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Hyde Park residents came together on Friday to stand against racism in the city.

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Columbus Ave Busway happening but delayed

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

Boston Transportation Department (BTD) Planner William Moose appeared optimistic at the June 1 virtual meeting of the Egleston Square Neighborhood Association (ESNA).

He returned to give an update on the proposed Columbus Avenue Busway that he first discussed at the January meeting.

“We’re in 75 percent design now,” he said. “It’s a fairly ambitious timeline.”

“Construction should begin if not this fall, then certainly ready to go in the spring [2021].”

The center bus lanes will be the first of their type in the city.

Moose told The Bulletin he was confident that funding was still in place despite the delay. The project was originally scheduled to begin in July.

“While the decline in ridership has impacted the MBTA, I have not heard that the capital budget for this project is in jeopardy,” he said the next day.

“I know the cost has increased considerably since January [when it was \$2 to \$3 million],” he said. “The latest figure is around \$10 million. This change is due both to the expanded scope and a more accurate understanding of the design costs, including some traffic signals and the reconstruction of some pedestrian ramps on Columbus Avenue.”

Busway

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HP Stands Against Racism draws large crowd Pressley and Kennedy attend

Matthew MacDonald
Staff Reporter

On Friday, June 19, a community rally – promoted as Hyde Park Stands Against Racism – was held in Logan Square at the Municipal Building/BCYF Center (1179 River St.).

Lasting from 5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m., the demonstration drew enough of a crowd to fill out the Municipal Building plaza and the island in front of it, as well as the sidewalk at the Rockland Trust Bank and the River Street end of Central Avenue.

In the humid 90 degree heat of the glaring afternoon, face masked protesters – many in small groups of family and friends

– waved homemade signs and cheered the COVID-19 reduced rush hour traffic as it slowly rolled through, horns regularly honking in support.

The event was organized by Hyde Park residents Rhonda Kaplan and Cecily Graham in response to the fact that no rallies had yet been held in the community, even as a wave of protests have been taking place throughout most of Boston in the wake of George Floyd’s video recorded death during his arrest by officers of the Minneapolis Police Department.

“I just decided that I’m going to stop complaining and I’m going to organize something,” Kaplan said of her motivation to hold the rally, which came together over about a week using social media. “When I

put it together, I said, ‘If 10 people come, I’m going to be happy.’” Taking in the gathered crowd, she continued. “And then this is amazing.”

One group among the demonstrators – Renée Suchy of Hyde Park, and Michelle Novelle and her son Estiven of Roslindale – staked a spot at the corner of River and Central.

Novelle spoke of Black Lives Matter in relation to what she described as the institutional racism in America. “I think the reason that people have to extrapolate Black Lives and move away from this idea of All Lives is because it has been systematically ingrained in our society to

HP Rally

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Ped safety slated for Parkway

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The City of Boston announced last week that it will be starting streetscape and safety improvements to East Roslindale and the Bellevue Hill Neighborhood in West Roxbury soon.

The three traffic pattern changes are designed to slow down traffic and make the areas more friendly to pedestrians.

Road Upgrades
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The city will use funds from the Vision Zero budget to increase safety at key Parkway intersections.

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Road upgrades *continued from page 1*

“At the intersection of Bellevue Hill Road and LaGrange Street in West Roxbury we are removing a traffic island and adding a curb extension to reduce vehicle speeds and shorten pedestrian crossing distances,” said Boston Public Works Department Public Information Officer Chris Coakley.

specific roadways/intersection improvements to reduce speeds and make the location more pedestrian friendly,” Coakley said.

In East Roslindale, the city will be modifying the Mount Hope Street, Canterbury Street and Mt. Calvary Road intersection, as well as the Bourne Street, Neponset Avenue and Canterbury Sury Street intersections as well.

According to the city’s Vision Zero crash map, that intersection has had three crashes involving injuries at the Neponset/Canterbury intersection, as well as one at the LaGrange and Bellevue Hill Road. The improvements will also narrow both roadways so as to help reduce speeding. The LaGrange Street construction is slated for \$90,000, while the Bourne and Canterbury is slated for \$170,000, which has been appropriated from the Vision Zero budget.

For Canterbury and Bourne, the city is planning to modify the geometry of the intersection to improve vehicle visibility and shorten the crossing distance along the crosswalks for pedestrians.

