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Air traffic noise once again big issue in Southwest Boston

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The neighborhoods of West Roxbury, Roslindale and Hyde Park have, according to many residents, seen a great uptick in airplane noise from landings and takeoffs at Logan Airport.

Members of the Boston City

to be a small community meeting of Boston South Fair Skies (BSFS).

Within the past two years, many residents have noticed an uptick in airplane noise, as new technology has become available to airlines. The new RNAV system, which is basically a GPS navigation system, allows more

Southwest Flow Operating Configuration



Residents in many areas of Boston have been noticing more airplane noise of late, and many are organizing to change that.

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Council recently sent a letter affirming resident reports of increased noise, and several city councilors, such as Roslindale resident and City Council President Michelle Wu and District 5 City Councilor Tim McCarthy, as well as more than 50 residents, recently attended what was intended

consistency and concentration within landing and takeoff paths. BSFS member Alan Wright said the increased specificity of the flight paths means that more planes are traveling in tighter concentrations, meaning areas over

Noise

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PINCH honoring those who make a difference



The P.I.N.C.H. Foundation is gearing up for this year's awards night, which will honor several members of the community along with Boston Police Department Commissioner William Evans.

FILE PHOTO

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

People in Neighborhoods that can Help (P.I.N.C.H.) is hosting its annual awards night

on Oct. 14 at 7 p.m. until midnight at West Roxbury Elks to honor locals who have made a difference in the Boston community.

PINCH

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The River unseen



Hyde Park Neighborhood Liaison Bryan Flynn lifts part of a motor scooter out of the Neponset River.

PHOTO BY: MATT MACDONALD

Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

The sixth Hyde Park Neponset River Fall Cleanup happened on Saturday, Sept. 23 from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

This year's event marked the last time that Cleanup founder Martha McDonough would be acting as main organizer. Although she plans to stay involved, she wants to take a step back.

On this overcast morning, however, there was no sign of that, as she moved back and forth among the different work groups assembling at the Martini Shell Park (1015 Truman Parkway), from the organization tent, to volunteers tending to canoes laid out on the grass, and then to others

assembling baggies of snacks, hand wipes, and rubber gloves at picnic tables, she was everywhere.

According to the plan, the group assembled – estimated at around 200 – would break down and report to a handful of different work stations along the banks of the Neponset, where they would spend until the early afternoon making a collective effort to clean it up.

Before heading out, David Borrus, Business Manager of Pile Drivers Local 56, assembles his 35 volunteers for a photo. This is the group's annual volunteer project and it is its fifth year participating. For Local 56, the marine construction specialists of the carpenter's union, the river is fa-

miliar to everyone in it.

"We've all worked on the Neponset, God knows."

I will be traveling downriver by canoe with McDonough but, before we go, she suggests that I take a ride up Truman Parkway to Meadow Road, where a group from McCrea's Candy has been dispatched to bag litter along the edge of the sprawling Fowl Meadow, in the shadow of the Blue Hills.

Arriving there, the nine person work group is unmistakable in its matching McCrea garb and light, white coveralls donned – as group leader Jim Lewis informed me – to protect against

Cleanup

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Allston Village Street Fair attracts thousands

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The 11th annual Allston Village Street Fair (AVSF) rocked the neighborhood on Sunday for six hours of music, bouncy houses, street performances and vendors.

The event is a celebration of what makes Allston special in the city, and thousands of residents came out to see the event.

Resident Jay Oppenheim said he had not been to the event before, but after seeing all the AVSF had to offer on Sunday, he definitely would come back.

"I look on the Boston Calendar all the time and it's a great source for everything in the city, and I've not been to



Thousands came out for the annual Allston Village Street Fair on Sunday to celebrate the neighborhood and take in some free local music.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

this before and I wanted to check it out," he said. "I've been to the Allston Village a bunch of times, but never to this. I like it a lot, there's great

music and vendors and samples and I would definitely come

Street Fair

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The Switch is on for art lovers



The Governance Committee at the Switch. From left to right: Larry Johnson, Tom Kenney, Scott Batey, David Dauer, Walter Marroquin, Michelle Green, and Jay Paget.

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Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

Next Wednesday, Oct. 4, the Switch Co-op will have its grand opening from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. at its gallery location at 21 Fairmount Ave. in Hyde Park.

Although opening softly since July, when the celebration begins, it will officially represent the culmination of a unique and ambitious project combining the ideas of a group of artists with the organizational clout and finances of Hyde Park Main Streets (HPMS).

The Switch, snug in its rectangular, high-ceilinged storefront location between restaurants and theaters on this busy

little stretch of Fairmount, is already brimming with art for sale: paintings on the wall, pottery on the shelves, jewelry in cases, fashion on the rack.

It's all created by the artists, mainly locals but also some who come from as far away as Hull, who pay a \$35 monthly fee and are willing to put in at least six hours a month staffing the gallery and helping it along in its day-to-day operations. There are 27 members right now and the only reason there aren't more is because there's barely any more space to display more work.

The word inclusive comes to mind, at least to Larry Johnson, who's on duty with fellow artist and Switch member Lin Samson one recent morning. Johnson, who has been on the Planning Committee for the past year, went into more detail about this philosophy.

"We don't care. Anybody's welcome. Because I've had this question: Do you have to be a member of the Hyde Park Art Association to be in the Switch? No. Do I have to be from Hyde Park? No. We don't care. We welcome everyone. And I think that's a good thing: we cross-pollinate very well," Johnson explained.

In addition to the more traditional visual arts and fashion, musicians and poets are also welcome, although in what capacity is still being figured out. But the key element is that it's open.

As Johnson is talking, a customer who has been in earlier returns while in the background, Samson is trying to figure out how to work the electronic cashbox to make change, finally interrupting to ask Johnson for help. There's a do this/do that/check the book exchange between the two as they try to figure out how to get the screen back to where it needs to be, until the salesperson's nightmare descends upon them.

According to HPMS Vice President Scott Batey, Hyde Park's is the only one of the 18-

19 Main Streets in the city promoting a co-op, and possibly the only one with a store. Involved with the project from the business side since its inception, he explained Main Streets' take on the Switch.

"Our goal was for this to be a separate entity, financially viable, and let the artists decide if it's going to take the form of a true co-op where the artists own the bottom line, positive or negative," Batey said.

It's a rainy Friday night and Batey is speaking just before the Governance Committee meeting during which grand opening plans will be discussed. There are half a dozen artists there with him, including musician Jay Paget, who will be playing improvised ambient music at the show, and Walter Marroquin, the painter whose brainchild the Switch is.

Marroquin thought back to the beginning, when nothing was in the store, except for a few pieces of paper on the wall describing what it would all eventually most likely look like.

"We were all scared because we thought we'd get five or 10 people," Marroquin recalled. "I think we got, like, 15-20 people to sign up... And from there, they bought in. They totally bought in."

David Dauer, standing behind the display case away from the meeting table, got at the Switch's appeal.

"Artists, generally, are always looking for a place," he said. "A place where your art will have a home, that will be seen over time. Those are transient. They happen and they go away... So you're not seen a lot unless you're good at self-promoting... So this allows them to have their work in a home that will hopefully be seen over time."

Counterbalancing that, Batey didn't need as many words to describe the Switch's local business appeal.

"It's a pretty easy sell in

Switch

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Hubway coming to Roslindale

Matthew Allen
Staff Reporter

The Boston Transportation Department (BTD) hosted a Hubway bike share Expansion Planning Workshop at the Archdale Community Center last Wednesday evening to discuss with local residents where to place the soon-to-be-developed bike share locations in the neighborhood.

The City of Boston has recently approved the development of 70 new bike share stations to take place over the next two years. This project is one of numerous outlined by “Go Boston 2030,” Boston’s long term transportation initiative.

For those unaware of the Hubway bike share system, it provides bicyclists with the ability to grab a bike at any share station location and then drop it off at their destination, therefore eliminating the worry of finding a place to safely park the rider’s bicycle.

