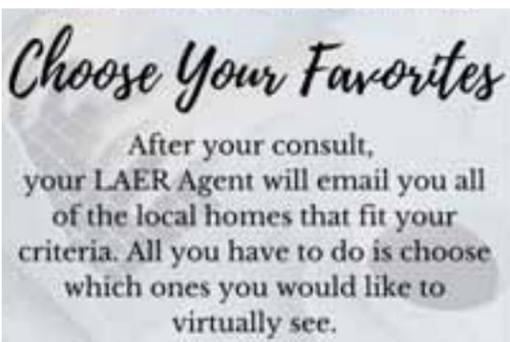
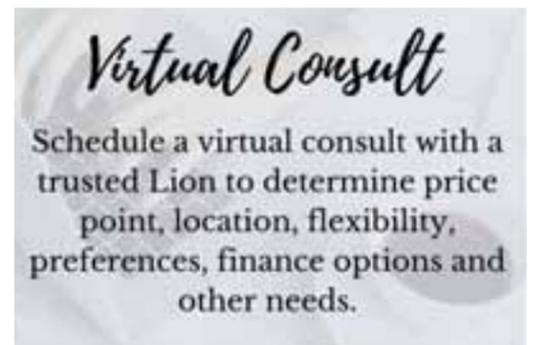
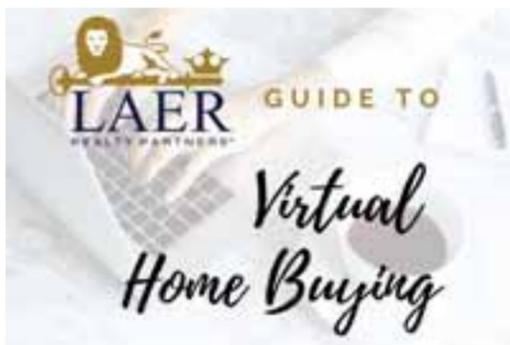
"I saw the menu in the paper, and I thought, 'What a great idea!'" she said. "I saw they had take-out and the prices were great. I think it helps them, too, because it brings in money to keep the people paid, and the food doesn't go to waste."

For years, Luz Baez from Roslindale used to work next door to the Corrib, she said. She decided to return for Easter dinner.

"Normally it's a day when I usually don't go out," Baez said. "I like to cook for myself and have the family over. But with all that's going on now, I wanted to support the people I know."

"The Bligh family has supported the community for decades," added Joe Donahue from West Roxbury of the Corrib's owners. "The least the community can do is support businesses and families like the Blighs in return."

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## An epidemic in the 1950's

As Bostonians continue to reel from the pandemic of this Spring, some of us seniors were affected in 1952 by another epidemic, but not a pandemic, that swept across the country. In that year alone, nearly 60,000 children were infected with the polio virus (also called infantile paralysis); thousands were paralyzed, and more than 3,000 died.

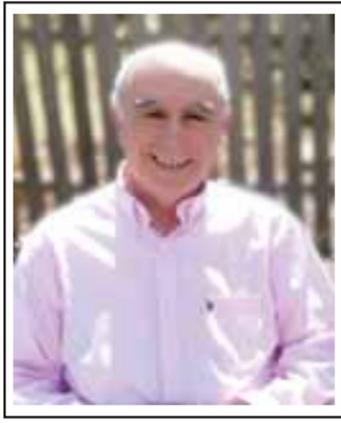
It particularly struck children between the ages of 5 and 9. I was 7 years old at that time, dead center in its horrible bullseye, and the malady did not miss me. Children's Hospital quarantined me in a special ward for a number of days, if not two weeks, as I barely recall.

While in years to come many of our children—hopefully all—will be able to brag that they escaped death from the COVID-19 pandemic of 2020, I can say the same for the polio epidemic. I also escaped placement in the iron lung because of my ultimate, fortunate diagnosis as having a non-paralytic strain (which necessitated a protocol of exercises and check-ups for many years to come).

Not seen today in hospitals, the iron lung was a terribly confining device used in the treatment of polio victims that had been invented by Philip Drinker, Louis Agassiz Shaw, and James Wilson at Harvard, and tested in 1928 at our Children's Hospital. Indeed, it must have struck fear into all parents as they realized that if their children were to survive the paralysis of the disease, they would spend the rest of the lives lying flat on their backs with merely their head protruding from the large barrel-like device.

The original Drinker iron lung was an ingenious invention: it was powered by an electric motor attached to two vacuum cleaners and worked by changing the pressure inside the machine. When the pressure is lowered, the chest cavity expands, trying to fill this partial vacuum. When the pressure is raised, the chest cavity contracts. This expansion and contraction mimic the physiology of normal breathing. The design of the iron lung was subsequently improved by using a bellows attached directly to the machine and then modified to make the product less expensive.

During the polio epidemics, the iron lung saved many thousands of lives, but the machine was large, cumbersome, and very expensive: in the 1930s, an iron lung cost about \$1,500—about the same price as the average home. The cost of running the machine was also pro-



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hibitive, as patients were encased in the metal chambers for months, years and sometimes for life: even with an iron lung the fatality rate for patients with bulbar polio exceeded 90%.

In 1955 polio roared back again, even after Jonas Salk had invented the polio vaccine, which was costly and difficult to manufacture. (Even worse some people wouldn't get the vaccine because they didn't trust it to work and their doubts were magnified by a bad early batch that actually gave polio to about 200 people). More than 2200 cases were reported statewide in a 10-week period during the sweltering 1955 summer with more than 600 in Boston alone.

It was one of the last gasps of the debilitating disease that in its worst form infects the brain and spinal column and causes severe muscle damage paralysis and death.

Understandably, parents kept children away from places where strangers gathered together such as movie theaters as well as indoor municipal pools—there were no outdoor ones—and beaches, such as Houghton's Pond, Nantasket, Revere, and Orient Heights, because the virus is spread through human waste and water was seen as a primary carrier.

All this is described, lest we forget how bad things had been in Boston a number of decades ago. And yet, if we think our lives have changed so much in the past weeks—even without the deaths or job losses of family members—lives were changed after aerial bombing even more drastically for surviving residents in Coventry, England; Dresden, Germany; and Tokyo as well as the single-bomb obliteration of Nagasaki and Hiroshima back in the 40's. The changes in our lives pale beside those endured above as they are today for refugees fleeing without suitcases from Syria, various African countries, and Central American nations.

## Gretchen Van Ness *continued from page 1*

raise money for a gravestone for historic African American female doctor Dr. Rebecca Crumpler; Keep Hyde Park Beautiful (KHPB); Roslindale Is For Everyone (RISE); Boston South Fair Skies; and the new Ward 18 Democratic Committee and Democratic State Committee, among other organizations.

She also knows how to campaign, although Van Ness, the first to announce her candidacy back in Aug. 2019, admitted she has had to adjust her strategy to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"We are very, very fortunate that we got all of our signatures right off the bat," she said. "I am just glad we got our volunteers together and our signs ready early. We had planned to have our office open this week, but of course that is out now."