The Vision Zero Program is intended to bring all pedestrian fatalities from vehicle collisions to zero. The Canterbury/Mount Hope Street intersection improvements are part of the Neighbor-

hood Slow Streets Program, which is a grant program that selects neighborhoods who submit applications.

The city stated that it is looking for comments on the design in this particular case, which residents can make at <https://bit.ly/2zYyM99>. Currently, the plan includes curb extensions on Canterbury Street to also increase visibility and shorten crossing times. It will also include the construction of accessible ramps for the crosswalks, as well as flexposts that will restrict parking near the crosswalk to increase visibility for those using said crosswalks.

The Slow Streets grant also includes several speed hump installations on Paine Street from Walk Hill Street to Canterbury Street, to both reduce speeding and thereby discourage drivers from going down the street the wrong way.

Dale Crime Watch aims to tackle fireworks

Greta Gaffin
Staff Reporter


Many residents spoke angrily about the poor police response. One woman said that she could see an individual lighting fireworks from her house on Metropolitan Avenue, and could describe their appearance, but the police did not come. Other residents described repeatedly calling 911, often at 3 or 4 a.m., with no response. Capt. Gillespie explained that due to the extreme volume of calls, Boston Police cannot possibly respond to every call, especially since there may be higher priority calls, such as robberies or shootings. He also recommended against residents attempting to deal with the offenders themselves, because there have been reports of threats from the alleged firestarters. Many report those setting off fireworks are not teenagers, but people in their late 20s and early 30s, sometimes with professional-grade fireworks that are not legal to sell to private individuals in any state.

Roslindale and Hyde Park, and most of the City of Boston, have had a large fireworks problem for months. The Dale Street Crime Watch meeting on June 23 attempted to address the concerns residents have about the issue.

Capt. Joseph Gillespie, from District E-5 of the Boston Police Department (BPD), spoke at the meeting, and acknowledged how out of control the fireworks have become, saying he has never seen anything like it in his 35 years as a police officer. He said this past weekend (June 19 - 21), E-5 received 211 calls. The Boston Police overall received a record breaking number of calls on Friday, June 19 – 2,902, with Saturday being the second highest at 2,746 calls.

Setting off fireworks is illegal in Massachusetts, but it is not an arrestable offense. While there have been a small number of arrests for selling fireworks, the majority of combustibles have been legally purchased in other states. The only action police officers can take against those with fireworks is confiscation of said fireworks. In many cases, they cannot confiscate anything, because the perpetrators have left the scene by the time police arrive.

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50 miles to buy more. She has also proposed an unarmed de-escalation team that would patrol nightly in areas with large fireworks problems. Mimi Turchinez, who ran for District 5 City Council last year, asked if it was illegal for fireworks companies in New Hampshire to send direct mailers to Massachusetts residents, but Capt. Gillespie said

because of the First Amendment, they are legally allowed to do that. Current District 5 City Councilor Ricardo Arroyo was not present, although former District 5 councilor Rob Consalvo was.

Many residents said they wanted District Attorney Rachael Rollins to take a tougher stance on the issue. One woman sug-

gested enforcing the law against disturbing the peace, which carries a fine of up to \$150 for the first offense.

Boston Fire Marshal Brian Tully also spoke about the dangers of fireworks, warning against even the smallest sparkler. He said that last year, from June 22 to July 6, Massachusetts had seven major fires from illegal fireworks, several of which were in Boston. He also noted that while the Dale Street Park is

owned by the state, Boston Fire would be the responders to any fire in the park.

Capt. Gillespie also spoke briefly about the continued drag racing issue on American Legion Highway. He said it is extremely difficult for them to

catch the drag racers, especially since Boston Police are not allowed to chase for safety reasons. He also said that many of the cars used for drag racing are stolen, making taking down plate numbers not a useful tool to find the identities of those racing.

Residents secure injunction against BHA

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Last week, on Friday, June 19, a little bit after 5 p.m., residents at the Patricia White Boston Housing Authority (BHA) Building in Brighton received a notice that they would be losing power for eight hours at a time starting this past Tuesday.

The building is home to many seniors and disabled persons, and resident and disability advocate Olivia Richard said the notice was a big surprise.