Active Transportation Director at BTD’s Policy & Planning department Stefanie Seskin said that based off of this city’s bicyclist’s travel routes, the demand for station expansion is now.

“So, you might be asking, where is the demand for this,” Seskin said. “We spent a lot of

time looking at our ridership data, as well as other things like census information and where people are riding bikes. One key thing with Boston, along with a lot of other cities, is that there is a very strong commuter pattern. A lot of people are coming from the neighborhoods into the job centers on bikes, so a lot of bikes come into the job centers and then go back to the neighborhoods.”

Seskin said that through examining this commuter data, it was determined that more secure bicycle parking structures were needed.

“We now know that as we expand outwardly into the neighborhoods, we need to be adding more stations around the job centers and more in the neighborhoods,” Seskin said. “This way, you’ll always find a place to put your bike, and when you’re leaving work you’ll know you have a bike to take back.”

Seskin said that the design for the bike share stations used for Boston curtails the city’s ridership patterns accordingly.

“The typical bike share station is 51 feet long, six-feet wide with 19 docks,” Seskin said. “Nineteen docks is about right for Boston. Some of our stations are bigger or smaller than that.”

These posts also further enhance the “Greenness” of bicycling due to their running on solar power panels.

However, Seskin said, this does pose the added issue of needing the site’s spot to be somewhere with adequate sunlight.

“Our stations are all solar powered, including every station in the City of Boston,” Seskin said. “This means that we have to make sure there is enough light accessible where the location is to power itself. There are batteries at the stations and we swap them out when needed, but if we are swapping out the batteries every day, we really need to find a new location for that station.”

Besides sufficient lighting, some other features that make for a good station spot are flat lands, areas not blocking utilities and most of all, near the places people go.

For example, some of the suggestions thrown around for Roslindale were in the Roslindale Square, at or around Fallon Field and Roche Bros.

For anyone wanting to input their opinion on this matter, the next bike share community meeting will be on Oct. 26, at the Roslindale Community Center at 6 p.m.

Kids Really Rock coming to South Boston



Southie residents are gearing up for the fifth annual Kids Really Rock festival at the Lawn on D.

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Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The fifth annual Kids Really Rock (KRR) festival is returning to South Boston’s Lawn on D on Sunday at 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The event usually draws about 6,000 residents for an afternoon of family activities and music. Originally, the festival was set up to help bring a renewed sense of community after the 2013 Boston Marathon Bombing.

“I had just moved back to Boston and wanted to help

heal the city in the wake of the tragic events,” said founder Karen Kalafatas, who also performs at the festival as part of Karen K and the Jitterbugs. “I was inspired to create a family music event focused on kindness, community strength, and inclusion.”

In the first year, KRR garnered support from the local business community, volunteers and local performers and collected more than \$23,000 in donations for the One Fund. Now, the festival is branching

Rock

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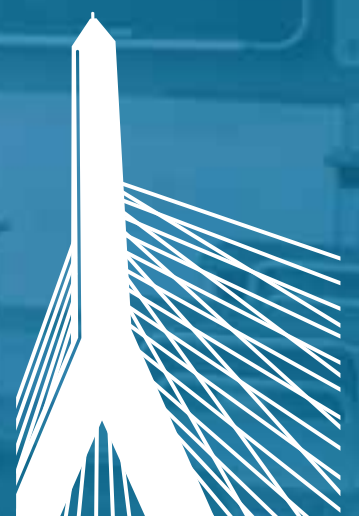
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Editorial

ACT TWO

There was a time, early in his term, where we might have bet money on the likelihood of Marty Walsh being a one-term mayor.

There was nothing singular or dramatic, so much as death by a thousand paper cuts. The ill-fated interpersonal connections behind the curtains of a Boston Grand Prix. A pro-union Mayor trapped between staffers, Teamsters, and attacks against the cast and crew of "Top Chef."

For a time, too long a time, gaffes outnumbered accomplishments. Walsh had the bumble of Menino with none of the bravado and acumen.

Things have changed, and decidedly so. Walsh is, post-primary, an odds-on favorite for reelection. He will now face longtime city councilor Tito Jackson in the final election.

Jackson, as things appear at present, probably isn't much of a threat. Despite our early concerns, the reality is that that being kicked out of the Mayor's office is probably harder than campaigning your way into it. People here are savvy and, if not necessarily patient, willing to stick with the familiar.

Jackson is no also-ran though. We can fully expect him to run a stimulating campaign and one that focuses on Boston's racial divide, and the split among its haves and have-nots. Affordable housing and educational equality will undoubtedly be stressed.

That is a very good thing thing. It would be immensely unfair to say that that Walsh is incapable of serving as a unifying force. Truth is that it's takes time to serve everyone as a Mayor for all people. This campaign, however, will give him a necessary test. Passing that test may not be the difference in winning or losing. It will, however, set the stage for how a second term will be judged.

We are not quite willing or able to breach the prospect of endorsing either candidate. We are quite fond of both, in all honesty. What we are cheering, at this point, is the campaign itself. Many important plans for Boston will thud down on the figurative table. The coming weeks may prove vital in revealing the city we want to be, and the place we will become.



Tito Jackson

Marty Walsh

Boston Prelim Election results

The preliminary results are in, and though Tito Jackson is now the official challenger for incumbent Mayor Marty Walsh, he has a long road ahead of him if the preliminary results are anything to go by. Walsh came in heavy with 62.53 percent of the vote at 34,869 votes, and Jackson came in with 29.06 percent of the vote at 16,202.

For District 1, Stephen Passacantilli will take on Lydia Edwards in the upcoming vote. For District 2, Ed Flynn and Michael Kelley will be facing off for Southie. For Jackson's old District 7, Kim Janey and Rufus Faulk will be running. For District 9, incumbent councilor Mark Ciommo will be facing Brandon Bowser.s

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JP's most unheralded person

On a sultry summer evening a National Park Ranger was escorting a group of people around Jamaica Pond, pointing out how this area was envisioned by Frederick Law Olmsted to be part of the Emerald Necklace.

Operating out of the NPS Olmsted National Historic Site in Brookline, Ranger Mark Swartz and his followers arrived at a tired, nondescript bench with a metal plate in the ground.

"Anybody know who this is?" asked the congenial and knowledgeable ranger.

No one knew, but the humble plate acknowledged Emily Greene Balch, who grew up on Prince Street - a Jackie Bradley throw from where we now huddled.

Balch, we were soon informed, had won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1946. The downside was that she received no congratulations from the U.S. government. The official U.S. had long regarded her as a dangerous radical.

A graduate of Bryn Mawr but having also taken courses at Harvard, sociologist Balch studied the living conditions of workers, child labor, immigrants, minorities, and women. In 1896 she became a member of the faculty



My Kind of Town/ Joe Galeota

at Wellesley College, where she taught for decades.

An original "peacenik," she declared herself a socialist as early as in 1906. Soon to become a member of various international peace organizations, she lobbied to keep the United States from entering WWI. Whether this was an admirable position to take is for historians to debate.

When America joined the war, anti-war campaigner Balch was regarded as a dangerous dissident.

She took her religion seriously and spoke frequently of Jesus' way. After Wellesley College ter-

minated her, she converted from Unitarianism and became a Quaker.

During World War I she worked with the 1931 Peace Prize Laureate Jane Addams to persuade the heads of state of neutral countries to intervene to stop the war. She must have been able to envision a smidgeon of the horror so graphically depicted in Ken Burns' Vietnam epic to those of us who were never in war.

But the horrors of Nazism, worse than those of war, caused Balch to do an about-face and change her strong pacifistic views during WWII and to defend fundamental human rights.

Even after receiving the Peace Prize in 1946 at the age of 79, Miss Balch continued, despite frail health, to participate in the cause to which she had dedicated herself in earlier years.

She died in Cambridge at age 94.