She added that the Supreme Judicial Court has extended the deadline for candidates to turn in their nominations papers and has lowered the number of signatures needed to appear on the ballot. This may lead to more potential contenders.

Another plan Van Ness had to scrap was to return to the hundreds of doors she had knocked the last time around to see what concerns had been addressed—and what urgent needs people have now.

"There are a lot of things to talk about in this district," Van Ness said. "I understand how diverse this district is and how much more challenging the world has become, and, no matter who wins, this is an important time to tackle a number of issues."

"The last time I talked to people, they were afraid of development, and I told them it was coming," she said, noting the onslaught of projects under discussion over the past two years, including the Residences at Readville Station and 11 Dana Ave. "Now I just want to call them and ask if they are okay and if they need food and supplies."

Van Ness said this race is "a great opportunity to choose a

new kind of elected official." If elective, she plans to take a more proactive stance on issues and work in collaboration with City government.

"We have to work in partnership to anticipate problems and look ahead to form coalitions," she said. "Government can't always play catch-up. You saw what happened with the slow reaction with the pandemic in the beginning. The State House was dragging its feet. Sadly, that is not the only issue. Climate change is another."

"I have a proven track record of addressing unprecedented issues," Van Ness continued. "There is nothing else I want to do but address these challenges and be a problem solver."

For example, she said that she has successfully litigated race, sex, age, disability, pregnancy and sexual orientation discrimination cases. She has appeared in all levels of the court system, from the U.S. Supreme Court to courts on the federal and state levels fighting for the rights of under-served populations.

"I've worked in civil rights for most of my career," Van Ness said. "I went to law school first because I thought it was a way to provide service to make the world a better place, and the law was a good tool for that. Then I changed my focus, because I realized that was not the only way. My motivation is to help even more people, not just on a case by case basis."

"The 14th Suffolk District faces some of the same challenges of other communities across the state," she continued. "My experience and wisdom can help other districts."

Van Ness's most recent employment has been at the State House, serving as the General Counsel and Legislative Director for Sen. Becca Rausch for the past year.

"I had a chance to be in the State House and work on the budget, and I saw the inequities," she said. "There was underfunding for public education, infrastructure and climate

change. And now, with the pandemic, we have to change our priorities. We need to draft legislation that really gets to the nuts and bolts of these issues."

In Rausch's office, Van Ness worked on and introduced three dozen bills, which she called "a phenomenal experience." She hopes to see the Legislature move away from an old-guard mentality to a place where all voices will be represented.

"We need more urgent, effective and nimble leadership," she said. "We need to do things that have never been tried before. Inclusion is more important now than ever."

An area where Van Ness has shown innovation on a local level is her leadership as a board member of LGBTQ Senior Housing Inc. The board partnered with developer Pennrose, Inc. to bring the first LGBTQ-friendly senior housing complex to New England. Located in the former Rogers Middle School, there will be 74 units, some of which will be affordable and others will be available at moderate to market rate prices. Community space and partnership were priorities throughout the application process.

"The Rogers project is moving along at exactly the right time," she said. "To see how Hyde Park has embraced this project and this community makes my heart sing."

One way in which she wanted to differ from Scaccia is to have more constituent outreach, especially online.

"Even now, during the coronavirus, I have been posting resources on the Hyde Park Neighbors Facebook page," she said. "It seems the 14th Suffolk District needs information desperately. It really is our job as public officials to let people know about how to qualify for and access resources."

She said she would also have a weekly newsletter so the representative's office "can move into the 21st century."

Van Ness said she believes the tide is turning in Hyde Park and Roslindale, and that these communities are looking for a new type of leadership. This change was demonstrated by the election of the new Ward 18 Committee, called Fresh Slate, of which she is a part.

"We are doing things very differently," she said. "There are a lot of younger voices and people of color involved, as well as people with great experience."

Van Ness also said the City Council has changed, with councilors demanding more accountability from city departments. She plans to work in concert with the Council and push for the same level of transparency on the state level.

"Whether it's a neighborhood association issue, a legislative issue or a development issue, we will continue to be a strong community if we work together," she said.

## Letters to the Editor

### THE PASSING OF A NEWSPAPER LEGEND

To the Editor:

The coronavirus outbreak has been ripping across America as we search for a vaccine to stop it cold. In New York City alone the death count is over 10,000 and those with underlying health issues and older folks continue to be at greatest risk.

Recently, a longtime good friend of mine, Stephen Allen, the founder, publisher and editor of the Photo News serving both Dorchester and South Boston, passed away while at a rehab facility following major surgery. His death was shocking. Steve was a newspaper legend and a great photographer like his dad Stephen Allen Sr.

He will be missed by so many in both his hometown of Dorchester and in South Boston too. Over the years I often worked for him going to events and snapping photos when he couldn't make it there. Everybody seemed to know him or of him and everyone loved having him take their photos for the newspaper.

I will miss him.

Sal Giarratani  
Boston

Legals

KHPB and SPFT want to give you trees

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter



Trees are already on their way to residents of Hyde Park and beyond at whatever cost those residents feel is fair.

COURTESY PHOTO

Keep Hyde Park Beautiful (KHPB) announced recently that it has partnered with local group Speak for the Trees (SPFT) and will be allowing residents in Hyde Park to have a new tree delivered for free, or for what you're willing to pay/donate.

SPFT Founder David Meshoulam said he and the foundation are working to try to provide undeserved areas in Boston with trees to help increase the city's tree canopy, as it is a proven way to reduce the effects of climate change and decrease hit in urban environments.

"I'm just looking to connect people in Boston with trees and elevate how people think and relate to trees," he said. "Originally, it was going to be a gathering or a party with music and food and people were supposed to come and select their tree and take it home. Clearly that can't happen anymore, and so we're delivering trees to people's homes."

The idea is since the city can't put trees everywhere, he thought they would go to private residences and give trees to those who could really benefit from them.

Meshoulam said SPFT has two methods of delivery; first, they will be delivering five-gallon pots containing trees to residents in May. Those species will include Eastern Redbud, Yoshino

Cherries and Northern Redoaks. The second delivery will go through the mail with 1-gallon pots of trees from the ArborDay Foundation, to be delivered later. Those trees will consist of River Birch, Flowering Dogwoods and Willow Oaks.

Meshoulam said they are getting the trees from Amherst Nurseries in Central Massachusetts. He said 60 trees were allotted for the first program and 100 more are set for the ArborDay Foundation delivery. He said he chose those particular trees for reasons of style and uniqueness.

"They're really beautiful trees and they're not trees which are usually planted on city streets, so they compliment what the city al-

ready plants," he said. "Also they're available, which is another reason, but they're really beautiful trees that don't grow super big, don't need a lot of maintenance and they're local, which provides all the other benefits trees can provide to this habitat.

KHPB Co-Founder Cathy Horn said the response from the community in Hyde Park has been amazing.

"We already sold out of the trees David had originally in his inventory and so I think he increased his order," she said.