“What’s interesting about this is there seems like there was no mitigation plan,” she said. “Even though it’s a short amount of time, it’s three days, effectively, without electricity during the hottest parts of the day for elderly and disabled tenants.”

Richard said there were no provisions provided for residents, like cold water or a cooling station. She said because of COVID-19 restrictions cooling stations and public pools that would otherwise be available for residents to use across the city have not been reopened yet.

The notice originally stated that the work was slated for 60 hours to complete, with eight hours of no power for all residents on Tuesday, June 23, starting at 8 a.m., and half the building for eight hours on Wednesday and Thursday. Richard said it was a tough time organizing and getting a hearing date for Monday, June 22 – two days after the initial notification – to plead the case to court.

“We got a partial injunction, where their work is limited to six

hours at a time,” she said. “We had a very sympathetic judge, who listened to how this would cause imminent harm to us.”

BHA Spokesperson Brian Jordan said they have also set up cooling stations and are providing cold drinks for residents.

“The Boston Housing Authority will work closely with residents to address concerns regarding their health and safety as we undergo critical electrical maintenance work in the coming days,” he said. “We will continue to make an air-conditioned space and cold refreshments available to any resident who is temporarily impacted by power outages, and we will comply with any additional terms laid out in Housing Court. This work is necessary for the continued safe operation of Patricia White Apartments.”

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An (in)decent proposal

Distressed as I am as a taxpayer at the recent revelation that two dozen Boston police officers collected more than \$300,000 last year (yes, I know some of that huge number is for details at construction/utility sites paid by those companies—which is another issue altogether), I'm equally disturbed about a proposal coming our way. On Washington Street in Roslindale the city had created a northbound dedicated bus lane from 5 a.m. to 9 a.m.. The extent of the parking prohibition during these hours is troubling: people have to get up very early to move cars and front-door deliveries cannot be made during this expansive time period. To set the beginning time at 5 AM is rather draconian: it would seem that 6:30 a.m. or so is more reasonable, and does it have to extend to 9 a.m.? Wouldn't 8:30 do? For the many riders who



My Kind of Town/
Joe Galeota

take the T buses along this route, the dedicated bus lane is undoubtedly a benefit. Now the city wants to create a dedicated bus line on the same street proceeding outbound from Forest Hills Station. Guess what the hours are. There are no conservative numbers here, as the ex-

tent of the proposed prohibition will be from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. The duration of the prohibition will cause more problems for deliveries and the residents who live along the route, as well as for those living on abutting side streets, where parking will become even more crowded for residents and employees. (Just ask the people living on side streets near the Arboretum or parts of Day Boulevard after the city and DCR, as a result of COVID-19, imposed draconian restrictions on parking abutting the Arboretum and the M Street Beach.) There is a realization here of what the rush hours are. Yes, they are no longer from 7 to 9 and 4 to 6, as in decades past. Because of Boston's traffic—in a pre-pandemic era—the rush hours have been extended, but now with more people able to work from home, the rush hours might not be what they were trending: they might even resemble what they used to be in the somewhat distant past. The bus riders taking the T out of Forest Hills have a right to a rather speedy trip home. But should not the city experiment with a reduced time of, say 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., before inconveniencing so many workers and residents along the route?

Letters to the Editor

THE TWO GROUPS NOT SO DIFFERENT

To the Editor:

It does not have to be either/or, it does not have to be us vs. them. That thought came to me as I saw two rallies taking place at the same time at the Holy Name Rotary last Wednesday. On one side where the Area E-5 police station was the event was described as an Appreciation Night for Law Enforcement and First Responders; on the other side a Black Lives Matter rally, and in the middle a mixing at times of the two groups.

Call me naive (I have been called worse for my opinions) but I think you can be both. We should all condemn in the strongest of terms what happened to George Floyd. At the same time you can say I support good police and policing.

A good police officer was the one I saw on TV the first night of the rallies in Boston. The officer was assigned outside of Police HQ. On one side of the barricades were police in protective gear and on the other side vocal demonstrators.

This officer came up to the barricade and took a knee and asked her fellow officers to take a knee (most did). That officer was trying to de-escalate a tense situation. That to me is a good cop.