If the city is going to erect a statue honoring Rev. King, a Nobel Prize recipient - deservedly so because of his attendance at Boston University, among other more notable accomplishments - perhaps it similarly should honor Jamaica Plain's most unknown resident, also a Nobel Prize recipient decades earlier.

Letters to the Editor

A LOT FOR BTD TO CONSIDER

To the Editor:

Thank you to the Bulletin for the story on the recent Charles River/Spring Valley Neighborhood Association meeting and for quoting me accurately, which sometimes has not been the case. I cannot emphasize enough that while we voted not to oppose the proposed medical marijuana dispensary for 1524 VFW Parkway by Beacon, we wanted it in the writing in the clearest of terms that Beacon cannot decide at a later time to add a recreational component to their operations at that site. If Bea-

con does not agree to that in writing, we will oppose it.

I read the article last week, "BTD Focuses on Centre Street Improvement" and agree with the online comment regarding the YMCA entrance on Centre Street. I hope West Roxbury Main Streets will read these types of comments and forward them on to BTM. While it is good that BTM is looking at Centre Street and the VFW Parkway, BTM also needs to look into the streets that feed into it: Belgrade Avenue and Spring Street.

BTM needs to review how recent developments approved by the ZBA are going to impact the Cen-

tre Street area. I think, especially, of the multi-residential development where the gas station used to be on Belgrade Ave. I was not a supporter of the proposal, but it got ZBA approval.

Spring Street, in my opinion, is long overdue for a reconstruction. By reconstruction I mean not just repaving the street; it also needs improved crosswalks and lighting. If I had my way I'd put the wires underground like on Centre Street. I know the last suggestion may be too expensive a proposition, but it deserves a mention.

Stephen Smith
West Roxbury

Sonia's Run hits West Roxbury for ninth year



Hundreds of residents came out on Saturday for the ninth annual Sonia's Run 5K. The run was created to honor Sonia Daly Belcher, a cofounder of the Theophany School in Needham. Belcher died in 2008 from an unknown heart condition, but hundreds came out in her memory to support her ideal of education.

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The Department's Coordinated Program Review will address the following programs: Special Education, Civil Rights, and English Learner Education. After reviewing school procedures for these programs, a Department team will make its onsite visit, during which it will review individual student records, interview administrators, teachers and paraprofessional staff, survey parents, and observe instructional spaces. After the onsite visit, it will prepare a report for the Executive Director and Board of Trustees, with detailed findings for each program.

Using a scale of ratings ranging from "Commendable" to "Not Implemented," the report will rate the implementation of each requirement reviewed by the Department. Where requirements are found not implemented or only partially implemented, the school must propose to the Department corrective action to bring those areas into compliance with statutes and regulations. Districts and schools are encouraged to incorporate the corrective action into their district and school improvement plans and professional development plan. The school will be provided with technical assistance from the Department in developing a corrective action plan. Both the Department's report and the corrective action plan are public information and will be available to the public upon request. Program Review Final Reports are also available on the Department's Internet website at <http://www.doe.mass.edu/pqa/review/cpr/reports/>.

Any member of the public may request to be interviewed by telephone by a member of the Department's visiting team. Those wishing to be interviewed should call Sharon Liszanckie, Executive Director at 617-910-5352 no later than October 6 to leave their name and phone number, or they may call the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education at (781) 338-3727. A member of the visiting team will contact each person desiring an interview within two weeks after the completion of the onsite visit. If an individual is not comfortable communicating in English or requires some other accommodation, the Department will make arrangements to communicate appropriately with the individual.

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24th JP Open Studios a hit



Thousands of residents and hundreds of artists celebrated the Jamaica Plain Open Studios over the weekend.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Over the course of this past weekend, hundreds of artists opened their homes to the public in Jamaica Plain for the 2017 Jamaica Plain Open Studios.

The event is part of a citywide initiative that brings artists and residents together in a more intimate setting. Many residents who may not consider themselves art gallery goers have an opportunity to go and see what's getting made and created right in their own backyard (or their neighbor's backyard, more specifically).

Neighborhoods all over the city take part in the Open Studios events, which are staggered throughout the year based primarily on how many

artists are in each neighborhood. More than 150 local artists participated in the event this year to show off their work and what they can do. Mediums of any and every kind were on tap for residents to check out and buy.

Resident Susan Peloquin said she came all the way up from Providence, R.I. to see the event, at the cajoling of some of her friends.

"They coerced me to come, but they didn't have to try too hard though," she said.

Her friend, Nancy Waters, who said she was originally from New York, said it's been a tradition for her and her friends for many years since she moved up here.

"I've been here for many years and I really enjoy coming, it's a nice day for it too," she said. "It's almost always a nice day and there's a good group of artists."

Residents Josh Galloway and Stacie Jackson said they had just recently moved to the neighborhood from New York, and felt that this was the perfect opportunity to meet their neighbors and get a feel

for the community. "This is our first time, we just moved here in August," he said. "It's kind of like New York. We live right over there and it was a great way to see our neighborhood."

Jackson said she herself was a fan of the arts and wanted to see what the neighborhood had to offer.

"I always scope for arts and culture as an arts fan so this was great," she said.

Artist Alicia Fessenden said she's been displaying her work for years now during the event, and said she participates in a group display at the First Baptist JP Church. She said doing a group site is difficult for her, but usually successful.

"I'm a teacher, and you might think I'm crazy to do a full weekend sale in September, but it's worth it," she said.

Fessenden said the event itself is a mad dash of rushes and lulls in the action when it comes to residents, but she really enjoys it.

"It's a really hectic and fun weekend, and I love talking to people," she said.

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350 apartments in three buildings proposed for 125 Amory

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

The 200-page Project Notification Form (PNF) for 125 Amory St. development was submitted to the BPDA on Sept. 18 that proposes a small village on the six-acre site of Boston Housing Authority (BHA) Amory Apartments.

Amory Street Partners, the familiar trio of The Community Builders, submitted the PNF. Jamaica Plain NDC and Urban Edge were designated developers by the BHA on Nov 9, 2015.

It is a three-part program will, if on schedule, take four years to build. The project proposal includes the renovation of the existing six-story apartment building

of 199 units for senior and disabled residents, construction of three new apartment buildings from four to six stories and landscaping of plazas, lawns, and connecting greenway.

The design team is Icon Architects and Copley Wolf Landscape Architects. Three hundred and fifty new rental units are proposed in the three new buildings with one 115 below-grade parking spaces. The total development cost is \$150 million.

In 2012 Congress authorized the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Rental Assistance Demonstration Program (RAD) that allowed housing authorities to form public private partnerships to leverage operating and capital financ-

ing for public housing. BHA selected 125 Amory St. in part because it had available land to develop. The other RAD development in Jamaica Plain is Mildred Hailey Apartments; on Aug. 9, 2017 Centre Street Partners (the same trio as at Amory Street) was designated to develop a portion of Mildred Hailey with 625 market rate and subsidized apartments in five new buildings.

The new buildings at 125 Amory St. will be sandwiched around the existing six-story apartment building; the largest building, A, is six stories opposite Dimock Street facing the approved seven-story Watermark Horizons Building. Building A will have 157 apartments; 37 of which will be marketed at 70 per-



The proposal at 125 Amory St. will create hundreds of new units in Jamaica Plain.

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cent area median income (AMI, about \$62,000 for a three-person household).

Building B, also six stories, will be set at the rear will face the proposed Stony Brook Greenway, which planned to link Atherton Street with Amory Avenue and 250 Centre Street. Building B will have one hundred forty units, thirty-five at 70 percent AMI. The smallest is Building C, a four-story building behind the two story, woodframe houses on Atherton Street. Planned by Urban Edge, it will have 63 all-affordable units at 60 percent AMI.