Horn said KHPB's dedicated number of volunteers made it easy to connect residents with enough

Free Trees

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School wanted to put some smiles on the local senior community. We decided to ask our students to make cards and signs that will be distributed to places like Sophia Snow House, Stonehenge and the Deutsches Altenheim. Cards were collected in a hands free container in front of school, placed "in quarantine" for the week to keep our seniors

safe," explained Holy Name Physical Education Teacher Bonnie Houston. "Holy Name Parish School loves to reach out to the community in many ways with small acts of kindness. We hope that these will help them know people care during these challenging times."

The Deutsches Altenheim (also known as the German Centre) - a long term care, short term rehab, memory care and assisted living facility located on Centre St. in West Roxbury - has been sharing photos and updates to the community using social media platforms like Facebook. The German Centre has shared photos of seniors celebrating their birthdays, and those using social media can send birthday wishes. The facility has also shared photos of family members visiting their loved ones at the center by standing outside their window holding signs.

The German Centre has also posted about ways the community can help during this difficult time: "As this pandemic rages on, fear and isolation are our enemies almost as much as the virus itself. Limited supplies of protective equipment causes fear among the caregivers. Residents, disconnected

from family visits, are growing restless for engagement and contact," the facility posted on Facebook. "So many people express frustration because they want to help but just don't know how. If you can relate and are wondering what you can do to make an impact on seniors and their caregivers, we're looking for items to fortify our supply. In particular, items to entertain residents while in isolation: puzzles, paint/coloring supplies, or radios. Perhaps you've got some other ideas, too! To help combat isolation - if you've got an old iPad that you're not using - or you know someone who has access to new or reconditioned iPads, please give us a call. A FaceTime visit with loved ones works wonders!"

To learn more about how to help, visit <https://www.germancentre.org/donate/>.

You can follow the German Centre on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/germancentre/>.

For up to date information regarding COVID-19, visit <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-cases-quarantine-and-monitoring> or <https://www.cdc.gov/>.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department  
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. SU20A0054SJ  
**SUMMONS on COMPLAINT FOR DEPENDENCY PURSUANT TO G.L.c.119, § 39M**  
**Saul Soto, Plaintiff v. Ana Maria Zabala Minaya, Defendant "Parent One", Alcides Radhame Soto, Defendant "Parent Two"**  
Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon St.  
Boston, MA 02114  
To the above named Defendant:  
You are ordered to appear at the Suffolk Probate and Family Court for a hearing on this Complaint for Dependency Pursuant to G.L. c. 119, § 39M  
Information about the hearing:  
Motion  
Date: 06/03/2020, Time: 8:30 AM, Place: Probation, 24 New Chardon Street, Boston, MA 02114  
You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: **Lyonel Jean- Pierre, Jr. Esq., whose address is: Harvard Legal Aid Bureau at Harvard Law School, 23 Everett St., Cambridge, MA 02138**, your answer, if any, to the complaint for which is herewith served upon you, within 7 days after the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service You are also required to file you answer to the complaint in the office of the Register of this Court at Suffolk Probate and Family Court, either before service upon plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney, if represented by counsel; or within a reasonable time thereafter.  
Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court  
March 27, 2020  
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate Court *Boston Bulletin: 04/23/2020*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court  
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION DOCKET No. SU20P0468EA  
**Estate of: Evangelina Fontanez** Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon St.  
Boston, MA 02114  
617-788-8300  
Date of Death: 01/20/2020  
To all interested persons:  
A Petition for **Formal Appointment of Personal Representative** 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:  
**Evangelina Chavez of Dedham, MA**  
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**WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court**  
Date: April 09, 2020  
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate *Boston Bulletin: 04/23/2020*



**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: My wife has a 2017 Toyota Highlander which she loves, except for a loud ticking noise from the engine compartment when in gear. The car has 12,000 miles on it. The noise has been there since day one. On one visit to the dealer 2 tech reps from Toyota there and listened and said "it is a characteristic of the model." Sound s like a cement mixer. That's normal? As a former service manager I can honestly say I have never heard a car make noise like this that didn't have a serious engine problem. Do you know anything about this? —James

A) My wife has had 5 Toyota Camrys, both 4 and 6 cylinders. There is a small amount of engine noise from the 4 cylinder which is normal. The V/6 is very quiet. All engines have a small amount of ticking from the fuel injectors witch is normal. Take the Highlander to the local shop and let an independent technician have a listen.

Q) Dear Doctor: I just purchased a new dark blue Mazda CX-3 and I wonder what you think of the product "Aero Cosmetics Wash Wax All." It is such an easy way to keep my car shiny, but I don't want to hurt the finish. Also, do you think it is a good idea to keep a car covered when it can't be garaged? What recommendations do you have for car covers that won't mar the paint? —Lulu

A) Most car waxes are user friendly with out any gritty additives. I can not comment on the Aero brand because I have never used it. The wax / cleaners will say clear coat safe. I have tried many wax / cleaners over the years. I do like products like spray on detailer as long as the paint surface is in good condition. Meguiar's Ultimate Quick wax, Turtle Ice spray and Meguiar's paste cleaner wax as well Mothers cleaning products are all very easy to apply , remove and leave a good shine.

Junior Damato, the "Auto Doctor," has agreed to field auto repair questions from Bulletin and Record readers. Please send your questions to [news@bulletinnewspapers.com](mailto:news@bulletinnewspapers.com) and we will do our best to get them answered.

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and Trick-or-Treat on Centre Street, but now we're trying to become a three-tier organization."

Firstly, Mason said the organization is looking to be the first stop for any new parent coming into the neighborhood looking for youth sport activities.

"We want to be able to spread as much information as possible for anyone new in the neighborhoods of Hyde Park, West Roxbury and Roslindale for youth sports," he said. "We want to be the communications tool that leagues, kids and parents can all share to promote local athletics."

Secondly, the group's scholarship program has turned more towards mentorship and bettering the community. Now called the Firefighter Michael Kennedy Mentorship Program, Mason said they want to use the example of a local hero like Kennedy to inspire youth to make their community a better place. He said May 15 will be the deadline for the latest mentorship program. More information on the program can be found at [parkwayinmotion.org/michael-kennedy-mentorship-project/](http://parkwayinmotion.org/michael-kennedy-mentorship-project/)

Mason said he felt Kennedy was a great example of service and commitment to the local community, and was proud to honor his memory in that way.

The third thing Mason said they wanted to work on is advocating for new recreational opportunities for Parkway youth.

"And the one thing that kept coming up in our discussions was Billings Field," he said. "It's just in dire need of a complete upgrade. We've seen all across the landscape of the city the improvements that have gone on in different neighborhoods, and that's why we've requested District 6 City Councilor Matt O'Malley to request funding in the fiscal year (FY) 2021 budget to have Billings completely upgraded."

Mason said that while the group is well aware of the field's problems, PIM will not be dictating exactly what is needed for the field. That will be left up to you, the residents, as the Boston Parks and Recreation Department has a very specific and lengthy public outreach process. In the past, that pro-

cess has included sometimes dozens of public meetings to make sure anyone interested can have a say in the design of the park.

"It's up to the community to see what the field should look like, but we've definitely seen a need for bathrooms, a safer field, upgraded lighting systems and other things but we don't want to dictate what's going on there," he said.