Supporting good police does not mean you support the status quo. It does not mean you condemn what happened to George Floyd but then say the actions of Officer Chauvin was just that of a bad cop. His actions have tarnished the image of police officers across this nation. I commend BPD Commissioner Gross who quickly denounced Chauvin as did other police officers across this nation.

When my parents moved from Dorchester to West Roxbury I was 6 at the time. They were fulfilling part of the American Dream, buying a house. The houses around us were owned by police officers. That part of West Roxbury at the time may have had the highest number of cops living there. I learned from two of them how dangerous their profession can be as they were seriously wounded in the line of duty.

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Roslindale Collective bridging food gap

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

While the COVID-19 pandemic has seen a lot of the community come together recently to help feed front line workers and those in need, one community grassroots organization started about eight months ago.

The Roslindale Collective is relatively new in the food distribution scene, and while the group doesn't currently have a permanent space to distribute its food, organizers Leah Arteaga and Sadie Barocas said when they needed the help, the local community came together.

"This past Sunday, we probably put together 115 boxes of food, and that was a tremendous amount," said Arteaga. "As we've been progressing, the community has been growing, looking out for other people."

The Roslindale Collective, is hosting a food distribution at the Washington Irving School this Sunday and every Sunday from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Currently, it's a grab-n-go

self service, and if you don't have a mask, there's no entry (but the group stated they do have a few extra handmade masks that can be given out if you're in need).

Barocas said the idea behind the collective is to help redistribute food. In 2014, the Office of Commercial Waste Reduction in the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection issued a commercial food material disposal ban that fines organizations and businesses that throw away more than one ton of food per week.

"So there's an incentive for stores to donate food they can no longer sell," said Barocas.

Arteaga said she used the food pantry services before when she had been laid off.

"Single mom, three kids, that sucks right?" she said. "I went to three different food pantries to stay afloat. At one point I met a woman who went to the Stratford Street Food Pantry in West Roxbury, and she told me she also worked at the 91 Bickford Street Pantry

Collective

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The Roslindale Collective has been collecting and distributing food for the community since the fall of last year.

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Both, thankfully, recovered.

I am fully aware that because of my growing up in a neighborhood of police officers my interactions were different from others. My only negative interaction was being pulled over by Officer Kilduff for speeding (guilty). He let me off with a warning.

I do not say Defund the Police. I say instead implement the 4 Rs. Those are Reform, Retrain, Rebuild and Reprioritize. The devil is in the details but I support a state certification program for police proposed by Governor Baker. It is surprising,

at least to me, we are one of the few states without one.

Sorry for going on longer than intended and I am sure some people who have read my letters in the past are thinking 'what else is new'.

I just think that the people at the rallies at Holy Name have more in common than they think (of course it could be me just being naive again).

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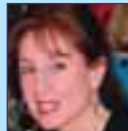


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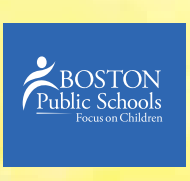
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There will be three bus stations at Egleston Square; St Mary of the Angels Church, Weld Avenue and BHA-Bunte Apartments; each will have pedestrian signals and crosswalks.

“The platforms are really nice,” Moose said. “All have (Americans with Disabilities Act) ADA best practices designs. The Boston Age Strong Commission had a lot of engagement. It’s major step toward comfort and convenience.”

Designed by the Hennigan Engineering Company of Omaha, Nebraska, the bus stations will be a cantilevered design over a platform of 60-to-80 feet long depending on location.

Moose described the Washington Street to Columbus Avenue crossroads as a “monster of an intersection today.”

“One of the challenges of Columbus Avenue is that it serves three bus lines very frequently,” he said.

Magda Drici of Atherton Street asked about the Mobil gas station that many people use as a short cut to avoid the traffic lights.

Moose agreed that there are many curb cuts and they’re used as a shortcut.

“But it’s private property,” he said. “We’ve appealed to

them to help but there’s no response from the owners. We’d like them to close one of the curb cuts.”

Another complication will be the traffic neck-down at Seaver Street and Walnut Avenue.

The median strip on Seaver Street will be torn up at St. Mary of the Angels Church; buses will merge into the center lane going inbound and join the regular traffic outbound to Blue Hill Avenue.

There will be signage at Humboldt Avenue and Seaver Street notifying in-bound drivers of the merge by the next traffic light.