The first part of the development will be the rehabilitation of all 190 subsidized apartments in the 125 Amory building; there will be ten additional apartments added. Most of the residents – 85 percent- earn less than 30 percent AMI and the BHA Request for Proposals in 2015 insisted on the preservation of these deep subsidies. Renovation of 125 Amory will be done by TCB and JPNDC and proposed to begin in 2018.

Development of the 125 Amory building will be done jointly by TCB and JPNDC. TCB will ultimately own and manage the building but BHA will retain land use ownership.

JPNDC has organized the public outreach. In the wake of the PNF filing it has begun an on-line petition drive to build community support.

There have been three community meetings since July 2016 and many meetings over eighteen months with the Amory Apartments Tenants Task Force.

The community meetings have been relatively polite gatherings of two groups- neighbors and building residents- both seeing the development from different angles.

The tenants were eager to get new apartments although at first concerned about displacement; the BHA immediately reassured all tenants that this was their home. The tenants turned to the common areas they wanted preserved and enlarged like their patio for barbecues and the Amory Street sitting area.

The PNF goes into great length to describe the new

greenspace around the new buildings; 30 percent of the area would be open for passive use including the Stony Brook Greenway and a wide open interior lawn and a new and a new plaza for 125 Amory residents.

The PNF invokes Plan/ JP Rox twice; the amount of greenspace and height and density are consistent with the guidelines.

The PNF also states that it exceeds both the city's Inclusionary Development Policy and Plan/JP Rox in affordability levels; 135 apartments will be income based at 30 to 70 percent AMI.

Neighbors were concerned about density and parking.

Amory Partners maintain that the design provides sufficient on-site parking. The design has set backs of the six-story buildings to relieve massing consistent with the Plan/ JPRox Density Bonus Area in which 125 Amory St. fits and there are private interior roads.

Parking and interior private roads make up the interior design of the six-acre site. There will be 142 additional parking spaces; some of these will be built on MBTA land for which a surface easement will be required (as at 250 Centre St.). The Stony Brook Greenway will stretch behind both Building B and The PACE Senior Center that will remain.

The three new interior private roads and the greenway will allow access through the site as well as provide north south access from Atherton Street to Amory Avenue and across to the Jackson Square III road which abuts Boston Community Ventures land. This will provide for the first time a walkway- bikeway from Centre St to Atherton Street; a public greenway built by three social housing agencies.

The PNF now triggers the Article 80 Review to be scheduled by the BPDA. The pace of that public process, the private city agency reviews and the BPDA and Zoning Board of Appeals dates will determine the next steps of securing financing and scheduling construction. Completion date for the three new buildings is planned for 2021.

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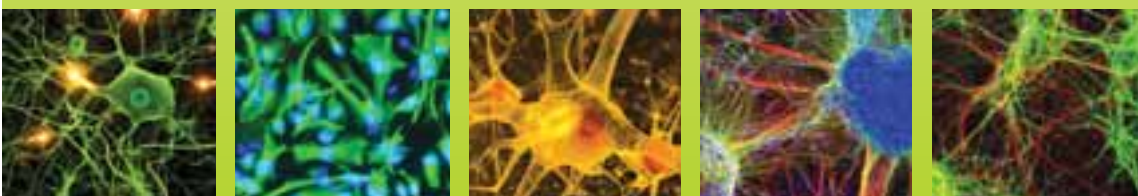
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Hyde Park Historical Society visits the Civil War monuments controversy

Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

The Hyde Park Historical Society met in Weld Hall of the Hyde Park branch of the Boston Public Library on Saturday afternoon, Sept. 16 for its monthly meeting.

Featured on its agenda was Civil War historian Kevin Levin, who spoke on the Civil War monuments controversy that has been building recently, primarily in the South.

Working with a PowerPoint presentation, Levin started off by bringing up a photograph of the 50-foot tall equestrian statue of Robert E. Lee dedicated in Charlottesville, Va. with 150,000 in attendance in 1890.

“These monuments are erected at a time when only white Southerners are making decisions as to what to remember about their history,” Levin said.

Levin connected this – and the recent murder of a woman in that city by white nationalists – to the ongoing controversy playing out now in the South but also in the national court of public opinion.

“Why is this so in the news right now?” he asked. “Why is this so divisive? It’s because many of the residents of this city, and other southern cities, never had an opportunity to make their voices heard about how to remember the Civil War.”

The majority of Levin’s nearly hour long presentation concentrated on the history and context of the time periods when these monuments went up, and more specifically on the changing inter-

pretations of the Civil War itself as time went on after the war’s end in 1865.

“I guarantee you, what you learned about the Civil War when you were in the eighth grade or high school is completely different from what students today are learning,” he said. “That’s not good or bad... All I’m suggesting is that’s going to change how students see monuments.”

Although Levin referred to a couple of other Confederate monuments, such as the Gettysburg battlefield in Pennsylvania to bolster his argument, he also focused on a few Civil War monuments here in Boston to get at these ideas of agendas and changing interpretations.

Boston’s only Confederate monument – located at Fort Warren on George’s Island in Boston Harbor – memorializes the 13 CSA prisoners of war who died there and was placed there by the United Daughters of the Confederacy in 1963 – the height of the Civil Rights Movement – when there was another Confederate monument push. The first had been between roughly 1880-1940.

As Levin explained, it was put there by the United Daughters of the Confederacy, whose goal when it was founded in the 1890s was “to do one thing: make sure that every generation of young white southerner... would not forget the sacrifice of the men who had gone to the grave during the War.”

The marker is currently boarded up, with the debate ongoing about what to do with it and

under whose jurisdiction it falls.

Levin spent more time on two other monuments in the city in close proximity to each other: Park Square’s copy of the Emancipation Memorial (the original of which is in Washington, D.C.) and Beacon Hill’s Robert Gould Shaw Memorial. In commenting on them, he circled back to the act of remembrance versus reality. Speaking of the first monument and complaints about it – some of the first which were made by Frederick Douglass in his dedication of the original – Levin cited personal experience.

“I took my father there a couple of weeks ago and he said, ‘It looks like the man is shining Lincoln’s shoes.’ And I had to say, ‘Well, it kind of does,’” he said.

Regarding the famous Shaw Memorial – the only Civil War monument until the end of the 1990s to commemorate its black soldiers – he added this about Beacon Hill which before the War had been the center of Boston’s black community.

“As this monument was being dedicated in 1897, the African American community was being pushed off this land,” he said. “As the city is dedicating this incredible monument to black bravery, the black community on the back side of Beacon Hill is being pushed away.”

In finishing those comments, Levin made this connection to some of the earlier points in his presentation.

“Boston becomes, by 1900, a segregated city, not unlike many Southern cities. So the monu-



The Emancipation Memorial in Park Square.

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ments celebrate, on the one hand, but there’s also a tension there, in terms of what’s happening below the scene,” he said.

He left the audience with this thought on the monuments and the controversy.

“These questions about monuments – what they should look like, who they should celebrate – to me, that’s democracy in action,” Levin said. “What should our communities look up to? What are those things that bind us together as members of a community? Sometimes these can be really difficult

questions.”

Kevin Levin’s website, Civil War Memory, can be found at this address: www.cwmemory.com.

In some of business of note, the motion was approved to form a committee to look into registering the Historical Society for 501(c) (3) status.

The Society’s new website is also up and running. Its address is www.hydeparkhistoricalsociety.org.

The next HPHS meeting is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 21, in the Library’s Menino Hall.

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Doris L. (Clark) Of Hyde Park, Sept. 18. Beloved wife of the late Ronald E. Beaudry. Devoted mother of David Beaudry and his wife Zdena of Attleborough, Richard Beaudry and his wife Midge of Millis, Judith Norton and her husband Patrick of Weymouth, and the late Ronald E. Beaudry Jr. Mother in law of Shirley Beaudry of Scituate. Sister of Carol Geary and Sheila Bernard of Weymouth. Grandmother to nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Also survived by nieces and nephews. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at Most Precious Blood Church, 37 Maple St., Hyde Park. Visiting hours was held at the Laughlin, Nichols & Pennacchio Funeral Home, 34 Oak St., HYDE PARK.