Mason said O'Malley has been very supportive, as well as State Rep. Edward Coppinger and State Sen. Michael Rush. He added he is hopeful since the city has been renovating parks all over and he just feels it's Billings' turn.

"We've seen the benefits Allston has received with Smith Field, that's awesome, and we've seen Garvey Park get done over in Dorchester and then there's the Reservation Road Skate Park in Hyde Park, that has been amazing," he said. "We believe this money for this fiscal year should be slotted for Billings, and that's what we're asking to do, show your support by contacting the At-Large City Councilors."

Mason said every email helps, and has asked interested residents to reach out to their At-Large Councilors:

Annis: A.E.GEORGE@BOSTON.GOV  
Essaibi-George: MICHAEL.FLAHERTY@BOSTON.GOV  
Mike Flaherty: MICHAEL.FLAHERTY@BOSTON.GOV  
Michelle Wu: MICHELLE.WU@BOSTON.GOV  
Julia Mejia: contact via google form <https://www.boston.gov/departments/city-council/julia-mejia> OR [info@juliaforboston.com](mailto:info@juliaforboston.com)

Mason added finally that the need for more youth infrastructure is particularly apparent, especially when the Boston Foundation recently released a report showing the city is seeing a decrease in school-age children across the board, except in one neighborhood: West Roxbury.

"We're hoping the City Council can invest in that and see the kids in the neighborhood need better fields," he said. "We're hoping that gets invested into so we can keep growing the number of kids to keep making the Parkway a family neighborhood."

## Social Security for Children and Younger Wife

**Dear Rusty:** I am 59. My wife is 48 and has been a stay at home mom for 15 years. We have children aged 13, 10, and 5. I know it makes sense to delay the start of benefits, but I understand that it's more complicated when small children are involved. Does it make sense for me to begin receiving benefits at 62 so I can also collect more for the children?  
Signed: Older Father



**Russell Gloor**  
AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

**Dear Older Father:** Yes, the issue is more complicated when children are involved. Here's why: If you claim your own Social Security (SS) at age 62, your minor children would be able to receive child benefits, and your wife would also be able to receive "child-in-care" benefits, even though she is not yet age-eligible for regular spouse benefits. Usually, a minor child is entitled to 50% of the parent's full retirement age (FRA) SS amount, and a younger caregiving wife is entitled to the same. But when there are multiple dependents collecting on the same worker's record the Family Maximum applies.

The Family Maximum limits the amount of total benefits which can be received by the family to 150% to 188% of the worker's FRA benefit amount. Social Security determines the Family Maximum for each individual case with a complex formula that uses your "primary insurance amount" (or "PIA," the amount you get at your FRA). Your PIA is broken into 4 parts and a different percentage of each part is taken and summed up to arrive at your Family Maximum. Then your PIA is subtracted from the Family Maximum amount and the remainder is equally divided among your minor children and wife. Once a minor child turns 18 (or 19 if still in high school) that child no longer receives benefits and the Family Maximum is recomputed, with the new amount equally divided among the remaining dependents. When your youngest child turns 16, your wife will no longer be eligible for child-in-care benefits. But there's more to consider.

By taking your benefit at age 62, it will be cut by 30% from what it would be if you waited until your full retirement age to claim, and that reduction is permanent. Plus that reduced benefit will mean your wife's benefit as your widow, should you pre-decease her, would be

less than it might otherwise be if you waited until later to claim.

Until you reach your full retirement age, you will also be subject to Social Security's "earnings test" which limits the amount of money you can earn before Social Security takes back some of your benefits. The limit for 2020 is \$18,240 and if you exceed that amount, SS will take back benefits equal to half of the excess over the limit. They take back those benefits by withholding your SS until they recover what you owe because you exceeded the limit. And, if your benefits are withheld because you exceed the earnings limit, your children and wife will not get their benefits for any month(s) that your benefits are withheld. FYI, the earnings limit increases by about 2.6 times in the year you reach your FRA and no longer applies once you reach your FRA, but any dependent benefits not paid because you exceeded the earnings limit are lost and cannot be recovered.

So, as you can see, there are many things you should consider. If you will be retired from working at age 62 and don't need to worry about the earnings limit, then claiming then, along with the dependent benefits, could be a prudent choice. But if you will continue to work and earn a significant salary, you might very well find that the benefits you and your dependents lose due to the earnings limit will overshadow any advantage you might gain by filing at that time. And, you might also find that the permanent cut in your own benefit because you claimed early, along with the reduction to your wife's future survivor benefit amount, will make claiming at age 62 less attractive.

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## Deaths

### BENNO

Vangel T. Vangel Thomas Benno, of West Roxbury, passed away peacefully in his sleep on April 16th, in the early morning hours of Holy Thursday. He is survived by his beloved wife of 71 years Irene (Mellen), his son Thomas Benno and his wife Terri of Illinois, and his daughter Elaine Otto and her husband Richard of Cumberland, RI. He is also survived by his beloved grandchildren, Matthew and his wife Amanda, Kate and her husband Juan, Diana and her husband Jim, Andrew and his wife Jennifer, Van and his wife Siobhan, Wyatt and his wife Kaori, Alexandra and her husband Seth, and Emma. In addition to his grandchildren, he is survived by nine great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his beloved sister, Maria (Beno) Booras and her husband, John. Van was born in Dover, NH on May 13, 1923. His parents were Thomas Beno and Helen (Kourbetsos) Beno. He moved to Cambridge, MA and was a member of Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church. He graduated from Rindge-Technical High School and enlisted in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He was stationed in the Aleutian Islands. He and Irene were married at the Annunciation Cathedral of Boston on May 8, 1949. They were active in all aspects of church life and Van was President of the Parish Council in the 1980s. He spent his working years self-employed in the construction industry, both commercial and residential. Van's Funeral Service was held at the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral of Boston on Wednesday, April 22. Funeral services are private. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral of New England, the Metropolis of Boston Camp, or Hellenic College/Holy Cross. Guestbook available at www.KfouryFuneral.com Kfoury Keefe Funeral Home West Roxbury 617-325-3600

### CARTER

Mary Dorothy Age 85, of West Roxbury, passed away peacefully at St. Patrick's Manor in Framingham on April 17th. Beloved by her siblings, Michael J. Carter, Clare R. Carter, and Kathleen Carter Winikates, as well as the late James F. Carter and Anne Carter Morris, she was the cherished aunt of many nieces and nephews. Though Mary proudly worked for 20 years at the State Public Health Lab in Jamaica Plain, her devotion to her family and her faith were the pillars of her life. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Patrick's Manor at http://www.stpatricksmenor.org/

fundraising-donations.  
www.lawlerfuneralhome.com

### COSTIGAN

Jimmy of Dedham, formerly of Temple St. West Roxbury, passed away suddenly on April 13, 2020. Beloved husband of Jo-Ann (Davis) Costigan. Devoted father of the late Brian Costigan. Loving grandfather of Rebecca, Michael, Corey, and Kyleigh. U.S. Army Vietnam Veteran. Jimmy became a Born Again Christian in 1981, and would constantly pass out gospel tracks. Funeral services will be held at a future date. For online guestbook gfdoherty.com. Arrangements by George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, Dedham.