Moose said that as the last milestone of 100 percent design approaches in late fall. a virtual community open house would be scheduled.

He added that merchant meetings would continue.

“In person if it’s safe,” he said. “We want to continue community engagement; especially we want to talk with transit riders.”

Moose said that narrowing down the vehicular travel lanes would slow traffic and make it easier to cross the street.

This will eliminate parking but, according to the Boston Transportation Department (BTD), that will not have an impact on business.



A view of what the proposed busway and station will look like at Weld Avenue.

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“Talking with businesses, they were not as concerned with the elimination of parking,” Matt Moran of BTD told The Bulletin at the Jan. 27 community open house on the busway. “The merchants feel that walk-ins are more important. They buy less but they come in more. The merchants are agreeable to the center busway.”

Since January transportation planning for Egleston-Jackson has expanded to include a wider study area extending from Boylston Street to the Southwest Corridor Park, Dimock Street and

Westminster Avenue to Walnut Avenue.

“We want to look at safety and accessibility improvements,” Moose said. “Traffic calming for pedestrians and bicyclists as well as straightforward connections to Seaver Street and Blue Hill Avenue.”

Moose described these as “high impact improvements” in the short term on the major streets, “low cost but high impact” such as striping.

“Funding for this is in the design stage for now,” Moose said. “\$100,000 dollars.”

“We want to look at pub-

lic realm improvements,” he said. “Useful beautification spaces. These are very complex urban intersections. I hope I’m not over processing.

“Next year we’ll have the design stage completed,” Moose said, “with construction season beginning in 2022.”

Kettleon Associates of Portland, Oregon is the planning consultant for the wider study area. It has a nine-person office at 294 Washington St.

“They’re a really strong team,” Moose said. “They were selected last week. They’re a nice extension of BTD staff.”

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BRODERICK

Evelyn M. Retired Clerk Visiting Nurse Association, born May 19, 1925, passed peacefully on June 20, 2020. Wife of the late William G. Broderick (ret. Lt. Det. MA State Police) Survived by her children, William Broderick (Ret. BPD Cpt.) of Westwood, Michael Broderick (retired BPD Cpt. Det.) and his wife, Lynne, of Falmouth, Elizabeth Herlihy and her husband, Mark, of Medfield, Christopher and his fiancée, Cindy MacDonald, of Roslindale, Diane of West Roxbury, James and his wife, Jessica, of Walpole; and predeceased by her daughters, Patricia Tremblay, Ellen A. Bates, and Susan. Also survived by her 20 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren; and her son-in-law, Ronald Tremblay of Brookline. Funeral services will be private. For online guestbook www.gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

DiNICOLA

Rose Louise (Parisse) of Hyde Park, formerly of Roxbury, passed away June 17, 2020, at home surrounded by her loving family. Beloved wife of the late Rico Di Nicola. Loving and devoted mom of Debra and her husband, Robert Lombard, of Norwood and Barbara and her husband, John Mc Kenney, of Canton. Dedicated and proud nana of Amanda and Thomas McKenney. Loving step-grandmother to Kristin (John) O'Donnell and Michael Lombard. Survived by devoted and dedicated niece, Marie Akikie and her husband, Fred, and Nancy Marotta, and many loving and caring nieces and nephews. Also loving sister-in-law of Mrs. Maryann Benincasa of Rochester, NY., along with many nieces and nephews. Also survived by many loving and caring cousins from St. Paul, MN, who were also a big part of Rose's life. Funeral from the Dockray & Thomas Funeral Home, 455 Washington St., CANTON.

Obituary policy

The Bulletin Newspaper publishes obituaries from information supplied by funeral homes. Relatives and friends also may supplement information by e-mailing our office at news@bulletinnewspapers.com by Monday at 1 p.m. Photos also will be accepted.

Burial at St. Mary's Cemetery, Canton. We send out a special and sincere appreciation to the loving caregivers that supported Rose over the years, especially Dr. Michael Zito, and to the Brigham & Women's Faulkner Hospital Staff and the Whittier Rehab Hospital Staff for the support and loving care. Donations may be made in her memory to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at www.stjude.org or to the American Cancer Society at www.cancer.org. For complete obituary and guestbook see www.dockrayandthomasfuneralhome.com Dockray & Thomas Funeral Home (781) 828-0811.