BELLO

Jerome J. "Jerry" Died peacefully at his home in West Roxbury on Sept. 16 at the age of 71. Jerry is survived by his wife, Elizabeth "Betsy" Gaquin, his daughter Heather Bello Thornhill and her husband Matthew Thornhill of Boston, his son John Bello also of West Roxbury, and his sister Teresa Bello Holly of Malden.

He is preceded in death by his father, Joseph Bello and his mother Santa (Barbara) Bello of Roslindale. Jerry was born on Sept. 23, 1945 in Boston, Mass. He was a graduate of Boston Latin School and received both his Bachelor of Arts degree and Masters in Education at Boston College. After tenures with The City of Boston and the Mass Department of Revenue, Jerry began a long career as a legal administrator, contributing to the success of several Boston law firms including Mahoney, Hawkes & Goldings, Keegan & Werlin LLP, and Shilepsky Hartley Robb Casey Michon, LLP. Jerome also volunteered for many local organizations including the Massachusetts chapter of The Dante Alighieri Society, the Ethos Center of Jamaica Plain, and The Finex House, Boston's shelter for battered women with disabilities. Calling were held at the Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. A Funeral Mass was at St. Theresa of Avila Church, 2078 Centre St., West Roxbury. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to The Finex House (<http://www.finexhouse.org/donate-finex-house.htm> or P.O. Box 1154, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130.

COONEY

Corrine E. (D'Entremont) Of Sophia Snow House, West Roxbury, longtime resident and former "Mayor" of Roslindale passed away on Sept. 18, 2017. Beloved wife of the late Joseph J. Cooney. Devoted mother of Shawn Cooney and his wife Connie of Marblehead, Tom Cooney and his wife Mary of South Boston, and Greg Cooney and his wife Kathy of Hampton, N.H. Loving grandmother of Nerissa Cooney and her husband Sam Beebe, Sarah Sokol and her husband Julius, and Gus, Timon, Lauren and Matt Cooney. Sister of the late Hubert and Richard D'Entremont. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. Longtime employee of Bank of Boston, Roslindale. Former volunteer at the Faulkner Hospital and with the Sacred Heart Church Band. Funeral Service was in the P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, 2000 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. Interment was at New Calvary Cemetery. Directions and guestbook @ pemmurrayfuneral.com. P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins George F. Doherty & Sons West Roxbury 617 325 2000

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back." Resident Carlitta Ruiz said she has brought her family to the event a few times before, and though she felt it could have some more kid-friendly events – as she had five or six children in tow – coming out was definitely worth it.

"We've come to this a couple of times," she said. "It's really good, it's not super, kid-wise, but it's alright. We're actually going to be going to a birthday party, and we thought we'd come out to see what it was like and since last time we got all our faces painted, we came to get them again."

Local artist SD Ryan said she had not been to an open air art display like the AVSF before, but she really enjoyed the atmosphere in the neighborhood. She said residents definitely responded to her art and she would come back next year.

"I heard about it through an-

other fair that I do and it sounded like a super fun event with music and food and I've never come to it before so it sounded exciting," she said. "This is my first open air event and I'm having a great time, I'm meeting lots of wonderful people, it's such a great neighborhood."

PassMassAmendments.org was also represented at the fair for a petition to reduce out-of-state money in local Massachusetts elections. The group is dedicated to amending the Massachusetts State Constitution to revoke the current federal legislation that states corporations are people, money is free speech and that allows for dark money and super PACs to exist.

Terra Friedrich said they were campaigning at the event specifically to reduce out-of-state money in local elections, and she said they were getting a lot of good feedback.

"The legislature is pretty

comfortable the way things are and the money keeps coming in so why would they stop it unless we stop them?" she said. "The way to do it is to get the signatures, get the calls and letters coming in and have pressure going on with people in the street, so that people in the street know that it's possible and that's why we're here. A lot of people are told that it's not possible and they believe it."

Friedrich added the Allston community is very politically-minded.

"We come here every year, and last year it was corporations are not people, money is not speech, and this year is out of state money," she said.

Bands such as Light Of Fire, The House On Cliff, No/Hugs, Threat Level Burgundy, Brunt of It, The Womps, Modern Day Idols, and Kyle Bent took the two stages to rock out for the event, and street performances included the Imperial Lion Dance Team, Bloco Afro Brazil, Snake Dance Theater, Lou The BalLOunist and several face painters.

Many residents also took part in a public art mural on the AVSF public art street located on Farrington Avenue, a tradition that has been ongoing since 2007.

Correction

In last week's West Roxbury edition, it was incorrectly stated that the annual Kiwanis Auction is set for Nov. 4, when it is in fact scheduled for Nov. 4. It also stated that Sean Brennan was the Vice President of the organization, when he is in fact the current president of the West Roxbury Roslindale Kiwanis.

Home for Little Wanderers starts discussion for redevelopment

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

About a dozen residents came out to the Home for Little Wanderers (HLW) in Roslindale last week to hear the preliminary plans for the redevelopment of the site on American Legion Highway.

The plan is to install a new office building at the current eastern parking lot, tear down the old building and put in about 100 units of residential rental and condominium units to pay for the renovation. The new office would also include 30 low-to-moderate-income units for families and recipients of a program for the HLW that houses and coaches young adults from the foster care program that have aged-out. HLW's Rene York said the current building is in dire need of repair, and though originally they set out to see what it would cost to repair it, she said the ultimate decision was made to renovate. She said the cost to fix the current building ended up being more than \$1 million.

"And that was just putting a band aid on it," she said.

She and developer Duane Jackson presented the preliminary plans for a redevelopment. Both said nothing has been set in stone, and they wanted to work with the community to get input on what the facility should be.

Jackson said the current massing for the development

would put a new building in place of the current HLW site for the 100 units at six stories from the American Legion Highway grade. It would actually be shorter from the side of Canterbury Street, since the site slopes up. Jackson said he wants to put the upper floors on a platform above the first floor to allow for about 130 spaces of total parking on the site, 85 of which would be dedicated to the new housing.

Some residents balked at this number, saying there were not enough spaces for the proposed units. Residents Joe Russo, Rick Yoder and Lisa Beatman all said they were weary of new rental units proposed for the neighborhood.

"Have you looked at or talked with the group that wants to build the 130 units down the street?" said Russo. "I've been through this many, many times. What I'm looking at is an area here which is probably one of the hottest areas in the city, where people who have purchased homes here and have kept their homes up now all of a sudden in an area like this we are going away from the owner-occupied and into rental. How much does that affect the community when you're talking about the community?"

Yoder said owners are needed in any community because those who are financially invested tend to become more invested in the community.

"The owners are the ones

that take an interest in the community, solve the problems and that's why we need more of them," he said. "We were pretty upset with (289) Walk Hill, which initially, we were told these are condos and they responded to some of our needs and suddenly they're all rentals. A promise was revised, and that's what makes us wary. As these progress we need to have some better assurances that the owner units will remain the owner units and it won't flop over."

Beatman said she was concerned about the workforce housing units and the foster care aged-out program. The program is designed to help young adults who do not have the support structure of a family get a foothold in a career while under supervision of the HLW program. Beatman said though she felt that the increase from eight beds now to a potential 30 could be a step too far, since there are no recreational facilities in the immediate area.

"This area has very poor public transportation, no recreational facilities, no parks and no places for good jobs or universities," she said. "It doesn't seem to me to be a prime location other than the crisis management life coaching parts of it to have folks come to have all of those things. One thing is that we do want that entertained

Wanderers

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HANSON

Maureen E. (Handren) Of West Roxbury, Sept. 21, 2017. Beloved wife of Mark R. Hanson. Loving sister of John Handren and his wife Beth of Peabody, Barbara Eid and her husband George of West Roxbury. Devoted aunt of Lauren, Kaylen, George, Laura, Colleen and Kelly. Funeral was from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. A Funeral Mass was in St. Theresa Church. Interment was at St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, remembrances in Maureen's name may be made to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168.