### DAVIS

Thomas Joseph Of West Roxbury, passed away peacefully in the comfort of his home on April 15, 2020. Dear husband of Ellen Strickland. Cherished son of the late George and Mary (Powers) Davis. Brother of Sheila Zelinski of Plympton, Evan Davis of Rockville, MD, and Glenn Davis of Plymouth. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Thomas was a proud U.S. Air Force Veteran. Due to guidelines put in place by Gov. Charles Baker and the Archdiocese of Boston Funeral Services will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to The Leukemia And Lymphoma Society, MASS Chapter, 495 Old Connecticut Path, Suite 220, Framingham, MA 01701-4567 or lls.org to leave a message of condolence for Tom's family, please visit: gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600

### DRISCOLL

Barbara Ann Age 97, of West Roxbury passed away on April 13th. Beloved wife of the late John C. Driscoll and devoted sister of Annette Sullivan, she was the loving mother of Eileen Driscoll of Boston, Mark (and Robin Ellis) Driscoll, Brian (and Monique DeVane) Driscoll and Maura (and Mark Dinan) Driscoll, all of California. Barbara adored and was adored by her twelve grandchildren, Rosie, Phoebe, Ian, Adam, Tsehay, Jack and Michael; Liam and Owen; and Charlie, Nina and Michael. She was also devoted to her many nieces and nephews and to their extended families. Barbara was predeceased by her wonderful siblings, Daniel Sullivan, Dorothy Crowley and Geraldine Porter. Barbara was a devoted parishioner at St. Theresa of Avila Church in West Roxbury. When John was stricken with renal disease early in their marriage, Barbara, with no previous medical training, studied at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital to learn to administer his thrice-

weekly home dialysis treatments. She also went back to work outside the home, as the Secretary to The Humane Society of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Upon her retirement, she became the first woman in the history of the Humane Society to attend their annual dinner, where she was honored for her twenty years of service and presented with the Society Medal. In her limited free time, she loved the ocean, and cherished her time spent visiting the Cape, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket. Burial is private. A Celebration of Life Mass will be celebrated at St. Theresa's at a later date. Relatives and friends will be kindly invited.  
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### DUNN

John R. Of West Roxbury, passed away in the comfort of his home surrounded by his loving family on April 18, 2020. Beloved husband of 52 years to the late Mary "Elayne" (Masciulli) Dunn. Loving father of Jon J. Dunn and his wife Laura of Mansfield and Michael S. Dunn and his wife Bridget of Foxboro. Cherished "Grandpa" of Michael, Jr., Maria, Adrienne, Fiona, Anthony, and Joseph Dunn, Nicholas and Andrew Petrillo, and Samuel Dunn. Brother of Mary Ann Watts and her husband Cliff of Franklin, Sister Betty Peter of Mansfield and the late Kathy Daesen of Franklin. Brother-in-law of Gerard Daesen of Parsonfield, ME and Nancy O'Donnell and her husband Paul of Falmouth. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Longtime employee of Sysco Foods and member of the Boston Lodge of Elks #10 for 47 years. In accordance with social gathering restrictions, Funeral Services will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in John's memory to the Center for Gastrointestinal Oncology, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, 450 Brookline Ave., Boston, MA 02215. For guestbook, www.gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600

### GOODFELLOW

Shane M. of Hyde Park passed on April 8 at the age of 31. Cherished son of Denise (Ricci) and her late husband George E Goodfellow III of Hyde Park. Devoted brother of Melissa Mulhern of Hyde Park, Cody Goodfellow of Hyde Park and the late Joseph Mulhern. Grandson of Mary Ricci and her late husband Harold of Hyde Park and the late George Goodfellow Jr and Jenny. Loving uncle of Julyias Goodfellow. At the moment all services will be private at the families request. To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Shane

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M. Goodfellow. <http://hydepark.thomasfuneralhomes.com/obituary/Shane-Goodfellow>

### KOUFOS

Vasiliki "Bessey" (Kazis) Age 89, of Roslindale, MA, passed away peacefully on April 16, 2020. Beloved wife of the late Nicholas J. Koufos. Devoted mother of Diane Anamateros and her husband Charles of Westwood, MA and Jane Karagianis and her husband S. Peter of Gilford, NH. Loving grandmother of Christopher, Jonathan and Maria Anamateros of Westwood, MA and Nicole, Evan and Christian Karagianis of Gilford, NH. Sister of Artemis Douvris and Helen Serevetas and the late Jerry Kazis. Sister-in-law of Penny Kazis of Brockton, MA and the late George Douvris and the late Steve Serevetas. Also survived by many nieces, nephews & relatives. Funeral Services and Burial will be private. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date for relatives and friends to attend. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to her beloved church St. Nectarios Greek Orthodox Church, 39 Belgrade Ave., Roslindale, MA 02131 or the Hellenic Cardiac Fund for Children at Boston Children's Hospital, 300 Longwood Ave., Boston, MA 02115. For online guestbook, please visit [www.faggas.com](http://www.faggas.com) Faggas Funeral Home 800-222-2586

### LAUGHLIN

Hannah M. (O'Shea) of Jamaica Plain passed away on April 16, 2020. Beloved wife of the late Walter F. Laughlin. Devoted mother of Anne Marie Hentz and her husband Peter of Harvard, Walter Laughlin Jr. and his wife Rita of Canton, Meg Buckley and her husband Thomas of West Roxbury, and Susan Farmer and her husband Gary of Jamaica Plain. Loving grandmother of Lisa, Ryan, Kayla, Lauren, Caroline, and Laughlin. Proud great-grandmother of Faith, Bryson, and Spencer. Sister of the late Kathleen O'Shea Meehan, Margaret Close, and Eleanor VanEerden. Also survived by several nieces and nephews.

Special thanks to Hannah's caregivers towards the end of her life, Fran O'Shea, Catherine Cremini, and Seana Hall; the company and care you provided for her was beyond our greatest expectations. We will be forever grateful.

Hannah will be fondly remembered for her gentle spirit, her kindness, and her humility. Also known as "Handy Hannah" based on her ability to create and design anything she set her mind to—talents ranging from building a staircase to sewing clothes for her children and grandchildren to home decorating and gardening. Hannah took pride in her passions, but even more so in her

ever-growing family. Her greatest love was her children, 6 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren, who will miss her terribly. Her legacy is simple; give love and receive love.

Due to the pandemic, a private family funeral service will take place at the P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home 2000 Centre St. West Roxbury. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Mass General's Emergency Response Fund in memory of Hannah Laughlin. Mailing address: Mass General Development Office, 125 Nashua Street, Suite 540, Boston, MA 02114. For online guestbook [pemurrayfuneral.com](http://pemurrayfuneral.com).