HUSSEY

Brian E. Age 57, of Rockland, formerly of Hyde Park, died unexpectedly on June 7, 2020. Brian was the loving husband of Donna (DiRoma) and devoted father to Sean and Angelina, son of the late William F. and Rosemary E. (O'Gorman) Hussey. Also survived by his siblings Richard and his wife Betty Hussey of Billerica, William Hussey and his wife Deborah Kuhlman-Hussey of Marion, James Hussey and his wife Linda Romano of Sandwich, John Hussey and his wife Susan Hussey of Yarmouth and Norwood, Janet Kelleher (and her late husband John) of Nashua, New Hampshire, Mary Claire Scherber (and her late husband James) of Stoughton, and many nieces and nephews. Brian was a Boston Firefighter who retired due to job-related health issues. Longtime driver for Robbins Livery Service in Rockland. He will be remembered as a hardworking, devoted father who always put his family first. A Celebration of his Life will be held at a later date.

SILVA

Janet Marie, Beloved aunt, sister-in-law and teacher, passed away on Sunday, June 7, at age 88 in Manchester, NH. She was born on August 16, 1931 in Natick to William and Catherine (Quinn) Silva. After completing her Bachelor of Science degree in early childhood education at State Teachers College in Boston, she earned a Master's degree in education from Lesley College in 1958. Janet taught school in Norwood from 1953 to 1955 and in Boston for the next three years. Dedicating most of her education career to kindergarten classes at the John Eliot School in Needham, she taught thousands of children from 1959 until her retirement in 1993. In recognition of Janet's commitment to her profession, she received a number of commenda-

tions, particularly for important contributions to the development of the kindergarten curriculum in the Needham school system. School administrators praised her leadership in advocating for a more developmentally based program to focus on the needs of young pupils. She was also instrumental in transforming the student screening process to identify children with special needs, an important contribution that created a much more positive experience for many kindergarten children. Janet was recognized for accomplishing challenging tasks "with perfection as your standard," and for representing Needham's kindergarten teachers in the most professional and distinguished manner. She completed her work with efficiency, style, aesthetics, sensitivity, humor and intelligence. Over the years, many John Eliot School parents commented on how thrilled they were with the kindergarten program, and especially with Janet. In her classroom, children came together as a group, worked collectively, and enjoyed the activities of learning. Janet took a deep sense of pride in helping children get off to a strong start as they began their academic education. Shortly before her retirement, Janet was honored with the 1990-1991 Superintendent's Service Award for Distinguished Achievement on behalf of the children of Needham. A secular third-order Franciscan who devoted much of her time to service at Holy Name Church in numerous roles, Janet was also active in Massachusetts Citizens for Life, the St. Francis Fraternity, and many charitable organizations. She loved to travel, spend time with family and friends, read and listen to music. She was known for her quick wit, infectious smile, kind and compassionate spirit, and a remarkable ability to pen creative lyrics for popular melodies in honor of relatives and friends who were celebrating special occasions and anniversaries. Janet was preceded in death by her sisters Mary Elizabeth Thomson and Catherine Ann Pucel, her brother-in-law David Thomson, and nephews Robert Pucel and Michael Thomson. She is survived by her brother-in-law Robert Pucel, nephews William and Andrew Thomson, and James, Marc and David Pucel, and niece Valerie Patnaude, as well as numerous great-nieces and great-nephews and friends. Funeral Services will be held at a later date.

Deaths

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54th Regiment Memorial vandalized



The Robert Gould Shaw and the 54th Regiment Memorial was one of 16 public art works damaged when thousands of protesters swarmed Boston Common on [May 31 2020].

COURTESY PHOTO

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in Jamaica Plain. She helped them set up and told me I could go to that food pantry as well.”

She then started helping a friend working for a nonprofit to pick up food to distribute to five group homes of adults who have disabilities.

“She would pick up the food every Monday and bring it to the group homes and whatever was left over would come to Roslindale,” she said. “She tapped me on the shoulder and said, ‘hey, would you be interested in going to Bedford every Saturday?’ I said, ‘Oh, my God, a 40-minute drive to Bedford every Saturday?’ And I said okay.”

Arteaga said she would take home any leftover food in a small trailer and post online that it was available.