LEVY

Winsome A. (Page) "Annie" Of Roslindale, formerly of Roxbury and Grantham, Jamaica, Sept. 14, 2017. Beloved wife of Derrick Levy. Loving mother of Sheldon of Dorchester, Derrick, BPD and his wife Liz of

Dorchester, Deneen, Denise and Danielle all of Roslindale. Visitation was held at the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St. Visitation was held at Emmanuel Temple Pentecostal Church, 471 Warren St., Roxbury. A Funeral Service was at the Church. Burial was at Forest Hills Cemetery.

SULLIVAN

Denis P. Of West Roxbury Sept. 17, 2017. Beloved husband of Myrna Sullivan. Loving father of Catherine and Kiernan. Loving father-in-law of Corey Sullivan. Devoted grandfather of Anthony, Madeleine, and Charlotte. Loving brother of Catherine, John and the late Nora. A Funeral Mass was celebrated in the Holy Name Church. Visiting hours was in The Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. Interment was private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his memory to the charity of your

choice. www.lawlerfuneralhome.com Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home

WALLACE

Margaret Mary Of West Roxbury, formerly of Roslindale, passed away on Sept. 23, 2017. Beloved daughter of the late Christopher and Margaret (Healy) Wallace. Devoted sister of the late Barbara (Wallace) Ryan and Maria (Wallace) Bowen. Loving aunt of Linda Vitiello of Scituate, Bill Bowen of Mansfield, Mary Ryan of Leominster, Kathleen Ryan of Barrington, N.H., and Colleen Ryan of Nashua, N.H. Also survived by several great nieces and nephews. A Funeral Mass was held in Sacred Heart Lower Church, Roslindale. Interment was at New Calvary Cemetery, Mattapan. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made, in Peggy's memory, to The Ethos Nutrition Program, 555 Amory St., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130.

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munity.

The night will feature recipients from all over Boston, including Jamaica Plain's Doyle's Cafe owner Gerry Burke Jr. for the Paul McLaughlin We Will Always Remember Award, Jim Hennigan of Hennigan Insurance in West Roxbury for the Brigadier General William J. Gormley III Civic Spirit Award and West Roxbury residents Ross and Jen Birch for the You are the ONE: Outstanding Neighbors Everyday Award.

"We are more pleased than ever with the way the community has responded to our fundraising efforts. This year's event promises to be a full house. Everyone's interest reflects an impressive, kind, and generous spirit. We are beyond grateful," said Frank Sullivan, P.I.N.C.H. Foundation President.

P.I.N.C.H. Foundation Executive Board member Lisa Sullivan said this year's awards night should be better than ever.

"Congratulations to this year's honorees," she said. "They are more than deserving of such recognition. We are looking forward to a successful evening, for an important cause."

Hennigan said he was not expecting the honor and was very humbled by the presentation.

"I think it's a great honor number one, the P.I.N.C.H., run by Frank and (P.I.N.C.H. Foundation Executive Board mem-

ber) Lisa (Sullivan) have been doing this for many, many years, so to be included in the many people who have been honored is a very good thing," he said. "I'm very proud of that and honored that they selected."

Hennigan said he's been to a number of the awards nights in the past and that he's definitely looking forward to the experience.

"I am excited to go to the event, I've been several times over the years," he said. "It's a great opportunity to honor multiple people because there are other deserving awardees that evening so to be in that group and will be a very great time."

Ross Birch said he was very humbled by the award for he and his wife. They both volunteer regularly for the community, as he coaches teams for the Parkway Little League, Parkway Flag Football and the Parkway Youth Hockey League. He said his wife Jen volunteers at the four schools their children attend as well.

"She's regularly volunteering and putting time in at events at each of those schools as much as we can – they've all played Parkway Youth Hockey and flag [football] and I've been a coach there involved too," he said, adding that he's been in the neighborhood his whole life. "It's a nice honor, but personally I'd hardly put it in the outstanding category for what we do. But if you're going to be recognized by your neighbors it's definitely nice to have it in a neighborhood that means so much to you."

Birch said the community has always meant a lot to him, and he's always tried to give back.

"It's the people that are around working with each other," he said. "A lot of people have families that go back generations here - mine does, and that's always been important to me. We grew roots and it gets tougher and tougher to leave."

This year, Boston Police Department Commissioner William Evans will be receiving the Jack Leary Quiet Leadership Award, presented by Boston Mayor Marty Walsh. Evans said those organizations like P.I.N.C.H. are what make Boston special, and he is excited to be among those receiving recognition.

"It's an honor to be recognized by an organization like P.I.N.C.H. that celebrates the importance of people helping people in our neighborhoods," he said. "For several years the P.I.N.C.H. Foundation has celebrated and honored individuals who put a priority on giving back and contributing to the greater good, and it is these people and this philosophy that make living in Boston the special experience it is. I'm proud to be among those that have received this award."

P.I.N.C.H. was started by Frank Sullivan after in 1979 he was shot three times, twice in the head and one in the arm. He survived after eight hours of surgery from the Boston New England Medical Center, and he said he would not have been able to rebuild his life without the support of his family, friends and community. Sullivan then channeled that experience to form P.I.N.C.H., and has been giving back to the community that brought him back ever since.

For more information and tickets, go to pinchfoundation.org.

MHMC talks Taco Bell

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Mount Hope Mount Canterbury Neighborhood Association (MHMC) met recently and discussed several issues facing the American Legion neighborhood.

Firstly, MHMC member Rick Yoder said they are again looking for residents to sign a petition against the installation of a new Taco Bell at the site behind the Wendy's at 530 American Legion Highway. Residents contend that with seven fast food restaurants already on that one little stretch of road, the neighborhood has enough places to eat. Residents are also concerned that the proposed drive thru would generate more trash, as the neighborhood is already inundated with discarded bags and other materials from the current fast food locations.

"Last year we had 67 residents vote against it," said Yoder. "They want to come back and try to do it anyway. We have a strategy for winning on this but we need help. There's lots of little tasks to do and we need to get them all done, so we need volunteers for committees. We have to keep up the opposition; we can't go to sleep on this. We have 375 signatures now of people who live around here. I'd like to see 500."

Residents have said in the past they also want more healthy options for younger residents, particularly those at the neighboring Haley Pilot School. Many parents from the school said they are already concerned about the number of fast food options around the area.

The fight for the Taco Bell will be at the Boston Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA), since the proponents of the Taco Bell will need a variance to get a drive thru. Office of Neighborhood Services Roslindale Representative Dan Murphy said he will keep residents in the loop at the status of the proposal so residents know when the matter will be discussed in the ZBA.

"At this point I'm just waiting for a refusal letter to be generated by the (Inspectional Services Department) to see the list of variances that they're looking to go to the community with in their effort to get support for their project," Murphy said.

State Rep. Russell Holmes said the traffic light currently going up on American Legion at the Dunkin' Donuts will be completed by the end of the year. Murphy added that there will be security cameras installed at that location to help crack down on the street racing problem in the area.

"We want that to help with getting information on people that are participating in that sort of activity in the neighborhood," Murphy said. "We're having ongoing communications with the property management of the strip mall on American Legion Highway to help try to get them to help out more with the security issues over there."

Holmes said the light itself will be installed by 2018, but that's all the construction company has promised at this time. He added though it will likely be operational before that time.



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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

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PROJECT PROPONENT:

Weiner Ventures LLC

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

This is a Public Meeting to discuss updates to the 1000 Boylston Street proposed project and also updates to the zoning of the project site.