### LEMBO

Joan (Lawless) Of West Roxbury, formerly of Dorchester, April 18 at 90. Beloved wife of Nicholas J. Lembo. Loving mother of Michael & Linda of Dedham, Mark & Michele of Tampa, FL, Thomas & Lori of Dedham and James & Dr. Cheryl Frye of Albany, NY. Grandmother of nine and great-grandmother of six. Sister of the late Veronica Lawless, Thomas Lawless, Rosemarie Gier and Virginia Clifford. In keeping with current health guidance a private burial will take place with Mass to celebrate Joan's life held at a later date. Please consider donating in Joan's name to Deutsches Altenheim - German Centre, [germancentre.org/donate/](http://germancentre.org/donate/) St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, [stjude.org/donate](http://stjude.org/donate) or Greater Boston Food Bank, [gbfb.org/donate](http://gbfb.org/donate) For [www.gormleyfuneral.com](http://www.gormleyfuneral.com) guestbook, [www.gormleyfuneral.com](http://www.gormleyfuneral.com) William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600

### LUCEY

Gertrude Of West Roxbury, April 12, 2020. Born October 10, 1920. Beloved daughter of the late Henry and Gertrude (Flaherty) Lucey. Loving sister of the late Henry J. Lucey and Rev. William F. Lucey. A graduate of Girls' Latin, Class of 1939 and of Smith College, Class of 1943. Miss Lucey taught in the Milton Public Schools from 1946-1978, and upon retirement devoted her life to caring for her family. Late member of Holy Name Parish, Legion of Mary, Secular Order Of Carmel OCDS. Gertrude lived a life of grace and will be missed by many dear friends and cousins. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Holy Name Parish, West Roxbury. Interment private. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at a later date. [www.lawlerfuneralhome.com](http://www.lawlerfuneralhome.com) Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home 617-323-5600

### MCDONALD

Walter T. Of Roslindale, April 16, 2020. Beloved son of the late John and Mary (McMaster) McDonald. Loving brother of Catherine Spear of Weymouth and the late John J. McDonald, Mary Hoefer, and James J. McDonald. Also survived by 5 nephews and 1 niece. A private family funeral service was held at P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home 2000 Centre St. West Roxbury. Burial followed at Forest Hills Cemetery, Jamaica Plain. For online [p e m u r r a y f u n e r a l . c o m](http://pemurrayfuneral.com) guestbook [pemurrayfuneral.com](http://pemurrayfuneral.com). Arrangements by P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, West Roxbury.

### METALLIDES

Maria (Vatousiades) of Roslindale, passed away on April 17, 2020. Beloved wife of the late Theoharis Metallides. Devoted mother of Georgia Kekis and Themis Metallides. Loving grandmother of John, Daffney, and Theo. A private graveside service was held at Gardens Cemetery, West Roxbury. Arrangements by P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, West Roxbury.

### MUNNS

William G. of Woonsocket formerly of Roslindale and Franklin on April 14, 2020. Beloved husband of the late Linda (Corriveau) Munns. Loving father of Ryan Munns and wife Kristen and William Munns Jr. all of Woonsocket. Brother of Ann Kalutkiewicz and her husband Peter of St Marys, GA. Brother of the late Elizabeth Shea. Brother-in-Law of Lyse (Corriveau) Forte and Mark Corriveau and wife Lisa. Billy loved watching the Red Sox, Patriots, Celtics and Bruins. He also enjoyed playing on many local sports teams over the years, and he especially enjoyed being out on the golf course. Billy will be greatly missed by his family and friends. Funeral services will be private. To leave a message of condolence please visit [pemurrayfuneral.com](http://pemurrayfuneral.com). Arrangements by P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, West Roxbury.

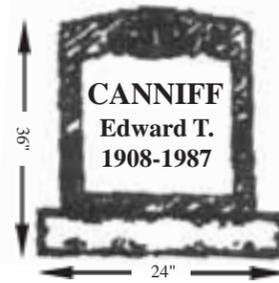
### NASIF

Ernest C. Jr. "Buzzy" Of Norwood, formerly of West Roxbury. On the evening of April 13th, Buzzy was reunited in heaven with his first-born daughter Christina. He will be greatly missed by his loving and devoted wife Jenay (Perry). His daughters and his sons-in-law who he loved as his own, Renay Beers and her husband Frank of Dedham, Melanie McNally and

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her husband Joseph of Westwood, and Victoria Wesalowski and her husband Mark of Dedham, will forever carry memories of him in their broken hearts. Buzzy leaves behind 12 grandchildren; Ella, Cassandra, Kylie and Amira Beers; Joseph Jr., Vanessa, Samuel and Reese McNally; and Juliette, Alexander, Bennett and Hayden Wesalowski, who were blessed to have had the pleasure of calling him "Doo," and lucky enough to have memories they will cherish for the rest of their lives. Also survived by his brother and best friend Gerald Nasif and his sister Elissa Ferris, as well as a large extended family, and many close friends he considered family. Buzzy's family was the light of his life and he was the center of their world. Buzzy's Funeral Services will be private. A Celebration of his Life will be held at a later date. In lieu of making a donation, his family asks that you allow him to live on by telling someone who didn't have the pleasure of meeting him, a story about the amazing man that he was. Guestbook available at [www.KfouryFuneral.com](http://www.KfouryFuneral.com) Kfoury Keefe Funeral Home West Roxbury 617-325-3600

### PEPE

Augustine P. (Uncle Augie, Gus), age 89, passed away on Tuesday, April 14, 2020 due to Covid-19 related complications. He was a lifelong resident of Roslindale. He was the son of Pasquale and Maria (Colatuoni) Pepe. He is survived by his brother, Angelo Pepe. Uncle Augie was a loving and devoted uncle, granduncle and great-granduncle to many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sisters Theresa Belmonte and Angela Pepe, and brothers Peter Pepe, Sr. and Joseph Pepe. He was a proud alumnus of Boston College, class of 1952. He served in the US Army and was stationed in Italy, working in intelligence through the Korean War. After his honorable discharge, he began his teaching career. He would go on to be the Assistant Headmaster at Copley Square International High School, retiring from that position in 1995. A devoted family man, he spent his retirement years enjoying life and spending time with his family. He loved to travel, to garden and to cook. His humor and humming will be missed. Rest in peace, Uncle Augie. Due to the current health concerns, interment will be private at Saint Michael's Cemetery. A Funeral Mass and Celebration of Uncle Augie's Life will take place at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to his favorite place to attend daily Mass, The Poor Clare Monastery, 920 Centre Street, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130. The Poor Clare Sisters have been a constant source of support for Gus and his family for many years. Joseph Russo

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### PETRINGA

Salvatore D. Age 90, of West Roxbury, formerly of Boston's North End, died peacefully, Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at The Bostonian Rehabilitation and Nursing Center. Born in Boston's North End, to the late Concetto and Mary (Vasallo) Petringa, Sal was raised and educated there. He had lived in West Roxbury for over fifty-five years. Sal was an entrepreneur from a very young age. As a young boy, he would shine shoes at Boston's North Station. He said he could never make money shining shoes. As a result, he went into the scrap metal business. Still a young boy, he would gather scrap metal along Boston's waterfront. Sal would then sell the scrap to the scrap man and earn a comfortable amount of spending money. His sister, Josephine, nicknamed him the junkman. At the age of 12, while he was still going to school, his lifelong career in the trucking industry began when he started working with his late father, Concetto. In his early twenties, he worked for various trucking companies. Sal became the proud owner of Ajax Transport Company in Boston at the age of 26. Sal retired from Ajax in 1998 at the age of 69. For his next venture he purchased a delivery van and began making deliveries until 2015.