“It would get demolished and literally people would be waiting for me when I pulled in,” she said.

And then it got to be too much food, and she started helping deliver to 91 Bickford. She and Barocas eventually

met up with the leaders of the Brookline Food Cooperative, Vickie Schnoes and Tom Capizzi, who got them started on the singular Roslindale Collective Food Program. Between all the food they already collected and overflow food that the Co-op couldn’t distribute on Holiday Mondays (because they were closed), their food program was off the ground. They first took up shop at the Bates School, but then had to move to the Conley School. But shortly after they found themselves without a distribution point, when they could not longer use the Conley School.

“We backed up the Conley School with traffic, and neighbors reported it to 311,” Arteaga said.

It was at this point that Mayor’s Office of Neighborhood Services Roslindale Representative Joe Coppinger stepped in, with the help of Boston Public Schools Chief of Staff Rob Consalvo.

“Robbie, he gets stuff done

and he cares,” she said. “He’s one of those amazing human beings who will go the extra mile, because it’s the right thing to do.”

She said Consalvo got them set up at the Irving since the school is closed because of COVID-19. But, the pair said with the pandemic, stores have not been able to donate as much food because they’re not ordering as much as they usually would. Recently however, Barocas said they were able to partner with Katsiroubas in Hyde Park, which is currently offering residents the ability to donate \$25 for boxes of produce for those in need, and one of the distribution organizations is the Roslindale Collective (hello.katsiroubasproduce.com/ to donate).

Barocas said they also have weekly deliveries to elderly residents or immunocompromised residents who can’t leave their homes. She said they organize about 18 deliveries each week, along with the centralized food distributions. If you would like to volunteer, go to <http://bit.ly/noleftover> for more information.

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SPADEA

Vito Thomas, who was born in the town of Centrache, in the province of Catanzaro, Italy on February 2nd 1949, passed away in Las Vegas, Nevada on March 11th 2020. He leaves behind his 3 children and their spouses, Michael Thomas Spadea and Whitney Porter Hicks, Christopher James Spadea and Michaela Dunne, and Cathleen Marie Russell and Nicholas Russell. He also leaves behind his older siblings Dominic Spadea and Francesca Killion, as well as 2 grandchildren, Carter Thomas and Madeleine Porter. Vito emigrated with his family from Italy in 1954 at the age of 5, settling in Hyde Park, Massachusetts where he graduated from Hyde Park High and later,

UMASS Boston. He enlisted in the Army National Guard in 1971 where he earned his Sharpshooter Marksmanship Badge and was honorably discharged in 1977 as a Private First Class. For most of his life he sold wine and spirits throughout eastern Massachusetts. Eventually he settled in Las Vegas, Nevada and went back to school to become a teacher. At the time of his death he was teaching special education students with autism at the John C. Bass Elementary School in Las Vegas, Nevada. Vito enjoyed attending a variety of live music concerts, rooting for the Boston sports teams, and following horse racing. He loved riding his motorcycle, often attending the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally. He also loved spending time

with his loyal German Shepherd, Max. He fully embraced life, living by the quote, “Life should not be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in a pretty and well-preserved body, but rather to skid in broadside, thoroughly used up, totally worn out, and loudly proclaiming “WOW WHAT A RIDE!”. Visitation hours with restrictions on capacity due to Covid19 will be held at Kane Funeral Home & Cremation Services 605 Washington Street (Rte.138) Easton from 5:00-8:00pm on Thursday, June 25, 2020 (Masks are required). A memorial service will begin at 7:00pm. In lieu of flowers please send donations in his name to the Grant a Gift Autism Foundation, which serves children and families with autism in the Las Vegas area.

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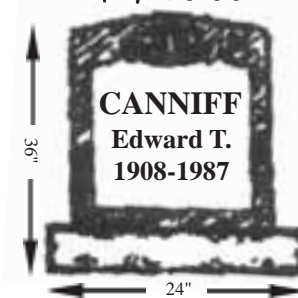
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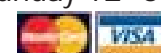
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oppress people of color, and that's why you have to make it explicit."

Circulating through the crowd were U.S. Representatives Ayanna Pressley (7th Congressional District) and Joseph Kennedy III (4th Congressional District).