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Boston, MA 02201

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out to other nonprofits around the city and this year will be donating its proceeds to the Horizons for Homeless Children group, which KRR states is leading the fight to alleviate the trauma and stress of homelessness for both homeless children and their families in Boston and the greater Massachusetts area through early education centers, play-space programming, family partnership and policy and advocacy in the local government. Horizons has three locations in Boston and raises and appropriates \$14,842 per year per homeless family.

"Each year, with support of the city, state, and our corporate partners we have been able to grow the festival into an even more spectacular event. With a great lineup and super-fun activities, I could not be more excited for what's in store this October," said Kalafatas.

This year's performers include Latin Grammy Award winner Mister G; Grammy Award nominee Alastair Mook, local favorites Karen K & the Jitterbugs, Josh & the Jamtones, Ben Rudnick & Friends, Debbie & Friends, Vanessa Trien and the Jumping Monkeys, The Stacey Peasley Band, and Matt Heaton and the Outside Toys. Hip-hop artist MC Kabir and the Mr. Aaron Band entertain at the Kids Really Rock after party.

Street performer and Boston icon Keytar Bear will also be performing, and the day will feature kids activities including bracelet making with Jewish Community Centers of Greater Boston; a giant Play-Doh station; an interactive musical playground; a big brown box play area with Little Red House Productions, Tinyropolis: A Tabletop Community with The Discovery Museums, and more.

Cleanup *continued from page 1*



Volunteers from McCrea's Candies collect trash at the edge of Fowl Meadow as part of the annual Hyde Park Neponset River Cleanup.

PHOTO BY: MATT MACDONALD

ticks. Volunteers who – in this group, at least, sign a release – step gingerly into the long grass of the Meadow, plucking bottles, cans, and other trash, and depositing them in bags that, when filled, will be left on the side of the road to be picked up by a DCR (Department of Conservation and Recreation) truck. Upon leaving, Lewis has a request.

“Don’t forget to say that Katsiroubas Bros. provided the fruit.”

Back at Martini Park a half hour later, only a small group of organizers remain, keeping an eye on things until volunteers make their way back in the early afternoon.

McDonough, Carol Hayes, and I put on life jackets, carry a canoe down the launch steps, and are on our way, with Hayes rowing up front, McDonough rowing in back, and me sitting in the middle of the canoe. Our destination is the farthest extent of the Cleanup: where West St. meets the River.

The Neponset cuts through a decent section of Hyde Park but goes largely unseen by its residents. With this lack of visibility, there is a lack of awareness.

This could be said with regards to the obvious need for this Cleanup, but it can also be said in much more personal terms regarding my own ignorance of where the river actually runs. As we passed under familiar bridges and past buildings, from this new perspective – traffic and trains buffered and made invisible by a canopy of trees – my old, familiar neighborhood became completely new and stimulating.

At our first stop – somewhere behind Easton Avenue – a rusted axle jutted out of the shallow water near the bank. McDonough stared at it, musing:

“This is the piece – for all six years – I’ve been trying to get out... with no luck.” She calls to a nearby canoe, “Jeremy!”

In the conversation that follows, the possibility of hauling the piece out with a tow cable is broached and nixed: the near side presents trespassing issues and the far side presents the possibility of snagging the axle on the riverbed and snapping the line. The axle stays where it is.

A chainsaw cuts through the relative peacefulness of the river as we glide toward the B Street Bridge. According to McDonough, it’s historic – built by Carnegie – with the names of Hyde Park’s Selectmen (from

back when it was still a town) memorialized in it. A crew is in the water, sawing up a section of felled tree while another group, atop the bridge, hoists sections of it up and over its railing for removal.

With B Street just behind us, McDonough spots a rusted shopping cart camouflaged in the bank.

“We’ve pulled out a lot of carts over the years, but we all missed this one.”

Hundreds of shopping carts have been extracted from the River over the six years of the Cleanup, and are part of every tally – no matter who gives it – of items surrendered by it.

Our canoe approaches the bank behind another house on Easton Avenue; it is strewn with paint buckets, mop handles, a transmission, and other trash. Later, on our way back, McDonough will stop a volunteer who is removing some: she intends to bring it to the attention of the state police.

At the confluence of the Neponset and the Mother Brook, we are informed that there’s a dead pig floating in the river by the railroad bridge that nobody knows what to do with. The finds so far include – in addition to the pig and the shopping carts – two car seats, a motorized winch, some rugs, and a loaded gun.

After passing under Fairmount Avenue, we approach the bank behind 605 Truman Parkway.

McDonough pointed at the top of the bank, “I just want you to see how they like to compost.”

Through the barbed wire chain link fence, a pile of trash half its height pressed against it, a layer of mulch topping it off.

She calls over to Hyde Park Neighborhood Liaison Bryan Flynn – in another canoe – to row over for a look.

After Flynn discusses this with McDonough, the canoes continue on together to search for a motor scooter that is supposed to be down by West Street.

The scooter is indeed there, and Flynn and Eric Hamm dismantle it by hand with surprising ease, loading the pieces into their canoe. It’s rusted and unmarked, but the tires are in good condition, as is McDonough’s marker, left there four years ago, the Ocean State tag still visible (\$2).

Back at Martini Park, the canoes – laid out again on the grass – are being hosed down. The dumpster next to them filled with whatever has been dredged up.

Most don’t linger very long. Many will return again next year, invigorated by the experience. But the River will remain.

Noise *continued from page 1*

which they fly are hearing more and more noise.

“If you’re near or underneath the path you’re just going to get hit constantly,” he said. “It’s really affected people in Roslindale in particular, not exclusively, but in particular.”

Wright said the change came in 2014, and since then the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has been fielding complaints from all over the country. In early 2016, Congressman Stephen Lynch held a community meeting in Milton with FAA representatives to hash out the details of the flights, but little progress was made from the meeting. Lynch himself has said in the past that he has been able to reroute flights for certain events, like a 9/11 memorial he held in 2015, but even then, the 2017 Fallen Heroes Memorial rededication was continuously interrupted by flights.

Wright said this year has been particularly intense, as work done on several runways has increased the number of flights going in and out of Runway 27, the flight path of which goes over Southwest Boston.

“They resurfaced that runway and then from early July through early September they were doing work on the piers that come off the runway where they have lights and radar and different electrical equipment,” he said. “Basically, Runway 27 is used generally when the winds are out of the west and northwest, which is predominantly in the late fall, early winter and early spring. It’s very unusual for them to use that runway in the summer and fall, but this year they were using it constantly because of the runway work.”

Wright added that the summer time makes airplane noise much more noticeable.

“People are more sensitive to it because their windows are open and they’re outside much more often,” he said.

Wright said the problem is further exacerbated by the growing amount of traffic at Logan, particularly international traffic.

“They schedule their flights

for late at night so they have big Boeing 767s or the air buses leaving at 11 at night or 1 a.m.,” he said. “You fall asleep and bam, at 1 a.m. you’re awake. If the air traffic control guys aren’t being considerate at 5 a.m., you’ll also have an American Airlines flight heading off to Chicago. There are about three to four flights that leave from 5:10 a.m. to 5:20 a.m., then the 6 a.m. morning rush goes nonstop until noon.”

Wright said the group’s meeting last week was very instructive for resident complaints. He said about 50 residents got up and described their location and briefly what the experience has been like. He said the group never thought so many people would come to the community meeting, and this was supposed to be an organizational meeting to set up different committees for what needed to be done to get the ball rolling on fixing the noise. He said that will continue, and they are tentatively planning for a larger community public meeting for Nov. 15, but the date, time and location have not been confirmed at the date of publication.

Wright also said that McCarthy and Lynch are meeting with FAA officials in Washington, D.C. this week to go over residents’ complaints. The meeting occurred after the Bulletin’s deadline.

West Roxbury resident Victor DiModica said he’s spoken with Massport, which told him that more people need to register and contribute online to the Massport complaint division at massport.com/logan-airport/about-logan/noise-abatement/complaints/.

DiModica said his story is like that of many in the local area, and believes that noise monitoring stations need to be set up in the local neighborhoods.