Sal was well-known for his sense of humor. Beloved husband for sixty-five years of the late Lucia A. (Valenti) Petringa, whom he adored. Lucia died February 13, 2020. Sal and Lou were married on October 3, 1954 in the former Saint Leo's Church in Dorchester. Sal was a very devoted and loving father of David Petringa and his wife Stacy of Memphis, TN. One of seven siblings, Sal was the dear brother of Dominic Petringa of Waltham, Antoinette Sutura of Beverly, Jimmy Petringa and his wife Rita of Wakefield, and was predeceased by Joseph Petringa, Josephine Petrino, and Vito Petringa. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews whom he loved dearly.

In light of current events, funeral services were private. Interment took place in Saint Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury. For those who wish, donations in Sal's memory may be made to Ethos, 555 Amory Street, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130. Arrangements by Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, [www.thesweeneybrothers.com](http://www.thesweeneybrothers.com) or call 617-472-6344.

### SANTOSUOSSO

David Vincent Of Roslindale, passed away after a brief illness on April 14, 2020. Beloved husband of Joan (Broderick). Brother of Vincent Santosuosso, Jr. and his wife Paula of Readville and the late Lenore Birks. Son of the late Vincent and

Lenore Santosuosso. Nephew of the late Alfred and Jeannette Santosuosso. Cousin of Jeanne and Hugh Masterman, Robert and Ginny Santosuosso and Norma and Billy St. Martin. David was a graduate of Boston Latin School and Boston College '67 where he excelled in track. His graduate studies were done at Northeastern University followed by a career in Psychotherapy, specializing in Neuro-Linguistic Programming. David will always be remembered for his artistic talent, his caring heart and that crazy sense of humor. Funeral Services private. Donations in David's memory may be made to the American Cancer Society. For guestbook, [www.gormleyfuneral.com](http://www.gormleyfuneral.com) William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600

### SALTZMAN

Ira B. Of West Roxbury, peacefully at home, April 16, 2020. Dear and devoted husband of Rose (Eouse). Loving father of Wanda Johnson and her husband James of West Roxbury. Cherished grandfather, "Gido" of James Johnson, Jr. and Ava Rose Johnson. Ira was a proud United States Marine Corps Veteran of the Korean War. He will be laid to rest with Military Honors at a private Funeral Service. Contributions in Ira's memory may be made to the Church of St. John of Damascus, 300 West St., Dedham, MA 02026. Guestbook available at [www.kfouryfuneral.com](http://www.kfouryfuneral.com) Kfoury Keefe Funeral Home West Roxbury 617-325-3600

### SAMESKI

Eileen P. (Fleming) Of West Roxbury, OFD, April 14, 2020. Beloved wife of the late Michael J. Sameski, III with whom she shared 54 years of marriage. Loving mother of Mary Mariano and her husband Paul; Robert and his wife Terri; Richard "Sammy"; and Michael and his wife Laurie. Proud grandmother of 12. Cherished sister of Paul Fleming and the late Leo Fleming, Sr. Mary Fleming, OSF; and Sr. Anne Fleming, SC. Eileen had one of the longest prayer lines known to date - always praying and thinking of others. Due to guidelines put in place by Gov. Charles Baker and the Archdiocese of Boston, Funeral Services will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations in Eileen's memory may be made to The Franciscan Center, 310 N. Perry Ave., Tampa, FL 33603 [franciscancenter.tampa.org](http://franciscancenter.tampa.org) or Sisters of Charity Ministry Fund, Sisters of Charity Centre, 215 Seton Road, Halifax, Nova Scotia B3M 0C9 Canada [schalifax.ca](http://schalifax.ca) To leave a condolence message for Eileen's family, please visit [gormleyfuneral.com](http://gormleyfuneral.com) William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600

### SUSI

Joseph G. Age 90, of Roslindale, MA, passed away peacefully on Friday, April 10, 2020. Born October 19, 1929 in

Sulmona, Italy, he immigrated to the United States at the age of 9. Joseph was the son of the late Pietro and Maria Stella Susi, husband of the late Dolores (Conforti) Susi, and father of the late James Susi. He was also the brother of the late Maria Antonina Susi and her late husband Fiorino Mario Susi. After serving in the Korean War, Joseph was a machine operator for Susi Construction and also worked for the City of Boston for many years. He will always be remembered for his humor, wit, and contagious personality. Joseph is survived by many nieces, nephews, friends, and his treasured dog Buddy. Due to the current health concerns, entombment will be private at Saint Michael cemetery. A Funeral Mass and Celebration of Joe's Life will take place at a later date. Joseph Russo Funeral Home [www.Russofuneralhome.com](http://www.Russofuneralhome.com) 617-325-7300

### TACEY

Caroline M. (McNeil) Age 88, of Roslindale died on April 17, 2020 from the Covid-19 coronavirus, after a long battle with Alzheimer's. Caroline was born in Boston to the late Simon and the late Margaret (McArthur) McNeil. She was a hardworking single mother, raising 3 children. She worked for the Metropolitan District Commission and for several boards of registration for the state of Massachusetts, including the Board of Medicine, where she communicated with doctors all over the world. She enjoyed working around her home and garden, cooking, spending time with her family, and serving strong black tea and good conversation after a meal. She married the love of her life, George Tacey, on May 2, 1987 and they spent 17 wonderful years together. They loved to travel, enjoyed many cruises together, and wintered in Vero Beach. Loving sister of Arthur McNeil of Beverly, and 6 of her late siblings: Joseph McNeil, Edward McNeil, Sally Hanifin, Gerald McNeil, Leonard McNeil and Harold McNeil. Beloved wife of the late George Tacey. Loving mother of the late Diane Federico & her husband Joseph of Walpole, Nancy Mooney and her husband Robert of Webster, and Timothy Casey and his wife Tara of Roslindale. "Nona" leaves her

grandchildren Melissa Mooney Walkonis and her husband Nicholas, Kimberly Duncan-Mooney and her wife Caitlyn, Michael Mooney and his girlfriend Allie, Matthew Federico and his wife Brianne, Kelly Federico Wilcox and her husband Andrew, Caroline Casey, Allison Casey and her boyfriend Benjamin, and her great-grandson Huxton Duncan-Mooney. She also leaves a brother-in-law Frank Hanifin and 2 sisters-in-law, Pat McNeil and Joan McNeil and many loving nieces and nephews. Her family would like to thank all the healthcare workers, doctors, and nurses who cared for Caroline at The Armenian Nursing and Rehab Center, and The Faulkner Hospital. Funeral Services will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in honor of Caroline to the Alzheimer's Association and The Armenian Nursing and Rehab Center, 431 Pond Street, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130. For guestbook, [gormleyfuneral.com](http://gormleyfuneral.com) William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600

### WALLACE

Rose Ellen (McDonald) Age 92, of West Roxbury, MA, formerly of Dunaree, Laragh, Castleblayney, Co. Monaghan, Ireland, passed away on April 16, 2020 after a brief illness. She was the daughter of Patrick and Maryann McDonald and the loving wife of the late Robert Wallace who predeceased her by four years. She is survived by her sister and brother, Alicia Bunting and Owen McDonald, both of Australia, and was predeceased by her brothers, Bernard, Hugh, Patrick and Edward and her sisters, Bridget Traynor and Catherine Finnegan. Also survived by her niece, Nuala O'Donohue, of Yonkers, NY and many dear nieces and nephews around the world. She will be especially missed by her beloved terrier, Brandy 2, and mourned by her close friend and caretaker, Angela Coffey of West Roxbury. A private Graveside Service was conducted at St. Joseph's Cemetery, West Roxbury on Wednesday, April 22nd. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at a future date in Lisdoonan, Ireland.