Pressley, whose district includes Hyde Park and who lives in the neighborhood, greeted people as she walked. "This has always been the most effective, transformational way to get America closer to its full promise for all Americans," she said of the sustained rallies. "The mobilization isn't new, but the momentum behind the mobilization is very new."

She attributed this to self-quarantining during the pandemic. "People were home and they were being besieged by these images of the murders of unarmed black people by people sworn to protect and to serve. And it is trau-

matic. And it was something that people could not look away from... So now you see this uprising - a multi-generational, multi-racial movement - and I do believe, like the earlier stages of the Civil Rights Movement, it will result in policy change and it will result in budget change."

Pressley recently introduced a bill to end the practice of qualified immunity for law enforcement officers and is backing the Justice in Policing Act. She also spoke of the codified inequity and injustice that exists in her district, and her advocacy of relief package legislation focused on the post-COVID recovery of black businesses, as well as the cancellation of black student debt. "All of these things allow us to get at racial justice, and to more equitable outcomes for Black Americans."

Representative Kennedy - currently campaigning against fellow Democrat Ed Markey for his Senate seat - spoke of the heightened awareness brought about by the protests exposing "a lack of understanding about our stories as Americans," adding, "What this moment, I think, has shown so many, is that black and white America are operating from different sets of facts... It's that level of, I think, understanding, education, and empathy that - more than anything else - is going to be needed to address these other concerns."

As with each of these demonstrations, there was an eight minute, 46 second moment of silence signifying the amount of time that George Floyd was fatally pinned, and the demonstrators stood at the Municipal Building with right arms and fists raised.

During this time, the Route 24 bus stopped at the island and masked commuters exited, heading home. Cars passed, horns honked and blared, birds chirped, another Route 24 bus stopped and more commuters exited, more cars passed, more horns honked, a police cruiser sped by with siren and lights on, responding to a call, and - about 6 minutes in - those on the steps of the Munie suddenly began chanting "Black Lives Matter!" at a pickup truck passing them, and the passenger in it who had just flipped them off..

The rally closed shortly afterwards and Cecily Graham - who had led the interrupted moment of silence from too far back on the plaza to see what had happened - reacted calmly. "I heard somebody flipped us off. It's okay. I mean, hey. It shows we couldn't even make it through the eight minutes, 46 seconds, so that also speaks for itself."

She went silent for one last brief moment before finishing. "That's a long time."

Legals

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION DOCKET No. SU20P0874EA

Estate of: **Susan Ellen Duffy** Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA. 02114
617-788-8300

Date of Death: 09/20/2019

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00a.m. on the return day of **07/22/2020**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)
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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: June 10, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
Boston Bulletin: June 25, 2020

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

SUFFOLK Division Docket No. SU20C0171CA

CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300

In the Matter of: Arthur Rubenovich Bagdasarov
A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by
Arthur Rubenovich Bagdasarov of Brighton, MA
requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:
Senyor R. Bagardi

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 07/03/2020. 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: June 17, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
Boston Bulletin: 06/25/2020

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

SUFFOLK Division Docket No. SU20D0551DR

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
Son Truong Dang vs. Thanh Phan Mai Nguyen

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
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Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
June 9, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
Boston Bulletin: 06/25/2020

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

Suffolk Division Docket No. SU17P2294EA

CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300

Estate of: Jean Dikens St. Jilus
A Petition for **Order of Complete Settlement** has been filed by:
Perry Ganz, Esq. of Needham, MA
requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account, the allowance of a proposed distribution and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

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Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: June 11, 2020
Felix D Arroyo, Register of Probate
Hyde Park Bulletin: 06/25/2020

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION DOCKET No. SU20P0864EA

Estate of: **Harry G. Karafotias** Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA. 02114
617-788-8300

Date of Death: 04/19/2020

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by:
George Guerriero of Taunton, MA
requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.
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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: June 19, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
Hyde Park Bulletin: June 25, 2020



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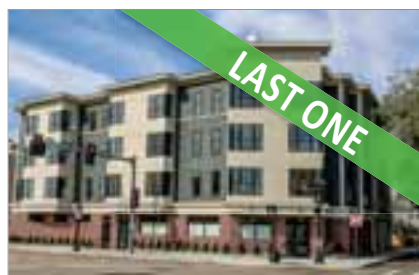
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