“You cannot sleep with the windows open. Once you are awake you either have to get up or close the windows and try to go back to sleep. Logan and Massport say that there are not enough complaints about the

plane noises. Throughout the city there are noise monitoring locations but none in West Roxbury, Roslindale, Hyde Park or Dedham. The last report from Massport for January 2017 shows 32 complaints from West Roxbury but only eight from residents. Jamaica Plain had 165 total complaints with 47 coming from residents. The more complaints we file the better of our chances for Massport doing some sound abatement in our area.”

By comparison, Milton had 3,703 calls by 221 different residents. West Roxbury Civic Improvement Association President Marty Keoh said residents have to step up with complaints to get any kind of reaction from Massport and the FAA.

“We signed also on today petition for Massport with respect to the airport noise that is increasingly becoming a nuisance,” he said.

The letter from the City Councilors, which also included District 5 City Councilor Matt O’Malley, Wu, McCarthy, At-Large City Councilors Ayanna Pressley, Michael Flaherty and Annissa Essaibi-George, stated that complaints are being ignored by officials.

“Residents are accustomed to a reasonable level of noise associated with living in a city with an airport, but the changes to a narrow concentration of flight paths have made airplane noise in the neighborhoods unbearable,” the letter read. “We have noticed a quantifiable uptick in calls regarding the unbearable noise. Our own exponentially-growing frustration with airplane noise leaves us gravely concerned about the quality of life in our neighborhoods if this issue is not addressed... However, to this point the avenues of registering complaints are proving unfruitful. Regardless of the department or the level of government, we have felt increasingly ignored by the controlling authorities.”



Ask The Doctor

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

To the Doctor: My wife and I own two Jeep Wranglers with hard tops. I am interested in a soft top for both. I looked at the factory Jeep top and was amazed at the price. Can you suggest a company that sells a soft top at a reasonable price that is easy to install? I also like the idea of being able to open the front top section without taking off the complete soft top.

From the Doctor: I own a 2006 Jeep Wrangler Unlimited that did not have a soft top. I contacted BesTop and found them to be 100% supportive before the purchase. A few weeks later, the Trecktop NX soft top arrived. I opened the box and there was a complete soft top with the plastic door surround. The instructions are step by step; approximate installation time is two hours or less. Since my wife drives the Wrangler, she wanted to help with the installation of the new top. She was in charge of the directions. We laid out the new soft top and hardware on a large cloth sheet. She read and I assembled. The first step was to install the plastic door surrounds and rear tailgate mounts; next, we laid the soft top on the Wrangler. Continuing to follow the directions, we loosened the top bar radio speaker mounts to slide the top straps through and secure them. There are also two rear top straps that connect to the rear quarters. The rear window is next and it is a tight fit – it took both of us to secure it. Finally, we installed both rear quarter windows.

Less than two hours of easy work and the Wrangler went from a hard top to a convertible soft top. However, it did take a few days in the hot sun for the top to loosen up. This is real open air driving and all it takes is to open the latches on the windshield! The BesTop Trecktop design gives great viewing from the rear quarter windows as well. There is some normal wind noise from the soft top that you cannot get away from with any brand, even the factory top. Make sure to always use the correct cleaner for the plastic windows and to lubricate the zippers. For more information, go to BesTop.com or call them at 800-845-3567.

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Legals

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The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. **SU17C0419CA**

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300

In the Matter of: Julie Elizabeth Szeplaki
Of:

To all person interested in petition described:
A petition has been presented by Julie E. Szeplaki requesting that:
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IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT: **Boston** ON OR BEFORE TEN O’CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON: **10/19/2017**

WITNESS, Hon. Joan P. Armstrong, First Justice of this Court
Date: September 15, 2017
Terri Klug Cafazzo, Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. **SU16C0146CA**

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
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In the Matter of: Caitlin Essex Pereira
Of: West Roxbury, MA

To all person interested in petition described:
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Caitlin E. Perry / Steven Perry

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WITNESS, Hon. Joan P. Armstrong, First Justice of this Court
Date: September 8, 2017
Terri Klug Cafazzo, Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
Suffolk Division Docket No. **SU16P1229EA**

CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
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Estate of: Mey A. Cooper
Date of Death: 11/28/2014

A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by:
Nicholas M. Cooper of Englewood, FL
requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

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 11/02/2017.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

Witness, Hon. Joan P. Armstrong, First Justice of this Court
Date: September 21, 2017
Terri Klug Cafazzo, Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
Suffolk Division Docket No. **SU15P0023PM**

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: Robert P. Smith

A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by:
Alan C. Kimenker of Newton Centre, MA
requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00a.m. on the return day of 10/19/2017.

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Date: September 15, 2017
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to have some built in recreational facilities the piece that has to do with sound and noise.”

York also said that they will be partnering with the Dimock Health Center in linkage fees to provide a family primary care practitioner doctor’s office in the facility, which will see about 2,500 patients per year. Jackson said they hope to start construction in the late fall of 2018, but if not at that time then the spring of 2019. He said they are working with several partners, including the Millennium Partners Development Group, to help raise funding for the renovation.

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INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE DOCKET No. **SU17P1946EA**

Estate of: Robert G Lincoln Suffolk Division
Also Known As:
Date of Death: 07/16/2017

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate, by Petition of
Petitioner Richard L Moore of Pelham, NH
a Will has been admitted to informal probate
Richard L Moore of Pelham, NH
has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. **SU17P1986GD**

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 §5-405

In the matter of: Lena McFarlane **RESPONDENT**
Of: **(Person to be Protected/Minor)**

To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by
Standish Village of Dorchester, MA / Jonathan Spim of Waltham, MA
In the above captioned matter alleging that is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that
Standish Village of Dorchester, MA / Jonathan Spim of Waltham, MA
(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve **With Corporate Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that a protective order or appointment of Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed Conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00A.M. on the return date of **10/26/2017**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person’s right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

Witness, Hon. Joan P. Armstrong, First Justice of this Court
September 13, 2017
Terri Klug Cafazzo, Register of Probate

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Switch

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terms of attraction power for the restaurants and for the theater,” he said.

The next afternoon, Dotti Baker and Anthony Buccieri are minding the store. Buccieri was recommended to the Switch by Dauer and, after sending in some photos of his lapidary (stone polishing) and silversmith pieces, Marroquin invited him to fill up a display case with his work.

The self-described “closet rock hound” has been working with stone for five years.

“Basically, I was a collector, and I decided to put it in to metal,” Buccieri said.

As he got better at lapidary work, he got into silversmithing.

“I just picked it up,” Buccieri said. “I’m a plumber by trade, so I’m familiar with tools and working with metals and heat. I just keep trying different things. I experiment a lot.”

The three of us are looking down at Buccieri’s work: rich green jade taken from the same block, necklaces, an untouched piece of quartz that looks like a miniature fish bowl set in a ring. We stare at it closely until the artist breaks the silence.

“A lot of times, it’s all about what the stone tells me to do,” Buccieri said.

Baker shows her three oil landscapes. The top one – a scene from Wyoming – is her favorite. It was the first one she painted from a picture that she took herself.

Baker first started taking painting lessons seven years ago at the encouragement of a friend and has hung her work at some shows, but she hasn’t sold anything yet. She joined the Switch – also at the encouragement of friends – and is excited about being part of it.

When asked if she had thought of how she might feel if she were to sell, say, her favorite painting, her response was thoughtful.

“I miss them (the three paintings) now, not being up in my house,” she said. “But it’s also very...”

“Gratifying when something sells,” Buccieri quipped.

“I’m excited to have somebody like my work that much, instead of just always complimenting it,” Baker said.

She starts laughing again, as the three of us glance around at the art that has, for now, found its place.

The grand opening for the Switch (named as a tribute to landlord Maura Tierney’s expression for a short-term rental space) will be on Wednesday, Oct. 4, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at 21 Fairmount Ave.

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