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yard space to handle the addition of more trees.

"It's really just been using our network to get the word out, but also I've been helping David with the administrative side too," Horn said. "I've been setting up the form and been corresponding with everyone who's been applying and, on the back end, David and his team are ordering the trees and coordinating delivery."

With areas like Stony Brook, you might not think Hyde Park has a deficiency of tree cover. Horn said that while there are areas with heavy concentrations of trees, there are areas that have little to no tree canopy.

"Definitely, certain pockets in Hyde Park are very low in tree coverage," she said. "David set up a heat map, and you can see it in the different industrial pockets of the neighborhood and all along Hyde Park Avenue, it's just hotter than the rest. So that's an area that needs more trees. We're not restricting the program to those areas, however."

The program does extend to other areas of the city, in the following zip codes: 02119, 02120, 02121, 02122, 02124, 02125, 02126, 02127, 02128, 02131. Meshoulam said they will be including other neighborhoods for future tree giveaways, but these are the areas with the most need right now. Meshoulam started SPFT about two years ago as an urban forestry nonprofit to advocate for more tree cover in the city. District 6 City Councilor Matt O'Malley has advocated for increasing the city's overall tree canopy for years as well, touting their benefits to the environment and overall public health in terms of air quality and mental health benefits. Former At-Large City Councilor Ayanna Pressley said at a public hearing on tree canopies in 2018 that trees help reduce stormwater runoff, reduces rates of asthma and other respiratory ailments and reduce rates of anxiety.

Meshoulam also started the Teen Urban Tree Program last year as part of SPFT, which enlisted the help of nine teen volunteers to plant trees with residents all over the city, and has worked with O'Malley and At-Large City Councilor Michelle Wu to further his goal of increasing the city's tree canopy beyond the 27 percent number it has been stuck at for years. For more information on SPFT and to sign up for your tree, go to [ftbos.org/getatree](http://ftbos.org/getatree). For more information on KHPB, go to [keephpbeautiful.org/](http://keephpbeautiful.org/).

## E-13 honors fallen member



At about 10:30am, on Saturday, April 18, 2020, a funeral procession took the body of Boston Police Officer Jose Fontanez, 53, from the Mann and Rodgers Funeral Home in Jamaica Plain to the St. Michael's Cemetery, where the 29-year veteran of the department was laid to rest. Hundreds of police officers, first responders and community members lined the streets of South Huntington Ave and Centre Street in Jamaica Plain to pay final respects. To all who extended heartfelt condolences or attended today's funeral procession in honor of the officer who passed this week due to complications caused by COVID-19, the department would like to say, "Thank you. Your outpouring of support will not soon be forgotten."



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lowed by more than 200 on its second, and more than 150 and 220 on its fourth and fifth days, respectively.

“That’s what we thought, when we started, might be the cap,” she said of the original number. “But the team has been able to work super-efficiently and we’ve been able to get many more people tested, so it’s kudos to all the team members that are there.”

Approximately 15 to 20 people have been staffing the site which – in addition to providing COVID-19 testing – offers educational resources on food, housing, and safety.

Clinical staff – typically nurses – screen patients using a questionnaire to determine if they’re symptomatic (have shortness of breath, fever, cough, sore throat, runny nose, loss/change of smell), have any other high risk conditions, and are residents of Hyde Park.

Those who meet the testing criteria move along to tables set up at the two small RVs parked next to the clinic, first registering with the Partners HealthCare system in order for their test results to be processed and then moving on to the test itself.

The PCR (polymerase chain reaction) test – more commonly referred to as the nasal swab test – is given by medical assistants dressed in full personal protective equipment (PPE) – including gowns, gloves, masks, and visors – while helping patients through the process.

“Our staff does a nice job of walking them through what it’s going to be like – letting them know it will go far into their nose, often telling them to keep their hands in their pockets or straight down by their sides,” Fanning said of the testing method. “That just prevents people from having kind of a quick reflex, and overall – from what I’ve seen – people tolerate it quite well. I don’t think it’s pleasant, but they tolerate it.”

After being sent to the lab, test results can come back within 24 hours, and are given to patients over the phone by nurses and physicians’ assistants. If the result is positive for COVID-19, patients are advised – during that phone call – as to how to proceed and self-isolate, and their primary care physicians are also notified of the positive result.

The other aspect of the mobile unit involves visitors having the option of being voluntarily

screened (whether or not they meet the criteria for testing) for their social determinants of health. Based on that, they can sign up for short-term food delivery during the COVID-19 pandemic, and also receive resource kits to protect against the virus. Participants also receive a box of food to take with them.

Fanning estimated that a typical visit to the 1337 Hyde Park Ave. site might take 15 to 20 minutes – depending on the number of people waiting – and she spoke of the logistics as both a challenge and “a terrific opportunity” because of the many people being tested.

“It’s a challenge to set up a process and keep revising it to make sure that you can keep everybody socially distant and get through the line in an efficient manner and not lose people,” she said of the operation as it is developing. “And I think we’ve done a terrific job at it, but it’s mental and physical work every day to make sure you can balance that.”

The COVID-19 testing hours at 1337 Hyde Park Ave. are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day (barring inclement weather) until the mobile unit relocates to a new neighborhood.

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To the above named Defendant: Ana Maria Zabala Minaya  
A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff, Saul Soto seeking a Complaint for Dependency and orders of special findings of fact and rulings of law by filed on 2/26/2020 by means of publication and certified mailing.  
You are required to serve your answer upon: Saul Soto, or his Attorney Shelby P. Smith. Whose Address is 23 Everett St. Cambridge, MA 02138 on or before the return date of 4/23/2020.  
If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, in the office of the Register of this Court at Boston.  
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At Insight we've stepped up to volunteer for wellness check-ins on the phone, with our most vulnerable neighbors, made contributions to Boston-based food banks and pantries, offered guidance to assistance programs for those affected financially, and we will continue to support the Boston Resiliency Fund.

We are always here to help our clients, our neighbors, our community. Boston has faced other challenges. Now, as before, we all are selflessly there for one another – friends helping friends; and friends helping strangers.

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